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- I-275's southbound traffic has been witched to the freeway's new southbound lanes. It is the first phase of the traffic shift to the southbound side. Large rectangular concrete blocks used to create a barrier wall will be moved from the northbound side of the freeway to the southbound side, then the northbound traffic will be crossed over to its three lanes in about 10 days or two weeks.
- The old northbound lanes will be closed for reconstruction as the freeway's four lanes and two shoulders will be rebuilt, along with entrance and exit ramps and bridge decks.
- The six lanes (three lanes in each direction) of northbound and southbound traffic located on the southbound side will remain there for the duration of the project, which will end no earlier than October
- The M-5 Haggerty Connector between 12 Mile and 14 Mile is tentatively scheduled to be opened on Monday

THE WEEK

MONDAY

City meeting: The Plymouth City Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the second level of City Hall, 201 S. Main.

TUESDAY

Vote today: Polls are open from 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. in the city of Plymouth for the City Commission primary race. Precincts 1, 2 and 4 are at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Precinct 3 is at Central Middle School.

Night Out: The Plymouth Township Police Department and the Plymouth Rotary is sponsoring cookouts in honor of "National Night Out" from 6 - 9 p.m. Cookouts will be at Allen Elementary, 11100 Haggerty, Farrand Elementary, 41400 Greenbriar Lane, West Briair subdivision at Whittlesev Lake and Plymouth Hills Park.

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Squeaky clean kids



Scrubbing up: Jeanne Sagaert of Canton, 10 1/2, clockwise from front tire, Katie Hale of Canton, 11, and Elise Holland of Plymouth, 10, give the treatment to a customer.

Kids Time Camp Club washes up for summer

entral Middle School Farmington (next week). fourth- and fifth-graders enrolled in the Kids Time Camp's Club Connection held a car wash Thursday in front of the school to raise money for planned trips to Cedar Point (Aug. 18) and Marvin's Marvelous Museum in

The car wash was free, but a \$5 donation was encouraged. Many of the customers were parents of the children who lined up to get their cars washed before picking up their child from the camp.

10 square off in **Tuesday primary**



The primary election may be a little con-fusing for voters who will find 12 names on the ballot Tuesday, although only 10 are in the running for four City Commission

See candidate profiles A3

BY VALERIE OLANDER volander@oe.homecomm.net

Eight candidates will be chosen in Tuesday's primary election to vie for four seats on the Plymouth City Commission.

Voters will find 12 names on the ballot, although two have dropped out of the race. Bill Case, who decided not to run for office early on, and Mayor Joe Koch, who recently announced he wouldn't seek re-election, could still make the cut for the November elec-

Both had cited job and family considerations in their decisions to withdraw from the race.

These are viable candidates until they decline the position," said Clerk Linda Langmesser. "If they make the

final eight, then they will go on to the general election.'

According to state election law, Case and Koch had only a week from filing their nominating petitions to withdraw from the race and remove their names from the ballot.

'It will be confusing. Election workers are not allowed to talk about it either," said Langmesser.

Any discussion of the candidates by election workers would result in disenfranchised votes, she said. So, voters should have a good idea for whom they vote before entering the poll booth, Langmesser advised.

The 10 candidates still in the city commission race: Kevin Decker, Daniel Dwyer, Sean FitzGerald, Bill Graham, Michele Potter, Sally Repeck, Penny Rowland, Paul Schulz, Al Thomas Abdou and Jerry Vorva.

Please see ELECTION, A3

Community rallies for ticketed teens

BY SUE BUCK STAFF WRITER sbuck@oe.homecomm.net

Plymouth resident Mary Ann Cannon is expected to provide a written statement Monday claiming that four teens ticketed by police for sitting on a sidewalk on Penniman Avenue were not blocking her path as she walked by them July 1.

Matt Sikes, a 15-year-old Plymouth Township teen, was ticketed for allegedly obstructing the sidewalk and interfering with pedestrians.

voung people he also received similar tickets, according to Margaret Sikes, Matt's mother. Matt couldn't be reached for comment because he is in England visiting his

"I remember the kids," said Cannon, who was walking her dog, Sandy, on the way to the ATM machine. "They were sitting on the edge. The kids I

■ A15-year-old Plymouth Township teen, was ticketed for allegedly obstructing the sidewalk and interfering with pedestrians.

passed weren't in my way. They were not obstructing I walk there four nights a week and I have never had a problem with the kids. They aren't obnoxious or rude. I think that (the police) they are harassing the kids."

The incident has spurred a flurry of calls to the Plymouth Observer from people in the community who are angry and upset by the harsh punishment imposed by 35th District Court Judge Ronald Lowe. Sikes was fined \$210 and ordered to serve 32 hours of community service, and six months probation.

Please see TEEN, A4

Next step: Mayflower Hotel demolition

BY VALERIE OLANDER STAFF WRITER volander@oe.homecomm.net

It's a done deal.

A three-story retail/office/ condominium project will be built on the corner of Main and Ann Arbor Trail to replace the dilapidated Mayflower Hotel.

Construction on the foundation is expected to take place before winter so that a fall of 2000 completion date is

In addition to buying a city-owned

■ The Plymouth Planning Commission unanimously approved the \$7 million project Thursday night that would replace the 60-year-old Mayflower Hotel with a three-story plan for retail, office, and condominiums.

parking lot for an estimated \$120,000 to \$130,000, all Tri-Mount Vincenti Companies needs to do to move ahead with its plans is obtain a demolition

"We've been talking to the city about

the demolition. We do realize the Fall Festival is coming up," said Craig Smith, vice president of Tri-Mount.

The Plymouth Planning Commission unanimously approved the \$7 million project Thursday night after delaying

the issue earlier this month due to parking concerns, a drive-through bank, building materials and landscaping. Two conditions were added to the approval to address landscaping and lighting issues

"I think the size of this building may surprise you 18 months from now, Planning Commissioner Bob Bake warned the 50 or so in attendance. He voted in favor of the project since it was in compliance with city ordi-

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STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Cookle crew: Hi-Lo driver Jeff "Big Country" Geiman moves a load of cookies as workers at the Keebler Company Sales & Distribution Center in Plymouth Township prepare for a move to the Brighton area.

Elves on the move

Keebler clears out its cookie haven

BY SUE BUCK sbuck@oc.homecomm.net

The Keebler Elves began packing up yesterday leaving behind a Hollow Tree in the Plymouth Township business sector.

The 64.950-square-foot sales and distribution center has been located on Port Street, east of Beck, since August 1987.

The 40 employees will be transferred to their new 128,100-squarefoot location in the Lyon Research and Industrial Park in New Hudson, about 15 miles away, said Dave Ashburn, distribution manager. Its corporate office is located at One Hollow Tree Lane in Elmhurst, Illinois.

"This was a great building, a great location," Ashburn said. "But we needed more space. We could have added on but then parking would be a

problem. We needed to be further

When the company first located here, they didn't need to park tractor trailers, Ashburn said. "We need more room to park them'

The national company is known for its promotional ads touting the "elfin magic" used in creating their prod-

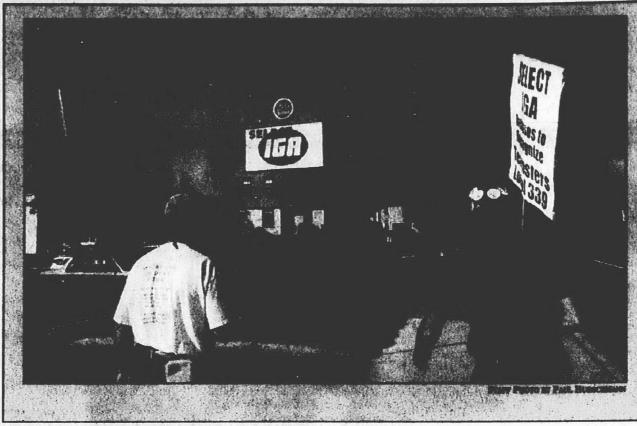
This center will focus on its expanded Traverse City, Bay City, and Saginaw geographic (sales) area, Ashburn

*We didn't settle on the decision to move until last October," Ashburn said. "We have been exploring this for a couple of years. We have outgrown this building.

In September 1998, the Keebler Foods Company completed the \$450 million acquisition of President Inter-

Please see KEEBLER, A6





g several manning picket lines at the eight Select IGAs in the metro Detroit area. The company bought out the Danny's stores, which had a

District probes school naming policy

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

A new policy that defines the procedure for naming and renaming Plymouth-Canton School district facilities is expected to be approved next month.

A written policy was requested by Plymouth-Canton Board of Trustees after they recently named what is currently known as Phase III, an athletics building, at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park after Sandra Segear, a former Plymouth High School student who suffered from polio.

Previously, the school board followed historical precedent in naming buildings and rooms. Board members solicited input from community, parents and

"We do it over weeks and sometimes months," according to Judy Evola, director of community relations.

However, in naming the athletics building at a board meeting earlier this month, trustees acted quickly without much public discussion.

"The issue is that when we name buildings and portions of buildings we need policy to follow," Evola said after the board meeting Tuesday evening.

The proposed policy calls for input from the community, parents and staff over a two-month period when naming buildings and/or portions of buildings. Buildings will be named after employees, board members, community members and/or students living within or outside the district.

The new policy comes as the

district approaches the need for naming a third high school, which will be in the same complex as the existing two high schools bounded by Canton Center, Joy and Beck roads. The entrance to the new high school will be on Beck.

The board recently named a new middle school, on Hanford and Canton Center in Canton, 'Discovery" and a new elementary school on Cherry Hill and Beck also in Canton, the "George Dodson Elementary.'

"We don't have a process in place, we only have traditions, like only naming elementary schools after people," Elizabeth Givens, board vice president, said at a meeting earlier this

The proposed policy also calls for elementary schools to be named for past or present significant educational contributors to the district, which includes

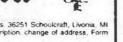
teachers, administrators and board members. Middle schools are named for geographic directions, as well as educational ideals and philosophies. And high schools are named for the communities in the 54-square mile district.

union contract.

Board members were given a first draft of the policy at Tuesday's meeting and were asked by Kenneth Walcott, interim superintendent, to make changes before the next board meeting. The revised policy is expected to go into effect in August.

"In the case of buildings, they're around in the district for many, many years," Evola said. "Everyone in the district should have an opportunity for input. The district is like a democracy you give everyone a chance to be heard."

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Hopefuls vie for 8 spots on Nov. 2 ballot

Voters will choose eight of 10 candidates running for Plymouth City Commission during Tuesday's Primary election. The 10 candidates running for four four-year terms on include:

Kevin Decker, 47, has been a resident since 1989. Decker is self-employed at Industrial Auctions, Inc. and his community involvement includes "helping out the neighbors and complaining about the water bill." He is divorced with no children.

Daniel Dwyer, 36, has been a resident for seven years. Dwyer is prison administrator

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for the Michigan Department of Corrections. He currently serves as chairman of city'sbeautification committee, organizer for law enforcement for Torch Run for Special Olympics, and the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. He is married with two children.

Sean FitzGerald, 38, has been a resident for seven years. FitzGerald is an attorney working at Wayne State University. Currently he serves as chairperson of the Plymouth Planning Commission. He is married and the couple are expect-

Bill Graham, is a 55-plus year resident, and is vice president of Peoples State Bank. He currently serves on the Plymouth Planning Commission and previously served as Canton Township Trustee from 1967-1971 and as Plymouth's finance director from 1987-1996. He also served as city clerk, treasurer and interim city manager. Graham also served as a board member of the Downtown Development Authority and Municipal Building Authority. He is married with two grown daughters.

Michele Potter, 35, has been a resident for three years.

Potter is a Behavioral Health Coordinator for Michigan Peer Review Organization. Her community involvement includes "frequenting our community activities, patronizing our local businesses and attending all city commission meetings." She is married, with two cats

Sally Repeck is a consultant with Warger, Eavy & Associates. She currently serves as chair and board member of Wayne County Department of Social Services (Family Independence Agency) and the chairwoman of the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority. She is married with

Penny Rowland, 38, has been a resident for seven years. Rowland is a deputy court clerk for the 35th District Court. She is involved with the YMCA. She has one son.

Paul Schulz, 28, has been a resident for eight years. Schulz is a writer, producer, director for Motor City Films; P.R. and marketing director for Black Sole Muzik. He is vice chair of Old Village Development Authority and patronizes the Plymouth Rotary Club. He has one daughter.

Al Thomas Abduo, 39, has

been a resident for one year. Thomas is a residential real estate for Re/Max. He is a volunteer of West Trail Nursing Home, the Jaycees, and a church youth leader at Northville Christian. He is sin-

Jerry Vorva, 47, has been a resident for 25 years. Vorva is a Realtor for Realty Executives West Plymouth. He is a former state representative, city commissioner and city police officer. He is a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, and board member of the YMCA. He is married with four children.



Grim discovery: Keith Brown said he was walking toward his black Labrador retriever, which was on its way back to the banks after retrieving a ball in the water, when he looked to his left and saw the body in Newburg Lake. At left, Brown points to the area where the body was found. His fiancee, Carla Liberato of Livonia was standing nearby when Brown saw the woman.

Election from page A1

Tuesday's primary election is expected to bring out 15 percent of the 7,200 registered voters in the city of Plymouth, according to Langmesser. Of the 603 who requested absentee ballots, 301 had been returned to the clerk's office last week

For the first time since 1993, voters in the city of Plymouth will have a primary election due to so many candidates running for a seat on the commission. A primary is held if more than double the number of petitions are filed as there are seats available, according to

city charter.

Term limits required three commissioners to step down. Mayor Pro Tem Stella Greene and Commissioners Dennis Shrewsbury and Ron Loiselle have served two terms. The fourth seat is that of Mayor Koch's

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the city's four voting precincts. Precincts 1, 2 and 4 are located at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Precinct 3 is located at Central Middle School, 650 Church Street.

Police investigate death of woman found in lake

STAFF WRITER mjachman@oe.homecomm.net

Authorities are investigating the death of a woman whose body was found in Newburgh Lake, outside Livonia's Lakepointe Yacht Club, Friday after-

The woman, preliminarily identified as a Westland resident in her 50s, was spotted by a couple exercising a dog in the water about 2:30 p.m.

Keith Brown said he was walking toward his black Labrador retriever, which was on its way back to the banks after retrieving a ball in the water, when he looked to his left and saw the body.

"Not the kind of think you expect to find in the middle of an average day," said Brown's fiancee, Carla Liberato of Livonia, who was standing nearby when Brown saw the woman.

Liberato went into the Yacht Club and asked a waitress to call

A diver from the Wayne County Sheriff's Department recovered the body shortly before 4 p.m., as investigators from the Livonia Police Department and the sheriff's department searched for possible evidence in the midday heat.

They opened a blue-gray Mer-

■ The woman, preliminarily identified as a **Westland resident in** her 50s, was spotted by a couple exercising a

cury Sable parked near the water, in the Yacht Club's parking lot, and found the driver's license of a Westland woman.

It turned out the woman had been reported missing Thursday by her daughter, police said. She had last been seen by her family on Wednesday, police said.

A positive identification had not been made by late Friday,

Sheriff Robert Ficano said the death was being investigated as

"We're treating this as a crime scene until we gather all the information," Ficano said.

The woman had been in the water since Thursday or perhaps Friday morning, the sheriff said. The body was fully dressed in casual clothing, he said.

At least a dozen law-enforcement officers were at the scene during a 90-minute period Friday. Parts of the Yacht Club's lawn area and parking lot were blocked off with crime-scene

Patrons of the Yacht Club, on Ann Arbor Road, as well as local television news crews, gathered outside and on the tavern's out-

door deck to watch the operation.

Brown and Liberato, who were mong the patrons after they were interviewed by a sheriff's deputy, said they go there about once a month to exercise the black Lab and enjoy a drink.

"Really, we needed one after that." Brown said.

DIVERSITE DISTRICT LIBRARY S POPULAR PICKS Editor's note: Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their lists of "Rest Sellers" based on the number of requests for titles by

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Tips offered on how to buy a computer

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY

The Plymouth District Library will host an informational meeting for these wanting to know "How to Buy a Computer" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, in the

Richard Truxall, an independent consultant and trainer in computer issues, will answer questions from the audience following his commercial-free presentation of basic computer buying information. Truxall, a

librarian at Wixom Public Library, helped develop the Internet Public Library and is the collection librarian for the Michigan section of the Michigan Electronic Library

Register for the free program, which is sponsored by the Friends of the Plymouth Library, at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by telephone at (734) 453-0750.

OBITUARIES

FRANCIS L. KRUPA

Services for Francis L. Krupa, 85, of Plymouth were July 27 in Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth with the Rev. John J. Sullivan officiating.

He was born April 10, 1914 in Detroit. He died July 25 in Livonia. He was a shipping manager. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II.

He was preceded in death by

his parents, Ignatius and Anna Krol Krupa. Survivors include his wife, Eleanore M. Krupa of Plymouth; one daughter, Gaylynn N. (James) Harris of Canton; one son, Douglas L. (Lois) Krupa of Whitmore Lake; three grandchildren; and one great grandson.

ELIZABETH A. (LARK) LADOW

Services for Elizabeth A. (Lark) LaDow, 76, of Walled Lake were July 30 in St. John Neumann Church, Canton.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

She was born Aug. 3, 1922 in Detroit. She died July 27 in William Beaumont Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Henry; one brother, James D. (Mary) Lark; one sister, Dorothy J. (Stephen) Kish of Canton; and many nieces and

Local arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton.

Teen from page A1

Judge Lowe couldn't be reached Friday because he is vacationing in Arizona.

Matt's father, Wendall Sikes, said he and his son thought the ticket would result in a slap on the hand, which is why Matt plead guilty. "I was flabbergasted," said Wendall

"The prosecutor agreed to one day community service, but said he couldn't waive court fees. That would be up to Judge Lowe."

Public outrage

Ken Zylich, a Plymouth Township resident who doesn't know any of the parties involved, was aghast when he called a reporter Friday. He wants all the fines and charges dropped against the teens.

"I was so appalled by the strong-arm tactics," said Zylich, who works for Ford Motor Company in Dearborn. "This is a community of people - parents and children. "I have never had any problems with the kids. During the recent hot rod show, there were 30- 40- and 50-year olds sitting in lawn chairs blocking the sidewalks and they weren't ticketed."

If this treatment of young people continues, Zylich said that he will shop in Northville or on the way home from work, but not in Plymouth.

He stressed that Plymoutharea teens could be city taxpayers one day.

A kid who makes \$4 or \$5 an hour at a part-time job would have to work a lengthy time to pay a \$210 fine, Zylich said.

Plymouth's small town atmosphere attracted Zylich to the area that he likens to the smalltown reflected in Andy of Mayberry episodes. "Andy never gave out tickets," he said. "How would Andy handle this?"

Marylu Hemme, who works with her mother at the Coffee Bean, said that many young people, especially high school freshmen and sophomores, enjoy coming to the coffee shop.

She was surprised to learn about Sike's ticket and fine. "Young kids sit out and on the sidewalk," Hemme said. "They

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> Ken Zylich resident

going on in their parking lots after 5 p.m., they would put an end to it.' Paul Schulz

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don't purposely cause trouble. Sometimes we have to tell them to calm down. But they have never broken anything or done anything."

Sometimes kids who sit in a group with their friends seem intimidating to some people, Hemme said.

Don Keeth, a grandfather of a teen who frequents downtown Plymouth, called the incident "ridiculous. It's just like fining them for skateboarding.'

"There's a city truck blocking the sidewalk in front of City Hall. They're out there painting ... Do you think they went and got a permit from the city (to obstruct the sidewalk)," he said. What's the difference? These kids weren't sitting on the sidewalk for four days.

No second guessing

Mayor Joe Koch said that he has every confidence in Sgt. Steve Hundersmarck's judgment in writing Matt's ticket and that the teen was advised to move three or four times. "I'm not going to second guess his judgment," Koch said. "He is a police officer who respects the kids. He understands kids and the other kids in town like him.

Koch added that maybe Judge Lowe "should have thrown in a little more community service and less fine."

A message was left on both Plymouth Police Chief Robert

Scoggins' and Hundersmarck's voice mail Friday but neither could be reached for comment. Paul Schulz, who has

several times on this issue,

urged other residents and busi-

addressed the city commission

ness owners to witness the large amount of kids who congregate and litter on Main Street and parking lots daily between 9 p.m. to midnight.

"If more property owners knew what is going on in their parking lots after 5 p.m., they would put an end to it," Schulz said.

Schulz admits that he cruised Main Street when he was a youth but maintains that teens today are less respectful. Further, he said that teens from Ypsilanti and Detroit are also congregating in Plymouth. "I've seen the guns come out," he said.

Schulz added that there are gang members in the crowd based on the symbols and type of clothing worn. When pressed to explain this further, he said, "I've been around."

Schulz also favors renting out the band shell in Kellogg Park twice a week to encourage kids to gather there. With the police chief leaving soon, Schulz suggests that serious consideration be given to hiring Hundersmarck for the position.

Solutions

Scott Lorenz, who with Hugh Harsha, a member of the Educational Excellence Foundation, plan a community-wide meeting on school violence in September. said that they will focus on solutions to teens congregating in Plymouth and related issues.

"I guess it all depends on your perspective," Lorenz said. "To the kids, it's not a problem."

He said that he has seen the people at R. G. Myers & Associates daily pick up litter and



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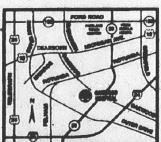


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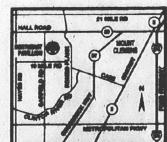
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Law to keep sexual material from minors overturned

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A federal judge struck down a state law Thursday that would keep sexually explicit material from minors, ruling that the government cannot infringe upon the free speech of adults.

The state attorney general's office hasn't yet decided whether to appeal.

