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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

Ice show closes: One of the final events of the 2000 Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular comes at 4 p.m. in Kellogg Park when Plymouth Observer editor Brad Kadrich hands out awards for the middle school designers.

TUESDAY

City meets: It promises to be a rousing discussion when the city commission meets to talk about how much, and what parts, of the city charter should be reviewed, and whether such a review should be done by the commission itself or an appointed committee. The meeting takes place at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

FRIDAY

On the court: Plymouth Salem travels to Westland to take on John Glenn in a Western Lakes Activities Association basketball contest at 7 p.m.

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Dual Dumpsters doom disposal

Whoever disposed of the body parts found behind a Dearborn Dumpster made one critical mistake — choosing the wrong disposal unit — in trying to cover up the possible murder of a Plymouth woman.

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Whoever left body parts believed to be the remains of a missing Plymouth woman inside a Dumpster in Dearborn and a field in Ohio came close to literally "getting away with murder."

Authorities from all three jurisdictions admit their case would have been hard to solve, if solvable at all, if the

arms and legs found in a Dumpster at the A&W restaurant in Dearborn had been thrown in a different trash bin.

The restaurant has two Dumpsters, one for "everyday" trash and another for grease. The trash Dumpster gets emptied every other day and the rubbish sent to the landfill. The grease Dumpster gets emptied once a month.

"The bag with the body parts was found by an employee in the grease

Dumpster," said Ben Piechocki, manager of the restaurant. "That Dumpster is only for grease, so the employee tried to pick up the trash bags that were left inside. It was too heavy, so the employee opened the bag and found the body remains."

"Had the bags been put in the trash Dumpster, it would have been picked up with the regular trash and taken away."

Possibly never to be found. And without the arms and legs, authorities may not have connected their missing person in Plymouth to a torso found in a field in Ohio.

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Sister speaks out to British press

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Tracy Islam is a native of England, where she met her husband, Azizul, who is originally from Bangladesh.

Islam reportedly left her husband in August because of marital problems and moved back to England. She was

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STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN

On ice: Becky Lewis of Wyandotte, 9, left, and Jennifer Lucas of Riverview, 9, check out a carving of a child riding a bike with a dog in the basket inside The Gathering Thursday evening. Thursday marked the opening of the 2000 Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular. Above, Noelle Milad of Plymouth, 4, grins when she notices that she is being watched, while her dad purchases a hot dog on Penniman Street.

On ice and on target

BY BRAD KADRICH
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You gotta have faith. Mike Watts had plenty, despite a few moments of anxiety, and his faith was rewarded this week when Mother Nature finally relented and allowed winter to arrive in the streets of downtown Plymouth.

After watching warmer temperatures delay the 2000 Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular at the beginning of the week, Watts — and thousands of visitors — spent the end of the week watching carvers do their thing in temperatures low enough to provide good carving conditions, yet warm enough to keep the crowds flowing through Kellogg Park and The Gathering.

"This is perfect," Watts, the festival's executive director,

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Ironing out: Dawnmarie Chmiel (left) uses an iron to even out the edge of a block of ice as Casaundra White watches Thursday evening in The Gathering. The two Schoolcraft College culinary arts students were working on a sculpture of a clock.

Bus passers could get stung

Cops out to slow impatient drivers going around school buses

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Plymouth-Canton school bus drivers say it happens to them on a daily basis: Motorists ignore flashing red signal lights and drive around a stopped school bus which is unloading students.

Not only is it dangerous, it's illegal. As a result, Plymouth Township police have begun a sting operation to catch motorists who don't obey the law.

"It happens to me all the time," said Jennifer Sanders, who's been driving Plymouth-Canton school buses for two years.

Sanders drives a mostly rural route, Ann Arbor and Godfredson roads, where many of the problems occur.

"A lot of elderly drivers don't even realize they're doing it," she said. "And a lot of it is impatience by

drivers."

Plymouth Township patrol officers will be utilizing marked and semi-marked cars in an effort to make sure drivers obey the law.

"We're going to selective enforcement in a number of areas where we have reports of violations from bus drivers," said Jamie Senkbeil, Plymouth Township police officer. "That unit will be out from 6 to 8 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m., specifically to catch motorists who don't obey the flashing school bus lights."

"Kids get off the bus and they many times don't watch for traffic. They can easily get injured," said Senkbeil.

Some bus drivers believe motorists just don't know the law.

"Some people stop at the yellow lights, which are really a caution to let drivers know we're getting

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Township talks about pay raises

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The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees wrestled with suggested pay raises for non-union employees at its Jan. 4 study session.

"I'm going back to the drawing board to make other recommendations," said Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy, the day after the meeting.

The board expressed wide, varied opinion, she said.

The salary issue is expected to be further discussed at the next study session Jan. 18, with a vote expected at the Jan. 25 regular meeting. Both meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. at township hall, Ann Arbor and

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ready to stop," said Debbie Brief, a seven-year veteran driver. "They wait so long for the yellow lights that when the red ones come on, which they have to stop for, they get mad and whip around the bus."

Drivers of newer buses have flashing amber lights, which are used 200 feet before a stop to alert motorists that buses are pulling over.

By law, motorists can still pull around until the lights begin flashing red.

Older buses, which only have red lights, flash them to signal an impending stop.

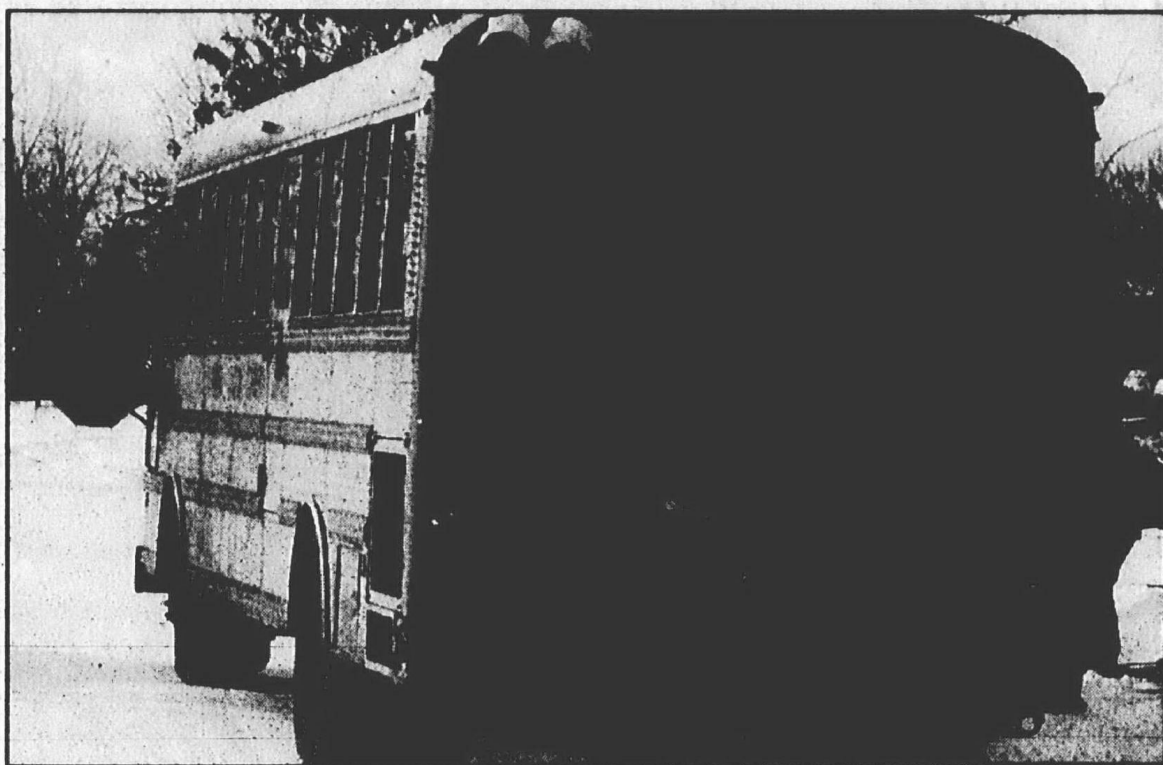
Motorists who disobey the flashers will receive civil infraction tickets, which carry a fine of \$165 and three points on their drivers license.

Plymouth-Canton bus transportation director Marv Bartal said there are an increasing number of complaints by bus drivers.

"The violation is happening quite frequently ... on a daily basis," said Bartal. "It's happening this year more than normal."

Bartal said many times bus drivers will try to get the license plate number of a violator and report it to police.

He notes many of the complaints have come from bus drivers in the Five Mile and



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMANN

Gotta stop: A school bus drops off middle school students Thursday near Saltz and Canton Center roads in Canton. Bus drivers are complaining that drivers are ignoring the flashing lights, stop sign - and the law - and driving past the buses while students are disembarking.

Beck road routes.

"People are running late for work, they get behind a school

bus and they don't want to be stopped," Bartal said. "The flashing red lights are supposed

to allow children to cross the street safely. Motorists are really putting kids in danger."

Sister from page A1

visiting her children for the holidays and was scheduled to fly back to England on Dec. 24 to spend Christmas with her family. However, Islam, according to her husband, disappeared while in Plymouth on Dec. 20.

Islam's sister, Anita Ross, spoke with The Express, a London daily newspaper, about the disappearance of Tracy Islam.

"We had been expecting her back early on Christmas Day," Ross said. "Her presents are still

here, and I don't know what to do with them."

"Everyone loved Tracy. All she wanted to do was settle back down over here. We didn't know why she left her husband."

Whatever was wrong, she kept it

to herself."

British reporters say Ross is refusing further requests for interviews concerning the disappearance of her sister.

Ice Fest from page A1

said as temperatures dipped into the low 20s. "I was a little nervous at the beginning, but I never really doubted it would be."

"We lost some time (early in the week), but we made up for it (Thursday) and everything's right on track."

After delaying the start of the annual event by a day, Watts and his crews got everything on schedule with a furious Thursday of activity.

As a result, team and individual carving competitions went on Saturday and Sunday as planned.

But it didn't look like that would happen early in the week. Then, winter arrived.

"Just in time," said carver Jim

'When I woke up and saw all that snow, I was a lot happier.'

Jim Shields
—Ice carver

Shields, part of the Macomb Community College team. "I was at work (Wednesday) and getting a little nervous. When I woke up Thursday and saw all that snow, I was a lot happier."

The individual professional competition takes place today (Sunday) from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with the two-man student team competition from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Raises from page A1

Lilley Roads.

Basically, the formula adjustment suggested by Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy is the current 2.8 percent Consumer Price Index and the mid-range for average comparables in specific communities listed in the 1999 Conference of Western Wayne salary survey.

However, Treasurer Ron Edwards says the numbers used are skewed. The suggested comparable municipalities combines both cities and townships and leaves out Northville Township, a similar community, for example, he said.

However, McCarthy pointed out that in other comparison information Northville Township is included.

Deciding what communities are most like Plymouth Township is difficult, she said.

The municipalities used in the comparisons include Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Madison Heights, Novi, Canton Township, Orion Township, Redford Township and Waterford Township.

"Every one of these people has gone beyond the call of duty," said Edwards of the township's department heads. "Where's the reward here?"

Edwards thinks department heads should get equal raises. He doesn't believe, for example, Police Chief Lawrence Carey should get a higher percentage pay raise than other department heads simply because his workload was increased when the city and township merged dis-

patch operations Nov. 1.

Trustee Chuck Curmi disagreed.

"You have to worry about servicing another 9,500 people and another community," Curmi noted of the merger.

The work load is not the same in the comparable communities because department heads have different amount of staff, Edwards pointed out. There's no backup for some Plymouth Township department heads, he said.

Edwards suggested a 5 percent pay raise for Charles McIlhargey, the building director; Rosemary Harvey, finance director; Fire Chief Larry Groth, and Carey.

Jim Anulewicz, Department of Public Services director, also deserves a raise because of his hard work, the board said; however, the board didn't come up with a specific figure. They also discussed a bonus for him.

Board material lists annual current salary levels as \$73,655 for Anulewicz, \$70,343 for Harvey, \$75,316 for Groth and \$69,300 for Carey.

"If we feel they deserve a bonus, give them a bonus," said Trustee Ron Griffith.

"I still don't think that we are that lean," Curmi said of township operations. "I don't see us sweating in here ... This is not based on performance but comparables ... We learned our lesson last year. The rank and file came in and said, 'You did that for the boss, we want that, too.'"

Dumpster from page A1

"Given that we got a call from someone in England about a missing person here, we would have had an intense investigation," said Plymouth Police Chief Dick Miller. "However, if the parts had been placed in the Dumpster with the regular trash, it would have made our investigation more difficult. It probably would have taken us much longer to get to the same point we're at now."

That point is charging Azizul Islam, 50, with first degree murder and mutilation of a dead body in the death of his wife, Tracy, 35.

Tracy Islam, who left her family in Plymouth and returned to her native England last August, was in Plymouth a week before Christmas to visit her son and daughter and reportedly seeking an uncontested divorce.

According to police the couple had an argument Dec. 19, Tracy was missing Dec. 20, and a friend from England reported her missing Christmas Day when she failed to make it back to Great Britain.

Authorities are conducting DNA testing on the body parts and the Islams' two teenage children to determine if the remains are those of Tracy Islam.

Police have been hampered in their investigation because the head is still missing and the fingertips were mutilated.

"If those body parts are put in the trash Dumpster and taken to a landfill we would have a tough time solving this case," admitted Ron Deziel, Dearborn police

chief. "It's a fortunate break for law enforcement."

"If Dearborn doesn't find body parts, there's no reason for us to look into Michigan to find the identification of the torso found in a field," said Detective Randy Riedmayer of the Ottawa County (Ohio) Sheriff's Department. "At some point we may have ended up with the same results, but it could have been months before figuring it out."

Plymouth police and the Michigan State Police crime lab searched Islam's Roe Street home Jan. 7 and took several items for testing. Police sources say some of the items had blood on them.

Plymouth police say Islam rented a minivan from Dick Scott Dodge in Plymouth the day after the body parts were found in Dearborn. The van's odometer recorded 213 miles for the one-day rental.

Ottawa County is in northern Ohio, southeast of Toledo.

"The description (given by) the people who saw the man in the (Ohio) field is consistent with the description of Mr. Islam," said Detective Steve Levorchick from Ottawa County.

Authorities still do not have a murder weapon, and aren't certain if the victim was killed before being mutilated.

A preliminary exam is slated for Jan. 21 in 35th District Court. However, that hearing is expected to be postponed until DNA tests come back next month.

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Search is on for girl

Police: Teen may have been 'seduced' on Internet

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Arielle Penn-Curry was like other students at Redford Union's Hilbert Middle School — she was learning computer skills in a class.

But those skills may have gotten the 13-year-old Redford girl into trouble.

Penn-Curry, an only child, has been missing since Jan. 2 and police believe she may have disappeared with a man she may have met over the Internet in a chat room. Police described him as a business traveler.

She disappeared at a Southfield movie complex, where she had gone with her mother. Neither the mother's car nor the girl have been seen since.

"We strongly suspect she was somehow seduced over the Internet," said Robert A. Ficano, Wayne County Sheriff.

The Wayne County Sheriff Department's Internet Crimes Task Force is going over computer files in the family's computer to try recreating e-mail between the eighth-grader and the business traveler, he said.

It is a two-year felony to solicit teens for sex on the Internet, he said.

Officers are also trying to reconstruct phone calls made between the girl's home and an area hotel, he said.

The teen attempted to delete all her e-mail messages from the home computer and telephone records of calls to the hotel in Oakland County.

Ficano held a press conference on Friday with Redford Public Safety Director Robert Parker and Deputy Chief John Buck.

"There are one or two leads," said Ficano.

The girl's mother, Cynthia Penn, told reporters: "If anyone knows anything about my



Missing: Arielle Penn-Curry hasn't been seen since Jan. 2.

daughter, please, please call. I'm desperate."

Referring to her daughter, she said: "If you can hear my voice, remember, we all love you. Think about your grandmother, she's ill. Think about your late father, he would want you to come home."

"I know we've had problems, but we can work it out," said Penn.

Police and Penn gave the following account of the disappearance:

In early December, Penn opened an account with America Online, and noticed that her

daughter was fascinated with the chat rooms and was spending long hours late at night chatting with strangers.

Penn said she was alerted to Internet predators by an episode of the Oprah show. She then tried to get Arielle out of the chat rooms. She also installed parental controls on the Internet after seeing the show.

She said her daughter enjoyed rap music and may have frequented rooms where people exchanged views on that type of music.

Chat rooms allow computer users to exchange instant messages. On-line firms offer chat rooms that cater to various interests, such as music, sports and the single scene.

"Then on New Year's, she went to a party and didn't come home," said Ficano. "She was eventually located and came home."

Penn said she didn't want her daughter to go to the party, but the child sneaked out and went anyway.

The next day she went to the Star Theater in Southfield with her mother.

"She said the movie was boring and left to find another movie showing at the complex," said Ficano.

She had arranged to meet her mother in the lobby, but never showed up.

Penn then discovered her car was missing from the theater parking lot. The car is described as a light blue 1999 Ford Contour, sport edition. The license plate is 3CC-X18.

Penn said to her knowledge her daughter couldn't drive, but she may have met a male friend at the theater. She described the friend as a African-American in his teens.

Arielle was wearing a red sweater set, platform shoes and a thin black leather jacket.

Penn said she discovered other items of clothing taken from the family home. They include a red felt jacket and a silver jacket. A hair curling iron was also missing. There was no money missing.

Penn described her daughter as a "pretty girl" who sometimes tried to pass herself off as being 16 years old.

Ficano said the sheriff's department is giving the case high priority and is offering a \$1,000 reward from the Crime Stoppers Program for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the suspected Internet child predator.

For more information on the reward, call Ralph Kinney, deputy chief of staff at (313) 224-8488 or (313) 350-1472, a cell phone.

Redford police can be contacted at (313) 387-2500.

Plymouth's DARE program benefits from fund-raiser

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The Plymouth DARE program, along with other DARE communities, will receive proceeds from a November fund-raiser held by Thrifty Car Rental offices.

Seven metropolitan Detroit communities which have DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) chapters will receive an average \$250, according to Jeff Wormolts, a Thrifty Car Rental team owner who organized the fund-raiser.

"This was part of our annual Neighbors Together campaign," Wormolts said. "We will probably do this for DARE again next year. Fifty cents of every car we rented during November went to DARE."

Besides Plymouth Township

■ 'The money will be put back into the program.'

John Drake
—Plymouth Township police

the communities of Southfield, Waterford, Sterling Heights, Novi, Dearborn and Romulus will also receive donations.

The DARE program teaches students how to say no to drugs.

Plymouth Township police Officer John Drake will accept the donation at a luncheon Tuesday at Romulus Middle School in Romulus. Drake is the DARE officer for the 14 elementary schools in the Plymouth-Canton Community School District.

"The money will be put back into the program to buy things

like T-shirts and other things," Drake said. "None of it goes toward our salaries."

The elementary school officer also investigates cases like family problems and abuse cases and assists the Family Independence Agency with referrals and investigation, according to a 1998 Plymouth Township police annual report.

The middle schools DARE officer investigates criminal cases and complaints in addition to teaching his core classes. The middle school officer also deals with school problems and assists parents and school officials in the counseling and direction of problem juvenile students.

The high school resource officer performs the same functions as the elementary and middle school officers. This officer has a heavier case load, police say.

Schools score takedown on ringworm

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Wayne County officials have given a clean bill of health to the wrestling room at Plymouth Salem High School after a rash of ringworm fungus and impetigo bacteria was found, infecting most of the wrestling team.

"Health officials were here Monday and Tuesday to take a look at the facility, examine the wrestling mats and went over our cleaning procedures," said John Robinson, Salem athletic director. "We are back in the room with wrestling practice, our high school wrestling classes and with cheerleading practice."

The wrestling room was shut down for nearly a week when an unusually high number of ringworm cases were reported. School officials sent wrestlers to their personal physicians to be treated and used bleach to clean mats in an effort to rid the room of the fungus.

"We found that school officials were following all appropriate precautions," said Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, Wayne County health department medical director. "There's no need, from a public health perception, to keep the room closed."

Robinson said school officials have made some changes in how the facility is being used, in cleaning procedures, and have informed all athletes about personal hygiene precautions.

"We discarded one of the old wrestling mats which had been compromised because of cracks in it," said Robinson. "We are concerned on the wear and tear on the mats. When you do have as much

■ 'There's no need, from a public health perception, to keep the room closed.'

Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk
—Wayne County Health Department

wear as we have because of the number of groups that use the facility, it causes some breaks in the surface. That makes it harder to keep it sanitary."

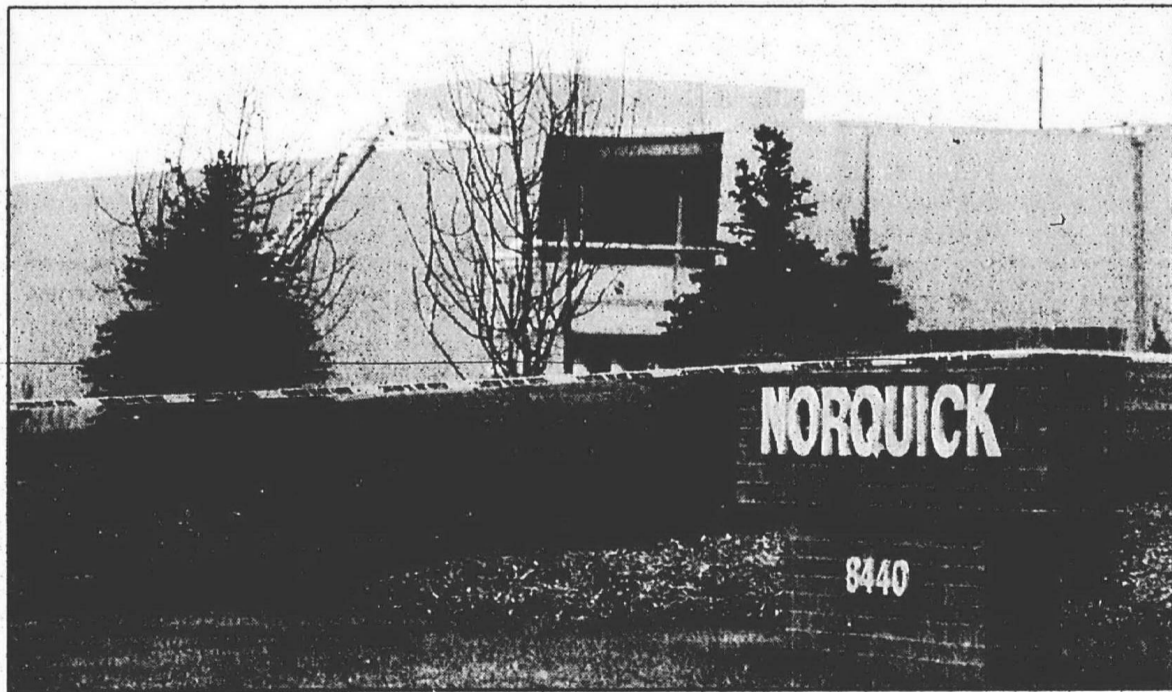
There were some concerns by wrestling parents that use of the room by the cheerleading squad and other groups was putting too much wear on the mats, allowing for ringworm to infest itself beneath the porous surface.

Robinson said that in order to keep the mats from enduring too much, a second mat for cheerleaders will be placed on top of the wrestling mat during cheerleading practice.

"I think it came down to mismanagement of the room," said JoDee Dillon, Plymouth Salem varsity cheerleading coach. "None of the 26 varsity cheerleaders had ringworm. We've followed all the rules pertaining to mopping the area and cleanliness."

"We suggested using a second mat for cheerleading practice about a year ago," added Dillon. "I hope the situation has been cleared and we can move forward."

Dillon is hoping the week off from practice doesn't impair the cheerleading squad, which is slated to participate in national competition next month in Orlando, Fla.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSHMAN

Aftermath: The facade of the Norquick building on Haggerty, following Wednesday morning's explosion.

Faulty valve caused ammonia leak

BY SCOTT DANIEL
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Wednesday's ammonia leak at a Haggerty Road food processing plant was caused by a faulty valve, township officials said.

Workers at Norquick Distributing were unable to close the valve after a routine maintenance procedure. Oil first drained from the valve then ammonia, Canton Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher said.

"Nothing broke," he added; "they just were not able to close it."

About a dozen workers scrambled out of the building shortly before 7 a.m. last Wednesday. A build up of ammonia gas caused an explosion about an hour later. It blew a 20-foot wide piece of paneling from the building's exterior and ignited a small fire.

Western Wayne County's Hazmat team stopped the leak by 11 a.m. Traffic on Haggerty from Joy to Warren was shutdown until about 4 p.m., Rorabacher

said. "We haven't had any chemical leaks of this magnitude in Canton," he said.

Potentially dangerous chemicals are used in several township businesses, Rorabacher said.

"All of these places take what they do very seriously," he added. "There are some that we use to train us."

Three men were injured in the incident.

Michael McManamon, 41, of Redford suffered first-degree burns on his hands and ears and reported difficulty breathing. Rorabacher said he suffered the injuries while trying to close the valve.

Benjamin Brand, 22, of Mount Clemens reported minor respiratory problems. Canton Department of Public Works employee Jerry Lica, 34, was treated for inhalation of fumes.

McManamon and Brand were treated and released from Ann Arbor Hospital in Wayne Wednesday. Lica declined medi-

cal treatment.

After the explosion, firefighters sprayed water on the building to keep ammonia fumes from building back up. Utilities were shut off to the building before Hazmat members went in to stop the leak.

Rorabacher said the explosion did little structural damage to Norquick. It did set off sprinklers in the building, however.

Marine Pollution Control, a Detroit-based firm, was called in to help clean the mess. Much of the solution, which is commonly used in homes as a cleaner, was sucked into trucks and then drained into nearby sanitary sewers, said Rorabacher.

He noted that state and local permits were acquired before that was done. Crews, the chief added, were at Norquick much of the night cleaning the mess.

Ammonia gas levels rose at one point during the evening. But Rorabacher said they were vented away before another explosion could occur.

Crafters get
a shot at
spring show

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GEORGE A. ELLIOTT

Services for George A. Elliott, 83, of Livonia were Jan. 12 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. Jack Quinlan officiating.

He was born Feb. 21, 1916, in Detroit. He died Jan. 8 in Ann Arbor. He worked for Detroit Diesel as a machine operator and job setter. He retired in 1981. He came to the Livonia community in 1970 from Detroit. He was a life-time member of the V.F.W. Bova Post No. 9885. He was known as "Clicker" because he liked to watch TV and change stations often.

Survivors include his wife, Helen of Livonia; three children, Carolann (Andrew) Pietrzyk of Onsted, Mich., Mary Ann (John) Pochron of Canton, George (Lynne) Elliott Jr. of Plymouth; two sisters, Edith Cummings of Detroit, Ellen May of Westland; five grandchildren, Lawrence Pietrzyk, Anthony Pietrzyk, Marie Pochron, Christopher Elliott, Katie Elliott.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

SAMUEL NESCOLT

Services for Samuel Nescot, 84, of Dearborn were Jan. 9 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Doc Qrtman officiating. A military salute followed the services.

He was born May 5, 1915, in Detroit. He died Jan. 6 in Dearborn. He was a draftsman for an automotive company. He came to the Dearborn community in 1946 from Detroit. He was a member of the St. Michael's Ukrainian church. He was a life-time member of the Romanowski V.F.W. Post No. 6896. He served in the armed services during World War II. He loved golf, fishing, swimming, reading, U of M football games, and taking care of his family. He enjoyed his time at Long Lake.

Survivors include his wife, Emily Nescot of Dearborn; three daughters, Sandra (Walter) Wiacek of Plymouth, Beverly (Dennis) Jackson of Tomwater, Wash., Bonnie (Tim Barr) Nescot of Empire, Mich.; four grandchildren, Greg Wiacek, Mark Wiacek, Amy Jackson, and Nicole Snow; one great-grandson, Samuel Robert Snow.

INEZ H. HILL

Services for Inez H. Hill, 76, of Plymouth were Jan. 8 at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton with the Rev. Bryan Smith officiating.

She was born March 31, 1923, in Barrie, Ontario, Canada. She died Jan. 5 in Superior Township. She was a registered nurse working for the Middlebelt Nursing Center for 13 years. She came to the Plymouth community in 1958 from Dearborn. She graduated from Hamilton General Hospital School in Canada in 1946. She was an avid bridge player and golfer.

Survivors include her three daughters, Jennifer (Richard) Bakka of Pinckney, Mich., Suzanne (Patrick) Seibel of Plymouth, Nancy (John) Glodich of Canton; two sisters, Ruth Dempster of Canada, Esther Straugan of Canada; companion, Joe Farnsworth of Plymouth; and six grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army.

GIUSEPPA DECINA

Services for Giuseppa Decina, 89, of Canton were Jan. 10 at St. Thomas a'Becket Church.

She was born Nov. 13, 1910, in Italy. She died Jan. 6. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Francesco; and one daughter, Teresa Pisano. Survivors include her two sons, Domenico (Annina), Giuseppe (Rose); one sister, Elvira Simeone; nine grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

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

PAUL G. LUCAS JR.

Services for Paul G. Lucas Jr., 71, of Plymouth, were held Jan. 12 at Kenwood Church of Christ in Livonia, with Mike Hazelton officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

He was born Oct. 22, 1928, in Lexington, Ky., and died Jan. 9 in Botsford Hospital. He was an apartment manager. He did towing for Farmington and Farmington Hills Police through Lucas Towing Service and enjoyed hunting and golf.

