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THE WEEK
AHEAD

TUESDAY

Special meeting: The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority will hold a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. to hear public comment on what qualities they would like to see in the new DDA director. Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main St.

Board meeting: The Plymouth Canton Board of Education will hold their regularly scheduled meeting at 7 p.m. at the E.J. McClendon Center on Harvey.

THURSDAY

Senator visits: U.S. Sen. Spence Abraham, R-Mich., will be at The Gathering off of Kellogg Park from 7-9 p.m. Thursday for an "Old Fashioned Rally with Sen. Spence Abraham" sponsored by the Plymouth Republican Club. Some refreshments and food will be provided.

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Toddler TV show studied

Step aside, Barney. Move out of the way, Big Bird. For the diapered set it's Tinky Winky, Dipsy, Laa-Laa and Po, the "Teletubbies."

The British television import "Teletubbies" is making waves on PBS with its technological babies who have antennas on their heads and television screens in their stomachs.

The show's creator, Ann Wood, says "Teletubbies" is a 'Sesame Street' primer for young children, but critics say the show's simplicity is "dumbing down children's television."

Which raises a question for parents: What do you think about the show? Is age 1 too young to expose children to TV?

Do you have an opinion or have children who adore the "Teletubbies?" If so, let us know by calling (734) 953-2131 after 6 p.m. or by e-mail at smsn@oe.hometown.com. Be sure to leave your name and telephone number and short explanation.



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Restaurant changes hands, name



BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Mr. B's restaurant on Ann Arbor Road is about to become "Boulder's," with a Rocky Mountain theme, karaoke and live music.

Michelle Daugherty of Canton is buying the restaurant; the closing is set for Tuesday.

She's already won city approval for a

Canton business owner Michelle Daugherty is expected to close a deal on the purchase of Mr. B's restaurant this week. Boulder's will debut in its place featuring a "Rocky Mountain" theme, karaoke and new menu items.

liquor license transfer. Daugherty, with husband David's help, plans to open the first week in September after a few changes inside.

"We're really excited; we're trying to get all the last-minute preparations taken care of," said Daugherty, a 1982 Plymouth Canton High grad.

On Wednesday, those preparations included nailing down details with the health department and completion of a

logo design for Boulders.

"It's going to be a family-oriented restaurant. We want everyone's input ... from customers to employees," she said.

After the transfer of Mr. B's becomes final Tuesday, "We will be shut down probably about a week," Daugherty said.

New recessed ceiling lighting will be installed along with new tables (built by her husband) and new chairs.

Blow-ups of photos taken by David on a recent trip to Colorado will grace the walls. Pickaxes and backpacks will also be displayed as part of the mountain-climbing theme.

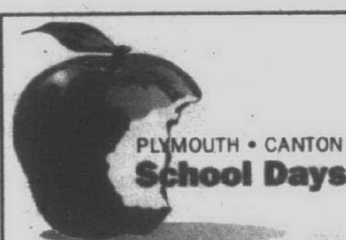
Why the mountain theme? "It's just something that came to me when I was driving down the road one day: Boulders. It just stuck in my head that that would be an interesting concept," Daugherty said.

"The menu is not changing drastically," she said, adding there will be deli sandwiches, black Angus steaks and hamburgers and pizza.

"We are getting the popcorn machine back," she added. A children's menu will be available.

A former manager with Mr. Steak restaurant in Canton, Daugherty took

Please see RESTAURANT, A2



It's that time again ... back to school



In preparation: Tracy Martinson and Maureen Visser, who job-share teaching the third grade at Bentley Elementary in Canton, and Paige Visser, 7, shop for school supplies at Chalk It Up on Sheldon Road. (Right) Nancy Hillegonds of Plymouth shops with her daughter, Sarah, 9, at Kohl's new Ford Road store in Canton for the latest in back to school fashions.



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURCHMANN

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

While going to school can be an exciting time for young students, it can also cause plenty of anxiety for children entering kindergarten and first grades.

The key to helping your children make a happy transition from preschool to kindergarten, or from kindergarten to first grade, is to let them know as much as possible about what they'll be experiencing ... keeping surprises to a minimum.

"We start the school year by having an open house for the children and their parents," said Toni Schwartz, a kindergarten teacher at Isbister Elementary in Plymouth Township. "That way the parents can look around with their child and show them the room and meet the teachers. That's really made a big difference."

Schwartz suggests taking your new kindergartner to school about a week before classes start, peeking in the window and showing the new student his room.

"Talking about school and reassuring the child there will be people to

help them get off the school bus and show them to rooms will help alleviate some fears," said Schwartz.

"We usually start out slow by showing them things such as the drinking fountains and bathrooms, letting them know they can go when they need to," she said. "We give each child a cubby to put their belongings and papers in. And early on we assign a seat so they don't have to worry about where they should sit."

"If they have an older brother or sister at the school, they could help show the younger sibling where to go," added Schwartz.

Making adjustments

Cassandra Johnson teaches kindergarten at Hulsing Elementary in Canton, and agrees that talking about school in a positive light will help kindergartners adjust.

"If a new student talks with a friend or sibling about their positive experiences in kindergarten it will help them a lot," said Johnson. "There are also books which have characters facing their first day of class and the various scenarios that can happen and how they dealt with them ... such as

anxiety about going to class."

Johnson agrees with Schwartz that bringing the new student to school before classes start is a good way to get them familiar with their new surroundings.

"Parents should try to take the kids to school, show them around, and spend some time in the school playground to get them acquainted," said Johnson.

Trude Noble of Plymouth is preparing 5-year-old son Dylan for kindergarten at New Morning School.

"We have talked about riding the bus and going to school," said Noble. "He already knows his teacher because his brother had her, so it will be easier for him."

"He'll be able to see his brother and other kids, and ride the bus home with them," she added. "He seems to be excited about starting school. So I think he'll be fine."

Sometimes the first day of class is as stomach-wrenching for parents as it is for kids.

"If a child is having a hard time and crying, the parent should reas-

Please see SCHOOL, A3

Open houses

ELEMENTARY

Allen (TBA)
Bentley - Aug. 31, (TBA)
Bird - Sept. 24, 7-8 p.m.
Eriksson - Sept. 17, 7-8 p.m.
Farrand - Sept. 22, 6-8 p.m.
Tanger - Oct. 15, 6-7 p.m.
Fiegl - TBA
Field - Sept. 24, 7-8 p.m.
Gallimore - Sept. 22, 24 (TBA)
Hoben - Sept. 3, (TBA)
Hulsing - Sept. 24, (TBA)
Isbister - Sept. 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Miller - Sept. 17, 7-9 p.m.
Smith - Sept. 10, 7-8 p.m.
Tonda - Sept. 9, 6:30-8 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Central - Sept. 16, 7-9 p.m.
East - Sept. 15, (TBA)
Lowell - Sept. 16, 7-9 p.m.
Pioneer - Sept. 3, (TBA)
West - Sept. 16, 7-9 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL

PCEP - Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m.

Plymouth Hilton construction nears finish

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's biggest hotel is now on schedule to open around Thanksgiving.

The four-story, 157-room Plymouth Hilton Garden Inn hotel aims to serve business travelers, especially those in business parks on Plymouth Township's west side.

Work began last fall on the Plymouth Hilton Garden Inn, just northeast of the M-14/Sheldon Road overpass.

"We're probably a little bit behind schedule," said Ron Moran, director of real estate for Heritage Development, builders of the hotel.

"We had originally planned for a late October opening. Now it looks like the middle of November," Moran said.

"The Hilton Garden Inn is geared

toward the business traveler, but that's not to discourage leisure business," he said.

"We're at the point that we're drywalling in the rooms. Probably by the end of tomorrow (Friday) we'll have floors 1,2,3 and 4 dry-walled," Moran said.

Work on tile and cabinetry should start at the beginning of September, he added.

Moran's firm researched the potential for business traveler trade in local industrial parks before work on the project began.

"Through a focus group, we asked if we had this hotel, was there a need for that? The demand was better than our expectations," he said.

Brian Barton of Hotel Investment Management Services will serve as

■ **'We're probably a little bit behind schedule. We had originally planned for a late October opening. Now it looks like the middle of November.'**

Ron Moran
—Real estate director

hotel general manager.

Hilton plans to build 200 Garden Inn hotels by the year 2000.

To stress attention to business travelers, the Hilton Garden Inn Web site states rooms feature oversized work desks with adjustable lighting, desk level electrical outlets, ergonomic chairs, two phones with two lines and

voice mail.

The hotels feature full restaurant service and a market called the Pavilion Pantry. There, guests can buy snacks and other foods which can be heated in in-room microwave ovens.

On Tuesday, Plymouth Township trustees approved a transfer of the liquor license formerly held by the Plymouth Bowl on Plymouth Road to the Hilton Garden Inn.

Asked by trustees what sort of entertainment would be offered, Moran said musical entertainment or dancing could happen in meeting rooms available to businesses.

Moran said his company will continue to advertise the hotel with printed materials available displayed at some of the larger township industrial parks.

Township man faces manslaughter charges

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth Township man charged in a double-fatality highway accident near Sandusky, Ohio, will be back in court next month to face two charges of involuntary manslaughter.

In a Friday court appearance, George Latva, 51, asked for a continuance of his preliminary hearing to give him additional time to find an attorney. The Erie County prosecutor's office also requested further time to gather evidence in the case.

The judge granted a three-week continuance, setting a Sept. 11 date to resume the pre-

liminary hearing.

Latva remains free on a \$10,000 surety bond, and a \$10,000 personal recognizance bond. He was released from jail after his arraignment last Monday when he posted \$1,000.

Latva is charged in the deaths of a 2-year-old boy and his 2-month-old brother when the Chevy Suburban he was driving crashed into the rear of a Saturn on State Road 2 in Margareta Township, near Sandusky.

"It was just so much damage to the rear of the vehicle, it just looks like (the children) were crushed," said Ohio State Highway Patrol Lt. Gabe Ferencz.

Contacted at their home, Mar-

'It was an accident,' said Margaret, who had bruises and scars on her face as a result of the crash. We just happened to be driving a Suburban, which is a tank.'

Margaret Latva
—Township resident

garet Latva was still visibly shaken by the accident which has dramatically changed their lives.

"It was an accident," said Margaret, who had bruises and scars on her face as a result of the crash. "We just happened to be driving a Suburban, which is a tank."

"We're really too upset to talk now," she said. "We're parents, too, and this is just so upsetting."

Treated and released

George and Margaret Latva, along with their daughter, Catherine, 18, and son Peter, 16, were treated and released from

Providence Hospital in Sandusky following the accident.

The accident occurred on the Thomas Edison Bridge, which crosses Sandusky Bay. According to the Ohio State Police, Latva's vehicle crashed into a 3-mile string of cars which were bottlenecked on the highway because of construction.

State police report Latva's vehicle was traveling about 65 miles per hour at the time of the crash.

Pending charges

If convicted, authorities say Latva could face up to five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for each of the two counts of involuntary manslaughter.

Erie County Assistant Prosecutor Carl Wright didn't rule out the possibility of reducing the charges.

"It's a possibility that Mr. Latva could be charged with first-degree vehicular homicide, which is a misdemeanor," said Wright. "That will depend on our investigation findings and negotiations with the defendant."

The misdemeanor charge carries a maximum sentence of six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Auditions

The Plymouth Symphony is hosting auditions for Concertmaster, second oboe, second clarinet, second french horn, section strings and auditions for substitute positions beginning Monday, Sept. 14. For information and audition times call Bill Hulsker, personnel manager at (313) 640-1773 or Russ Reed, music director at (734) 482-3897.

Search is on

The public is being asked what qualities it would like to see in a new Downtown Development Authority director, as current director Steve Guile is leaving Oct. 2.

"The change provides the opportunity to re-evaluate the position of DDA director to insure that it is targeted to the needs of our businesses and residents in the downtown

area," said Sally Repeck, DDA chairwoman.

The DDA has scheduled a special meeting to discuss criteria for the director's position, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Plymouth City Hall.

The public is asked to submit comments in writing by Monday, addressed to the Downtown Development Authority at City Hall, 201 S. Main. Candidates for the post are to be interviewed in October.

New subdivision

The 162-lot Huntington Park Subdivision got final plat approval from Plymouth Township trustees on Tuesday, clearing the way for home building.

The subdivision is to be bordered by M-14 to the north, Napier to the west, Powell Road to the south, and the Plymouth Commons Subdivision to the east.

Restaurant from page A1

a 10-year break from the restaurant business to stay home with her four children.

After the opening, she'll be at Boulder's every day, and so will husband David. He also holds down a job as car salesman at Varsity Ford.

Daugherty plans to present karaoke Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and live bands

doing '50s and '60s music Saturdays.

"We are keeping the employees that were working for Mr. B's; anybody is welcome who wants to stay," she said. The restaurant currently employs 60.

Applications for jobs (to replace the people who are leaving) can be picked up at the restaurant, Daugherty said.

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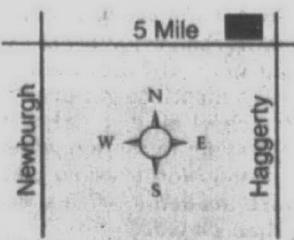
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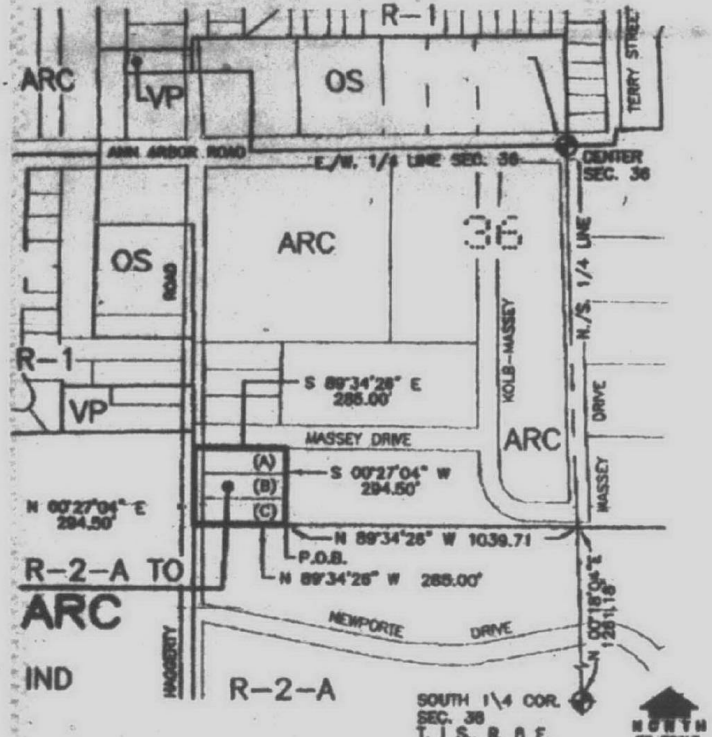
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TO REZONE FROM: R-2-A MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
TO REZONE TO: ARC ANN ARBOR ROAD CORRIDOR
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, September 16, 1998
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Town Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to rezone the following described property from R-2-A, Multiple Family Residential district, to ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor District, ±1.927 acres, more or less.
Application #1527 Page 1 of 1



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A parcel of land situated in the southwest ¼ of section 36, town 1 south, range 8 east, in Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the south ¼ corner of section 36, town 1 south, range 8 east; thence along the north and south quarter line of said section 36, as monumented, north 00°18'04" east 1261.18 feet; thence north 89°34'26" west 1039.71 feet to the point of beginning; thence north 89°34'26" west 285.00 feet to the centerline of Haggerty Road; thence along said line north 00°27'04" east 294.50 feet; thence south 89°34'26" east 285.00 feet; thence south 00°27'04" west 294.50 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 1.927 acres (gross), 1.521 acres (net), subject to the west 60.00 feet of the above described parcel for right-of-way purposes for Haggerty Road. Also, subject to easements and restrictions of record, if any.

ORDINANCE NO. 83

AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 102

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON _____

EFFECTIVE DATE _____

TAX ID NO'S: (A) R78-065-99-0020-000 & (B) R78-065-99-0022-000
(C) R78-065-99-0023-000

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the map, as printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Works 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 address for application review and written comment is 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, phone (734) 453-4972. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address for Township Hall is 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance No. 83.

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MARCIA SAYLES, Secretary
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PCEP students register, tour high schools

Again this year, all Plymouth-Canton Educational Park students, both Salem and Canton, are to pick up schedules at Salem High School according to the timelines listed below.

Students entering PCEP for the first time are required to pay a \$25 book deposit fee. Returning students must pay all fines or return books and materials before a schedule will be issued. At the time of registration, students are required to bring with them the completed and signed three-part emergency information sheet.

The administration warns that stu-

dents will be sent home to the form and will not be admitted to the scheduled pick-up arena without these forms.

All students should also be aware they will have their school identification picture taken at this time (no charge) in addition to being issued parking permits on a first come, first served basis to juniors and seniors wishing to drive to school.

Tuesday, Aug. 25 (grade 12)

Last name S-Z/7:30-8:30 a.m.

Last name N-R/8:30-9:30 a.m.

Last name F-M/9:30-10:30 a.m.

Last name A-E/10:30-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 26 (grade 11)

Last name S-Z/7:30-8:30 a.m.

Last name N-R/8:30-9:30 a.m.

Last name F-M/9:30-10:30 a.m.

Last name A-E/10:30-11:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 27 (grade 10)

Last name S-Z/7:30-8:30 a.m.

Last name N-R/8:30-9:30 a.m.

Last name F-M/9:30-10:30 a.m.

Last name A-E/10:30-11:30 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 28 (grade 9)

Last name S-Z/7:30-8:30 a.m.

Last name N-R/8:30-9:30 a.m.

Last name F-M/9:30-10:30 a.m.

Last name A-E/10:30-11:30 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 31 (Make-up Day)

All Grades/7:30-11:30 a.m.

Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High Schools are also inviting parents to follow their son/daughter's daily schedule on Thursday, Sept. 10, at the PCEP Open House. The campus will be open for self-guided tours at 6:30 p.m. Classroom visits begin promptly at 7 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

PCEP Calendar

Aug. 25-31 - Students pick up fall schedules
 Aug. 31 - First day for teachers
 Sept. 1 - First day for students (1 - 2 day a.m.)
 Sept. 2 - First full day for students
 Sept. 7 - Labor Day (no school)
 Sept. 10 - Open house
 Nov. 3 - 1/2 day in-service (no school p.m.)
 Nov. 12 - Parent conference
 Nov. 25 - No school
 Nov. 26-27 - Thanksgiving break (no school)
 Dec. 21-Jan. 1 - Christmas break (no school)
 Jan. 18 - 1/2 day in-service (no school p.m.)
 Jan. 19-21 - Final exams (no school p.m.)
 Jan. 22 - Records day (no school)
 Feb. 22-26 - Mid-Winter Break (no school)
 March 17 - 1/2 day in-service (no school p.m.)
 April 2-9 - Easter vacation (no school)
 May 13-1/2 day in-service (no school p.m.)
 May 31 - Memorial Day (no school)

In style

School clothes can lighten checkbook

School days, school days ... books and golden rule days.

It's once again time for students, parents and teachers to wrap up summer vacation and get back into the swing of school, which begins Sept. 1 in the Plymouth-Canton district.

The prelude to starting classes, of course, is the preparation ... going shopping for clothes and supplies.

And while shopping for school can be fun, it also can be expensive.

"I spend more money than I want my husband to know," said Joan Soblesky of Canton, who was shopping at Target for her three children who attend Plymouth Christian Academy. "I'll probably spend between \$500-\$1,000 to dress the three."

The same was true for Lisa Albers of Plymouth, who was shopping for Clark, 8, and Alyssa 6, both students at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth, as well as Madelyne, 3, who attends preschool.

"They all go to private schools, so we have to buy uniforms as well as other clothes," said Albers. "Boys aren't as particular, but girls want to match. If you add up all their winter clothes, we probably spend about \$1,500 for all three."

Balancing a budget

Debbie Bauer is the department head at Target for boys' and girls' clothes. With seven children, ranging in age from 8-21, Bauer has a pretty good idea of what's hot and what's not.

"Breakaway pants with snaps down the sides are popular for the boys this year," said Bauer. "So are jeans with stripes."

"Girls are into the same types of clothes. They also like flared jeans because they wear the big shoes. In fact, some girls buy the boys' clothes. Dresses aren't so popular anymore."

And kids today have their own opinions.

"I find that kids have an idea of what they like and want," said Bauer. "Parents sometimes try to steer them to other choices."

"It's harder as they get older," said Cindy Andrews of Plymouth, speaking of her daughter, Christen, 12. "She's getting

to the age where she wants to pick her own clothes. It's expensive, but I watch for the sales."

At Kohl's department store in Canton, operations manager Jeff Hagenmaier said this year's styles are pretty much the same as last year's.

"We still have the basics, but we're also pushing the more fashionable, trendy clothes ... wide-leg jeans, wide-leg khakis, corduroy," he said. "Denim, stripes and streetwear are also popular this year."

"Kids dress a little nicer these days, not as much the grunge look this year," added Hagenmaier. "They still like the brand names on the clothes ... like Champion, Fila and Converse."

Hagenmaier noted back-to-school shopping is a hot time for school apparel, almost as big as Christmas.

"It's the one time of the year when parents drop \$300-\$400 on kids at once," he said.

Take note

School supplies have also become big business for area retailers.

"School supplies are about 3 percent of our business, and it continues to grow every year," said Mike Grima at Target. "Lots of schools now send out their list for school supplies in July, so we have people shopping earlier and all the way through September. There are a lot of procrastinators, just like Christmas. And a lot of people will be back to get things they forgot."

And what's hot when it comes to pencils, markers and notebooks?

"We have a lot more theme stuff this year," said Grima. "Spice Girls, Small Soldiers, Looney Tunes, sports themes. Bright colors are definitely hot."

Parents know supplies can become expensive, especially if there is more than one child going to school.

"We have a list of supplies the school wants them to have," said Soblesky. "It cost nearly \$50 for our oldest because we had to include a calculator. Supplies for the younger children weren't as much, but it's still fairly expensive."

Parents alerted to unexcused absences

There is a new feature that has been added to the attendance procedures at PCEP to keep better keep parents informed of their students' absences and tardiness.

The Automated Parent Notification System (APNS) calls parents and guardians of every student who missed one or more classes unexcused or had one or more tardy to class on that day — every evening between 6:30-9 p.m.

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"We believe that this system will increase student attendance and parental involvement, thereby enhancing the educational experience and academic success for all students at PCEP," stated the PCEP Communicator.

As with any new system, the administration said there is the potential for some start-up difficulties. "Please bear with us during this period and don't hesitate to call if you experience any problems with the system."

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sure them and then let the teacher take over," advises Johnson. "The crying will stop in 5-10 minutes, and we'll help them get adjusted."

Sometimes parents can be a hindrance to a smooth transition.

"Sometimes the parents are crying and don't want to let go," added Johnson. "The longer parents linger, the harder it is for the child."

"I usually show them around the room, letting them see all the fun things there are," she said. "And we give them some time in the playground, which is always a big hit."

A big move

Johnson, who has also taught first grade, said parents shouldn't underestimate the trauma felt by students entering first grade.