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U.S. District Judge Arthur Tarnow declared that the law was unconstitutional and that the government cannot infringe upon the free speech of adults.

The law, which was to be effective Saturday, prohibited the dissemination, exhibiting or displaying of certain explicit matter ting limits "or utilizing technoloto minors. A person who knowingly distributed such material would have been convicted of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than two years, a fine of \$10,000 or both.

The law also contained language that allowed for parents, teachers or a physician in the treatment of a patient to obtain material that would be used for topics such as AIDS education or sexually transmitted diseases . Public or private universities were allowed exceptions for

Tarnow said in his ruling a family "with values" will supervise their children, including setgy to do so." With such less restrictive means to monitor online activities of children, the government "need not restrict the right of free speech guaranteed to adults," Tarnow wrote in

Nine Internet firms and the American Civil Liberties Union brought the lawsuit.

Genna Gent, spokeswoman for state Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, said the attorney general and her staff were disappointed with the ruling. "Safety of children on the Internet is important to the attorney general," Gent said.

Other state and county offi-

cials were dismayed by the rul-

Senate Majority Leader Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, said that law was crafted "to keep adults from sending pornography to children, not to restrict free speech.

But another new law making it a felony to use the Internet to solicit or arrange to meet a minor child remains on the books and is not affected by Tarnow's ruling, Rogers said.

That law makes it a felony to use the Internet or computer network to solicit, abduct, sexually assault or arrange to meet a minor child. A person guilty of this crime faces up to two years

the first offense in addition to any other charges. Subsequent offenses would add an additional five years and \$5,000 to a person's sentence.

Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano said the Sheriff's Internet Crime unit will continue to pursue child predators on the Internet and monitor chat rooms. The unit has made seven arrests of accused child predators.

Tarnow's ruling only decided on a law regarding the use of the Internet to distribute pornographic material to children, not Rogers' legislation that bans the meeting of a minor child through the Internet, Ficano said. That is a law that sheriffs have been using to prosecute offenders.

Ficano also recognized the free speech issue, but still believes the distribution of pornography

in prison and \$2,000 in fines for involving children should be prosecuted.

"(Tarnow's) ruling will not affect how we pursue child

predators," Ficano said. Ficano hoped Granholm would pursue an appeal of the ruling and, if necessary, state legislators would revise state

State Sen. Thaddeus McCob ter, R-Livonia, said state Senstors had tried to write the legislation to attack child pornography distributors and include penalties for using the Internet for that distribution for commer-

cial gain. McCotter had not read the court ruling yet, but expected

lawmakers to revisit the issue. "We'll have to go back and see how we can do it," McCotter

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Business growth boosts county bond ratings

Three financial agencies have boosted Wayne County's bond ratings, citing the growth in business development in several Wayne County communities. Aincluding the city of Detroit, in

the rating upgrade. For the first time since 1978. Moody's has given Wayne County an A3 rating on its limited tax general obligation bonds. Moody's also upgraded the county's outstanding general obligation unlimited tax bonds to A2 from A3 and its outstanding parity obligations to A3 from Baa1. Standard & Poor's Service and Fitch IBCA raised the limited tax general obligation rating to

County officials believe the end result will be millions of dollars saving in interest charges on money the county borrows. In the current market environment, this upgrade could mean an estimated savings of 2 percent of the par amount of a bond issue or \$440,000 on the anticipated sell of \$22 million in sewer bonds to

take place later this month.

"Wayne County gets financially stronger every year," said County Executive Edward McNamara. "This is the sixth upgrade of our bond rating in 10 years. A good economy certainly has helped, but keeping the budget balanced for the past 11 years has given the county the stability to bring in record new investment.'

According to the ratings agencies, a more stable financial position has come from major pro-

jects like the county's Pinnacle Aeropark mixed-use development south of Metro Airport, Metro's new midfield terminal now under construction, booming suburban residential development, investments in the city of Detroit by General Motors and Daimler-Chrysler along with construction of the two downtown sports stadiums.

The agencies also cited low unemployment and a more diversified economy as other stabilizing factors

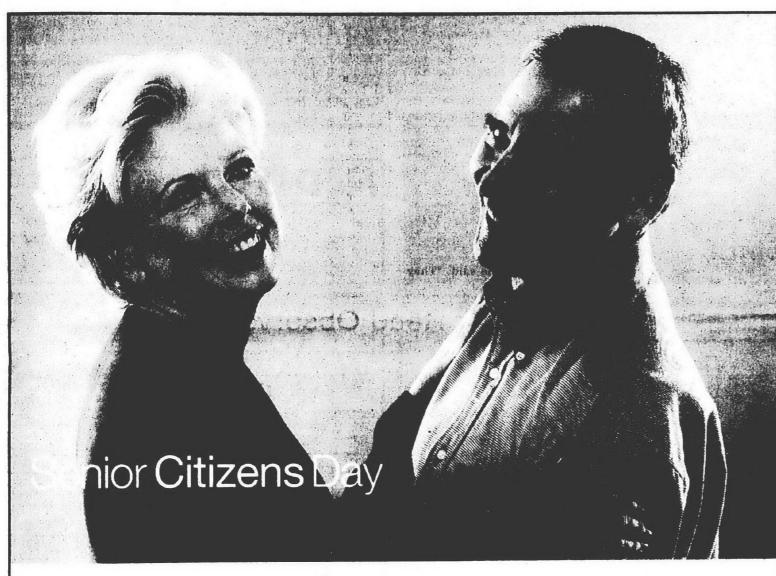


problem. More than 50 million adults in the U.S. in 1995. approximately 30% of the population, had high blood pressure. The

guidelines for diagnosis and treatment of hypertension were revised in 1997, which means that some people who were told they had normal blood pressure at that time may be classified as having hypertension now

Blood pressure is the force placed on artery walls as blood flows through them Hypertension is persistent elevation of systemic arterial blood pressure. Older adults, due to age-associated increase in systolic blood pressure, have higher rates of the disease. Usually there are no symptoms until persistent high blood pressure affects blood supply to major organs leading to organ damage. This is why hypertension is called the "Silent Killei

Detection and proper treatment of hypertension are essential for reducing and preventing stroke, heart disease and kidney failure. Measures such as controlling diabetes, weight reduction, exercise, and low-salt diet are known to lower blood pressure. Medications are widely available and selectively chosen depending on other existing medical conditions. Older persons usually have a better response to treatment than younger age groups



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PCCS offers MSU credits for summer

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

On summer break from Michigan State University, Amber Apel is taking MSU classes in Canton.

Apel spent a good part of her summer in her Canton home, instead of her Lansing dorm, studying for her integrated and humanities class, a prerequisite for her major, family community services program.

The class is part of a new venture between Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and MSU. It was launched this year by Barbara Young, Plymouth-Canton director of community education and Pat O'Donnell, Plymouth-Canton assistant superintendent to instruction of K-12.

The classes are taught by MSU instructors and are assigned the same college credits allotted during the school year.

Apel, a sophomore, graduated from Plymouth-Salem High School in 1998. Taking the summer class, she said, was a good way to raise her grade point average.

"It made things a lot easier, because if you only take a couple of classes you have more time to concentrate on them,'

Apel said. Apel was among 100 students who took the chemistry, English, history and humanities classes during this first

III The classes are taught by MSU instructors and are assigned the same college credits allotted during the school

year of the program. Most of the local summer students were on break from MSU.

Most of the summer classes were held in Canton High School - one was held in Plymouth Salem High School. They started in May and all but one will end next week.

"The classes allow MSU students to get ahead of the game at a convenient location," said Pat Van Dusen, Plymouth-Canton after school enrichment coordinator.

"The feedback I got from students was that they were very glad it was this close," Van Dusen said. "Some said they were taking one course this year and next year they'll take two. It will speed up the time they will spend in college."

Apel said taking the summer class will make her routine easier in the fall.

"The class I took was a prerequisite, and now I have it out of the way and I can now take other required classes. It saved me time.'

Keebler from page A1

national, Inc. Keebler Foods now owns the Sunshine Biscuit Company, Famous Amos Cookies and Murray's Sugar Free food prod-

Famous Amos Cookies is the leading vending cookie in the country, according to company literature.

For years, the President Com-pany has been the largest licensed supplier of Girl Scout cookies in the country.

This year, Keebler plans to introduce a newly-designed, stand-up resealable packaging for Famous Amos cookies, as part of its expansion of the brand to the western states.

The Keebler Elves were the advertising brainstorm of a Leo Burnett a noted ad "idea man," Ashburn explained. They were "born" in the 1960's.

"Burnett was the creator of the Campbell Kids and the Jolly Green Giant," Ashburn said. Burnett's wit also urged the public "to fly the friendly skies of United Airlines" and told home-

owners "they were in good hands with Allstate Insurance," Ashburn said.

No other tenant has committed to the Port Street location although several businesses have expressed interest, said Steve Gordon, of Signature Associates, who is handling the property lease.

"Keebler will move out within 60 days," Gordon said.

Kenyon Company is the landlord, he said.

Keebler Foods, with two tax-

able parcels, paid \$42,864.24 in 1999 summer tax and \$18,599.15 on the 1998 winter tax for the larger parcel, according to Irene Whitmore of the Plymouth Township Treasurer's department. It paid \$4,117.76 on the 1999 summer tax and \$1,785.85 on the 1998 winter tax on the smaller parcel, she said.

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Personal property taxes were \$5,552.73 on the 1999 summer tax and \$2,645.83 on the 1998 winter tax, she said.

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nances, but voiced several con-

The new building will stretch more than double the current hotel's length along Main Street, he said. It also will stand about one-story higher due to a loft area for the 11 third-floor condominiums.

"It would be as if adding a pitched roof to the top of the existing building," Smith explained earlier in his presenta-

Planning commissioner Bill Graham said he expects people to be surprised by the size, but "I think when the hotel was built in 1929 many people thought it

was too big then too.' The issue of parking caused some concerns, although most in attendance said they'd rather lose 56 parking spots for downtown patrons than lose a project most are banking on to revitalize downtown.

"In any other small town like this people don't expect to park in front (of the business)," said

This project is going to be the cornerstone for the community... I'd be willing to give up a little parking to get something going there."

Joe Koch Mayor

Fred Hill, who owns several downtown properties. "We've been spoiled.

"I'm excited about this it has been a long wait. It sends waves out there that other things are happening," Hill added.

The Planning Commission's approval drew applause from the audience of about 50 interested residents. Most city commissioners were in attendance as well. although the general site plan approval does not require their final approval.

"This project is going to be the cornerstone for the community... I'd be willing to give up a little parking to get something going there," said Mayor Joe Koch after the meeting.

The city's parking deck was

built so that a third deck could be added at a future date, he said. The time may soon have arrive for the expansion. Tri-Mount Vincenti is willing to work with the city on parking issues, Koch said. Since the Novi-based development company plans to build its office on Penniman Street, the mayor believes they will act in good faith.

The new three-story building will be made of stone on the first level with two floors of brick exterior with stone trim above.

A three-archway opening with courtyard will be located at the Main and Ann Arbor Trail intersection. The courtyard will be used for outdoor seating at a yet-

also will have a second level seating area overlooking it, said Smith.

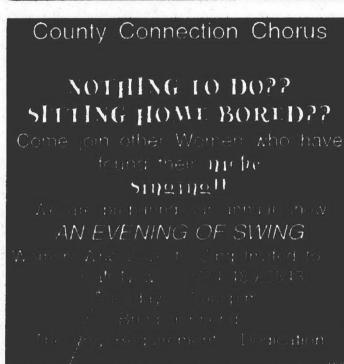
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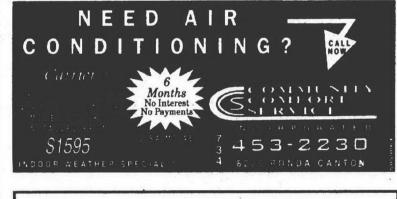
The second-level has been designed for office tenants and the third level provides space for 11 condominiums that are expected to sell for between \$250,000 - \$400,000. The condos include streetside balconies and a loft area with access to a garden terrace.

Entrance to a lower level parking lot will be from Ann Arbor Trail through an alley. The lot has 22 spots with 11 two-car garages for residents on the third-floor.

The city's ordinances does not require a developer to provide any parking spots. to-be named restaurant, which







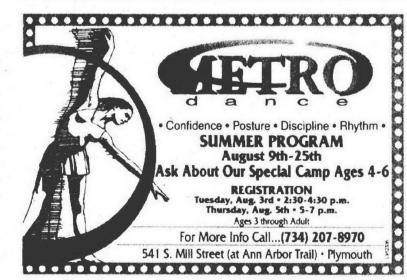
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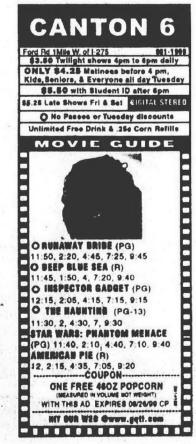
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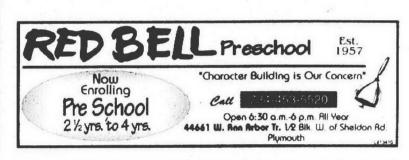
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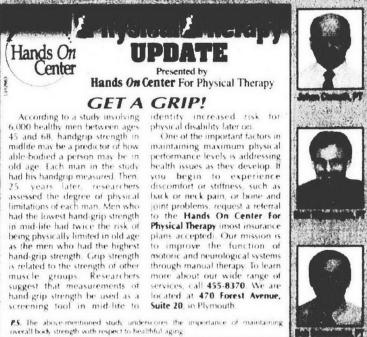


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With Thursday's opening of the MGM Grand Detroit Casino, visitors now can enjoy more than 80 gaming tables, including Blackjack, Craps, Roulette, Baccarat, Mini Baccarat and Pai

The new Grand is at 1300 John C. Lodge at Abbott, one block south of Michigan Avenue.

More than 2,300 slot machines charge a range from 5 cents to \$500 to play. More than 50,000 decks of cards and 3,600 die will be used each month.

The facility will employ 2,200 people and it will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year.

But what will that cash flow mean for the region?

"What you have to look for is a spreading of the economic wellbeing beyond the casinos," said Joe Cepuran, a professor of public administration at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

For the most part, the MGM casino, along with the two others planned in Detroit, are being welcomed in the region for now because of the creation of jobs.

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara said Detroiters have watched a \$1 million a day go across the Detroit River to the Windsor casino.

"Keeping those dollars circulating on this side of the river will certainly help the businesses in downtown Detroit and throughout the region," McNa-

The temptation will be go get more revenue out of casinos, which may cause problems,'

> Joe Cepuran University of Michigan-Dearborn

provide a mixed bag to the local

get jobs, albeit low paying ones

"If you don't have a job, it's a

plus, but with a family of four,

that (wage) still might put you

below the poverty level," Fox

Fox believes good economic

indicators to gauge the casinos'

success are the number of jobs

created, what the "real take" is

in taxes for the state and city

and how this revenue is used.

Those indicators should be mea-

sured against the statistics of

casino-related crime that devel-

Fox speculated that casinos

may have a regressive effect, in

that the poor are more likely to

spend a larger portion of their

"It's clearly not a win-win situ-

income on gambling.

food service jobs, for example.

Richard Fox, professor of eco-

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McNamara said the casinos add a new dimension to the region as a destination for many people outside of the metro area. "They have the potential to attract visitors who may also decide to have dinner, shop and spend a night in the area," McNamara said.

"Most importantly, the casinos have already created hundreds of new jobs in Detroit with a few thousand more expected. Many of these employees come from all over the region; they also shop and do business all over the region, making the economic impact far broader than the dollars spent at a gaming table."

Steve Carter, general manager of the Holiday Inn Livonia West, believes it will be positive in the

"It's been a hindrance because I've lost a few key people, but in the long run, I think it will be positive in this area, because hotels will be able to put together packages to bring people for the casinos.'

Carter added that his hotel was still putting together those guest packages.

Others believe casinos will

ation," Fox said.

Cepuran said studies of Atlantic City and Las Vegas show that two different economic groups visit casinos: tourists with high disposable income and local residents with a lower or no disposable income.

The poor people can be spending money that is not at their disposal," Cepuran said.

Cepuran is also concerned that state and city tax revenue will be nomics in the Department of sought from other sources to Business at Madonna Universireplace the revenue from any of ty, believes the casinos will help the three casinos that may close previously unemployed people in the future. It remains to be seen whether the Detroit market at the \$9-\$12 per hour level for can support all three, Cepuran

"The temptation will be go get more revenue out of casinos, which may cause problems,' Cepuran said. More state regulation may be sought by lawmakers, Cepuran said.

Only time will tell whether the casinos will develop into an entertainment-type district in downtown Detroit. Most casinos are destinations where people drive to, enter and spend money, then leave and drive back home without spreading money around that casino area.

To have an impact, "you have to see the economic development spread beyond the casinos," Cepuran said.



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ently dangerous. If a child does suffer an improvedue to a lack of necessary precautions, the property owner may be held

check to see what is mandated by local code. Some places require a minimum conditions. The theory of attractive tence height and or self-closing gate mechanisms. You should also be certain must exercise reasonable care to protect that your homeowners insurance covers any potential liability incurred as a result of pool ownership. When in doubt, check with your attorney.

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Cardinal Maida named to European panel

Pcpe John Paul II has named Cardinal Adam Maida, archbishop of Detroit, as a member of the Second Special Assembly for Evirope of the Synod of Bishops. This assembly, which will be held Oct. 1-23 at the Vatican, is t'he last in a series of regional synods aimed at preparing the church for the third millenium.

Cardinal Maida was the only U.S. bishop named as a papal nominee. He currently serves as president of the U.S. Bishops' Committee for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. During his tenure on the committee the cardinal has traveled to Ukraine, Russia, Belarus, Lithuania, Estonia, Latvia and Poland. And, during his years as a priest and bishop, he visited most of the countries in Europe.

'I am most honored to be selected as a papal nominee to synod," said Cardinal Maida. "This certainly will allow me and

my co-workers on the Committee for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe an opportunity - a platform - to share with the Holy Father and our brother bishops what we have seen. heard and done over the past several years.

"I expect to learn more than I impart," the Cardinal continued. "And, what I am able to come home with will be most helpful in our continuing effort on the national and local level to work with the priests and people of our Church in that part of the

This is the second Special Assembly for Europe which Pope John Paul II has called. He will attend all of the sessions. Each of the papal nominees will be given approximately 10 minutes to deliver a speech. Each will then submit a paper. A year after the synod, the Holy Father

is expected to deliver a formal document, based on the conclusions and recommendations of the assembly, in a European location recommended by the synod members.

During his pontificate, the Pope has also called special assemblies for Asia, Oceania, Africa and the Americas. Cardinal Maida, along with several American bishops, went to the American (North and South) Synod. Fourteen months later, the Pope went to Mexico City to speak about the work of that Special Assembly for the Americ-

Bishop Raymond Roussin of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, will be the other North American representative at the Second Special Assembly for Europe, which will involve 23 papal nominees, 17 experts and 38 auditors invited by the Pope.



Appointed: Cardinal Adam Mida

Schoolcraft registers for fall '99 semester

Registration is in progress for Schoolcraft College's fall semester with classes beginning Thursday, Aug. 26.

This fall will mark the beginning of several new offerings. Four sections of English Composition 101 will be offered as computer-based instruction classes for those who want more writing experience than the traditional lecture class

A new integrated humanities class, Humanities in Western Culture - Antiquity through the Renaissance, will examine Western culture through a variety of perspectives. Advanced ceramics, sculpture and watercolor painting have been added to the art department's curriculum, and students can take Introduction to Philosophy on-line for the first time.

New students must meet with a counselor before registering. Mail-in registration continues through July 31. Phone-in registration continues through Aug. 24 by calling (734) 462-4800 except Sundays and holidays; and walk-in registration is available Aug. 9 through Aug. 24.

To register in person, come to room 200 of the McDowell Center Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Radcliff Center. Walk-in registration is Wednesday, Aug. 11

from 1 to 7 p.m. For information, call (734) 462-4426.

CLARIFICATION

The date for Schoolcraft College's Culinary Extravaganza is Sunday, Sept. 26, not Sept. 20 as reported. The event is a fundraiser for the Schoolcraft College Foundation, which provides

scholarships for students in all programs.

For more information, contact Schoolcraft's Office of Marketing and Development at (734)462-

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INFLAMMATION OR STRAINS? A recent column discussed the importance of distinguishing between a joint that is painful because it is inflamed, from one that is painful because it is strained. If the joint is inflamed, your doctor will

consider adding drugs to your arthritis regimen. If the joint is suffering strain, then medicillor pain relief and a refer ral to an orthopedic surgeon are in order. Inflamed joints often ; are swollen because they contain excess joint fluid. Palpation of such joints brings on addition all discomfort. The joints hurt all the time though less at rest, and the pain may encompass a everal joints to an equal degree.

In contrast, a straine d joint shows a marked deformity. In the hands the digits are severely angulated, a finding known as ulnar drift. The fingers are crooked, a deformity called swan neck change. Often the joints are not swollen, but if so, firm palpation will not bring more pain. Laboratory studies and x-rays are not helpful in distinguishing the pain from inflammation from the strain of structural impairment. An exception is the sedimentation rate test, which if normal speaks in favor of structural not inflammatory change. However, a high sedimentation rate may occur for a number of reasons, and does not confirm the presence of joint

At times, even the most experienced physician has trouble distinguishing the cause for joint pain. In such in stances, doctors treat for inflammation. They observe the results not so much to test the efficacy of their medication but to confirm the diagnosis of active disease

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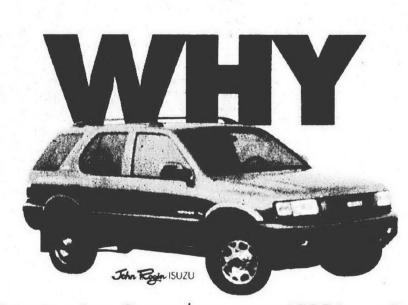
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RAY & ELEANOR HEALD

Rosé wines take sizzle out of summer

or those who like sunshine, great outdoor picnics and barbecues, this has been a glorious summer. Suspecting that it will continue, we suggest you take some of the sizzle out of summer with rosé (ro-zay')

Until recently, rosé has been a wine for people who know and really love it. Those who taste it for the first time (often in southern France) invariably comment on its pretty color, fruitiness, freshness and that it's much drier than they expected. In other words, a new taste experience.