He was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Howard Legg and one sister, Lanora Merrihew. Survivors include his wife, Marlene; one son, Paul (Barbara) Lucas III of Livonia; one daughter, Lori (Kirk) Schultz of Milford; one sister, Mary Legg; one brother-in-law, Irving Merrihew; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Kenwood Church of Christ, Livonia.

Local arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

THOMAS FREDERICK FRIDAY

Services for Thomas Frederick Friday, 65, of Plymouth were held Jan. 10 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating.

He was born Nov. 11, 1934, in Gobles, Mich. He died Jan. 6 in Plymouth. He was a laborer. He served in the United States Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frederick and Evelyn Friday. Survivors include his daughter, Pamela (John) Sitler of Livonia; one son, Jim (Jean) Friday of Westland; two sisters, Gail (Tom) Labadie, Irene (Don) Schubert; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the donor of your choice.

PHYLLIS JEAN MAURER

Services for Phyllis Jean Maurer, 73, of Canton were held Jan. 13 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Leland Flaherty officiating. Burial was in United Memorial Gardens, Plymouth.

She was born Jan. 4, 1927, in Pontiac. She died Jan. 9 in Dearborn. She was a sales associate in a retail store.

Survivors include her daughter, Leah (Robert) Hintz of Garden City; one brother, Donald (Vivian) Markle of Zepher Hills, Fla.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association Michigan Affiliate Inc., 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 400, Southfield, MI 48075-3680.

VIRGINIA BIELAK

Services for Virginia Bielak, 78, of Canton

were held Jan. 4 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. John J. Sullivan officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

She was born July 30, 1921 in Detroit. She died Dec. 31 in Westland. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Stella Filipkowski. Survivors include her husband, Charles Bielak of Canton; two sons, Charles R. (Barbara) Bielak of Plymouth, Chester (Joanne) Bielak of Riverview, Mich.; one sister, Helen Zaucha; four grandsons, Jeffrey Bielak, James Bielak, Glen Bielak and Robert Bielak; and five granddaughters, Melissa McClain, Adrienne Bielak, Jennifer Bielak, Cheryl Bielak and Julie Bielak.

Memorials may be made in Mass cards.

Local arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

JAMES DONALD HINZMAN

Services for James Donald Hinzman, 43, of Canton Township were held Jan. 8 in the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, with Fr. Alberto Bondy of St. Michael Church officiating.

He was born Feb. 19, 1956, in Dearborn and died Jan. 5 in Canton Township. He was an assembly line worker for an automotive company.

Survivors include his wife, Pam; one son, Scott; one daughter, Jennifer; mother, Mary (Chris) Seward; one brother, Ken (Sylvia); and two sisters, Diane (Gilbert) Schumaker and Lisa Dunn.

CHARLES HENRI PHANEUF

Services for Charles Henri Phaneuf, 73, of Bloomfield Hills (formerly of Royal Oak) were held Jan. 10 at the Church of St. Owen.

He was born April 25, 1926, in New Bedford, Mass., and died Jan. 7 in Wm. Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and World War II. He retired after 36 years as a designer with Ford Motor Co. He was a member of the EAP (Experimental Aircraft Association) and the AOPA (Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association) and also enjoyed boating.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn; three daughters, Penelope Cruse of Canton, Michelle (Michael) Haggerson of Bloomfield Hills and Amy S. (Mark) Trump of Rochester; and three sons, Charles (Vicki) Phaneuf of Raleigh, N.C., Chris (Paula) Phaneuf of Commerce Township and Marc (Christine) Phaneuf of Royal Oak.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of SE Michigan or to Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

Local arrangements were made by the A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, Royal Oak.

RUTH C. KIRKPATRICK

Services for Ruth C. Kirkpatrick, 91, of Canton were held Jan. 13 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton, with the Pastor Jerry A. Yarnell officiating.

She was born Oct. 27, 1908, in Belleville. She died Jan. 10. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, John P.; one son, John R. (Linda); one daughter, Joan E. Watson; one sister, Merle Curtis; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Group looks for exchange sponsors

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Engler signs new law ending municipal residency rules

BY MIKE MALOTT
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Legislation ending residency rules for municipal employees has been signed into law.

"This bill is about personal freedom for those who put their lives on the line for us every day. It's about the freedom for our law enforcement officers and firefighters to choose where they want to live," Gov. John Engler said upon signing the bill, approved by the legislature just before Christmas.

In a compromise, state lawmakers agreed to allow cities to require their employees to live within 20 miles of the city limits. Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, initial sponsor of the legislation, agreed to that alteration.

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John Buszek

Executive director, Michigan Fraternal Order of Police

But the bill also states that even the 20-mile limit cannot be applied to married couples when both spouses work for different municipalities. In the case of married couples, only one could

be required to live within 20 miles of their place of employment.

Some 90 Michigan communities had some form of residency requirements for their municipal

employees, most notably Detroit. Opponents of the change fear it could cause a flight of city workers. The city estimated its loss would come to \$25 million when census counts are taken later this year.

State Democrats have said they will attempt to put a question on the ballot in the coming November election to overturn the law. The Michigan Municipal League has indicated it may file legal action over the bill, which it contends violates state labor

law.

But the law also has won praise from police.

"It gives our members the right to choose the communities in which they live and send their children to school," John Buszek, executive director of the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police, said.

"I want my children to be able to go to school, learn and play with their friends without being called 'cops' kids' and other threatening names that scare

them and cause them to feel unsafe and unwelcome," Jim Vondette, an FOP member, said. "My job puts my family at risk every day. I am thankful to be able to protect them now."

The issue of residency requirements has been a longstanding and controversial issue in Michigan politics. Bennett said many previous attempts in the legislature to overturn such rules have failed repeatedly in the past 40 years.

Schoolcraft holds program on finances

Studies show that 60 percent of American families overestimate the cost of higher education and underestimate their ability to qualify for financial aid. To help families get a realistic picture of the cost of college and the financial resources available, Schoolcraft College presents its annual Financial Aid Night at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, in the Waterman Campus Center.

The program will help students and parents understand the types of financial aid available and how to conduct scholarship searches. Other topics include eligibility requirements, how to complete an application, how to avoid scams and tips on additional resources.

The program is designed for college-bound high school students and their parents, or current college students who will apply for aid for the first time. A question-and-answer period will follow the formal presentation.

There is no charge and reservations are not required for the program.

Participants will find ample parking in the north parking lot.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, just west of I-275.

Gas prices up for new year

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City sessions still combative

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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It appears the infighting that plagued the last Plymouth city commission has carried over.

The current city commission, with five new members, appears to be enduring some growing pains of its own.

During last Tuesday's special session, commissioners discussed the Code of Conduct, which opened a whole can of worms.

"I've been having really bad feelings about this commission, and I've been searching my heart and mind to find out why," said Mayor Pro-Tem Colleen Pobur. "I feel a lot of animosity, a lot of contention."

An argumentative tone was set among commissioners Pobur, David Byers and Sean FitzGer-

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Dave McDonald
—Plymouth mayor



ald, as well as Mayor Dave McDonald.

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"People are sick of the commission fighting," said FitzGerald.

The four battled over efforts to change the process in which the mayor is chosen, lack of communication among commissioners, and each other's tone of voice while speaking to one another.

"I thought we were doing OK the first couple of meetings," said Commissioner Dan Dwyer. "But the couple last ones ... I

don't know if we're getting anywhere by bringing up the past."

Last year commissioners hired a conflict resolution counselor to help them get along better. That's when they came up with a Code of Conduct. Among the 20 items: don't belittle commissioners in public; disagree, but don't be personal; stop commission infighting; communicate with each other and citizens.

"I'm committed to living by these," said Dwyer of the Code of Conduct. "They are all positive things. I would like to focus on appreciating our own differences."

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Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
JUDY L. MARDIGIAN, Secretary

Bid Opening: Wednesday, January 19, 2000 - 4:00 p.m.

Board Review: Tuesday, January 25, 2000

Publish: January 9 and 16, 2000

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United Way taking grant applications

United Way Community Services is accepting grant applications for the 2000 Special Summer Program. All grant applications must be received at United Way Community Services, 1212 Griswold in Detroit, by 5 p.m. on or before Feb. 18.

Grant awards range from \$2,000 to \$6,000 for community based summer programming in the metropolitan Detroit area. Eligible neighborhood or community groups from the city of Detroit, Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties must meet the following criteria to be considered for a Special Summer Program grant award:

■ possess an IRS Section 501 (c)(3) nonprofit, tax exempt status or secure a fiduciary with such status

■ serve a minimum of 30 youth continuously throughout the program

■ operate for six to eight weeks between Monday, June 19, and Friday, Aug. 25

In addition, three special target groups have been identified for 2000:

■ older youth age 15 to 18

■ middle school females

■ special needs youth (physically and/or mentally challenged youth adults over 18 may also be included).

United Way Community Services will be host pre-planning workshops in January to assist groups interested in completing the grant. The free workshops are open to potential grant award programs in the city of Detroit, Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties. The workshop, will be held for Wayne County from 2-4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 at the United Way, Wayne Division, 2012 Monroe, Suite B-2, Dearborn, Mich 48124. RSVP by Jan. 18 at (313) 563-3900.

To receive a grant application, or if you need more information, please call Annette Grays at (313) 226-9419.

POLICE BEAT

Plymouth Township Police will enforce the stop signs at Northville Road and Hines Drive.

Police say that they have received several complaints that motorists fail to observe the stop

signs in that intersection.

Prowler

A Lakewood resident told police that she observed a person standing on her neighbor's roof and looking into windows

about 7:30 a.m. Jan. 10.

Hogan, the police canine, was called but he and his handler couldn't locate a good track, police said.

— Sue Buck

Governor award forms available

This year marks the Seventh Annual Governor's Service Awards. The Governor and the Michigan Community Service Commission (MCSC) support volunteer service as one means to strength communities and help solve Michigan's social problems. The Governor's Service Awards seek to acknowledge the countless Michigan citizens involved in volunteer service and honor those whose commitment to community and service to others is exemplary.

The Michigan Community Service Commission has announced that Governor's Service Award nomination forms are available. Individuals may nominate themselves or others in one of 15 award categories that honor volunteer service to the community.

Five finalists in each of the categories will be selected through an extensive peer review process.

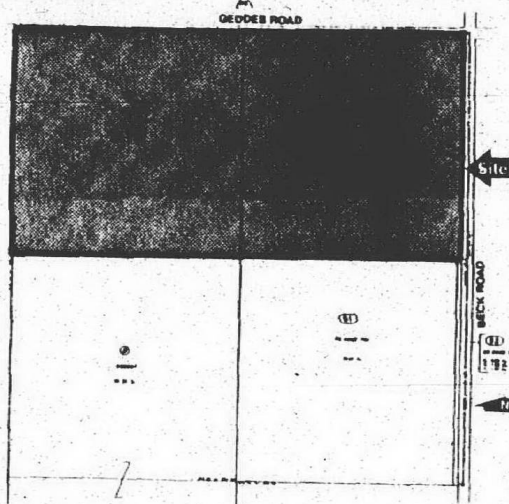
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 24, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

CHARTERTOWN PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - PRELIMINARY PLAN - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS. 125 99 0001 000 AND 125 99 0003 000. Property is located on the southwest corner of Beck and Geddes Roads. (First Public Hearing.)



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, January 20, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: December 30, 1999 January 16, 2000

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ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (00-1)

Consider Canton Township-initiated amendment to the following articles: Article 2, General Provisions

Section 2.24, Setbacks From Wetland Areas, by adding subsection C which includes the requirement to provide a natural, undisturbed storm water protection buffer of 50 feet for creeks, drains, and watercourses.

And adding Section 2.25, Underground Utilities, by requiring that all public and private utilities distributed by wire or cable shall be placed underground within private easements or placed within dedicated public rights-of-way, and shall not conflict with other underground utilities, and shall be constructed in accordance with standards of construction approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

And adding Section 2.26, Screening of Roof-Mounted Mechanical Units, by requiring all roof-mounted mechanical units to be screened from view, of adjacent property and public rights-of-way, and screening shall be designed as an integral part of the architecture of the building or compatible with the design and building materials of the building.

Article 6, Site Development Standards Applicable to Specific Uses, Section 6.03D, Site Development Standards for Residential Uses, Cluster Development Criteria, by amending subsection 2, Eligibility and Application Criteria, (a) and (b) Minimum Site Size/Applicable Zoning Districts for RR, RE, R-1, R-2, and adding requirements for R-3; subsection 4, Lot Coverage and Building Separation - Lot Area and Setbacks, amending the Minimum Lot Area and Minimum Lot Width for R-1 and R-2 Districts, and adding requirements for Minimum Lot Area, Minimum Lot Width, and Setbacks for the R-3 Zoning District, to include exceptions in the R-3 Zoning District.

Article 17, C-3, Regional Commercial District Section 17.02, Permitted Uses and Structures, by deleting subsection B 12, Mini-Warehouses, as a Special Land Use in the C-3 District.

Article 22.00, LI-2, Light Industrial - 2 District Section 22.02, Permitted Uses and Structures, by deleting subsection B 10, Mini-Warehouses, as a Special Land Use in the LI-2 District.

Article 23.00, GI, General Industrial District Section 23.02, Permitted Uses and Structures, by adding subsection A 14, Mini-Warehouses, subject to the provisions in Section 6.02, subsection M.

The proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendment (00-1) is available for public inspection in the Canton Township Planning Services Division, 1150 South Canton Center Road, during regular business hours.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, January 20, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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by Steve Mansfield
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Northville reaps benefit of former training school site

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COUNTY NEWS

It once housed 60 empty Wayne County buildings, including the Wayne County Child Development Center and the Plymouth State Training School.

These facilities were shut down, the victims of budget cuts, and vacated approximately 20 years ago. At 926 acres, the land was the largest parcel of undeveloped property under single ownership in the county.

Today, the site just north of Five Mile Road between Beck Road and Sheldon Road in Northville Township remains largely vacant, but the county buildings have been demolished. A research and development park now houses Hayes Lemmerz, while construction has begun nearby on homes.

Condominiums, apartments, senior housing, recreational open space and a golf course are all in the works for the site.

The township and Wayne County entered a partnership in

1996 to develop a planned unit development, which allowed for builders and developers to have flexibility in areas of planning development for a mix of uses on a large site. For this site, that meant creating high-quality residential homes, recreational uses and open space, neighborhood shopping facilities and research and development facilities.

In return, developers submitted plans to a more detailed review by the township and designated a portion of the development for recreation and open space.

The diversity offered under the planned unit development is important to a community known for many years as strictly a bedroom community, said Northville Township Supervisor Karen Woodside.

While the new homes and golf course at the Northville Hills Golf Club are beautiful, Wood-

side said, the research and development park also is critical for the township's tax base. "We needed to diversify quite a bit," Woodside said.

It costs the township more to provide services to residential homes, which at one time received services equivalent to \$1.40 for every \$1 paid in taxes by the homeowner, Woodside said. "Research and development take little in services, and pay quite a bit (in taxes)," Woodside said.

That diversity also is important because residential taxable values now are capped at 5 percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less, since the passage of Proposal A, Woodside said.

Wayne County recently sold the last available parcel in the research and development park. A 17-acre site was sold in December for \$2.2 million to ARI-EL Enterprise, a developer in Southfield.

That firm is expected to construct a 90,000-square-foot facility

to be occupied by Enprotech of Plymouth, now currently in a 25,000-square foot facility, according to Tim Johnson, director of marketing and communications for Wayne County's Jobs and Economic Development.

Once completed, the research and development park will include four auto suppliers. Enprotech will join PMC Machinery Sales, a machine tool sales and distribution business, Hayes Lemmerz, formerly Hayes Wheels, and Lemforder Corp.

For residential homes, Toll Brothers and Biltmore Properties created 645 lots for Northville Hills, the 7,000-yard golf course. About 80 percent of the home sites align the golf

course, woodlands or open space amenity.

Home buyers lined up for Northville Hills' first phase of 440 home sites, Woodside said. "People camped out overnight and (developers) sold out the first phase," Woodside said.

Toll Brothers and Biltmore agreed to develop ball diamonds, soccer fields and parking areas in a recreational area, which would cost the township more than \$1 million to create those recreational amenities, Woodside said.

The Links of Northville Hills on the southeast corner of Beck and Six Mile roads also will feature 136 condominium units and will be developed by Robertson

Brothers, ranging from 2,000 to 2,700 square feet.

The site breakdown of the entire parcel is as follows: detached single family residential, 309 acres; adult lifestyle community, 56 acres; apartments or condominiums, 40 acres; and senior residential, seven acres. The site also includes Optical Imaging Systems, 110 acres; research and development, 59 acres and commercial, 24 acres, and 211 acres of open space for the golf course.

Approximately 18 acres will be used for public facilities and recreation. The remaining land will be used for open space.

DNR offers \$200 mini-grants for Arbor Day tree plantings

The state Department of Natural Resources is now accepting applications for Arbor Day mini-grants and Detroit Edison grants for tree planting.

Schools and municipalities are eligible for the DNR's Arbor Day mini-grants of up to \$200.

The grant program highlights Arbor Day on April 28 and the value of trees and forests, and to recognize the importance of people improving environmental quality and quality-of-life in their communities.

The grants can be used for planting trees on school grounds, staging Arbor Day celebrations or purchasing forestry-related materials for school libraries. Applicants may request up to \$200, but the amount requested must be "matched" with an equal amount of other funding and/or equivalent paid or volunteer staff time.

Projects must be completed by July 31, 2000 and grant money will be delivered after project completion.

Applications must be postmarked by Feb. 3, 2000.

Detroit Edison, in cooperation with the DNR, has established a tree planting grant program for southeastern Michigan. Edison is providing up to \$60,000 for tree planting grants that are administered by the DNR's Forest Management Division, Urban and Community Forestry Program.

This grant program was started to increase properly planted trees in municipalities and maintain the trees' good condition and health. It is part of Detroit Edison's voluntary participation in the U.S. Department of Energy's Climate Challenge Program.

Local units of government are eligible to apply for tree planting grants of up to \$4,000 each. Units of government must be in Detroit Edison's service area, including Wayne and 10 other Michigan counties.

Grant applications must be postmarked by Feb. 24 for funding consideration. Projects must be completed by Dec. 31.

All grants require matching funds of at least 50 percent. The match may be made up of cash

contributions or in-kind services, but may not include federal funds. Applications are now available.

For a Detroit Edison tree planting grant application, or for more information about either

grant program, contact Urban and Community Forestry Program, Forest Management Division, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, MI 48909-7952 or call (517) 373-1275.

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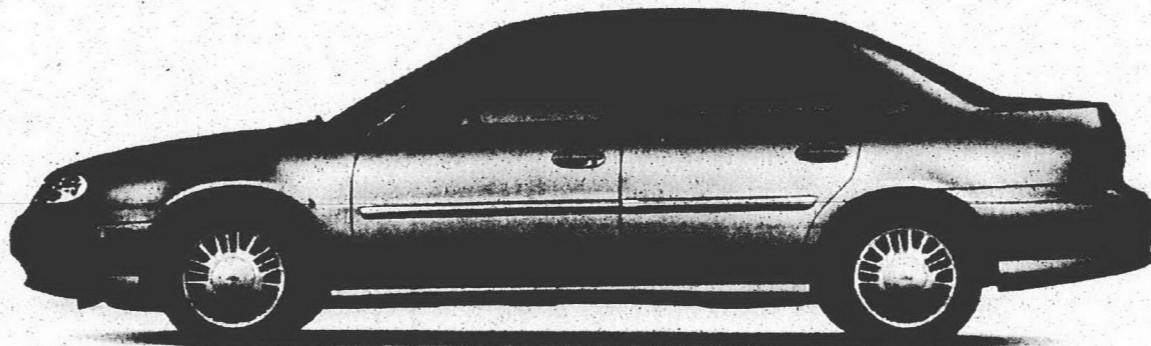
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Speaker deals with conflict resolution

The University of Michigan-Dearborn Commission for Women will host a program on campus, addressing "Conflict Resolution at Work and Home" on Wednesday, Jan. 26, as part of its Brown Bag lunch series.

The speaker will be Elizabeth Barton, adjunct lecturer in the School of Education at UM-Dearborn and associate director of the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies at Wayne State University.

The program is free of charge and will run noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty/Staff Lounge of the campus' University Mall. Soft drinks and snacks will be provided. For more information, call Patricia Jones at (313) 593-5188.

Funds OK'd for high-tech center

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A new technology center and an expansion of the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College may soon become a reality.

A subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee approved the projects in December, then Gov. John Engler signed the related bill. Schoolcraft officials expect to begin planning for the new Business and Industry Training Center, a new culinary arts kitchen and larger meeting rooms at the college.

The House subcommittee also approved \$10.2 million in 2000 and \$11.3 million in 2001 for the midfield terminal project at Detroit Metro Airport, according to state Rep. Laura Toy (R-Livonia).

Schoolcraft will construct a new one-story technological center just north and west of the Waterman Center, which also will be expanded to allow more room for the culinary arts department. The center and the



Richard McDowell:
Schoolcraft College president

renovations will add about 45,000-square feet of space and cost about \$20 million.

Schoolcraft President Richard McDowell, who was pleased with the news, said the state will

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later reimburse Schoolcraft for one-half of the project cost. "The state will fund about \$10 million," McDowell said.

McDowell said appropriating funds and starting the actual building would be a three-year process. Last year administrators began the planning for the facility, while this year's activity will focus on the architectural drawings and bid documents.

"This month we will ask the board (of trustees) to approve a contract with Ghafari," McDowell said.

Toy, who serves on the House Appropriations Committee and is a vice chair of the capital outlay subcommittee, said in a press release she was "proud and happy" to get funds for the projects.

"It gives me great joy to see these dollars go back to our fine Schoolcraft College and local airports, and help fuel the economic progress in our area," Toy said.

An expanded Waterman would

allow for increased corporate training and community use of the facility. Groups would have more space for corporate functions, including meetings, fundraising activities and hosting functions used in recruiting.

Currently the college does not have a facility to house 400 to 500 people, according to Butch Raby, Schoolcraft's vice president for business services. Current facilities also do not allow the college to use Waterman for large groups at lunchtime because students also eat there.

"It will allow for three lunch functions going on at the same time," Raby said of the renovations. "You can have one large room, or three smaller ones, similar to (a hotel's) banquet facilities. We can't do that now, at least not effectively."

Large fund-raising dinners, such as the annual Madrigal Dinner, are scheduled at night or on weekends when students are not on campus, Raby said.

Other renovations will include painting walls, new ceilings and new lighting at Waterman.

Blue Cross lays down 'laws' on winter safety

DETROIT, Jan. 12 /PRNewswire/ -- Remember the L-A-W-S of winter safety, advises Dr. Thomas Simmer, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan vice president and corporate medical director.

"Layer clothes, alert driving, watch for fire hazards and safe snow removal are the L-A-W-S of winter safety," says Simmer. "Follow these four simple laws to enjoy Michigan's winter wonderland."

Hypothermia and frostbite pack two of winter's bitterest punches. According to Simmer, the best way to protect yourself from Michigan's frigid weather is to dress in several light layers of clothes. The layer closest to your skin should remove moisture away from your body. The next layers should focus on warmth, while the outer layer should protect you from the elements.

Adjust your speed to weather conditions such as snow and fog, and if roads are slick,

always leave extra distance between your car and the car ahead of you. When you travel long distances, call ahead and let someone know when to expect you. If you are stranded along the road, findings suggest you should remain in your car.

If you keep the following supplies in your car, it could save your life, or at the very least, make it easier to dig your car out of a snowdrift:

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Flashlight and extra batteries

Bottled water and snacks
Warm blanket

Watch for Fire Hazards
Before you shovel, it is a good idea to warm up with a few stretches. Once you begin shoveling, don't try to do too much at once. Push the snow instead of throwing it.

Engler vetoes funding for CREST center

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State money for Oakland Community College's Combined Regional Emergency Services Training (CREST) center fell victim to Gov. John Engler's line-item veto pen before he signed the state's capital outlay budgets.

A grant of \$100 for "planning" of the center, along with 31 other similar small allocations, was crossed off the list by Engler before he approved money for building projects all across the state. In total, the allocation gives the go-ahead to \$203 million for building in the year 2000 and \$472 million in 2001.

Small grants, like the \$100 for OCC's CREST center, are significant because they authorize agencies to begin planning and drawing renderings for their projects, explained John Truscott, spokesman for the governor. These little grants also "hold a place in the budget so they are first in line" when money is again made available.

Usually, five to 10 little grants get tacked on by lawmakers in the budget process, Truscott explained. This year, there were 32.

The governor had warned lawmakers he would take a dim view of projects that got tacked on late in the budget process, Truscott said.

"We had no information about these projects. There was no one lobbying for them. In many cases, there was no planning, and they couldn't even identify what the projects were," he explained.

But that is not the case with the CREST center. Planning for the center is finished and OCC expects to break ground on the \$7.27 million, 22-acre project this spring. When completed, the CREST center will be a simulated city giving police, firefighters and other emergency service workers a place to train in life-like surroundings.

To be located on the Auburn Hills campus of OCC, it will be the only training center of its kind in this section of the country and is often compared to training facilities at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va.

It's anticipated CREST will be utilized by police agencies throughout Michigan and the Midwest.

"Well, if they are ready to break ground, then they are all set to go and they don't need state money," Truscott responded.

That confirms the fears of OCC board members. When Oakland County police chiefs grew frustrated over the past summer about delays in the start of construction, board members said they believed that beginning to build could reduce

the chances of getting a state grant. Still, the board agreed to move ahead to alleviate the concern of the chiefs.

Money for the CREST center was part of a bond tax approved by voters in 1995. Oakland police chiefs campaigned for passage to get that center. But OCC

Chancellor Richard Thompson had hoped for state assistance, about \$4 million worth, so that more bond money could be put into other projects in OCC's long list of improvements and renovations.

In December, Rep. Patricia Godchaux (R-Birmingham)

attempted to add \$3.5 million for the CREST center in the state's budget, but the move failed in the House of Representatives.

A short time later, Sen. Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak) managed to tack on the \$100 planning grant to the capital outlay budget in committee.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

All-Star goalie

Plymouth Whalers goalie Rob Zepp has been selected to play for the Ontario Hockey League's West All-Star team in the All-Star game, which will be Jan. 25 at the Hershey Center in Mississauga, Ont.

Zepp has been a major reason the Whalers are challenging for first place in the West Division in what was expected to be a rebuilding year. Going into the weekend's games, he led the OHL in goals-against average (2.30) and was third in wins (19).

"One of my goals for this season was to be named to the All-Star team," said Zepp after learning of his selection. "It's a great personal accomplishment. I owe a lot to the team in front of me. They've played great all year."

Top Prospects

There are 40 players in the Canadian Hockey League who will take part in the fifth annual 2000 Home Hardware Canadian Hockey League Top Prospects Game Feb. 2 in Toronto — and five of them will be Plymouth Whalers.

No other team will be as well represented.

Three Whalers' forwards and two defensemen will take part in the game. The forwards are Justin Williams, who was tied for the team lead in scoring (through Jan. 10) with 37 points, on 18 goals and 19 assists; Tomas Kurka, who led the Whalers with 20 goals, including five game-winners and six on the power play, and had 33 points; and Kris Vernarsky, who had eight goals, 13 assists and 21 points.

The two defensemen selected are Jared Newman (one goal, seven assists, 75 penalty minutes) and Libor Ustrnul (five assists, 99 penalty minutes).

The Top Prospects game will be at 7 p.m. Feb. 2 at Toronto's Air Canada Centre.

Mixed results

Hope College's men's basketball team discovered that the new millennium would require working overtime. Which is what the Flying Dutchmen did in their first two games of the new year.

Hope lost in OT at Olivet Jan. 4, 93-86. It was Olivet's first win over the Dutch since 1994. Four days later, in their second Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association game, Hope evened its record at 6-6 overall and 1-1 in the MIAA with a 76-67 victory over Albion at Hope.

Mark Bray, a senior co-captain for the Dutch and a Plymouth Canton graduate, scored 15 points in the loss to Olivet. A 6-foot-1 guard, Bray remains one of the team's top shooters, connecting on 32-of-63 floor shots (50.8 percent) and 43-of-59 free throws (72.9 percent); he is averaging 11.3 points, 3.6 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 23.8 minutes per game.

Soccer registration

The city of Plymouth's Recreation Department is currently taking registration for youth soccer from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at its offices, located at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

Cost for six-year-old, seven-year-old and eight-year-old players living in the city of Plymouth is \$45; the fee for non-residents in those age divisions is \$65. For all other age divisions, the fee for city residents is \$50 and for non-residents it's \$80.

All registrations require a birth certificate. For more information, call the Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620.

Join Silver Sticks

A new over-50 hockey will be being formed Tuesday mornings at the Arctic Pond Ice Arena in Plymouth.

The league is open to retirees, second-shift workers or players with a flexible schedule looking for a fun and recreational hockey.

Game times are 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, starting Jan. 18. The cost is \$165 per player (includes 10-game schedule, plus playoffs, along with free donuts and coffee following games).

For more information, call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658 or E-mail Wilson at JOHN@RSPI.NET.

Chiefs crumble in lopsided loss to Raiders, 57-42

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

North Farmington entered Friday night's Western Lakes Activities Association game at Plymouth Canton like a wolf in sheep's clothing.

The defending WLAA co-champions' record (3-4) was soft and unimpressive, but their game had plenty of bite.

North Farmington stymied Canton's offensive effort with a quick, swarming zone defense and shot 71 percent from the field in the first half before cruising to a 57-42 victory.

The Raiders improved to 4-4 overall and 2-0 in the WLAA. The Chiefs dropped to 2-6 overall and 1-1 in the league.