"The first day for a first-grader is both physically and emotionally tough for them," said Johnson. "It takes them well over a month to get used to going to school all day. They're used to playing in kindergarten, but in first grade it starts getting more academic with more sitting than playing."

Johnson suggests plenty of



Does this match?: Beth Fritz (left) shops with Kristin, 5, at Kohl's new Ford Road store in Canton.

rest and understanding.

"Parents need to recognize it's a whole new ballgame for them," she said. "It's a harder transition than from preschool to kindergarten."

Raccoon pesters residents

If a rabid raccoon showed up on your lawn, what would you do?

If you have children and pets, you call the police, as Jeni Johnston did.

"It was about 8 this morning. I looked out the window when I was getting coffee and saw it," she said Friday.

By about 10 a.m., she noticed the raccoon going in circles around a tree in the front yard. "It seems disoriented, it's not afraid of anything," she said then. "It doesn't want to eat, we threw him some bread," Johnston said. "It can't get comfortable."

Earlier, "A neighbor who is 92 went up to it and it didn't run," Johnston added.

The raccoon's behavior suggested to Johnston it could be rabid. And that was a concern,

'I'm just glad it's gone.'

Jeni Johnston
—Plymouth resident

as she has two children and two dogs. She decided to keep them all in the house and called the Plymouth Township police.

Johnston was told there was nothing they were able to do, and it was suggested she call Critter Control. But Johnston said there was a \$150 charge to remove the animal.

She then called the Humane Society. "They said they were too busy, they couldn't take my call. Again I was getting the run-around," Johnston said.

"They directed me back to the police station."

"To me this is a public safety issue," Johnston said.

Township Police Lt. Robert Smith said that from the first call police weren't clear that the animal could be rabid. "If it imposes a danger to the public we'll go after it," Smith said.

Meanwhile a neighbor, George Hoffman of Pest Control, came along and took the raccoon away. He killed the animal with a shot to the head.

"It was distemper. He was disoriented. Whenever you see them in the day there's something usually wrong with them," he said.

Smith said police don't respond to reports of a nuisance animal, but will respond if the public safety is threatened.

"I'm just glad it's gone," Johnston said.

Local athletes face closed doors in Canton athletic programs

BY VALERIE OLANDER
STAFF WRITER

The ripple effect of Plymouth Township's defeated recreation millage is creating a frenzy of questions for youth sports in neighboring communities.

Doors also are quickly shutting for Plymouth Township.

"(Plymouth Township) has been serviced well enough by other communities that they never confronted the fact that these programs have been open to them and they're not anymore," said township Supervisor Tom Yack.

Canton Township may eliminate 600 Plymouth Township boys and girls from its baseball and softball program because fees may be too astronomical for non-residents to participate.

Canton plans on dipping into its coffers to buy the \$5 million Canton Softball Center to alleviate a shortage of ballfields.

There's also concerns as to how the city of Plymouth's decision to raise its soccer rates by \$40-\$80 will result in the Canton Soccer Club from being bombarded with new registrants.

Never before have non-resident fees been imposed for the

Plymouth or Canton.

"The issue is if there's a significant number of residents participating in your program then that will cause you to make more land acquisitions and put up more fields. What it comes down to is what's fair to your residents," said Yack.

Capital improvements should be reflected in non-resident fees, he said. Canton recently invested \$41 million to build 12 new soccer fields at Independence Park.

About 30 percent of the 2,300 ballplayers in the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association are from Plymouth, which provides four of 20 ballfields for the leagues.

The CCJBASA, formerly the Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball League, and Canton's Parks and Recreation Department will determine in the coming weeks if a reasonable fee can be designed keep the 600 Plymouth Township kids in the program.

"I don't want these kids without a softball program," said Harry Hill, president of CCJBASA.

"I also don't want the taxpayers coming back and saying, 'Hey why are we paying more of

the burden?'" he said.

Hill also said 600 kids isn't enough for Plymouth to form a league of its own, as suggested by Yack.

The cost to Canton taxpayers for the purchase of the softball center over 10 years is about \$217 per ball player. That would make Plymouth's fee well over \$300, according to Yack.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy was unavailable for comment. Earlier this week, she told the city commission in a letter that residents apparently preferred to pay a user fee than a tax for recreation.

Plymouth Township Municipal Services Director Jim Anulewicz, who is a member of the youth recreation committee and attended a Thursday morning meeting, said there was no discussion that Plymouth ball players would be excluded from the little league program.

"It sounds like their will be some sort of fees, although there's no hard calculations," he said.

Last year, Canton added three additional parks to its community - Barchester, Independence and Freedom parks.

Absopure bails out victims

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth-based water company rescued hundreds of northern Macomb County residents who were left without water when a water main broke last

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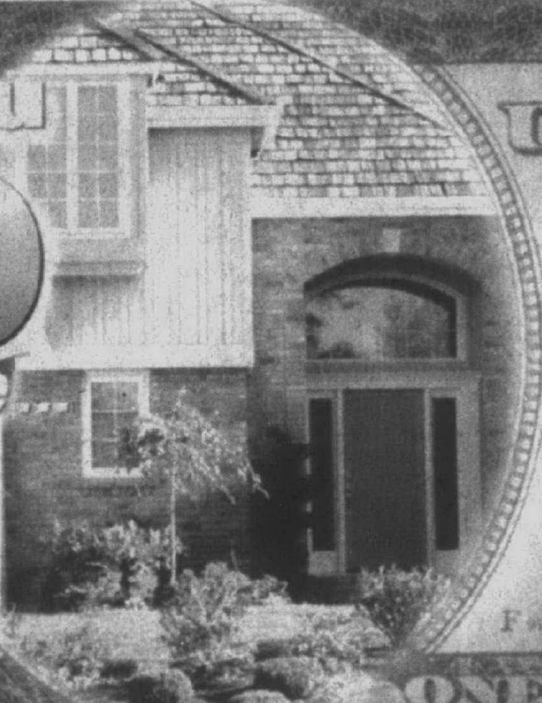




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Metro officials outline plan to help travelers

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

With a strike deadline looming for pilots at Northwest Airlines on Saturday, Aug. 29, Wayne County officials at Detroit Metro Airport have outlined plans to help air travelers inconvenienced by a walkout should one occur.

David Katz, director of Wayne County airports, said about 30 county employees will assist air travelers with finding another airline, or give them information and shuttles to and from local train or bus stations. Information centers will be set up and

brochures prepared for the public.

"In terms of planning and coordination, it's not the kind of thing that will sneak up on us," Katz said.

Katz wants to ensure that travelers aren't stranded at the airport. "We will let people know that there are other carriers. About 55 percent of our traffic is flying with another carrier already."

"I anticipate other carriers will be flying in (at Metro) bigger planes."

Other carriers would be willing to bring in more planes, but

Katz said most of them are filled to capacity.

John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. John Engler, said Engler and governors from Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee and Wisconsin signed a letter sent to President Clinton.

"We want to make sure he is aware of the potential impact to those states," Truscott said. Clinton can step in and order the two sides back to the bargaining table and employees back to work, as he did with the American Airlines strike. Clinton would be expected to step in

should a strike begin.

Engler recently met with Northwest management and with the pilots union on Tuesday.

While there isn't anything he can do legally to involve himself with the airlines' operations, he hopes the two sides can reach an agreement before another strike hurts Michigan's economy.

Michigan lost \$1 billion during GM's walkout, and Truscott estimated a Northwest strike could cost "tens of millions" of dollars.

Early this week it was difficult to tell if progress had been

made.

"It's hard to know what is posturing and what isn't," Truscott said.

Katz believes a short-term strike won't affect the \$1.6 billion airport expansion or the budget, but a strike would affect travelers and concessionaires, Katz said.

On July 6, investors started buying a piece of the airport improvements through a \$1.1 billion bond sale, the largest single-issue airport revenue bond in American aviation history.

As far as actual airport operations are concerned, operating

budgets are adjusted at the end of the fiscal year with Northwest paying more money or credited by Wayne County depending on how actual operations fare against the budget.

"At the end of the year, we send (Northwest) a bill and they are obligated to pay for it," Katz said.

Passenger travel at Metro continues to grow at twice the national average, Katz said. Katz is optimistic a strike will be averted.

"My feeling is Northwest and its team will come together," Katz said.

Commission OKs loan to stadium

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County commissioners approved a \$145 million loan Thursday to finance the new Tiger Stadium after listening to critics who said the penalties were too soft on punishments for contractors who do not employ or hire minorities.

The agreement was revised with last-minute changes. The Tigers have agreed that 50 percent of work and contracts should go to Detroit firms, 30 percent should go to minorities, and 5 percent to women. The club would face a \$50,000 fine for each violation of that agreement, no more than once a month.

Any penalties will go to the Detroit/Wayne County Stadium Authority to fund programs to develop opportunities for disadvantaged workers. The Tigers are expected to sign paperwork in New York by the end of the day Monday with lenders from the Sumitomo Bank.

Mike Anderson, of the Community Coalition, a Detroit black economic empowerment organization, submitted a letter to commissioners urging a vote against the deal, because it would "nullify any semblance of affirmative action."

Anderson said it wasn't too late to change the agreement, stating that commissioners should not feel pressured into making the decision.

"The fine should be tripled to \$150,000," Anderson said. He also recommended a "grass-roots" effort of contracting Michigan minority businesses should be initiated and the fines should be used to construct a building trades center in Detroit.

Commissioner Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, did not like the term "punitive damages" and "fines" used during the stadium discussions. "The prize in my mind is a stadium that is well-constructed, on time and under budget," Patterson said.

Commission Chair Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, told Community Coalition members the commission would monitor the project. "We will work with the association," Solomon said, referring to the African American Association of Business and Contractors.

Charlie Beckham, who leads that association, told commissioners he was working closely with Tigers officials to meet the minority participation goals.

Commissioners unanimously approved the agreement. The Downtown Development Authority and stadium authority also approved the agreement.


Concert in the park

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Jack told me about a new restaurant in Elk Rapids called Pearl's New Orleans Kitchen that he brews a pale ale for. Jack said he thought I'd really enjoy the food and ale, and enjoy it I did.

Executive Chef Mary Palmer gave me the recipes for Crawfish Cakes and Shrimp Creole to share. At the restaurant they serve the Crawfish Cakes with a Smoked Tomato Broth, but that could be a little daunting for home cooks, so I included a Roasted Orange Pepper Garlic Tarragon Mayonnaise.

I made these recipes when I got back home, and served them with Jack's Old Mission Lighthouse Ale and Manitou Amber Ale, which complemented the dishes just as fine as the Pale Ale.

There's plenty of great weather left for going up north, and if you are in the Traverse City area, visit the Traverse Brewing Co., which is about 15 miles out of Traverse in Williamsburg; Elk Rapids is north on 31; and Pearl's is at 617 Ames Road, almost one mile east of U.S. 31 in Elk Rapids.

ROASTED ORANGE PEPPER MAYO

- 1 large orange bell pepper, roasted, peeled and seeded
- 2 medium cloves of roasted garlic
- 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon fresh tarragon, finely minced
- Salt and pepper to taste

Place the pepper and garlic in a blender or food processor, and process until smooth. Add to mayo, then add tarragon. Mix well and place in a covered container and refrigerate overnight.

CRAWFISH CAKES

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/4 cup green onions, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons green bell pepper, small dice
- 2 tablespoons red bell pepper, small dice
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 pound crawfish tails, roughly chopped
- 2 tablespoons Creole Seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon Tabasco sauce
- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup bread crumbs

Melt butter in large sauté pan, add onions, peppers, and garlic. Sauté lightly, set aside.

In large mixing bowl, combine vegetables, crawfish tails, seasonings, cheese, eggs and bread crumbs.

Portion mixture into 2 ounce patties, and coat with bread crumbs. Place on wax paper covered tray. Sauté crawfish cakes in canola oil until golden brown, place on serving plate. Serves 4.

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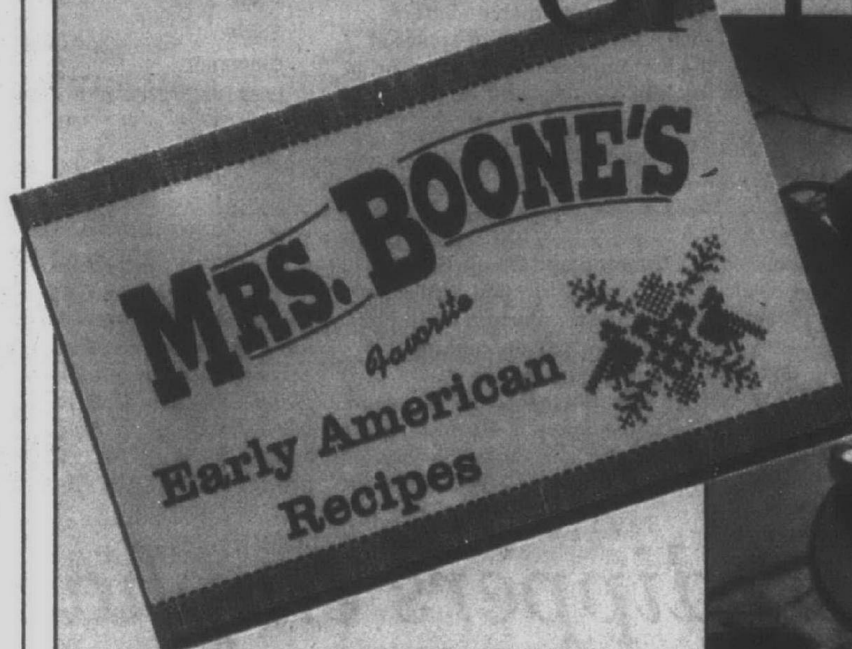
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 cup onions, medium dice
- 1 green pepper, medium dice
- 2 stalks celery, sliced

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Peek into Mrs. Boone's kitchen

"Mrs. Boone's" oven didn't have a thermostat, and when she measured ingredients, if she did at all, she'd use a teacup, or a "pinch of" of this and "some" of that.

"Cooking has become a science, in the old days it used to be an art defined by each cook," said Ron Monchak of Rochester Hills, publisher of "Mrs. Boone's Favorite Early American Recipes," (Momentum Books LTD, compiled by Franklin Fox \$15.95).

"Mrs. Boone's" first book, "Mrs. Boone's Wild Game Cookbook," inspired the second.

"We found some interesting old, old recipes, and discovered they differed considerably from recipes today," said Monchak, who owns Troy based Momentum Books. "We take all this modern cuisine for granted."

While researching "Mrs. Boone's Wild Game Cookbook," Monchak said they discovered some wonderful recipes, and ideas about cooking that weren't found anywhere.

"We thought it would be fun to recreate these recipes," said Monchak. "It's enjoyable to read. You don't have to be a cook."

The recipes were submitted by friends, neighbors, and relatives. Monchak found some of them in one of his mother's old cookbooks. He also

scoured used bookstores for out-of-print cookbooks.

"My mother, Rose, cooks all the time," he said. "She's 85 years old, and takes it more for granted. She had an old 19th century cookbook that was out of print for 100 years."

Possum, squirrel and pigeon probably aren't your idea of what's for dinner tonight, but you'll find these recipes in "Mrs. Boone's Favorite Early American Recipes."

"Mrs. Boone," doesn't exist, she's a fictional character, kind of like Betty Crocker. If you wanted to know something about cooking squirrel, Daniel Boone's mother is someone you'd trust for advice, hence the name — Mrs. Boone.

The 176 page paperback cookbook brings to life recipes from a bygone era when cooks judged the temperature of her wood burning oven by "opening the oven door and quickly waving a hand through it, or by sprinkling a little dry flour inside. If the flour turned dark, the oven was considered too hot and allowed to cool."

They didn't have timers then, and a good cook knew how to tell if something was done by "color, smell, or gently probing with a fork or toothpick."

"Mrs. Boone" shares recipes, and historical tidbits in her book. For instance, did you know John-

ny Cake, a basic cornbread, "was taken on the trail and originally called journey cake?"

Brown Betty is one of the oldies but goodie desserts featured in the cookbook. Old-time desserts are never out of style.

According to a list of trends by "Bon Appetit" topping the list of "Must Have Desserts," are upside-down cakes, cobblers and crisps.

Upside-down cake originated in the 1900s using newly-available canned pineapple and maraschino cherries.

Celebrating its 11th year, Momentum Books Ltd. is a general book publisher. "We take a great deal of pleasure in doing these books because they're different," said Monchak.

Momentum Books also published "The Ultimate Lark," by local restaurateur Jim Lark, and "The Simply Great Cookbook," and "The Simply Great II Cookbook," featuring recipes from the chefs and staffs of Chuck Muer restaurants.

This spring, look for "Heart to Heart," a cookbook written by Jeffrey Leeds, who changed the way he eats after receiving a heart transplant. "Mrs. Boone's Favorite Early American Recipes," at your favorite book store, or call Momentum Books (248) 828-3666.

See recipes inside.

Potato soup, spinach calzones are favorites

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Growing up in Hamtramck during the Great Depression, Steven Benche of Troy remembers the Potato Soup his mother made.

"This is an old recipe," he said. "It is meatless, tasty and easy to make, especially when the potatoes are new and the parsley is fresh from the garden."

Benche and his wife Cassie have two children, and will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary on Monday.

"I like to cook," said Benche who retired in 1975 from Chrysler Corp. where he worked as a bookkeeper. "When my wife doesn't feel like cooking, I do."

Next month Benche will celebrate his 84th birthday. "I still get around," he said. Soups are Benche's specialty, he also makes a good meatloaf too. Besides cooking he enjoys growing tomatoes and cucumbers in his garden.

Cheese makes the difference

Spinach is good for you, but most kids think it's yucky and slimy. Shirley Ellul of Redford discovered a way to make it more appetizing to her three girls

ages 18, 14 and 8.

She combines the spinach with cheese to make Spinach Calzones, which have become a family favorite. "In addition, I have adapted the recipe to be pretty easy for working moms," she said. "I used to use fresh spinach and make my own dough, then I switched to frozen white bread dough, now I use refrigerated biscuit dough."

Ellul and her husband Gary own Phoenix Installation in Livonia. "We install built-in appliances for major retail chains," she said. Shirley has always worked to help their family business, but since 1996 she's been working 40 hours a week leaving less time for cooking.

"I try to cook ahead," she said explaining how she finds time to prepare home cooked meals for her family. "I plan meals for the week on Sunday, and do my grocery shopping after the sale papers come out on Tuesday."

The Spinach Calzones could be made ahead of time and reheated for dinner. Shirley serves them with tomato sauce.

"For my daughter's confirmation I served them as a side dish," she said. "I put the calzones in a basket and served hot tomato sauce on the side."

POTATO SOUP

- 2 1/2 quarts water
- 6 medium potatoes, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch cubes
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup chopped celery leaves
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil

- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

In a large kettle, sauté onion in butter for 3 minutes. Add potatoes, water, celery leaves, salt, pepper, paprika and tomato sauce; bring to a boil.

Reduce heat, cover and simmer for 30 minutes or until potatoes are just tender, stirring occasionally.

In a small skillet, combine oil and flour until smooth. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture is golden brown. Carefully stir into hot soup. Add parsley. Cook, stirring occasionally for 5 minutes, or until smooth and soup thickens. Yield 12 servings.

Served with a tossed green salad, Spinach Calzones, is a quick, no-fuss dinner for families on the go. If you prefer fresh spinach instead of canned, buy a bag, cut off the stems, and steam until limp. Squeeze out excess moisture.

"Instead of biscuits you could use phyllo dough for a flakier crust," she said. "I like Hungry Jack Biscuits, but any brand will do."

SPINACH CALZONES

- 1 (14 ounce) can spinach, drained well and squeezed dry by hand to remove as much water as possible
- 1 1/2 cups low-fat ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- 4 cans refrigerator biscuits

Mix spinach and cheeses together in mixing bowl. If you think the mixture is too green for your kids, you may want to add more mozzarella cheese.

Put about 3 tablespoons filling in center of biscuit and cover with another biscuit. Seal edges well.

Place calzones on greased cooking sheet. Repeat steps using up spinach/cheese mixture and biscuits.

Bake at 325°F for 20-25 minutes or until light brown. Top with spaghetti sauce and serve warm. Makes 20 calzones.

Everyone knows the best recipes are ones you share. Send your "Favorite Recipe to Share," to Keely Wygonik, Taste Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Fax recipe to (734) 591-7279, or e-mail kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

If your recipe is chosen to be featured, you'll receive an apron, and cookbook.

Look for Recipe to Share in Taste on the third Sunday of the month.

Classic American desserts are never out of style

See related story on Taste front.

GINGERED PEAR UPSIDE DOWN CAKE

Topping
5 tablespoons stick 70 percent vegetable oil spread
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger or 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
2 tablespoons toasted wheat germ
3 small ripe Bartlett or Bosc pears, peeled, quartered and cored

Cake
1 1/4 cups all purpose flour
3/4 cup granulated sugar

3/4 cup toasted wheat germ
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup fat-free milk
5 tablespoons stick 70 percent vegetable oil spread, melted
1 egg, lightly beaten
1 teaspoon vanilla
Heat oven to 350°F.

For topping cut vegetable oil spread into 5 pieces in 9-inch round cake pan; add brown sugar. Place pan in oven for 5 minutes or until spread is melted, stirring once. Remove pan from oven. Stir ginger into sugar mixture and sprinkle evenly with 2 tablespoons wheat germ. Arrange pear quarters in pinwheel shape, rounded side down, over sugar mixture around

edges of pan; set pan aside.

For cake, combine flour, granulated sugar, remaining 3/4 cup wheat germ, baking powder and salt in medium bowl; mix well. In small bowl, combine milk, melted spread, egg and vanilla; blend well. Add to flour mixture; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Spoon batter evenly into baking pan.

Bake 50 to 55 minutes or until golden brown and a wooden pick inserted in center of cake comes out with a few moist crumbs clinging to it. (Do not overbake).

Cool 5 minutes in pan. Loosen sides of cake from pan. Invert onto a serving platter, letting glaze drip down sides of pan; spoon any glaze remaining in pan onto cake. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Store cooled cake tightly wrapped. Serves 12.

Nutrition information: 1/12 of recipe - Calories 280, Calories from fat 100, Total fat 12g, Saturated fat 2g, Cholesterol 120mg, Sodium 290mg.

Recipe compliments of Kretschmer Wheat Germ.

BROWN BETTY

1 cup bread crumbs
2 cups tart apples, chopped
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
2 teaspoons butter, cut into small pieces
Cream

Butter a deep dish and start with a layer of chopped apples at the bottom. Sprinkle with sugar, a few bits of butter and cinnamon.

Cover with the bread crumbs and add more chopped apple. Proceed in this fashion until the dish is full, ending with a layer of crumbs on top.

Cover closely and steam for 3/4 hour in a moderate (350°F) oven. Uncover and brown quickly.

Serve in the dish in which it has been baked. Eat warm with sugar and cream.

APPLE FRITTERS

6 tart apples, not too mellow
3 eggs
2 cups milk
Pinch of baking soda
Pinch of salt
Flour
Sugar
Cinnamon
Lard (vegetable shortening)

Powdered sugar

Pare and core the apples, and cut them into round slices about 1/2-inch thick. Beat the eggs lightly and add in the milk. Add baking soda, salt and just enough flour to make a stiff batter.

