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#### MONDAY

City meets: The Plymouth City Commission meets at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

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#### **TUESDAY**

On ice: The Plymouth Whalers take to the ice at Compuware Arena at 7:30 p.m. against the Kingston Frontenacs. The Whalers are trying to capture the Ontario Hockey League's Western Conference Championship.

## **THURSDAY**

Hitting the mat: Plymouth Salem wrestlers Ron Thompson, Rob Ash and Josh Henderson will be at Joe Louis Arena as the Division I state individual wrestling tournament kicks off.

## SATURDAY

For sale: The Plymouth Community Arts Council sponsors its annual dinner/auction, with an "Escape to the Caribbean" theme. To get a pre-auction look at the available items, call the PCAC at (734) 416-4278.

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# Clerical workers approve union



It wasn't exactly a mandate from the masses, but Plymouth Township employees approved unionization in a 21-12 decision.

A chance for employee equality in the Plymouth Township workplace fueled Carol Hebert's yes vote Friday as she joined the majority of clerical employees who voted for union representation.

"I'm just glad it went," said Hebert, Plymouth Fire Chief Larry Groth's secretary. "It's something that's needed. We need to be a little more equal. I think it will be a lot better. It will help our part-time people. We need to be a unified group again. We have a fire union, a police union, a DPW union, and a dispatch-

The 21-12 vote means the clerical employees will be represented by the American Federation of State and County Municipal Employees union.

Irene Whitmore, deputy treasurer to Ron Edwards, said a formal statement will be sent to both the media and the employer. "We will call people and say, 'What do you want this to say?"

The union vote came despite comments Karen Warner, AFSCME administrative director, heard repeatedly during union organization meetings with Plymouth Township clerical employees since October, when some township employees called for infor-

"A union in Plymouth? You know you are in Republican territory" were among comments she

"We're delighted that we were supported," said Warner, who has negotiated about 24 initial contracts for AFSCME. "We look forward to working with and for our membership here and with the

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Bird elementary students are hitting the books this month, almost certainly a direct result of some recent . . .

# Schmoos-ing



BY TONY BRUSCATO

Just as the swallows return to Capistrano, the Schmoos have returned to Bird Elemen-

After an eight-year hiatus, the Schmoos invaded Bird school this past week, which ironically was also the beginning of reading

We came to school one morning and there was an invasion," said Mary Robb, inside the media center she runs at the school. The Schmoos are available for adoption by

students, but with very stringent rules. When you adopt a Schmoo, you promise to

read to them, write to them, write about them and hug them," said Robb. Thus far the invasion of the Schmoos to

increase reading and writing this month has Parents are saying the kids are coming

home and writing like crazy," added Robb.

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Reading along: Katherine Nagele, 9 (from left) Katie Rener, 9, and Megan Mills, 91/2, read some Schmoo



Story time: Kacy Moran(left) and Jansan Falcusan, both 9, read some Schmoo stories, while holding their adopted Schmoos Thursday at Bird Elementary.

## Township eliminates building bond fees

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Plymouth Township board members agreed Feb. 29 to eliminate the \$50 and \$100 building bond fees on projects of \$10,000 or less from the Building Department Schedule of Building

The move is expected to cut down on paperwork. The township has required \$50 and \$100 bonds over the years on projects of \$10,000 or less to ensure that the property was cleaned up after

Treasurer Ron Edwards brought forward this issue with the consent of Charles McIlhargey, Plymouth Township's chief building official. Edwards said it has also been a concern of

Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill. 'Last year, we took in 800 of these,' Edwards said. "Quite a few of these are not returned to the people. Construction companies build it into their

Trustee Charles Curmi told Edwards he was pointing out a significant abuse of these bonds.

"When guys quote on a job there's a

bond that is put in the price and, if the contractor is savvy, he gets the refund and he gets an incremental amount when it should go to the homeowner," Curmi said. "Most people don't know

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy offered further explanation.

"We have to return the bond to whoever put it in, if it is the firm applying for the permit, and they give you the money, then it has to go back to that firm even though they have charged it into the price," she said.

"As Ron said, most of these little ones, the companies don't call for final inspection. The final inspection is what triggers the release of the bond money. So if they don't call for final inspection, they get paid by the homeowner and we're left with a bunch of these.

Trustee Ron Griffith asked if the homeowner doesn't have some responsibility to know that the bond is built into the cost. "He could say to the contractor, 'I'm not paying you for the bond," Griffith said.

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## Judge agrees to bond hearing for husband

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net A Wayne County Circuit Court

judge will consider bond for a Plymouth man accused of killing and dismembering his estranged wife and then dumping her body parts in Dearborn and Ohio.

At Wednesday's circuit court arraignment for Azizul Islam on first-degree murder and dismemberment charges, attorney Michael Schwartz made a motion for and received a bail hearing for his client, who is currently incarcerated in the Wayne County jail without bond.

"Mr. Islam has never been arrested, never been convicted, has lived in Plymouth for 10 years, has two children in high school, and is a well-respected vice-president of Electro Plating," said Schwartz. "He has no history of violence, and the preliminary exam case wasn't particularly strong."

Circuit Court Judge Patricia Fresard listened to the argument and

H'He's been in jail since Jan. 7, he deserves a reasonable bond.'

> Michael Schwartz -Islam attorney

then agreed to the bond hearing, which will be held on Friday, March

"He's been in jail since Jan. 7, he deserves a reasonable bond," said Schwartz. "I think he has a good

chance. Fresard also set a March 31 deadline for trial motions and an April 7 pre-trial date.

Islam was ordered to stand trial by 35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe after a two-day preliminary

Islam, 50, is accused of killing his wife, Tracy, 35, dismembering her body and dumping the body parts in a dumpster in Dearborn and a field in northern Ohio.