North Farmington was led in scoring by senior guard Phil Watha, who poured in 14 points on six-of-seven shooting from the floor. Senior forward Adrian Bridges chipped in with 13 points and nine rebounds for the Raiders.

Senior Jason Waidmann paced Canton with 16 points and five rebounds, despite getting triple-teamed whenever he touched the ball. Junior guard Nick Cabauatan also had a solid game, netting 12 points, nine of which were the result of a trio of three-point bombs.

The Raiders' mediocre record has more to do with their brutally tough pre-conference schedule (three of their losses came to highly respected Belleville, Detroit DePorres and Detroit Renaissance) than their level of play. They're experienced (eight seniors), tall (five of their top six players range in height from 6-1 to 6-6) and they can shoot (53 percent from the floor and 72 percent from the line Friday night).

North Farmington jumped out to a 17-7 lead after one quarter and led 35-14 at the half. The Chiefs scored the first 11 points of the third quarter, but couldn't get any closer than 10 the rest of the game.

"I thought we played very well in the first half," said North Farmington coach Tom Negoshian, assessing his team's performance. "But I told our kids at halftime that no Canton team coached by Dan Young is going to quit — and they didn't. I have to give Canton a lot of credit. They came out in the second half and put a nice run together."

"I like the way our kids off the bench played tonight. Overall, we're getting better each game."

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No room to operate: Canton's Jason Waidmann was often faced with an abundance of defenders as he searched for a shot against North Farmington. Still, Waidmann scored 16 points.

Hot-shooting Chargers edge Salem

BASKETBALL

Plymouth Salem had two chances in the closing seconds to catch a very elusive Livonia Churchill basketball team, but the Rocks couldn't do what the Chargers had done well all night long — make a three-pointer.

The end result was Churchill's first win over Salem since the 1995-96 season, this one by a 70-65 score in a game played at Churchill Friday.

The Chargers improved to 5-2 overall, 2-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Salem fell to 3-5 overall, 0-2 in the WLAA.

"This was a big win," said Churchill coach Rick

Austin. "Our guys shot fabulously. We're a very good shooting ball club, and we needed it tonight to offset Salem's inside game."

"Our guys are very hard-working. They believe they can win."

What Salem coach Bob Brodie found hard to believe was that his Rocks could be within a basket at the half after the shooting display put on by the Chargers.

"They came out hot," Brodie said. "They had seven threes in the first half. I was surprised we were only down two at halftime."

"We kept waiting for them to trip and fall, and they never did."

Churchill's three-point shooting was certainly one big difference. The Chargers had nine of them; the Rocks made just three. Another was turnovers: Churchill forced 18 by Salem while committing just nine.

Still, the Rocks were within three with 20 seconds

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Depth leads Rocks to victory

GYMNASTICS

Westland John Glenn had a solid one-two punch in its Western Lakes Activities Association gymnastics dual meet against visiting Plymouth Salem, Wednesday.

Problem was, the Rocks had much more. Which is why they got the win, 129.37-126.67.

The victory kept Salem unbeaten in WLAA dual meets at 2-0.

Bethany Bartlett and April Aquinto led the Rocks, Bartlett finishing first in the vault (8.75) and tying for first in the uneven parallel bars (8.5) and Aquinto capturing the balance beam (9.05) and floor exercise (8.85).

Bartlett won the all-around with a 34.325; Aquinto was third with a 34.1.

Bartlett also placed second on beam (8.7) and fourth in floor (8.25), while Aquinto was third in bars (8.05) and

fourth in vault (8.15). Other top finishers among the Rocks were Kelsey Ensor, fourth in beam (8.4) and tied for fifth in floor (8.05); Kara Dendinos, tied for fifth in floor (8.05) and a 7.65 in vault; Ashley Heard, tied for fourth in bars (7.4); and Ann-Marie Zelinsky in vault (7.65).

Glenn got good performances from Nicole Simonian, who was second in all-around (34.30), and Kristen Costantino, who was fourth all-around (32.425). Simonian was second on vault (8.5) and floor (8.8) and third in bars (8.35) and beam (8.65); Costantino tied for first in bars (8.5), took third in vault (8.275) and floor (8.45), and was fourth in beam (7.2).

Salem next travels to Farmington for a 7 p.m. WLAA dual meet Monday, then hosts Troy Athens Saturday.

Canton handles Central

It was better, but Plymouth Canton's performance at Tuesday's Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet against Walled Lake still was short of the standard coach John Cunningham believes is attainable.

The Chiefs won easily, 130.65-106.15, evening its WLAA record at 1-1. Central fell to 0-2.

"It was another one of those meets where we were looking really good, then we fell off the equipment," Cunningham said. "What I'm looking forward to is a meet where we look good and stay on everything, and get a

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'Hounds late goal ties up Whalers, 1-1



Twenty-five

seconds. That's all that separated the Plymouth Whalers from a

major mid-season victory over the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds, leaders in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division.

But the Whalers had to settle for a 1-1 draw after surrendering a game-tying goal to the 'Hounds Josef Vasicek with just 25 seconds left, with Soo goalie Jason Flick off the ice for another attacker.

As good as Whaler goalie Rob Zepp was, making 21 saves, he was overshadowed by Flick. The Whalers pounded the 'Hounds' netminder with 40 shots, including five in overtime; Zepp did not have to make a save in the OT.

It was a defensive struggle throughout, with Plymouth's Kris Vernarsky breaking the stalemate with a goal at 9:13 of the third period. Stephen Morris and Libor Ustrnul assisted.

Windsor 7, Plymouth 4: The streak was going to end, sometime or another. Still, the Plymouth Whalers must be wondering: Why not another?

Seeing a seven-game win streak snapped is hard enough. When it comes against one of the teams you're locked in a battle with for top honors in your division, the loss is doubly difficult.

But that's what the Whalers were forced to accept. They narrowed a three-goal deficit to one early in the third period Thursday at Windsor, but they couldn't

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Salem splashes by Canton

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It was going to be a difficult task to begin with for Plymouth Canton's swim team. It is whenever the opponent is Plymouth Salem, winner of the last seven Western Lakes Activities Association championships.

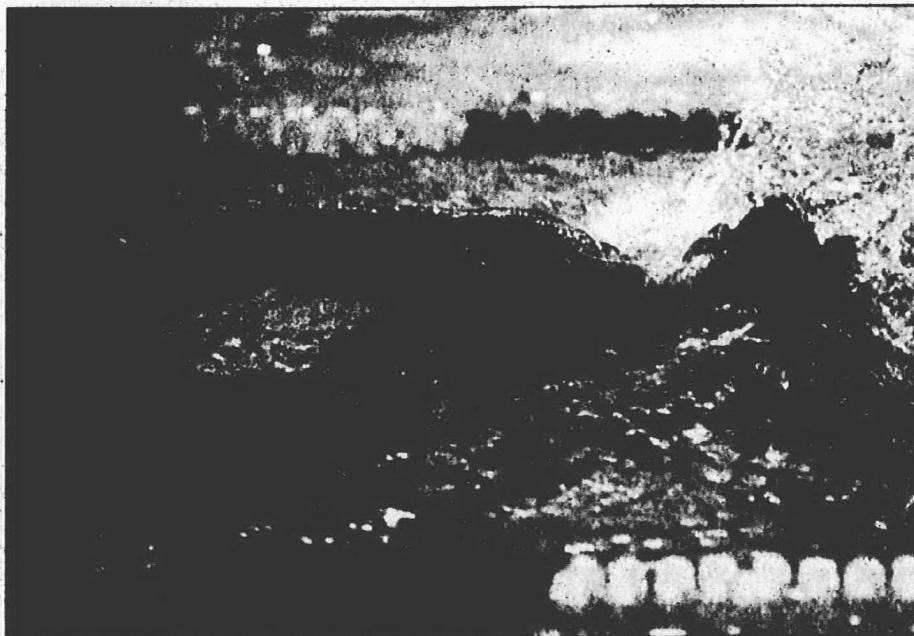
Then the Chiefs lost one of their principle advantages — the home team — when some faulty pipes caused their pool to be closed down. Canton was forced to work out at the Rocks' pool, and last Thursday's meet was switched to Salem.

That hurt. But losing one of their top swimmers, Aaron Reeder, to a side injury hurt even more.

The Chiefs' chances at upsetting Salem were slim to start with; Reeder's loss, which affected the outcome of two individual events and two relays, devastated them.

The Rocks splashed past Canton, 123-63, improving their dual-meet record to 4-0 overall and 1-0 in the

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN

Doubling up: Salem's Eric Lynn won a pair of individual events — the 100 butterfly and the 100 backstroke — and swam on two first-place relays, including the 400 freestyle relay (above).

Full-strength Salem rolls; Canton crushes Churchill

Plymouth Salem got its full team back and it showed Thursday when the Rocks traveled to take on Western Lakes Activities Association rival North Farmington.

The Raiders managed just two match wins as Salem dominated, 69-9. The Rocks are 1-0 in the WLAA, 2-1 overall; North is 0-2 in the conference.

Seven of the 14 matches ended in pin wins for Salem, and another four were wins by void.

Winners by pin were Mike Goethe at 103 pounds, over Dan Canvasser in 2:58; Ronnie Thompson at 125, over Eric Najdugh at 125; Rob Ash at 130, over Dan Perach in 2:47; Steve Dendrinis at 135, over Rob Ellis in 1:13; Craig Blair at 171, over Chris Duncan in 3:10; Mike Popeney at 215, over Dave Kahn in 1:14; and Zack Jensen at heavyweight, over Trevor Godfrey in 2:21.

Salem's Josh Henderson won by decision at 145, 7-2 over Trevor Clarke. Ian Eichel (119), Matt Moreny (140), James March (160) and Quintin Ardnt (189) all won on voids.

The Rocks host WLAA foe Farmington at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

Canton routs Churchill

Plymouth Canton evened its WLAA record at 1-1 and improved to 5-1 overall with a lopsided, 61-18 dual-meet win

over Livonia Churchill Thursday at Canton.

"We knew that (Churchill) was not going to be able to hang with us, so we just tried to wrestle well each match and not think about the lead we had," said Canton coach John Demsick. "Our guys wrestled well, though we are still in a learn-as-you-go mode."

"Churchill has a young squad this year, they did some good things."

Canton's Kyle Pitt improved to 20-0 for the season by pinning Gent Abdullai in :54 at 103 pounds, and John Pocock pushed his record to 20-1 with a pin of Vince Spohr in :50 at 140.

Other winners for Canton on pins were Doy Demsick at 119, in 1:02 over Steve Lenhart; and Joe Faroni at 145, in 3:43 over Ben Schepie.

The Chiefs' winners on decisions were Chris Hosey, who defeated Churchill's Nick Smith, 6-1 at 125; Shahein Rajae, who beat Brian Jones at 160; and Derek Miller, who bested Alex Murray, 8-2 at 171.

Greg Musser (130), Phil Rothwell (189) and Derek McWatt were winners on voids for Canton.

The Chiefs travel to Northville for a WLAA dual meet Thursday.

Rocks wreck Hawks

Amanda Suder set up Farmington Harrison a fall, and Jill Dombrowski made sure it was delivered as the duo led their Plymouth Salem volleyball team to a 15-5, 15-13 victory over the Hawks in their Western Lakes Activities Association opener Wednesday at Salem.

The triumph raised the Rocks' overall record to 13-4 and pushed their win streak to five-straight and six out of seven.

Suder and Dombrowski have been sharing the setting respon-

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sibilities for much of the season; Suder handled them for the most part this time, collecting 12 assists to kills.

Suder also had seven service aces, three kills and three digs. Dombrowski led the Rocks with seven kills; she added two service aces and four assists to kills. Kelly Jaskot contributed four kills, two digs and an ace, and Michelle Ginther had three kills.

Brown, Bigby lead SC

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Robert Brown got his Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team going in Wednesday's game against Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference rival Alpena CC.

Teammate Lamar Bigby finished off the Lumberjacks.

Brown poured in 12 first-half points and Bigby scored 16 in the second half to lead SC to its third-straight conference win without a loss, 91-56 over Alpena CC at SC.

The Ocelots improved to 10-4 overall. Alpena fell to 7-8 overall, 2-3 in the conference.

Although Brown and Bigby combined for 43 points, they were hardly the only reason for SC's victory. Ten Ocelots scored in the game, which was decided by halftime, when Brown's outburst had helped stake SC to a 43-26 lead.

Bigby, who finished with 23 points (seven in the first half), made sure the Ocelots maintained it. He popped in three three-pointers in the second half and made all three of his second-half free throws. He also had four steals in the game. Brown collected 20 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and dished out four assists.

Next best on the scoring chart for SC was Dwight Windom with 10 points. Nick Evola and Reggie Kirkland got nine points apiece; Kirkland also had eight assists and four steals.

Justin Chapman's 16 points (10 in the first half) paced Alpena CC. Gary Greenwood chipped in with 15 and Tracey Bruden netted eight.

Differences were aplenty in this game, but one of prominence was long-range shooting. SC had seven three-pointers; the Lumberjacks had just one.

Tech rips Madonna

There were things Madonna University did right Wednesday at Indiana Tech. Field goal shooting and rebounding weren't on the list.

The Warriors led 40-26 by halftime and kept pulling away, eventually posting an 83-56 triumph in this Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference game.

The Crusaders slipped to 0-3 in the WHAC, 2-17 overall. The win was the first for Tech in WHAC play after two losses; the Warriors are 9-8 overall.

Madonna and Tech shot about the same from the floor in the first half, the Crusaders making 42.3 percent of their shots (11-of-26) and the Warriors hitting 42.4 percent (14-of-33). But in the second half, Madonna slipped badly, converting 9-of-36 (25 percent) to Tech's 17-of-34 (50 percent).

Combined with the Warriors' 53-29 advantage in rebounding, Madonna had little chance.

The Crusaders did block six shots, four of them by Josh Jensen, and they made 11-of-13 free throws (84.6 percent).

Mike Massey led Madonna with 22 points (including three three-pointers); he also had five rebounds and two steals. Aaron Cox added 16 points.

Tech got 19 points from Franklyn Bush and 18 from Jacob Loggins. Clemente Brooks contributed nine and Tyson McClain and Brian Underwood netted eight apiece, with Underwood grabbing 11 rebounds.

2nd-half rally boosts Madonna

WOMEN'S HOOP

13:26 to play on two free throws by Kristi Fiorenzi (from Plymouth Canton HS); Michelle Miela's three-pointer with 10:33 left gave the Crusaders their first lead, 53-52, since Enfield scored the game's opening basket.

It also launched Madonna on a seven-point run, which gave the Crusaders the lead for good.

Shooting was the difference for the Crusaders. In the opening half they made 7-of-25 from the floor (28 percent) compared to the Lady Warriors' 15-of-30 (50 percent).

In the second half, Madonna made 15-of-27 (55.6 percent) from the floor, including 5-of-8 three-pointers (62.5 percent), while Indiana Tech hit 13-of-37

from the floor (35.1 percent) and 3-of-9 threes (33.3 percent).

Free throws also played a major role in Madonna's win. The Crusaders were 30-of-41 from the line (73.2 percent), with Fiorenzi going 8-for-8; Tech was 10-of-16 (62.5 percent).

Madonna was led by Carissa Gizicki with 18 points (including 3-of-4 on threes), seven assists and five steals. Chris Dietrich added 17 points (13 coming in the second half), Miela had 12, and Fiorenzi and Enfield netted 10 points and 10 rebounds apiece.

The Crusaders outrebounded the Warriors, 45-33.

Roslyn Turner's 16 points and nine boards topped Tech. Sara Schaefer added 14 points and six rebounds, and Jennifer Swanson had 13 points.


SC routs Alpena

Strong all-around play from Schoolcraft College's Angelica Blakely, Carla Saxton and Janelle Olson overwhelmed Alpena CC, 65-46, in a Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference game played at SC.

The win boosted the Lady Ocelots' record to 3-7 overall, 2-1 in the conference. Alpena fell to 5-10 overall, 1-4 in the conference.

SC led 37-28 at the half and just kept pulling away, thanks in great part to Blakely, Saxton and Olson, who combined for 39 points.

Blakely led the Ocelots with 16 points, 10 rebounds and six steals. Saxton had 13 points, five boards and six assists, and Olson finished with 10 points, four assists and four steals.



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North Farmington 1:43.46
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200 FREESTYLE

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:49.08
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 1:54.84
Justin Ketterer (Stevenson) 1:55.26
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 1:55.30
Brian Mertens (Salem) 1:55.42
Devin Hopper (Farm. Unified) 1:55.44
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 1:56.34
Jim Ross (Salem) 1:56.50
Danny Price (Farm. Unified) 1:56.89
Rob Cambridge (Stevenson) 1:57.22

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 2:00.17
Eric Lynn (Salem) 2:07.43
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 2:09.51
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 2:10.33
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 2:11.38
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 2:11.56
Geoff Lowes (Stevenson) 2:12.84
Robert Cambridge (Stevenson) 2:13.74
Brandon Goad (Farm. Unified) 2:15.01
Craig Paske (N. Farmington) 2:15.24

50 FREESTYLE

Brandon Digia (N. Farmington) 23.23
Mike Johnson (Salem) 23.43
Ed Lesnau (Redford CC) 23.48
Dan Jones (Salem) 23.69
Brad Buckler (Stevenson) 23.90
Jon Zald (N. Farmington) 24.13
Max Suttles (Farm. Unified) 24.15
Ryan Kappler (Salem) 24.21
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 24.27
Chris Clayson (N. Farmington) 24.41

DIVING

Kory Stevens (Redford CC) 186.60
Greg Kubitski (Salem) 183.75
Jon Vincent (N. Farmington) 183.05
Jason Zykowski (Stevenson) 167.00
Jared Goldman (N. Farmington) 135.15
Andrew Brissette (Stevenson) 130.00
Allen Earhart (Stevenson) 125.00
Matt Shenkel (Salem) 121.90
Dave Donahue (Stevenson) 121.85
Morgan Truscott (Churchill) 105.95

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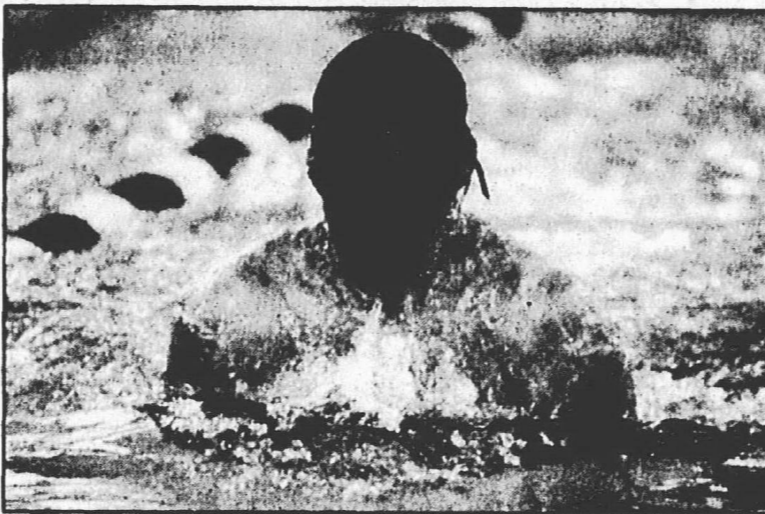
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Eric Lynn (Salem) 58.47
Rob Cambridge (Stevenson) 58.90
Brandon Truscott (Stevenson) 59.79
Justin Ketterer (Stevenson) 1:01.30
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 1:01.39
Geoff Lowes (Stevenson) 1:01.73
Brandon Goad (Farm. Unified) 1:01.92

100 FREESTYLE

Brandon Digia (N. Farmington) 51.12
Mark Witthoff (Salem) 51.82
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 51.93
Brad Buckler (Stevenson) 53.00
Dan Jones (Salem) 53.01
Mike Johnson (Salem) 53.16
Sermet Alver (N. Farmington) 53.24
Kevin VanTiem (Stevenson) 53.71
Danny Price (Farm. Unified) 54.12
Jim Ross (Salem) 54.72

500 FREESTYLE

Robert Cambridge (Stevenson) 4:55.41
Brian Mertens (Salem) 5:00.86
Justin Ketterer (Stevenson) 5:09.80
Devin Hopper (Farm. Unified) 5:13.96
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 5:14.36
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 5:15.76
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 5:16.48



Top Chief: Canton's Jon Heiss collected the only first-place finish for his team against Salem, winning the 100 breaststroke.

Eric Lynn (Salem) 5:17.96
Danny Price (Farm. Unified) 5:20.62
Jim Ross (Salem) 5:26.85

200 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 1:33.24
Redford Catholic Central 1:34.95
Farmington/Harrison 1:36.50
Livonia Stevenson 1:36.73
North Farmington 1:37.71

100 BACKSTROKE

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 54.62
Eric Lynn (Salem) 57.12
Devin Hopper (Farm. Unified) 57.49
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 57.85
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 59.81
John Kern (N. Farmington) 1:00.45
Justin Ketterer (Stevenson) 1:04.62
Brian Dorogi (Salem) 1:04.67
Andrew Koritnik (Stevenson) 1:04.73

Eric Dabkowski (Stevenson) 1:04.73

100 BREASTSTROKE

Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 1:02.43
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 1:04.86
Kevin VanTiem (Stevenson) 1:05.82
Chris LaFond (Redford CC) 1:08.40
Geoff Lowes (Stevenson) 1:08.98
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 1:09.37
Jon Heiss (Canton) 1:09.67
Jon Zald (N. Farmington) 1:10.28
Brandon Goad (Farm. Unified) 1:10.41
Chris Clayson (N. Farmington) 1:10.81

400 FREESTYLE RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 3:29.50
Plymouth Salem 3:30.57
Redford Catholic Central 3:31.10
North Farmington 3:31.39
Farmington/Harrison 3:36.04

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WLA. Canton fell to 1-2 overall, 0-1 in the WLA.

"There were some very good races," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "The 200 (freestyle), the 100 fly, the 100 back and the 100 breast were all good races."

"(Canton) is going to win a lot of meets this year. Take Reeder out, that's a big cog. We had to swim a good lineup. If we hadn't swam a good lineup, might have been a different meet."

The Rocks came away with 11 wins in 12 events, sweeping all three relays and getting double wins in individual events from two swimmers.

Brian Mertens doubled up in the distance freestyle events, winning the 200-yard freestyle (1:55.47) and the 500 free (5:05.56). Eric Lynn was first in both the 100 butterfly (59.05) and the 100 backstroke (57.12).

Other individual event winners for Salem were Ben Dzialo in the 200 individual medley (2:11.13); Mike Johnson in the 50 free (23.50); Greg Kubitski in diving (183.75 points); and Mark Witthoff in the 100 free (51.82).

Canton's only first place came from Jon Heiss in the 100 breaststroke (1:09.67).

"It hurt," said Canton coach Ed Weber of Reeder's absence. "For example, in the 200 IM Salem one-two-three'd us. He would have definitely broken up their points."

"Reeder would have helped, but we wouldn't have beaten

them."

Lynn, Aaron Shelton, Dzialo and Johnson combined for a first for Salem in the 200 medley relay (1:44.76); Shelton, Dan Jones, Witthoff and Johnson teamed for a win in the 200 free relay (1:33.24); and Jones, Witthoff, Dzialo and Lynn took top honors in the 400 free relay (3:32.00).

"We're getting a little better," said Olson. "We're getting a better idea where we are. We had a lot of questions going into the season and we're getting some of them answered."

That can't bode well for the rest of the WLA — Canton included. The more answers the Rocks find, the tougher it will be for the rest of the league to overtake them.

Weber's been looking for answers this season as well, and Thursday's meet provided an opportunity. "We got to see a few guys swim in some new spots," he said, pointing out the appearance of Matt Wisniewski and Brad Nelson in the 100 fly.

Diversity can lead to additional points, which could move Canton up the WLA score sheet come season's end.

Salem has a pair of WLA duals this week, traveling to Livonia Churchill for 7 p.m. meet Tuesday, then visiting Livonia Stevenson for a 7 p.m. meet Thursday. Canton hosts Churchill at 7 p.m. Thursday (the Chiefs' pool is expected to be working).

Canton clobbers Central

Midway through the second period, it was anybody's game when Plymouth Canton hosted Walled Lake Central in a Western Lakes Activities Association hockey game Jan. 7 at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Two minutes later, the Chiefs had a two-goal lead and were on their way to a 7-1 triumph.

John Bockstanz, a junior forward, led the offensive explosion for Canton by scoring three goals and assisting on two others. Bockstanz tallied the eventual game-winning goal after Central's Jason Howell had knotted the game at 1-1 with 8:42 remaining in the second period.

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Bockstanz then assisted on the Chiefs' next two second-period goals, boosting their lead to 4-1, before adding two goals of his own in the third period.

Sean Depp also had a big offensive game, scoring one goal and assisting on three others. Brad Wolfe contributed a goal and two assists. Jeremy Majszak had a goal and an assist, and Rick Lashbrook picked up a goal.

The Vikings only goal was scored by Jason Howell.

For the Chiefs, the win kept

them unbeaten in this century. They tied WLA rival Livonia Franklin 4-4 Jan. 5; on Dec. 28 at Wyandotte's Yack Arena, Wyandotte Mt. Carmel got three short-handed goals on the same third-period penalty in battling back to beat Canton 4-3.

The Chiefs got two goals from defenseman Eric Mayer and another from Depp, who also had an assist.

Farmington 4, Salem 2: Another victory for Farmington's second-year team, another "close" for Plymouth Salem's rookie outfit.

Farmington got a pair of third-

period goals Friday night to defeat Salem at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena.

Ross Patterson had two goals and an assist, Scott Salomonson a goal plus two assists and Mike Frayne collected the last goal for Farmington (9-4) as the Flyers improved to 5-3 in the WLA.

Steve Nagel and David Bida scored Salem's two goals, both of which came in the second period to forge a 2-2 tie. Farmington scored once in each of the first two periods.

The Rocks (1-12) dropped to 1-7 in the WLA.

Goalie Logan McLean faced 23 shots for Farmington while Scott Stukel, faced 47 in the Salem nets.

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200-yard medley relay: Redford CC (Nick Markou, Chris LaFond, Brett Meconis, Ed Lesnau), 1:57.50; **200 individual medley:** Andrew Carlin (CC), 2:22.54; **50 freestyle:** Lesnau (CC), 25.79; **100 butterfly:** Meconis (CC), 1:02.16; **500 freestyle:** Tim Ryan (CC), 5:54.79; **200 freestyle relay:** Redford CC (Carlin, Greg Esper, Kevin Ryan, LaFond), 1:48.72; **100 backstroke:** Markou (CC), 1:07.25; **100 breaststroke:** LaFond (CC), 1:15.54; **400 freestyle relay:** Redford CC (Meconis, Ryan, Carlin, Lesnau), 3:54.15.
CC's dual meet record: 2-0.

Coach Jeff Baker: "I thought we swam really well for training as hard as we have been the past week. Getting our butterfly off the state cut was a very good swim for this early in the year. We had great swimming. Our depth kids really came through and swam well for us."

"Mike Gries swam a lifetime best anchoring the 200 medley relay B Team. He swam all the way through the meet. Carlin swam very well. Kevin Ryan, too, in fact. The (twin) brothers (Kevin and Tim Ryan) had a really good meet. Kevin had an outstanding split on the 200 relay."

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Whalers from page B1

get the equalizer in this clash between OHL West Division rivals.

The two teams had been tied for second place in the division, five points behind the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds, going into the game played at Windsor.

The Whalers had the early advantage, scoring twice in the first 6:20. Jamie Lalonde got a power-play goal, assisted by Stephen Weiss and Shaun Fisher, at the 4:36 mark. Then Randy Fitzgerald got the first of his three goals, from Damian

Surma and Justin Williams, at 6:20 of the first.

But the Spitfires weren't down for long. Shawn Mather, Pavel Shtefan and Luc Rioux all scored goals for Windsor before the first period was through, giving it a 3-2 lead.

Shtefan and Tim Gleason pushed the Spits lead to 5-2 with goals in the first 5:05 of the second, but Fitzgerald's second goal (from Surma and Williams) trimmed Plymouth's deficit to 5-3 entering the third.

Fitzgerald opened the final

period with his third goal, this one a power-play marker just 17 seconds in, from Fisher and Surma to make it a one-goal contest. But Windsor stopped the Whalers there, getting goals from Craig Kennedy and Ryan Courtney to ice the victory.

Surma finished with three assists for the Whalers; Williams and Fisher had two apiece. Bill Ruggiero and Rob Zepp divided time in goal for Plymouth, Zepp surrendering five goals and Ruggiero two.

Gymnastics from page B1

score) we actually deserve."

It didn't help that Amy Driscoll, one of Canton's top gymnasts, had a jammed knee that prevented her from competing in the floor exercise. She did finish second in the balance beam (8.4) and took thirds in both the vault (8.1) and uneven parallel bars (8.25).

Best for the Chiefs was Liz

Fitzgerald, who finished first in all four events: vault (8.7), beam (8.95), bars (8.7) and floor exercise (8.65), which, of course, gave her the top all-around score (35.0).

Kristen Schilk recorded a 32.5 all-around, placing second in the vault (8.2) and floor (8.45), third in the beam (8.25) and fourth in the bars (7.5).

Maggie Bett tied for third with teammate Lauren Christiansen in floor (8.0) and was fourth in beam (7.4), and Jackie Bennington placed fifth in bars (7.15).

Canton hosts WLAA rival Hartland at 7 p.m. Tuesday, then competes in the Holland Invitational at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Canton basketball from page B1

Young said he had bad vibes going into this game based on how his team performed in practice last week. The Chiefs had been idle since their emotional two-point win against cross-campus rival Plymouth Salem Jan. 7.