Freshness is the key to enjoyment and you should not buy anything other than a 1998 vintage now.

Rosé is not easy to make. To attain delicacy, the issues of correct color and flavor extraction, without excess tannin, need to be met. There are a number of red grape varietals chosen for a rosé. This difference impacts taste and style.

Style and taste

Joseph Phelps Vineyards Vin du Mistral Grenache Rosé \$11 has achieved style consistency. Winemaker Craig Williams says, "I prefer a style that has bright deep color, more fruit, better balance and focus. Our Grenache Rosé is more like a light red wine than a rosé. It's one of the hallmarks compared to the gamut of rosés in the market.

"Part of the rosé connection that causes consumer rejection is light color. There's still the image that rosé is a second-class citizen in the wine world. Once people try rosé, they have a different view.'

Another single grape, zinfandel, defines the Pedroncelli style of rosé \$8.50. It's similar at Simi Winery with its Rosé of Cabernet Sauvignon \$10. Toad Hollow Eye of the Toad \$10 is 90 percent pinot noir.

One might believe that a unifying theme among rosés is a lack of barrel influence. Not true. Preston Vineyards Le Petit Faux \$12, a Rhonestyle rosé made from cinsault, grenache and mourvèdre takes its inspiration from the salmon-colored wines of France's Bandol region.

Winemaker Kevin Hamel barrel ages Le Petit Faux to create a rich palate impression.

At Iron Horse, winemaker David Munksgard says Rosato de Sangiovese \$14 is made because it is the winery's goal to make a bigger, bolder sangiovese. He draws off a portion of sangiovese from the fermentation tank after about three days and it is

Please see WINES, B2

Wine Picks

- Pick of the pack: 1996 Byron Estate Pinot Noir, Santa Maria Vallev. \$40. If you've not discovered the Central Coast's Santa Maria Valley for fabulous pinot noir, start right here. Drinking well now, this wine is a keeper for several years if well celiared.
- Less expensive, but still very good pinot noirs are: 1996 Benziger \$18 and King Estate, Oregon \$18.
- Sauvignon blanc is another madefor-summer wine. Serve these well chilled: 1998 Preston Sauvignon Blanc, Dry Creek Valley \$12 and 1998 Morgan Barrel Fermented Sauvignon Blanc \$12.
- For maximum pleasure, serve any wine well chilled in this assortment of unusual and well-priced whites: 1998 F. Coppola Bianco \$10; 1998 D'Albola Pinot Grigio, Friuli \$10; 1998 Antinori Campogrande Orvieto
- Wines to be served, again well chilled, for dessert: 1997 St. Supery Moscato \$13 and 1997 Castelletto Moscato \$16/375mL.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

■ 2 Unique

Main Dish Miracle

Sunday August 1, 1999



Line train for new recipes? The internation to be because true:

A record trip to a search continue yielded 535,424 Web pages for the line of the line

replace your cookbook shelf. Recipes can be saved on your hard drive, or printed out on paper. Here are just a few good Web sites to get you started.

Begin with SOAR-the Searchable Online Archived Recipes Web site at http://soar.berkeley.edu/recipes

This site has 63,000-plus recipes currently indexed and growing. New recipes are added to the site on a regular basis. From Medieval to microwave, appetizers to Vulcan Wedding Cake (a non-ritual version), you are sure to find something new and fun to try here.

Go ahead - type in an ingredient. You will be quickly presented with hundreds (thousands!) of recipes using the item. I tried "garlic" and had to stop after 400 listings. From an Alpine Mushroom Salad to Garlic Ice Cream, as well as a recipe for grilled shark, you

Cyberspace cooking

Here are some places to search for recipes on the Internet:

- SOAR-the Searchable Online Archived Recipes -
- http://sear.berkeley.edu/recipes American Diabetes Association -
- American Heart Association www.deliclousdecisions.org

Wegetarian Resource Group http://www.vrg.org

could be overwhelmed. You can also search the site by clicking on one of the eleven food categories, such as main dishes, snacks, and so on.

These eleven categories are further broken down into 163 groups, such as breakfasts, salads, soups

If the 55,000 plus recipes aren't enough, SOAR is part of a "Recipe Webring" - a collection of Web sites that have joined together to allow users to find other interesting sites. This Berkeley, Calif.-based site is the creation of people who "enjoy cooking and computers," and cannot provide specific information on diets or medical conditions.

Healthy matters

If you are looking for specific

information on special diets and other health matter two very and Web stone to Ezy at your transfer American Districtly American and the American Heart American The Web site of the American

Diabetes Association www.diabetes.org presents information on nutrition, exercise and risk factors for diabetes. While the information is sometimes specific to persons with diabetes, nutrition basics, such as cutting fat, or handling holiday overeating, are also covered. A new recipe is posted each day. There are archives of past recipes.

Recipes list diet exchanges, calorie counts as well as protein, sugar and fat information. Each week features selections from a different diabetic cookbook. The cookbooks are available for purchase from the Web site at a discount.

The American Heart Association Web site at www.deliciousdecisions.org offers a good selection of recipes that are low in fat, cholesterol, and sodium, along with fitness tips and a dieting workshop. The site is visually pleasing, with the format presented as a spiralbound book.

Navigate the site by clicking on tabs of the book to access a new subject. You can search AHA recipes by category, from breakfast

to desserts, or by main ingredient.

Peeling like Italian, French, German? Select from one of seven international categories. You can even select low salt, or easy to prepare options. A bate of caution, if you make your request too specific sometimes the essech engine will not produce a sesuit. While the recipes are all low in salt and fat, no exact dietary exchanges or sodium and lat content measures are given.

Vegetarian

The Vegetarian Resource Group. http://www.vrg.org is easy to read and navigate, the site provides news, recipes, nutrition information, links and ideas for those interested in becoming or remaining vegetarians. A fun, 20-question vegetarian game is also included. Your score is tallied at the end of the test, and you can review any incorrect answers.

Online ordering of vegetarian cookbooks is provided. Calorie counts and total fat grams are provided for all recipes. A grilled portobello mushroom recipe was a good find from this site.

One warning - when you start surfing the net for recipes, make sure you stop in time to cook what you've found!

See recipes inside

TAMMIE GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

Consider the benefits of organically grown food



Today, more than ever, people are inquiring about the benefits of eating organic produce. Let's explore some common questions about organically grown foods

■ What is organically grown food?

In terms of produce, the National Organic Standards Board developed standards which define organic

fruits and vegetables as those which are grown and harvested on farms that do not use any fertilizers containing synthetic ingredients or any commercially blended fertilizers containing natural poisons such as arsenic or lead

The use of nitrogen, sulfites, or heavy metals, along with the use of any packaging materials or storage containers that contain synthetic fungicides, preservatives or fumigants is prohibited.

Standards

Are there standards that organic farms must meet?

A certified organic farm is required to meet national standards recommended by the NOSB, but is certified by independent state agents. Currently, the United States Department of Agriculture is attempting to standardize the use of the term "organic."

Health benefits

■ What are the health benefits of eating organic foods? Joyce Word of Southfield was con-

cerned about potential pesticide residues in the large amount of juice that her two-year-old daughter, Breanna, was drinking. She now gives her daughter organic apple juice which is 100 percent juice.

With any juice, however, experts recommend limiting the amount to no more than 12 ounces per day so your child can receive a variety of nutrients from other foods as well.

Judy Miller of Oak Park buys only organic produce for her family because fruits and vegetables grown in organic soil have a larger variety of nutrients. Because one of her children has spe-

cial needs, and another is a vegetarian, Judy is always seeking information to maximize the health of her family. She and her friends belong to an

organic "co-op" where they purchase organic foods together and learn from each other. "I do this out of love for my kids," said Miller. "I want the best for them,

and for them to understand what good

nutrition is all about. Kids think and learn better when they are receiving proper nutrition. Besides, the taste of organically grown produce is so much better! My husband, Greg, now eats pears and tomatoes where he would not touch them prior to our switch to organic produce.

Purchasing

Where can you purchase organic foods?

Full-service, specialty grocery stores, such as Holiday Market in Royal Oak and Canton, stock organic produce and traditionally grown fruits and vegetables.

Whole Foods Market, in Farmington Hills, Troy, Birmingham, Ann Arbor and Rochester Hills, offers a full line of organic products

Whole Foods Market is committed to foods that are fresh, wholesome and safe to eat. They seek out and promote organically grown foods along with those that are free of artificial preservatives, colors, flavors and sweeteners.

Cost

Are organically grown foods more expensive?

Generally, yes. But, this is a choice people make and hold as priority in their lives.

Your neighborhood can organize its own buying club through organic distributors. Check out the web at www.u.s.food co-op directory.com for an organic cooperative closest to you.

Forming a buying club can offer you a more affordable means of purchasing organic foods.

How do you know if organically labeled food is truly organic?

You must know and trust the farmer that you are dealing with. Since we are not dealing directly with the farmer on the consumer level, don't be afraid to ask questions of your grocer.

In addition, it never hurts to thoroughly wash any produce that you buy with a formulated soap, such as Allens Fruit and Veggie Wash, to remove wax, oily pesticides, soil and chemicals that may remain on your foods.

Hopefully, we will see more standardization of organic food production in the near future.

Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist. She operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. She is the co-author of "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," Tall Tree Publishing Company. Visit

her Web site at www.nutritionsecrets.com. Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste.

Surf the Internet for new and interesting recipes

See related story on Taste

Recipes from the Web sites: http://soar.berkeley.edu/recipe s/weird/tufeen-hushanil.rec

VULCAN WEDDING CAKE (CARROT CAKE)

- 6 oz. ground almonds
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon cloves 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking pow-
- 6 oz grated carrots 1 tablespoon Vulcan bitter
- nectar (or dark Jamaican rum). 1 tablespoon grated lemon
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 5 tablespoons margarine
- 6 oz sugar: a bit more than

have a thick batter. Now beat the egg whites a little

more and fold the batter into the egg whites. Mix gently until it is To be made as a wedding cake, just barely evenly mixed. Pour many rituals would have to be perinto a greased ring mold. Bake at formed during the making of the 325°F for about 50 minutes. It is cake. This is a non-ritual version. done when a skewer comes out Sift the ground almonds and clean. Take out of the oven and let flour together to make a very fine cool for 5 minutes. Unmold onto a

TANGY SHRIMP DIP

serving plate dusted with confec-

tions sugar (this prevents the cake

16 servings/Serving size: 1 tablespoon

from sticking as much).

- 12 oz small curd, reduced-fat cottage cheese
- 1/4 cup reduced-fat mayon-
- 2 tablespoons chili sauce
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice 5 oz. canned tiny shrimp,
- drained and well rinsed 2 tablespoons diced onion
- Salt to taste (optional) Pepper to taste (optional)

Combine the cottage cheese, mayonnaise, chili sauce, and lemon juice. Beat until smooth.

Stir in the remaining ingredients. Chill thoroughly and serve with assorted crackers.

Exchanges: Lean meat exchange 1, calories 45, calories from Fat 15, total fat 2g, saturated fat 1g, cholesterol 19mg, sodium 148mg, carbohydrate 2g, dietary fiber 0g, sugars 1g, protein 5g.

Recipe from "The New Soul Food Cookbook for People with Diabetes" Recipe posted on Friday, June 4 at http://www.diabetes.org

LIGHT LEMON SOUP

- Serves 6; 1 cup per serving 6 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 to 2 teaspoons dried dill weed, to taste
- 1/2 cup orzo or rice

2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice (about 2 small

Place broth, dill weed, and orzo in a large saucepan. Simmer, uncovered, until orzo is tender. about 20 minutes. Stir in the

lemon juice and serve. Recipe from http://www.deliciousdecisions.org

Serve this dish hot as a main course with a vegetable rice mix-

GRILLED PORTOBELLO MUSHROOMS

(Serves 5)

- 2 or 3 large fresh portobello mushrooms, stems removed and cleaned
- 2 tablespoons olive oil 5 garlic cloves, finely
- chopped Pinch of salt Pinch of freshly ground black

Chopped parsley for garnish

pepper

Pinch of oregano

Quarter the caps. Place them on a broiler pan pre-coated with a little olive oil, bottoms up. Cover the mushrooms with chopped garlic, salt, and pepper.

Drizzle half the olive oil over the mushrooms. Put under the broiler for about five minutes. Remove the mushrooms and probe with fork for softness

Sprinkle with oregano and parsley and return to oven, this time for another five minutes, checking every two minutes for the perfect tenderness. They should be soft on both tops and bottoms.

Total calories per serving: 87 Fat: 8 grams

Recipe from www. vrg. org/ recipes/ mushroom.htm

Summer soup, salads really cool

See related Living Better Sensibly Column on Taste front.

ICED CANTALOUPE SOUP

- Yield: 4 servings
- 1 large cantaloupe 1 1/2 cups soy or skim milk 2 tablespoons pure maple
- syrup 3/4 teaspoon ground cinna-
- 3/4 teaspoon ground corian-
- 1/2 cup nonfat yogurt (soy

yogurt is available) Remove the seeds and rind from the cantaloupe. Cut the flesh into

In a blender, combine the cantaloupe, milk, maple syrup, cinnamon, and coriander. Blend well. Transfer to a bowl. Cover and chill for 1 hour. Spoon the yogurt into a cheesecloth-lined sieve. Let drain over a bowl to thicken. Whisk the yogurt into the soup.

mixture. Add the salt, spices and

baking powder and mix well. In a

separate bowl put the grated car-

stand. Cream the margarine and

Separate the eggs, putting the

yolks in with the margarine and

sugar and saving the whites for

later. Beat the egg yolks in and

then add the carrot mixture. Stir

well and let sit for a few minutes.

Beat the egg whites until soft

peaks form, then set aside. Add

the dry ingredients to the carrot

mixture and mix well. You should

rind and juice. Cover and let

sugar together.

rots and the nectar. Add the lemon

FRUIT SALAD PLATTER WITH

STRAWBERRY VINAIGRETTE

- Yield: 6 servings Kale or lettuce leaves
- 2 cups sliced strawberries and/or whole raspberries
- 2 kiwi fruit, peeled and thinly sliced
- 1 orange, peeled and sectioned
- 2 bananas, sliced
- 1 medium peach, plum, or nectarine sliced

- 1 small apple or pear, cored and sliced
- 2 tablespoons raspberry or red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons water
- 2 teaspoons brown rice syrup

Line a serving plate with kale or lettuce leaves. Arrange half of the strawberries and/or raspberries, the kiwi, orange sections, bananas, peach, plum, or nectarine slices, and apple or pear slices decoratively over kale or lettuce.

For dressing, in a blender place remaining strawberries and/or raspberries, vinegar, water, and brown rice syrup. Cover and blend or process till smooth. Drizzle a little of the dressing over salad. Serve with remaining dressing.

TOMATOES STUFFED WITH ORZO-FETA SALAD

Yield: 4 servings

- 2 cups cooked orzo (about 1 cup uncooked rice-shaped pasta
- 1 1/2 cups diced cucumber 1 cup chopped fresh parsley 1/2 cup (2oz.) crumbled feta cheese
- 1/4 cup diced red onion 1 tablespoon chopped fresh
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive
- 1 tablespoon Balsamic vine-
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper 4 large tomatoes

Combine first 11 ingredients in a bowl. Remove cores from tomatoes. Cut each tomato into 8 wedges, cutting to, but not through, the other end. Place orzo mixture atop tomatoes.

T-BONE STEAKS

BOILED HAM

CORNED BEEF

Wines from page B1

transferred to three-to-four-yearold French cooperage and fermented to dryness in a cold room. The wine remains in barrel until January when it is prepared for bottling.

Reminiscent of a southern France Provencal-style rosé, Zaca Mesa's Z-Gris \$9 is made from five southern Rhone red varietals, but about 75 percent is grenache. Red wine lovers can consider it a light Chateauneufdu-Pape style for summer sipping. In France, a rosé-style wine is sometimes called Vin Gris. King Estate from Oregon makes a Vin Gris from pinot noir and Preston makes Vin Gris \$9 from Rhone varietals that's exceptional with spicy foods.

Bruno Clair of Domaine Bruno Clair in the Burgundy appellation of Marsannay notes that his family has been making one of the rare Burgundian rosés \$17.50 from pinot noir since 1919. Other French rosés we've tried and like a lot are: Chateau Miguel, Saint Chinian Rosé \$9; Paul Jaboulet Ainé Tavel L'Espiegle Rosé \$16; and La Poussie, Sancerre Rosé \$27, pricey, but full-bodied

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Vaccine program

Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is sponsoring an immunization clinic for children from 4-7 p.m. in the Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. The fee is \$5 per child and covers all vaccines (except chickenpox). Don't forget to bring your child's immunization records. For more information call (877) 345-5500.

Macrobiotics

Macro Val of Garden City offers macrobiotic cooking classes. Upcoming series include beginning cooking, picnic foods, summer pasta salads, vitality foods and all naturally sweet desserts. Learn step-by-step recipes and participate - hands on. For more information and to register for an upcoming class call (734) 261-2856. Dates include Aug. 2, 6-9 p.m.; Aug. 9, 6-9 p.m.; Aug. 16, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 23, 6-9 p.m. and Aug. 30, 6-9 p.m.

Restless leg

Restless Leg Syndrome, greater southeast Michigan area support group will meet from 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at Henry Ford OptimEyes, 35184 Central City Parkway in Westland. For information call Lillian Fory at (734) 641-1135 or OptimEyes at (734) 427-

40-30-30 support

Dr. Martin Tamler and Sharon Ostalecki will host the first meeting of the 40-30-30 support group in Livonia. Please bring any questions, recipes or ideas that will help others who are on the 40-30-30 nutritional program. The meeting will be held from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24 at the Livonia Civic Center Library (32777 Five Mile - between Farmington Road and Hubbard). There is no charge. Call (248) 344-0896 or visit their Web site http://community.mlive.com/cc/Fibr

Hair loss study

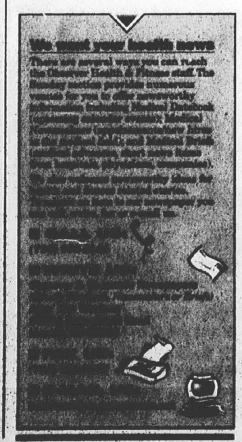
Men who are experiencing hair loss are being sought for a research study at Henry Ford Hospital. The study, conducted by the department of Dermatology, is investigating the effectiveness of an approved drug to treat male pattern hair

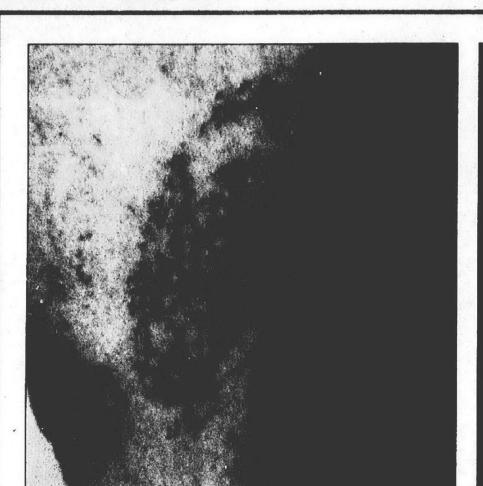
Patients should be 41-60 years old and currently suffering from hair loss. Medication, doctor visits and parking are free. Patients will be compensated for their time. Call (313) 916-8847 or (313) 916-9759.

Smoking cessation

A smoking cessation seminar occurs Thursday, Aug. 5 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Providence Medical Center on Seven Mile at Newburgh in Livonia.

The first 45 minutes is free. The last 75 minutes cost \$59 and includes hypnosis, a home reinforcement audio tape and unlimited free repetitions of the seminar. Call (877) 345-5500 for reservations.





PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE VEIN TREATMENT CENTER Unsightly: prominent spider veins and varicose veins mar the

Improved: Sclerotherapy takes care of spider veins with no scarring or discoloration.

Varicose Veins

Sitting or standing too long can bring on unsightly condition

BY PATSY L. LAFAVE SPECIAL WRITER

f you're a woman, it goes without saying you've been told to "keep your legs crossed." Who could guess that advice wasn't all that wise and, in fact, may be more harmful than in keeping with

upper thigh of this female patient.

We cross our legs without giving it a second thought - in fact, almost half of American women and men cross their legs nearly all of the time. It has become second nature to us, which poses the question, 'Is it bad?'

Crossing your legs slows the flow of blood in the veins and can cause a painful and disfiguring condition called varicose veins.

After the blood has traveled all through our body in arteries, the blood reverses direction to carry the blood back to our heart through the leg

NORMAL VALVE

pulling the blood downward, and sometimes these

become weak. When this happens, the blood flows

back into the veins, building pressure inside the

leg veins. This pressure causes the blood to pool

stretched and swollen, and may protrude from

Dr. John Iljas, vascular surgeon on staff at St.