Dip the apple slices in a mixture of sugar and cinnamon. Put each slice on the forefinger and whirl it in batter until thickly covered. Drop into hot lard or drippings and fry until golden brown.

Dust with powdered sugar before serving.

Recipes from "Mrs. Boone's Favorite Early American Recipes Cookbook," (Compiled by Franklin Fox, \$15.95, Momentum Books Ltd., Troy).

Cheers from page B1

1 tablespoon garlic, minced
2 pounds tomatoes, diced
1 cup clam juice
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon thyme
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper

1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1 bay leaf
24 shrimp
2 cups cooked white rice

In a large saucepan, melt butter and sauté onions, peppers, celery, and garlic until they begin to soften. Add tomatoes, clam juice,

paprika, salt, thyme, cayenne pepper, black pepper, and bay leaf. Reduce heat to low and cook for 15 minutes until sauce starts to thicken. Remove from heat and chill.

At service time, sauté 24 shrimp in butter, when cooked half way,

add the prepared Creole Sauce. Bring mixture to a boil, and serve over white rice. Portion should be 6 shrimp per person, making it 4 servings for this recipe.

At the Water Club Seafood Grill, we have a SummerFest Menu, which features Salmon of the Angels - sautéed salmon

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reservations/information.

Chef Joseph Styke is sous chef at the Water Club Seafood Grill in Plymouth, and an award-winning home brewer. Look for his column on the last Sunday of the month in Taste.

Grilling recipe for chicken dippers emphasizes flavor

AP - Spicy, hot flavors stand up well to the heat of the grill, say the authors of a new book on grilling.

"Grilling for Dummies" (IDG Books, \$19.95) by Marie Rama and John Mariani offers loads of lore on grilling, from choosing equipment and firing up to handling and choosing foods and seasonings.

There are also 175 recipes, paying special attention to flavor. Among the recipes are these for Chicken Satay with Peanut Dipping Sauce, and Gingery Grilled Vegetables.

CHICKEN SATAY WITH PEANUT DIPPING SAUCE

2 whole boneless, skinless

chicken breasts, about 2 1/2 pounds
1/3 cup olive oil
1/4 cup lime juice
2 tablespoons grated lime peel
2 tablespoons fresh coriander, chopped with stems
2 small scallions, trimmed and chopped
1 teaspoon pepper sauce
1 large clove garlic, peeled and minced

Lay one chicken breast placed between two pieces of waxed paper on cutting board or other flat surface. Using meat mallet (rolling pin or bottom of heavy skillet also work), pound breast to flatten slightly; cut across grain into 1-

inch-wide strips. Repeat with second breast. Place strips in large resealable plastic bag or mixing bowl.

In small mixing bowl or glass measuring cup, combine remaining ingredients. Pour marinade over chicken strips. Seal bag or cover bowl and marinate in refrigerator at least 4 hours or overnight.

Prepare medium-hot fire in charcoal or gas grill.

Remove chicken from marinade and thread on bamboo or metal skewers. (Pre-soak bamboo or wooden skewers in water for 30 minutes before using to prevent them from burning.)

Place skewers on well-oiled grill,

4 to 6 inches from heat. Grill about 4 minutes on each side, or until done. Serve with Peanut Dipping Sauce.

Makes 4 main dish servings or 8 to 10 appetizer servings.

PEANUT DIPPING SAUCE

1 tablespoon corn oil
1 clove garlic, peeled and minced
1 teaspoon peeled and minced fresh ginger
2/3 cup canned coconut milk
1/3 cup crunchy peanut butter
2 tablespoons soy sauce
1 tablespoon lime juice
1 tablespoon rice vinegar

1 teaspoon pepper sauce
2 tablespoons fresh, chopped coriander

In medium skillet, heat oil over medium heat; add garlic and ginger and cook 1 to 2 minutes, stirring until garlic is softened. (Be careful not to let the garlic brown.)

Add coconut milk, peanut butter, soy sauce, lime juice, rice vinegar and pepper sauce. Stir well to combine. Bring mixture to boil, reduce heat and simmer for about 1 to 2 minutes. Transfer sauce to small bowl and sprinkle with coriander. Serve with grilled chicken strips, as dipping sauce.

Makes about 1 1/4 cups.

vegetables (tomatoes, onions, summer squash, zucchini, mushrooms, peppers, cut 1/4 to 1/2-inch thick)

In medium-size mixing bowl or glass measuring cup, combine first nine ingredients for marinade.

Place sliced vegetables into 1-gallon, resealable plastic bag or other large container. Pour the marinade over the vegetables in the bag or container.

Press air out of bag and seal tightly, or cover container. Refrigerate 30 minutes to 1 hour, turning bag over once or occasionally tossing the vegetables in container.

Prepare medium-hot fire in charcoal or gas grill.

Place vegetables on lightly oiled grill (or in hinged wire basket or on grill topper) 4 to 6 inches over heat.

Grill firmer vegetables such as squash, zucchini, peppers and onions about 10 to 15 minutes, turning once. Grill more tender vegetables like tomatoes and mushrooms about 5 minutes, turning once. All vegetables should be cooked until lightly browned and still crisp-tender. Before serving, season with additional salt, pepper and pepper sauce, if desired.

Makes 6 servings.

GINGERY GRILLED VEGETABLES

1/2 cup white wine vinegar
1/3 cup light soy sauce
6 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons sesame oil
2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger
1 tablespoon brown sugar, packed
2 large cloves garlic, peeled and minced
2 teaspoons pepper sauce, or to taste
Salt and black pepper to taste
6 to 7 cups sliced fresh veg-

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Little-known quinoa adds unusual flavor to potato salad

BY DANA JACOBI
SPECIAL WRITER

Quinoa is a perfect grain for summer salads. It is light, cooks quickly, and mixes well with many other ingredients. In addition this sesame-sized whole grain is a good source of protein, making it a good choice for nutritious, meatless meals.

An ancient grain, quinoa originated in the Andes mountains of South America. Today it thrives at high altitudes in Colorado and western Canada as well as Peru, Bolivia, parts of Ecuador and Colombia. When quinoa is beige mixed with some darker grains, rather than uniform ivory or yellow, it is likely that it was grown in the United States.

The flavor of quinoa can range from nutty to sweet to grassy. Some people complain that it has a bitter taste, but this usually means the grains have not been well rinsed before cooking.

To avoid an unpleasant flavor, always wash quinoa vigorously under cool water until the water no longer foams. This will rid the grains of their natural soap coating, saponin, which acts like a natural insect repellent.

The machines used during processing usually removes most of the saponin, but even a tiny

residue can make the grain taste bitter.

Quinoa is one of the fluffiest whole grains. Toasting it in a dry pan before cooking can make it even lighter. It is also one of the fastest cooking grains, taking 20 minutes from start to finish, including rinsing. It is done when you see tiny white halos floating with the grain.

I sometimes used quinoa in salad recipes that call for couscous or bulgur. I make a feather-light tabbouleh with it, as well as a colorful salad combining quinoa with raisins, chopped walnuts and an assortment of chopped raw vegetables and curry powder.

This salad is my version of a traditional dish from Crete, where it is usually made with barley.

BEEF, QUINOA AND POTATO SALAD

2 medium beets, or 1 large beet
1/2 cup quinoa
1/2 pound potatoes, peeled, cut in 3/4-inch cubes
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 cups water
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

In a large saucepan, boil the beets in a generous amount of water until they are tender when pierced with a knife, about 30 minutes. Drain and cool. Peel the beets and cut them into 3/4-inch cubes. Place in a medium bowl.

Meanwhile, place the quinoa in a sieve and rinse under cool running water until there is no foam. Drain thoroughly. Place the quinoa in a heavy-bottomed, medium saucepan over medium-high heat. Toast the grain, stirring frequently with a wooden spoon, about 8 minutes. The damp kernels may stick at first, so scrape them firmly to prevent burning. Continue stirring until the individual grains separate and start popping. Remove pot from the heat.

Carefully add 2 cups water, standing back to avoid being splattered. Cover the pot and return it to the burner. Reduce the heat, and simmer 12 minutes, until the grains are translucent and *al dente*. Remove the pot from the heat and let the quinoa sit, covered, for ten minutes. Fluff with a fork to separate the grains. Add the cooked quinoa to the beets.

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the potatoes, arranging the cubes in a sin-



Savory Salad: Beet, Quinoa, and Potato Salad is hearty enough to be served luke-warm or at room temperature, as the centerpiece of a meatless meal.

gle layer. Cook the potatoes, turning them until lightly browned on all sides, about 6-8 minutes. Cover the skillet and cook the potatoes 3-4 minutes longer, until they are tender.

Add the potatoes to the bowl and toss with the quinoa and beets until the mixture is an even ruby red color. Season with salt and pepper. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Each of the six servings contain 126 calories and 3 grams of fat.

Prepared by cookbook author Dana Jacobi for the American Institute for Cancer Research.

Steamed vegetable dumplings are low in fat ... and delicious

AP - Sweet Tortilla Bites, Burritos with Black Bean-Corn-Raisin Stuffing, Steamed Vegetable Dumplings. These are some of the low-fat and delicious recipes that Sarah Schlesinger has included in her latest book, "500 More Fat-Free Recipes" (Villard, \$25). All of the recipes in Schlesinger's book conform to the FDA's low-fat guideline of 3 grams of fat or less per serving.

The following recipe for Steamed Vegetable Dumplings features minced spinach and shiitake mushrooms. Each serving contains 1 gram of fat.

STEAMED VEGETABLE DUMPLINGS

Preparation Time: 20 minutes
Cooking Time: 10 minutes
2 cups minced shiitake mushrooms

1/2 cup minced onion
1 cup minced fresh spinach
3 cloves garlic, minced
1 tablespoon minced fresh gingerroot
1 teaspoon curry powder
1 tablespoon sherry
2 egg whites, lightly beaten
2 teaspoons reduced-sodium soy sauce
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper

per
60 wonton wrappers
4 large lettuce, kale, or spinach leaves

Combine mushrooms, onion, spinach, garlic, gingerroot, curry powder, sherry, egg whites, soy sauce and cayenne pepper in a large bowl. Mix thoroughly.

Place a generous tablespoon of the mixture in the center of a won-

ton wrapper, raise the corners of the wrapper and pinch them together, leaving a small opening for steam to escape.

Line the bottom of a steamer basket with lettuce, kale or

spinach leaves, place a layer of dumplings in the steamer, and steam until dumplings are done, about 10 minutes. Serve hot. Makes 10 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 164 cal., 1 g fat, 0 mg chol., 6 g pro., 32 g carbo., 1 g dietary fiber, 326 mg sodium.



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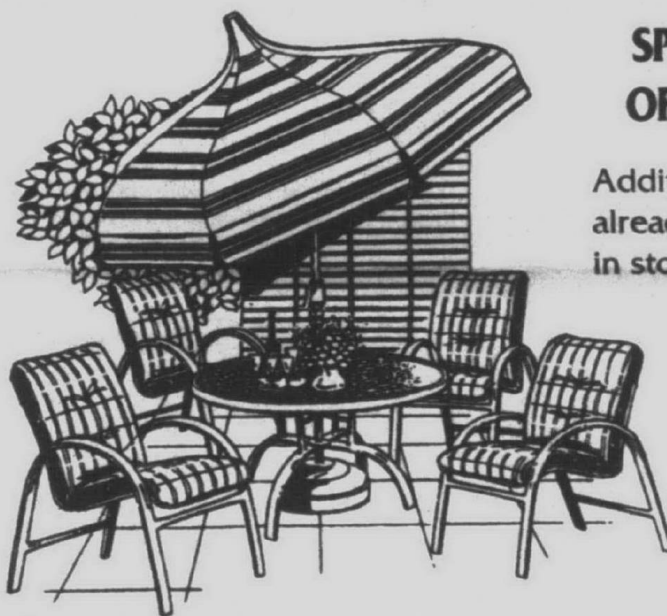
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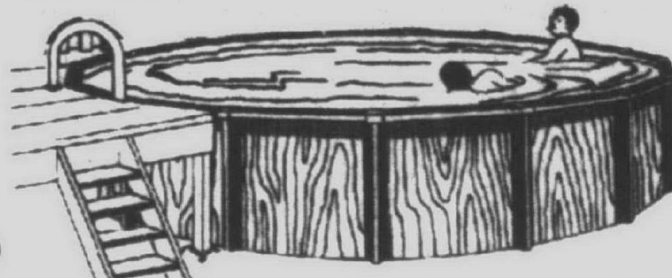
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Madonna University in Livonia is offering a stress-management course for the fall term. "Stress Management for Personal Health" will be held from 4-6 p.m. on Mondays, Sept. 14 through Oct. 19. The non-credit fee is \$100. Students can earn 1.5 continuing education units. The course also is available for credit, even if you are not an admitted student. For registration information, call (734) 432-5731 or fax (734) 432-5364.

Striking out cancer

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute is teaming up with WJR-760 AM for the 12th annual "Bowl for the Cure". On Monday, Aug. 24, the tournament will start at 8 p.m. at Plum Hollow Lanes in Southfield.

On Wednesday, Aug. 26, WJR's Sportswrap will broadcast live beginning 6:30 p.m. from the Super Bowl in Canton, where the radio station's team will share its lane with the team that collects the most money over \$100.

The event's Benefit Day will be from 9 a.m. to midnight Monday, Sept. 7 at 11 bowling centers, including Merri Bowl in Livonia, Super Bowl in Canton and Plum Hollow Lanes in Southfield.

For information or an entry form, call Wendy Corriveau at (800) 527-6266.

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Datebook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies). We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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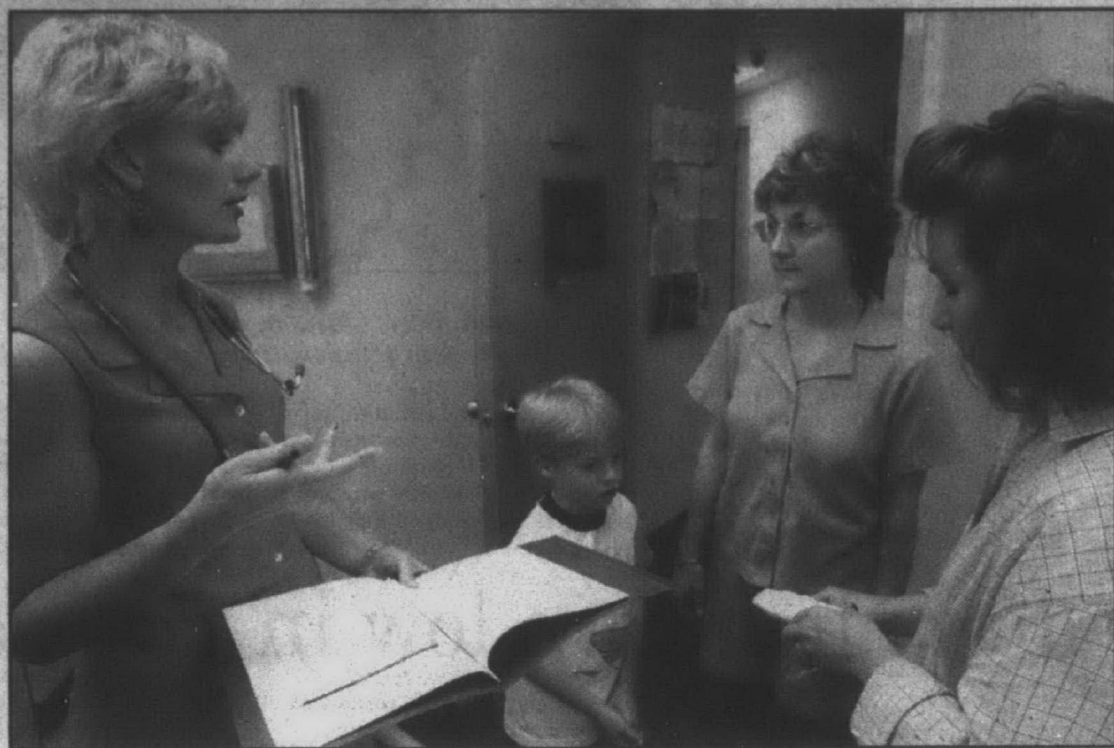
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NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Holistic approach treats spirit, mind and body



Patient care: At far left, pediatric nurse practitioner Sondra Raubacher consults with patients, while above, nurse practitioner Pat Rutowski examines one of her patients.

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

Nurse practitioners listen to their patients. They listen for the person, not just the symptoms.

"We're trained in the holistic approach - spirit, mind and body. Based on that, integrated into our training is a great deal of the art of communication," said Pat Rutowski, a nurse practitioner with the University of Michigan's Plymouth healthcare office.

Rutowski has a master's degree in women's health and two additional years of study in primary care. She is certified in adult primary care and women's health. Her specialty is incontinence.

She sees patients of all ages, from adolescents to the elderly, for acute limited problems like upper respiratory infections as well as chronic but stable conditions. Many of her female patients are peri- or post-menopausal.

Besides listening to her patients, Rutowski believes them. "You have to believe there is a problem. Whether the problem is where the patient thinks it is or where you have to explore."

Next comes the essential but time-consuming application of the nurse practitioner's holistic philosophy. "You tap into their values and beliefs about institutions, prescribed medicine vs. alternative therapies, counseling, exercise and therapy. You try to fit together a plan that is collaborative in nature."

"Why not this philosophy in the entire system? That's what is being advocated now. A good therapeutic relationship is an interpersonal relationship."

The American College of Nurse Practitioners

defines a nurse practitioner as a registered nurse with advanced academic and clinical experience that enables him or her to diagnose and manage most common and many chronic illnesses, either independently or as part of a health-care team.

Nurse practitioners are a segment of advanced practice nurses (APNs), which includes clinical nurse specialists, nurse midwives and nurse anesthetists.

In Michigan, which has a high concentration of physicians, nurse practitioners work under the authority of doctors. They can prescribe medications but no controlled substances. They also order and interpret lab tests and X-rays. They focus largely on health maintenance, disease prevention, counseling and patient education.

Variety of work

Nurse practitioners work within several specialties, including neonatology, nurse-midwifery, pediatrics, school health, family and adult health, women's health, mental health, home care, geriatrics and acute care.

Rutowski finds her job very satisfying; frustrations, for the most part, concern reimbursement and prescriptive authority in terms of the state and third-party payers. Nurse practitioners currently receive 85 percent of a physician's fee schedule from Medicare.

Rutowski is not anti-doctor.

"There are very experienced nurse practitioners who think we don't need doctors. I don't feel that way. My practice is a collaborative one with internal medicine and obstetrics and gynecology."

Phyllis Collier, a nurse practitioner for 21 years, currently practices at Henry Ford Health System's Livonia office. Although she is certified in adult primary care, 60 percent of her practice is geriatrics. Just before being interviewed, Collier diagnosed mild congestive heart failure in an 83-year-old male complaining of shortness of breath.

He had high cholesterol, high blood pressure and a family history of heart disease. An X-ray confirmed Collier's diagnosis. "We hope we kept him out of the hospital. All manner of adverse effects happen when our seniors go into the hospital," said Collier.

Collier currently sees 13 to 14 patients a day. As her practice becomes more focused on seniors, she expects that number to drop to eight to 10. "As nurse practitioners, we are given more time for a patient, which gives us time to give

patients what a physician can't provide."

And like Rutowski, Collier invites her patients to participate in their own care. "I think every practitioner better have an open mind and invite their patients to tell them what they want. I'm a firm believer that people should direct their own care."

Working together

Collier doesn't understand the resistance some physicians have for nurse practitioners. "We don't want anyone to think we want to be doctors because we do not. I think every nurse practitioner knows her level of expertise. There's room for all of us in this profession."

She believes mid-level providers enhance a physician's practice, especially one with lots of seniors. "If you think of geriatric care, you think of nurse practitioners."

Sondra Raubacher, a pediatric nurse practitioner with Child Health Associates in Plymouth, sees jaundiced newborns, children with attention-span deficits, and adolescents with eating disorders. She also does pelvic exams and family planning.

Please see NURSES, B5

Nurse practitioners in Michigan

■ As of January 1996, there were 895 certified nurse practitioners in the state, or 9.5 per 100,000 population.

■ Almost 36 percent of NPs are associated with physician/nurse practices, almost 15 percent are with hospitals.

■ Nurse practitioners in Michigan must receive "delegated authority" from a physician in order to prescribe medications. They are not allowed to prescribe controlled substances.

■ In most states, including Michigan, NPs are allowed practice without direct physician supervision.

■ In Michigan, Medicaid provides 100 percent reimbursement for family and pediatric NP services. Medicare reimburses for NP services in rural areas and in urban areas only when the services are integral to the physician's practice and directly supervised. Private insurers are not required to reimburse. In certain areas, a Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan pilot program reimburses all NP services at 85 percent of the physician rate.

■ As the HMO market in Michigan develops, more NPs may be needed if the supply of primary care physicians is inadequate. Because of the present shortage of primary care physicians in rural locales, the demand for NPs in those areas may continue to increase despite the absence of managed care.

Source: "Health Professions Workforce in Michigan: State of the State," a report prepared by Public Sector Consultants, Inc. for the Michigan Primary Care Association.



Checking it over: Phyllis Collier, a nurse practitioner for 21 years, looks over a patient's record with a colleague. She practices at Henry Ford Health System's Livonia office.

Boomer lifestyle blamed for memory lapses

Busy baby boomers are more likely than older people to forget to take the pills their doctors prescribe, according to a University of Michigan study.

"Being too busy, not being old, is what leads people to make mistakes in taking their medications," says Denise C. Park, a psychologist at the U-M Institute for Social Research, who presented her findings this month at the annual meeting of the International Congress of Applied Psychology.

With money from the National Institute of Aging, Park and her colleagues designed a study to learn who most likely makes mistakes and what kinds of mistakes they make.

For eight weeks, the researchers studied 121 men and women between the ages of 34 and 84, all diagnosed

with moderately severe rheumatoid arthritis. On average, participants took four types of medication.

"We selected that illness because we expected medication adherence to be very good," says Park. "Taking the medications commonly prescribed leads to real relief from pain, stiffness and other symptoms."

Researchers first tested all participants to determine their levels of depression and anxiety and to find out their attitudes about arthritis and disease in general. Participants also went through testing to assess their memory recall and other measures of mental functioning.

Park and her colleagues developed the "Busy Life Style Questionnaire" to measure the chaos and unpredictability

of the participant's daily lives, asking about missed breaks or rest periods, daily routines and activities with family members.

After these initial assessments, participants received the prescriptions they were taking in new containers, special bottles with caps containing tiny electronic monitoring chips that recorded exactly when the bottles were opened.

Overall, the researchers found a surprisingly high level of adherence. Nearly 40 percent didn't make a single medication error during the two months studied. Of all the mistakes made, more than 95 percent were errors of omission. Just 1.2 percent took an extra dose.

Perfect adherence was more common

among older than younger adults. Fully 47 percent of those over the age of 55 made no mistakes, compared with just 28 percent of those between the ages of 34 and 54.

What usually led to mistakes was being too busy, Park found. Being slightly unhappy also contributed, combined with the belief that taking the medications may make you feel better physically but won't make you feel any better emotionally.