"We played like we practiced all week — very inconsistently," Young said. "We had four days to prepare for North Farmington. They were just a better team than we were in all phases of the game — offense, defense, toughness and rebounding. We're just going to have to learn from our mistakes and try to build from here."

Young said his team's lone bright spot was its gutsy comeback to start the third quarter.

"I give the kids a lot of credit for that stretch to start the second half," Young said. "I was proud of the way they got us back into the game. However, if we're going to win, we have to play more consistently for the

entire game."

After knocking in a short jumper with one second left in the first quarter, Watha came out smoking in the second quarter, scoring the Raiders' first six points. After failing to get a shot off in the first quarter, Waidmann scored all seven of the Chiefs' second-quarter points.

North Farmington went into the intermission with a commanding 35-14 lead.

Like the team of jump-ropers from Gallimore Elementary School who performed at halftime, the Chiefs came out of the second-half gate energized. Sparked by a conventional three-point play from Waidmann, a basket off an offensive rebound by forward Kenny Nether and a three-pointer from Cabauatan, Canton went on an 11-0 run to start the third quarter, cutting its deficit to 35-25.

The two teams then traded baskets before North Farmington finished the stanza with a 6-

0 run to take a comfortable 46-30 lead into the final eight minutes.

Amazingly, the Raiders failed to make a single field goal in the fourth quarter. They did, however, sink 11-of-16 free throws to ice the win. Mike Primeau was perfect from the line late in the game, calmly drilling all six of his shots.

Excluding their impressive run to start the third quarter, the Chiefs never strung together two consecutive baskets against the Raiders pesky zone defense. Canton actually shot better from the field (40 percent) than it did from the free-throw line (37 percent).

Led by Bridges and senior Emir Medunjanin, North Farmington outrebounded Canton, 27-22.

The Chiefs get another week off before traveling to Northville Friday to take on the Mustangs. The Raiders visit Livonia Stevenson Friday.

Basketball from page B1

left after a three-point play by Ryan Cook. And yet, even after the Chargers missed two free throws, Salem couldn't close the gap. They got off two three-point shots in the last 10 seconds, but missed both.

Brad Bescoe's two free throws with three seconds remaining clinched it for Churchill.

Randall Boboige paced the Chargers with 19 points, including five triples. John Bennett added 12 and Bescoe and Brandon Dziklinski scored nine each.

Salem got 22 points from Matt McCaffrey, 13 from Nick Tochman and nine apiece from Jeff Haar and Ryan Nimmerguth.

"We played hard," said Brodie. "I can't say we played poorly."

"All of our games are close (four losses in the closing sec-

onds). I told the guys that we're scrambling for our lives now. And we go to (Westland) John Glenn next."

That game is 7 p.m. Friday. Churchill hosts non-league foe Milford at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Agape 74, Macomb Christian 51: That dynamic duo of Canton Agape Christian's — senior guard Julian Wettlin and junior guard Paul Anleitner — again proved unstoppable in a non-league game against Warren Macomb Christian played Friday at Warren's Fazio Gym.

The Wolverines led 18-5 after one quarter and coasted from there; thanks to 46 points from their backcourt tandem. Anleitner led Agape with 25 points; Wettlin contributed 21.

Matt Andrachick's 20 points

paced the Crusaders.

Agape improved to 4-2 overall. Macomb Christian is 0-6.

W.L. Western 60, John Glenn 50: The host Warriors halted a three-game slide against the skidding Rockets.

Struggling Westland John Glenn got a three-point play from Michael Franks with 6:04 left to give it a 42-40 lead but things deteriorated from there as the Rockets (2-4) dropped their second Western Lakes Activities Association game in as many tries.

Center Yaku Moton paced John Glenn with 21 points.

Walled Lake Western (5-3) won its WLAA debut by getting 19 points from John Eagle, 12 from Chris Howder and 11 from Jenero Dawood.

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Shrews carry a big appetite

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

There was a light snowfall today, just enough to cover the ground in white. It allowed me to view tracks made by animals, as they stepped on the ground.

Discovering tracks after a snowfall allows the winter walker to recall the activities of animals never seen.

One particular trail I discovered was not the typical foot prints of the animal, rather it looked like a trail made by a snake.

Across the undisturbed snow was a raised tunnel of snow with some abrupt bends and angles along its route. It was no more than three-quarters of an inch across. The snow was not deep, so some of the tunnel had breaks in the top.

Because the snow was not deep, this animal must have been very small to have been able to tunnel rather than run on the surface. My guess was that it was a shrew.

Based on its size, possible a masked shrew.

A masked shrew is one of the smallest mammals in Michigan. They are about 4 inches long with a half-inch of that is tail.

Like all shrews in Michigan it has a pointed nose, its eyes are very tiny, there are no distinguishable ears and the masked shrew has a brownish body with a buff colored belly.

Shrews remain active all year and need to eat constantly. Though a masked shrew weighs about one-fifth of an ounce, or less than two pennies, they must eat about one and a half times their weight each day to survive.

This time of year masked shrews look for small invertebrates like wintering spiders, crickets, caterpillars, salamanders and any other animal matter they can find. Seeds are not a big part of their diet.

Though invertebrates are not active in winter, shrews are able to nose under leaf litter, explore hollows of logs or sticks to discover where they are spending the winter.

Small animals like the masked shrew are able to stay warm in cold winter temperatures by staying low to the ground and staying out of the wind.

Staying close to the ground is not hard for a shrew that stands 1/2-to-3/4 of an inch tall, and being that small allows them to find many areas of shelter.

While searching for their own food, masked shrews need to watch out that they don't become food for other animals trying to survive the winter.

Weasels, such as the least and short-tailed are small enough to hunt in the haunts of the masked shrew. Owls are also potential predators of the shrew. Even larger species of shrew are threats. Being small is not easy in the natural world.

Shrews are difficult to see because of their size and speed, but with snow on the ground it is possible to at least see where these little dynamos have been hunting.

Be on the look out for evidence of shrews as you hike the trails in winter.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Jan. 18

Luth. Westland at N.B. Huron, 7 p.m.
Luth. East at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Farmington at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Roch. Adams at Harrison, 7 p.m.
Howell at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Inkster, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Fairlane, 7 p.m.
Milford at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
Borgess at O.L. St. Mary's, 7:30 p.m.
Urban Luth. at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.
Agape at Ply. Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 21

Liggett at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
Luth. North at Luth. West, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Carlson, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Harrison, 7 p.m.
Farmington at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Northville at Canton, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Temple Christian at Agape, 7 p.m.
DeLaSalle at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.
Notre Dame at Borgess, 7:30 p.m.
St. Agatha at St. Florian, 7:30 p.m.
Ply. Christian at Roeper, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Monday, Jan. 17

Borgess at Det. Urban, 6 p.m.
Churchill at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Salem, 7 p.m.
Canton at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Farmington at North Farm, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Thurston, 7 p.m.
A.A. Richard at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
St. Agatha at DePorres, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Wayne, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 18

Fairlane vs. Huron Valley
at Livonia St. Paul's, 6 p.m.
Mercy at Marian, 6:30 p.m.
Ladywood at Regina, 7 p.m.
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
PCA at Franklin Road, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 19

St. Alphon. at Luth. West, 6:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Franklin at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Canton, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Farmington, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Belleville, 7 p.m.
Ecorse at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Garden City, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 20

Huron Valley vs. Warren Zee
at Livonia St. Paul's, 6 p.m.
Borgess at Det. DePorres, 6 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 6:30 p.m.
Notre Dame at Mercy, 6:30 p.m.
Riv. Richard at Ladywood, 7 p.m.
Benedictine at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
Southfield Christian at PCA, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 21

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

Saturday, Jan. 22

East Kentwood Tourney, 8 a.m.
Saginaw Valley Tourney, 8:30 a.m.
Clarkston Tournament, 9 a.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Jan. 21

Ply. Whalers at S.S. Marie, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 22

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

PREP HOCKEY

Tuesday, Jan. 18

G.P. South vs. Ladywood
at Arctic Pond, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Churchill vs. Franklin
W.L. Central vs. Stevenson
at Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 20

Redford Unified at Allen Pk., 8 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 21

Canton vs. Northville
at Novi Ice Arena, 6 p.m.
Salem vs. Churchill
at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.

Redford CC at E. Kentwood, 7:30 p.m.

Franklin vs. Farmington
at Farm. Hills Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Stevenson vs. W.L. Western
at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 22

Monday, Jan. 17

Crestwood vs. Redford Unified
at Redford Ice Arena, 1 p.m.
Farmington vs. Canton
at Ply. Cultural Center, 7:30 p.m.
Ladywood vs. G.P. North
at Fraser Arena, 8:20 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday, Jan. 17

Flint Mott at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Madonna at Siena Hts., 7:30 p.m.

Schoolcraft at Oakland CC, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 22

Aquinas at Madonna, 3 p.m.

Delta College at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday, Jan. 17

Flint Mott at Schoolcraft, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Siena Hts. at Madonna, 7 p.m.

Schoolcraft at Oakland CC, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 22

Madonna at Aquinas, 1 p.m.

Delta CC at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.

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BOWLING AND RECREATION

3rd-grader sets a pair of fishing world records

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS

BILL PARKER

"Fishing is something I love to do whenever I have some spare time.

"It's fun to catch them and sometimes, if they're real big, they're really good to eat. Sometimes we let them go and it's fun to watch them swim away."

Walker established world records in the girls small fry division by catching a 3-pound, 15-ounce lake trout and a 3-pound, 10-ounce northern pike.

C.J. Walker is just eight years old, but she's already carved out a near legendary niche among anglers across the country.

Walker, of Orchard Lake, established back-to-back junior world records with the International Game and Fish Association.

"I love to go fishing," said C.J., a third-grader at Roper School.

"She was just having a blast catching fish," explained C.J.'s father, Bruce. "The day she caught the pike, she caught five of them. She was laughing and having a ball. The whole experience was pretty exciting for her."

The IGFA for years has recognized anglers who catch world-record class fish, but recently began recognizing the accomplishments of young anglers through its junior program.

"The International Game and Fish Association has been around since 1939 and we started a junior records program in 1997," IGFA spokeswoman Kathy Corser said. "The junior program is for children age 16 and under and the small fry program is for ages 10 and under. We recognize 60 freshwater species and 60 saltwater species of fish, and there is no charge."

C.J. caught both of her records last summer while on a fly-in fishing trip on northern Lake Superior with her father. Both fish hit a gold/red Cleo fished on a

medium action spinning rod with 8-pound-test monofilament.

"It was very fun," C.J. said. "We were trying for a world record and when we got home and my dad looked it up and found out we had two records it was really exciting."

There is a catch-and-release division for junior anglers and catch-and-release fishing is encouraged by the IGFA. There is no charge to submit a record and membership is not required.

Junior membership in IGFA is available for \$15 and includes a quarterly newsletter, a rule book, periodic record updates, a hat, a patch, a decal and a membership card.

For a free list of all IGFA world records or more information, contact Kathy Corser at IGFA, 300 Golf Stream Way, Dania Beach, Fla., 33004 or call (954) 927-2628.

"They have to do everything to be eligible for a record," added Bruce. "They

have to cast, reel, fight the fish. All I could do was net it. I couldn't even touch the line. She did a good job."

C.J. fishes often with her father and is an accomplished angler. She has caught tuna and dolphin fish in the Caribbean and perch, blue gill, pike and bass at home on Cass Lake.

Ferguson on fire

Rochester bass professional Art Ferguson is in the hunt for a return trip to the prestigious BASS Masters Classic world championships. Ferguson qualified for the 1999 Classic through the Top 150 circuit and finished a very respectable 18th.

This year he's in the thick of things in the Eastern Invitational circuit. The top five finishers in the circuit after five tournaments earn an automatic berth to the Classic.

After the third tournament — the Alabama Invitational held in December on Lake Martin in Alexander City, Ala.

— Ferguson was in 11th place among better than 300 anglers.

His total of 542 points was 22 points behind division leader Mark Menendez of Kentucky and just 15 shy of a qualifying spot.

Ferguson helped his cause in the Alabama Invitational by placing 35th with 12 fish that weighed 16 pounds, 15 ounces. He earned \$1,650 for his effort, along with 266 points in the race for the division lead.

Ferguson will compete later this month on Florida's Lake Toho and the Kissimmee Chain of Lakes in the \$409,450 Florida BASSMASTER Top 150.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Send comments and successful hunting and fishing reports to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.)

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

SHOWS

SILVERDOME BOAT, SPORT AND FISHING

The 17th annual Silverdome Boat, Sport and Fishing Show will be Feb. 2-6 at the Pontiac Silverdome. The show features over 300 boats from more than 75 manufacturers, fishing tackle, fishing trips, trout ponds, seminars, casting demonstrations and more. Show hours are 9-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 2 and 3; 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4; 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5; and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6. Admission is \$7 adult, \$3 for children ages 6-14 and children under five will be admitted free.

DETROIT BOAT, SPORT AND FISHING SHOW

The 42nd annual Detroit Boat, Sport and Fishing Show will be Feb. 12-20 at Cobo Center. The show features the 2000 premiere showing of new model boats, motors, trailers, accessories and more. Some 1,000 boats will be

available for viewing including fishing boats, ski boats, pontoon, cruisers, inflatables, personal watercrafts, canoes and kayaks.

SPORTFISHING EXPO

The 12th annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo is set for Thursday through Sunday, March 2-5, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. An all-star lineup of seminar speakers is already scheduled. The show also features exhibitors, merchandise booths, casting and fishing activities and more. Show hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, March 2-3; 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4; and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, March 5. Admission is \$7.75 for adults, \$3.50 for children ages 6-12 and children age 5 and under will be admitted free.

SPRING BOATING EXPO

The eighth annual Spring Boating Expo is scheduled for March 16-19 at the Novi Expo Center. The show features some 200 exhibitors with new boats and watercrafts, motors, trailers,

docks, accessories and more.

ARCHERY

LIVONIA RANGE

The Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Cost 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 OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. the first Saturday in November at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110

for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178; Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

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.

WINTER BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS

If you've never gone birding before, winter is the perfect time

to start. Bring your binoculars and take a walk through a variety of habitats to discover which birds have the "right stuff" to stick around through a Michigan winter. Pre-registration required for this event, which is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 at Kensington. To register or for more information, contact Kensington Nature Center at (248) 685-0603 or 1-800-477-3178.

FULL MOON WALK

A 90-minute interpreter-led walk at Stony Creek, scheduled for Friday, Jan. 21, discussing the activities of wildlife under the light of the "Moon of Winter's Sleep." Dress warmly. For ages eight years and older. Pre-registration required.

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 pro-

grams 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 (810) 229-7067.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990 to register and for more information.

(To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314.)

Detroit 2000 is off and rolling; Livonia to host Bowl-a-thon

TEN PIN ALLEY



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Last week-end marked the kick-off of the 97th Annual Michigan State Bowling Tournament.

It runs a total of 17 weeks, ending in May with 2,600 teams entered from all over Michigan.

The team events were held at Bonanza Lanes in Warren, the singles and doubles running at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights.

The first week's results are in and the early team event leaders are:

Actual, R & D enterprises of Lansing with 3210; and handicap, Larke Wood Floor Service of Royal Oak with 3477 followed by Cass Techs of Redford with 3440.

Doubles actual leaders are Otis Bradley and David Bell of Pontiac with 1380; doubles handicap is led by Tim Lark and Eric Johnson of Royal Oak with 1461.

Singles leaders are:

Actual, Jason Nieman of Warren with 729; and handicap, Jason Nieman with 818.

All-events actual, Don Nyenhuis of Wyoming at 2107 followed by Tim Saunders of Redford at 2099; and handicap, Jason Nieman at 2307 in first and Tim Saunders at fourth with 2180. Alfred Stroud of Southfield had a 290 and Mark Rogers of Lansing 299.

The event being in our area is a boost for the local economy as more than 13,000 partici-

The proprietors, Mark and Diane Voigt of Farmington, are particularly pleased with the turnout as it is a nice boost for their business and others in the community as well.

Ten Pin Alley will keep updating the scores.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, 2000, the third annual LPVI Bowl-A-Thon will be held at Woodland Lanes in Livonia.

It's a benefit for visually impaired children throughout Western Wayne County.

There are openings for bowlers and sponsors. All of the money raised in the event is used to support programs helping these children.

Sign-in time is 1:30 or earlier. Bowling starts at 2 p.m.

As this is their only fundraiser, they would like each participant to raise at least \$25 either by getting sponsors who will donate a set dollar amount or just making a donation of \$25 or more per bowler.

Donations to LPVI are tax deductible. Make checks payable to LPVI.

There will be lots of prizes given away. Grand Prize is a one-year membership to the Livonia Y awarded to the individual that collects the most donations exceeding \$500.

The LPVI (Livonia Parents of the Visually Impaired) has for 26 years funded programs that teach both daily living and social skills by feel, touch and sound.

Given the proper support, these children can become contributing members of society.

Call either Lucille H. Fritz at (248) 471-3940 or Bonnie Sheridan at (734) 459-3439 with questions or to request an entry form.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Merri Bowl (Livonia)

Men's Senior House: Bryan Gogolin, 300.

St. Genevieve's Men: Jim Kidd, 299.

Lost Weekend: Tom Newburgh, Jr., 300; Kris Doudt, 807.

K of C Men: Max Hansen, 258/258; 258/774; Ken Nikkila, 766; Doug Lobb, 724; Frank Hoffman, 720; Bill Funke, 706.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia)

Classic: Don Parks, 289/763; Doug Spicer, 738; Dave Kaliszewski, 268/723.

Westside Proprietors Travel: Murray Hole, 261/762; Tim Magyar, 726; Brian Gross, 675; Lou Ivancik, 673.

Motor City Men's Early: Dave Atkins, 276/734; Mike Gephart, 279/707; Walt Pauli, 704; Dave Berni, 279.

Cloverlanes (Livonia)

All-Star Bowlerettes: Julie Wright, 290/259; 235/784; Sandy Schultz, 248/248/742; Jeanne Gebbia, 256/225/245/726; Aleta Sili, 225/226/247/698; Michelle Ewald, 257/205/233/695; Lisa McCarty, 257/689.

Tuesday Seniors: Joe Newton, 268/662; Joe Buhagiar, 227; Reggie Budzik, 225/544; Frank Baron, 214/524; Ted Sarr, 213/502.

St. Aidan's Men: Bill Louiselle, 267/669; Rich Radak, 266/683; Ryan Jackson, 241/604; Jack Pomeroy, 234/646; Bob Racey, 233/600; Joe Naujokas, 225/600.

Sunday Nite Mixed: Tim Cox, 262/742; Perry Mitchell, 246/707; Andre Duval, 267.

FoMoCo Thursday Night: Chuck O'Rourke, 300/812; Rick Fuller, 275/670; Bob McCarrick, 266/701; Mike Conatser, 678; Jim Casteele, 674; Steve Bester, 674.

Thursday Junior House: Sam Johnson, 279/674; Barry Lawrence, 289/738; Anthony Ash, 258/736; Mike Makowicz, 279/715; Pat Testa, 268/705.

Friday Seniors: Reggie Budzik, 237/616; Tony Rye, 234/551; Bob Charbonneau, 226/214/631; Jerry Page, 221/588.

Saturday Night Specials Mixed: Pat Tierney, 266/706.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia)

Ford T & C Ladies: Lori Bacon, 246.

Jacks & Jills: Carri Shaw, 246/631.

Food Parts: Barry Tiley, Jr., 278/743; Minh Grougan, 268/736; Larry Cooper, 698; Jimmy Cooper, 279/658; John Sikora, 278/660.

Sparemakers: Ann Stokes, 277/671.

Men's Trio: Erv Watson, 278/699; John Weiss, Dave Grabos, 279/772; John Wodarski, Jr., 300/737; Rusty Reed, 268/746; John Muczynski, 289/740.

Early Birds: Joyce Yandric, 201/540; Debbie Ellsworth, 211/551; Theresa Santiago, 200/520.

Guys & Dolls: Eleanor Rusu, 201; Peter Camilleri, 200; Ed Zdanowski, 210.

Senior House: Dick Shoupe, 247/715; Lorne Green, 288/695; Mike Yaros, 235/697; Don Chambers, Sr., 255/692; Mickey Smith, 289/693.

Lyndon Meadows: Debbie Ellsworth, 211/523.

Midnighters: Jim Lapinski, 225/635; Cullen Caciccio, 231/670; Ed Fitzpatrick, Jr.,

225/617; Paul Bruckner, 216/547; Greg Poore, 215/643.

Livonia Elks: Neal Sackey, 731; Chris Roterman, 735.

Saturday Youth: Jon White, 235/235; 211/681; Gary Richards, 200; Jenna Zuccarini, 120 (avg. 64); Krissy Jeske, 191; Eric Gale, 234/205; Bryan Richards, 275.

Monday Seniors: Mary Kay Wilhelm, 217; Bob Wilhelm, 201; Parke Winn, 201; Howard Featherston, 221.

G & G Auto: Marv Gaddie, 279; Len Singer, 279.

St. Edith: John Paul, 279; Rich Spaulst, 279.

Oddballs: Diane Gadamski, 225/650.

Local 182 Retirees: Bob Monie, 201; Morley Clemence, 213.

Ford LTP: Sean Sevrence, 296/716; Henry Khoe, 297/703; Matt Mazur, 290; Dan Fish, 278; Buster McDonald, 747.

Town 'n Country (Westland)

WB Memorial Open: Terry Norman, 267/737; Mark Konopatzki, 259/697; Jim Lhamon, 258; George Fineran, 256/738.

Inter City Mixed: Carl Kuehnell, 235; Rick Lang, 237/231.

Sunrises: Donna Trost, 210.

Suburbanettes: Paula Conrad, 2214/562; Cindy Nesbitt, 204.

Wayne Westland Schools: Rob Sobieray, 258; Bob Packard, 729.

E/O Sunday Rollers: Lloyd Spear, 268; Jeff Elswick, 238/681; Mark Monaghan, 278; Glen Howell, 266; Sue Kelly, 238/609; Theresa Monaghan, 236.

Saturday Nite Go-Getters: Rick Heiberich, 247/707; J. Robin De Galyer, 246/649; Larry Doolin, 237; Cindy Durham, 213/536.

Westland Bowl

Monday 6:30 p.m. Men: Carl Kuehnell II, 299/610; Tim Lakatos, 279/673; Kenny Rehandorf, 265/629; Harmon Graves, 242; Harold Winters, 233/577.

Monday Morning Men: Randy Kline, 239/627; Joe Kovatch, 239/624; Pat Stover, 225/639; Vernon Looney, 224/593; Bob Simmons, 215/607.

Sunday Sleepers: Jeff Roche, 300/764; Gerald Brown, 278/696; Gene Plotowski, 269/695; Larry Collins, 269/712; Shawn Arbogast, 268/737; Kurtis Paul, 265/777.

E/O Hard Times: Gary Shienke, 279/704; Jason Pizzuti, 245; Al Bierling, 237/678; Paul Massie, 234/567; Sam Majci, 223/559.

E/O Double Trouble: Tim Mayer, 256/626; Terry Hanley, 233/638; Jeff Straight, 215/555; David Misovich, 203/507; Andy Barrett, 202/543.

Thursday Nite Mixed: Keith Post, 246; Larry Cyr, 234/572; Dan Harrison, 223/606; Dean Neely, 213/541; Ken Forbes, 210/573.

Westland Champions: Candy Loschiavo, 235/642; Mary Marvaso, 214/534; Charlene Keller, 202/506; Suzanne Ellis, 198/523; Tina Dickhaut, 197.

NASCAR Trio: Lou Swindell, 232/604; Bill Elsey, 213/591; Augusta Bell, Jr., 197/551; Lara White, 209/533.

AM Ladies Trio: Rochelle Calsada, 212/587; Janis Tavormina, 206/522; Phyllis Hammerberg, 190.

Saturday Youth Leagues (Coca Cola Majors): Jennifer Goins, 224/503; Jim Barber, 200/236/605; Jason Springer, 222/536; Mike Hiltunen, 257/609.

Coca Cola Juniors: Eric Vojtkofsky, 222; Angie Latta, 152; Trey Raynes, 204/526; Ricky Beach, 185.

Coca Cola Preps: Crystal Guwva, 124; Emily Robertson, 129.

Bantams: Zachary Whalen, 100.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford)

Wednesday Senior Men's Classic: Tom Lüdke, 270/602; Walt Arsenault, 297/680; Don Martin, 254/650; Jack Kassaban, 222/254/234/710; Bob Stayden, 258/652; Rich Gorka, 257.

Good Neighbors: Pauline Polk, 191/503; Alicia Wafer, 198/506; Yvonne McCarthy, 209/539; Gloria Metz, 190.

Friday Seniors: Howard Davis, 275/681; Stan Gagacki, 252/672; Gerry Zalewski, 245/661; Oz Hovsepian, 247/656; Jim Priebe, 239/651; Jim Rosni, 235/649.

Monday Seniors: Norb Giczewski, 267/248/710; Paul Temple, 256/686; Walt Arsenault, 288/663; Jack Kassaban, 247/653; Norm Bochenik, 254/610.

Garden Lanes (Garden City)

St. Linus Classic: Mike Barner, 267/225/258/750; Ron Latimer, 269/215/234/718; Gary Czaja, 223/247/238/708; Kevin Scarborough, 277/695; Larry Curtis, 259/688; Al Joslin, 247/679.

Joe D's Homestead: Warren Williams, 300/773.

Dearborn Heights Men: Ron Vasilnek, 226/300/224/750; Roger Antal, Jr., 279/264/789.

Super Bowl (Canton)

Friday Funsters: Cliff Richards, 227/207/245/679; Len Brown, 204/560; Pete Camilleri, 229/577; Dorothy Peters, 179/186.

Parent/Child Mixed: Beau Beck, 155; Keith Kingsbury, 242/592.

Youth Leagues (Thursday Juniors/Majors): Wilder Christofferson, 145.

(Friday Preps): Aaron Bonsall, 134/711; Behrman, 108.

(Juniors): Matt Horvath, 204/509; Brad Poremba, 207/518; Eric Pawlus, 213/582.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



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Looking back on a decade of portraiture

Toni Stevens admits portraiture is unpopular with people who buy art, but she's fascinated with people and isn't going to quit painting models at the Birmingham Bloomfield Arts Center.

The Plymouth watercolorist stands in the fine arts gallery at Livonia Civic Center Library, proudly surveying portraits she's painted since retiring from teaching in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools in 1989. Her one-woman show, "Looking Back/Facing Forward," showcases paintings of people she's met over the years. She finds each one interesting in his or her own way. "People don't want a painting of a stranger," Stevens says, "unless they're done by someone famous."

Stevens isn't famous yet, but she is an award-winning portrait artist. Nearly every work in the show has placed in competition. Training she received at Cass Tech High School in Detroit and Syracuse University in New York helped Stevens develop her drawing and painting skills. She honed her ability to capture the essence of a person through years of experience.

"I want the portrait to be becoming," said Stevens. "I try to get the spirit of the sitter and a likeness."

Unlikely props

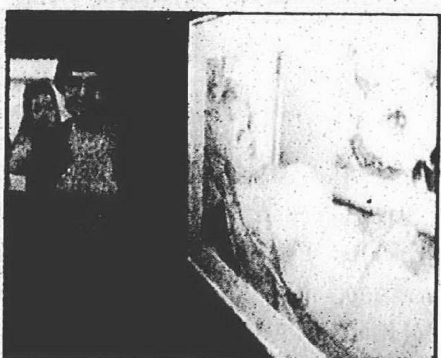
In many of the works, Stevens seeks the viewer's attention by painting in objects that seem out of place. "Amy," one of her three newer works, incorporates a Georgia O'Keeffe painting on the wall. The lavender gown and porcelain skin remind the viewer of Manet's "Olympia." Another work, "Nevermore," intrigues viewers with its mourning dove shadowed by an Edgar Allen Poe-like crow.

"A lot of it is just for composition but also so the viewer will ask 'Why is it there?'"

"Leaving Stonehenge" features a man standing in front of Stonehenge. Stevens relays stories of several of the models she's painted in classes and independent studies.

"Andrew makes his own costumes,"

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Looking Forward: Toni Stevens presents one of her newest watercolors, "Amy."



Nevermore: Viewers think twice about a mourning dove with the shadow of a cawing crow in this painting by Toni Stevens.

Tell me a story...

Tale spinners to enchant festival crowd

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Debra Christian's voice fluctuates from almost a whisper to high-pitch excitement as she talks about sitting on her grandfather's knee while he told stories about leaving Czechoslovakia for the coal mines of Pennsylvania. She'd pat his very large stomach and ask "What's in here, grandpa?" His reply always made her giggle. "An elephant," he'd tease in the half-Eastern European accent.

It was recalling times such as these that prompted Christian to give up a career as a speech pathologist for Garden City Public Schools to pursue the enchanting art of story telling. Christian loved hearing grandpa tell her about being a teenager at the turn-of-the-century and wanted his stories to remain alive for her children.

Christian knows her two sons will remember the five-acre peacock farm they grew up on in Plymouth. It's the stories about their grandfather that will be lost without a storyteller in the family.