First and foremost, "Don't cross your legs," says

valves do not work properly or the vein walls

and puddle in the veins. They then become

Mary Hospital in Livonia, says maintaining

Iljas. "For nurses, hair dressers, cashiers, line

The St. Mary surgeon also encourages his patients to keep moving. A sedentary lifestyle can

lead to a host of health problems and sitting

down for routine and significant periods of time

only lends itself to occasions where you are apt to

take to protect against this condition."

workers and people who stand for hours at a time ... wearing support hose is the best measure to

the surface of the skin.

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Veins have one-way valves to keep gravity from

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When inflamed, the veins in your legs become tender to the touch and can hinder circulation. Tired, cramping and aching legs, ankles and feet are often the result. Varicose and spider veins are usually harmless unless they involve serious complications, such as severe bleeding, ulcers, blood clots and skin tissue damage. Once you have them, the only way to get ride of them is with medical treatment. They don't go away on their

It is important to keep your legs healthy, particularly if you are a candidate for varicose veins. increasingly, men and women are working in physically demanding jobs and sitting or standing for longer periods of time than ever before. Women are returning to work sooner after giving birth. Pregnancy and heredity are the biggest causes of varicose veins. If you have a parent with varicose veins, there is a good chance that

you will develop them, too. People who have a higher risk for weak veins are those who have had multiple pregnancies, who are obese, take birth control pills, wear tight garments, get little exercise, take hormone replacement therapies or stand/ sit for long periods of time.

A possible solution for some women might be switching birth control pills to a lowestrogen formulation to avoid hormonal changes.

Remedy the problem

Which medical treatment is used depends on the type, size, location and depth of the

vein problem. Laser treatment is good for the spider veins, but for large varicose veins the treatment may require needle injection (sclerotherapy) or surgical treatment (ligation or stripping). In advanced cases, called chronic venous insufficiency (CVI), varicose veins can lead to chronic swelling, bleeding, ulceration and pigmentation.

If you are required to sit for a long period of time - stand and walk for five minutes every hour. You should also flex and rotate your ankles, lift feet and bend your legs back and forth at the knees, and elevate your legs to hip level when resting. If your job requires you to stand, make an effort to shift your weight from one leg to the other every few minutes.

Wearing support hose and eating a high-fiber diet that includes fruits, vegetables and whole grain breads all work in your body's favor. Other suggestions include maintaining an appropriate body weight and taking up an exercise such as swimming, walking, jogging, cycling or dancing that strengthens the leg muscles and helps push blood up the vein.

Herbal dietary supplements that contain flavonoid or standardized horse chestnut seed extract may help with leg vein circulation and protect against swelling. Vitamin D may also help reduce leg cramps and the mineral zinc can potentially further the healing process

"Sitting for long periods of time, such as long plane or car trips, can lead to phlebitis," said Dr. Luis Navarro, director of the Vein Treatment Center in New York City.

"If a dietary supplement is taken for 10 to 12 days prior to a long plane or car trip, it may help prevent leg and feet swelling." Also, says Navarro, take short walks at least every 45 minutes when traveling.

An unsightly nuisance

Superficial vein problems are a relatively benign disease. A nuisance, a cosmetic concern, a dull ache, but almost never a life-threatening dis-

Varicose veins are usually troublesome rather than disabling, but they occasionally have serious consequences. Early care and treatment can prevent all of these complications. There are new procedures being developed today to treat the problem that might lessen the discomfort and time off work, but the first step in getting treatment for leg vein problems is to consult a specialist. Many dermatologists and plastic surgeons are trained in these procedures, but if the problem is extensive, a vascular surgeon should evaluate the condition.

For more information contact Dr. John Iljas of St. Mary Hospital by calling (734) 462-8401 or Dr. Luis Navarro of The Vein Treatment Center/New York City, (212) 876-9284 or visit www. veintreatmentcenter. com

HELPING YOUR LEGS STAY HEALTHY

- * Avoid sitting for long periods, especially with crossed legs.
- If you must stand a lot, wear support hose and shift your weight from leg to leg while standing.
- * Keep moving during the day and get daily exercise such as walking, cycling and swimming.
- W Maintain a normal weight.
- When resting, elevate the legs so they are higher than the heart.

Healthy approach acknowledged by Council

Botsford General Hospital's fresh approach to Worksite Wellness has earned the hospital recognition from the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports.

The Rookie of the Year Award is presented to organizations with wellness programs started within the past calendar year.

"Botsford has always been a leader in the community by making programs available which help improve lifestyles," said Deborah Orloff-Davi-

son who coordinates the Employee Wellness program for the Botsford Health Care Continuum. "The secret to the success here is the enthusiasm and support of the administration and the staff. People are really excited to be involved in these programs and are even motivating other staff members to become involved. It's nice to see happy and healthy employees helping

Currently included in Botsford's

Employee Wellness program are weight loss programs, healthy cooking demonstrations, a walking club, a running club, smoking cessation programs, positive living seminars, aerobics, kickboxing, tai chi, and weightlifting classes. Botsford also offers subsides for participating in health classes and clubs, health club discounts for employees and has set up relationships with local merchants who offer discounts on home exercise equipment and exercise shoes

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MIKE WENDLAND

this, should be getting ready to enjoy a great vacation in Hawaii. And it's no thanks to the Internet. Actually, the

fact that I'll be in Hawaii and happy about it is because of Barb Redmond.

Barb is a travel agent. A regular, old fashioned person-you-call-onthe-phone-and-ask-for-help travel agent. She's my hero.

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gan, a Livonia-based company, has been awarded a major con-

tract with General Motors Cor-

poration that will result in more

than 20,000 GM employees

receiving computer training on

an annual basis. The contract is

to provide training for the new

release of "GM Online One" - a

global, company-wide upgrade from Microsoft® Windows 3.1 to

Windows 95, and an upgrade from Microsoft® Office 6.0 to 7.0.

Not the Internet.

If you read this column regularly, you know that I am a big fan of the Internet. I believe it has changed the way we do business. It gives consumers access to vast amounts of information and services and saves time and

Yada yada yada. Not this time, folks.

I did try to book my vacation online. I went to Travelocity (www.travelocity.com), one of the many big sites that let you search out low fares and book airplane tickets online. I also tried the Northwest Airlines Web site (www.nwa.com).

I did a search on the dates I could go. When I sorted the

options and asked for the lowest possible price, it kicked back a round trip fare of right around

Fine, I thought, and booked tickets for my wife and me.

But then, just on a whim, I decided to call Fox Hills Travel of Bloomfield Hills. That's where Barb Redmond came in.

She found me a special package that Northwest offered that Travelocity didn't know about. And if it was on the Northwest Web site, it sure was hidden. But Barb found it and saved

me big bucks. Using a travel agent, I was able to get round trip tickets for \$840 each.

I canceled my original booking

and went with Barb.

But Barb did more than save

She probably saved my vaca-

A couple of days later, she called me back to say that she had learned that the hotel we originally were booked at was undergoing renovation. The pool was even closed. She wouldn't hear of it and got us a room at a different resort.

If I had booked the room on the Net, I wouldn't have found

out until it was too late. I can see the fate of this column now. Travel agents, who have been hurt mightily by the great rush to cyberspace, will

they're still needed.

And you know what? They're right.

By the way, so are car salespeople.

We recently bought a new car. I tried to buy it on the Web. Or at least to get a price. I contacted two services, Autobytel (www.autobytel.com) and Car-Point (www.carpoint.com).

I described the make and model I was interested in and fired off the e-mail.

Both services promised quick responses, within 48 hours at the absolute latest, from three different local dealers.

In the end, only one dealer www.pcmike.com

circulate this as proof that called me back. The other two never did.

I ended up visiting another dealer that doesn't have a Web

site and buying face-to-face. Which just goes to show you, in-person just may be better than the Internet.

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for NBC-television stations coast-tocoast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach Mike through his Web site at

BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

force for the year 2000 and beyond. Their objective is to prepare professionally developed classroom materials to assist

Detroit Diesel has successfully implemented and completed the first year of SAE "A World in Motion," program in the South Redford Elementary Schools at the fourth grade level.

teachers at all levels, K-12:

New office

Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. is recently opened a satellite office in Canton in the Lilley Professional Building. CEO of ALNM, Abe A. Munfah, stated the Canton office will allow them to increase capacity and expand services to their clientele in Wayne County.

Fastest growing

Livonia-based ZenaComp Incorporated was honored as the ninth fastest-growing privately owned business in Michigan. This is the fourth straight year the technology firm was recognized for its impressive five-year compound annual rate of revenue growth. ZenaComp is an information technology consulting company that assists businesses in formulating and implementing web-based business strategies, application development and integration and network implementations.

Outstanding recognition

The TM Group Inc. of Farmington Hills recently received recognition from Great Plains for outstanding sales achievement.

The President's Club award recognizes exceptional Great Plains resellers whose commitment to clients is reflected in their business performance and high level of sales achievement.

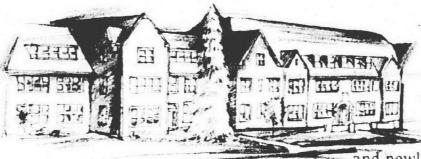
Purchase

G B Sales & Service Inc. of Plymouth recently purchased Prepolec Lift Truck Service Inc. of Warren. The closing of the

purchase was completed June 30. A new corporation was formed and will operate under the name Prepolec Sales & Ser-

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THUR, AUG. 5

A smoking cessation seminar occurs 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Providence Medical Center on Seven Mile at Newburgh in Livonia. The first 45 minutes is free. The last 75 minutes cost \$59 and includes hypnosis, a home reinforcement audio tape and unlim-

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nar. Call (877) 345-5500 for reservations.

MON, AUG. 9

SAFE SITTER CLASS The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital will offer a Safe Sitter Class for young people ages 11-13 on Monday, Aug. 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesday, Aug. 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Safe Sitter is a medically-accurate instruction series that teaches boys and girls aged 11-13 how to handle emergencies when caring for young children. The program includes basic life-saving techniques, safety precautions to prevent accidents, how and when to summon help and tips on basic child care. Cost of the class is \$40 per student. Registration is requested. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

TUE, AUG. 10 STOP SMOKING

If you're ready to kick the tobacco habit, St. Mary Hospital has the class for you. The four-session Smoke-Free Living Class will be offered from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, from August 10 through August 31, in Pavilion Conference Room A. The Smoke-Free Living Class is a four-week program to help individuals quit smoking. The class covers the

effects of smoking, what to expect when you quit, coping techniques and strategies on staying smoke-free. The program is designed to give you the tools, confidence and support you need to eliminate your smoking habit. The \$25 fee includes all materials and is covered by some insurances. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-8940.

WED, AUG. 11

WOMEN'S HEALTH

This informative free series is presented by Bharti Srivastava, M.D., senior health specialist. Group meets from 1-2 p.m. at the Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Call (734) 397-5444.

THUR, AUG. 12 WEIGHT CONTROL

A weight loss seminar occurs 3-5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Providence Medical Center on Seven Mile at Newburgh in Livonia. The first 45 minutes is free. The last 75 minutes cost \$59 and includes hypnosis, a home reinforcement audio tape and unlimited free repetitions of the seminar. Call (877) 345-5500 for reservations.

WEIGHT CONTROL

The Mission Health Medical Center in Livonia will host a weight control class from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 12. This program combines behavior modification techniques with the power of self-hypnosis to help change your way of thinking regarding weight loss. First forty-five minutes is a free orientation. \$59. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

SAT, AUG. 14

BREAST CANCER

Admission is free to the "International Betty Ford Breast Cancer Symposium for the Patient" 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14, at the University of Michigan Cancer Center in Ann Arbor. Speakers from medical centers will discuss prevention, nutrition, complementary and conventional therapies and genetics. To register, call (800) 654-1772.

TUE, AUG. 17

LYME DISEASE

The Lyme Disease Support Group of Western Wayne County will meet at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church (3 Towne Square, Wayne). Call Connie, (734) 326-3502 for information. All are welcome.

WED, AUG. 18

Course intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic knowledge of the heart and lungs, household safety tips, CPR and choking rescue skills for infants and children one to eight years old. Does not meet requirements for daycare. \$25 includes manual. Class runs from 7-10 p.m. at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING

Oakwood Healthcare Center Livonia will host an osteoporosis screening from 1-5 p.m. Aug. 18 at 37650 Professional Center Dr. in Livonia. Cost \$10. Call (800) 543-WELL to register.

THUR, AUG. 19

TEEN NUTRITION

How is your nutrition status are you physically ready for school? Learn how to "feed" your body and mind without overloading on fat and calories. Meets from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Farmington Hills/Northwestern Providence Medical Center, 30055 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. Cali (877) 345-5500.

SAT, AUG. 21

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Immunizations provided except chicken pox. Bring your child at the most convenient time from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. No pre-registration required. Bring child's immunization records with you. Clinic held monthly at Saint Joseph Mercy Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call (734) 414-

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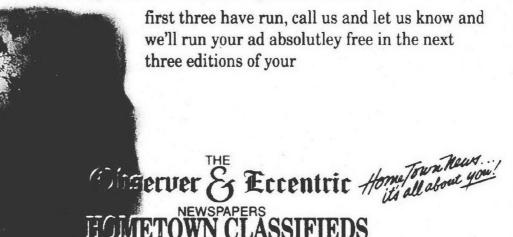
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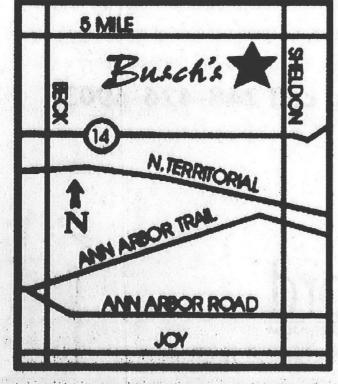
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Pianist comes full circle

aniel Paul Horn's voice is serious as he talks about returning home to Livonia. He doesn't take the responsibility of teaching young musicians in Schoolcraft College's Summer Music School lightly.

After all, if it weren't for the summers he studied piano at Interlochen Arts Camp and Schoolcraft College, Horn probably wouldn't be a guest lecturer at the Livonia college's Chamber Music and Concerto camp for the next two weeks. The summer of 1971 when he was a 14-year-old student in Schoolcraft's summer orchestra and concerto program, along with five summers at Interlochen, influenced Horn's choice of a career in music. Thanks to teachers at both camps encouraging Horn to pursue the piano, he went on to earn three music degrees at the Juilliard School in New York City. Now he's back in Livonia inspiring the next generation of pianists.

Making music come alive

"There's a limited amount I can do in two weeks, but I want to help them understand more in depth what the



music is saying, make it come alive and teach them to listen in depth," said Horn, an associate professor of piano at Wheaton College Conserva-

tory of Music in Illinois. "It all boils down to

encouraging them not to copy what other people do but make the music come to life.

As a frequent guest artist at the American Liszt Society Festival and with Midwest orchestras such as the Chicago Symphony and the Detroit Symphony, Horn has acquired the knowledge young pianists need to become successful performers. The summer programs, taught by accomplished musicians at Interlochen and Schoolcraft College, provide the intense preparation to shape these voung artists.

"Interlochen was important in pointing me in that direction," said Horn, who was first introduced to the piano at agé five by his mother, Ann. By age 16 Horn was performing one of the children's series' concerts with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. "There was a great deal of music going on in Livonia growing up, but I was one of a relatively few in my high school who was serious about music. At Interlochen it was nice to know that other people were as interested as I was.'

All Russian recital

Along with learning about making the music come to life, students at Schoolcraft, as well as the public, will be treated to hearing Horn perform Wednesday, Aug. 4. Horn programmed the recital entirely different from his recently recorded CD, "Wanderings: Fantasies of Schubert and Mendelssohn."

"I chose a program of Russian music which had not been a part of my repertoire," said Horn, a 1974 graduate of Franklin High School "What's interesting is that with the exception of 'Pictures,' all the pieces were written between 1900-1922, the

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Summer Music Festival

WHEN: All recitals begin at 7 p.m. WHERE: Forum Building Recital Hall Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, (between Six and Seven Mile roads), Livonia ADMISSION: No charge. For more information, call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5218.

Schedule Plano Recitals ■ Wednesday, Aug. 4 - Daniel Paul Horn Monday, Aug. 9 - Sanjay Mody ■ Wednesday, Aug. 11 - Anthony Bonamici

Summer Music School Student Recitals

Friday, Aug. 6 # Thursday, Aug. 12 Friday, Aug. 13



Supporting the arts: Noreen Desilets (left) discusses the art of Escher with a group of children at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Nicole Scott (center) looks on after presenting a check for \$5,000 to support the Art Volunteer Program. Seated (clockwise from lower center) are Cal Coplai, 7, his brother Brody, 9, Madison Derian-Toth, 8, and Cole Motley, 8. Meredith Derian-Toth, 11 and Marti Coplai are at the right.

Drawing on Businesses

ORGANIZATIONS

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net

Everyone was smiling at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts July 22 when Nichole Scott, on behalf of Dick Scott Dodge, Plymouth, and Dick Scott KIA, Canton, presented a \$5,000 check to the Plymouth Community Arts Council for its Art Volunteer

The scene is becoming more common as nonprofit organizations such as the arts council. Livonia Arts Commission and Plymouth Symphony Orchestra seek contributions from businesses and corpo-

rations to help fund programming. The money for the arts council program means that more than 175 volunteers will carry new portfolios, bearing the name of MEETING THE

Dick Scot dealerships, into some 305 classrooms every month during the school year.

Originally called the "Picture Lady Program," the volunteers bring art, sculpture and culture to 12,000 children in 14 Plymouth and Canton public elementary schools, five private and parochial schools, and seven schools outside the district each year. That's a lot of advertising mileage for Dick Scott's investment but for the arts council it means much more than that.

'To have what we're doing validated was heartwarming," said Stella Greene, outgoing arts council president. "To have Dick Scott say you're doing a good job in the schools was important because it gives our volunteers a boost. It's one of the significant programs we do in the schools.

"It was started 30 years ago by ladies who saw the need for supplemental studies in the arts," Greene said. "And because the Art Volunteers program has an image in the schools, the kids see those portfolios coming and know they're going to learn about art and culture.

Arts council executive director Jennifer Tobin, who approached Scott with the proposal for the contribution, is currently in the process of seeking funding from area businesses and corporations. Although the majority of their \$200,000 budget comes from membership fees, the group still struggles like all arts organizations.

Earnings from arts classes, concerts and rental of the facility help, but the arts council couldn't continue programming to meet the needs of the community without contributors such as Unisys, Ford Motor

Co.'s Sheldon Road plant, Johnson Controls and Panasonic.

NEEDS "We'd like to see more contributions," said Greene. "When you get a business or corporation to come forward, it enhances the awareness in the community."

Early years

Arts council founder Joanne Winkleman Hulce is grateful for contributions from businesses in the community. She remembers the early years of the Art Volunteer Program when exhibits were set up on folding screens in middle schools. Six months later, the Picture Lady Program would begin introducing students to art in five elementary schools.

Volunteers would leave a picture in each of the classrooms. During the month, teachers would rotate them so students could write stories about the works. The program

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Volunteers bring art into schools

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net

Noreen Desilets became involved with the Art Volunteer Program when her son, Justin, came home with tales about the art lady at Fiegel Elementary in Plymouth Township. The Canton mom had seen the volunteers in the schools and began asking questions. When she found out the program taught area children to appreciate the arts and culture, she volunteered. That was five years ago. Desilets now cochairs the Plymouth Community Arts Council-sponsored program with Marti Coplai.

"It's truly an enriching program for the children," said Desilets. "You'll be in Meijer and some child will say, "There's the art lady,' so it's fulfilling for the volunteers as well."

Desilets is especially excited about the \$5,000 donation the group received from Dick Scott Dodge, Plymouth, and Dick Scott KIA, Canton, because it means Justin, now 10, and her daughter, Danielle, 7, will continue to enjoy learning about Degas and Escher. More than 100 new portfolios containing information about art from the Renaissance to Warhol will soon be in the hands of volunteers because of the contribution.

"I'm really thankful for the donation," said Desilets. "It means we have the opportunity to update and enrich the program. The old portfo-

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New director to transform the DIA

Sunday August 1 1999

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

The confirmation of Graham W.J. Beal as the next director of the Detroit Institute of Arts is a mere technicality.

Even in the rarefied air of museum politics, a rather common phrase can be heard regarding Beal's impending appointment - "It's a done deal.'

Ten days ago, the search committee gave its unanimous recommendation to the DIA board. In the near future - possibly as early as this week - Beal's candidacy will be rubber-stamped when the Detroit Arts Commission and Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer give their approval.

Time for Beal to say "So long" to LaLa Land and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art where he served as director for the last three

In many ways, Beal is a prototypical modern-day museum director: Well-schooled in art history, in-theknow when it comes to contemporary art, and respectful of the most powerful art of the age - the art of marketing

Building consensus

But before Beal takes any decisive steps with the DIA, he plans to spend plenty of time learning about the museum he's about to inherit.

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His first step, he said, will be building bridges - and getting in step with the ambitious plan set forth by the DIA board to make the museum more accessible to the general public.

"I believe in building consensus, getting people to 'buy into' the process," said Beal, who was initially approached last

fall by the search committee

With a 75-member DIA board made up of the Who's Who in metro Detroit, a recently initiated \$320million fund-raising campaign, and a mandate to become even more financially self-sufficient. Beal might find that there's an endless list of people to consult.

Nonetheless, Beal's self-described "consultative leadership style" should serve him well, especially considering the past political and territorial squabbles that have beset the DIA.

New-found vitality

When the genteel, British-born Beal, 52, gets his footing at the DIA in early October, expect to see a savvy, innovative leader with a sense of what is popular and critically significant.

Since the early 1970s, Beal's approach at museums where he's been either curator or director has been to develop an expanded exhibition schedule that balances blockbuster shows with diverse exhibits aimed to app al to many ethnic groups and artistic tastes.