For doctors, the implications of the research are clear: "Consider prescribing simpler drug regimens for busy, middle-aged patients, not for older patients," says Park.

For busy boomers, Park suggests using memory aids such as written reminders or beeping wristwatches.

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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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MON, AUG. 24

BREASTFEEDING CLASS

A one-session class providing information to expectant parents on the many positive benefits of breastfeeding. Class meets at 6 p.m. Call Garden City Hospital, 458-4330 for registration information.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

St. Mary Hospital will offer an infant and child immunization program from 5:30-8 p.m. All state-required immunizations administered for children under age 18 pending availability of serum, including hepatitis B and H. Influenza type B. Please bring immunization records. No registration. Call (734) 655-8940.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

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TUES, AUG. 25

STANDARD FIRST AID

Teaches Standard First Aids and Adult CPR. Seven-hour course, \$36. From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Aug. 25 and from 9 a.m. to noon on Aug. 27. Livonia Red Cross Service Center, 29691 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Call (313) 542-2787.

FIBROMYALGIA

Dr. Martin Tamler, a specialist in fibromyalgia, will present an overview of research updates and treatment protocols for fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome from 7-9 p.m. at the Summit on the Park in Canton. Pre-registration required. Cost: \$3. Call Sharon, (248) 344-4063.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

St. Mary Hospital's "Us, too" prostate cancer support group will have a roundtable discussion on the "Fight for Cancer" march in Washington, D.C., in September. Meet in auditorium at 7 p.m. Call (734) 432-1913.

BRAIN TUMOR SUPPORT GROUP

An educational program and support group for people diagnosed with brain tumors. Family and friends welcome. Meets from 7-8:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday each month in the McAuley Cancer Care Center at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

WED, AUG. 26

CPR REVIEW

Recertification in Adult, Infant/Child, Community CPR or CPR for the Professional Rescuer. Four-hour course includes materials. Cost: \$22. From 6-10 p.m. Livonia Red Cross Service Center, 29691 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Call (313) 542-2787.

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THUR, AUG. 27

TOPS CLUB

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets from 9:15-10:30 a.m. every Thursday at Church of the Holy Spirit, Newburgh north of Joy in Livonia. For more information, call Elsie at (734) 522-5444.

HEALTHY COOKING

Add some "zing" to your meal planning. Sign up for "Adding Flavor with Sauces & Marinades," a healthy cooking demo sponsored by Botsford Hospital's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Free immunizations from the Wayne County Health Department's Mobile Immunization Unit 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. at Garden City Hospital. Children from birth through 18 must be accompanied by a parent and immunization record to receive vaccine. Call (734) 458-4330.

SAT, AUG. 29

BLOOD DRIVE

From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Gerald Church, 21220 Farmington Road, between Eight and Nine Mile, in Farmington.

SUN, AUG. 30

BRAIN TUMOR TREATMENTS

The American Brain Tumor Association will host a panel discussion for patients and their families on state-of-the-art treatments for brain tumors. Doctors from major area medical centers, including Henry Ford Hospital and the University of Michigan Medical Center, will speak about chemotherapy, clinical trials, neurology, neurosurgery, pediatric hematology/oncology, and radiation oncology. From 1-4 p.m. at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 8600 Merriman, Romulus. Reservations required. Call (800) 886-2282.

Hospital got you worried? Laugh it off, doctor says

A daily dose of the chuckles may be the best Rx of all.

Dr. Paul McGhee, a developmental psychologist who spent more than 20 years conducting research on the benefits of humor and the author of 11 books on humor, said laughter can do a whole lot more than make you feel better emotionally.

"Anyone with a serious illness or facing an upcoming surgical procedure is facing one of the most stressful times of his or her life. A good sense of humor can reduce your stress and help you cope more effectively."

How does "bed pan" humor work? McGhee said when you can poke fun at your stressors, you remove some of their emotional power over you. Laughter is a natural stress reducer.

Picture yourself in the hospital, coping nicely, but the television channel-changer won't work. You press the call bell, and the over-worked person on the other end brusquely replies that patient requests are stacked up longer than planes at Detroit Metro. You're going nowhere fast. What do you do?

Try letting go with a strong belly laugh, said McGhee. "Laughter reduces muscle tension. This muscle relaxation, and the easing of psychological tension that inevitably accompanies it, is the main goal of all stress-management techniques."

Humor and laughter have been shown to boost numerous components of the immune system, including immunoglobulins A, G and M (known as IgA, IgG and IgM), B-cells, helper T-cells,

Humor and laughter reduce the level of stress hormones found in the blood.

T lymphocytes, and gamma interferon. It also increases amounts of Complement 3, a substance that helps pierce through and destroy defective cells — often the precursors to tumors.

"Among cancer patients, reduced natural killer cell activity is associated in an increased rate of the spread of tumors," said McGhee. "So the significance of laughter's ability to increase the activity of these cells is clear. This is one reason oncology units of hospitals around the world have become so interested in humor as a form of therapy."

Humor and laughter reduce the level of stress hormones found in the blood, and they reduce pain for many patients. Hearty laughter even provides a cardiac workout of sorts. Laughter also offers a number of respiratory benefits, especially important for bed-bound patients.

In a nutshell, anyone can improve their humor skills, regardless of age. And if you work now to improve those skills, they'll be stronger during stressful times when you really need them.

McGhee is president of The Laughter Remedy, a Montclair, N.J., company. The preceding excerpt is adapted from his latest book.

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Her physical exams, as with other nurse practitioners, are more involved. "We look at the whole child and family. We look at the psycho-social as well the growth of the child," she said. "We do a lot more with education and community resources and hooking kids up to the proper programs."

However, she knows her limitations. "If I have a 3-week-old running a 101 fever, we would probably refer it to a physician." The diagnosis could be meningitis.

Raubacher said those physicians who see

nurse practitioners as a threat rather than an augmentation simply haven't worked with them.

The Michigan State Medical Society spoke out against a recent Senate bill that would have given nurse practitioners more prescriptive authority. (Raubacher had more authority to prescribe medications when she practiced in New York in 1990.) The bill was withdrawn. Raubacher believes the medical society's position will continue to impact reimbursement by HMOs.

However, these frustrations are dimin-

ished by the professional rewards, like calming an overwrought new mother and getting her newborn to nurse. "I can bring her in and work with her for 30 to 40 minutes and we get that baby on the breast."

Above all, nurse practitioners want to assure the public that they are not in competition with doctors. "They are not giving up physician care when they see a nurse practitioner. We collaborate. It's the best of both worlds. You get the physician's input and the nurse's input," said Collier.

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PC TALK

MIKE WENDLAND

Benefits. That's what Mike Parsons missed the most when he went into business himself. Benefits and a personnel department. Company-paid medical and savings. The things he took for granted at the corporation where he used to work. Like life insurance.

With two young kids and a pregnant wife, Mike needed plenty, he realized. Yet, on his own now in his first year as an independent sales rep for several automotive supply firms, he needed to concentrate on sales, not self.

He just didn't have the time to shop around the way he'd like. And he sure couldn't afford to have the woman he paid \$10/hour to handle his phone calls and office work do it, either.

That's where the Internet came to the rescue.

It came from a site called Instant Quote (www.instantquote.com), where the 34-year-old Parsons was able to do some very quick comparison shopping. The first screen had him fill in his name and the amount of coverage he wanted. He selected \$500,000 in coverage, clicking on a box that indicated he was a non-smoker.

In seconds, the rates came back. For a little over \$335 a year, Mike Parsons found just what he wanted, from a AAA-rated company. The agent he called on the phone quoted him a price almost twice that.

"I know, this doesn't sound like a big deal," he told me via e-mail the other day, a few months after he turned to the Net. "But the piece of mind that simple little procedure brought me can't be measured. If you've ever started a business, you know how frightening it is. Your mind goes through a thousand different scenarios. 'Will I make it or will I flop?' was one I kept playing in my mind. Anyway, in 10 minutes on the Internet, I found the best insurance rate, applied

online and was able to get back to work. Now, I'm covered. It took a week for the company to send out a nurse to take my history and weigh me and all that. I guess they can't do that online. Yet."

Yet. It's another story about the Internet and how it does more than inform and entertain. It also saves money and time.

Here are some other useful sites that will help you with all sorts of everyday questions:

— Consumer World (www.consumerworld.org) - This is a terrific site loaded with all sorts of handy, how-to guides and bargains you can tap into. Be sure and check out the information on discount travel and low cost credit cards.

— Relocation Salary Comparison (www.homefair.com/homefair/cmr/salcalc.html) - If you've ever thought about moving or taking a job in a distant city, you'll want to know about this Web site. It calculates the cost of living for different geographical areas and even offers reports on other cities.

— Small Business Resource Center (www.webcom.com/seekquest/sbrs/reports.html) - This site tells you how to prepare a business plan, how to raise money and find investors, what questions to ask before you buy a franchise. It's a plain vanilla site with no flashy graphics but lots of valuable information.

— Calculate Anything (www.sci.lib.uci.edu/HSG/RefCalculators.html) - First notice that it's a "s", not a "c" that comes after the www part of the address. But, this site has every sort of calculator known to humankind. Calendar calculators, mileage measurers, code translators, fuel costs, cooking stuff.

— Meaning of First Names (www.pacificcoast.net/~muck/ety.htm) - Okay, maybe you don't need the information you'll find on this site. But I'll bet you'll check it out, at least to learn things like the name Michael is a Hebrew-based name that means "Who is like God?" This is a site everyone will want to visit to run through the names of all their family members.

Meanwhile, it's been great

meeting so many readers of this column over the past few weeks at our live, remote broadcasts of the PC Mike show. I'm impressed by how loyal O&E readers are.

Our next on-location radio event will be Sunday, Sept. 30 at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak.

I'll be doing the whole program live from 4-6 p.m. and will be joined by many Detroit Lions players and coaches during the

big Detroit Lions/WXYT Family day at the zoo. Come on out and say hello.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons on Detroit's WXYT-Radio AM1270. He is the author of a series of Internet books. You can reach him through his Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

P.O. customer advocate

Barbara Yack of Garden City has joined the Westland post office as the new customer advocate. She has served the U.S. Postal Service in that capacity for the past two years and has worked in both the Ferndale and the Grand Shelby offices. She is a member of the Customer Advisory Council and has been awarded the certificate of appreciation on numerous occasions.

Arthur Andersen

Rick Stallings of Plymouth, a partner with Arthur Andersen, has been named the company's Michigan Business Consulting Practice Leader.

His specialty is consumer products. He is a member of the Council of Logistics Management and is active in the Boy Scouts of America.

Angela L. Dillon, former Westland resident, has been promoted to state and local tax manager in Arthur Andersen's Detroit office.

Achievement, March of Dimes, and the Michigan Humane Society.

A tisket, a tasket

The Longaberger Co. recognized several area residents for their sales achievements at the company's recent annual convention in Columbus, Ohio: **Gail Ryan** and **Sharon Mitton** of Livonia were commended as a 1998 Sales Achievers for annual sales over \$20,000; **Margaret Hakala** and **Karen Greger** of Canton were commended as 1998 VIP National Sales for annual sales over \$35,000.

New board member

William H. Harvey, CPA, of Livonia recently was elected to the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA) board of directors for a three-year term. He currently serves as a professor of accounting at Henry Ford Community College, where he has been employed since 1974.

Harvey is co-chairman of the MACPA's Educator's Task Force. He has served on the board of directors of the Dearborn Schools Credit Union since 1977 and has been president and CEO of the organization for the last 15 years.

He received his bachelor's degree in accounting (magna cum laude) and his MBA in finance from the University of Detroit. He later earned a master's in taxation from Walsh College and has practiced as a CPA since 1970.



Barbara Yack



Rick Stallings



Angela Dillon

She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and the Women's Economic Club.

She is active in the Michigan Accounting Aid Society, Junior

Tax change saves retailers \$6.5 million

Sales tax changes pushed by the Michigan Retailers Association and signed into law by Gov. John Engler July 16 will save retailers and their customers \$6.5 million next year, a new study has found.

Economist Patrick L. Anderson of Lansing-based Anderson Economic Group said the savings will come from eliminating the requirement that retailers provide an interest-free "loan" to state government each month by pre-paying their sales and use tax collections.

"In the aggregate, the change in law will save retailers, and through them their customers, workers and owners, a total of \$6.5 million in 1999 alone," Anderson wrote. "We believe these changes will not only result in improved business prospects for retailers, but also the potential for lower prices for consumers, in a more competitive economic environment for the state of Michigan."

Since 1993, retailers with annual taxable sales of \$12 million or more have been required to remit their monthly sales and use tax collections to the state on the 18th of the same month - before fully collecting the money from customers.

Although the practice improved the state government's cash flow and reduced the state's borrowing costs, it drove up businesses' borrowing costs to cover the pre-payments. The Anderson study last October determined that the requirement was harmful to Michigan's economy because it cost businesses \$2 for every \$1 it saved the state.

Under the new laws, these larger retailers will pay half their sales and use tax obligations on the 15th of the month and the balance on the last day of the month.

Engler signed the legislation to eliminate the pre-payment requirement beginning Jan. 1, 1999.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Canton's calling for artists

Linda Shapona and Banks Dishmon are looking for you if creating fine art is your specialty. As co-chairs of Canton Project Arts' sixth annual Fine Arts Exhibition Oct. 31 to Nov. 6 at Summit on the Park, they're expanding the number of exhibited artworks to a minimum of 100 pieces this year so chances are better than ever for acceptance.

Cash prizes totaling \$1,500 will be awarded to Best of Show, Second, Third Place, and Merit Award winners, and are an extra incentive. Deadline for entry is Thursday, Sept. 10.

"We're looking to have a diversified show—paintings of all types of mediums, sculpture, fabric, pottery, jewelry and photography," said Shapona, executive director of the Westland Chamber of Commerce. "We want to encourage artists who've never entered before, as well as artists who've entered before, because there's a new juror every year."

This year's juror

Marjorie Hogan Chellstorp, a Madonna University assistant professor of art and humanities,

Fine Arts Exhibition

What: Canton Project Arts is looking for fine art works in all mediums.

Cash prizes totaling \$1,500 will be awarded to Best of Show, Second, Third Place, and Merit Award winners. Deadline for entry is Thursday, Sept. 10. For more information, call (734) 397-6450.

When: For exhibition to run Saturday-Friday, Oct. 31 to Nov. 6.

Where: Summit on the Park Community Center, Canton.

ing at a variety of art," said Shapona.

Every year a piece of art from the preceding exhibit is chosen as the focal point for a poster. Last year's People's Choice winner, Teri Gillespie, a dispatcher for Canton Public Safety, will have her oil painting "Mother's Beauty" featured.

Art history

Canton Township treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter and supervisor Thomas Yack started the annual exhibition after founding Canton Project Arts, the township's official arts organization in 1993. Held to coincide with the

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN

Call for art: Canton Project Arts exhibit co-chairs Linda Shapona (seated) and Banks Dishmon met with committee member Elaine Kirchgatter last week to discuss the annual fine arts exhibition.

Future of the arts is in the hands of the Conservatory

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Corbin Wagner, a French horn player with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Detroit Chamber Winds, thinks the creation of an arts conservatory for Southeast Michigan youths is long overdue.

Wagner taught at a two-week band camp for junior high students hosted by Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory in July. Designed to give hands-on experience, the camp is indicative of the music and dance programs the conservatory will offer students when it opens Tuesday, Sept. 8 in Canton. Wagner, an adjunct professor at the University of Michigan School of Music, attended Interlochen Center for the Arts and knows the importance of early training and performance experience.

"There isn't anything quite like what's being offered in Canton," said Wagner, a Bloomfield Hills resident. "It's important to motivate children to a higher level. These are young people who are serious about music."

Discovering a need

Director Jeff Myers decided to open the conservatory after discovering a need for private music instruction and ensemble experience for youths. Programs such as the Livonia Youth Philharmonic and the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra provide orchestral ensemble training, but there are few programs that incorporate orchestral and band music. After talking with band directors in junior and high schools in Livonia, Northville, Farmington, Ann Arbor, Novi, Plymouth, and Canton, Myers determined there are more than 15,000 students who could benefit from intensified training in an ensemble setting.

The idea expanded from there. In addition to private music, band and orchestral studies, the conservatory will offer classes in ballet, tap and jazz, creative dance for children, and Kindermusik, a music education program for ages newborn to seven. A dance studio, ensemble rehearsal hall and smaller studios for private instruction ensure plenty of space for the programs. Myers is currently looking for a drama director to initiate a theater program in January.

"There's no place for kids to perform, and no attention to this type of education (music, dance and drama with hands-on professional training) in elementary and junior high schools," said Myers.

Private/public partnership

Training future generations in the performing arts was uppermost in Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack's mind when Arnold Williams Music announced it was closing its store. The conservatory will move into that space in September.

Arnold Williams sold pianos and employed a staff of music teachers. Concerned that Canton would be devoid of cultural education programming, Yack approached various arts institutions, such as the Center for Creative Studies, about the possibility of offering programs in the soon to be vacated building with no success. Myers, who taught trumpet privately in Plymouth, approached Yack with the concept for a conservatory. The approval of lease and operating agreements for the conservatory by the Canton Board of Trustees not only assured the students would develop music skills but foundations in dance and drama. The township is leasing the building to the arts conservatory for one year.

"Jeff came to us and really took the lead," said Yack. "We're offering encouragement by partially funding the center for a year. If you're looking at building quality of life, equally important is developing cultural opportunities within a community. With the schools cutting back on funding, and aging audiences, we need to develop young musicians and new audiences. I think the conservatory is a huge step forward."

Although expanded arts education programming at a single location does not exist anywhere but in Canton, elements of the conservatory can be found at a number of arts institutions in the area.

Southfield Centre for the Arts

At the Southfield Centre for the

Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory

What: Opens Tuesday, Sept. 8

Where: 5701 Canton Center Road and Maben, Canton, call (734) 453-7590.

Arts education programming is also offered at:

■ Southfield Centre for the Arts, (248) 333-7849
■ Michigan Opera Theatre, (313) 874-7248
■ Center for Creative Studies, (313) 664-7611



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN

Planning ahead: Jeff Myers and dance director Michelle Langley plan the Sept. 8 opening of the Southeast Michigan Arts Conservatory in Canton.

Arts, Marlowe Belanger began instituting dance and music programs for youth 19 years ago. Some 150 students ages six and up study ballet, tap and jazz at the center. Middle and junior high students study violin, flute, piano and clarinet under the direction of Vladislav Kavalsky. The Southfield Centre for the Arts is affiliated with 80 arts organizations including the Bel Canto Choral Group, Motor City Brass Ensemble, and Southfield Symphony so high school and college age students have the opportunity to continue acquiring performance experience.

"It's extremely important to offer arts education programs for youth because that's our future generations to continue the arts and to explore and expand the arts," said Belanger, manager for the cultural arts division. "There's a great deal of creative activity going on at the center."

Michigan Opera Theatre

Karen DiChiera, director of community programs at the Michigan Opera Theatre, stresses that students, who may not excel in math or science, could compose music or conceive of a set design if given the opportunity. That's why programs such as "Create Opera" nurture an appreciation for the arts in the

young. Developed by DiChiera while composer-in-residence in the Birmingham Public Schools in the mid-1970s, the outreach program combines creative writing, music composition, choreography, and performance.

"We like to give the students that performance experience, not only learning about singing but costumes and painting sets," said DiChiera. "They learn about theater."

Another Michigan Opera Theatre program for middle and high school students, "The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber" and "The Classics on Broadway," gives youth a "taste of professional performing."

"Students are directed in blocking of the performance and are invited to perform with the Michigan Opera Theatre on stage," said DiChiera.

Center for Creative Studies

At the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield, Center for Creative Studies Institute of Music and Dance has extension classes in ballet and East Indian dance. At the center itself, programs such as ensemble training for young musicians and voice and jazz ensembles provide students with a wealth of performing opportunities.

FILM

Uncompromising vision in Podolsky's debut film

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

Midway through a shoot at Long Lake Market in West Bloomfield last November, Jody Podolsky recalls halting production, feeling compelled to rewrite a scene in her debut film, "All of It."

Amid the tight schedule and grueling pace, Podolsky didn't forget the main reason for hustling together a script, cast, sundry contributions and \$500,000 to finance her first film.

She sought refuge in the trailer of the film's star, Lesley Ann Warren, who portrays a middle-age mother with exacting expectations for her independent-minded 25-year-old daughter (Allana Ubach).

"I just sat there and started rereading the script from the beginning," said Podolsky, 27, a graduate of Cranbrook's Kingswood School and University of Southern California Film School.

"That was a moment when it was 'Wow, this is really happening.' Then I remembered where it all came from—what it took to write and produce the film."

On Aug. 20, Podolsky's recently completed film was shown at the Maple Theatre to an overflow crowd of financial backers, friends, family and the host of supporters who loaned everything from food to clothing to physical locations.

Many of the supporters on hand appeared as extras in the film.

Touch and be touched

Podolsky doesn't flinch from subjects that other filmmakers might find too intense or lacking commercial appeal. The film's promotional materials characterize "All of It" as a slice-of-life, and compare its dramatic tone to the 1980 Academy Award-winning film, "Ordinary People," a story about changing relationships among a father, mother and son.

Although before producing "All of It" Podolsky had rapidly risen to vice president of development for Alphaville, a production company at Universal Studios, she has taken a distinctively non-Hollywood approach in creating her independent film.

Last fall, Podolsky and her longtime

friend, producer Darren Gold, formerly of Birmingham and also a Kingswood grad, returned to the area for a 26-day shoot that took them to Cranbrook, Townsend Hotel, Franklin Cider Mill, Tam O'Shanter Country Club and Congregation Shaarey Zedek.

"We set out to cultivate a community for the film," said Podolsky. "Whoever touched the film would be touched by it."

After shooting was completed late last fall, Podolsky spent five months in New York editing the film. It took another few months for post-production polishing.

Cherished deal

After the premiere, Podolsky, Gold and the film's stars were expected to head to the Montreal World Film Festival, which runs Thursday through Sept. 5. The prestigious international festival presents the top 200 films submitted from 50 countries.

Along with an international press corp, a fleet of acquisition executives are on hand, representing major stu-

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Family drama: Actors Alanna Ubach, (left), and Michael Silver star in Jody Podolsky's debut film, "All of It." The familiar location? The grounds of the Cranbrook Education Community.

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dios. The cherished deal, of course, is for a studio to pick up the distribution for "All of It," according to the film's producers.

Despite the excruciating pressure to write, direct and produce "All of It" on a shoestring budget, Podolsky doesn't see filmmaking as much as a risk as a way to probe for universal themes.

"If you are intrigued by the experience of living, then you're grateful to see yourself in so many different colors," she said.

Making it happen

While "All of It" is not autobiographical, Podolsky brings an uncompromising vision and a highly personal tone. Apparently, the intense conflict between the film's mother and daughter serves as a metaphor

for a larger theme.

In her quest to find her own authentic vision, Podolsky has created a parable. She presents - without preaching - what it takes for a young woman to find her own voice.

Like the character in the film, the odyssey of making "All of It" seems to have been as significant as the result.