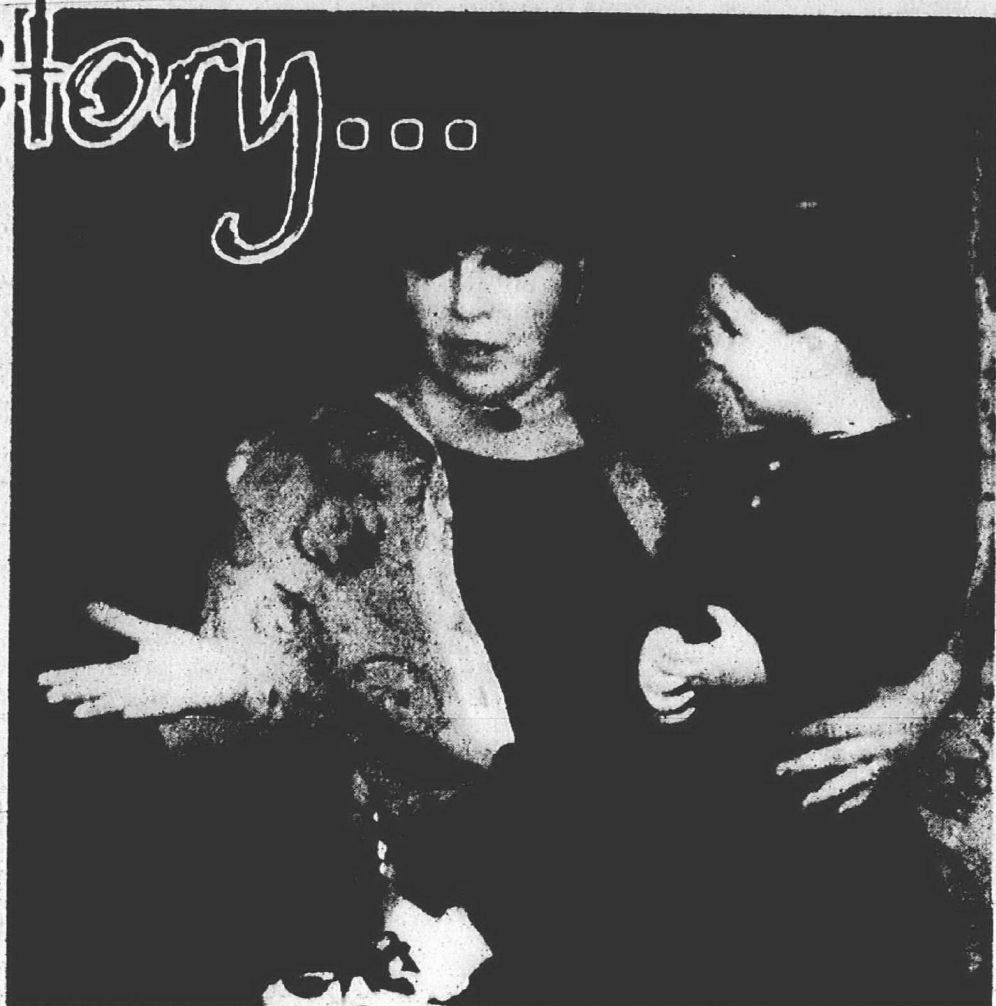
Oral tradition

Christian believes so strongly in

the oral tradition of passing down history from generation to generation, that she's scheduled a workshop on the topic during a festival to be presented by Canton Project Arts on Saturday, Jan. 22. In addition to teaching the necessary skills, Christian and other storytellers will mesmerize audiences with tales about Arabic princesses and mountain men during "Storytelling Through the Ages."

"My grandfather was telling me stories all the time," said Christian. "My father, who was a history teacher for 41 years, did too. Successful family story telling is not just for fun by any means. Family stuff is very important. I've heard time and time again about someone's father dying and they say, 'Why didn't I ever write it down about the old country?' When people understand the importance of these tales, then they understand how important it is to share part of yourself."

Christian's voice becomes very quiet as if she's about to share a secret. It's easy to see why the award-



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURCHMANN

Spellbound: Debra Christian enthalls a child with her story at Summit on the Park Community Center in Canton

winning storyteller has been interviewed by *Ladies Home Journal*.

"Telling stories also helps children solve problems they'll encounter later in life," said Christian. "Grandma telling a story about how her puppy was killed will help that child deal with a like situation later on. It shows Grandma survived and went on. That's the beauty of story."

Full day

Just when Christian's enthusiasm for story telling seems about to wane, she sets off on a new path. As coordinator of "Storytelling through the Ages," she's planned a full day and evening of workshops and concerts. Ron Lowe, a Canton storyteller and judge for the 35th district court in Plymouth, will lead an adult workshop on "Building Character." Jennifer Ivinskas, the session on "Adults Telling Tales." Christian will teach children what's involved with "Creating Creepy Tales." The storytellers will then show how it's done.

"Teaching through story telling is all the things we've experienced as a child," said Christian. "It's primordial instinct to share a story. It's ancient, it's innate in us. The cave men would spend his day on the hunt. When he came back, he didn't put in a video. He re-enacted the chase, his cunning moves before the kill."

But what makes a good story? Having characters you can relate to, "heart and sincerity" are key to telling even scary stories. In "Creating Creepy Tales," Christian will begin with a short story.

"I'll talk about how to build intensity," said Christian. "Remember when mom asked you to go down to the cellar for a jar of pickled beets? You really didn't like that place. It had a strange smell and the light didn't always work. I'll ask them to tell us

about a time in your life when you were really scared and help them explore how to create a scary story but with a funny ending so it's non-threatening."

Second storytelling

Canton Project Arts president Gene Hammonds became so enthralled watching the response of children and adults to the first storytelling festival last year that he's made it an annual event. Hammonds originally fell in love with storytelling at the Plymouth Fall Festival a few years before. The Canton festival evolved from a long-term to reach children. Throughout the year, Canton Project Arts presents a variety of arts programming that includes everything from opera to a fine art exhibit. But Hammonds said he felt the needs of the youngest members of the community weren't being addressed.

"There's very few opportunities where children could see this," said Hammonds. "At last year's festival, the audience got excited. They wanted to talk with the storytellers afterward because they'd basically become larger-than-life."

Canton Project Arts timed the festival to coincide with a Focus:HOPE photography exhibit, "Focus on the Mission," to expose as many people as possible to a variety of arts. The exhibit showcases 70 students from more than 30 high schools in the Detroit area, including Plymouth Canton Schools through Sunday, Jan. 23, in the banquet area of Summit on the Park. The exhibit resulted from a photography project at Focus: HOPE to unite students from diverse backgrounds. Interactive activities, discussions and photo assignments encouraged participants to think about the role of diversity in their lives and to form new friendships.



Ancient art: Who needs TV when you have Debra Christian to keep you entertained with her magical stories.

"Storytelling Through the Ages"

What: Storytelling festival sponsored by Canton Project Arts features workshops and concerts for children and adults.

When: Saturday, Jan. 22. Children's show 1-2:30 p.m., family concert 7 p.m. Workshops - Meet Mother Goose 10 a.m., Creating Creepy Tales 11 a.m., Adults Telling Tales 11 a.m., Meet Madeline 2:30 p.m., Building Character 2:30 p.m., and Magic, Tales & Mountain Men 2:30 p.m.

Where: Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

Tickets: \$5, \$15 family. Call (734) 397-6450.

Upcoming Canton Project Arts Events:

Verdi Opera Theatre performance 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27. Tickets are \$15.
Bus trip to see the "Van Gogh: Face to Face" exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 21.



CONCERT

Ensembles join forces for Beethoven's 'Ode to Joy'

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When Ludwig van Beethoven began sketching his ninth symphony, he probably never dreamed it would one day play to sold-out audiences. It would have made all the time he spent composing the complex and lengthy work seem more "joyful." After all, that's what Friedrich von Schiller had in mind when he wrote the ode expressing "the ideal of brotherhood of all mankind."

"When Beethoven decided to incorporate Schiller's 'Ode to Joy' in the Ninth Symphony, he set only about a third of the text and added a 12-word introduction to effect the transition from instrumental to voice so this 'Chorale' Symphony is an instrumental work with a chorale finale," said David Wagner, director of the Madonna University Choral.

Wagner is rehearsing the choir for a concert with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra on Saturday, Jan. 22, in Carli Auditorium.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Ode to Joy: Madonna University Choral members Nancy Grabarczyk (left) of Farmington Hills and Krista Strang, Waterford, rehearse for a concert with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra.

at Churchill High School in Livonia. Beethoven's ninth symphony is the highlight of the program, which features guest soloists Maria Cimarelli, a soprano and music director at Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills; Christina Romana Lypeckij, a

mezzo-soprano born in Ukraine; Karl Schmidt, a tenor featured in Michigan Opera Theatre mainstage productions, and Donald Hartmann, a bass-baritone and professor of music at Eastern Michigan University.

Livonia Symphony conductor Volodymyr Schesniuk wanted to perform the monumental work as way of saying "Hello, New Millennium," the title of the program that also includes Richard Strauss' theme from "2001 A Space Odyssey." He will speak about Beethoven's moving work at the beginning of the concert. Schesniuk said, Beethoven is not an old-fashioned composer but just as viable today.

"The ninth symphony is something we cannot play every year but for very special occasions, a celebration like when the United Nations was organized after World War II. It was performed then," said Schesniuk. "Beethoven's last movement on Schiller's 'Ode to Joy' says 'People, brothers, everybody, enjoy your time.' For me this music is not really music. It's a philosophical mind that concentrates on the history of human beings on earth. About 1812 the ideas started coming after the war was finished between Russia and France's Napoleon."

Cimarelli never forgot singing the work for the first time with the Windsor Symphony. "It's difficult because of the range, besides which you're singing such a large orchestral work," she said.

Yo-Yo Ma sold out, but there's more Bach to come

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Tickets to hear world renowned cellist Yo-Yo Ma perform a contemporary commission of Bach's Goldberg Variations at Ann Arbor's Hill Auditorium are long gone.

Ma's Thursday recital, the first in nine years in the area, sold out in October. But, fans of the Goldberg Variations need not despair.

Pianist Murray Perahia will soon perform the original composition and five other Bach works at Hill.

Perahia's performance also is the first of six Bach programs being presented by the University Musical Society to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the composer's death.

"I would say there's a growing interest in Bach. There certainly is a great resurgence of interest in the early music movement,"

said Sara Billman, the society's director of marketing and promotion.

"How things would have been performed in Bach's day has become of more interest."

Bach is believed to have written the Goldberg Variations for his student Johann Gottlieb Goldberg to perform for a Dresden count. Goldberg was the count's private harpsichordist.

The piece, an aria published in 1741, explores a vast emotional

palette, from explosive joy to deep contemplation, and illustrates a wide variety of musical styles.

"I think with Bach, just like with Mozart, there is something in it for everyone," said Billman. "And, for people who are just starting (with classical music), it is very accessible, very beautiful music."

Perahia's performance, which also features Bach's Four Chorale Preludes, is slated for 8

p.m. Feb. 16. Tickets are \$16-55.

The Bach series also includes:
■ Violinist Christian Tetzlaff performing Bach's solo violin work on Feb. 20.

■ Trevor Pinnock and The English Concert presenting Bach's complete Brandenburg Concertos and a 24-hour Bach marathon with additional concerts by the University of Michigan School of Music faculty on March 11.

■ The Michigan Chamber

Players performing Bach in a free concert on March 22.

■ A dance performance set to Bach's Musical Offering by the Trisha Brown Dance Company on April 12.

■ The UMS Choral Union and Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra presenting Bach's *St. Matthew Passion* on April 16.

For additional information about the University Musical Society's Bach series or to obtain tickets, call (734) 764-2538.

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said Stevens as if she's painted the young man dozens of times. "He had on a black hooded outfit, but I used a pale blue watercolor wash instead. Several people have commented that it's in keeping with my palette. I was trying to make it interesting, so I found a photo of Stonehenge."

Not for sale

If you're looking to buy a painting, you won't find one for sale here. Stevens never sells her works but saves them for competitions. The drawing, "What is the Point," represents a painting that's not in the show because it's touring for a year with a Michigan Water Color Society exhibit.

"Why do I compete? It's the

nod of approval from a well-qualified judge — and a dollar here and there helps defray the cost of framing."

Ever since she sold one of her first florals and missed it, Stevens decided she wanted to keep the paintings that require many hours of work. Stevens quips she feels the same way as a fellow artist.

"After one of my artist friends sold a work, she said she felt so bad that she wanted visitation rights."

If you have an interesting idea for a story, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.hometown.com

Looking beyond the slippery shine at the auto show

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It's not wise to lean against any car at this year's North American International Auto Show.

It's not because security is tight. Or because the cars are beyond reach.

It's the slippery shine. Leaning on a side panel can be like an unexpected trip down a steep hill on a freshly waxed snowboard.

And besides, it's not cool to think of a car as a mere prop, simply a means of transportation or a convenient resting spot.

This is Detroit. Crusin' isn't a sport, it's a way of life. Each car

is a fiefdom awaiting its king or queen, prince or princess.

Four-wheel aesthetics

In the capital where cars are manufactured, promoted and sold, the auto show is set on holy ground. A modern-day Mecca. The site whereby followers of industry trends make their annual pilgrimage to ogle at the upcoming year's styles, and futuristic models.

Beyond the rattling talk about "market segments," performance standards and advertising gobble, there's the aesthetics of show, which range from subtle to compelling to over-the-top.

"Each exhibit is an artistic expression for building loyalty

What: North American International Auto Show

Where: Cobo Center, downtown Detroit

Hours: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Saturday, Jan. 22; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23

Admission: \$10/general; \$5/seniors; free/12 years old and younger.

for the brand," said Robert Albitz, vice president of creative for George P. Johnson Co., which designed a dozen of the exhibits in the show.

The founder of the Auburn Hills company, George P. himself, worked for Henry Ford in designing the first auto show during the mid 1920s. If any company has been responsible for equating "dream car" with the American Way, it's the Johnson Co.

Each display, said Albitz of Lake Orion, is designed with marketing objectives and a "keep it simple" philosophy in mind.

A team of designers at Johnson examine how color, lighting and space all work together to focus attention on a car.

In some cases, the exhibits are sophisticated presentations straight from the sales showroom with interactive kiosks and videos presented on large LED screens.

Other times, the car exhibits create an attitude that goes way beyond a comfortable ride.

Completely blurred

George P. Johnson's exhibit of a Jeep Sport suspended perpendicular on a pile of rocks simply makes the point for those leading a rugged, sporty lifestyle.

Clearly, attitude.

"The lines between communication and art is completely blurred," said Albitz.

"Our clients expect customers to have a consistent 'brand experience.'"

From a design standpoint, it might be difficult to distinguish a brand when so many of the cars look alike.

Obviously, that's why ad agencies get paid the big bucks. Some of the "attitudes" are worth considering.

For instance, Jaguar blends lifestyle with engineering in their slogan, "The Art of Performance." By the way, a sporty Jag is available for \$55,000 in a color called anthracite, a.k.a. color of coal.

If that's not enough to induce dreaming, how about the piped in song, "At last my love has come along..." A bit much, perhaps.

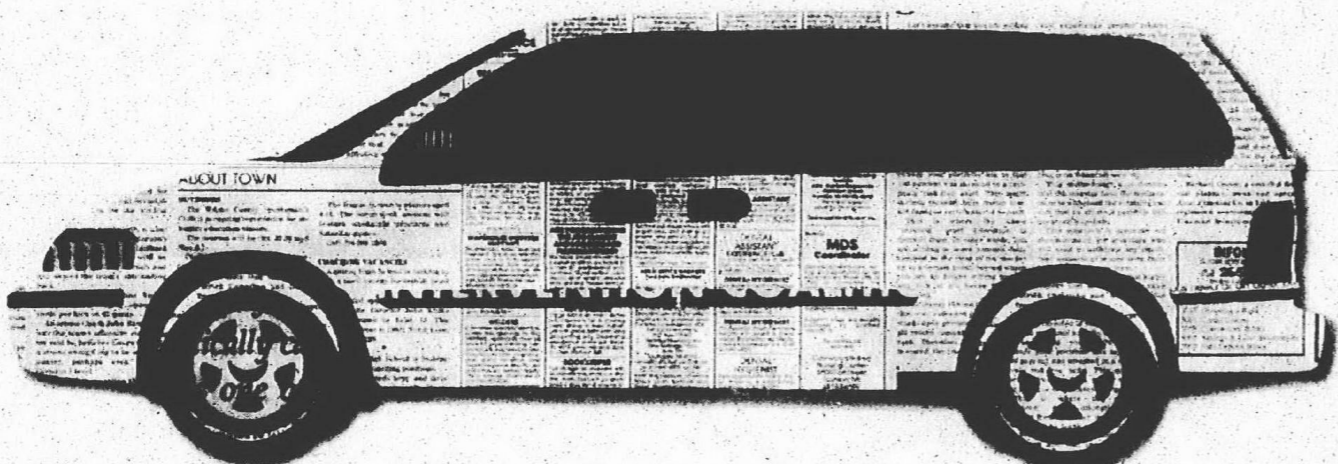
Then again, there was a crowd of about a dozen would-be buyers fantasizing about sitting behind the wheel of the Jag.

All in all, the BMW display is arguably the most compelling. A large screen above the exhibit shows rolling clouds and molten being poured in what unfolds as an animated painting. The message: "What Did You Experience Today?"

Going too far

The award for going too far

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AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

AVON PLAYERS
Auditions for "Moon Over Buffalo," 6:30 p.m. registration, 7 p.m. auditions, Sunday-Monday, Jan. 16-17; readings from script, at the playhouse on Washington Road at Tienken Road, 1/4 mile east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, (248) 651-7389.

BOHEMIANS MUSIC COMPETITION
Deadline for the third annual Solo Concerto Competition for orchestral instruments is April 1. Prizes are \$500-\$1500 and Wayne State University will match each prize with a scholarship should winners decide to further their musical education at WSU. High school and college students (between ages 16 and 22) throughout Michigan are eligible. Submit tape to Herbert Court, President, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills, 48331 or email for further info to CoufLinks@aol.com.

CALL FOR ARTISTS
The Livonia Arts Commission is looking for exhibitors for its 24th annual Juried Art Festival- Art in the Village Saturday-Sunday, June 10-11 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia. Deadline for entry is Friday, Feb. 11. For an application, call Livonia Community Resources department at (734) 466-2540.

CALL FOR ENTRIES
Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks applications from artists interested in exhibiting fine arts or crafts at the Juried Art & Apples Festival in Rochester Municipal Park. Applications must be received by March 1. Entry fee is \$25. To obtain an application form, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Art & Apples Festival, PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, (248) 651-4110.

CANTATA ACADEMY
Auditions for new members will be held on Sundays in January. The choir has appeared with every major orchestra in the Detroit area and has made biennial tours to Europe. Experienced singers are asked to call the organization's voice-mail at (248) 358-9868.

CLAYTON ACADEMY OF DANCE
January registration for ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, modern, hip hop, ballroom, stretch classes for ages 3 to adult. 5951 John R. Troy, (248) 828-4080.

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC
Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is holding auditions for the 1999-2000 season. Call Wendy Bernard at (734) 591-7649 for an appointment.

METROPOLITAN SINGERS
The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pops, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Birney Middle School vocal room, 27000 Evergreen Road, Southfield.

PARK PLAYERS
Opens auditions for all roles in the spring production of the "Wizard of Oz." Auditions for teens and adults are 7 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 20 and 1 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 23 for children. North Rosedale Park Community House (18445 Scarsdale, Detroit, (313) 538-2336 or (313) 592-4817 or (313) 835-1103.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR
Auditions for new members by appointment. This year's repertoire includes music by Bach, Mozart, Brahms and Rachmaninoff. For information call (248) 349-8175. To schedule an audition call Mark Perrine at (313) 937-0975.

VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA
Classes in oil, watercolor, mixed media, portraits and figurative drawing at Jefferson Center, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia, (734) 455-9517.

CLASSES

ART CLASSES
D & M studios offers fine art classes for preschooler through adult. Classes held at three locations: 8691 N. Lilley Road, Canton, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, 525 Farmer, Plymouth, (734) 453-3710.

BELLY DANCING
Classes begin 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 for seven weeks at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 Ten Mile Road, Oak Park, (248) 967-4030.

CENTER FOR CREATIVE STUDIES
Classes for the winter 2000 term begin the week of Jan. 22 at the CCS campus in Detroit, at the Civic Center in Novi and at the Creative Arts Center in Pontiac. For information call (313) 664-7456.

DETROIT BALLET
Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap, and jazz. Adult beginners welcome. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road, (248) 474-3174.

DRAWING & PAINTING
Classes taught by Karen Halpern - watercolor painting through March 22; drawing, Mondays through March 20; oil and acrylic through March 24. West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation, 4640 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 738-2500.

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older, 1541 W. Hamlin



Resourceful: Ceramic artists investigate the form of teapots in "International Infusion," which opens Saturday and runs through Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Sybaris Gallery, 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak. Louis Marak's "Helping Hands" (above) is featured in the show. Call (248) 544-3388 for more information.

Road, between Crooks and Livornois, roads, Rochester Hills, (248) 852-5850.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
Adult art classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9 a.m. to noon. Woodcarving classes take place Monday-Friday at 9 a.m. 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park, (248) 967-4030.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES
Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield, (248) 932-8699.

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Introduction to Belly Dance for all ages and skill level. Classes meet weekly. 32832 Merritt Drive, Westland, (734) 422-1246.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES
Seven week classes beginning 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 at the Jewish Community Center, Oak Park, 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park, (248) 967-4030.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Classes and workshops for all ages at the center, 774 N. Sheldon Road. Live model session 9:30 a.m.-noon, every third Tuesday of the month, (734) 416-4278.

VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA
Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting; workshops in batik and watercolor monotypes, at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia, (734) 455-9517.

CONCERTS

BIRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND
Performs with the Farmington Community Band at 3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 23 at Groves High School Auditorium 20500 W. 13 Mile Rd., Birmingham.

BORDERS' CONCERT
Fingerstyle Acoustic Guitar by Brian Henke at 8 p.m., Friday, Jan. 21 at Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills, Call (248) 737-0110.

BROWN BAG CONCERT
"SC Strings" with Sarah Cleveland and Sasha Margolis at noon on Thursday, Jan. 20 at the Information Technology Auditorium, on the west side of the County Campus in Waterford. Call (248) 858-0415.

THE CASSIDYS
The Dublin group with championship dancer will perform at 3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 16 at Athens High School, John R. at Wattles, Troy. For information call (810) 979-8406.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS
3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, "Fancies and More" at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 362-9329.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, featuring performances by baritone Simon Estes and several Detroit church choirs, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Tickets: \$10-\$30. Call (313) 576-5111.

KIRK IN THE HILLS
Organ recital presented by Glenn Miller at 4 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 23 at 1340 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 626-2515.

LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Performs "Hello New Millennium" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 22 at the James P. Carli Auditorium, Churchill High School located at Newburgh and Joy Roads in Livonia. Call (734) 464-

2741.
PETER SOAVE QUINTET
Tango music with ganderone and strings at 3 p.m. on Sunday Jan. 23 at the Drayton Ave Presbyterian Church, 2441 Pinecrest, Ferndale, Call (248) 546-2503.

PONTIAC OAKLAND SYMPHONY
Celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, featuring guest vocalist Betty Lane, at noon, Jan. 17; and "In the Spirit of Martin Luther King Jr." at 3 p.m. on Jan. 22 at Pontiac Central High School, 300 W. Huron St., Pontiac, Call (248) 334-6024.

PRELUDES
Hear the newest member of the DSO's violin section, Greg Staples, at noon, Friday, Jan. 21 at Glen Oaks Country Club, 30500 Thirteen Mile, Farmington Hills, (313) 576-5154.

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY
Take 6 a cappella group performs 8 p.m., Monday, Jan. 17 and celtic Yo-Yo Ma performs at 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor. American String Quartet performs Beethoven at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 East Washington Street, Ann Arbor. Russian National Orchestra performs 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor, 1-800-221-1229.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HARLAN HATCHER LIBRARY
Through Jan. 29 - "From Papyrus to King James: The Evolution of the English Bible," 412 Maynard, Ann Arbor, (734) 764-9377.

FOR KIDS

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE
Songs and puppets with Rita Kirsch for ten weeks, Mondays, beginning Jan. 24. For ages birth to 4 years with a parent, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832.

CREATIVE MUSIC CENTER
Various Kindermusik classes for new-born to 7 years now through April 22. Enroll anytime. Classes held at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial, Plymouth, (734) 354-9109.

KINDERMUSIK
For children 18 months through 3 years. Weekly classes of singing, dancing and playing musical instruments. Classes are Saturdays 10:10-10:30 a.m. and 11:11-11:45 for ages 3 1/2-5. The Winter term began Saturday, Jan. 15 at Marygrove College, 8425 West McNichols, Detroit, (313) 927-1253.

WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION
Rita's songs and puppets for ages birth to 4 years. A 10-week class on Wednesday and Thursday beginning Jan. 26 and 27. Classes are at the Sports Club, Farmington Road, West Bloomfield. Register at (248) 539-2290.

LECTURE

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
The Sunday Brunch & Science Lecture Series presents Thirty Years of Earth Surfaces: The Earth-Inspired Art of Irving Zane Taran, 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 16. Reservations required at (248) 645-3210, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, 1-800-GO-CRANBROOK.

MICH ORIENTAL ART SOCIETY
A lecture by Susan Erickson, entitled "Collecting Art in China: Berthold Laufer's Expeditions," 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, Troy Library, Big Beaver at I-75, Troy, (248) 398-7696.

LITERARY

THE WRITER'S VOICE
Reading by NYC fiction writer Fielding Dawson with Detroit novelist Christopher Leland, 7:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 21 at The Scarab Club, 217 E. Farnsworth, Detroit, (313) 267-5310

ext. 338.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through March 26 - Joseph Grigely: Mexican folk art. Through March 26 - Publications and Publication Projects, 1994-1999. Deal since age 10. Grigely's work explores social interactions and the nuances of language. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, 1-800-GO-CRANBROOK.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Through Feb. 13 - Alejandro Garcia Nelo: Papel Picado, a traditional Mexican folk art. Through March 26 - Robert Frank: The Americans. Through May 31 - "Glass, Glass, Glass: From the DIA's Collection." Through Feb. 13 - "The Painted Arch: Idealizing the Gothic Age." 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit (313) 833-7900.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY
Through April 2 - Personal Favorites: Fine Prints from the Collection of Carl F. Barnes Jr. and Anna M. Barnes, 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester, (248) 370-3005.

TROY MUSEUM
Through March 30 - "Going West: Michigan Cavalry in Indian Wars," 60 Wattles, Troy, (248) 524-3570.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HARLAN HATCHER LIBRARY
Through Jan. 29 - "From Papyrus to King James: The Evolution of the English Bible," 412 Maynard, Ann Arbor, (734) 764-9377.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

A.C.T. GALLERY
Opens Friday, Jan. 21 - Anne Fracassa Gordon Price, Shelly Richmond and Mark Schwing through Feb. 18 at 35 East Grand River, Detroit, (313) 961-4336.

CARIBBEAN COLORS
Opens Friday, Jan. 21 - Hawaiian



Masterful: Pianist Flavio Varani of Birmingham will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Varani also teaches at Oakland University. Call (313) 882-5330 for ticket information.

Dreams," a watercolor exhibit by Julie Marionette Wistinghausen through Feb. 12, at 2966 Biddle Ave, Suite 101, Wyandotte in the Wyandotte Art Lofts. **THE GALLERY AT MARYGROVE COLLEGE**
Opens Sunday, Jan. 23 - "Dreams, Reflection & Space," painting and sculpture by Rick Vian and John Piet, through Feb. 23, 8425 W. McNichols at Wyandotte, Detroit, (313) 927-1336.

ARTIST RECEPTION
A public reception will be held for 1992 Farmington artist-in-residence Evantheia Samra 6:30-7:30 Monday, Jan. 24, at Farmington Hills City Hall. Her paintings will be on display at Farmington and Farmington Hills City Hall, (248) 473-1856.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY
Opens Friday, Jan. 21 - "In Focus," a photography exhibit through Feb. 28, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac, (248) 858-0415.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Opens Friday, Jan. 21 - "Views from the Landscape," through Feb. 19, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, (248) 651-4110.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY
"Minotaur & Models: Important Intaglio Prints From Pablo Picasso's La Suite Vollard" through Feb. 26, 163 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 433-3702.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER GALLERY
"Collective Memories," work of artists Linda Soberman and Jennifer Martin through Feb. 19 at 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 994-8004.

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOKSTORE
Through Feb. 5 - Marj Silk: The New Millennium, 2800 S. Rochester, Rochester Hills, (248) 544-1203.

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY
Through Feb. 14 - Diversity: Focus on India, U of M Dearborn campus, Mardian Library, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn, (313) 593-0588.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER
Through Jan. 28 - Exhibition 2000: BBAC Faculty, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866.

CASS CAFE
An exhibition of photography by Millard Berry, Ralph Rinaldi and Bill Waters, 4620 Cass Ave., Detroit, (313) 831-1400.

JEFFREY CLAY GALLERY
The Justers of Paul Kallrich, 404 East 4th Street, Royal Oak, (248) 584-2223.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY
Graduate Works in Progress exhibition, 28 5400 Guilan Mall, Wayne State University, Detroit, (313) 577-2423.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER
Through Feb. 14 - Candace Compton-Pappas and Stephen Coyne, Through Feb. 5 - Visions of Peace and Evolution in the New Millennium, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac, (248) 333-7849.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY
Through Jan. 27 - The Mountain of the Lord: Scale Models of Jerusalem Temples, 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield, (248) 661-7641.

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY
Through Feb. 4 - Misbehaving! Works from the studio of Sandy Skoglund, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit, (313) 993-7813.

HABATAT GALLERIES
Through Jan. 29 - Works by various artists, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac, (248) 333-2060.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY
Through Jan. 22 - New paintings by Robert Wilbert, and jewelry by Darcy Miro, 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham, (248) 642-8250.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY
Through Feb. 26 - Minotaur & Models

Important Intaglio Prints from Pablo Picasso's La Suite Vollard, 163 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 433-3700.