Perhaps the best way to demonstrate how the DIA enhances the quality of life in the region is for Beal to create a flurry of programs and exhibits that offer something for everyone.

It seems that he innately knows the demands of his new job.

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BOOKS

History with a twist of Disney and dash of Lewis Carroll

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

This mouse is neither mighty nor the object of affection for a fan club of members wearing god-awful hats with silly ears.

Like the times in which he was created, Jody the Mouse is a 1990s-styled down-to-earth androgynous humanlooking rodent with a penchant for adventurous travel throughout the Great Lakes state.

Jody is the creation of Leigh Arrathoon and Jon Davio, authors of a seven-booklet series, entitled "Great Places: Jody's Michigan Adventures,"

WHAT: "Great Places: Jody's Michigan Adven tures," a seven-booklet series. Story by Leigh Arrathoon and John Davio.

AVAILABLE: At Barnes & Noble, Borders Book Shops and Little Professor Book Centers, Halfway Down the Stairs in Rochester, or by calling Paint Creek Press, (248) 656-9888. COST: \$6.95/book

published by Paint Creek Press of Rochester.

The pocket-sized books - targeted at fourth-grade reading level - combine historical facts woven tightly into stories about Jody's spirited travels to Greenfield Village, Detroit, Holland,

Frankenmuth, Mackinac Island, the Upper Peninsula and northwest Michi-

The books were planned as a supplement to the state-mandated fourthgrade Michigan history curriculums. More than 3,000 copies of the series were sold to public school districts in the first month of printing. Another several thousand have been sent to local bookstores, including Borders and Barnes & Noble

Davio conceived the idea and edited the manuscript drafted by Arrathoon, a freelance writer who holds a doctorate

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has come a long way since then. Today, volunteers carry sculpture, culture boxes, and more than 100 portfolios containing art reproductions into the classrooms every month.

"It seemed like it was always a struggle," said Winkleman Hulce. "But there was a double benefit. Many of volunteers were also learning about art while going into the classrooms.'

Track record

Dick Scott Dodge has a track record of supporting community organizations such as the Livonia Heart Fund, Schoolcraft College Foundation and Plymouth and Canton schools' sports teams. They had previously donated to arts council auctions, so when Tobin contacted them about contributing to the Art Volunteer Program, it was an easy sell. Scott says the dealerships will continue to work with the arts council in the future.

"It's something we can give to

the community. We'll have our Civic Center Library, but donaname out their on the portfolios and we'll help them as well," said Nichole Scott. "The Art Volunteer Program is a wonderful opportunity for children and the volunteers. I got to observe an Art Volunteer presentation. It was wonderful to see the children say I saw that painting before. It's a great opportunity for them and for us to be able to help."

New direction

Those are the kind of sponsors Livonia Arts Commission President Bob Sheridan plans to go after in the future. The only difficulty is finding the time to do it. All of the arts commissioners are volunteers.

"We're all working people," said Sheridan, who owns a construction company in Garden City. "We're just starting to ask for help."

In the past, Sheridan's construction company provided a foundation for a sculpture at the

tions were never actively sought because the arts commission receives a \$19,500 general operating fund annually from the City of Livonia.

The stipend, and proceeds from its annual arts festival in June, are adequate to support various programs, including the exhibiting of art in three different venues and an outdoor summer music series, already in place, but don't allow for expansion.

So earlier this year, the commission placed an article in the Observer saying it was looking for corporate sponsorship for its Fine Arts in the Village exhibit. The response from Awrey Bakeries, Kroger, American Community Mutual Insurance Co., Busch's Markets, and Dearborn Federal Credit Union, who came through with monetary contributions and in-kind services, was overwhelming.

"It was not so much the money but we wanted to get the busi-

ness community involved," said festival chair Stephanie Skaggs. "We had people come to the festival from Kroger who never knew Greenmead (Historical Village) was here."

Par for the course

Seeking funding from businesses and corporations is a matter of course for the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra now entering its 54th season.

Executive director Julia Kurtyka thinks its essential "to induce new people to be contributors" if the orchestra is to meet its \$200,000 budget, \$25,000 of which is raised by the Plymouth Symphony League. Thanks to sponsors such as Sensors, Coop Service Credit Union, Panasonic, Ford Motor Co.'s Sheldon Road plant, Rotary Club of Plymouth, and Target, which also donates to the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will open an

Volunteers from page C1

lios were 15 to 20 years old. We're limited by the availability of materials at a reasonable price.

Now that they have new portfolios, finding volunteers to keep the program running is the next big challenge the arts council faces. Desilets earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from Wayne State University but volunteers need not have any knowledge of art to give presentations to students.

"They just need a love of art and children," said Desilets. "If you love your children and want

exciting season of programming planned by its new conductor, Nan Washburn, on Oct. 9.

"I can't imagine that an orchestra could exist just on ticket sales and private contributions. Corporate funding is them to be exposed to something useful, we can use your help. We have fathers and mothers and anyone who wants to do it come in once a month for 20- to 30minutes. They don't need to know anything about art. We have an informational folder for each of the portfolios and a training session at the beginning of each new school year."

For information about the training session for the Art Volunteer Program in early September, call the arts council at (734) 416-4ART

extremely important," said Kurtyka. "We send letters and get board members to make personal contact. I think it's extremely important. If there's not that personal contact it seems to fall

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first two decades of the 20th centary. Also interesting is the variety - from Prokofiev thumbing his nose at the Romantic tradition to Scriabin exploring new harmonic tradition, and 'Pictures,' written a generation before, a landmark in Russian literature.

Summer Music Festival

Horn's performance kicks off a series of recitals debuting as the Summer Music Festival. The free concerts for students and the community are something music department chairman Donald Morelock has wanted to offer for some time. In addition to recitals by Horn and Summer Music School students, Sanjay Mody, a Birmingham resident, performs Monday, Aug. 9, followed by Anthony Bonamici Wednesday, Aug. 11. The piano programs by Mody and Bonamici are also Russian inspired.

Mody, 13, has studied piano at the St. Petersburg Conservatory

and the Gnessin Institute in Moscow the last four summers. A student of Morelock's, Mody made his debut with the Kalamazoo Symphony last winter.

Bonamici, a former student of Morelock's, recently returned to the U.S. after four summers of intensive studies at the Moscow Conservatory of Music. He returns to Russia this fall for two more years at the St. Petersburg Conservatory.

"There's a tremendous amount of talent in our summer music schools," said Morelock. "The recitals are a celebration of talent that has many fine pianists in the area playing concertos."

If you attended Interlochen or Blue Lake arts camp or the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Summer Institute, we'd like to hear about it for a section we're writing on young musicians who took part in the intense sessions. Call Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to tchomin@oe.homecomm.net

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in French medieval literature. The former Catholic School language teacher teaches French and English to corporate executives.

"Great Places" is anything but academic, dryly empirical or a recitation of names and dates.

"If you say to a child, 'You're going to hear about history,' their response is 'Auugghhh," said Arrathoon, who lives in Rochester.

"These are children's stories with magical elements. It's a more fun, imaginative way to learn history.'

Think of it, she said, as a his-

tory lesson with a twist of Disney and a dash of Lewis Carroll.

Jody the mouse, for instance, is made by the Wizard of Paint Creek, who - much like the Loch Ness creature - straddles the world of the real and the imagined.

The "magical" stories shouldn't be mistaken for myths, said Arrathoon. She is happy to make the academic distinctions among stories, folk tales, legends and myths.

Apparently, intellectualizing is a tough habit to break for the former literature scholar turned fiction writer.

After years in academic studies, Arrathoon said she now suffers the "disease of writing" and has no plans to publish another academic paper.

Arrathoon's other published writing includes essays on medieval poetics and the influence of Chaucer on the craft of fiction. Her dissertation at Princeton University was on an obscure 13th-century poem written by an unknown author.

Since early this year, she's been writing and sending short stories to national publications. Although she has yet to have her stories accepted or published, Arrathoon has received encouraging responses from "Esquire" and other notable magazines to keep her writing.

Meanwhile, she and Davio -

who published a literary newsletter, "South Hill Gazette," in the late 1980s - plan to expand the "Great Places" series to include more Michigan attractions, and even national destina-

In the next five years, Jody the Mouse just might see places that those other two famous mouses could hardly imagine.

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"The advantage of (the DIA) being the only major art museum in the region is that it's the flagship, the place where people

look for leadership," said Beal. "The disadvantage, of course,

is that sometimes, you just can't be all things to all people.'

Up to the task

After two years without a director, the museum that for

better or worse means "all things to all people" has found what the search committee set out to discover - a transformational lead-

It's an adjective that describes

Beal's performance in LA and when he was director of the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, chief curator at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis.

For instance, in three year under Beal's leadership, the LA County Art Museum doubled its annual attendance to 1.3 million.

Beal, was due to expanded hours, a public-oriented exhibition program and a new publicimage campaign of an "accessible, user-friendly museum." While Beal's precise British

The increase, according to

accent and impressive resume may give appearances of a stuffed-shirt type, he speaks a language that many will find refreshing. "A museum should offer multi-

ole experiences," he said, "And be accessible to everyone.

Perhaps it's time to get accustomed to English manners.

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More than 100 carvers will exhibit their works 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 7-9 at Eddie Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon at Farmington Road, Livonia.

Admission is \$1, \$2 for a family. For information, call Ron Morin at (734) 421-8310.

Many woodcarvings, priced between \$5 and \$9,000 will be on display. Carvers will have their works judged in more than 40 categories on Saturday. Tools, wood and books will also be on sale for beginner to advanced woodcarvers Donations benefiting children

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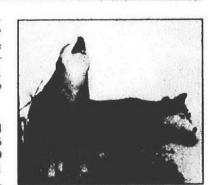
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On the prowl: Erna Kremm of Livonia carved these wolves for an Aug. 7

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QUILTS AND OTHER IMAGES

Westland artist Saundra Weed and Debra Danko, Grand Blanc, open an exhibit of "Art Quilts and Other Images" Aug. 2 at Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road

Weed, a well-known painter and teacher in the area, uses carefully selected fabrics to create tranquil nature scenes that enhance any setting. Each fabric mural is embellished with beads. embroidery and found objects.

In addition to the art quilts in the exhibit, Weed is also showing paintings on silk and paper. Danko shows floral quilts.

Sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission, the show continues through Aug. 27. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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Seeking adult musicians (woodwind, brass, and percussion play ers). Rehearsals 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays (beginning Aug. 4) at Groves High School in Birmingham. For details call, Grant Hoemke (248) 474-4997.

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The Plymouth Community Arts Council is seeking artists to participate in its Sept. 11-12 show at Central Middle High School in Plymouth. (734) 416-4278.

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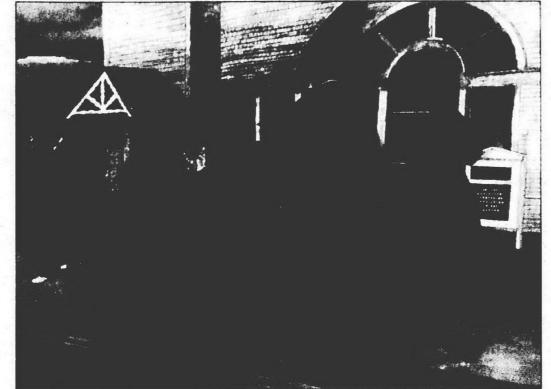
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Michigan artists invited to submit work for jurying in the 1999 "Our Town Art Exhibit and Sale." Oct. 13-17. All work must be sub-



Epic painter: The Paintings of Ben Shahn, including "Myself Among the Churchgoers," are on exhibit through Oct. 31 at Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

mitted on slides by July 30. For application: The Community House, 380 S. Bates St., Birmingham, MI, 48009. (248) 594-6403

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One Flight Up 7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 4, Burgh Park. Berg Road at Civic Center Drive: 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1. Black Market (reggae), Robert Penn. Sunday, Aug. 8, on the front lawn of the Southfield Civic Center. 26000 Evergreen Road. Southfield, (248) 424-9022

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LaRon Williams will be speaking 7:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 6 at the Art Factory, 220 Felch Street. Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004 Ext.

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Reception 7 p.m., Aug. 5.

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Opens Tuesday, Aug. 3 - Norma Gray: The Five Elements through August 28. Opening reception. 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Aug. 30 - "I Dentity presents te works of visual artists Diana Faris, Irina Koukhanova, Euri Young Koo Lee. Paul Solomon and storyteller LaRon Williams, 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 994.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Through Aug. 15 - The 18th annual Alma Print competition exhibition, 1516 S. Cranbrook. Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through Aug. 28 - Regional Art. A Legacy to Acquire." 47 Williams Street, Pontiac (248) 333-7849

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN

MUSEUM/GALLERY Through August 12 - Exhibition and sale of works by Jay



Who's that: Don Alley shows his photograph of a barn owl in a summer exhibit by Artifacts Art Club at the Joanne Winkle Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth. The show continues to Aug. 15. The public is invited to an artists' reception 7-9 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1. For more information, call (734) 416-4278.

Lefkowitz. Opening reception 6-8 p.m., Thursday, June 24 at the Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641. C-POP GALLERY

Through Aug. 10 - "Apocalypse Noir," the constructivist art of Brute! (aka Aidan Hughes). 4160

Woodward, Detroit SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY Through Sept. 11 - Exhibit of new prints by artist Judy Pfaff. 555 S. Old Woodward,

Birmingham. (248) 642-8250. DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

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MANISCALCO GALLERY Through Aug. 15 - An exhibit of works by Tyree Guyton and Sam "Grandpa" Mackey. 17329 Mack Avenue, Detroit. (313) 886-2993

NETWORK Through Aug. 21 - Incomplete Notebooks," functional art creat ed by Cranbrook Academy of Art alumni and students. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-3911.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA Through Aug. 19 - "View and

Visions," an exhibit of the Milford Village fine Arts Association. 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac (248) 858-0415 **PEWABIC POTTERY** Through Aug. 28 - The annual

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WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY Through Aug. 6 - Woodcuts by Tom Huck at the Elaine L. Jacob Gallery, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit.

student, faculty and staff exhibit.

10125 East Jefferson, across

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(313) 993-7813.

exhibition at Laurel Park Place. 37648 West Six Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 462-5840, and at the Somerset Collection, 2801 West Big Beaver Road, Troy.

248 816-8372 ZEITGEIST GALLERY Through Aug. 31 - Saints. Streets & Stations paintings by

Vito Valdez. 2661 Michigan Ave. Detroit. (313) 965 9192 VOLUNTEERS

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CRANBROOK HOUSE AND GAR-DENS 1.30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sundays

through Sept. 26; Lunch and home tour, 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Thursdays through Sept. 30, at 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3000.

GERMAN ART AND ARCHITECTURE Birmingham Bloomfield Art

Center instructors Russell and Nancy Thayer will lead a tour of the art and architecture of Cologne and Berlin, Germany, Nov. 9-17. Deposits are being taken now. Call (248), 644-0866 for information and reservations.

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2:00, 8:30

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7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30

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NP THE BLAIR WITCH PROJECT

11:00, 1:30, 3:45, 6:20, 8:30, 10:40

MP DEEP BLUE SEA (R)

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NO VIP TICKETS

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NO VIP TICKETS

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AMERICAN PIE (R) 12:45, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00

BIG DADDY(PG13)

1:15, 4:00, 6:10, 8:45, 11:00

THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)

11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45

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MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G)

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LAKE PLACID (R) NV 11:45, 1:40, 3:40, 5:40, 7:45, 9:45 THE WOOD (R) NV 11:40, 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40 WILD WILD WEST (PG13) 11:30, 1:55, 4:15, 6:40 AMERICAN PE (R) 3:20, 5:30, 7:55, 10:05 MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G) 12:45 PM ONLY

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THE HAUNTING (PG13) NV 11:45, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:25 : EYES WIDE SHAIT (II) NV 12:00 3:30 7:00 10:20 LAKE PLACID (II) NV 11:00, 1:45, 4:00, 6:10, 8:30, 10:40 AMERICAN PE (II) 10:50, 1:20, 3:45, 6:05, 8:15, 10:30 WILD WILD WEST (PG13) 6:20 8:45 10:55 AN IDEAL HUSBAND (PG13)

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11:45,2:15,(5:10 @ \$3.75)7:45,9:4(EYES WIDE SHUT (R) 12:30, (3:50 @ \$3.75) 7:10 NO 3:50 ON 8/1. MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G) AMERICAN PIE (R)

11:40, 2:15, (4:45 @ \$3.75) 7:20, 9.55 BIG DADDY (PG13) 11:45, 2:00, (4:15 @ \$3.75) 6:50, STAR WARS EPISODE 1: THE

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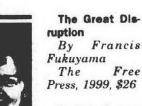
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Rand scholar sees moral rebirth in Information Age



ruption By Francis Fukuyama The

Is America on a steady course of decline? Do the last 30-plus years

increased rates in crime, divorce and substance abuse indicate that our country is in a cultural and moral free-

fall? Professor of public policy at George Mason University (in Virginia) and author Francis Fukuyama ("The End of History and the Last Man") rejects that

gloomy scenario. In his latest book, "The Great Disruption: Human Nature and the Reconstitution of the Social Order," the former social scientist at the Rand Corp. is more

than cautiously optimistic. We are emerging from a troubled period in our nation's history, he writes, a 30-year period when our economy shifted from the Industrial Age to the Infor-

mation Age. Cultural and moral upheaval is the mark of all significant transitions, and the past three decades have been no different. Traditional values that affect family, religion and education gave way to new attitudes and

behavior. Greater numbers of women entering the work force, for example, increased self-fulfillment and economic improvement but also created the problem of raising children with reduced adult supervision.

Birth control further weakened the family by shrinking its

Here, as elsewhere in the

latest sociological data. In Italy, long the bastion of

book, Fukuyama draws on the

family solidarity, 60 percent of the children will have no siblings, cousins, aunts, and uncles two generations from now.

Individualism has also been a force for change. So necessary to innovation and the economic growth of a nation, it has spilled over into our private lives, promoting freedom from constraints in the sphere of personal rela-

tionships. But as Fukuyama points out, "a society dedicated to the constant upending of norms and rules in the name of increasing individual freedom of choice will find itself increasingly disorganized, atomized, isolated, and incapable of carrying out com-

mon goals and tasks. This "great disruption" in the social order, notes the author, took place not only in the United States but in all technologically advanced nations, including those in Europe and Scandinavia and, to a lesser extent, in Korea

and Japan. But there is hope for moral renewal, the author maintains, provided we restore our "social capital."

Adopting the term from the field of social sciences, Fukuyama defines social capital as a "set of informal values or norms shared among members of a group that permits cooperation among them."

In short, it stands for honesty, reliability and reciprocity, qualities of mutuality and trust that have been seriously eroded during the recent economic and social transformation.

The restoration of social capital, writes the post-Cold War analyst, has already begun, thanks to the era in which we live and the disposition of

human nature. Ours is an increasingly complex world, Fukuyama explains, one that demands access to tremendous amounts of information. Today, no individual or group can function independently. In our need to be constantly informed, we must become reconnected to one another, creating networks of communication and reciprocity.

Thus, the Information Age, by the very demands it makes on

us, facilitates social cohesion. Furthermore, networking comes naturally to human beings for we are "spontaneous

organizers." Because of our proclivity for order and cooperation, together with our ability to reason, we readily enter into cooperative groups without coercion from authority figures or hierarchical

It is through the combination of interdependence and individual empowerment resulting from the free flow of information that we will reconstitute the social order, not only in the work place but also in the home and in the

community. Fukuyama does not pretend to have all the answers, but he probes the big questions in a book that is inspiring, informative, and, in part, prescriptive. "Man's natural state" he writes, "is not the war of 'every one against every one' that Thomas Hobbes envisioned, but rather a civil society made orderly by the presence of a host of moral

Esther Littmann is a resident of Bloomfield Township and a tutor in English and German. You can leave her a message on a touch-tone phone at (734) 953-2047. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features various events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings. Send news leads to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich., 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-mail to

BOOK SIGNINGS

Farmington Observer reporter and Livonia resident Tim Smith will sign copies of his new book "Miracle Birth Stories of Very Premature Babies - Little Thumbs Up!" Saturday, Aug. 7, Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 396 John R Road, Troy. Smith can be contacted directly at (248) 477

kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

5450. BARNES AND NOBLE (B'FLD HILLS)

Children will be entertained at 10 a.m. Aug. 1 with a "Cat In The Hat" story time. The Tuesday (Aug. 10) mystery book discussion group will review "Nathan's Run" by John Gilstrap at the store, 6575 Telegraph Road. (248) 540-4209.

BORDERS (FARMINGTON HILLS)

All August Leon Schoicht will display his art. Sunday, Aug. 15, the Detroit Concert Choir will sing at 4 p.m. They will perform selections from their new compact disc, "America Sings" including

patriotic, folk and spiritual gems

30995 Orchard Lake Road. Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110

of American music at the store,

BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS) Tuesday, Aug. 3, the Sci-Fi reading group will meet at 8 p.m. to

discuss "Exchange of Hostages" by Susan Mathews and "Good Omens" by Neil Gaiman. The Round Table group will discuss "Book of Ruth" by Jane Hamilton on Tuesday as well (at 7 p.m.). Thursday, Aug 5 "The Amazing Clark's Balloon Theater" will be held at 7 p.m. Friday night (Aug. 6) music at 8 p.m. is Paul Vorn Hagen jazz trio at the store, 1122 Rochester Road, Rochester Hills.

Tuesday, Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. musician Lisa Hunter will conduct an "eco-campfire" for children and families at the store, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi (248) 347-0780.

SOUTHFIELD LIBRARY

(248) 652-0558.