While the completed film now gives Podolsky a "calling card" when she looks for work at major studios, Gold has found an indelible lesson in nurturing the film over the last year.

"It's been a miracle to make this film," he said. "Through it all, Jody was inspirational. She kept saying, 'We're going to make it happen.'"

"We did it without compromising or settling."

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nationwide celebration of October as National Arts Month, the exhibition's goal is to encourage an appreciation for the arts and also to showcase talent.

"It's important because it brings culture and fine arts to the community," said Shapona.

"It expands the quality of life," added Kirchgatter. "It's an opportunity for residents of western Wayne County to view art work and purchase art. We're big on quality of life in our community."

A long time supporter of the arts, Yack not only helped initiate the Canton Fine Arts exhibition with Kirchgatter but was instrumental in bringing a conservatory to Canton after Arnoldt Williams Music recently closed (see lead story). For the last few years, he has been investigating the possibility of building a performing space and arts education center which

could also be used by the Plymouth Theatre Guild and Plymouth Symphony Orchestra.

Yack, who's spent the last 10 years focusing on the quality of life in Canton, is presently awaiting the results of a feasibility study to determine the amount of support available from individuals, corporations, and foundations to build the \$8 million theater and arts education center.

"We saw the need not to duplicate what others are doing but supplement," said Yack. "We've been interested in cultural programming in our community. The real challenge for us in western Wayne County is to find businesses and corporations to make contributions to the performing arts."

Volunteers sought

As with all nonprofit groups, Canton Project Arts is short of

volunteers to help coordinate the exhibit. Art lovers, artists, business owners, and residents are needed as volunteers to sit with the art for a few hours during the week and to install art works and sculptures.

"We need volunteers to staff the art show and watch it during hours. The Summit is open because these are precious art pieces, and also to help hang art pieces," said Shapona. "We'd like to get them involved in Canton Project Arts all year long."

ART BEAT

Send Art Beat items to, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax (734) 591-7279.

OPERA UNDER THE STARS

Redford Civic Symphony conductor John Gajec is thrilled about the reception the orchestra received at a June 30 concert in Redford's Capitol Park. The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan sang selections from "Showboat," and arias from Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro." Guest soprano Dina Kessler sang "Can't Help Lovin' That Man."

If you missed the concert, the symphony performs a majority of the program, including works by composers such as Rossini and Puccini, with the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan in "Opera Under the Stars" 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26 in Bell Creek Park, at Inkster Road, north of Five Mile, Redford Township. For more information, call (734) 261-1990.

"They did a beautiful job and the audience just loved it," said Gajec.

Also on the program, part of a series sponsored by Wayne County Parks, are selections from Bizet's "Carmen" and "La

Next February, Project Arts will host a storytelling festival and a Focus Hope photography exhibit.

"Our goal is to get a lot more people involved," said Dishmon, publisher of the Observer Newspapers, one of the sponsors for this year's exhibition. "That was fun last year, hanging the art."

If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin, (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

Traviata." Guest performers will be soprano Kimberly Swan, mezzo-soprano Dorothy Duensing and baritone Dino Valle.

The orchestra, founded by Gajec in 1956, opens its 1998-99 season in mid-December.

BALLET AUDITIONS

The Livonia Civic Ballet Company auditions dancers for its 1998-99 season Sunday, Aug. 30 at Miss Jean's Dance Arts, 15619 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Auditions for junior company dancers, ages 7-11 with three years of ballet instruction, begin at 1 p.m.; senior company dancers, ages 12 and over with five years ballet and two years on pointe (bring pointe shoes), at 2:30 p.m. All dancers should wear proper attire of black leotards, pink tights and pink ballet slippers with hair secured in a bun. There is a \$5 non-refundable audition fee.

The company performs "The Nutcracker" in December. The Livonia Civic Ballet was recognized as the official ballet company of the City of Livonia in 1991 by former Mayor Robert Bennett.

For more information about the audition, call (734) 464-7310.

"FAMILIAR FACES"

An exhibition of illustrative portraits by Plymouth photographer Jill Andra Young will be on display Aug. 31 to Sept. 18 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 744 North Sheldon at Junction.

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If you know "who's behind the mask" complete the entry ballot below and send to: **Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, C/O: Marketing Department 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150.** One ballot per household. Contest is open to residents of Michigan over the age of 18.

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Japanese dance, music, martial arts, children's games, traditional cultural demonstrations, 3-7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23. Sponsored by the Japan Business Society of Detroit. Free admission. Southfield Civic Center Pavilion and Plaza, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield; (248) 355-4899.

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AUDITIONS / CALL FOR ARTISTS

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Auditions for "She Loves Me," which runs Nov. 14-28. Audition 7:30 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday, Sept. 8 & 10. 752 Chestnut Street, south of Maple Road, east side of Woodward, Birmingham. Contact Lee Sechler, (248) 642-5635.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

"100 Creative Hands: Festival of Arts," presented by the Ladies of Gold and the Search for Life, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and recruiting potential bone marrow donors. Festival held Oct. 24-25 at Focus: HOPE Conference Center, 1400 Oakman Blvd., Detroit. Interested artists send a self-addressed stamped business envelope to: "100 Creative Hands," Festival of Arts, P.O. Box 37890 Oak Park, MI 48237. Deadline: Sept. 1, 1998.

CANTON FINE ARTS EXHIBIT

Fine art works of all mediums for Canton Fine Arts Exhibit, Oct. 30-Nov. 6. Submission deadline: Sept. 10. Cash prizes awarded. For information, (734) 397-6450.

CRAFTERS FOR AUTUMNFEST

The annual Autumnfest, a festival that celebrates Southfield's history, is looking for artisans and crafters. The fest is 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13. For information, (248) 354-5180.

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New crafters needed for 16th anniversary "Long Meadow School Country Craft Show," Saturday, Oct. 17. For application (248) 651-6964 or (248) 375-0652.

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

Auditions for children and dogs for production of "The Miracle Worker," 1-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30. Roles to be cast: Helen Keller (female, age 8-12), Martha



Pieces of the puzzle: The works of Michigan artists, including Madeleine Barkey (above), are featured through Aug. 31 in "POP-ISM," an exhibit of icons of popular culture at the Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (734) 994-8004.

(African-American girl, age 8-13), blind girls at Perkins Institute, (ages 8-13), and Jimmie (Male, age 6-9). Children should prepare a one-minute memorized monologue or poem, and be prepared for physical improvisation. Dogs will be auditioned from 6-6:30 p.m. Appointments only, (248) 370-3310.

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MOVIE SCREENING

STAR JOHN R

"With Nobody," comedic drama produced by University of Michigan grad Mike Joshua, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25 at the Star John R, 32289 John R. Road. Movie was filmed at various southeast Michigan sites, it is not rated, but contains adult language and brief nudity. Admission \$7, a portion of proceeds will go to help feed hungry children and adults in southeast Michigan.

CHORALE / CHOIR

GOSPEL QUARTET

The Cherry Hill Brothers, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, First Baptist Church, corner of Willits and Bates streets; (248) 644-0550.

POLISH UNIVERSITY CHOIR

Choir of the Catholic University of Lublin, Poland performs at Orchard Lake Schools 1 & 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6. 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake; (248) 682-1885.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Summer classes, including watercolor, collage, weaving, bead stringing, photography and stained glass. 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004, ext. 113.

ART MUSEUM PROJECT

Non-credit studio art classes and workshops from mid Sept. through Nov. Programs led by noted instructors from the region. For free brochure and to register, (734) 593-5058.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Summer classes include drawing, painting, floral still life. Formerly known as the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF

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

EDGE CENTER FOR DANCE

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble Center's registration for fall session 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 24-28. Fall sessions runs Aug. 31-Dec. 12. Classes at all levels include ballet, modern, pointe, jazz, tap, creative movement, tumbling, ballroom.

GETTY MUSEUM TOUR

The Community House in Birmingham is offering a tour of the Getty Museum, located in the foothills of the Santa Monica Mountains. Tour will be held Nov. 12-16, 1998. Limited space. For information, call (248) 644-5832.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

"The Pleasure of Painting," demonstration and instruction by Sandra Levin. 12:30 & 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Sept. 8. Second session begins Nov. 3. Must register by Aug. 31. Fee for five-week class: \$50. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES

Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays at 11:30 a.m. 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield; (248) 932-8699.

LONGACRE HOUSE - ART CLASSES

Range of art classes, including watercolor, drawing and collecting pottery. Hand quilting and applique taught by Lynn Van Nest. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays Sept. 14-Nov. 2; fee: \$72. Mask-making, ages 18 and up: 7:15-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 16-Oct. 21. Private voice lessons from instructor Bessie Koursaris, all skill and age levels: by appointment between 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 16-Oct. 21 or Nov. 4-Dec. 16; fee: \$210. The Longacre House of Farmington Hills, 24705 Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. To register, (248) 477-8404.

MARCIA CLEMENT ART STUDIO

Summer art classes for children, Monday-Wednesday. Classes include drawing, acrylic painting, arts/crafts, 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township; (248) 360-1216.

ONCE UPON AN EASEL

"North to Alaska: The Iditarod Children's Fine Art Show," Sept. 3 & 4, Sept. 8-12. Classes for preschoolers, students ages 6-16, and adults; session one - Sept. 14-Oct. 12; session two - Oct. 19 - Nov. 15. Golden Gate Plaza, 8691 N. Lilley Road, southwest corner of Joy and Lilley roads, Canton Township; (734) 453-3710.

PAINTING IN THE PARK

Drawing and painting every

Saturday beginning at noon. Meet at Heritage Park, Spicer House Visitor Center, on Farmington Road, just north of 10 Mile Road; Farmington Hills; (248) 661-5291.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Summer classes and workshops. Class size limited to 12 students. Classes include tile making, basic ceramics, hand building, sculpture portraiture, wheel throwing, ceramics for parent and adult. Fees vary. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

"Summer Stuff for Kids" ages 4-14, through August - workshops in drawing, ceramics, cartooning, crafts, photography, tie-dye. Adult classes in batik, drawing, garden stepping stones, yoga, Tai Chi. 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth; (734) 416-4ART.

U-M DEARBORN

Non-credit studio art classes and workshops over 14 weeks through July. Instructors include Susan Keli, Electra Stamelos, Donna Vogelheim, Grace Serra, Kitty Green, Mary Stephenson. For more information, (734) 593-5058. 4901 Evergreen Road, 1165 AB, Dearborn.

BENEFIT

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

"Sculpture Show Fundraiser" at the studio of artist Jerry Soble, noon-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Aug. 28-30. 3819 LaPlaya (Orchard Lk. Rd. to Pontiac Trail, west 1/2 mil to light at Old Orchard Trail, turn right 2 miles to LaPlaya. For information, (248) 661-2080.

MUSEUMS (ON-GOING)

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through Sept. 6 - "Cranbrook Intimate Space: Photography by Gene Meadows," 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3314.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Through Sept. 30 - "A Community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," produced by the Michigan State University Museum and the Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services, 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7934.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART

Through Aug. 31 - "African Arts: Objects of Power, Knowledge and Mediation"; through Aug. 31 - "American Visions: 19th-century American Paintings"; through Sept. 2 - "Jim Dow: The National League Stadiums," a photography exhibit. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-0395.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through Sept. 6 - "Japanese Resist-Dyed Textiles: Yuzen and Shibori," an exhibit of Japanese textiles. Through Oct. 18 - "The Invisible Made Visible: Angels From The Vatican," an exhibit of more than 100 rare works of art

and artifacts from the 9th century B.C. to the 20th century. Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. weekends. 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

HENRY FORD

MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE

Through Sept. 30 - "Passages to Innovation," in collaboration with students from Center for Creative Studies. 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn; (734) 271-1620.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

Through October 18 - "Detroit's Black Bottom & Paradise Valley," and "Juke Joint," a recreation of southern country nightclub life by artist Willie Little. 315 E. Warren Avenue, Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

VOLUNTEERS

ART & APPLES

Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks volunteers for its annual Art & Apples Festival, Sept. 12-13 in Rochester Municipal Park. Volunteers needed 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 & Sunday, Sept. 13. Persons interested in donating 3-4 hours can also call PCCA, (248) 651-4110.

MUSEUM DOCENTS

Volunteers to conduct school tours for grades 3-1, special pre-school tours and tours to the general public and adult groups. Volunteers receive extensive training, including one-and-a-half days of class per week from September-June. For information, (313) 833-9178.

EXHIBIT (OPENING)

STUDIO EXHIBIT/SALE

Aug. 23 - Noon-6 p.m. Paintings, drawings and sculpture by Holly Branstner, Nancy Thayer, and Russell Thayer. 2000 Brooklyn, 3rd Floor, Detroit; (248) 569-2178.

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Aug. 27 - 7:30 p.m., "Dreamin'," a solo exhibit by Tyree Guyton. Hartz Bldg., 1529 Broadway, Detroit; (313) 398-9999.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY

Aug. 27 - "A Photographic Essay of Eastern Europe Today," by Jimmy Bitker, and "Jews, Germany Memory: A contemporary Portrait," photographs by Edward Serotta. Through Oct. 15. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

PAC GALLERY

Aug. 31 - "Familiar Faces," portraits by Plymouth photographer Jill Andra Young. Through Sept. 18. Plymouth Community Arts Council Gallery, Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 744 N. Sheldon, Plymouth; (734) 455-7787.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Sept. 4 - Glass sculptures of Jaromir Rybak and Cristen Velicky. Through Sept. 26. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac.

UZELAC GALLERY

Sept. 4 - Figurative oil paintings of William Barnhart. Through Sept. 26. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through Aug. 25 - Angela De Angelis of Bloomfield Hills. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road; (734) 421-7238.

A.C.T. GALLERY

Through Aug. 28 - "Freedom to Create," 29 E. Grand River, across from the old Hudson's bldg., Detroit; (313) 831-2862.

LIVONIA CITY HALL LOBBY

Through Aug. 28 - Photographer Bruce Janda of Livonia. Photographs of Bohemia. 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road; (734) 421-2000, ext. 351.

PAAC

Through Aug. 28 - The works of Maureen, Shawn and Kit Carson. Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon; (734) 416-4ART.

GALLERY NIKKO

Through Aug. 29 - New work by Patrick Meyer, Eric Arcese, Suzan Benzel and Jeff Rossi. 470

N. Old Woodward Ave., Birmingham; (248) 647-0680.

BORDERS IN NOVI

Through Aug. 30 - "Inspirations thru the Lens" by Judith G. Yaker. Novi Town Center, 43075 Crescent Blvd., Novi; (248) 347-0780.

THE ANDERSON GALLERY

Through Aug. 31 - "Africa: The Art of a Continent," 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 335-4611.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Aug. 31 - "POP-ISM," an exploration of icons of popular culture, featuring Michigan artists Madeleine Barkey, Deborah Friedman and AWOL. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (734) 994-8004.

ARIANA GALLERY

Through Aug. 31 - A variety of bug oriented arts. Exhibit is also held throughout the Royal Oak Business District in downtown. 119 S. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 546-8810.

CAFE DOMAIN

Through Aug. 31 - "Children's Insect Art Show," 308 S. Washington, Royal Oak; (248) 545-7165.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Through Aug. 31 - Glass sculpture of Antoine Leperlier and Janusz Walentyńczak. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-2060.

HERMITAGE GALLERY

Through Aug. 31 - "Santa Margherita" by Sam Parks, serigraph on canvas. 235 Main Street, Rochester; (248) 656-8559.

LIVONIA FINE ARTS GALLERY

Through Aug. 31 - Watercolor artist Elbert C. Weber of Livonia. Livonia, Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road; (734) 421-7238.

NETWORK

Through Aug. 31 - "trans," an exhibit that investigates changes beyond boundaries by fiber artists. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Through Aug. 31 - 3 p.m., "Patricia DeBoer Groenenboom: A Retrospective," 38840 W. Six Mile Rd., Livonia; (734) 464-6302.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through Sept. 5 - Annual Pewabic Students, Faculty and Staff exhibit. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

SUMMIT PLACE MALL

Through Aug. 31 - Photographer David McLean's lighthouses, waterfalls and animal life. POSA Gallery in the Summit Place Mall. M-59 & Telegraph Rd., Waterford; (810) 683-8897.

PARK WEST

Through Sept. 3 - Animation art exhibit, featuring the work of Chuck Jones, creator of Road Runner, Wile E. Coyote, and other Looney Tunes. 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield; (248) 354-2343.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Through Sept. 4 - Abstract paintings and collage works by Sasha Kwaselow. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

CRAIG GALLERY

Through Sept. 5 - "Therese Swann, A Retrospective," 801 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ferndale; (248) 548-5367.

CREATIVE ART CENTER

Through Sept. 7 - "Richard Wilt: A Retrospective," 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

THE PRINT GALLERY

Through Aug. 31 - "Willi's Wine Bar," posters imported from the Paris wine bar. 29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 356-5454.

GALLERY 212

Through Sept. 6 - "Earthbound," an exhibit by Kit Eagal. 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor; (734) 665-8224.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through Sept. 16 - "A Summer Group Exhibit," featuring Larry Rivers, Harry Bertoia, Valentina Dubasky, and Dennis Wojtkiewicz. 107 Townsend St., Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

CASS CAFE

Through Sept. 30 - Drawings and painting of Robert Bailey, Sherry Moore, Kathleen Rasid. 4620 Cass Ave., Detroit; (313) 831-1400.

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Don't get caught in a time warp

BEAUTY AND THE BEST



JEFFREY BRUCE

Let's talk about getting old, shall we? No matter how many vitamins you take, how many facials you have, how many facelifts you've had, you can't escape it. Gravity is gravity. How many of you actually have the time to hang upside down with me in caves to let your blood rush to your head (not that I'm obsessed with aging)? Very few, I'd imagine.

Let's talk about LOOKING your age. I am in my 35th year as a makeup artist, and I have seen, and made up, thousands of women in my travels. Some look great. Some don't. First, the ones who don't...

Styles are called styles because they denote a specific time. False eyelashes were a thing of the '60s. Do you hear that, Joan Collins? Flips also were worn in the days of Mario. Let's not forget the lovely, natural look of the navy blue lip liner with the frosted Erase inside (a la Connie Stevens). You know what I'm getting at.

The easiest way to look older than you are is to hold on to looks that were fashionable during the Spanish Revolution. Who are some of these "time warp" women of note? Jayne Meadows, Elizabeth Taylor, and in the same breath, Debbie Reynolds. At 16 years of age, someone told them they looked great, and TIME STOOD STILL.

I have always said that the toughest thing in the world is to be objective about a subjective situation. Keep in mind that women age faster than men do. It's that hormone thing. We die before you do, but being as shallow as I am, I prefer it that way. Shoot me when things get really bad!

So, to summarize, what was attractive even last year is not necessarily attractive on you now. That's why I see my clients every year or so. It is your makeup artist/hairdresser's job to keep you slightly ahead of the game.

Media Babes

Who looks great? I think of Mary Hart on "ET." She's probably the best made-up woman on the telly, because you don't NOTICE the makeup. That's the key. Heather Locklear is adorable but I think it's time for a new coif.

In Detroit, Marilyn Turner is probably one of the most beautiful women I have ever seen. When we did "Kelly" together, I couldn't keep my eyes off of her. She even looks great with no makeup. I think she personifies how a more sophisticated woman should look. I always thought that Doris Biscoe and Carmen Harlan were lovely to look at. At the other extreme, let's talk about Dayna Eubanks, or maybe not.

So how do you know if you are looking the best that you possibly can? Don't be afraid to seek an outside opinion.

One of my favorite people "in the biz" is Cheryl Hall from Saks. She is brilliant. As is her staff. They'll give you great advice.

Speaking of advice, I have some good news. Although my dates for personal makeovers at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham are sold out through the end of the year, I have just added one week in November. The session is three hours long and consists of my making you up in colors you can wear every day, and teaching you how to apply the makeup. I also give advice on skin care and hair - style, cut, color, length, etc. The minimum purchase (which goes toward any Jeffrey Bruce alopecia-based products) is \$125.

For more information, call 1-800-944-6588. My e-mail address is jwb@worldnet.att.net. Visit my Web site at <http://www.jeffreybrucecosmetics.com>.

In September, I will be going to Vienna and Amsterdam on vacation. I will report back to you on Sept. 27 about everything that is happening, style-wise. Until next month, my friends.



Gray matters: Left - From Linda Allard for Ellen Tracy, a sheer mohair cowl (\$135), steel Harlow pant (\$255) and pewter oxford (\$170), from Saks Fifth Avenue. Center - The perfect fur-trimmed gray suit by Rena Lange at Saks Fifth Avenue and Jacobson's. Right - Ellen Tracy's walking suit features a steel double-breasted jacket (\$425), heathered skirt (\$245), cashmere blend sweater (\$155) and pewter metallic leather boot (\$355), from Saks Fifth Avenue.

Autumn's filled with amazing grays

BY LINDA BACHRACK
EDITOR

As if we don't have enough "gray" areas in our everyday lives, fall fashion is suddenly awash in shades of the sunny-less hue.

However, there's no need to anticipate a rainy-day pall on the streets this autumn. The season's grays are neither dull nor lifeless. Rather, the grays are luxurious and soft, made fresh in rich textures and subtle sheens.

Think Katharine Hepburn in chic charcoal pin-stripe trousers with a pearl gray cashmere sweater. In fact, the spectrum of grays is reminiscent of the varied tones of the great black-and-white film classics. From slate and pewter to platinum and silver, the palette of hues is endless.

"Gray also happens to be one of the best backdrops for touches of color; try sky blue, sea green and lavender, or a bold dash of scarlet or yellow,"

says Gina Tovar, fashion director, Nordstrom Central States Region.

Layering grays intensifies their punch. Add elegance to gray flannels with a shimmering pearlized gray lambskin jacket, a smoky mohair shell, rhinestone ballet flats, pewter pearls and a gun-metal handbag.

"Gray looks best when worked in tonal combinations, contrasting textures, with touches of embellishment and shots of color," says Nicole Fischelis, vice president and women's fashion director, Saks Fifth Avenue. She suggests a bright pink to perk up your grayest garb.

Facing the Gray Season

Can everyone wear the new fall palette of grays? Yes, say the experts. Even the palest blondes are flattered by grays if they intensify their makeup just a bit.

Lisa Kellam, cosmetic buyer for Nordstrom Central States Region, offers her cosmetics suggestions for the season ahead.

■ Think subtle highlights, rather than bold, all over color.

■ The finished look should be almost moist, not matte.