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"Personal Favorites: Fine Prints From The Collection of Carl F. Barnes Jr. and Anna M. Barnes" at Oakland University, 307 Wilson Hall, Rochester, (248) 370-3005.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION
Through Jan. 28 - Mixed media of Norma McQueen, Through Jan. 31 - Watercolor portraits of Toni Stevens, Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia, (734) 466-2490. Up the Livonia City Hall Lobby, Schoolcraft College student artwork through Jan. 31, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, (734) 466-2540.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY
Through Jan. 17 - Views and Visions, an exhibit of the Milford Village Fine Arts Association, 12 North Telegraph, Pontiac, (248) 858-0415.

PEWABIC POTTERY
Through Feb. 26 - "Yixing 2K," featuring more than 70 pieces of Chinese Yixing Teaware, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit, (313) 822-0954.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Through Jan. 26 - "Spirit Earth," recent watercolors of Todd Marsee, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, (734) 416-4ART.

JEAN PAUL SLUSSER GALLERY
Through Jan. 28 - Richard Mock, Mock of the Times, University of Michigan School of Art & Design, 2000 Bonisteel Blvd., Ann Arbor, (734) 764-0397.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
Through Jan. 28 - Images of Lost Spirituality with Southfield artist Charlene Jeter, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield, (248) 424-9022.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Through Jan. 31 - Visions from the Lens of My Soul: The Photography of Equilla Slaughter, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield, (248) 948-0470.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY
Through Feb. 5 - Bev Walker, The Light Beyond, 215 East Washington Street, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-2287.

VOLUNTEERS

ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB
Looking for artists such as animators or comedians who would like to be featured on cable. For more information, contact Jane Dabish, president, P.O. Box 251651, West Bloomfield, Mich. 48326-1651, (248) 626-2285.

CRANBROOK
Docent training begins at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 24 with a presentation about Cranbrook and its storied history. Training continues through March 27 with lectures by various Cranbrook experts, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. For information about docents, call Joeline Magoto at (248) 645-3314 or Rob Saarnio at (248) 645-3733.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Gallery Service volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training sessions at the DIA, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 833-4247.

FAR CONSERVATORY
Needs volunteers to assist with leisure, creative and therapeutic arts programs for infants through adults with disabilities, weekdays, evenings, Saturdays, (248) 646-3347.

LIVONIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Greenmead Historical Village seeks volunteers to assist in school tours, Sunday tours, special events, special projects and gardening. The village, at Eight Mile and Newburgh roads in Livonia, is open in October and December, (734) 477-7375.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND
Seeks volunteers to help with member forming activities. Contact MCBB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, (248) 349-0376 or <http://www.mccb.org>.

THEATER

JET THEATRE
"Prisoner of Second Avenue," show dates, Jan. 19-23, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday and Wednesday, in the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level of Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road at Drake, West Bloomfield, \$15-\$25, (248) 788-2900.

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE
"Dangerous Obsession," continues to Sunday, Jan. 30, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester, \$24-\$35, (248) 377-3300.

ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE GUILD OF CRANBROOK
"The Foreigner," a comedy by Larry Shue, Jan. 21-22 at 8 p.m., Jan. 23 at 2 p.m., and Jan. 27-29 at 8 p.m. at 400 Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills, \$10-12, (248) 644-0527.

VILLAGE PLAYERS
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STUART LITTLE (G)
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ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Livonia Arts Commission is looking for exhibitors for its 24th annual Juried Art Festival—Art in the Village Saturday-Sunday, June 10-11 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia.

Deadline for entry is Friday, Feb. 11. For an application, call Livonia Community Resources department at (734) 466-2540.

■ Canton Township is also seeking artists for its ninth annual Fine Art and Fine Craft Show at Liberty Fest June 24-25 in Heritage Park.

Deadline for application is April 15. Call (734) 453-3710.

In addition, any art student in middle or high school in the Ply-

mouth Canton Schools can display and sell their wares in a student booth for free.

THEATER AUDITIONS

Schoolcraft College is holding auditions for Abe Burrow's comedy "Cactus Flower" 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Jan. 25-26 in the Liberal Arts Building Theater on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

The performances will take place Fridays-Saturdays, March 24-25, March 31-April 1, and April 7-8.

For more information on the auditions or to purchase tickets, call (734) 462-4596.

CULTURE OF INDIA

An eight-week continuing education class on the culture of India begins Tuesday, Jan. 25 at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

The cost is \$60. For more information, call (734) 462-4448.

The class presents a comprehensive look at the history and culture of this fascinating and complex country. It is an excellent preparation for the Arts of India Conference May 12-13 or for persons planning to travel to India or who have business dealings with Indian firms.

The May conference will feature dancing, lectures, food, workshops, recitations from literature, and vendors selling Indian goods and foods. Scholars and artists from across the country will be presenters.

RISING STAR SINGERS

The youth chorus is seeking a few additional members. Auditions for ages 8-16 will be held 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25.

The chorus involves choreography and movement, and uses all talents of participants including dance and instruments. Prac-

tices are 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays through August.

For information, call the Plymouth Community Arts Council at (734) 416-4278 or Norma Atwood at (734) 354-9825.

PORTRAITURE ART

Lin Baum will teach art classes 1-4 p.m. Thursdays beginning Feb. 3 for four weeks at The Art Gallery/Studio, 29948 Ford Road, Garden City.

There is a choice of mediums with individual instruction. To register or for more information, call Norma McQueen at (734) 261-0379 or the gallery at (734) 513-4044.

ART LECTURE

The Ann Arbor Women Painters presents Eastern Michigan University professor Richard Rubinfeld 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17 at Unitarian Universalist Church, 4001 Ann Arbor Saline Road.

Rubinfeld will discuss what makes a good artist statement. Artists should bring a copy of their existing artist statement. The public is welcome. Call (734) 995-1795.

VOCAL COMPETITION

The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan is looking for entrants for its sixth annual Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan High School Students.

Held in cooperation with the Italian American Cultural Society, the competition aims to encourage and help develop young amateur vocal talent and promote an appreciation for Italian music and the Italian language. The finalists will be selected from cassette audiotape auditions of each contestants singing submitted through their respective high schools. The deadline for entry is Saturday, Feb. 19.

Each of the 10 finalists receive a cash prize ranging from \$50 to

\$1,000 in addition to the opportunity to perform before a live audience at a concert 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Italian-American Cultural Center in Warren.

For additional information, call Verdi Opera Theatre president John Zaretti at (734) 455-8895.

ART CLASSES

Center for Creative Studies begins its Continuing and Community Education classes Saturday, Jan. 22 at the Detroit campus, Novi and the Creative Arts Center in Pontiac.

The courses are designed for people of all ages and abilities and include drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics, glassblowing, photography, illustration, digital art, image making and page layout, and portfolio preparation.

For a schedule of classes or more information, call (313) 664-7456.

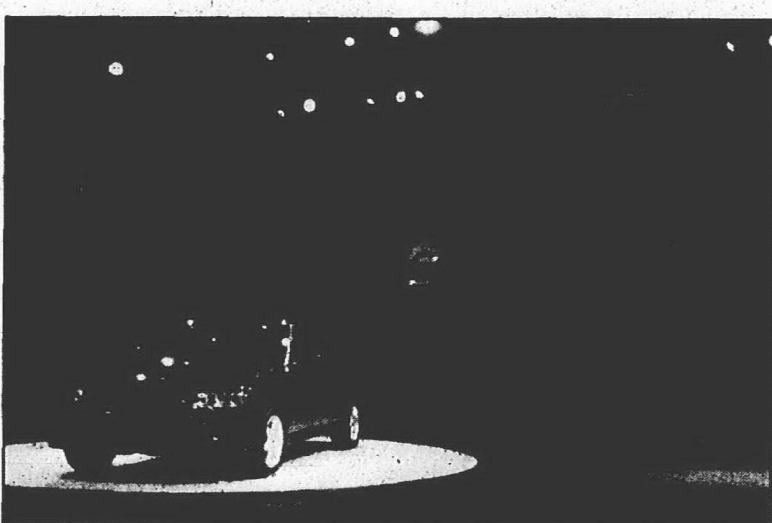
Auto from page C2

goes to Volvo for its display. "Volvo for Life." That's right. Forget about mpg, safety and cost. Volvo promises to transform your life.

Their display is brightly lit, and the newest car models are set on a light hardwood floor. Written upon the glass backdrop are the words, fun, family, caring and excitement.

A film shown on a large screen in the middle of the exhibit shows a family from the 1950s awakening to the conveniences of the 21st century, including, of course, a ride in the new Volvo V70.

The image of a deliriously happy family driving along abandoned highways apparently captures the meaning of fun, family, caring and excitement. Perhaps someone should've asked what road they were traveling on.



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New perspective: George P. Johnson's display for Nissan offers an entirely different view of a car.

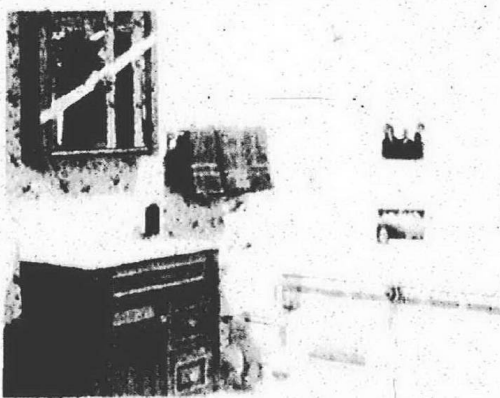
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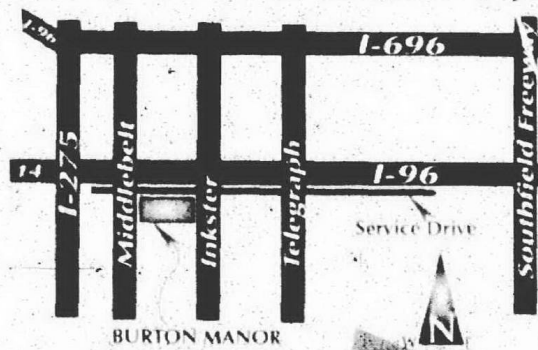
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Don't ignore a focal point, the eyebrows

DISCOVERING BEAUTY



MARY ANNE TOCCALINO

Every woman likes her eyebrows to look as natural as possible. But that isn't a license to forget them. They are the eye's natural frame and too important to neglect.

Balance is the key attribute that well-shaped eyebrows give your face. In fact, eyebrows are guidelines for make-up placement. And, because of that, you need to make sure their shape is correct before embarking on any make-up corrections.

The length and arch of your brow will not only help you to determine placement and shading of your eye make-up, but also subtly influence the way your nose is perceived.

For example, you can't extend eye make-up dramatically with a short or pale brow. Also, properly shaped eyebrows will open up the center of your face, softening a prominent nose or strengthening a small one. And, there is nothing more distracting than an eyebrow that ends before the rest of your eye does.

To obtain your own perfect eyebrow, first study the architecture of your face.

Each brow should follow the natural curve your eye, eye lid and nose line. It should plunge almost into the nose line, never stopping short of it.

Guidelines

Feel along your brow bone to the point where it begins to curve into the bridge of the nose. The, draw a line straight up from the inside corner of your eye to this point. Here is where your brow should begin.

Next, hold an orange stick on a diagonal from the side of your nostril to the outside corner of your eye. The arc of the stick from the outside corner of the eyebrow will define the maximum length for your eyebrow without makeup. If you enlarge your eyes with shadows, pencils or color you must always extend the line of your brow, as well.

You can correct the shape of brows that don't follow this natural line by penciling in the ideal shape. Do so with a very obvious outline and remove any hairs that fall outside the line, tweezing in the direction they grow.

Professional assistance

When brows need more extensive shaping, you may want to have them professionally waxed. That way, you are removing the hair from the root without any hair breakage below the skin surface, the cause of in-grown hairs.

Waxing also allows you to remove fine hairs that typically interfere with eye shadow placement. And, by having your eyebrows professionally done, you will avoid over-tweezing, which destroys the natural arch.

I recommend waxing the brow area about every four to six weeks. You can keep the brows neat in between waxing sessions with a tool called Touch-n-Brow, which is sold at most professional salons that offer waxing services.

Adding color and definition

Along with grooming, you may need to add penciled or powdered fill-ins to give depth to your eyebrows. Furthermore, over time our brows tend to thin, so need the help of added color for definition.

Believe it or not, you'll achieve a much more natural brow line, if you use a combination of two colors. You can use different combinations, depending on your hair color, such as blond and brown to stroke in tiny lines.

Never draw a horizontal line. And, remember to keep your strokes on the diagonal, going in the direction in which the hairs actually grow.

Whether you're wearing full make-up to go out for the evening or just running errands bare-faced, your eyebrows are a focal point of your face. So, give them the care they deserve and keep them in proper shape.

Please send your beauty questions to Mary Anne: c/o Toccalino Cosmetic Studio, 470 N. Old Woodward, Suite 200, Birmingham, Mich. 48009. Or, call (248) 203-9477. Toccalino is a professional make-up artist and skin care consultant at RED The Salon in downtown Birmingham. The owner and founder of Toccalino Cosmetics, she studied at Joe Blasco's School of Cosmetics in Hollywood where her training included work in special effects and make-up for film and print.



Busy: A Haberman Fabrics staff member helps a customer with a tough project at last year's Super Bowl 'Football Widows' sewing retreat, held annually on Super Bowl Sunday at the store as an alternative to watching football, attending parties or doing nothing at all.

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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For many of us, nothing could be worse than a heavy-duty, media-hyped, all-day sports event like Super Bowl Sunday.

Even worse, you have nothing better to do; you'll have to put on a grin and join in the hoopla.

But you might not have to acquiesce come Jan. 30, Super Bowl Sunday for the year 2000. The folks at Haberman Fabrics sewing and fabrics store in Royal Oak have an alternative activity planned for anyone who isn't football-friendly.

The 40-year-old store, located at 117 W. Fourth Street, is hosting a Super Bowl sewing and socializing event complete with demonstrations, quick project ideas, a problem-solving clinic, refreshments, conversation and prizes. Donations for the event, which is slated noon-5 p.m., benefits HAVEN services for victims of domestic violence.

"Women need to have an alternative activity on Super Bowl Sunday," said store owner Toby Haberman. "It's hyped to such a degree, and many of us aren't into football. And, even those who are might like to have something to do with our hands," said

Haberman, a resident of Birmingham.

While the annual event, dubbed the "Football Widows" sewing retreat, seeks to help those who feel estranged on Super Bowl Sunday have a bit of fun, the sewing group doesn't entirely shun the sport.

In addition to sewing and socializing, participants can take a few swings at a football piñata filled with sewing notions, shop talk for the tools of the trade.

"It's like an old-fashioned sewing bee," said Lucky Wedigen, an assistant manager at Haberman Fabrics who will guide retreat participants through an easy pattern for making ponchos.

Other demonstrations slated for the event include making embellished jeans and using new sewing notions to save time and effort.

While many of the store's regular customers use the retreat to ask questions and obtain help with difficult sewing projects, the event caters to all sewing levels.

And, yes, beginners and men are encouraged to attend.

Yes, we're resurrecting an old female tradition, the sewing bee, said Haberman. But, since we're doing it on Super Bowl Sunday, "it's really a new a tradition," she said.

Details, details: Two sewers work out the details of a pattern during Haberman Fabrics' Super Bowl sewing retreat in 1999.



Super Bowl blues

An old tradition, the sewing bee, becomes a new one on a day many dread



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

Fun: Toby Haberman, of Birmingham, plays around with the football piñata that will be cracked open at her store's Super Bowl sewing retreat.

Super Bowl Sunday sewing retreat

What: Sewing problem-solving clinic, demonstrations, time to work on projects and socializing with refreshments

When: Noon-5 p.m.

Where: Haberman Fabrics, 117 W. Fourth Street in downtown Royal Oak

Cost: \$5 donation to benefit HAVEN

Contact: (248) 541-0010

Please call ahead to make a reservation.

Shoe stores shoot to offer almost endless selection

Is it possible to own too many shoes?

That's why southeast Michigan shoppers will surely welcome two more privately-owned shoe stores to the area.

Ruby's Shoe Warehouse and Patti J's, located at Greenfield and Lincoln roads in Southfield, recently opened and are anxious to assist area shoppers with their shoe wear needs.

The two stores, which sit side-by-side, were opened by the family that previously operated the shoe

departments inside Crowley's Department stores.

The family has 78 years experience serving shoe customers and working in the niche apparel industry.

Selection and name brands at discount prices will be the focus of the new stores. The goal is to have a "seemingly endless selection of women's shoes and accessories," according Chris Herrick, the stores' director of marketing.

Ruby's Shoe Warehouse also will carry a strong inventory of hats, bags and wigs, in addition to shoes

by makers like Aerosole, Moda Spana and Stephani.

In contrast, Patti J's will aim to carry more larger-size shoes than any other retailer in the metropolitan Detroit area.

Ruby's Shoe Warehouse and Patti J's are open 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday and noon-6 p.m. on Sunday. To contact Ruby's, call (248) 552-7275. Patti J's phone number is (248) 552-7320.

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.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

TOY COLLECTIBLES SHOW
New, used, antique and collectible toys are offered for purchase at Plymouth's Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children under age 12. For additional information, call (734) 455-2110.

CLINIQUE GIFT EVENT
Clinique offers a gift with a cosmetics or fragrance purchase of \$25 or more through Jan. 29 at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, Cosmetics & Fragrances department, first floor.

SEWAPPELLE TRUNK SHOW
Retailers at Wonderland Mall in Livonia mark down their merchandise for an indoor sidewalk sale through Jan. 17, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Sunday and 10

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

a.m.-9 p.m. on Monday.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

CHILDREN'S MUSIC PROGRAM
Ann Arbor folk musician Lisa Hunter presents an musical ecology awareness program for kids at Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills, 7 p.m. For more information, call (248) 737-0110.

CHANEL TRUNK SHOW
View Chanel's accessories and ready-to-wear collection for spring through Jan. 19 at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Couture, third floor.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

SANSAPPELLE TRUNK SHOW
Roz & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, hosts a trunk show of Sansappelle's silk

and wool crepe designs through Jan. 22, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday. Also, meet store owner Ina Sherman. For information, call (248) 855-8877.

CAMBIO TRUNK SHOW
Fibres, 270 W. Maple in downtown Birmingham, hosts a trunk show of Cambio jeans through Jan. 22, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

BRIDAL TRUNK SHOW
Alvin's Bride, 249 Pierce Street in downtown Birmingham, hosts bridal designer Anne Barge and her collection through Jan. 22, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. on Thursday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Appointments are necessary. Call (248) 644-7200.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

COUNTRY LINE DANCING
Wonderland Mall in Livonia presents country line dancing with lessons as part of their Dine and Dance series, 5-9 p.m., Food Court. For additional information, call (734) 522-4100.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. 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. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store, we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

WHAT WE FOUND:

- Counterpart petite pants can be bought at Hudson's, Summit Place in Waterford.
- Black typewriter ribbon can be purchased at Audette's in Dearborn, (313) 565-4611.
- The wind-up alarm clock (not Big Ben style) can be bought at Mervyn's in Westland, the Warner Brothers store, Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn, or the Gibraltar Trade Center.
- Hostess Chocolate Chip Twinkies also can be purchased at the Mobil gas station at Grand River and Drake roads.
- Hai Karate men's cologne can be bought at the Meijer in Westland.
- Canoe cologne for men can be bought at Richardson's Drug Store on Lilly and Ford roads.
- Frozen breaded okra can be purchased at Bueche Food World in Ortonville, (248) 627-4961.
- Riesling Late Harvest vinegar can be purchased at Crate & Barrel, the Somerset Collection in Troy, and through Dean & DeLuca Market Place, (877) 826-9246 or atyourservice@deanand-deluca.com

FIND A SEARCH NOTES:

- We found the following items: one Millennium Santa Bear, one carousel slide projector and one 78/LP record player.
- Two readers were interested in the 8 mm viewing machine.
- Greetings and Christmas cards (front part only) can be sent to: St. Jude's Children's Ranch, 100 St. Jude's Street, Dept. EMIB, Boulder City, Nevada 39006-0100. They also take Campbell soup labels.
- The store that repairs Apple computers is Sy Draft Inc. on Evergreen in Lathrup Village, (248) 443-6800.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- The game Pirates and Travelers by Milton Bradley.
- A store that sells a Gerrard turn-table needle for Joyce.
- A store that sells Christmas tree lights that look like candles and have gold liquid inside for Lynn.
- A 1967 Mumford High School yearbook and Murphy Kitchen Care cleaner for Ruth of Bloomfield Hills.
- A store where a 32-ounce jar of chopped garlic made by the Christopher Ranch company can be purchased for Anita of Beverly Hills.
- Atlantis Infinity 2 series luggage in a brocade/tapestry pattern (purse/cosmetic style) for Gordon of Plymouth.
- A store that sells a 1998 charity Christmas CD released by 98.7 FM radio called Smooth Jazz #2 for Chris of Oxford.
- Mikasa Homespun stoneware in "Almond Blossom" (#JL803) for Helen, who lives in Westland.
- A store where a portable, over-the-shoulder, AM/FM radio

can be bought.

- A "Bone Fone" for Jason, a resident of Livonia.
- A store where a wicker bassinet on wheels and a wooden port-a-crib that converts into a playpen can be purchased for Katherine.
- The Cooperstown figurine collection (#8609, 1948 Cleveland Indians) by FLAMBRO for Karen of Westland.
- A store that sells Charles of the Ritz Complete Cover-up make-up in "Natural Cameo" for Loretta of West Bloomfield.
- Instructions for Vogue pattern #1312 (Santa, wreaths and ornaments) for Bonnie of Farmington Hills.
- The address or telephone number of the Brownstone Studio Fashion bridal apparel catalog and a store that sells 4711

cologne for Mrs. G., who lives in Bloomfield Hills.

- "Incredible Machines III" software by Sierra for Ed of Troy.
- An older model Miss Piggy wrist watch for Myra.
- A store that sells a clip-on light for reading sheet music on a stand for a spinet piano for Joan.
- A store where a Farberware electric potato peeler can be purchased for Janet of Livonia.
- A tape cassette of the soundtrack for "A Perfect World" for Shirley of Shelby Township.
- A store that sells Glemby's Hair products for Mrs. Parrish.

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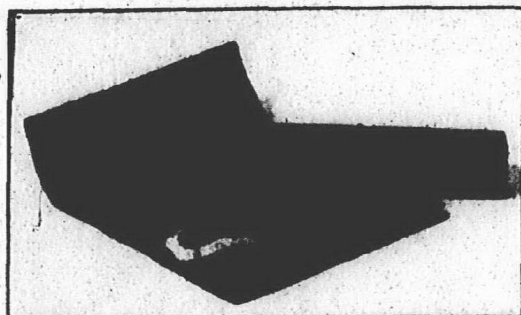


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Technical pack: Go high-tech with a metal and fabric backpack by Bobbee, available in a variety of colors, \$255 at Saks Fifth Avenue.



Comeback: Available again after 25 years, Robert Piguet's Bandit was the first "chypre" or grain fragrance for women and combines leather, wood, spice and floral scents, collection runs \$25-160 at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy.



Luxury and safety: Protect jewelry and other precious possessions from damage in a luscious, leather jewelry roll in chestnut brown or black, \$195 at Ghurka, the Somerset Collection in Troy.

TRAVEL

Living well at Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires

By JUDITH DONER BERNE
SPECIAL WRITER

At Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires, which stands midway between New York City and Boston, it's exotic to be from the Midwest.

"You came all the way from Detroit?" is the standard response of its East Coast, heavily New York clientele. They are incredulous when you tell them that by taking the 7:05 a.m. flight to Albany, you can be at "the Ranch" in time to make an 11 a.m. aerobics class, have lunch, and join an afternoon bike ride.

In fact, once Canyon Ranch opened in Lenox, Mass., in 1989, I never returned to the original Canyon Ranch in Tucson, Ariz. I look forward to spending several days each year at its accessible, elegant sister spa, named the best in the world by the readers of Conde Nast Traveler magazine.

Part of its allure is the setting — the former Bellefontaine (beautiful fountain) Mansion — built in 1897 as a replica of Louis XVI's Petit Trianon in Versailles, France. As the summer home of New York millionaire Giraud Foster, it was known for its fountains and statuary. Unfortunately, the statuary was reportedly plowed under as pagan symbols by the religious order that bought the property at auction in 1946. And a fire gutted the main building two years later, with just the library surviving.

The mansion and gardens have been painstakingly restored, new fountains installed, and the integrity of the original architecture maintained even as a spa and facilities to house and feed 300 guests were added. It definitely retains a sense of its past grandeur.

I've experienced Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires every season except summer. Winter is my favorite.

Picture relaxing in a hot tub in a luxurious glassed-in marble



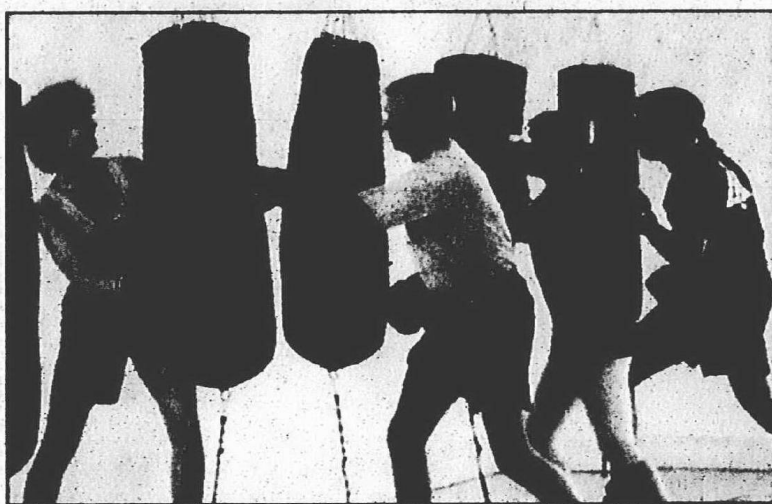
spa looking out at the snow-covered Berkshire Mountains. Picture pole-walking along the snow-cruised paths surrounding the storied mansion. Picture evenings before a roaring fire, in the mansion's original library or snuggled up in your own well-appointed room.

The atmosphere is eastern and elegant, but don't get me wrong — people still sweat and wear sweats. Everyone works out at his own level — and workout clothes are suitable, even at dinner, unless you choose to "dress up" in pants or jeans and a sweater.

I found that four days and three nights add up to a perfect ranch stay. It's long enough to make a difference in your attitude and fitness, but not so long that you can't keep up the pace you've set for yourself.

The idea is to nurture your spirit as well as your body. Included in your package are two services such as a shiatsu massage and an herbal body wrap, and a health-and-healing session. This is your opportunity to try acupuncture or bio-feedback, have your bone density tested or consult with a nutrition specialist.

In fact, I've experienced a



Indoor exercise: The action — and sweat — are just as real inside.

number of firsts at Canyon Ranch. I tried spinning, tai boxing and double step there, well ahead of when metro Detroit's gyms and sports clubs offered them.

Each day begins with a dilemma — should you get up to take one of the early morning walks. In winter, it's particularly daunting since it's both cold and dark. These are not ambling, leisurely kinds of walks, these

Outdoor exercise: If you like the snow, Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires offers cross country skiing to firm you, trim you and let your mind relax.

cool down by stretching on the verandah overlooking the surrounding pastures, forests and mountains.

Then it's into the elegant dining room, where you can choose from a wide assortment of morning foods. I'm not a breakfast eater, but I can't resist the fresh fruit and warm muffins that you help yourself to — marked with the calories and fat grams contained. Each day also features a breakfast special such as banana bread French toast (385 calories, 7 fat grams), maple walnut crusted oatmeal (365 calories, 8 fat grams) or vegetable and cheese frittata (85 calories, 3 fat grams).

Meals are, as you might guess, a highlight. The food is sophisticated, healthful and delicious. It's included in your package, so you can have as much or as little as you want. Of course, many people come to drop a couple of pounds. It's not that hard when you can choose a grilled portobello sandwich with peppers and Wasabi mayonnaise (315 calories and 5 fat grams) for lunch or chicken satay with spicy peanut sauce (290 calories and 5 fat grams) for dinner.

When I first began going to the Tucson ranch, alcohol, caffeine and substitute sugar products (including my beloved Diet Coke) were banned. When the Lenox ranch opened, as the story goes, the clientele didn't put up with that. So now you can ask for — and get — caffeinated teas and coffee, and substitutes for sugar. However alcohol is not served — nor Diet Coke! And don't even think about smoking.

In winter, or on rainy days in other seasons, you can spend fully satisfactory days without going outside. Climate-controlled, glass-enclosed walkways connect all facilities. You can take a wide variety of aerobics, weight, conditioning, stretch and yoga classes. A gym to die for, glassed-in swimming pool, indoor tennis and volleyball

courts, and indoor track (although they don't encourage running) are other diversions. And of course the spa offers sauna, steam, whirl pools and an icy dip pool — and as often as not a glimpse of Mary Tyler Moore, Joanne Woodward or Calista Flockhart waiting in their white terry robes for a massage.

For me, the most exciting part of Canyon Ranch is hiking in the Berkshire Mountains. Some hikes take in sections of the Appalachian Trail, so you actually get a sense of that 2,100-mile walk through America's woodlands that runs from Georgia to Maine. Many of the hikes are not for the faint of heart, and it's important not to over-rate your ability.

They are ranked from 1 to 6 in order of ascending difficulty. Hikes go on in even in winter, as long as it isn't icy. When there's enough snow, cross country and downhill skiing are also offered.