BORDERS (NOVI)

Book discussion series at the library, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield features the works of Edith Wharton. Registration is required and participants will be responsible for providing their own books. Register at the Fiction Desk, or call (248) 948-0470. Discussion date is 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 26, "The Mother's Recompense." Series is part of the Summer Humanities Program. The month of August will feature

a display ("My Wish for Tomorrow") of the vision of the future through the eyes of children and their art, on the main

level.

WALDENBOOKS (SOUTHGATE) Cynthia Bates will sign her book "Mikayla's Victory Friday, Aug. 6 from 6 to 7 p.m. The Canadian author series is for young girls and features sports stories. This is Bates' first Detroit area signing; see her at the store, 13667 Eureka Road, Southgate. (734)

282-4197. **PLYMOUTH LIBRARY**

> Contemporary book discussion Wednesday, Aug. 18 at 7:30 p.m. will feature "Charming Billy" by Alice McDermott (copies available at circulation desk) at the library, 223 S. Main Street. Plymouth (734) 453-0750.

BOOK FAIR The Jewish Community Center will hold their annual Jewish Book Fair Nov. 6-14. Included in the event is the authors mini-fair on Sunday, Nov. 7 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Deadline for submissions for the fair is Aug. 31. Books must be by a Jewish author or contain Jewish content. The fair will take place at the center's facilities in West Bloomfield and in Oak Park More than 30 speakers will appear, and entertainment is provided (both free). Phone the center for submission requirements.

BEST SELLERS

Week of: Monday, July 26,

Hardcover Non-Fiction 1. The Greatest Generation by Tom Brokaw.

2. Something More by Sarah Ben Breathnach. 3. Real Age by Michael Rozen.

4. Simple Abundance by Sarah Ben Breathnach. 5. Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom.

6. Shadow by Bob Woodward. 7. Our Tribe by Terry Pluto . 8. Sugar Busters by H. Leighton Steward.

9. Get Skinny on Fabulous

10. Live Now, Age Later by Isadore Rosenfeld. Trade Paper Non-Fiction 1. Midnight in the Garden of Good & Evil by John Berendt.

Food by Suzanne Somers.

2. Seat of the Soul by Gary Zukov. 3. Angela's Ashes by Frank McCourt.

4. Walk in the Woods by Bill

Bryson. 5. Don't Sweat the Small Stuff by Richard Carlson. 6. Child Called It Communications by David J. Pelzer.

7. Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer. 8. Under the Tuscan Sun by Frances Mayes.

Shandler. Hardcover Fiction

9. Ophelia Speaks by Sara

1. Granny Dan by Danielle 2. Hannibal by Thomas Harris

3. The Saving Graces by Patri-

cia Gaffney. 4. Mother of Pearl by Melinda Haynes. 5. White Oleander by Janet

Fitch. 6. East of the Mountains by David Gutterson.

7. Night Gardening by E. L.

Swann.

(248) 661-7648.

8. Sands of Sakkara by Glenn

9. True at First Light from

Ernest Hemingway. 10. Girls Guide to Hunting &

Fishing by Melissa Banks. **Trade Paper Fiction**

1. The Pilot's Wife by Anita Shreve. 2. Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood by Rebecca Wells. 3. Memoirs of a Geshia by

Arthur S. Golden. 4. The Reader by Bernhard Schlink. 5. At Home in Mitford by Jan

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What a find

In celebration of our 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY, make plans to join us throughout the month of August for a host of special events!



Live Disnep Spectacular!

Join us for these great FREE Disney events Friday, August 6 through Sunday, August 8 from 1 p.m. through 5 p.m.:

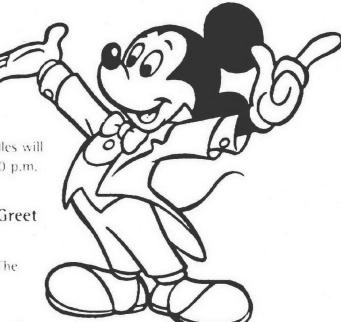
■ Mickey's Rock-A-Robics, Mickey, Donald Duck and Goofy will be performing on the hour from 1 p.m. through 4 p.m. (Performance lasts approximately 20 minutes.)

■ **Disney Doodles** features a Disney sketch artist who will narrate and sketch a scene from a Disney film. Disney Doodles will be performed on the half hour from 1:30 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. (Performance lasts approximately 20 minutes.)

■ Mickey & Minnie and Belle & Beast Meet and Greet (1 p.m.-5 p.m.)

■ Enter to win a "Disney Girls" denim jacket. See The Disney Store for details.

■ Win a Walt Disney World Vacation for Two in Orlando, Florida courtesy of Livonia Carlson All Aboard Travel. Enter to win at their cart across from Coopersmith's.



Other Events/Happenings in August:

■ August 6 through August 8: Grab-bag Giveaway. 250 bags containing \$10 gift certificates, coupons and samples will be given away each day.

August 9 through August 19: 10 Days at 10% Off Sale. Pick up your coupons at the Laurel Park Place Management Office or at any directory stand. Take 10% off a regularly-priced item at any of the participating stores.

 Saturday, August 7, 11 a.m. 12 p.m.: Kids' Cookie Decorating at Mrs. Fields Cookies.

Saturday, August 7, 2 p.m.:

Jacobson's Back-to-School Fashion
Show in the Children's Department.

- Saturday, August 14. 1 p.m.-3 p.m.: Cooking Demonstration with a Master Chef at Williams-Sonoma.
- Saturday, August 21, 1 p.m.:
 Parisian Fashion Show in the Parisian
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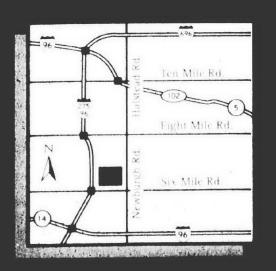
And...a taste of what's to come ...To celebrate the opening of the new Sweet Lorraine's

Sweet Lorraine's restaurant coming soon to the Livonia Marriott, they will be giving away samples of their delicious cuisine throughout the month.



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Risk involved in repairing some jewelry

THE JEWELRY



DENISE

Dear Jewelry Lady, Your advice regarding losing diamond earrings at the beach may be correct, but my daughter recently lost one of hers in a pool while vacationing in Florida. Being that the pool was speckled at the bottom, it was impossible to see whether the earring was down there. One man suggested we

wait until night time and search under the pool's lights. Low and behold, there it was, sparkling at the bottom - but near the drain - of the pool. My daughter dove in and retrieved the earring, but never will she wear them near a beach or pool again!

Cautious Mom

Dear Cautious,

The Jewelry Lady must render an apology immediately. She was biased by her own perspective on beach and pool activities. Some people, such as The Jewelry Lady, regard the beach and pool deck as areas to sit in a bathing suit, long-sleeved pastel shirt, large floppy hat and gallon of sun-

She failed to consider the consequences of swimming or, heaven forbid, diving. So The Jewelry Lady stands corrected. If you or your daughter contemplate doing any swimming, sky-diving, bungee jumping or any other strenuous sporting activities, remove all delicate and vulnerable jewelry immediately. And, have a great time.

Dear Jewelry Lady,

I have a piece of jewelry that belonged to my grandmother. It was a wedding gift from my grandfather to my grandmother on their wedding

The item is very old, and was made in Italy. Unfortunately, a small leaf has come off the piece, so I took it to a jeweler for repair. I was told because the material in the item was not gold. the piece could not be repaired. (The broken piece could not be soldered). While it may not be of great monetary value, the piece has great sentimental value to me. Can you recommend how I might get this item repaired?

Sentimental

Dear Sentimental,

Most jewelers are goldsmiths or silversmiths and do not have the proper tools or inclination to repair costume or antique jewelry.

However, there is hope. Your best bet is to call an independent jewelry store with a jeweler on the premises and ask whether they restore or repair antique or costume jewelry.

The Jewelry Lady checked out her area Yellow Pages and called the first two ads that included the words "expert repairs." Both jewelers said they would perform the repairs. However, both also said the repair would have to be done at the customer's risk and asked that the piece be brought in for an accurate estimate. Make some calls. You'll be wearing your heirloom again in no time.

Dear Jewelry Lady,

I love to collect old costume jewelry. I have many pieces that I enjoy wear-

Traffari pins, necklaces and earrings are the ones I like the most. I have several sets and individual pieces from the 50s and 60s. I have pieces of jewelry from the 20s through the 70s that I keep separated in plastic containers. I keep a typed inventory of the pieces and what I paid for them. Will the signed pieces that I own ever increase in value?

Costume Collector

Dear Collector,

The Jewelry Lady is impressed. She's also relieved you cannot see her messy desk.

You had many other questions, but alas, The Jewelry Lady must confess to being less than properly informed in the area of vintage costume jewelry. If you have access to the Internet, check out gcostume.com, a site that specializes in the sale of signed costume jewelry. The web site also has a page where you can ask questions by

Send questions to the Jewelry Lady by e-mail, rodgers@mich.com, fax (248) 582-9223, or mail, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple Birmingham, MI 48009.

Walk, talk, hang out

Laurel Park Place offers more than just shopping

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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Malls were made for shopping. But they serve higher purposes, too.

Livonia's Laurel Park Place mall, which will celebrate its 10th anniversary in August, for example, practically serves as the community's downtown.

Unlike Birmingham, Plymouth, Clarkston and many other area communities, Livonia is without a downtown shopping and business district, so residents and business people turn to the friendly, intimate mall to fill the void.

"I'm here everyday," says Bob Zygai, a Canton resident and employee of nearby Visteon while having lunch and reading a newspaper at Max & Erma's, one of Laurel Park Place's anchor restaurants.

In the morning, Zygai visits Mrs. Fields to fuel up on coffee before going to work. And, if he doesn't return to the mall for lunch, he usually stops by later to take a stroll, clear his head and take note of store sales.

Zygai's co-worker Amy Byrne not only frequents the mall as a break from work but also relies on it much like a neighborhood drug store, often stopping by, for instance, to pick up a birthday card she forgot to purchase ear-

"Yesterday, my glasses broke on me," says Byrne. "But I was able to come down here and get them fixed immediately," she

Judy Wombel, a Southfield resident who works nearby and comes to the mall every day. says she relies on the mall to purchase last-minute gifts. She also eats at one of the mall's restaurants every work day.

Although Wombel doesn't consider Laurel Park Place the equivalent of a downtown area, she's hard-pressed to describe it as a conventional mall. "It's a mini-mall. It's something in between.'

Others come to Laurel Park Place for social reasons.

Lifelong friends Nettie Ahverkate of Livonia and Marie Ptak of Redford Township visit the mall together twice each

While their itinerary always includes a morning browse through Jacobson's and a leisurely lunch between noon and 12:30 p.m., the primary reason for their visit is "to be together," says Ptak, settling. beside Ahverkate on a cushioned seat in one of the mall's rest areas to catch up on each other's lives and talk about old times.

"We have a few good laughs and talk about our families,' says Ptak. "Sometimes, we buy."

The mall has several cozy spots where patrons pause to talk and relax, including a greenery-lined row of park benches near the center's movie There, Frances Sanders of

Dearborn Heights and her daughter, who is visiting from Illinois, retreat from shopping to savor a cup of coffee and talk mother to daughter. The diversity of visitors and

reasons for coming to the mall is astounding, says Laurel Park Place's marketing director Karen Susalla

In the morning, older adults and non-working women come to the mall to walk talk and read the newspaper, says Susalla, describing the daily cycle of

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Catching up: Lifelong friends Nettie Ahverkate (left) of Livonia and Marie Ptak, of Redford Township, sit and talk about their families and old times at Laurel Park Place mall in Livonia before having lunch.



Lunch time: Erica Shy (left), Amanda Anderson and Amy Seavitte stop for pizza at the mall.



Coffee break: Gail Mirnik (left) and Frances Sander plop down on a mall park bench and sip

Objects of desire displayed at Tiffany & Co.

Objects of desire. You can't have them, but you can look

That's the idea behind Tiffany & Co.'s Objects of Desire show, a dazzling collec-

tion of diamond and colored gemstone rings.

On display for viewing now through Aug. 22 at Tiffany & Co.'s store at the Somerset Collection in Troy, the extraordinary group of rings includes a 4.15-carat, cushion-shape, Burma ruby; a 3.75-carat, emerald-cut, Colombian emerald; and a 4.81-carat; cushion-shape, Kashmir sapphire, all set in platinum or platinum and 18-karat gold.

All the stones shown meet Tiffany & Co.'s rigorous standards for clarity, color, brilliance and cut.

An array of diamond rings set in platinum, as well as Tiffany & Co.'s classic, six-prong, Tiffany diamond ring, will be available for viewing.

And for those in search of a few truly unobtainable objects of desire, a 15.12carat, emerald cut, intense yellow diamond ring and a rare 0.93-carat, intense purple-pink diamond ring will also be shown.

The collection is a true find for devotees of rare and important colored gemstones and those who are simply mesmerized by such works of art and beauty. For additional information about Tiffany & Co.'s Objects of Desire ring collec-

tion, call (248) 637-2800. Tiffany & Co. is located at Somerset South.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday. MONDAY, AUGUST 2

Prench rags trunk show

French Rags sweaters, formerly available at Bonwit Teller, are available for purchase through a local consultant/trunk show running through Aug. 7. For information or an appointment, call Phyllis Strome, (248) 646-2092, or Ms. Gilman, (248) 738-1380.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

View Chanel's fall 1999 special order collection of accessories at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Chanel Accessories Boutique, first floor.

MELINDA ENG SHOW

The fall 1999 collection of Melinda Eng comes to Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, through Aug. 5, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Couture Salon, third

Oakland Mall in Troy presents the story of Cinderel la as part of the center's Giggle Gang summer theater series, 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., Center Court.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5 ST. JOHN KNITS SHOW

Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place in Livonia, hosts a showing of St. John Knits fall 1999 collection, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Salon.

The Apple Tree Room in Franklin hosts a trunk show of Berek's hand-knit cotton sweaters with refreshments and 10 percent savings on special orders through Aug. 7, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For additional information, call (248) 851-9862. FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

GARFIELD & MARKS TRUNK SHOW

All new fabrics, suiting, jackets, skirts, trousers and sweaters from the Garfield & Marks fall collection are shown at Sally's Designs, Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield, through Aug. 7, Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For information, call (248) 626-0886

ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW

The Veterans Motor Car Club of America brings an antique auto show to MeadowBrook Village Mall in Rochester Hills through Aug. 8, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., throughout the mall.

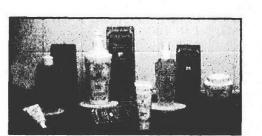
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Color coded: New Splitz lenses change from one color to the next when activated by light and are available for wearers of both prescription and non-prescription glasses, about \$89 at D.O.C. optical store





Direct route: For those too stubborn to ask for directions, try the "I'll Never Get Lost Again" book, \$12.95, an electronic cross-country navigator, \$299, and an electronic map measurer, \$19.95, all at Rand McNally, the Somerset Collection in Troy.



French basics: Natural ingredients and essential oils are combined in L'Occitane's recently introduced line of basic skin care products, \$15-34 at L'Occitane, the Somerset Collection in Troy.



Skin serum: Recently introduced by Osmotics, Kinetin serum contains a plant growth factor isolated from the stems of green, leaf-bearing plants, \$75 at Saks Fifth Avenue.

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In the afternoon, new mothers take a break from the home and ramble through the mall's corridors pushing baby strollers, as if they were walking in a neighborhood park.

Later, business professionals congregate at the mall to eat dinner and families unite to shop and walk.

"It's funny," says Susalla. "We used to say of the mail 'come take a walk in the park.'

For additional information about Laurel Park Place mall's 10th anniversary and celebration events, please call (734) 462-1100.

Anniversary events

Disney Spectacular: authentic Disney productions including a Mickey & Minnie Mouse meet and greet, 1-5 p.m., Aug. 6-8,

Back-to-School Fashion: Jacobson's presents fall fashion for kids, 2 p.m., Aug.

Cookie Decorating: Mrs. Fields holds a cookie decorating event for kids, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Aug. 7

Sale: coupons allow you to fashion, 1 p.m., Aug. 21

take 10 percent off any regularly priced item at participating stores, Aug. 9-19

Food Tasting: Sweet Lorraine's restaurant, coming soon to the Livonia Marriot, gives away free food samples, Aug. 9-19

■ Cooking Demo: master chef gives demonstrations at Williams-Sonoma, 1-3 p.m.,

Aug. 14. Parisian Fashion ■ 10 Days at 10% Off Show: Parisian previews fall

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This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were

unable to locate it. WHAT WE FOUND:

- The game Password can be

purchased at Toys R Us stores. - Mastectomy products can be bought through several catalogs available at Advanced Orthopedics on Greenfield Road in Southfield.

- A collector for a reader's tea bag tags.

Zoot suits are sold at Jokers Costumes on Dixie Highway in Waterford, (248) 673-2320, and on the Internet at

www.zootsuitstore.com or through the Seigel Clothing Company in California. To rent a Zoot suit, try Lynch's on Dequindre in Warren.

- A Hux towel is available through the Herrschners catalog, (800) 713–1239.

A reflective sign for post boxes is available at some local fire departments. Also, there is a store in Caseville, Mi. with

- New Haven and Cuckoo clocks can be repaired at Northville Watch & Clock. 132 W. Dunlap in Northville, (248) 349-4938.

- We were able to locate a Ziggy doll.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- A potato grater with a handle, but without sharp edges for Plastic Lego train tracks

for Lynn. A Maidenform Heart

Strings bra for Diane. - A store that sells Cherry Burgers in the Livonia area for Lenore. (She had Cherry Burgers, which are made in Cedar, Mi., at a restaurant in Three Rivers)

- A Redford area location or retailer where beer-making classes are held for Leo.

A wrinkle remover product called Spray Press by Maid of Honor. (Kmart formerly carried the product)

Daniel Green slippers in a size 8 narrow for Grace

- A 1973 solid state magneto for a 7 1/2 horsepower Esca boat motor for Jim.

A Hamilton collectors plate called "Sara" made by Maude Humphrey Bogart and a 1959 Commerce High School vearbook for Carol

- A musical weight scale (formerly carried by Sears) for Dorothy.

A used desk-cabinet sewing machine with drawers on both sides with or without the machine for Wanda, who lives in Garden City

A book about the Anne Jillian story for Toby

- Peanut butter pretzels for

Sweet & Low's butter toffee hard candy for Ruth.

A Weeble Wobble tree house from the '70s with Weeble Wobble people for Kristin.

A person who would like old vocal sheet music and son; zbooks from a reader willing to donate them.

A 1944 Lake Orion High School yearbook and a canvas co ver for a child's metal buttert ly chair for Judy.

Peri na Soft Fresh Control

Coy's Country Incredible corn brea d mix. Wicke d Wahini perfume

for Lisa, a r esident of Commerce Coty 24' lipstick in any color for Diane in Lake Orion. A macliine-washable

polyester shirt dress without a waist (size 16) for Jean. A Macomb County location for recycling plastic gro-

A Rainbow Brite coll from the '80s for Diane.

A Victorian style Crazy Quilt machine for Pat

Rodgers and Ham mer. stein's "Cinderella" v.ideo made with Leslie Ann Warre in in

1964 for Sharon. A used "Little Tyke" Pl. ayhouse log cabin for backya rd use and a Childcraft changir 'g table in the honey oak finish for

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Santa Fe proves to be ideal for mother-daughter long weekend

Day 1

Up at dawn, I shuffle through the mountain of brochures on my bed in the Hotel Loretto. There are 250 attractions in Santa Fe, and in the next four days I want to see every one of them. My 24-year-old daughter, Maureen, still under the covers, wants to sleep - and then go shopping.

I chirp through the day's itinerary, which happens to include a visit to a "Miraculous Staircase" in a chapel right next to our hotel.

Why, we could do it before breakfast.

From under the bedspread she mumbles: "And this staircase is supposed to change my life - how?

Somehow, Maureen and I had managed to clear our insane schedules - hers in Chicago and mine in Michigan - to spend the weekend away for her 24th birthday.

The question was, where. What place could possibly entertain a Gen X Big City girl, born to shop and be pampered and her hyperactive, tomboy mother? We settled on Santa Fe, New Mexico. But we would need



CAROL GIES Mountain air: Maureen Gies takes in the pinescented air and the wondrous scenery around Santa Fe on the Borego

more than opera and art to please this Odd Couple. Back to our story.

Assuming rejection of the staircase idea, I gather up my guidebooks and head over to the Loretto Chapel alone, armed with my camera and audio walking tour headphones.

Legend has it that in 1873, when the choir loft was built. there was a slight oversight no staircase.

The nuns prayed and mysteriously, an old carpenter arrived on a donkey with a handsaw and hammer. Eight months later, a startling new staircase floated up to the choir loft.

In 33 steps (the same number of Christ's years on earth), it makes two complete 360-degree turns with no visible means of support. No one knew where the wood came from - it was not native to New Mexico. Then the carpenter vanished as strangely as he had appeared. Go figure.

I bought Maureen a postcard at the gift shop, which was larger than the entire chapel and full of miniature staircase souvenirs. The legend was even available on video.

From there, on to one of many tourist stops flanking Santa Fe's famous Plaza - the oldest public building in America called the Palace of the Governors. The Spanish named the city "La Villa de Santa Fe" (The City of the Holy Faith) in 1598, as part of their grand mission to convert the Americas to Catholicism. (Santa Fe is the oldest state capital in the United

The Palace of the Governors is really a cluster of grand adobe houses built for the string of Spanish officials that followed. It now houses more than 17,000 historical objects for tourists to behold. I saw 13,412 of them.

I made it back to the hotel room before noon to find the Birthday Girl asleep, just like that cheeky, black-haired baby of 24 years ago. I prod. She groans. "Does room service deliver cappuccino?" she groans. So much for history

Day 2

It's a glorious, arid day of 73 degrees in The City of the Holy Faith. Well, actually, that was the climate-controlled environment of J. Crew. And Banana Republic. And Eddie Bauer sniffed out by our city shopping

Outside, we brush by a silverand turquoise parade of Native American rugs, jewelry and crafts displayed in front of the Palace of Governors.