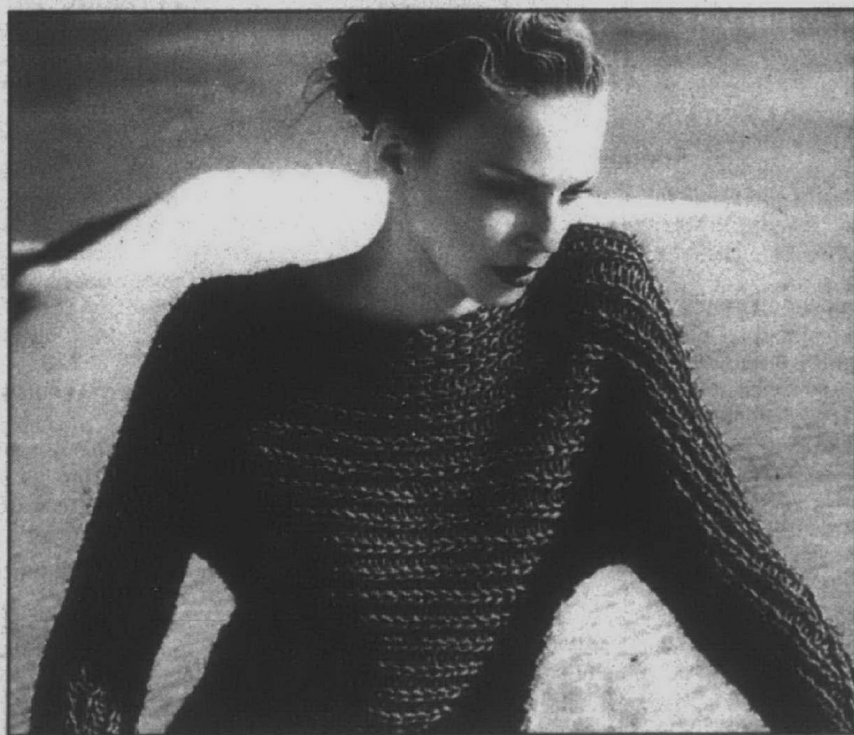
■ Use foundation and concealer only where the skin is discolored or uneven.

■ Pink blush gives a fresh, healthy look.

■ Shadow choices include fleshy mauves and russets, pale plums, muted greens and sheer metallic silver.

■ Let mascara define the eyes, rather than eyeliner.

■ Fall's emphasis is on lips. Choose pale, blush-like colors such as silvery beige, transparent rose, raspberry and a range of reds. Add shine with silver gloss.



Close knit: Silvery knit Strenesse Gabriele Strehle sweater (\$530). Photographed exclusively for Saks Fifth Ave. by Patrick Demarchelier.



Flowery flannel: Dolce & Gabbana gray tank dress (\$1,225) and shawl (\$520). Photographed exclusively for Saks Fifth Ave. by Patrick Demarchelier.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

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

SUNDAY, AUG. 23

GO WILD

Laurel Park Place in Livonia hosts an after-hours Wild Trax party to benefit the Detroit Zoo and Wild Thing Society. Live entertainment by Stuart Franke and food from the restaurants of Laurel Park Place. 6-9 p.m. Contact the Detroit Zoological Society for tickets. (248) 541-5717.

BEANIE BONANZA

The Plymouth "Beanie Baby Show & Sale" returns to the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street. The show features dealers and collectors selling current and retired Beanie Babies and acces-

TUESDAY, AUG. 25

LOONEY LORE

Borders Farmington Hills hosts a book signing for Kevin Sandler, editor of Reading the Rabbit: Explorations in Warner Bros. Animation (Rutgers University Press, \$19). The book is devoted to a critique of Warner Bros. animation from the Looney Tunes characters to the present. 7:30 p.m. Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills.

FRIDAY, AUG. 28

ROCK KING

Livonia Mall hosts "Elvis ... Memories of a Leg-

end" tonight at 7 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. The tribute is a musical journey brought to the stage by Elvis illusionist Ray Maas.

SUNDAY, AUG. 30

SWING SHIFT

Pro golf instructor Rick Smith will discuss and sign copies of his new book, *How to Find YOUR Perfect Golf Swing*. The book gives insight into what Smith's students receive in his popular golf clinics. 4 p.m. Borders Books & Music, 34300 Woodward, Birmingham.

ICE QUEEN

Meet Olympic gold medalist Tara Lipinski during a special appearance for DKNY at Hudson's in the Somerset Collection. Register to win a private skating party with Tara. 2-4 p.m.

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What's in-store for fall fashion?

MONDAY, AUG. 24

Emanuel Fall 1998 Collection with representative Krista Weyer. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Salon Z, Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection.

THURSDAY, AUG. 27

Jones New York Collection with informal modeling and light refreshments. 6-8 p.m. Town Square department, Nordstrom, Somerset Collection.

Tamotsu Fall 1998 Collection with representative Ellen Mullman. Salon Z, Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection.

Grownbeans Trunk Show. View the knockout, paint-the-town Grownbeans designs in leather and suede, custom-made for you in the colors and styles you choose. Show continues through Saturday, Aug. 29. Roz & Sherm, Bloomfield Plaza, 6536 Telegraph Road.

FRIDAY, AUG. 28

Anne Klein Fall 1998 Collection with representative Amy Voegtle. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Salon Z, Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection.

SATURDAY, AUG. 29

DKNY Wardrobe Workshop and informal modeling, with representative Irene Jorgenson. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Casual sportswear, Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection.

Trunk showing of sweaters by DUNA in chenilles, crepes and blends. Informal modeling. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Continues Monday, Aug. 31 and Tuesday, Sept. 1. Hersh's on The Boardwalk, 6901 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

Dr. Martens trunk show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Greg Shoes, Orchard Mall, 6325 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 1

Hudson's launches the Lagerfeld JAKO fragrance. Karl Lagerfeld recently captured an International Fifi Award in

honor of the men's scent which blends grapefruit, mandarin, Indian ginger root, Brazilian rosewood and Indian sandalwood for a mysterious, masculine fragrance. It will be available exclusively at Hudson's stores.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 10

Fall Faces by Stila cosmetics. Cosmetic consultations. Call (248) 816-5100, ext. 1410 to schedule a complimentary appointment. Continues through Sept. 13. Nordstrom, Somerset Collection.

Country Shop Fashion Show. Preview the Fall 1998 Country Shop fashions. Light refreshments served. 6 p.m. Hudson's Twelve Oaks, Novi.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 12

View the Fall 1998 Suit Collection, featuring Tahari, at Neiman Marcus. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Informal modeling from noon-3 p.m. Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection.

Advanced Collection Event, featuring the new moderns by BCBG, Catalyst, Laundry, Vivienne Tam and Theory. Informal modeling noon-4 p.m. Leisure Sportswear, Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection.

Lauren Fashion Show. A fall fashion show featuring the collection from Lauren by Ralph Lauren. 2 p.m. Hudson's, Somerset Collection.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 15

Jones New York Fashion Show. View the fall collection from Jones New York. 7 p.m. Hudson's, Somerset Collection. Jones New York seminars continue Sept. 16 at Hudson's Twelve Oaks, and Sept. 17 at Hudson's Oakland.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 17

Fall Bridge Fashion Show. This fashion event previews the Fall 1998 collections from Hudson's Bridge Department. Light refreshments served. 7 p.m. Hudson's, Somerset Collection.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

Giorgio Armani Le Collezione. View the men's clothing collection for fall. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23

Women's World Fashion Show. Hudson's previews Women's World fall fashions. 6:30 p.m. reception, 7 p.m. show. Hudson's, Oakland Mall.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

Hickey-Freeman Trunk Show. View the Fall 1998 Stock and Spring 1999 Custom Swatch Collection. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26

DKNY event. Celebrate DKNY Fall 1998. 1 p.m. Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection. RSVP to (248) 643-3300, ext. 2511.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

Liz Petites Seminar. Liz Claiborne Petites fall fashion show hosted by a Liz Claiborne specialist. 7 p.m. Hudson's, Oakland Mall.

SATURDAY, OCT. 3

Men's Fashion and Finance Event. To kick off Hudson's men's weekend sale, guests are invited to attend a special event that includes informal modeling, finance presentations, complimentary shoe shines and a cigar-rolling demonstration. 3-4:30 p.m. Hudson's, Somerset Collection.

THURSDAY, OCT. 8

Mary Lou Andre Personal Appearance and Seminar. Andre, a wardrobe consultant and founder of Organization By Design, presents a seminar on "Perfectly Petite! The Art of Dressing the 5'4" and Under Woman." She will highlight fall trends and suggest fashion tips and strategies. The presentation follows a dinner reception at 6:30 p.m. Complimentary; seating is limited. Call (248) 816-5100, ext. 1690 for reservations. Nordstrom, Somerset Collection.

Where can I find?

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

What We Found:

An ironing board sleeve can be found at Minnesota Fabrics and the tape measure can be found at JoAnn Fabrics. House numbers that are spelled out can be found at Damman's on Maple and Telegraph roads.

Pay Less Grocers on Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile in Livonia, carries Curves Tampons, (248) 477-2666.

A retractable clothesline can also be found in the Lillian Vernon catalog, 1-800-285-5555.

Button Bracelets can be found through Grandmothers Button catalog, P.O. Box 1689, St. Francisville, LA 70775, 1-800-580-6941. They carry Victorian Reproduction Button Bracelets and Cuff Links. There is a \$5 charge for the catalog and it is used towards your first purchase.

Plastic rain bonnets can be found at the Dollar Tree on Rochester Road in the Target shopping center, Hamlin and Rochester Roads. Also Meijer on Haggerty Road in Commerce had a large display of them. If you fill out a requisition they might donate them to the senior citizens.

We found Fiesta Ware for Colleen and Sharon through Mike. His brother is a collector and dealer in Illinois.

Virginia might try McDevitt's (next to Parisian) at Laurel Park Mall for her Angel Raphael medal.

KLORANCE eye makeup can be found at F&M on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn. If they are out of stock, ask the manager to order more.

Found someone who might be interested in Darlene's Elvis collection. And Kathy's old 45 rpm's.

The April, 1998 issue of Bon Appetit magazine for Joyce.

Crystal letters can be ordered through the Crystal Creations catalog (800) 326-6626.

We're Still Looking For:

Judy is looking for a sterling silver dog tag, large enough to engrave and to be worn on a necklace.

Sue is looking for a Bubble Comb from the '60s/'70s. It has 2/3 rows of teeth with a handle.

John wants bare floor brush attachments for Silver King Home Canister Shop Vacuum #280828, to fit a 1/4" service wand.

Nancy is looking for lower-case stencils (3 inch) in block lettering. And a kids game from the '60s: Pig in the Garden.

Debbie wants a Chatty Cathy doll.

Sally has five Frank Sinatra LPs from the 1950s in excellent condition she wants to sell.

Kathy wants Britannia baggy blue jeans in women's petite sizes, used to be able to buy at Target or Kmart.

Bob from Farmington wants a copy of the movie Robinson Crusoe on Mars, it is a sci-fi movie from the 1960s.

Virginia is looking for paint

for her Sacred Heart garden statue, a (dull) wash with gold paint and she also wants a 33x70 lattice or resin free-standing privacy screen to be used outdoors.

Sylvia is looking for somewhere in the Redford/Dearborn area to take large tool area carpets to be cleaned.

Cammie and Janet are looking for the 1967 Oak Park High School yearbook.

Patty is looking for FINELLE wet-dry eye shadow in a honey/olive color.

Joyce is looking for the caramel candy Slow Poke on a stick and a 1996 Beatrix Potter (Easter) ornament made by Hallmark.

Lena wants the game Generation Gap.

Loretta would like Corelle Country Violets.

Ann is looking for a telescoping mirror on a stand, made by TOTAL-VUE.

Jackie is looking for a 1966 Catholic Central (girls) yearbook. It was located at Parsons and Woodward in Detroit.

Ann is looking for a 1956 Lowery High School yearbook located on Jonathon Street in Dearborn.

Marilyn wants an acrylic/plastic picture frame made by DAX (it is thin-edged).

Judy is looking for a stuffed animal from 1976-78 from Sears or Penney's called Henry (a dog). It has black ears, nose, black eyes, red tongue and the body is beige/yellow.

Caroline wants a laundry bag that hangs from the ceiling.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

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Shoreline
2150 N. Oakley Rd.
Between University & Walton Blvd
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Bargain Matinees Daily
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Continuous Shows Daily
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THRU THURSDAY

BLADE (R)
11:30, 2:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
DANCE WITH ME (PG)
12:30, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40
DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS (R)
12:30, 2:30, 5:00, 7:25, 9:45
WHOLLY ACCUSED (PG-13)
11:00, 1:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:20, 9:20
AVENGERS (PG-13)
10:50, 1:30, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:30
HOW STELLA GOT HER GROOVE BACK (R)
11:20, 12:30, 2:40, 3:40, 4:40, 6:30, 7:35, 9:10, 10:10
RETURN TO PARADISE (R)
7:50, 10:15
AIR DUD 2 (G)
11:10, 1:20, 3:20
SHAKE EYES (R)
12:10, 2:20, 4:30, 7:40, 10:00
HALLOWEEN H20 (R)
12:30, 2:45, 4:45, 7:45, 9:40
EVER AFTER (PG-13)
11:20, 2:10, 4:45, 7:15, 9:55
PARENT TRAP (PG)
10:50, 1:30, 4:10, 7:00
SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
11:40, 3:00, 6:40, 10:05
MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
8:50 PM
SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
12:20, 3:30, 6:20, 9:00

Shoreline 1-8
6800 Wayne Rd.
One blk. S. of Warren Rd.
313-729-1060
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows until 6 p.m.
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
THRU THURSDAY

BLADE (R)
11:30, 2:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
DANCE WITH ME (PG)
12:30, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40
DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS (R)
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AIR DUD 2 (G)
11:10, 1:20, 3:20
SHAKE EYES (R)
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HALLOWEEN H20 (R)
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PARENT TRAP (PG)
10:50, 1:30, 4:10, 7:00
SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
11:40, 3:00, 6:40, 10:05
MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
8:50 PM
SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
12:20, 3:30, 6:20, 9:00

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11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 4:00, 5:00, 6:30, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00
NO VP TICKETS
AIR DUD 2: GOLDEN RECEIVER (G)
11:40, 2:20, 4:50
SHAKE EYES (R)
11:30, 12:30, 1:50, 2:50, 4:20, 5:20, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:40
HALLOWEEN H20 (R)
11:50, 2:10, 4:30, 6:40, 8:40, 10:40
THE NEGOTIATOR (R)
10:50, 2:00, 5:10, 8:10, 10:50
SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
11:20, 12:20, 2:40, 3:50, 6:10, 7:50, 8:50, 9:50
THE MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
1:05, 2:55, 3:30, 8:30
POLISH WEDDING (PG)
6:50 AND 9:20 PM ONLY
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
11:10, 12:10, 1:40, 4:40, 6:20, 7:20, 10:10
LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)
1:20, 3:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:10, 10:20
SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)
12:50, 3:20, 5:50
ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)
11:55, 3:00, 6:00, 9:40
NO 6:00 OR 9:40 8/15

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NP BLADE (R)
10:50, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:10
NO VP TICKETS
NP DANCE WITH ME (PG-13)
11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:45
NO VP TICKETS
NP HOW STELLA GOT HER GROOVE BACK (R)
11:00, 1:30, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
NO VP TICKETS
SHAKE EYES (R)
12:15, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30
EVER AFTER (PG-13)
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15
THE NEGOTIATOR (R)
12:00, 3:00, 6:10, 9:30
SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
11:10, 12:30, 2:30, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 9:30
THE MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
12:45, 3:45, 7:00, 10:00
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
1:00, 3:30, 6:30, 9:45

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10:30, 11:30, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30
NO VP TICKETS
NP BLADE (R)
11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 5:00, 6:00, 8:15-NO VP TICKETS
NP DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS (R)
10:00, 12:20, 2:45, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10
NO VP TICKETS
NP WHOLLY ACCUSED (PG-13)
11:10, 1:20, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30
NO VP TICKETS
NP DANCE WITH ME (PG)
10:10, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50
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THRU THURSDAY

BLADE (R)
11:00, 1:40, 4:10, 7:15, 9:55
DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS (R)
11:20, 1:55, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30
HOW STELLA GOT HER GROOVE BACK (R)
11:00, 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00
RETURN TO PARADISE (R)

NP THE AVENGERS (PG-13)
11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:10, 10:25
NO VP TICKETS
NP AIR DUD: GOLDEN RECEIVER (G)
10:00, 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10
NO VP TICKETS
NP RETURN TO PARADISE (R)
11:10, 2:00, 4:40, 7:10, 9:50
NO VP TICKETS
HALLOWEEN H20 (R)
10:00, 12:00, 2:10, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10
SHAKE EYES (R)
11:45, 2:20, 4:45, 7:40, 10:00
THE NEGOTIATOR (R)
9:45 PM ONLY
SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
11:20, 12:45, 3:10, 5:10, 6:45, 8:45, 10:15
EVER AFTER (PG-13)
12:00, 3:15, 6:15, 9:15
PARENT TRAP (PG)
10:20, 1:10, 4:10, 7:50, 10:40
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
10:45, 11:45, 1:40, 2:45, 4:20, 5:45, 7:20, 8:40, 10:30
THE MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
9:20 ONLY
LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)
3:45, AND 6:40 ONLY
ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)
12:30 AND 9:35 ONLY

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12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30
NO VP TICKETS
NP WHOLLY ACCUSED (PG-13)
11:40, 1:40, 3:40, 5:40, 7:50, 9:50
NO VP TICKETS
NP THE AVENGERS (PG-13)
12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:10, 10:10
NO VP TICKETS
NP RETURN TO PARADISE (R)
5:20, 7:40, 10:00
NO VP TICKETS
NP AIR DUD 2: GOLDEN RECEIVER (G)
11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00
NO VP TICKETS
HALLOWEEN H20 (R)
11:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:40, 8:40
PARENT TRAP (PG)
11:50, 2:40, 6:10, 9:50
SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)
11:10, 1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40
MADELINE (PG)
11:20, 1:20, 3:20
ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)
6:30, 9:30
LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)
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DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS (R) NV
12:55, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40
HOW STELLA GOT HER GROOVE BACK (R) NV
1:30, 2:30, 4:15, 5:30, 7:05, 8:30, 9:50
RETURN TO PARADISE (R) NV
1:15, 4:00, 6:40, 9:00
AIR DUD: GOLDEN RECEIVER (G) NV
12:15, 2:30, 4:30
SHAKE EYES (R) NV
1:50, 4:10, 6:55, 9:25
EVER AFTER (PG-13) NV
1:00, 3:45, 6:45, 9:20
MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
7:00 PM & 10:00 PM
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
1:10, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55
SMALL SOLDIERS (PG-13)
12:30, 5:00, 9:30
MADELINE (PG)
12:45, 2:55, 4:55
DR. DOOLITTLE (PG-13)
2:50, 7:20
ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)
6:30, 10:00

United Artists Oakland
Inside Oakland Mall
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ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

DANCE WITH ME (PG) NV
12:30, 3:15, 7:10, 9:55
RETURN TO PARADISE (R) NV
12:10, 2:50, 5:20, 7:40, 10:10
EVER AFTER (PG-13) NV
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:05
DR. DOOLITTLE (PG-13)
12:20, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10
THE OPPOSITE OF SEX (R)
12:40, 3:00, 7:20, 9:45

United Artists 12 Oaks
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall
248-349-4311
ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

DEAD MAN ON CAMPUS (R) NV
12:40, 2:50, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
DANCE WITH ME (PG) NV
12:05, 2:30, 5:10, 7:45, 10:15
SHAKE EYES (R) NV
12:45, 2:50, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55

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PI (R)
(2:00, 3:50, 5:45) 7:45, 9:40, 12:00
BUFFALO '66 (R)
(4:15) 9:20
HANGING GARDEN (R)
(2:20) 7:00-NO 7:00 8/10, 8:20
POLISH WEDDING (PG-13)
(2:10, 4:30) 7:15, 9:30-NO 7:15 8/19

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SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
(1:15, 4:30) 7:45
THE GREENBRIAR MAN (R)
(1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:15
SHORE SIGNALS (R)
(1:00, 3:00, 5:00) 7:15, 9:30-NO 7:15 8/19, 8/20

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12:00, 3:05, 6:30, 9:35
MASK OF ZORRO (PG-13)
11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40
PARENT TRAP (PG)
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30
HALLOWEEN H20 (R)
9:45

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SUMMER MATINEES START FRIDAY

BASKETBALL (R)
1:10, 5:20, 7:30
DISTURBING BEHAVIOR (R)
3:20, 9:30
CODEZILLA (PG-13)
1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 9:40
A PERFECT MURDER (R)
4:30, 9:20
DEEP IMPACT (PG-13)
1:30, 7:00

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NP BLADE (R)
12:45, 3:00 (5:15 @ \$3.50) 7:45, 9:55
NP AIR DUD: GOLDEN RECEIVER (G)
1:00, 3:00 (5:00 @ \$3.25)
THE AVENGERS (PG-13)
12:40, 2:45 (5:00 @ \$3.50) 7:40, 9:40
EVER AFTER (PG-13)
12:15 (4:10 @ \$3.50) 6:50, 9:20
NP SHAKE EYES (R)
1:40 (4:20 @ \$3.50) 7:15, 9:40
PARENT TRAP (PG)
1:30 (4:40 @ \$3.50) 7:10, 9:45
NP H20: HALLOWEEN (R)
1:50 (5:20 @ \$3.50) 7:50, 10:00
NP SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (R)
12:30, (4:15 @ \$3.50) 8:00
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (R)
1:20, (4:30 @ \$3.50) 7:20, 9:50
LETHAL WEAPON 4 (R)
7:10, 9:55
ARMAGEDDON (PG-13)
1:00, (4:00 @ \$

TRAVEL

'Cannes in Canada' beckons adventurous filmgoers

BY MARTIN BANDYKE, KIM SILARSKI
SPECIAL WRITERS

It's almost too much for a film fan to resist. Three hundred of the latest, greatest films a mere four hour drive away from metro



Award winner: Roberto Benigni, Giorgio Cantarini and Nicoletta Brashi appear in Benigni's Cannes award-winning film "Life is Beautiful."

Detroit. The U.S. dollar is worth about a buck-fifty Canadian. The natives are friendly, public transportation is convenient and cheap and the food is fabulous. If your idea of a good time is

spending an hour in a queue having an animated conversation with total strangers about an obscure Russian film that moved you to tears, then the 23rd Toronto International Film Festival, Sept. 10-19, is just your ticket.

It was Time magazine that recently dubbed Toronto "Cannes in Canada," for good reason. It's one of the top four festivals on the globe, right up there with Cannes, Berlin and Venice. It's considered the gateway to the North American film market. It's got all the stars and the parties, but it's far more accessible than its sparkling peers. This year, it's even got a Cannes Grand Prize winner, Roberto Benigni's "Life is Beautiful," a tragic yet somehow humorous tale of the concentration camps.

Also confirmed for this year are a number of stellar features including "Without Limits," the life of American runner Steve Prefontaine, directed by Robert Towne, who took home an Oscar for writing "Chinatown."