Night-time activities, if you can stay awake for them, can be a seminar to improve your golf game or your relationship with your mother or daughter. Many are given by visiting experts.

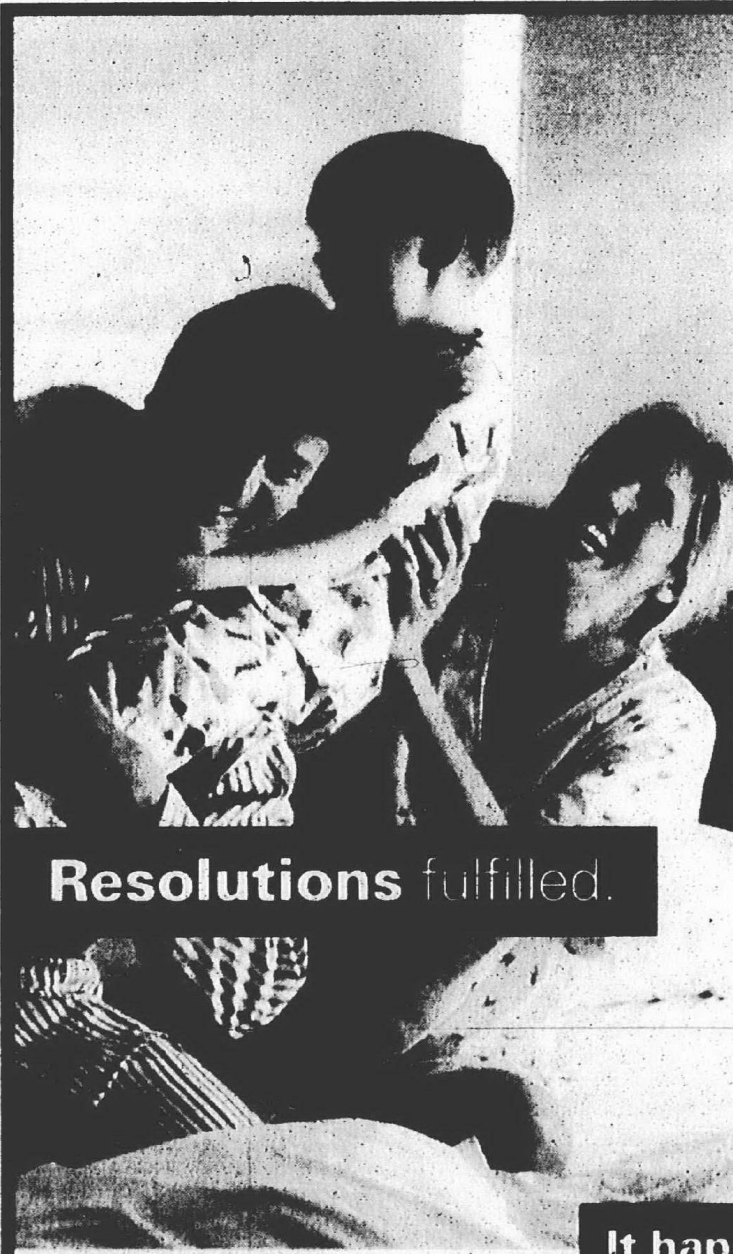
Men make up about a fourth of the guests. My husband, frankly, would not enjoy it. So I go with female friends or with one of my daughters. It helps that they offer a half-price special for any child older than 14. It also is an easy place to go as a single person.

Canyon Ranch is a pricey vacation. Some area travel agents put together a Monday-Thursday package at a discounted rate. It's worth checking out. If you decide to go, be prepared to respond to: "You came all the way from Detroit?"

- **Destination:** Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires
- **Location:** Lenox, Mass.
- **Information:** (800) 742-9000

Got a good idea for a travel story?

We are looking for stories and pictures about people who love to travel. Have you been to any faraway places? Been to places a day's drive from southeastern Michigan? Had any funny, unusual or adventurous travel experiences? Gone on any notable cruises or group tours? If so, tell us about it by contacting assistant managing editor/Observer features Keely Wygonik by phone at (734) 953-2105; by fax at (734) 591-7279; by e-mail at kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net



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HOME SENSE



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Baked, mashed or fried, potatoes are number one

Potatoes are the number one vegetable in the U.S. The average person consumes about 132 pounds of potatoes a year. Fifty pounds of that is fresh potatoes and 82 pounds is in the form of chips, or other products.

A potato has more potassium than a banana, 610 mg, compared to 450 mg. Potassium is a mineral that helps regulate your heart beat and may lower blood pressure. Potatoes are also one of the most economical sources of vitamin C, vitamin B6, magnesium, folacin, copper, iron, and other trace elements. A medium size potato is about 110 calories without butter or sour cream.

Cooking tips

- For creamier mashed potatoes, use all-purpose red potatoes.
- For fluffier mashed potatoes, use russets.
- For flavorful potatoes, substitute chicken broth or milk for half the cooking water.
- Simmer, don't boil potatoes or they may become soggy. Cook until just tender.
- Heat liquid before adding to the mashed potatoes. This helps prevent them from becoming "gluey."
- Leave a few lumps in the mashed potatoes so people will know they are made from scratch.
- Brown the top of mashed potatoes by putting them in a casserole, dotting with butter and broiling for a few minutes.
- To make fluffy mashed potatoes ahead of time, put mashed potatoes into a microwave container to cool. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate up to two days. Microwave to reheat when you are ready to serve them. Keep covered but vented to let steam escape. Stir half way during the heating process.
- Thicken soups with pureed cooked potatoes instead of cream. Leftover mashed potatoes added to soup gives it body and additional nutrients.
- To bake potatoes in a hurry, preboil the potatoes for five minutes before putting them in the oven at 375 degrees F or put an aluminum skewer through them to bake. Either way, it speeds up the baking time by 15-20 minutes.
- The secret to great french fries is to peel and cut and soak the potatoes in cold water for at least an hour before frying. The water removes some of the starch and will make the fries crispier.
- Put peeled potatoes in a bowl of cold water or they will turn brown before you boil them.
- Always cut potatoes into uniform sizes so they cook evenly without getting mushy.
- For a tasty treat, add Parmesan cheese or crumbled bacon to mashed potatoes, or pizza sauce, or top with sesame seeds, horseradish, blue cheese, pickled beets, Italian dressing, or anything else you can think of.
- Don't drown potatoes when cooking, use a heavy saucepan with a tight fitting lid and only about one-inch of water.
- To get the most nutrients from a baked potato, eat the skin too. Ounce for ounce, the skin has more fiber, iron, potassium and B vitamins than the flesh.
- Wet potato skins to keep them crispy. Place potatoes in a hot oven 375 degrees F and bake one hour for twice baked potatoes. Add yogurt or skim milk and fat-free butter spray to the mashed potatoes before putting back into the skin. Top with lots of scallions to reheat.

Please see SENSE, D2

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Recipe to share
- Winter warm-ups

COACH YOUR OWN

The Game Plan

One to two weeks ahead:

- Prepare invitations
- Create a trivia game. Ask computer-savvy family members and friends to search for trivia on various NFL and Super Bowl Web sites.
- Consider prizes such as NFL car flags, T-shirts, or bobbing head dolls.

One week ahead:

- Plan menu; make grocery list
- Buy non-perishable items such as snacks, nuts, olives, salsa, canned goods and beverages.
- Purchase paper goods, plastic glasses, utensils and table decor in team colors, or football theme.

Friday/Saturday before the game:

- Buy perishables such as fresh vegetables, salad greens, dips.
- Make chili and other items that can be prepared ahead of time.
- Get out cooler, serving platters and utensils, set buffet table
- Prepare and refrigerate crisp vegetable relishes - carrots, celery, green pepper strips, cauliflowerets, etc.

Party day:

- An hour before kick-off, chill beverages; begin to set out snacks in TV room.
- Prior to half-time, reheat chili and other main courses, toss salad, bring food to table.
- For half-time or after-the-game, set out desserts, bring to table, make coffee.

Information supplied by Sargento Foods Inc.

Super Bowl XXXIV at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta promises to be a spectacular event.

Super Bowl PARTY

Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 30, is a big day for informal entertaining. It's become traditional to round up a group of friends, put out a meal of casual food such as chili, pizza, sandwiches or lasagna, and gather around the TV to cheer for your favorite team.

Super Bowl XXXIV at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta promises to be a spectacular event. An estimated 130 million Americans watched the game last year.

ABC is broadcasting the big game beginning at 6 p.m. For a behind-the-scenes peek at what's scheduled, visit the Super Bowl Web site www.SuperBowl.com

You'll learn all sorts of interesting things such as the Super Bowl is the top at-home party event of the year, surpassing New Year's Eve, according to Hallmark Cards Inc.

The American Institute of Food Distribution reports Super Bowl Sunday is the second largest day of food consumption behind only Thanksgiving. An estimated 14,500 tons of chips and 4,000 tons of popcorn and eight million pounds of guacamole are eaten on Super Bowl Sunday.

It's time to develop a strategy so that you can enjoy the game with

guests and not spend all your time running to the kitchen.

Oh, and here's a couple more things I learned while visiting the Super Bowl Web site that you'll want to keep in mind as you plan your party - 6 percent of Americans will call in sick the day after Super Bowl Sunday. Fifty-four percent of all Americans will drink coffee the morning after, and Super Bowl weekend is the slowest weekend for weddings.

"The Super Bowl becomes like two parties," said Chef Kevin Enright, a culinary arts instructor at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. "People go into different rooms. The women visit in one room while the men watch the game. You almost have to have little buffets."

Enright's game is hockey, but if he were hosting a Super Bowl party he'd serve something hearty such as roast brisket of beef with roasted potatoes, parsnips and carrots.

Another option is a black bean casserole with tomato salsa, or navy bean soup, some smoked chicken or

turkey, and an assortment of cold cuts including some nice salami and salads.

"You might want to consider fajitas, which people can make themselves," said Enright. You supply the fillings and toppings. Barbecue chicken or beef for the fajitas. When it snows Enright shovels a path to his gas grill which he uses year-round.

"Don't try to please everyone," he suggests. "Make foods you like and are familiar with. A party is an opportunity to learn something new, try one new dish. Chefs do that, too."

With three boys and a husband who love football, Ginger Broome of Canton is already thinking about Super Bowl Sunday. "I'm in the kitchen cooking while they're watching TV," she said.

When asked how she would get

Please see PARTY, D2

Alsace produces flavorful yet puzzling whites

Alsace, the eastern French wine region bordering Germany, produces the world's most flavorful white wines. Yet, many people are puzzled by them.

These wines are easy to understand and easy to like if you think of them as a unique combination of French and German.

The tall green German-style bottles and Germanic grape varietal names such as riesling and gewurztraminer are complemented by French winemaking techniques and another set of soft-sounding French grape varieties such as pinot blanc and pinot gris. Make no mistake, they are all French wines.

A long, rich history of wine grapes helps explain the region's splendid cultural mix that has produced wine since the sixth century. By the end of the 16th century, white grapes such as riesling, pinot gris, muscat, pinot blanc and pinot noir, a lone red, were the favored grape varietals. They remain so today.

F.E. Trimbach

The Alsace region's best known wines, those



of F.E. Trimbach, date back to a founding in 1626. Over the years, the Trimbach family secured extensive vineyard holdings in the village of Ribeauvillé. Today, Hubert Trimbach and his older brother Bernard, along with Bernard's sons, Pierre and Jean, are the 11th and 12th generation family members guiding the largest and most widely-recognized Alsace brand in the U.S.

"While appreciated by people who have discovered them, Alsace wines are largely overlooked in the U.S.," noted Hubert Trimbach during his recent visit to metro Detroit. "In part, it's the confusion about whether Alsace wines are French or German. Add the fact that it was only after the end of World War II that the wines were able to be sold out of the region, and it's easy to understand why."

Alsace style

Trimbach went on to explain the style of his family's wines. "First, they are food friendly. All wines are fermented to dry-

ness. Their natural fruit acidity, without malolactic fermentation, keeps them fresh and long-lived. Without oak aging, they retain vitality and the essence of grape character."

The Trimbach philosophy is to hold the wines at least a year before they are released to market. In the case of single-vineyard cuvées, the wines are not released until four or five years after harvest. This major investment in inventory by the Trimbachs benefits consumers by ensuring that the wines are well-aged before they are enjoyed.

While it is customary to consider red wines with heartier winter dishes, we're suggesting an about face - white wines of Alsace to accompany winter squash soups, smoked ham and lentil soup, well-spiced crusty fish, roast chicken, and every Asian-influenced dish that comes to mind.

Sampling

Just a note: the 1997 vintage may prove to be the greatest in Alsace since 1949. Big wines with huge extract.

■ 1997 Trimbach Pinot Blanc \$14 is a perfect aperitif with fruit, light cheese or phyllo dough stuffed with cheese or veggies.

■ 1997 Trimbach Gewurztraminer \$19 with its citrus and grapefruit zest notes could be served as an aperitif, but better with a winter soup brimming with brown spices, such as cinnamon, clove and nutmeg.

■ 1997 Trimbach Pinot Gris Reserve \$19 has not only generous flavors, but great weight and length to accompany pate, salmon, scallops or roast chicken.

■ 1995 Trimbach Riesling \$19 with distinct lime and mineral notes has more balanced acidity than dry German rieslings. Delicate and refined, it's a best bet with any seafood or an onion tart.

■ 1995 Trimbach Riesling Cuvée Frederick Emile \$34 is what Alsace riesling is all about. It showcases not only fabulous complexity, but the uniqueness of its region of origin.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. If you organize or belong to a local wine club, we'd like to interview you. Please phone us by dialing (734) 953-2077 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864. Speaking clearly, leave your name, telephone number and best time to phone you.



Winery: The F.E. Trimbach winery in the Alsace village of Ribeauvillé, France was founded in 1626.

Wine Picks

■ **Picks of the pack:** 1997 Joseph Phelps Ovation Chardonnay, a class act at \$40; 1997 Ferrari-Carano Siena, a full-flavored red at \$28; and full-bodied 1997 Pine Ridge Carneros Merlot \$42.

■ **Start a wine cellar with the picks of the pack and add:** 1996 Clos du Bois Marston \$30 and 1997 Antinori Peppoli Chianti Classico \$20.

■ **Great whites at \$20 and under:** 1998 Chateau de la Ragotiere Muscadet Sevre et Maine \$13.50 (great with seafood); 1998 Clos du Bois Chardonnay Reserve \$16; and Ferrari-Carano Reserve Fumé \$18.

■ **Great reds at \$20 and under:** 1997 Geyser Peak Zinfandel \$16; 1997 Villa Mt. Eden Pinot Noir \$12; and 1997 Beringer Founder's Estate Merlot \$11.

■ **Real deals:** Caramar Estate Merlot and Shiraz from Australia, both \$10 and 1999 Alexander Valley Vineyards New Gewurz, an off-dry taste treat at \$9.

Super dishes sure to please fans

See related story on Taste front

CHUNKY TURKEY CHILI

1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1 pound turkey tenderloin or boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 3/4-inch pieces

1 green bell pepper, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
2 teaspoons chili powder
2 teaspoons ground cumin
2 cans (14 1/2 ounces each) salsa-style or Mexican stewed tomatoes, undrained
1 can (15 or 16 ounces) black or red beans rinsed and drained
2 cups (8 ounces) Sargento Southwestern Pepper Jack Blend Shredded Cheese or Sargento ChefStyle Shredded Cheddar Cheese, divided

Optional toppings: sour cream, chopped fresh cilantro, sliced pickled jalapeno peppers, chopped green onion

Heat oil in large saucepan over medium-high heat. Add turkey and bell pepper; cook 4 minutes or until turkey is no longer pink. Sprinkle with chili powder and cumin; cook 1 minute.

Add tomatoes and beans; heat to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 10 minutes or until turkey is cooked through. (At this point chili may be covered and refrigerated

up to 3 days before serving. Heat chili; proceed as recipe directs.)

Remove from heat; stir in 1 cup cheese until melted. Ladle into bowls; top with remaining cheese. Serve with toppings, if desired.

Yield 4 servings. Recipe may be doubled

Recipe compliments of Sargento Foods, Inc.

CLUB SANDWICH RING

Bread:

2 packages (11 oz. each) refrigerated Pillsbury French bread dough
Non-stick Cooking spray
2 - 3 cloves of Garlic - minced
Parmesan cheese - 1/2 cup freshly grated

1 teaspoon Italian Seasoning

Fillings:

1/2 pound sliced bacon, crisply cooked and crumbled or 1/2 Jar Hormel's Bacon Bits
3/4 cup mayonnaise or Miracle Whip (any variety)
2 or 3 green onions - thinly slice tops only

1 pound total weight thinly sliced deli meat(s) - turkey, beef, ham, salami etc.

4 - 6 slices deli cheese - American, Swiss, Colby-jack etc.

2 medium tomatoes, thinly sliced
1 medium red onion, thinly sliced

Shredded lettuce

Preheat oven to 325°F.

To make bread: generously spray Fluted Bundt type pan with nonstick cooking spray. Press garlic into bottom of pan and spread evenly with a rubber scraper.

Sprinkle Italian Seasoning over garlic. Grate cheese over top a seasonings. Remove dough from both packages and place on a cutting board. Join ends of dough together to form one large ring, pinching edges tightly to seal. Place dough in prepared pan, seam side up, slightly pressing to fit pan. Bake 40 - 45 minutes or until deep golden brown. Remove from oven and carefully invert pan onto a Cooling Rack. Remove the pan and cool bread completely.

Filling: In a small mixing bowl combine bacon, mayonnaise, and sliced green onion; mix well. To assemble sandwich, cut bread in half horizontally, remove top half. Spread half of the mayonnaise mixture on the bottom half of the bread.

Cover with overlapping slices of deli meats and cheeses. Top with tomato slices, onions and lettuce. Spread remaining mayonnaise mixture on top half of the bread; place over bottom half. Cut into wedges and serve.

Recipe compliments of Ginger Broome of Canton.

TOUCHDOWN TACO DIP

1 can (16 oz.) refried beans
1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened

1 cup sour cream
2 tablespoons Taco Seasoning mix

2 garlic cloves, pressed
2 oz. cheddar cheese, shredded (1/2 Cup)

1/2 cup pitted ripe olives, chopped

2 tablespoons fresh cilantro or parsley, snipped

1 medium tomato, seeded and chopped

1/4 cup thinly sliced green onions with tops

Preheat oven to 350°F. Spread refried beans over bottom of Deep Dish Baker using the Super Scraper (or a 9- by 13-inch casserole dish). In the Classic 2 Qt. Batter Bowl, (or mixing bowl) combine cream cheese, sour cream and taco seasoning. Press garlic into Batter Bowl using Garlic Press; Mix well.

Spread over beans. Shred cheese over top using Deluxe Cheese Grater. Bake 15-18 minutes or until hot. Chop olives using the Food Chopper. Snip cilantro using the Kitchen Shears. Sprinkle tomato, onions, olives and cilantro over dip. Garnish with additional sour cream, if desired. Serve with Baked Tortilla Chips. Yield: 16 servings

Nutrients per serving (1/4 cup dip): Calories 140, Fat 10 g, Sodium 310 mg, Dietary Fiber 2 g

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Party from page D1

Broome, who teaches cooking classes for Plymouth/Canton Continuing Education and spends a lot of time cooking in other people's homes as a Pampered Chef Kitchen consultant, said she would pick easy food, stuff that can be prepared in advance.

"You want to plan to spread out food throughout the game, so there's always something to munch on," she said. "Make it simple, choose main dishes that have four or five ingredients, nothing elaborate."

Here are some more tips.

Begin writing your grocery list, and attach coupons for snacks, canned goods, salsa and other items so you won't have to hunt for them at the store.

Ask guests to help by bringing a dish or dessert to pass.

Save time by buying washed and trimmed salad greens and vegetables.

■ It takes a team effort to win the game, and planning a super party is no exception. Plan to spend Super Bowl Sunday in front of the TV, and not in the kitchen.

Order party trays that you can set out when guests arrive.

Get your kids off the bleachers and into the game by encouraging them to help with decorations. On the day of the game they can help replenish food platters and help serve.

It takes a team effort to win the game, and planning a super party is no exception. Plan to spend Super Bowl Sunday in front of the TV, and not in the kitchen.

Sense from page D1

■ Don't refrigerate potatoes. A temperature below 40 degrees F will cause potatoes to develop a very sweet taste and may cause the potatoes to turn dark when they are cooking.

■ Store russet potatoes for up to eight weeks. New potatoes will keep only about a week. Always take potatoes out of the plastic bag before storing.

■ If the potato skin is green, don't eat it. A green skin on a potato is solanine, which can be toxic and cause an upset stomach. Make sure any green or sprouted areas are cut away before cooking.

■ Two large or three medium or four small potatoes equal about one pound. One pound of potatoes equals three cups peeled and sliced or two cups mashed potatoes or french fries. Two pounds of medium potatoes equal about six servings of potato salad.

■ The most common types of

potatoes grown in Michigan are round white, which are used for chips and fries. Michigan russet potatoes are used for frozen potato products and fries. They are especially good for baking.

■ It is said that a plain potato can calm jumpy nerves. A late dinner of baked potatoes topped with salsa and herbs will help you unwind before going to bed.

There are a hundred more ways to use nutrient dense, good-for-you potatoes. Eat them morning, noon or night, or for snacks. Potatoes, after all, are number one.

Lois Thieleke is a home economist for the Michigan State University extension of Oakland County, and a resident of Birmingham. If you have questions about food safety, food and nutrition or food preservation, call the Food and Nutrition Hotline, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, (248) 858-0904.

CLARIFICATION

In the Sunday, Jan. 9 edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, it was reported that Whole Foods Market refus-

es to sell genetically engineered foods. To clarify:

Whole Foods Market is committed to banning genetically

modified foods from its private label lines. This constitutes more than 600 products under three names: Whole Foods, 365 Brand,

and Whole Kids. These 600 plus products represent more than 10 percent of sales.

Since last spring, Whole Foods has been actively sourcing non-genetically modified ingredients for these products, and there are currently only three products remaining for which non-GMO ingredients need to be sourced. Work should be completed on this project by the fall.

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WESTBORN MARKET

Serve Huevos Rancheros for a hearty brunch or lunch

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The recipe for Huevos Rancheros guarantees a hearty brunch or lunch dish in about 25 minutes, but the eggs, tomatoes, tortillas and beans that go into the dish supply sustenance that will last for hours.

The recipe is among more than 250 in "Redbook Flavor Rules!" (Hearst Books, \$24.95), few of which will take much longer to make than this one. But the results will not seem skimpy in taste or nutrition, and the clear instructions will reassure even inexperienced cooks.

Notes with this recipe give tips on cooking eggs, how to substitute canned items if you're short on time and how to seed tomatoes for sauce. The eggs here are

cooked "over easy," the notes explain, which means fried on one side, then carefully turned and cooked until done.

HUEVOS RANCHEROS

Spicy Fresh Tomato Sauce (recipe follows)

Refried Beans (recipe follows)

2 tablespoons olive oil

4 corn tortillas (6 inches in diameter)

4 eggs

Make Spicy Fresh Tomato Sauce and Refried Beans and keep both warm.

In a 12-inch nonstick skillet, heat 1 tablespoon oil over medium heat. Add tortillas, 1 or 2 at a time, cook 5 seconds per side, or until just soft, and remove to serv-

ing plates. Spread Refried Beans over tortillas.

Add remaining 1 tablespoon oil to pan. Add eggs, 1 at a time, to pan and fry 3 minutes per side, or until cooked "over easy." Place 1 fried egg on each serving of refried beans and top with tomato sauce. Serve hot.

Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 400 cal., 20 g fat.

SPICY FRESH TOMATO SAUCE

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 small onion, minced

2 medium tomatoes, peeled and chopped

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon cayenne pep-

per

2 tablespoons chopped cilantro

In 10-inch nonreactive (i.e. not unlined aluminum or cast iron) skillet, heat olive oil over low heat. Add minced onion and cook, stirring frequently, 4 minutes, or until soft. Add tomatoes, salt and cayenne and cook, stirring frequently, 7 minutes, or until sauce is thick and dry. Remove pan from heat and stir in chopped cilantro.

Makes generous 1 cup.

Nutrition information per 1/4 cup serving: 55 cal., 4 g fat.

REFRIED BEANS

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 small onion, minced

1 garlic clove, minced

2 cups cooked pinto beans, either homemade or canned, rinsed and drained

1/2 teaspoon salt

In 10-inch skillet heat oil over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and cook, stirring frequently, 4 minutes, or until onion is tender. Add beans; mash lightly with potato masher or large spoon until they are slightly lumpy and stir in salt. Cook, stirring frequently, 5 minutes, or until beans are heated through.

Makes about 2 cups.

Nutrition information per 1/4 cup serving: 160 cal., 4 g fat.

Notes:

■ When dropping an egg into a pan to cook, whether to fry or poach it, first break the egg into a cup or small bowl and then slide it into the pan. This way, if the yolk breaks or you get some shell in the egg, you can start over.

■ When there's no time to make everything from scratch, open a can of refried beans and another can of seasoned tomato sauce and serve up your Huevos Rancheros muy pronto.

■ To make a dense, tomato-rich sauce from fresh tomatoes, it's best to seed them first to get rid of some of the liquid. Peel the tomatoes, halve them horizontally, then either squeeze out the seeds or scoop them out with fingers or a spoon.

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in *What's Cooking* to Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. To fax, (734) 591-7279 or e-mail kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

Ultimate Chicken Soup Contest

Temple Kol Ami will host its Second Annual Ultimate Chicken Soup Contest at noon Friday, Feb. 25 in the Temple social hall. Contestants must send or fax their recipes with an entry form and may include a brief explanation of the soup's origin, if possible to the temple by 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28. All mailed entries must be postmarked Jan. 28. A panel of judges will select the top 10 finalists who

will be notified by Friday, Feb. 11.

Entry forms are available at Temple Kol Ami, 5085 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Call the Temple (248) 661-0040 to have an entry form mailed or faxed to you. The winning recipe will be served at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit.

First prize is a feature segment on "Keith Famie's Adventures in Cooking" on WDIV-TV, Channel 4, and a deluxe soup pot from Kitchen Glamour.

Second prize is dinner for two at Restaurant Di Modesta in Southfield and third prize is a cookbook from Kitchen Glamour.

Judges include Famie and Keely Wygonik, assistant managing editor, Observer features group.

Sesame shrimp stir-fry quick and low-fat

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A quickly prepared dish of Sesame Shrimp Stir-Fry gives diners a tasty main dish that contains only about 10 grams of fat. But it also contains a double hit of sesame oil and seeds that add nutty flavor to crisp peppers and shrimp.

The recipe is from "Family Circle All-Time Favorite Recipes" (Doubleday, \$29.95), a collection of about 600 recipes ranging from appetizers through cakes and cookies, illustrated with loads of color photographs - which should ensure no cook need ever run out of pleasing ideas for any kind of meal.

SESAME SHRIMP SIR-FRY

(Preparation time 10 minutes, cooking time 10 minutes)

1 pound medium shrimp, peeled and deveined

1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper (cayenne)

1 clove garlic, finely chopped

1 tablespoon sesame seeds

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

2 cups packaged precooked rice

2 tablespoons dark Asian sesame oil

1 sweet red pepper, cored,

seeded and sliced into thin strips

1 sweet yellow pepper, cored, seeded and sliced into thin strips

3 green onions, sliced

3 tablespoons teriyaki sauce

1/2 pound sugar snap peas

1 tablespoon cornstarch

3/4 cup chicken broth

1/4 teaspoon salt

Combine shrimp, ginger, ground red pepper, garlic, sesame seeds and black pepper in a large, plastic food-storage bag.

Place rice in a heatproof serving bowl. Bring 2 1/2 cups water

to boiling; pour over rice in bowl. Cover with foil; set aside.

Heat sesame oil in a large wok or skillet. Add sweet peppers and green onions; saute 3 to 4 minutes to soften slightly. Add teriyaki sauce. Add peas and shrimp with seasoning; saute 4 minutes, or until shrimp are opaque. Stir cornstarch into broth and add to wok; cook, stirring, until mixture boils. Sprinkle with salt. Fluff rice with fork. Spoon shrimp mixture over rice.

Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 400 cal., 25 g pro., 10 g fat, 51 g carbo., 1,036 mg sodium, 162 mg chol.

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Diet support

A new support group is being formed to encourage men and women who are trying to lose weight. This is intended to offer emotional support and camaraderie, and is not necessarily a "diet club." Individuals will be encouraged to follow their own healthy exercise and weight loss program. The group meets at 11 a.m., each Saturday, at Garden City Hospital. It is in the Medical Office Bldg., (east wing) in the basement, classroom 3. The meetings are free — donations may be requested for groups' expenses on occasion, as needed. Please call Lizz at (734) 261-4048 (leave message).

Infertility support

"Resolve of Michigan," an infertility support group serving the unique need of those experiencing infertility, will meet at 7 p.m. Feb. 2 at Mt. Clemens General Hospital, 1000 Harrington Blvd., in the sixth floor conference room B. Meetings are the first Wednesday of every month (March 1 and April 5).

Blood drive

The American Red Cross will sponsor a Community Blood Drive at St. Mary Hospital from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday, Jan. 31, in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. St. Mary Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile Road at Levant; participants should use the Five Mile Entrance. Call (734) 655-2980. Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are preferred.

Fibromyalgia

Arthur's Place and the Arthritis Foundation® are pleased to present an educational program titled: "An Update on Fibromyalgia." Dr. Carol A. Beals will speak from 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8 at Arthur's Place. Beals is a nationally recognized rheumatologist and is director of the Beals Institute for Rheumatology and Autoimmune Disease in Lansing. If you are interested call (734) 254-0500 to register.