"Too touristy," she says. And so we're off to find the real thing - the flea market in the Pueblo of Tesuque about seven miles north, next to the Santa Fe Opera. About 200 vendors in dusty stalls. with every conceivable art form, basket and bauble. Maureen negotiates a classic silver Hopi ring. I get an exquisite 50-year-old Navajo rug, both at a fraction of the prices we saw at the shops in town. "Only the tourists buy retail,"

she pronounces. Then on to Canyon Road famous for over 200 shops and galleries, just a 15-minute walk from our hotel. The artists are Native American - and worldwide. Contemporary and traditional. A courtyard of bronze lifesize sculptures of children at play looks eerily like Pompeii immortalized in lava. Flowers fill fences, walkways and artsy containers everywhere.

We split up to find our personal treasures. I buy a silver Navaio bracelet.

Maureen adopts a yak. That's right. A yak.

At Project Tibet, a courtyard of shops at 403 Canyon Road, it seems you can adopt a whole yak for \$99. Or half-a-yak, or even just a head or tail, depending on your budget and body part preference. The yaks are used by the nomadic Tibetans for milk, meat, blankets and clothing.

By donating \$99 to Project Tibet, you can add your name to the Yak Plaque in the courtyard and support a Tibetan family for one year. I am a bit confused as to how you pack a yak if you choose to ship it - but Maureen assures me it stays with the Tibetan family. Santa Fe shopping? Done with that.

OK, my turn to please her. Or was that beg? "Come on, Mo, it's only a 1-1/4-mile hike." I need a nature fix. We vector up Artist's Road in our rent-a-car toward the Santa Fe National Forest, about 20 minutes out of town, in search of the Borego Trail.

Along the way, we pass a large rambling adobe structure that is typical of the Navajo dwellings dotting the Santa Fe foothills. "Look Mo, a pueblo!"

Maureen, with bored glance: "That would be a condo. Two bedrooms, starting at \$179,000." Carol, with heavy sigh: OK,

let's go with "pueblo-inspired." About 10 miles and several switchbacks later, the scruffy greenery morphs into sevenstory pines and occasional aspen. Mo's hiking gear is a black designer halter, a bit sparce for the 10-degree drop in temperature - but always fashionable. The Borego Trail, canopied by monster pines, drops quickly to a frisky stream and heads straight back up again.

Over three hours later, at an altitude of about 8,000 feet, we return to the car, puffing wildly. Somewhere along our route, the 1-1/4-mile Borego Trail became the six-mile Aspen Trail. I score no points with the Birthday Girl for orienteering. Under pressure, however, she admits to loving the scenery and pure, un-urban mountain air.

It's 10:30 p.m. We are alone in the thick, silent darkness. Our rented car is groaning up a steep, twisted grade toward the mountains. We are in search of "Ten Thousand Waves." I am thinking of an episode of the Twilight Zone and she knows it "No worries, Mom. You're going to love this place," she promises.

I did love this place. A true Japanese spa set in the foothills of the Santa Fe National Forest. (The princess is nothing if not

consistent).

We soak in an ichiban - a private room with hot tub. We have a late-night massage with dueling therapists in a double room that overlooks the mountain night. We are dressed in matching kimonos and turbans. I smell like cedar and look like Gloria Swanson. Native lute music and howling mountain wind compete with the slather and slap of Giana and Leena's talented fingers on our tired hiking bodies.

The Royal One finally coos, "Now this is more like it.

and ready for our farewell dinstroll through town looking for The Big 24 with a radioactive

Native American arts: Travelers can spend hours in the

the perfect place. Walking with Cowboy Margarita. the Girl from Ipanema is a surreal experience. Horns blow, waiters appear in doorways to invite you in, doors magically swing open - the whole environment becomes hyper-responsive. We pass the famous Coyote Cafe and end up at "The Cowgirl Hall of Fame." Far from another

open markets of Santa Fe.

at the edge of town. We are way overdressed.

We burrow into a back booth in the open patio and scan the crowd. I look down at rather weird assortment of feet that includes dusty, torn cowboy boots, large black dog paws, naked, tattooed toes - and Maureen's straw designer mules.

museum, it is a feisty old haunt

Well, at least mules are western. The booth creaks as we lean in to read our dog-eared menus. The decor is Early Chipped Paint, trimmed in rusty wagon wheels.

We order a barbecued chicken that looks like it stepped on a Back at the Hotel Loretto the landmine - but is incredibly next evening, we're showered delicious. "Sorry the band ain't out here yet - I think the boys is ner. "Let the Birthday Girl still in there drinkin'," laughs pick," she says. We begin our our crusty waitress. We toast

During our four days, the princess had been buffed and polished, adorned with silver Hopi ring and became parent to a step-yak. The tomboy got sunburned and mosquito-bitten, but acquired a vegetable-dyed rug and a video of the Miraculous Staircase. We called it a somewhat unusual - but wonderful weekend in Santa Fe.

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CLARIFICATION

The phone number for the West Michigan Tourist Association listed in Great Escapes in mid-July was wrong The correct numbers are (800) 442-2084 and (616) 456-8557. They offer a variety of publications and free trip planning services.

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Davey gets traded

Plymouth Salem graduate Tom Davey is now property of the Seattle Mariners.

The 25-year-old Davey, a 6-foot-7, 230-pound right-handed pitcher, was traded Wednesday from Toronto along with pitcher Steve Sinclair to the Mariners for first baseman David Segui.

Davey is a former first baseman who helped Salem win the 1991 state Class A baseball championship. He later became a pitcher under the direction of coach Stu Rose at Henry Ford Community College and was a third-round pick of the Blue Jays.

He split time this year between the Blue Jays and Class AAA Syracuse.

In 29 appearances with the Blue Jays, Davey was 1-1 with one save and a 4.70 earned run average. At Syracuse, he was 1-2 with a 3.48 ERA.

Davey has been assigned to AAA Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League where he'll be reunited with Westland John Glenn grad Aaron Scheffer, also a right-handed pitcher who spent 12 days in the Majors back in June with

Another area pitcher in the Seattle system is 6-foot-10 left-hander Ryan Anderson, a former first-round pick who is playing for AA New Haven in the Eastern League.

Bucks face Soccer Waza

The Mid-Michigan Bucks, 20-2 overall and 18-1 in the Premier Development League, will face the Waza All-Stars in a exhibition match begining at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Schoolcraft Community College.

The Bucks, co-owned by Livonia natives Jim and Dan Duggan, reached the third round of the U.S. Cup before losing to the Tampa Bay Mutiny, 2-1, of the Major League Soc-

The Bucks will host the PDL Central Conference championship Friday and Saturday, Aug. 6-7 at White Pine Middle School Stadium.

Playoff teams include the Twin Cities Tornado (13-1) and the Sioux City Breeze (10-3), the Bucks and either the Chicago Sockers (10-4) or the Wisconsin Rebels (9-3).

For more information, call (517) MMBUCKS.

Titans sign Charger

Livonia Churchill discus thrower Guy Diakow, a 1999 state Class A qualifier, has signed an NCAA Letter of Intent in track and field with the University of Detroit Mercy, according to UDM coach Guy Murray.

Diakow, a second-team All-Observer selection, had a personal best of 157 feet, 10 inches. He also competed in the shot put with a season-best toss of 48-111/2.

Area golf divots

·Chris Tompkins, a recent graduate of Westland John Glenn headed to Eastern Michigan University, won the Power-Bilt Junior Tour stop last week at Eagle Crest with a 73.

A total of 82 players competed in his age division. He also qualified for the Power-Bilt Junior Tour Tournament of Champions event Friday and Saturday at Forest Akers in East

Tompkins has finished in the top four in four of his five Power-Bilt

The final Power-Bill Junior Tour stop is Wednesday at Pheasant Run in Canton

·Using a 7-wood, Robert Vargo of Commerce Township scored his first ace on the 171-yard, No. 12 hole last week at Fox Creek Golf Course in Livonia. Vargo shot 42 for nine holes.

Women's Suburban golf

Sandy Rivers of Rochester Hills shot an 86 Friday to win first flight low gross honors at the Women's Suburban Golf Association stop at Pine

Carolyn Benninger (Northville) and Karen Huebner tied for second low gross with 91 apiece.

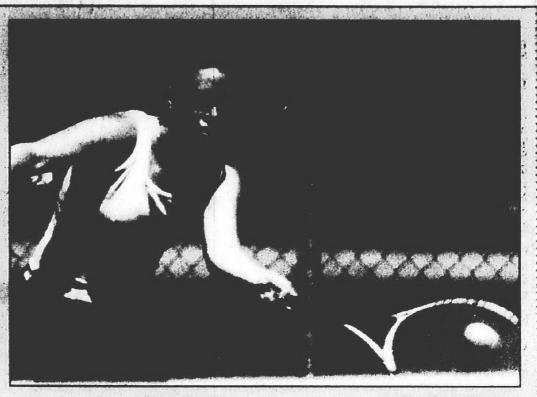
Lillian Vandenbroker (Dearborn Heights) edged JoAnne McVicar (Livonia) for low net honors, 74-75.

In the second flight, Bernie Evans (Franklin Village) shot a 93 to win low gross. Jan Nelson (Canton) was

runner-up with a 99. Low net went to MaryAnne Kraft (Dearborn Heights) with a 68. Gloria Hudson (Southfield) was second with a 70.

job at Central Michigan University, but





STATY PROTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Livonia Open Tennis: It was scorching hot Friday at Sheldon Park as the junior players took the courts. Vimleh Shukla (left photo) tries to save a shot back on his heels in a 6-1, 6-0 victory over Nick Reale to win the Boys 14-and-under title. Meanwhile, Andrea Holonecky (top photo), 15, captured the Girls 17-and-under crown with a 6-1, 6-0 triumph over Anne Kemp. Complete results of the Livonia Parks and Recreation Tournament will appear in subsequent Observer editions.

Ex-Salem cager writes 1st novel

By Brad Emons Sports Writer

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Tim Van Wagoner admits he'd probably never do a marathon again, but his first venture as a novelist certainly goes the distance.

The Plymouth native, who was once a deadly shooter when he played high school basketball for

the Salem High Rocks, covers a lot of ground in his self-published book "In the Long Run."

Van Wagoner intricately weaves a variety of interest subjects, ing including civil war history, along with childhood and family friends from small-town northern Michigan into

his debut print, which is available on Amazon.com or at the Little Professor Book Store in downtown Plymouth (cost \$12).

Tim Van Wagoner

In the Long Run

Van Wagoner is a 1973 Salem graduate who earned a Telecommunications degree from Michigan State University in 1977. He has resided in Milwaukee the past 15 years.

Van Wagoner joined the Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club in 1989 and

currently serves as director of broadcasting, working with the team's TV and radio sales and operations areas. He also worked in the Detroit News' advertising department and Miller Brewing Company's sports marketing

"In the Long Run," printed by Smiling Dog Press of Detroit, a Van Wagoner venture, had a first print of 1,000 with 300 copies already sold.

"The famous sports writer Red Smith said, "You should sit at a typewriter, tap a vein and let your feelings come out," Van Wagoner said. "This story, I believe, remains timeless and could apply to any number of places.

Basically, there are three major themes - approaching your first marathon, your flashes back to youth and a Civil War relative comes back and becomes a mentor.

"There's also the girl next door, the women you're always to be destined

Van Wagoner says his book "is a veiled autobiography.

Actually, Van Wagoner began his bookwriting quest while doing the 1995 Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, D.C. The ideas and storyline began to percolate during his arduous 26.2-

"My longest training run was 18 miles and going eight miles beyond that is certainly something I wasn't prepared for mentally or physically," he said. "The first one you basically see if you can do it. But anybody who comes back and chooses to run another certainly has my admiration."

The book's protagonist is Joshua Chamberlain, great-great grandson of an acclaimed Civil War hero.

"The Colonel," a Medal of Honor winner at Gettysburg, manages to instil his own influence, enlightening Josh as to the real reason he's running the

"When I visited my grandfather out east, we usually visited battlegrounds, those tours remain vivid recollections," Van Wagoner said. "I just started jotting down things on a legal pad and eavesdropped a lot. It became an interesting storyline. During the run, the colors, the flavors and the scenery became a good distraction.

Van Wagoner spent his summers near the resort area of Frankfort. His uncle George Van Wagoner, who recently passed away at age 70, was a successful high school basketball coach at Gobles (where he won a state championship) Allegan and Livonia Stevenson, while piling up an impressive 493

Tim Van Wagoner weaves a "Hoosiers" chapter into the book, placing a small town high school basketball team against a bigger and more formidable big city squad

"You don't have to grow up in Indiana to like the story Hoosiers," Van Wagoner said. "You make your own rules when you're a fiction writer."

Three other characters also stand out, "Gram," the grandmother and town librarian; the mischievous, but loyal childhood chum "Slip," and Autumn Andrews, the object of this

"It's magical being on Lake Michigan, summers up there are the golden months," Van Wagoner said. "I wanted a small town flavor. There's always been a sense of belonging in a small

"And everybody knew a guy back∮n elusive art of finding the right woman.

Whether Van Wagoner decides to give fiction writing another try remains to be seen, but he already has experienced one golden moment.

"The last time I was up north I dropped by the public library in Benzonia and I met a librarian just like Gram," Van Wagoner said. "I dropped off one of my books and she put it next to "A Stilness at Appomattox.

Of course, that made Van Wagoner's day, placing "In the Long Run," next to one of America's most-renown Civil War authors — Bruce Catton.

"If I never write another book I fee! honored just to be placed on the same shelf," Van Wagoner.

Punter finds his way from San Jose

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER bemons@oe.homecomm.net

Some day Seth Carriere would like the chance to be invited to an NFL training camp.

"It would be kind of neat just to have a opportunity and hang out with those guys," said the 1997 Livonia Stevenson High graduate, who will suit up this fall as a scholarship punter for Southeast Missouri State

Carriere, who played soccer most of his youth and wrestled for Stevenson, played only one year of football as a senior (1996) for the Spartans.

He wanted to kick, but was inconsistent during his attempts at practice and he couldn't unseat Tony Dattilio as the team's punter.

"In practice a lot of times I'd just outkick the coverage when they wanted somebody just to kick the ball up high 25 yards," said Carriere, who played some offense. "But playing football at Stevenson was by far the best three

hours of the day in my life "I went out for football my senior year because my best friends were in it, Mike and Matt Allison, and I wanted to spend time with those guys.

"I really enjoyed it and coach (Tim) Gabel really helped me out a lot. He's a really good guy.

The 5-foot-11, 175-pound Carriere believes he has finally found a home. His journey to Cape Girardeau, Mo., located between St. Louis and Mem-

phis, is certainly a strange one. Carriere first had his sights set on walking on and competing for a punting

just before reporting to Mount Pleasant, he hurt his kicking foot wrestling around with a friend.

"I had practiced all summer, I was just fooling around," he said. "I couldn't kick until September. Then I found out and didn't have enough credits from one class from high school, so I went to Schoolcraft (Community College) for a semester.'

Carriere's older brother Adam, a 1991 Stevenson grad who played on the Spartans' 1991 state Class A championship boys soccer team, moved to Redwood City, Calif. to take a job as a kindergarten teacher after graduating from the University of Michigan.

Seth followed his brother to Redwood City, located 10 miles south of San Francisco working as a teacher's assistant and taking night school classes at nearby San Mateo Junior College

He continued to practice his craft and eventually moved to his fourth school in less than two years - San Jose Junior College

"Through mutual friends I ended up at San Jose," Carriere said. "California junior college football is really competitive. There are about 87 schools.

Despite San Jose's 5-5 record, Carriere sparkled in his first collegiate football season, averaging 42 yards per punt, including a school-record 78varder.

He made honorable mention JC All-America honors

He gained confidence going into the 1999 season after spending time at prokicking camp last summer in Reno, Nev., run by Ray Pelphrey, father of Cincinnati Bengal punter Doug

Pelphrev "I had been working with guys at the camps who were the punters from Syracuse, USC and Oregon, there was also Jeff Banks from Washington State, Carriere said. "Just being around those guys helped tell me I could do it.'

During camp competition against some of the best collegiate punters on the west coast, Carriere won five of six competitions.

"The one I lost I missed my longest field goal (attempt) when it hit the crossbar," Carriere said.

Last December, an assistant from Texas Tech came calling and offered a scholarship, only to have it rescinded by the head coach Spike Dykes.

"I had my heart set on Texas Tech, they were playing Arizona State on TV (Sept. 4) on Saturday night," Carriere said. "They probably really didn't want to scholarship a punter

"I wanted to go to a PAC-10 school, I talked with Stanford and UCLA, but they wanted me to play another year at

"I took 21 credits last semester and I was on track to graduate and get my associate's degree, so I didn't really want to stay in San Jose.

Four months ago, Southeast Missouri coach John Mumford begin calling Carriere weekly.

He convinced the kicker/punter to make a visit to the Division I-AA school (a member of the Ohio Valley Conference and coming off a 4-6 season).

Please see CARRIERE, D6

Race announcer Lindahl covers track like a sport

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER skowalski@oe.homecomm.net

Gary Lindahl's career as a race car public address announcer began 17 years ago by accident. thankfully not the kind that occurs on the track.

Lindahl was covering races. every Friday night at the Spartan Speedway in Mason for the Jackson Citizen Patriot newspaper. The regular announcer, Dennis Casteele, was leaving on a threeweek vacation and volunteered; Lindahl for the job.

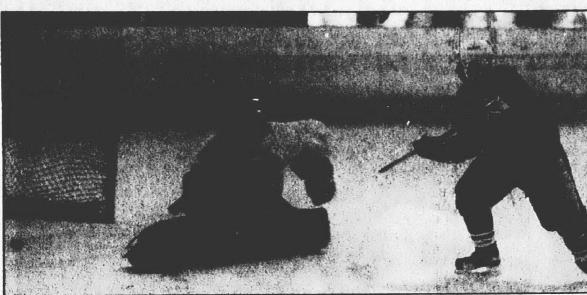
"Dennis had to go on a trip to. the east coast and told the promoter I'd fill in announcing, unbeknownst to me," Lindahl recalled. "I said 'You told him, what?' He said 'You know cars, you know the racers.'

"The promoter was excited he had a fill-in. I never had a chance to say no. It took me five times to turn the microphone on because I was shaking so bad. I made it through the first night, the second night was a little bit better. The third night I said 'I kind of

like this. Lindahl, 47, a Plymouth resident who works days as an

account executive for Inland Please see ANNOUNCER, DS

Lakers, Wildcats pull off MSHL upset wins



He scores: Wildcats forward Vic Decina (right) sneaks the puck past Huskies goaltender J.J. Weaks in Thursday's Metro Summer Hockey League semifinal.

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Talk about going to the limit.

Chris Libett's sudden-death penalty shot goal and goaltender Lanny Jardine's sudden death penalty shot save gave the Lakers and upset 4-3 Metro Summer Hockey League semifinal playoff victory Wednesday over the firstplace Bulldogs at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The Lakers will play the upstart Wildcats in a battle of third- and fourth-place teams for the MSHL championship 8 p.m. Sunday at the Cultural Center.

Ironically, the Bulldogs-Lakers' game marked the lowest number of goals this summer in the Metro circuit as both teams were tied at the end of regulation, 3-all.

It was 1-1 after one period.

Mike Vigilante scored from Eric and Scott Dolesh with 40 seconds left to give the Lakers a 1-0 lead, but Corey Swider answered 12 seconds later from Kevin Swider and Eric Bratcher.

The Bulldogs then scored with 12:24 left in the second period, Kevin Swider from Bratcher and Troy Milam.

But the Lakers' Brian Jardine tied it with 3:22 left in the period from Matt Frick and Tony Fer-

With 6:16 left in the third, Jardine notched his second of the night from Libett and Ferrero, but Kevin Swider sent the game

The victors: Wildcats defenseman Darrin Silvester (left) congratulates teammate Vic Decina (right) on a 13-7 victory as the Huskies' Ron Pietila skates off.

into overtime with an assist from his brother Corey with 4:20 remaining

The overtime format consisted of four one-minute extra periods. An attacker from each team was dropped after one minute. creating four-on-four, three-onthree, two-on-two and one-onone situations.

During a three-on-three, Bratcher was sent off for hooking, but the Bulldogs successfully fought off a 30-second penalty.

During a five-man penalty shootout, the two teams remained tied, setting the stage for Libett, who beat Bulldogs goaltender Phil Osaer. Jardine and Brandon Hothem

split time in goal for the Lakers. . WILDCATS 13, HUSKIES 7: Brent Thomas (six goals) and Sean Kass (seven assists) teamed up to lead the Wildcats into the MSHL championshp game with a semifinal playoff victory over the Huskies

Thursday at the Cultural Center. It was 5-5 after two periods before the Wildcats went on an 8-2 surge in the final period.

Other offensive standouts for the Wildcats included Darrin Silverster, two goals and four assists; Vic Decina, three goals and one assist; Daryl Schimmelpfenneg, three assists; Shaun Harrington, one goal and one assist.

Dan Dobrowski went all the way in the nets for the winners.

Ben Blackwood and Dwight: Helminen each scored twice for the Huskies, while Jayme Joncas, Phil and John Pietila each added a goal. Jim Tudor collected two assists.

J.J. Weaks and Art Baker shared time in goal for the Huskies.

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Simon named new WSU coach

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER skowalski@oe.homecomm.net

Outside of the Wayne State University mascot, no one in the school's athletic department has assumed a more drastic identity change than Bob Simon.

An assistant coach for the WSU men's basketball team the last five seasons, Simon was recently appointed the school's new head women's basketball

His appointment coincides with the school's announcement that it has changed its nickname from Tartars to Warriors.