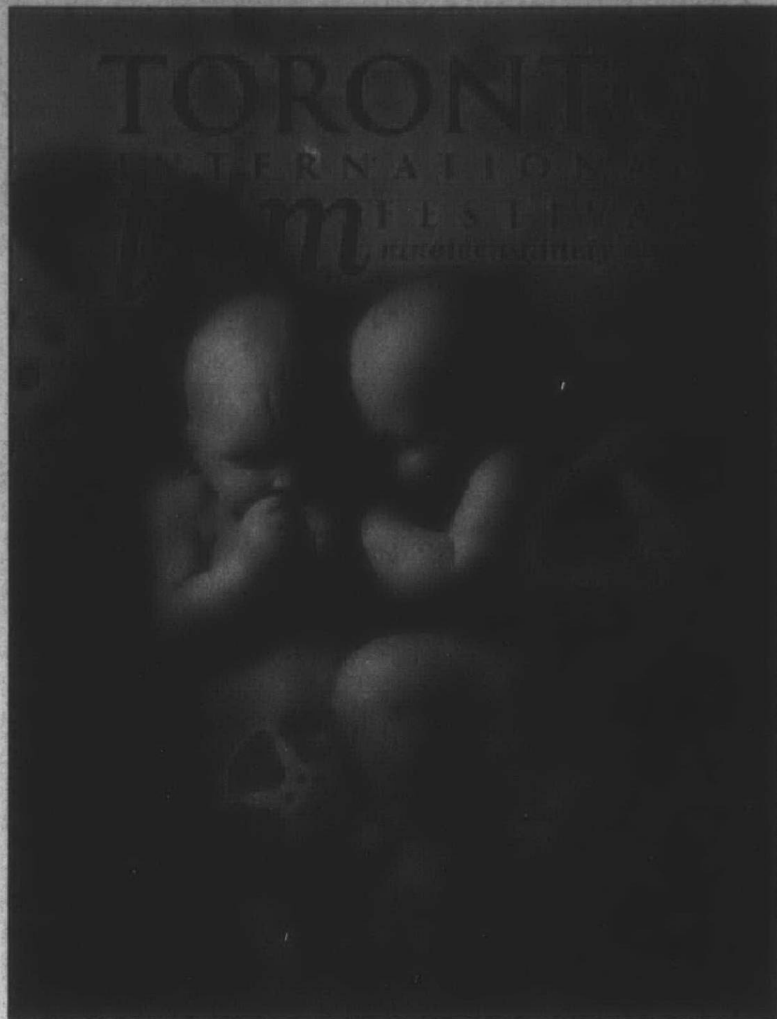
Toronto will host the world

premiere of "Down In The Delta," the much anticipated first film by poet-author Maya Angelou. Another world premiere is "Antz," a computer-animated comedy featuring the voices of Woody Allen and Sharon Stone. There are numerous categories from which to choose, including Midnight Madness, Contemporary World Cinema and the glitzy Roy Thompson Hall Galas, where big name stars and directors are typically in attendance and often take questions from the audience. Also of note is this year's National Cinema program, entitled New Beat Of Japan, featuring work from some of the most provocative and innovative directors in the world.

The complete list of films will be available on the Festival's web site (www.bell.ca/filmfest) at noon Tuesday, Aug. 25. Ticket info is also on the site, or call 416-968-FILM. With the Festival a mere 2-1/2 weeks away, the best bet to guarantee yourself tickets would be to check out the web site and then order Gala tickets by phone at the 968-FILM number beginning Saturday, Aug. 29 (only VISA accepted).

Heading to the Toronto Film Festival unticketed (advance individual ducats for non-Galas are consumed instantly by piranha-like T.O. filmgoers) is a risky but potentially rewarding venture. If you're willing to be flexible and wait in lines you can usually see something worthwhile. Start by going to the Festival Box Office (444 Yonge St.). Don't be too shocked to find most screenings sold out. Don't be afraid to experiment, and don't despair if you can't buy an advance ticket to something! If a screening is sold out, a line of non-ticket holders forms outside the theater, and if any seats do pop up, people in this rush line get in. Queue up at least one hour ahead of time.

Air Canada (800-361-7585) is offering festival-goers special airfares, but the drive, mostly on the 401, is easy and cheap and the ViaRail (800-561-9181) train



Film Festival: Michael Graph created this poster for the 23rd Annual Toronto Film Festival.

is a pleasant five-hour hitch. Pick both up in Windsor, and do use the excellent, safe subway and bus system once you get into town. Hotels are plentiful. If you crave luxury, try the Four Seasons Hotel (416-964-0411, which is also prime territory to spot celebrities.

If your budget is tight, consider the Global Village (888-844-7875, a hostel-style "backpackers' hotel." In between is the centrally located Comfort Hotel-Downtown at 15 Charles Street East (416-924-1222).

Let your meals be as random as the films you see. There's lots of inexpensive ethnic offerings

(Green Mango, at 707 Yonge St., is great), the ubiquitous coffee/muffin purveyors, and The Senator, 249 Victoria St., (416)-364-7517, an upscale diner that looks like it dropped right out of an Edward Hopper painting. Or, drop in at Rabba Market on Charles Street West, a 24-hour mini-market near the festival cinemas, for fresh fruit and other portable, healthful eats.

And oh yes, don't forget the Visine.

Martin Bandyke is music director and weekday afternoon program host at WDET-FM. He and his wife, Kim Silarski, are veteran Festival-goers.



Delta: Al Freeman Jr., Wesley Snipes and Alfre Woodard, left to right, appear in poet Maya Angelou's "Down in the Delta."

GREAT ESCAPES

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K'NEX & COSI

COSI Toledo will host a new exhibit, K'NEX@COSI: Where Science Clicks, Oct. 2 through

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From huge models of structures such as the Brooklyn Bridge, which demonstrates the concepts of tension and compression, to massive replicas of architectural wonders like the Capitol Building, illustrating the principles of physics and geometry in building, the exhibit will present an array of structures. Thousands of K'NEX pieces are used to construct each of these colorful, fascinating structures. And visitors to COSI Toledo can design and build their own creations as well.

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Tawas and East Tawas hosts the annual Labor Day Arts and Craft Show, Sept. 5-6. Free shuttle service is offered between the two locations with 325 or more booths; (517) 362-8643.

Lansing's 19th annual Riverfest is Sept. 4-7 and is held downtown along the Grand River on Louis Adado Riverfront Park. The family event is free and features activities, events and shows for all ages. An electric float parade featuring lighted pontoons is a highlight.

In Jackson, the 1998 fireworks concludes in Cascade Falls Park Sept. 5. Bands provide entertainment until the show at about 9:30 p.m. On Monday, Sept. 7 the final Cascades Light Show Dance is staged, with waterfalls illuminated and synchronized to music at 10 p.m.

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Girls hockey

The Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association is forming a girls hockey team in the 12-and-under division for this fall. Games will be played at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Please call Rebecca Jones at (734) 455-3866 for details.

100 holes of golf

A golfing marathon, that's what this is. But for a very worthy cause.

The Golden Bear Golf Club in Plymouth is one of 21 clubs in the state that will host this inaugural event — 100 holes of golf, from dawn 'til dusk, with no greens fees. All proceeds will benefit the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation. The state's foundation is anticipating a total of 400 golfers to participate.

The event takes place throughout the month of September in Michigan. All that is required to reserve a spot in a minimum pledge of \$75 per golfer in a foursome.

Golfers will be vying for several prizes, including a grand prize of airfare, a two-night stay and a round of golf for two at Marco Island Resort and Golf Club in Florida.

Reservations are on a first-come, first-serve basis. To register, or for more information, call Lynn Mueller at (248) 424-9001, ext. 42.

Wolverine tryouts

The Michigan Wolverines Triple A baseball-team farm club, for 13-year-olds, will conduct tryouts from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Heritage Park in Canton, located on Canton Center between Cherry Hill and Michigan.

Tryouts are for the 1999 summer season. The team will play in the Little Caesars Federation. Players must be 13-years-old for the season and cannot turn 14 until Aug. 1, 1999.

For more information, call Terry Powell at (734) 39-0425 or Gary Mancini at (734) 454-1104.

Salem football meeting

For all Plymouth Salem football players: There is a mandatory player/parent meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2 in the Salem cafeteria. All coaches will be present.

The next Salem Linebackers Booster Club meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16 in the Salem cafeteria. All parents of players are encouraged to attend — any ideas and input are needed and appreciated.

Questions regarding these and/or other activities of the football team or Linebackers Club may be directed to club president Mike Sherbaty at 981-7135.

Zoo race

On Sept. 20, an estimated 2,000 Detroit Zoo lovers, runners and walkers are expected to take part in the second annual Run Wild, to support the Zoo's veterinary hospital.

The event features a 5-kilometer run and a one-mile, non-competitive walk. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of veterinary equipment and maintenance of the Detroit Zoo Hospital, as well as support the training of the hospital staff, which provides services for the Zoo's 1,250 animals.

The 5-K run, which is over a flat course encircling the Zoo's perimeter and the surrounding Huntington Woods neighborhood, begins at 9 a.m. The walk, which is through the zoo, begins at 9:10 a.m.

Participants will receive a commemorative T-shirt with the official Run Wild II logo and will be eligible for the Run Wild raffle. Race day highlights include post-race refreshments, awards ceremony and participant giveaways.

Entry fees for the walk are: Those who register on or before Sept. 12, individuals are \$10 and families (three or more) are \$8 each; those registering before Sept. 18, \$12 for individuals and \$10 for families; and those who register on race day, \$15 per person (individual and family).

Entry fees for the run are: If received on or before Sept. 12, \$15 for individuals and \$12 for each family member (three or more); if received on or before Sept. 18, \$17 for individuals and \$14 for each family member; and on race day, cost is \$20 per person (individual and family).

To obtain registration forms or more information, call (248) 541-5717.

Roth caps big season with PGA win

It's been a very special summer for Jeff Roth, a Plymouth Salem graduate who won the Michigan PGA Sectional, his second win of the Big Three. It will help Roth in his quest to become one of the state most memorable golfers.

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Call it a strange twist of fate.

Last Monday, Jeff Roth matched his Plymouth Salem school-record round of 70. On the same day, that school record — which Roth set in 1974 at Brae Burn in the Suburban Eight League Tournament — was matched by current Salem

standout Adam Wilson, at Forest Acres' West Course in East Lansing.

Roth was hardly upset over having to share his record. In fact, he was far too pleased with the 70 he shot to worry about a 24-year-old record.

That's because his 70 enabled him to put his name in another record book. His score came at a personally pivotal time: in the final round of the Michigan

PGA Section Championship at Boyne Highlands. It gave him a 54-hole total of 205, which was 11-under-par and four strokes better than tournament runner-up Steve Brady of Oakland Hills CC.

The PGA Section title also gave Roth two wins in the state's big three tournaments: In June, he finished on top at the Michigan Open at the Grand Traverse Resort. Roth joins an elite group of double-winners — only eight others have ever managed to win both in the same year, the last being Buddy Whitten in 1983.

"It's pretty special," Roth said. "Obviously to be included in an elite group of

golfers like that was a pretty special feeling."

It isn't the first taste of success for the Salem graduate (1975) — currently the pro at Flint Golf Club, Roth has twice won the state's Tournament of Champions — but it's the first time he's won the Open and PGA, having finished second in both previously. He's also been the state's player of the year twice (1987 and 1996) and is well on his way to winning that title again.

"Overall, I've played pretty well all year," the 40-year-old Roth said. "I've been striking the ball and driving the ball very, very well."

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Salem seeks a title run

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Last season ended badly for Plymouth Salem's girls basketball team. And this season started poorly.

That off-balance buzzer-beater by Kristin Mayer that enabled Plymouth Canton to slip past the Rocks in the state district semifinals, a shot the Chiefs rode that all the way to the Class A regional finals, also meant an off-season of discontent for Salem. It was a sad ending to an otherwise superb season for Salem.

Then, in an early-season practice for this fall's season, the Rocks lost one of their up-and-coming talents, junior Bree Pastalaniec, to a "potential ACL (anterior cruciate ligament) tear," according to coach Fred Thomann. The knee injury probably will prevent the 5-10 Pastalaniec from playing this season.

But despite the loss of Pastalaniec and graduated star Amanda Abraham, who accepted a scholarship to Holy Cross, the season outlook remains promising for the Rocks — simply because everyone else from last season's 17-4 team returns.

Thomann wouldn't, couldn't, dodge it. "I think we're going to have a dynamite season," he said — then asked rhetorically, "Are we going to win every game? No."

"But we've got a lot of potential. And we're going to work like crazy to maximize that."

One change already figures to work in Salem's favor. The Rocks won't start their season until Sept. 8, when they host Western Lakes Activities Association foe Livonia Churchill. A year ago, that date would have represented the third game of the season for Salem. In fact, cross-creek rival Canton opens its season this Thursday, and will have played three games before the Rocks open their season.

"This year we decided to back it down," said Thomann. The reason: starting, then waiting. Salem had three 10-day off stretches last year with no games. "This year, it's going to be, 'Here comes our season — let's play ball!'"

The extra time, however, will also allow the Rocks to regroup from the loss of Pastalaniec. "We've got a chance to fit the pieces together, over a longer period of time," said Thomann. "I'm already liking it a lot."

From the looks of the rest of the cast, there's a lot of things to like. It starts with the three other returning starters: seniors Andrea Pruett, a 6-1 center, and Christine Phillips, a 6-0 forward, and junior Tiffany Grubaugh, a 5-9 guard. Pruett and Phillips are beginning their fourth seasons as starters, Grubaugh her third.

Pruett, who averaged 11.2 points and seven rebounds a game last season and was an all-WLAA

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The big gun: Andrea Pruett earned all-WLAA honors as a junior, helping carry Salem to the league tournament title. The season, Pruett and her teammate have bigger goals in mind.

Canton facing a big rebuilding job

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

It just wasn't possible.

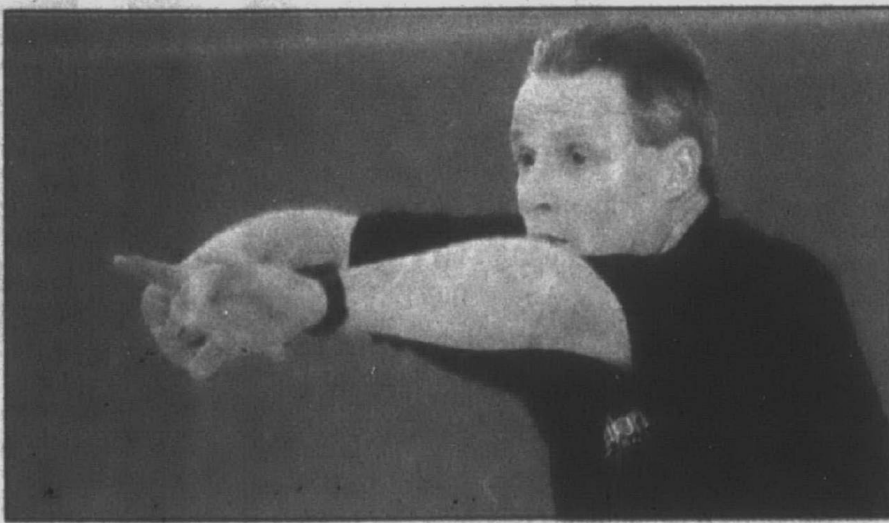
Anyone — anyone — examining Plymouth Canton's girls basketball team prior to the 1997 campaign would have come up with the same conclusion:

No chance.

They were short. They had no proven scorers or rebounders, having lost their leader in both categories (Kristi Fiorenzi) to graduation. The only things the Chiefs had going for them were a proven track record (they won the Western Lakes Activities Association title the previous year) and lots of seniors — seven of them.

Considering the quality of many of their WLAA opponents, Canton could not be considered a legitimate title threat.

So what happens? After a 3-3 start that included lopsided losses to Redford Bishop Borgess and Birmingham Marian, the Chiefs rattled off 11-straight wins in the WLAA to win their second-straight championship. They followed that up by upsetting Plymouth Salem in the state district



Hard act to follow: Canton coach Bob Blohm surprised a lot of people by winning the WLAA last season. Now he must replace seven seniors with unproven juniors and sophomores.

semifinals, five days after the Rocks had beaten them by 11 points in the WLAA Tournament final.

19-5: That's how Canton finished, collecting another district title and reaching the regional final against then-defending state champion Birm-

ingham Marian, a team that routed the Chiefs by 18 points in their early-season meeting at Canton. In their regional contest, the Chiefs had a six-point advantage in the closing minutes before losing.

"They all played off each other very

well," said the miracle-working coach, Bob Blohm, of his '97 team. "Our balance was excellent."

"But that was then and this is now. What I've always tried to do with my teams is not compare them. I try to let them develop their own identity."

With seven players — including four starters and all the top scorers and rebounders — having graduated, Blohm's 1998 squad will have a lot of identity to develop. Question is, are there any more rabbits left in that magic hat of his?

At least one long-time coaching rival thinks there is. "Don't count on it," replied Salem's Fred Thomann, when told that Canton's repeat chances seemed slim and none. "It'll just be a different cast of characters, that's all."

Indeed, for Blohm the formula remains the same. So, too, is the make-up of his cast.

The top returnees from last year's team are seniors Elise Thornell, a 5-foot-5 senior guard and the only returning starter, and Janell Twit-meyer, a 5-9 post player who is the Chiefs' leading returning scorer (7.5

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MADONNA VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW

A big step?

Crusaders seek return to NAIA Nationals

"Take the Next Step," is the theme for Madonna University's women's volleyball team this season.

The Lady Crusaders of Coach Jerry Abraham nearly made the NAIA national tournament last season, falling two games short by losing in the regional semifinals.

"I think they're really excited about the challenge of going a step farther," Abraham said, previewing his 1998-99 squad, "to our fourth national championship appearance."

Madonna has five new players, one a transfer from Division I Coastal Carolina, to blend in with seven returnees.

The Lady Crusaders suffered a blow recently when they learned senior Karin Sisung, a preseason All-America selection, would be unable to participate this year due to conflicts with her academic program.

"She will be very difficult to

replace," Abraham said. "She's one of the nation's best players. She was second team All-America last year and was the Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference Player of the Year."

Nicole Scharrer could not return for her fourth season for a similar reason. Also not returning were Paula Dombrowski and Vicki Toth.

The lone graduated player was Erin Gregoire, who joins the coaching staff as a graduate assistant. Also assisting Abraham are Brian McClain, in his eighth season, and Tim Debeliso, in his second.

Madonna finished 34-15 last year, winning the WHAC championship and post-season tournament.

"We started out very strong," Abraham said, "and got better and better and better as the season went along. We started to mold as a team, so it was a good way to end the season."

"I'm excited about this group of kids. They're working as hard as any group I've had in the past. They have great team chemistry and great team attitude plus an excellent work ethic."

"We're still in a rebuilding process, no doubt, but we're much more mature as a team, more skilled overall, than last year."

Abraham, in his 12th season as coach, welcomes junior transfer Nicole Burns, a 5-11 middle hitter from Coastal Carolina.

"She has nice size, nice speed, good court sense and a couple of years of experience. She's a real big time addition and she'll fill a spot in the middle. She could be an impact player."

Another key freshman recruit is 5-10 Marylu Hemme from Livonia Ladywood.

"She's an excellent all-around athlete," Abraham said. "She's very strong in the back row but can also play anywhere up front. We can utilize her in a lot of different ways and she's going to play a very big role in her first season."

Donna Birkenhimer, a 6-1 freshman from Dearborn Edsel Ford, has looked good in early workouts.

"She looks like she's going to be a big contributor in her first

season. She's a big blocker and is strong at the net. She has good arm swing and down the road can be a dominant player."

Two other freshmen who figure to contribute are Jennie Wind, a 6-footer from Birmingham Groves, and 5-11 Heather Adams of Lakeland high.

"We had a fantastic recruiting class. We got some immediate help and added depth at positions where we needed it," Abraham said.

Key returnees include Brandy Malewski (Redford Thurston), whom Abraham said was "dominant last year as a freshman. She can be one of the better players in the region this year."

Senior Jennifer Russell is team captain and will be a team leader from her back row spot. She's a passer and defensive specialist.

Senior Rayna Vert moves from middle hitter to the outside, where her coach hopes "she can be a terminator type hitter."

Settling into the setter's role is junior Deanne Helsom. Abraham is expecting considerable improvement from her this year as she quarterbacks "a quick, fast offense."

Junior Stephanie Uballle starts at right outside hitter with sophomore Erin Cunningham



Dominating: Brandy Malewski was "dominant last year as a freshman" according to her coach, Jerry Abraham. Even bigger things are anticipated this year.

competing for the other outside hitter spot. Kelly Aretymovich is also making the transition from middle to outside hitter.

The Lady Crusaders will hit the road next weekend to play in the Fort Lewis College tournament in Durango, Colo. They go to Lexington, Ky., for the Mid-

way Classic the following weekend and three weekends hence host their own 12-team Madonna Invitational.

"We've got a lot of play early so that should be able to tell us what the team looks like," Abraham said.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT WAYNE COUNTY

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN OF MINOR

FILE NO. 98-594003-68

In the matter of Daniel Devine, a minor, I, Diane McLean, am interested in the welfare of the minor and make this petition as grandparent.

The minor was born July 15, 1997, is unmarried, resides in Wayne County at 11659 Kinloch, Redford, Township, Michigan 48239, and is presently located in Wayne County.

The persons interested in this proceeding are Jason Devine, Taylor Beach Campground, 6197 N. Burkhart, Howell, Michigan 48843, no paternity; and Sherri Vancil, mother, age 19, Taylor Beach Campground, 6197 N. Burkhart, Howell, Michigan 48843, Livingston County.

Person with care/custody of minor is Diane McLean, 11659 Kinloch, Redford 48239.

A temporary guardian is necessary because: Child Protection finds it necessary.

REQUEST: Diane McLean whose address is 11659 Kinloch, Redford Township, Michigan 48239 be appointed guardian of the minor.

The court orders the parent(s) to provide reasonable support for and visitation and contact with the minor.

I declare that this petition has been examined by me and that its contents are true to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

Adjourned: August 19, 1998

Public Hearing: September 9, 1998 at 9:00 a.m.

Must respond before hearing.

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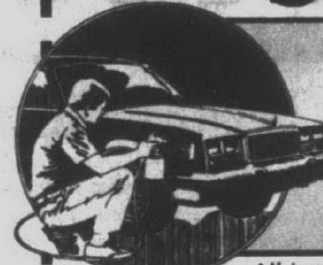
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GOLF

Glenn gets Sandmann

It was no day at the beach, or in the sand traps, for the Westland John Glenn golf team.

The Rockets captured the Sandmann Best Ball tournament Thursday at Hilltop Golf Course in Plymouth, nipping Trenton by a stroke, 138-139.

A total of 13 teams played in the event, which featured three teams of two players each under the best ball format. The low two of the threesomes scored for their team.

Tied for third at 144 were Livonia Churchill and Stevenson. Ann Arbor Pioneer was fifth at 147, Plymouth Salem six with

149 followed by Dearborn Edsel Ford (151), Livonia Franklin and Ann Arbor Huron (154), Plymouth Canton (156), Grosse Ile (157), Northville (162) and Woodhaven (166).

Low scorers were Westland John Glenn's twosome of Duane Stott and Ryan Shamrock, who shot a two-under 68. Also scoring for the Rockets were Justin Fendeleit and Chris Thompkins with a par-70.

Other area team scorers:

Livonia Churchill: Tom Fitzstephens-Mike Lightbody, 69 (tied for second low twosome); Will Bashara-Evan Chall, 75.

Livonia Stevenson: Steve Polanski-Matt Diponio 69 (tied for second low twosome); Roy Rabe-Mike Byberg, 75.

Plymouth Salem: Mike Thackaberry-Brian Gullen, 73; John Lawrence-James McCaffrey, 76.

Livonia Franklin: Tony Fotiu-Scott Warra, 73; Tim Kufel-Chris Griffith, 81.