Weight management

Join Kroger Dietitians Diane Reynolds and Tina Miller for a complimentary store tour at the Plymouth Township Kroger between 4 and 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27. Tours are 30 minutes each and will focus on selecting foods to fuel a healthy weight loss diet and long term weight maintenance. Call (800) KROGERS.

Stop smoking

Arthur Weaver, M.D. president of Better Living Seminars will host a "Breathe-Free" stop smoking program at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 3, 7-11, 15 at the Southfield City Hall Complex (Room 221), 2600 Evergreen Road in the Parks and Recreation Building. To register call (248) 354-4854. Weaver also collaborates on a nutrition cooking and lifestyle seminar hosting a three Sunday afternoon series Jan. 30, Feb. 6 and Feb. 13 from 2:30-5:30 p.m. at the Metropolitan Adventist School (15585 Haggerty Road) north of Five Mile. For more information call (313) 513-2179 or (248) 349-5683.

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Datebook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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A few good mentors

Volunteers sought to guide pregnant teens

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Jill Clinton, a prevention specialist with the Young Mothers Assistance Program of Hegira Programs, Inc., can't think of anything more challenging for a teenager than to be pregnant.

With or without an emotional, physical or financial support system, a teenage pregnancy can be an enormous obstacle all around. Clinton, who began coordinating the Y-MAP parenting program in October, says the journey can be a lot less overwhelming with the support of a mentor.

"We're in need of mentors who can be empathetic, good listeners and nonjudgmental," said Clinton, a clinical social worker who received her masters degree in social work in 1993 after raising six children.

Y-MAP was founded in 1993 to provide support services for young parents ages 13-22. Currently, it provides information, education and referrals through a vast resourcing network of agencies and programs throughout the state.

The Young Mothers Assistance Program is supported by Hegira Prevention Programs, a division of Hegira Programs, Inc. Federal and state funding is provided to support project costs. Y-MAP also receives grant monies from the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance.

Moving forward

Although the assistance program has been in place for the past seven years, Clinton said the mentoring aspect of the program, unfortunately, dissolved over the last year. Since taking over Y-MAP Oct. 1, she's focusing her energies on "regrowing the mentoring program" and is in search of women who are willing to "model positive parenting skills."

"The rewards to the mentor are twofold," said Clinton. "It's only when we give that we really receive and get a greater sense of accomplishment. I think that's really important. You also give a young person the sense that she's worthwhile and worth being helped."

Mentors who volunteer their time first undergo five weeks of training that requires a 2-hour a week commitment for workshops on substance abuse, stereotyping, battery of a physical, sexual and emotional nature, family roles, interaction with teens and developmental issues.

Following the extensive training, Clinton said she will make every effort to match mentors with teenagers whose situations or personalities demand something specific from the relationship that they may not be receiving within their family network.

"There needs to be some flexibility on the part of

the mentor and teen," said Clinton. "We encourage them to meet neutrally until a trusting relationship can be established. Mentors should talk on the phone with the teen at least once a week and meet with them in person once a month whether they meet for coffee, a walk at the mall or see a movie."

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— Y-MAP program coordinator

Mentors are also encouraged to attend the once-a-month meeting of the Y-MAP Support Group that gathers at the Newburgh United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Westland) on the second Monday of each month.

"We're looking for at least an 18-month commitment on the part of the mentor," said Clinton. "Many of these young women have no lifeline network, and lack the family and friends to encourage and support them at a time in their life when they need that love and attention the most. Their mom and dad are mad and upset and their friends no longer have things in common. They desperately need someone who's ready to listen and communicate without bias."

The Young Mothers Assistance Program has many resources for a pregnant teenager and for young parents beginning with the Y-MAP support group. It offers participants, both men and women, the chance to meet with others who share their feelings and experiences.

Guest speakers are invited to address issues such as positive parenting, substance abuse, job search, continuing education and parental rights. Clinton said free child care is available during the two-hour support group by volunteers from Mercy High School in Farmington Hills.

Other aspects of the Y-MAP program include:

The Resource Network

The Y-MAP staff provides information, phone numbers and referrals to area organizations and agencies whose focus is aiding young parents. Resources include alternative/vocational education; counseling services; early intervention; government agencies; housing assistance; and supplemental food programs.

New Parent Class

Hands-on information and discussion address issues such as nutrition and feeding; fetal alcohol syndrome; basic baby hygiene; immunizations; doctor visits; day-care choices and developmental

stages. Each class is only 90 minutes long and is free of charge. Dads are also encouraged to attend.

Toddler Classes

The Y-MAP Early Childhood STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) program is an eight-week course that provides information on how young children think, feel and act; skills that can increase enjoyment and effectiveness as a parent; skills that can develop a child's self-esteem and confidence; and support for the young mother/father as a parent and a person. Class is 90 minutes long and there is a small materials fee.

Donations

Parents in need can benefit from the generous donations of both food, clothing, diapers and baby equipment on a first come, first serve basis only. The Y-MAP staff also maintains a waiting list if there is an item that you are looking for but that is not available at the moment. New and gently used items include clothing (newborn through 4T); blankets, sheets; formula, baby food and diapers; cribs, strollers and high chairs; and toys.

Staying focused

Clinton also visits pregnant teens at Garden City High School, Redford Union High School and Wayne Memorial High School on a weekly basis to further support the need for the young girls to stay in school or to receive their diploma/GED after the baby is born.

"Finishing school will help foster more positive outcomes for them in the future. It's hard to get a job if you don't have a diploma," added Clinton. "That's where the mentor comes in. A girl needs a caring adult to make sure there is support in place. It's not about doing things for them but about teaching them how to do things for themselves. They have to learn how to make the leap from adolescence to adult."

The high school teens also meet with a social worker, school counselor and nurse on a weekly basis in conjunction with Clinton's meetings.

"The key to a positive outcome, whether the mother decides to keep the baby or give it up for adoption, is that they both come through the pregnancy healthy and the girl is aware that there are people who care for her and want to help," said Clinton.

If you think you have four hours a month to commit to mentoring a pregnant teenager the Young Mother's Assistance Program is looking for volunteers — particularly if you, yourself, were a teenage mom, gave a child for adoption or had an abortion. Call (734) 513-7598 to find out more about mentoring or to register for a class if you are a new parent or pregnant teenager between the ages of 13 and 22.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36221 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

ONGOING

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Adult Children of Alcoholics and dysfunctional families gather everyday for 12 step support group meetings in the metro area. To find a meeting near you call (248) 988-0873 or write: ACA, P.O. Box 401483, Redford, MI 48240-9489, for information.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Marquette House, a residential assisted living facility in Westland, will hold blood pressure screenings every fourth Tuesday in conjunction with Visiting Nurse Association. Screenings are open to the public from 11 a.m. to noon at the Marquette House, 36000 Campus Drive (across from John Glenn High School). Call (734) 326-6537 for information.

MON, JAN. 17

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Mental health and substance abuse class-heroin and opiate addiction, Jan. 17, from 6-7:30 p.m. Call (734) 655-2944.

ANTI-AGING CLASS

This informative lecture series is pre-

sented by Pamela Smith, M.D. board certified in anti-aging medicine. To be held at Canton Summit on the Park beginning at 7 p.m. The topic for this first class is "Growth Hormone: Is it the fountain of youth?" To register call (734) 398-7522.

TUE, JAN. 18

THE ART OF MASSAGE I

Learn the basic strokes of a relaxing, therapeutic massage. Good for self-massage, helping family members and friends, couples massage, or for those considering professional training. Bring two sheets, a pillow case, a towel, massage oil, and dress comfortably. Your instructor, Celeste Hamilton, is nationally certified and has 17 years of experience in teaching massage therapy. Class runs Tuesday, Jan. 18-Feb. 8 from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$150. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

You are invited to attend the monthly Alzheimer's Support Group at Alterra, Clare Bridge of Livonia (32500 Seven Mile Road) Tuesday, Jan. 18 from 6-7:30 p.m. Ann Lilla from the Alzheimer's Association will be the guest speaker. To register call (248) 426-7055 by Jan. 17.

CPR TRAINING

Basic Life Support (CPR Training). Jan. 18-19, from 7-9:30 p.m. Call (734) 655-8940.

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LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT

For people who have had or are going to have surgical removal of their vocal cords and their family and friends. In coordination with the Michigan Cancer Foundation Support Services. The group meets at 2 p.m. at Garden City Hospital free of charge. Call 458-3381.

ADULT CPR CLASSES

Three hour evening class conducted at 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road in Classroom #3 of Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Free of charge. Call 458-3481.

THUR, JAN. 20

MODERN MENOPAUSE

"Modern Approach to Menopause," from 7-9 p.m. Call (734) 655-1100. Michael Gatt, M.D. and Timothy Johnson, M.D., will define menopause, discuss the diagnosis of menopause and explore current treatment options. There is no charge. A drawing will be held for a free bone density screening test at their program. The bone density

screening is designed to tell participants if they are at risk of developing osteoporosis.

PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELING

Couples applying for a marriage license must show proof that they have received counseling regarding the transmission and prevention of sexually transmitted disease and AIDS. \$25/couple, \$15/single. From 7-8 p.m. at the Providence Medical Center - Novi. To register call (877) 345-5500.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Learn how you can designate a Patient Advocate who can act on your behalf regarding medical decisions should you become incapacitated and are unable to participate in making decisions and why this is preferred over a living will. From 7-9 p.m. at the Providence Medical Center - Novi.

FRI, JAN. 21

LISTENING SKILLS COURSE

Madonna University will offer the social work course, "Empathy Listening Skills." Students may choose from two different dates - Friday, Jan. 21 and Saturday, Jan. 22. The course will be repeated in Feb. on Friday, Feb. 25 and Saturday, Feb. 26. The class meets on Fridays from 5-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The non-credit fee is \$1000. Call (734) 432-5731 to register.

SAT, JAN. 22

AEROBIC CERTIFICATION

Potential and current fitness instructor. Please see DATEBOOK, D6

New diagnostic test available for breast biopsies

GARDEN CITY

The Garden City Business & Professional Women will present a breast care update on the newest in diagnostic modalities that don't involve major surgery.

Dr. Bruno Borin, a radiologist and Chief of Staff at Garden City Hospital will speak along with Susanne Cleere, vice president of Women's Services at Garden City Hospital. The pair will share news on a breakthrough in biopsy procedures that only requires local anesthesia with virtually no scarring

and no stitches called mammotome.

The event will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 at Hudson's Restaurant in Westland Shopping Center (the Woodward Room down the hall from the second floor restaurant).

Dinner begins at 6:15 p.m. and a question and answer session follows. Cost is \$15 for BPW members and \$18

per guest. Dinner will be ordered off the menu and beverages include coffee, tea, milk or pop.

To RSVP call Beth (734) 458-4331 or Pat (734) 455-1450 by Tuesday, Jan. 18. For information about the Comprehensive Breast Care Program available at Garden City Hospital call (888) 559-9355.

Gizmos, gadgets galore at Vegas electronics show



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The annual Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas is the marketplace's most influential technology gathering place. This year's mega event was no exception.

There were gizmos and gadgets galore.

But there were also clear indications of a major trend shaping up.

Everything had a common theme: It's a connected world. And the Internet is the plug that does the connecting.

Take, for example, the "dot com home" from Sun Microsystems. It was a display built to look like a typical house. Every room, every device and every appliance was wired to the Internet. Push a button from anywhere in the house and the coffee maker starts. If someone

comes to your front door, you're paged or beeped on your wireless phone. A camera takes their picture and displays it on your own family Web page. You can talk to them by phone from anywhere and even open the door if you want.

When you run out of, say, olive oil or sugar, you're alerted. You can upload your shopping list to the supermarket. If the dishwasher needs the belt tightened, you're notified. The refrigerator has a flat panel computer screen constantly hooked up to the Internet.

And all the technology in the "dot com home" is available now. It works. These weren't prototypes I saw. They were actual products now being developed.

Not to be outdone, 3Com put together a wired house on the outskirts of Las Vegas and hauled reporters out by the bus load for a look-see. It had many of the same connected features. Again, using available technology.

These homes make the home

on the old Jetsons cartoon series seem obsolete.

Eric Benhamou, chairman and CEO of 3Com, introduced new technology called Session Initiation Protocol that will allow users of Palm organizers to register their identity with Internet phones and thus have phone calls follow them anywhere.

Benhamou demonstrated by using his Palm to register his identity on a telephone, using the Palm's infrared port to transfer data. This allowed him to receive phone calls and information. "Our vision is called pervasive networking," Benhamou said, referring to the billions of computers, handheld devices and wireless communication products he wants to hook up.

I was also impressed by the "ring thing."

Actually, they call it the Java Ring, because it contains a tiny microchip loaded with Sun's Java operating system. It can be loaded with personal identification info. It will open doors and validate transactions like a sig-

nature. If you're hurt or sick and have to go to a hospital, the ring has all your personal medical information stored and available for doctors to download.

Next to networking the home and everything in it, digital technology was the other major trend.

Everyone was talking about:

Digital music - The MP3 format. Tiny little devices that fit in your pocket or attach to your telephone and play stereo-quality music you can download from the Internet.

Digital phones - They all connect to the Internet now. Browse the Web, read e-mail on your handheld phone. My first reaction: People already seem to have trouble driving and talking on the phone. What safety problems will be added when they're also surfing the net and reading e-mail.

Digital radio - There was a lot of excitement about satellite broadcasts being beamed into your car with amazing sound quality. It threatens to drive all

but the biggest local stations out of business.

Digital connectivity - A cool new technology called Bluetooth transmits data between electronic devices. It is being touted as a way to link up phones, handheld computers, digital cameras and home appliances.

And then there were the new high-tech acronyms that we'll all soon be puzzled by. Acronyms like WAP, for Wireless Access Protocol, the new standard that wireless phones use to connect to the Internet for services like paging, e-mail and Web surfing.

Then there's SACD, for Super Audio CD.

SD for Secured Digital, a memory chip format.

DTCP for Digital Transmission Copy Protection, a technology that prevents illicit video duplication.

And HRT for Holographic Reflector Technology, something that provides crisper LCD computer screen resolutions.

I saw a lot of stuff I'd like to have but I took home only one

thing this year: A portable keyboard for my Palm V handheld organizer.

Made by a new start-up called Think Outside, the "Stowaway Portable Keyboard" folds up to about the size of a pack of cigarettes. It unfolds into a full-sized keyboard. The Palm fits upright into a docking slot in the middle of the board and, voila... the Palm has all the capabilities of a laptop.

I got mine. If you want one, you'll have to wait a few weeks. They'll be on the market sometime by the end of the first quarter.

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Upcoming job fair attracts recruiters, job seekers alike

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and the HomeTown Newspapers announce their Spring Job Fair from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 29 at Burton Manor Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia.

This is the fourth general job fair by these two subsidiaries of HomeTown Communications, Inc. of Livonia. As many as 125 companies will be recruiting employees.

This general job fair will feature recruiters including:

Absopure, Accountants Connection, Airtouch Cellular, ASK Healthcare Services, Bartech Group, Comerica, Delta Dental Plan of Michigan, Dorothy Day, Environ, Federal Reserve Bank, First Federal of Michigan, First Investors Corporation, Flagstar Bank, Frito-Lay, Frommer & Associates, Graybar Electric, Great Lakes Bank, Jabil Circuit,

Jewish Vocational School, Kroger, Mattress & Futon Shoppe, Nextel Communications, Office Mates 5, Old Kent Bank, OLDE Discount, Parisian, Paychex, Personnel Unlimited, Plastipak Packaging, Providence Hospital & Medical Centers, Rainbow Rehabilitation Centers, Republic Bancorp Mortgage, Ricoh Business Systems, Rose Moving & Storage, Sav-On Drugs, Sears, Staffing Services of Michigan, Tempco,

Trans Inns Management, U.S. Vision, United Parcel Service, University of Michigan and Virginia Tile.

Space is available for a fee of \$725 for the Complete Exhibitor Package which includes an 8' table plus a quarter page ad in the Job Fair supplement. Electricity is available at your 8' foot table, on a limited basis, for an additional \$40.

For further details and space reservations, call (734) 953-2070 or (888) 999-

1288. Burton Manor is located at the Jeffries Freeway (I-96) between Inkster and Middlebelt roads.

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers publishes 16 twice-weekly community papers in Oakland and Western Wayne Counties. HomeTown Newspapers publishes papers in Northville, South Lyon, Brighton, Novi, Northville, Milford and Livingston County.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

Items from the Observerland area for the Business Calendar can be sent to: Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 attention: Business Calendar.

TUE, JAN. 18

STRETCH OUT IRA

PaineWebber will host a seminar on "The Stretch Out IRA" at 6:30 p.m. at the Courtyard Marriott, 17200 N. Laurel Park Dr. in Livonia. Financial advi-

WED, JAN. 19

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

The regular meeting of Business Network International Laurel Park Chapter will be held from 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road in Livonia. The Metro Livonia

Chapter will meet at the same time at

THUR, JAN. 20

SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS

The Society of Women Engineers will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Gretchen's House Child Care Center VI, in Ann Arbor. Gretchen Preston, president of Gretchen's House, Inc. will share some powerful tools that help parents work with their children's teachers to ensure their children thrive. RSVP to Kirsten Carr (313) 594-2950. Cost is \$5 for SWE members and \$15 for non-SWE mem-

bers. Free if you join SWE that evening.

BUSINESS PLAN WORKSHOP

Learn to prepare a business plan; work-book; example of a business plan and come in contact with sources of help from 8:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the One Stop Capital Shop, 2051 Rose Parks Blvd. in Detroit. Cost is \$40. Call the Service Corps of Retired Executives at (313) 226-7947.

LIVING TRUST

A living trust and welfare preservation seminar will be offered at 6:30 p.m. at the Courtyard Marriott (17200 N. Laurel Park Dr.) by PaineWebber. Financial advisors Daniel A. Cesta and Philip P.

Bocketti will discuss probate and how it can be avoided, benefits of a trust versus will and how to pass all your assets onto your next generation. Call (800) 616-1123 to register.

FRI, JAN. 21

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

The regular meeting of Business Network International Livonia Chapter will be held from 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Konec Island on Plymouth Road near Stark in Livonia. For information call BNI (810) 323-3800.

Arthritis Today

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ARTHRITIS ALL OVER

When you hurt everywhere, you may be convinced that you have arthritis all over your body. That rarely happens. What is occurring is that arthritis is starting in one or several joints. The effect on your muscles and bones is to give you the sense that arthritis is everywhere and all at once has taken over your body.

The first ripple effect of arthritis is strain. You walk with your whole body so that a knee not working properly changes your gait in a way that stresses your back and shoulders. Movement continued this way brings pain to the shoulders and back as great as the discomfort in the arthritic knee.

The next ripple comes from tension. With good reason, the joint pain leads to feeling ill at ease and fatigued. Your tension can only increase while you are uncertain as to what is going on, how long the pain will last, and what you can do to resolve it. Often tension is why your pain spreads to your upper back, neck, and shoulder blades.

These problems of impaired posture and uncertainty are the main reasons you sense the arthritis is going everywhere in your body. In this instance, your doctor undertakes a twofold role. First he needs to find where the arthritis is and determine the appropriate treatment. His second responsibility is to explain to you what happened.

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- ☐ Serious depression
- ☐ Obsession with exercise
- ☐ Purging behavior (vomiting, use of laxatives)
- ☐ Eating large amounts of food when not feeling physically hungry
- ☐ Eating alone because of being embarrassed by how much you eat
- ☐ Feeling disgusted, depressed or guilty after over-eating
- ☐ Eating behavior or weight concerns that interfere with relationships

If so, perhaps you feel that food has taken control of your life. Garden City Hospital can help you gain back control.

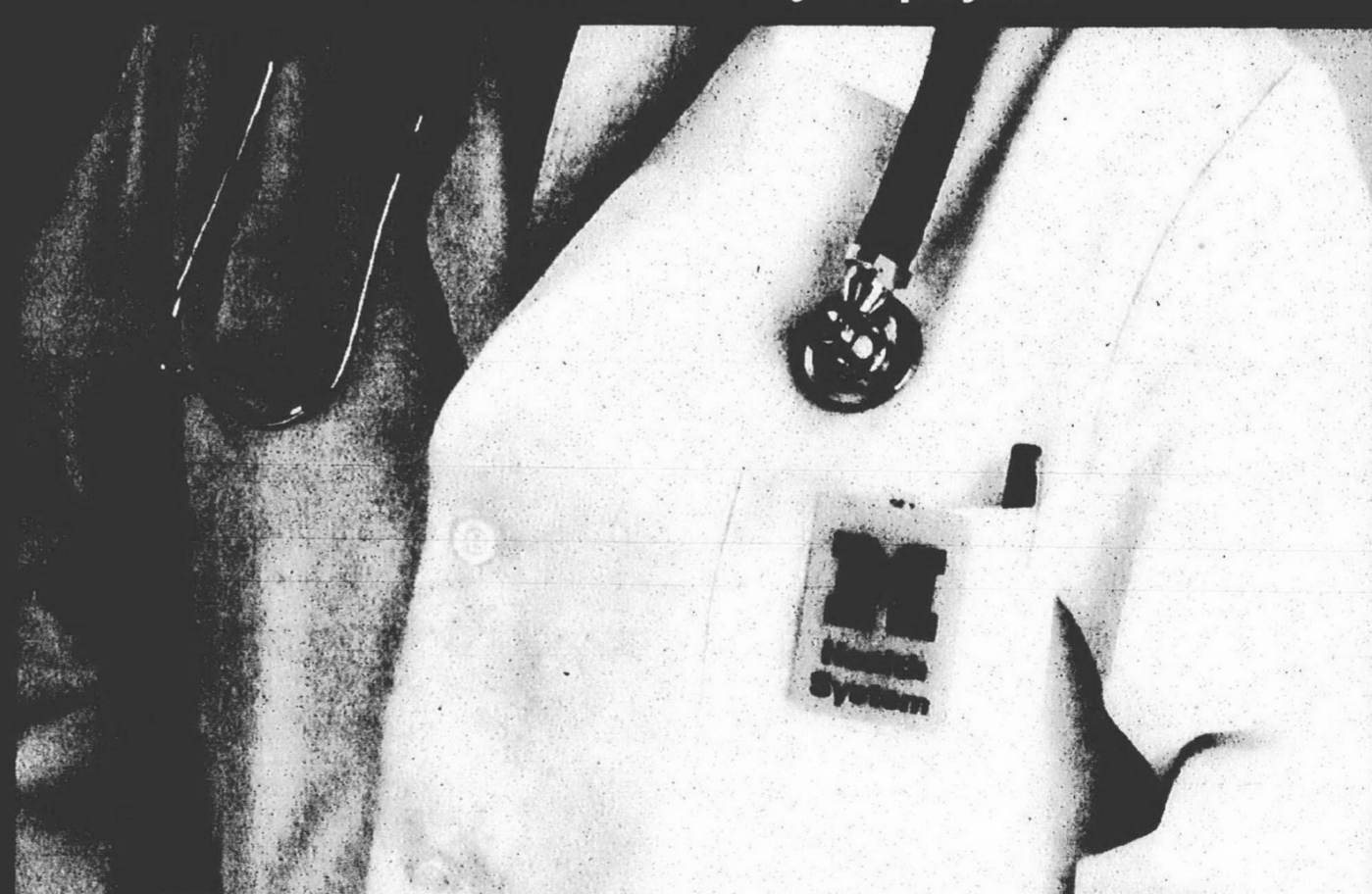
The Center for Eating Disorders Treatment is a structured and innovative program that highlights the effectiveness of the group therapy process with this type of patient. Individual treatment sessions are also available, as well as body imaging, a nutritional component and aftercare support groups. Family involvement is encouraged.

Confidential and competent care is offered to adolescent and adult males and females seeking outpatient treatment for eating disorders, such as anorexia, binge-eating disorder and bulimia. The program is designed to be consistent with the latest research in the field, helping patients gain perspective and control over their lives.

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tors will learn basic academic and practical application of teaching group exercise. No college, science or teaching background required. Workshop registration includes a full day review, written exam, 2-year certificate and membership. Class begins at 8:30 a.m. at Complete Health & Fitness, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. Call 800-AEROBIC to register. Space is limited.

WEIGHT CONTROL
Novi Park: Providence Medical Center, 47601 Grand River (Beck Road entrance) will host the weight control program from 1-3 p.m. To register call (877) 345-5500.

SMOKING CESSATION
A stop smoking program will be held at Providence Medical Center - Providence Park at 47601 Grand River (Beck Road entrance) from 10 a.m. to noon. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

SUNDAY, JAN. 23

LIFESTYLE/WEIGHT MGT.
Review the basic tenets of good nutritional habits and safe weight loss techniques. Practice the art of communication and group facilitation through education, lecture and role playing. Class begins at 12:30 p.m. at Complete Health & Fitness, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. Call 800-AEROBIC to register. Space is limited.

STEP WORKSHOP
This workshop will concentrate on choreography building techniques and fresh ideas as well as a review of the fundamentals and an update on the latest research. Class begins at 8:30 a.m. at Complete Health & Fitness, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. Call 800-AEROBIC to register. Space is limited.

TUE, JAN. 25

BREASTFEEDING CLASS

A one session class providing information to expectant parents on the many positive benefits of breastfeeding. Class meets at 6 p.m. Call (734) 458-4330.

LIVING WITH DIABETES

"Taking Charge of Living with Diabetes," Jan. 25-Feb. 17, from 7-9 p.m. Call (734) 655-8940.

CPR RECERTIFICATION

This course is designed for healthcare professionals who hold a current Healthcare Provider Card issued by the American Heart Association or Red Cross. \$25. Class runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia. To register call (877) 345-5500.

WED, JAN. 26

NEWBORN CARE

A two session class meets at 6 p.m. Designed to help expectant parents learn about their baby's needs. The second session

includes Child & Infant CPR conducted by American Heart Association instructors. Registration required. Call 458-4330.

WOMEN AND DEPRESSION

A mental health professional explains how to identify the signs, symptoms and causes of depression and explores treatment options in this free program. To be held from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Health System's Education Center Ann Arbor. Call (734) 712-5400 to register.

HELP WITH FOOD

"Food for Thought - Calories, How Much, What Kind, Portion Sizes," from 7-8 p.m. at the Bentley Center in Livonia. Call (734) 655-8940.

SMOKING CESSATION

Providence Medical Center in Livonia will host a stop smoking program from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

THUR, JAN. 27

WEIGHT CONTROL

Providence Medical Center - Livonia: Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh will host the weight control program from 3-5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Call (877) 345-5500.

HEARTBURN

Heartburn: Put out the fire. "Treatments for Chronic Heartburn," will be offered from 7-8:30 p.m. This program provides an overview of gastroesophageal reflux, otherwise known as heartburn, including diagnosis and medical and surgical treatment. To register call (877) 345-5500.

FRI, JAN. 28

PSYCHOLOGY COURSE

Madonna University will offer a psychology workshop during the winter term "Psychological

Issues in Child Abuse and Neglect," from 6-10 p.m. and will conclude Feb. 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. the workshop examines why child abuse and neglect occur, who perpetrates such acts, the short and long term effects of child abuse and neglect and the various treatment strategies employed with abused children. The non-credit fee is \$1000. Call (734) 432-5731 to register.

SAT, JAN 29

TURNING POINTS CONFERENCE

Oakwood's Turning Points Conference will focus on the importance of a healthy attitude (Feeling Magnificent: A New Attitude for the New Millennium) at the Dearborn Inn, 20301 Oakwood Blvd. from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at a cost of \$30 per participant. The conference will feature keynote speaker Liz Curtis Higgs, an Encourager®. Call (800) 543-WELL to register.

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GOOD TEETH MEAN LONGER LIFE

A study by Italian researchers involving people between ages 70 and 75 years indicates that oral health may be a marker for longevity. The study participants were divided into three groups: those with good natural teeth, those who wore dentures, and those with poor dental health. The subjects were tracked for ten years to study the impact of oral health on survival. It was found that people with good teeth, natural or artificial, were more independent and functioned at a higher level than their peers with poor teeth. They also enjoyed better social relationships and happier moods. Moreover, while only 33% of the people with good teeth died during the study, 48% of the people with poor teeth did.

This study confirms once again that good oral healthcare is important for your overall good health. When is the last time you had a comprehensive dental examination? At LIVONIA VILLAGE DENTAL ASSOCIATES, we make every effort to see your promptly and listen to your concerns and needs. Keeping you healthy and happy is our first concern. We will let you know about new procedures and technologies and what they can do for you. For dental care that will take you into the next millennium, call 478-2110 to schedule an appointment. We're located at 19171 Merriman Road. Smiles are our business.

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IMMEDIATELY AFTER YOUR ACCIDENT

People who are involved in automobile accidents are advised simply to exchange factual information at the scene of the accident. After that, they should consult with a lawyer about their cases. Under no circumstances should they talk with insurance representatives for other individuals involved in the accident. They should never sign anything. Insurers may try to contact accident victims personally, or through the mail, in an attempt to deal with them before they hire attorneys. The insurers' goal is to lower overall claims costs by cutting attorneys out of the settlement. All this

may be done under the guise of "helping with expenses," but accident victims are urged to resist these appeals until they have talked with their own lawyers.

It is important to talk to an attorney soon after an accident so that all pertinent evidence can be gathered and all parties deposed while the facts are still fresh in the mind of both the victim and any corroborating witnesses. Rushing to accept an immediate settlement may also mean waiving your right to be compensated for injuries or damages that are not immediately evident.

HINT: After you have been involved in an accident, consult with a lawyer with an eye toward understanding the legal aspects of your case and getting the best possible settlement with the help of someone who has experience in doing so.

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