This is Simon's first head coaching job in college. It's also the first women's coaching job, at any level, for Simon, 36, a graduate of Redford Thurston.

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He interviewed for a men's head coaching job within the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference a couple seasons back but was passed over for someone else.

"I got an interview, things went well, the school chose someone else and that person is doing well right now," the Redford Township resident said, regarding the men's head coach's job he pursued.

The WSU men and women share the Mathei Building for practices and games and sometimes travel together so Simon may feel like he never left men's coach Ron Hammye's side.

COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Hammye gave Simon his start in college coaching eight seasons ago, bringing him in as a parttime assistant before promoting him to full-time. Simon coached for six seasons at Thurston, two as a varsity assistant and four as a junior varsity head coach, and four years as the head coach of the Southgate Anderson varsity before coming to WSU.

"It makes for a good relationship," Simon said. "We've worked together for so long now and can continue to help each other out. It's a great relationship that will continue and I'm excited to be coaching the women.

"I've been coaching boys or men for 18 years. The game is not much different. You coach it the same way, do the same thing you do with men - try to rebound, defend, shoot free throws.

"There's no special potion because it's women. I had a meeting with the girls, a lot are looking forward to already getting back to school and getting started. They know me. I've been around the gym."

The biggest change may be in tradition. The men have won four of the last eight GLIAC championships and the women have struggled to play near .500. The Warriors won only seven

games last year and return seven seniors.

Simon replaces Karen Hall who resigned and took another coaching position at North Carolina A & T. Simon said he has retained one of Hall's assistant coaches, Bryant Hobbs, and is adding former WSU playe Fawne Allosery to the staff.

WSU is adding men's hockey as a varsity sport and there is talk the athletic program will move from NCAA Division II to Division I in the next three to five years, Simon said.

The change in nicknames was made more for better name recognition than anything else, according to Simon.

The biggest difference is WSU won't hear anymore "Tartar Sauce" jokes.

"Tartar was a warrior, so we went along the same path,' Simon said. "It's a real nice logo and we kept the same colors (green and yellow and white)."

The WSU women's team has a scholarship allotment of 10 per season and Simon is eager to hit the recruiting trail, starting with the high school season in the

"My contacts will be different but I'm not afraid to get on the phone and call people, get in my car and watch a game," Simon said. "Coaches will see me out

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and my staff. We'll work hard to try to start doing something with the program.

"Women's athletics are on an upswing. A trend is going right now. Some things that have happened in women's sports everyone knows about: The Olympic gold the women's hockey team just won (at the 1998 Winter Olympics), the World Cup the women's soccer team won. The WNBA (Woomen's National Basketball Association) is getting better and I don't believe all the best players are in the WNBA right now. Women in college see a goal past collegiate ball and to play professionally, so that league can only get better as it gets more franchises, promoting, endorsements.

Simon's family, which includes wife Donna, daughter Bobbie, 10, and son Devin, 8, is all for the move.

"My family is excited about it," Simon said. "My wife just wanted to make sure I'd be happy."

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Lindahl started attending ar races at age 3 with his

fither, Eugene. "My mon (Stelle) said to my dad 'Why don't you go have fun with your son," he recalled. "My next-door neighboors used to go to the track, we went with them once and my dad was hooked."



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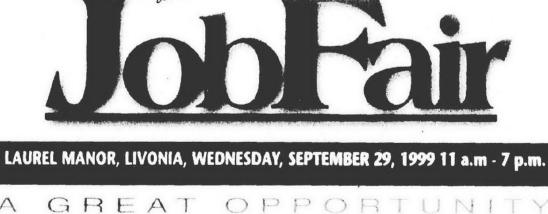
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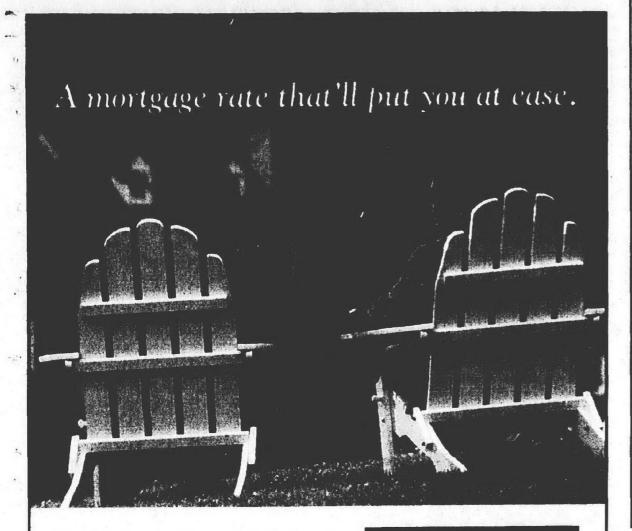
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Mike Coppola. Not pictured is team member Michael Yates.

White Sox capture best 2-of-3 World Series crown vs. Reds

It was another comeback effort.

After losing the opener of the best two-of-three series, the White Sox came back to win the Canton Community Junior Softball Association (ages 11-13) World Series with a 17-9 win over the Reds in the deciding game July 27 at Plymouth Canton High School.

The Reds won the opener at the Canton Softball Center, 15-12, but the White Sox evened the series in the next round.

hitting and excellent defense, the White Sox roster included Sarah Amann, Jessica Bonello, Stephanie Herman, Emily Maletic, Jackie Perino, Christine Rovet, Kelli Szcpeanski, Rebecca Woodman, Rachel Sokira, Colleen Whately, Aletha Sturk, Jamie Hutchinson and Shata

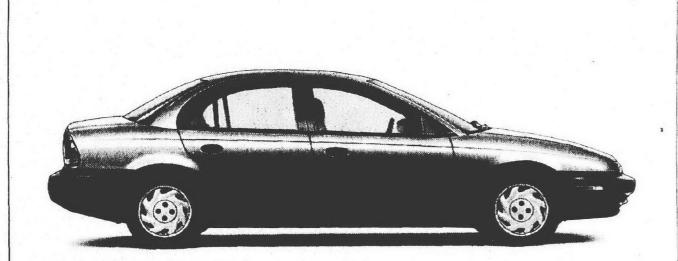
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For the Reds, National League

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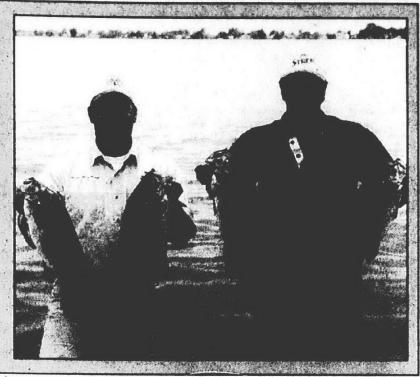
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When they get into the water for bathing they really flap, splash, rock, dip and flutter. Water seems to spray everywhere

Starlings and robins are great wing flappers in the water.

Bathing in water helps to keep those very important feathers in excellent shape. As dirt and oils accumulate, they need to be

Periodic bathing also removes mites and other parasites. There is also some evidence that water evaporating from the skin has a cooling effect.

Our bird bath is less than a foot above the ground. This low enough so birds can escape the approach of a ground predator.

A little elevation helps birds rise out of reach from a predator during takeoff.

Two other features of a bird bath to keep in mind is depth and

Birds do not like deep water. Bathing in deep water would make it difficult to take flight if a predator should attack. They are already vulnerable with their wet feathers, a moment too long in the deep water could mean death.

The second factor to consider is a rough texture.

While bathing birds splash, flap and flutter, they need a rough surface for their nails to hold on to. This correlates with a hasty

escape from a predator. They don't want to be slipping and sliding while taking flight.

If you keep these factors in mind, you can attract birds to a bath in your yard.

During these hot days, I'm sure position also allows squirrels to they will appreciate your effort.

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

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-

The School for Outdoor Leader-

ship, Adventure and Recreation

(SOLAR), a non-profit organiza-

tion interested in promoting the

appreciation of outdoor activi-

ties, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the

first Tuesday of each month at

the Colony Hall in Southfield.

Oakland County Sportsmen's

Club will offer a hunter safety

Aug. 9-14 at its clubhouse and

register and for more informa-

PADDLE CAMPING ESSENTIALS

Recreational Equipment Inc.

(REI) in Northville is holding a

class on the basics of paddling

camping beginning at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 11 at REI.

Those in attendance will learn

port a canoe or kayak, how to

for more information.

select travel partners and pad-

dling safety. Call (248) 347-2100

SAGINAW BAY WATERFOWL CLINIC

Tri-County Michigan Duck

Hunter's Association and the

Bay City State Recreation Area

are co-hosting the fourth annual

Saginaw Bay Waterfowl Clinic

on Sunday, Aug. 15, at the Bay

City State Recreation Area's

Saginaw Bay Visitor Center.

Call (517) 667-0717 for more

The Wayne Waterfowl Chapter

of the Michigan Duck Hunter's

Association is holding a water-

9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 22, at the

422-0583 for more information.

staffer Matt Duluk will discuss

National Park during an ultra-

light backpacking exhibit begin-

ning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug.

25 at REI. Call (248) 347-2100

will be offering several hunter

house and grounds in Romulus.

Classes will be offered Aug. 28-

29, Oct. 9-10, and Nov. 6-7. Call

(313)532-0285 to register and for

The Riverbend Sports Shop in

Southfield is sponsoring several

fly fishing schools in the upcom-

ing months. Held at the Hunts-

man Hunt Club in Dryden and

Metamora, the schools include

lessons in basic fly fishing tech-

niques including casting, knot

tying, reading the water, play-

ing, landing and releasing fish.

entomology and fly selection and

more. Classes are scheduled for

Class size is limited. To register

Aug. 15 and 29, and Sept. 12.

and for more information call

(248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-

Paint Creek Outfitters in

make a reservation for an

Rochester offers a variety of fly

tying classes for beginners and

advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-

0440 for more information or to

River Bend Sport Shop in South-

field offers fly tying classes for

advanced tyers. Classes will be

For more information and to reg-

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Get hooked on fishing during a

Pro Shops in cooperation with

Oakland County Parks and

Orion Township Parks and

Recreation. Activities include

fishing derby, sponsored by Bass

beginners, intermediate and

held at various times in July.

FLY TYING

upcoming class

MORE FLY TYING

591-3474.

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Hunters Creek Hunt Club in

education classes at its club-

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Area in Rockwood. Call (734)

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ULTRA LIGHT BACKPACKING

his hike across Isle Royale

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fowl hunting clinic beginning at

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information.

how to plan a trip, how to trans-

grounds in Clarkston. Class size

is limited. Call (248) 623-0444 to

Call (248) 988-6658 for more

information.

CLASSES/

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CLINICS

5027 for more information.

ARCHERY

BROACHED LEAGUE

A nine-week broached league begins Thursday, Aug. 5, at Royal Oak Archers in Lake Orion. Call (248) 628-8354 or (248) 589-2480 for more informa-

TUNS 3D SHOOT

Ted Nugent Unites Sportsmen of America Area B will hold its annual 3D shoot and family picnic on Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 7-8, at Royal Oak Archers in Lake Orion. The event features free beginner instruction, novelty shoots, games for the kids and a yard sale. Entry fee is \$8 and kids age 11-and-under will shoot free. Prizes will be awarded. Proceeds from the event benefit Ted Nugent's Kamp for Kids. Call (248) 627-8172 or (810) 254-2493 for more information.

3D SHOOT

Detroit Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 7-8, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

MORE 3D

Oakland County Sportsman's Club will host a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, on its walk-through course in Clarkston. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

LIVONIA RANGE

The newly renovated Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Cest is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 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.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

Tournament Trail is Aug. 14-15 on Wixom Lake. Registration is \$60 and the pay back is one place cash for every seven contestants. Boaters and nonboaters are welcome and there is no pre-registration. Call Elmer Daniels at (734) 729-1762 or Steve Randles at (734) 422-5813 for more information.

METRO BASS 'N GALS

Metro Bass 'N Gals will hold the Linda Carruthers Memorial, a two-person team open bass tournament, on Sunday, Aug. 15, on Lake St. Clair. Call Mary Ashteneau at (313) 981-3367 to register and for more information.

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS Oakland Bass Masters will hold a two-man team tournament on Sunday, Aug. 8, on Orchard Lake. To register and for more information call Roy Randolph at (248) 542-5254. Oakland Bass Masters will hold additional tournaments Aug. 29 on Lobdell Lake, and Sept. 26 on Lakeville

CLUBS

FOUR SEASONS

information.

The River Bend Sports Shop Fly Tving Club meets every other week in Southfield. Call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474 for

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

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 informa-

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a six-mile hike at the Waterloo State Recreation Area beginning at 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 1. Call Joanne Spatz at (248) 932-5370 for more information.

MERITAGE PARK

Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club and explore Heritage Park in Farmington Hills during this program, which begins at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 8. Call Tom LaFramboise at (734) 464-7899 for more information.

BALD MOUNTAIN HIKE

Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a five-mile hike at Bald Mountain State Recreation Area beginning at noon on Sunday, Aug. 22. Call Dan Dahlin at (248) 644-2746 for more information.

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.

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) 685-2187.

For programs at Island Lake call

FISHING IN THE PARKS

(810) 229-7067.

Learn the basics of fishing during this program, which begins at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays (through Aug. 10) at Island Lake, Metamora-Hadley and Pontiac Lake recreation areas.

SUMMER EVENING STROLL

Explore the park's natural and cultural history through a variety of weekly hikes and interpretive presentations during this class, which will be held at 7 p.m. each Thursday through the Wayne County Sportsmen's Club end of August at Maybury

ANIMAL TRACKS Learn about animal tracks then make tracks on a t-shirt during

this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at Highland. GARDEN HERBS

A discussion on how to use and grow various kitchen herbs begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5. at Maybury

Listen to a short story about crows then join in a fun activity during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at Maybury.

FISHING FOR BEGINNERS

Learn the basics of fishing during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, at Highland.

NATURE FOLKLORE

Take a look at nature from a different angle and learn about legends and folklore during this naturalist-led hike, which begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, at Mávbury

BATS OF MICHIGAN Learn all about bats during this

slide presentation, which begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, 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

1999 PERMITS

The 1999 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

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Bowling Congress (ABC). Dahlstrom also bowl Alvar Freden in senior leagues.

• If you have any surplus bowling balls that you would like to sell, bring them in to Westland Bowl Starting today for drop-offs and continuing through Friday,

August 6. (Westland Bowl, locat-

ed on Wayne just a few blocks

north of Ford Road, is closed Monday, Aug. 2). The sale will be from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 7-8. This is a terrific opportunity to

equipment. Most of the balls are going to be of recent vintage and will be plugged and re-drilled at a spe-

buy some very good used bowling

cial low rate by Ray's Pro Shop. Each purchaser will receive two free games on Westland Bowl's new Brunswick Anvianes, which have just been

recently installed. Each purchaser will also be eligible for door prizes (to be drawn at 6 p.m. next Sunday at.

the end of the sale). You can also win cash prizes in the 50-50 drawing for a charity.

For sellers, it's a great chance to clean out the basement. For buyers, it's a one-time opportunity to get some really good equipment without having to mortgage the house.

·Lee Snow of Farmington Hills has been named to succeed the retiring Ken Charrette as executive director of the Budweiser Michigan Majors Bowling Association.

Charrette, who founded the MMBA in 1967, has held the position of Executive Director for 33 years.

Snow has been on the MMBA board of directors for more than 15 years, serving as president for the past eight years

The MMBA features monthly scratch tournaments, which are run all over the state with the best amateur bowlers in competition for some pretty healthy prize money. · August is traditionally the

222/647: Murray Bote, 234/668: Troy Taylor 227/602; Candy Bailey, 223 257/633; Matt Randall, 257/622.

ing bowling season. There are league officers meetings, while some houses invite the bowlers in for a get-together and appreciation day with free

The 63rd annual John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament will be Monday Aug. 23 at Thun-

derbowl Lanes in Allen Park. This is considered the official kick-off of the season.

There are still openings for the event, call (313) 928-4688 for

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Cloverlanes (Livonia)

Tuesday Seniors Drop In: Hank Zajac, 204 Tony Rye, 240/666; Bruce Wahl, 213; Joe Buhagiar, 214; Laverna Johnson, 210; Howard Simons, 235; John Gonsler, 223. Dynamic Doubles: Cliff Richard, 288/695;

268/669; Josephine Hampton, 253/635 Sam Woods, 257/625; Kaseem Sauls 242/633: Lawrence Roberts, 248/642. Unique Trio: Yvonne Jones. 241/657, Louis Galloway, 645; Connie Cleveland, 255/675 All Khan Harper, 658; Chris Blevin, 241/667

Steve Boyce, 244/683; Eddie Hushan

Friday Foursome: Mary Ann Jackson 230/605; Patrick Martin, 242/617; Loretta Smith, 210/598; Tony Alfaro, 223/596; Joe Mack, 214/599.

Thursday Trio: Ali Khan Harper, 216/612, Jim Wilson, 222/635; Roosevelt Arbuthno 223/618: Lorraine Cole. 20

Woodland Lanes (Livonia) Keglerattes: Ruth Wilcox. 208/587: Line

Afternoon Delights: Ana Pierce, 208: Robin Macheske, 218; Lori Janigan, 203; Cynthia Lozen, 211.

Summer Seniors: Jack Green, 213, Mane

Beauchamp, 214; Bob Wesman, 233. Tuesday Trio: Brian Ziemba, 28 Matt Randall, 278; Ken Kubit, 264 Plaza Lanes (Plymouth) Battle of the Sexes: Greg Kemp. 235 22.

247/703: Matt Dalley. 277-256-247/78

Chuck Morris, 279-257-203/739

Westland Bowl Thursday Summer Trio: Joe Machowitz 259; Robert Brown, Jr., 229/656; Dan Fillip 254/651: Joe Gruszka, 217/641; David Zajac. 247. Pat Engebretson, 227, 606; Gary Duarard, 244/637; Ray Lanczki, 267/638 Bud Clifton, 234/646, Chris Kliczinski 220/639; James Florence, 245/605; Joe Belanger, Jr., 228-268/636; Ryan Wilson 258 280 / 734 LaRon Holsey 237: Sonny Morton, 243; Shane Misko, 217/610; Joseph Jacobs, 257/624; Rick Biegas, 244, Cliff Out ey, 249/689; Gil Reppenhagen, 239/661 David Krivitz, 224/660, Jeff Trent, 233 Michael Weed, 232/651; Ron Lechevaller

Country Lanes (Farmington) Wednesday Night Doubles: Shannon Jack

son, 269; Danny Larocca, 268; Christina get-ready month for the up-com- Howard, 278; Angela Harbar, 257.

TOP BASS

The final stop on the Top Bass

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refresh ments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more

FLY TYING

more information MICHIGAN FLY FISHING The Michigan Fly Fishing Club

Metro-West Steelheaders meets

several contests such as dry cast ing, smallest fish, largest fish, ugliest fish, best fishing hat and

391-0304 for more information. WATERLOO HIKE Join members of the Southeast

biggest frog. Activities begin at 9

a.m. Sunday, Aug. 7. Call (248)

ine. will have tryout for its initial cases travel besetuil comma on Separately Aug. 21. Sunday Aug. 22. will be the makeup date in the event of

Tryouts begin at 10 a.m.

Tryouts for all ages will take piece at Foundert Park Ages 10 and under will be on

field No. 4, age 11 on field No. 3, age 12 on field No. 2, age 13 on field No. 1 and ages 14 and 6 on field Nos. 5 and 6.

Travel teams play approxi-mately 35 to 60 games, including tournaments.

League games are usually Monday, Tuesday and Thurs-day with tournaments on

Athletes are usually experi-

Question may be directed to

enced ballplayers and have

Geoff Scott, ages 9-10, 478

1971; Rick Tuyn, 11, 474

8895; Jay Cummings, 12, 477-3523; Greg Anderson, 13, 477-5096; Al Zatkin, 14, 477-4537; Ken Chesney, 15, 471-3347; and Mike O'Connell, 16, 476-

advanced skills.

Westland John Glenn High cove gelf coach Dan Burtka announced that practice begins at 1:15 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16 at Fellows Creek in Canton Township.

For more information, call Burths at 1751 1811-1759 Young Year Shake Cell

A volleyball camp for 5-7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Aug. 5-7, at St. John Center in Plymouth.

Players will be grouped according to skill level. The cam pwill concentrate on overall development of basic offensive and defensive play.

Carriere from page D1

Looking for somebody with hang time, Mumford eventually signed Carriere on the dotted

"He (Mumford) is a classy guy, a good family guy," Carriere said. "They have the political science

curriculum I need because eventually I want to go to law school.

"Right now I'm optimistic more than excited. I have three years eligibility left."

Seth Carriere will report three days late to preseason camp in order to attend his brother Ryan's upcoming wedding.

"I expect to punt, but they have a senior kicker who's a pretty good one," Carriere said. "He had a 65-yarder (field goal) last year.

"But two years from now I

think I can do both." Gabel said Carriere is a lesson

in perseverance. "He's really done it on his own," the Stevenson coach said. You want to see him do well

because he's such a good kid."

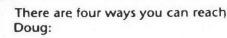
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 Oakwood Hospital -Seaway Center Lower Level Conference Room 5450 Fort St. Trenton, MI 48183 8/5 - 10:00 AM

· Oakwood Hospital -Annapolis Center Conference Room I 33155 Annapolis Way Wayne, MI 48184 8/13 - 9:30 AM

· Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center Adray D 18101 Oakwood Blvd. Dearborn, MI 48124 8/23 - 1:00 PM

 Oakwood Hospital Beyer Center Med-Staff Conference Room 135 S. Prospect Ypsilanti, MI 48198 8/31 - 9:30 AM

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