Plymouth Canton: Kyle Larman-Chris Pell, 77; Brian West-Andrew Wagner, 79.

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selection, is "as good an interior defensive player as their is," said her coach. She also possesses leadership skills that will allow her to fill the void created by the graduation of Abraham.

Phillips, who was all-Lakes Division, provides another interior option, with "excellent defensive and rebounding" talents, according to Thomann. She averaged eight points and seven rebounds a game last season.

Grubbaugh, another all-division choice, is an all-around player like Abraham was, only with less size and better ball-handling

skills. "She has as good a package as any junior in the state," said Thomann, noting her 11-point, four-rebound and two-assist totals of a year ago.

"Any one of those kids, on any given night, was capable of having a great game," he added. Those capabilities are still there, and yet they aren't the only options. Not by any means.

A pair of junior guards, 5-4 Monica Mair and Lindsay Klemmer, have both looked promising. And then there's four sophomores who Thomann predicted "will get significant playing

time": 5-10 Dawn Allen, the leading scorer on the junior varsity last season; 5-4 Katie Kelly; 5-10 Jenna Van Wagoner; and 5-6 Kelly Jaskot.

"We're going to try and wear people down with our athleticism," said Thomann. In a league like the WLAA, that may not be so easy. It's true that Canton, the defending league champ, has lost four starters and seven seniors, but the Chiefs' JV team posted a 17-3 mark a year ago.

Walled Lake Central, Farmington Harrison and North

Farmington also appear to be experienced and dangerous.

But Salem may be far more formidable than any of them, if only because the Rocks have been so very close the last two years to sensational post-seasons, only to fall short — courtesy of Canton, both times.

"Andrea Pruett is extremely disappointed we haven't gone further in the state tournament," said Thomann. If that dissatisfaction can be harnessed and meted out to her teammates, well, WLAA foes — watch out!

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points per game) and rebounder (4.7 per game). Also back is 5-7 guard Wheatley Coleman.

That's it. The rest of the team has no varsity experience.

But all is not lost. The other seven first-year varsity players were good enough to take the 1997 Canton JV team to a 17-3 record.

Included are two juniors: Vanessa Guastella, a 5-6 guard, and Paula McKernan, a 5-8 guard/forward. Then there are five sophomores: Janine Guastella, a 5-8 forward and the leading scorer for the JV last season; Amanda Lentz, a 5-6 guard; Ashley Williams, a 5-8 forward;

Anne Morrell, a 5-6 guard/forward; and Christina Kiessel, a 5-6 guard.

"It's kind of a new beginning," said Blohm. "A new challenge with new opportunities. I think we're looking forward to it. There are a lot of possibilities. The key thing is getting game experience."

"When you have inexperienced players, the big challenge is being consistent for long periods, to sustain that consistency so they can be successful."

With none of last year's JV players averaging in double figures in scoring, points will again be at a premium for the Chiefs.

Which means Blohm's approach will be the same: "If we're going to be successful, we're going to have to be solid defensively again. And rebounding is going to be a big challenge for this team — a big challenge."

With Salem and Walled Lake Central both big and talented (again), and Farmington Harrison and North Farmington fielding strong squads, finding success in the WLAA won't be easy. Blohm won't take a cautious approach to the season, either: The Chiefs play defending Class C state champ Bishop Borgess, Flint Northern and Marian in their first three games.

"This group, in the first five or six games, will have to get ready and weather a lot of storms," said Blohm. "They'll have to learn a lot in a short period of time. But you know, I don't think they're interested in waiting until next year. You'd like to see them get some game experience this year, and then try and accomplish something the next two years."

"But this team wants to achieve something this year."

A repeat? That doesn't seem likely . . . but it didn't last year, either.

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Roth from page D1

"I've been getting a little better and a little better every year. Basically, I've just been maturing a bit more every year. Maybe I'm just a late bloomer."

At the PGA Sectional, it was Roth's play from tee-to-green that was the difference. He hit 47 of 54 greens in regulation (or better). And he's always been a solid putter, although he wasn't particularly pleased with it this time. "I kind of struggled on the greens some of the time," he said.

But it didn't keep him from the championship. It also moved Roth a bit closer to his ultimate goal: a place in history.

"In the big picture, my long-term goal is to be recognized as a very good player," he said. "It's important to me to show consistency over a long period of time. That's how you judge greatness — there are things

you have to accomplish, then you have to do it consistently over a long period of time.

"It's important to me to establish those kinds of things. You don't judge greatness by one big year."

As big a year as Roth has had — his first-place check for the PGA Sectional was \$10,000 — he came very close to making it a really fantastic season. At the Tournament of Champions, Roth finished two strokes behind champion John DalCorobbo. Had Roth won that title, he would have been the first Grand Slam winner in state history — and he would have collected an additional \$250,000 for doing so.

"I'll be thinking about that for a while," he said. "Coulda, woulda, shoulda. But it's been a great year anyway."

And it's a big step toward his ultimate goal.



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MB98-101

Patriots open with shootout win

The high school boys soccer season has barely begun, but one local team raised a few eyebrows in its season opener.

Livonia Franklin, under fourth-year coach Dave Hebestreit, pulled off a 1-0 shootout win Friday over host Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day in the Yellow Jackets' tournament.

Goalkeeper Jeremy Bruckner made three of six saves in the shootout to give Franklin the victory over the five-time state champions.

SOCCER

Fernando Cazares scored what proved to be the game-winner on the sixth shot. Ross Bohler, Bill Fischer and Dave Moldovan also tallied penalty kick goals.

"It was a well-played game, end-to-end," Hebestreit said. "It was an awesome job by our kids. They played as well as I've ever seen them play."

The Franklin coach said the

midfield play of Fischer and Mike Vega was critical along with the defensive play of Ryan Kracht.

"We played a very offensive game, but we didn't get a lot of opportunities," Hebestreit said. "That's why it was so important that our midfield played so well."

Franklin was to play Saturday in the semifinals against the quarterfinal winner of Dearborn Edsel Ford and Birmingham Groves.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Soccer runner-up

The Livonia YMCA Meteors, an under-19 boys soccer team, finished second recently in their division at the Northwest Ohio Soccer Tournament in Maumee.

The Meteors, coached by Dave Burton, defeated three Ohio teams en route to the finals, only to lose to the Perrysburg Yellow Jackets, 3-2.

Members of the Meteors include Livonians Kyle Bogen-shutz, Ben Burton, Evan Chapman, Andrew Esshaki, Alex Grimes, David Herbeck, Matt Loney, Kevin Murphy, Bryon Niemczak, Matt Rzepka, Ben Schroeder and David St. Amant. Other members include Bret Driscoll (Plymouth) and Steve Hart (Novi).

Assistant coaches include Dave Schroeder and Gary Niemczak.

Softball sign-up

The Canton Softball Center is now accepting registrations for its fall softball leagues. The six-week double-header league is offered for Men's, Women's and Co-ed Leagues with your choice of Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday playing dates.

Cost for the 12-game season is \$395 plus a \$50 forfeit fee. The season begins Sept. 8. Call (734) 483-5600, ext. 2 for more information.

Hockey camps

Suburban Hockey Schools will conduct its preseason conditioning camps Aug. 24-27 at the Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills.

The Learn to Check program is geared toward quirt players moving up to the pee wee level and for current pee wee and bantam players who need instruc-

tion in the techniques of checking.

The Learn to Check program is offered noon to 1:50 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 24 and 25, or Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 26 and 27.

The Shoot to Score program is open to all ages and will show players proper shooting technique and will help players improve their scoring skills. The program is offered 2-3:50 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 24-25.

The Defense Clinic is open to all ages and will focus on the skills a defenseman needs to excel in the game of hockey. The program is offered 2-3:50 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 26-27.

The cost of each program is \$80 per player for the two-day sessions. Call Suburban Hockey Schools at (248) 478-1600 for more information or to enroll.

PCJBA tryouts

Tryouts for the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball League, for boys and girls grades three through eight, will be 6:30-8:30 Sept. 3 and Sept. 10 at East Middle School. All students in the Plymouth-Canton school district, and all of Canton Township, are eligible.

All players in the league will play some part of every game, but no player will play the entire game. There will be a 10-game regular season, plus the season-ending tournament.

Registration fee is \$80 for grades 3-4; \$85 for grades 5-6; and \$90 for grades 7-8. Players will receive team jerseys, which they can keep.

Any high school students interested in serving as referees, and any parents interested in coaching, should register at the same times.

Registration for PCJBA teams in grades 9-12 will be announced at a later date.

Men's racquetball

A men's fall racquetball league, sponsored by Canton Parks and Recreation Services, is now forming. Cost is \$100 per player, which includes all league court time and awards.

There are no residency requirements. Matches will be played at Body Rocks-Racquet, in Livonia. Matches will be on Wednesdays starting Sept. 16 and last for 13 weeks, with 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. court times. Players will be divided into divisions based on ability level.

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

TeeTime Classic

The fourth annual TeeTime Golf Classic, Friday, Sept. 11 at Cattails Golf Club, 57737 Nine Mile Road, South Lyon.

The event will benefit the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft Community College.

The cost is \$85 (includes 18 hole scramble format, electric cart, range balls, hot dog lunch and buffet dinner). Dinner only, a 4:30 p.m., is \$30. Hole sponsorships are also available for \$100. Registration (coffee and doughnuts) starts at 8 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

Prizes includes longest drive and closest to the pin (women and men).

For more information, call (248) 486-8777.

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Aug. 25

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Fordson at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Andover at Harrison, 7 p.m.

Huron Valley at Grass Lake, 7 p.m.

(Redford Tourney at St. Agatha)

Franklin vs. St. Agatha, 5 p.m.

Thurston vs. Redford Union, 7 p.m.

(South Lyon Tournament)

Northville vs. N.B. Huron, 5 p.m.

John Glenn vs. S. Lyon, 7 p.m.

(Royal Oak Shrine Tournament)

Luth. W'sld vs. A.P. Cabrini, 5:30 p.m.

Shrine vs. S'field Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 26

Redford Tournament

at St. Agatha, 5 & 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 27

Stevenson at S'field-Lathrup, 7 p.m.

Canton at Bishop Borgess, 7 p.m.

Farmington at Berkley, 7 p.m.

N. Farmington at A.A. Huron, 7 p.m.

Harrison at Wat. Kettering, 7 p.m.

South Lyon Tourney, 5 & 7 p.m.

Shrine Tourney, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Monday, Aug. 24

Lakeland at N. Farmington, 5:30 p.m.

Millford at Harrison, 5:30 p.m.

Troy at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 25

Luth. W'sld at S'field Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 26

N. Farmington at Thurston, 5:30 p.m.

Lansing CC at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 27

Luth. W'sld at D.H. Fairlane, 4:30 p.m.

A.A. Huron at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 28

Thurston at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Redford CC at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Franklin at Crestwood, 7 p.m.

Ply. Christian at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 28

Schoolcraft at Lewis (Ill.), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 29

Schoolcraft at Valparaiso (Ind.), 2 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Aug. 29

Schoolcraft at Hillsdale, 2 p.m.

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Friday-Saturday, Aug. 28-29

Madonna at Ft. Lewis (Colo.), TBA.

Schoolcraft at Kellogg Tourney, TBA.

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RECREATION

Bumblebees show strength when lifting other insects

While walking the trails about sunset at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills the other day, I spotted a bumblebee on some goldenrod.

Foraging bees will frequently spend the night on flowers if they cannot get back to the hive before it gets too cold or dark.

At first it looked like a sleeping bumblebee, but upon closer examination it was not positioned correctly.

When I got close enough I could see the bumblebee was not using its legs to hang on to any branches. So I looked around the insect and inconspicuously crouched in the fork of the branches holding the bumblebee was a crab spider.

At first it looked like part of the yellow goldenrod flowers because it was yellow, then I looked closer and I could see legs

and some faint markings on the back.

Crab spiders sit and wait on flowers, like goldenrod and Queen Anne's lace, for foraging insects. They have the capability to change their color depending on the color flower they are hunting on.

Queen Anne's lace will have crab spiders that are white. Camouflage is a great advantage for the crab spider, but I can't help but think about how strong they are too.

The bumblebee was not a large individual, like the queens we see in early spring, it was an average sized forager.

Though it was not the largest bumblebee, it was still much larger and heavier than the crab spider. Holding on to a struggling bumblebee must have taken a tremendous amount of strength. It seems hard to believe that the feather-weight can beat the Sumo wrestler.

Insects are incredibly strong. Ants can lift and carry objects 50 times their weight. They don't lift with their legs, they hold it

in their jaws.

Could you imagine a 200-pound man carrying a 10,000 pound car in his mouth?

Humans can jump, from a standing position, about their body length. A grasshopper can jump about 20 times their body length.

Burying beetles that are less than an inch long can move a dead mouse to soft soil so they can bury it. In order to do this they dig under the carcass roll on their back and push with their legs to move the body a little at a time.

The hard outside skeleton of insects allows this kind of strength. An exoskeleton must give insects a mechanical advantage that we humans with our internal skeleton do not have.

Sometimes just a simple observation can get one to thinking about what is happening in the natural world and how it happens.

But take some time to hike trails so you can discover some observations of your own.

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

Michigan State Fair gives visitors recreational look

Visitors to this year's State Fair can get a taste of Michigan's varied and vast natural resources through a trip to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' new Pocket Park.

Last spring, a two-acre parcel of land tucked into the corner of the State Fairgrounds at Eight Mile and Woodward was nothing more than an empty lot. Today, that same parcel is a green and blue oasis that will showcase the state's world-class natural resources and outdoor recreational activities.

"Children who live in urban areas often have fewer opportunities to participate in outdoor recreational activities, and we want that to change," DNR Director K.L. Cool said. "It's our hope that the pocket park will awaken interest in children as well as adults to discover all that Michigan has to offer."

The park will establish a stronger, more visible DNR presence at the State Fair, which runs Aug. 25-Sept. 7.

The exhibit will allow urban youths to get a taste of the outdoors at a permanent fishing pond shaped like the Lower Peninsula, or at pellet gun and archery ranges.

Anchoring the Pocket Park is a fishing pond that will be stocked with hybrid blue gill. Children will receive fishing tips and will practice casting at targets on the pond before they try their luck with a baited hook.

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS

An overhanging platform lines the entire length of the western and southern shorelines and thousands of kids are expected to flock to the platform, where they will learn the value of catch-and-release fishing. There will also be adaptive equipment for handicapped individuals who have limited use of their hands and legs.

Hunter safety instructors will emphasize shooting safety as they help people target practice at the archery and pellet gun ranges. There will also be a Firearms Training Machine (FATS) that allows people to assess the accuracy of their aim as they shoot at moving targets on a video screen with a laser-beam shotgun or rifle.

Each day during the fair a different live exhibit will feature some of Michigan's native animals, including birds of prey, ducks, frogs, snakes and bats.

Also within the park are a variety of interactive programs that change each day, such as fly fishing, tying a fly, learning bicycle safety tips or getting a few new fishing tips.

The DNR wants families, especially those in urban areas, to have lots of fun at the Pocket Park, learn something new and perhaps broaden their interest in Michigan's great outdoor adventures.

tures.

"The Detroit River is a world-class fishery, and there are more than a dozen state parks, state recreation areas and state game areas all within an hour's drive of Detroit," said Bruce Matthews, chief of the DNR's Office of Information and Education. "Michigan's nature is available for all to enjoy and we hope this park whets everyone's appetite for more."

The concept of increasing outdoor recreational activities for Michigan residents living in urban areas was one of several recommendations of Gov. John Engler's Hunting and Fishing Heritage Task Force.

The Governor is scheduled to officially dedicate the park at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 28, during Governor's Day at the fair.

The Pocket Park was funded primarily with a \$500,000 grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund.

More information on the Pocket Park, including a schedule of programs and pictures of the park during construction, can be found on the DNR's internet site at <http://dnr.state.mi.us>.

(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314, send e-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net or call Bill Parker evenings at (248) 901-2573.)

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

ARCHERY

ROA 3D

Royal Oak Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, on its walk-through course in Lake Orion. Call (248) 693-9799 or (248) 693-1369 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

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TURKEY HUNTING

Jay's Sporting Goods of Clare, the Michigan DNR and the Michigan Wild Turkey Hunters Association will be conducting Michigan's first fall wild turkey hunting workshop beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Jay's. Fall hunting techniques, calling, the use of decoys, laws, turkey biology and much more will be discussed by some of the state's most noted turkey experts.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. Call (313) 941-9688 to pre-register.

WINGSHOOTING SCHOOL

Hunters Ridge Hunt Club in Oxford will host the Field Sports Wingshooting School on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13. Master gunfitter and certified instructor Bryan Bilinski, who is credited with bringing sporting clays to the United States, will lead the school, which will cover all aspects of proficient shooting. Call (616) 933-0767 (daytime) or (248) 637-2446 (evenings) for more information.

CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold a 50-boat open tournament on Sunday, Aug. 30, on Pontiac Lake in Oakland County. Registration is \$80, \$85 after Aug. 26. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC

The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 9-10, in Lansing. Wednesday's session will convene at Lansing Center while the Thursday portion of the meeting will be held at the Stevens T. Mason Building. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 one week in advance.

SEASON/DATES

GOOSE

The September Canada goose season will be Sept. 1-15 in the Lower Peninsula and Sept. 1-10 in the Upper Peninsula. (The counties of Huron, Tuscola and Saginaw will be closed for the early season.) The daily bag limit is five.

WATERFOWL

Waterfowl hunters have until Aug. 28 to apply for a reserved hunt permit.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake, call (810) 229-7067.

PREDATOR/PREY

Learn how animals depend on other animals for survival in the complex food web during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28, at Maybury.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

POND PERSONALITIES

Meet some of the unique creatures that call a pond their home during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, at Kensington.

AMERICAN INDIAN GROUND

Step into the past and learn about the life of native American Indians as you walk over the land that first knew moccasined footsteps of the Eastern woodland tribes during this program, which begins at 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, at Stony Creek.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

Carmen Salvino sets up shop in classroom, tutors area bowlers

Let's get into our space capsule and go back in time.

How about the 1960s when bowling was going through a dynamic growth and the Pro Bowlers Tour was a hot item on our black and white TV sets.

Ray Bluth versus Carmen Salvino, Salvino vs. Don Carter or Dick Weber. This was a classic time, and these bowlers were legends before their time.

There was a lot of real character back then, and of all the characters, it was usually Salvino who put his emotions up front, and what a show.

He visited this area a few days ago, putting on a bowling class at one of the local houses.

I did not get the information ahead of time for this class, but here is some great news, he will be right back here for another class, and anyone who wants to learn a whole lot about this game would want to attend.

The class will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 29 at Bonanza Lanes, located 246 Hoover Road

in Warren.

Bowlers of every skill level from around 140 to 210 average will benefit. Those above 210 already know everything there is to know.

The class consists of six hours of classroom and on-the-lanes instruction by one of the most knowledgeable bowling gurus. The fee is \$199 and it is worth it just to learn from one of the masters.

Additionally, each student will receive a new Columbia high performance ball and a free lunch as well.

I was fortunate enough to sit in for a short stint and listen to this Hall-of-Famer explain how best to deliver the ball to the class that was attending.

Advance reservations are mandatory, so act now while you have a chance.

Call Bob Ritter at (734) 464-8500. Fortunately, I had a chance to ask Carmen a few questions, and here's how he responded:

(Q) What will one learn at the school?

(A) How to get maximum energy into the roll of the ball through proper leverage and timing, how to improve your mental game, learn about ball balances and lane strategy.

(Q) What age can benefit best?

(A) Age is no criteria, but usually 12 years and up, be able to average at least around 140.

(Q) How important is the mental game?

(A) If all things are equal physically, the person with the best mental game will win.

(Q) How about the mental game, is it temper, attitude or what?

(A) It is knowledge. The more you know about bowling, the less there is to get upset about. Knowledge and temperament go hand-in-hand. There is a system to this, the same as in our daily lives.

(Q) Among bowlers in general, what is the most common weakness?

(A) Most people do not have a good armwring, that takes learning, and then practice.

(Q) What about practice, how much is enough or too much?

(A) Practice according to your age and physical condition. If something starts to hurt, quit right then. For all ages regular practice will keep you in the best shape and will help sharpen your skills.

It looks like anyone who is serious about getting to the next level will learn a whole lot from the Salvino experience. He is a hands-on instructor, no nonsense here. He works with the students to make sure that they completely understand his concepts.

The class size is limited, so hurry up and get your name registered.

■ The 63rd annual John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament took place at Thunderbowl Lanes last Monday night and as usual, the Press Team finished last.

I came close to a 700 series myself, just missed it by about 200 pins.

The top finishing teams were: Ansara's Big Boy first place (3,336), Motor City Singles Classic took second (3,316), followed by Team Outley (3,310), Cozy Inn (3,252), Kozlowski 5 (3,232), Strohs (3,181), Bowl One-Mortz Management (3,179), Red Robin Restaurants Tuesday (3,169), Hack 5 (3,131) and Hamtramck Singles No. 2 (3,126).

Craig Johnson shot 780 for the high series and 279 high game was shared by four bowlers, Ken Harvey, Kairi Jeffries, Rick Eiermann of Garden City and Terry Tesarz.

Women's team leader board consisted of: First place — Thunderbowl Lanes (3,106); second —

Cloverlanes (3,075); third — Hamtramck/Hi Tech (2,930).

Lisa McCurdy had women's high game and series with 266 and 701.

In the senior division: The Fab Five took first with (3,362), second went to Pat Lanucci Team (3,208) and third place was Harbor Lanes (3,075).

Bob Nelson had the seniors high game with a 268 and Windsor's Scotty Laughlin had the seniors high series with 707.

All entrants received a nice souvenir package with a travel mug with Mr. Gavie's picture on it commemorating this event which he helped organize. The opening ceremonies included a beautiful rendition of the Star Spangled Banner sung by Tammy Plofchan of Redford just prior to the start of bowling.

■ As the Gavie Tournament signals the start of the new season, the following night it was the All-Stars turn for the lime-light at Thunderbowl.

It was the beginning of their 64th season, now known as the Les Stanford Hall of Fame Classic (Tuesday) and Lew Ansara Thursday Traveling All-Star Classic.

This is truly the finest assembly of bowlers in the nation. It all started in the days of FDRs

"New Deal."

The Detroit Times was the first real sponsor. During its storied many members have achieved local and national honors and helped establish the Detroit area as the bowling capital of the nation.

There was a special person honored in the opening ceremonies.

The 1998-99 season is dedicated to Lou "Star" Brightman of Dearborn, who had bowled in the All-Stars for 33 years starting in 1959 when he was signed on by the late Lou Ode.

He was an accomplished bowler and served the league as an officer and franchise holder.

Lou received the Joe Paulus Sportsman of the Year award in its inaugural year, 1992. Lou is a gentleman of wit and character, the league has chosen well in this year's honoree.

The league started out with a 300 game by Dave Kowalski and a 299 rolled by Rick Eiermann in his 801 Series. That's a hot start for this new season.

WJR's Sportswrap program and Michael Barr will be appearing Wednesday at Super Bowl in Canton.

It will be a bowling party, so stay tuned to 760 on the AM dial to find out how to participate.

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