## Incumbents will seek school board seats

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Two Plymouth-Canton school board trustees say they'll seek re-election in the June 12 vote to fill two four-year terms on the Board of Education.

Elizabeth Givens, 51, will be seeking a second four-year term, while Judy Mardigian, 46, will be seeking her first four-year term. Mardigian was appointed to fill the vacancy left by former board member Jack Farrow, and then won the two-year unexpired term uncontested.

"I think experience and continuity is important to the board, and we have a functioning team that is very cohesive. I'd hate to break that up," said Givens. "And with a new superintendent it's important to have some continuity to the past.

"Plus I think it's important to do public service," she added.

The hardest thing as a board member is making decisions when there are several viable options and they are emotional to the community," said Givens. "I believe my strongest area of contribution is in bringing labor and management together."

Givens said she believes the next four years will be quite different under new superinten-

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"The board will probably be less involved at the grass roots level in committee work," Givens said. "I think, instead, we'll be more involved in goals, projections and vision of the district."

Mardigian said she's looking forward to another four years after helping select a new superintendent and deciding the future of the third high school.

"I want to work with the new superintendent and help her become successful, continue to work for reduction of class size, and push for specialized reading programs for younger students," said Mardigian. "I also want to make sure our high school students have the curriculum they need for the 21st century.

"I also want to continue my work in trying to get more foundation money from the state," she added. "I've got kids in the Plymouth-Canton schools, so I have a real stake in what happens in the district."

Nominating petitions are available for any resident of the Plymouth-Canton school district who is registered to vote at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey.

They must be turned in by April 10 at 4 p.m. at the administration building.

#### **Healthy kids**

The Plymouth YMCA hosts Healthy Kids Day Saturday, May 6, from noon to 4 p.m. in Plymouth Township Park.

"We are looking for community sponsors to help us promote healthy kids, healthy families and healthy communities," executive director Joanne McCarthy said.

Volunteers and promotional materials or donations are being sought for the activities scheduled in the park's pavilion. Health, safety, creativity and family are the featured themes this year.

To volunteer time or services, or to receive further information, call Colleen at (734) 453-2904.

## **PLYMOUTH** PIPELINE

#### Spelling superiority

Colin Miranda, a student at Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Plymouth, had a lot to be proud of after the recent Area S regional spelling bee.

Miranda was the runner-up at the Bee, held at OLGC and sponsored by The Detroit News. She was among 19 students from Plymouth, Belleville, Huron Township, New Boston, Northville and Ypsilanti

who competed.

This year's regional Spelling Bee saw students tackle words such as indissoluble, obstetrician, cosmogenesis and rumormonger. Abi Aduroja of Lincoln Middle School in Ypsilanti was the winner and will compete at the next level of competition April 7 at Greenfield Village's Lovett Hall in Dear-

The Spelling Bee, in its 75th year, encourages students to improve spelling, increase vocabularies and learn concepts which develop correct English usage. Bee officials anticipate 10 million students will participate in local and regional competitions with the hope of advancing to the national finals in Washington, D.C.

## Union from page A1

administration, which isn't going to be positive.'

Immediately after the vote. Warner walked over to Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy in the township meeting room to introduce herself. The two hadn't met until then.

Keen McCarthy was straightforward in her comments.

"It's up to the employees, they have the right, they voted, they go forward from here," Keen McCarthy said.

Certification from the Michigan Employment Relations Commission will take 10 days, Warn-

"There will be a meeting to elect officers for a negotiating team and then begin preparing the contract package which will take a lot of work because we will have to get wage plans and insurance," she said.

Some employees were happy with the status quo and voted no. "I have no complaints," said Marilyn Cragel, who works in

Township Clerk Marilyn Mas-

sengill's office.

The problems in the township that people may perceive can be dealt with in a different way than with a union," said Tina Duke, administrative assistant to Jim Anulewicz, director of public services. "I prefer to not to lose all of my freedom."

"I'm disappointed," said Sarah Comerford, assistant to Shirley Barney, community development director. "I'll do my best to work within the system.

Robert Markley, a park ranger, kept his vote secret. "All I can say is that I voted," he said. "It's the only right I have."

Warner complained after an organizational meeting Wednesday night at Denny's Restaurant in Plymouth Township that eligible employees received a letter of information from the township Wednesday, giving the union no time to respond.

"There is no way to respond because there is a bar 24 hours before for advertising," Warner

Keen McCarthy said Friday she didn't know she had to operate on the union's time schedule.

"It was well within the guidelines, well within the law," Keen McCarthy said. "It was sent out on Tuesday. We didn't send out 'Vote yes' or 'Vote no.' We sent out information for them to make their best decision."

Warner said union protection begins immediately.

There's no reason for this to be an adversarial relationship,' said Kevin Bramlett, AFSCME's administrative director. "Fourteen percent of the work force in the United States is unionized. We don't see municipalities going under because their employees have organized. It takes away their carte blanche to act in any way they care to. Let's be real. We're in Michigan."

The new union members join the biggest union in the public sector in the United States, according to Warner. "We are the one union that is still grow-

ing. The union stereotype doesn't fit. We have a lot of white-collar people who want to be organized. It's interesting, too, because we have been in some of the best economic climates we have seen.

"A lot of times, the incidents that happen in the workplace are not focused on wages and benefits. I'm not discounting that. A lot of times, it is the climate. What was repeated frequently today is that the climate is terrible."

Public sector employees elect their bosses. "If you don't exercise that right, shame on you," Warner said.

"I'm not saying that no one can be fired and I'm not saying no one can be laid off but it better be legitimate and it better not be reactionary," Warner said. "If they happen to be people who were out-front, very pro-union, then we would be very suspect about the motive. Can they sub-

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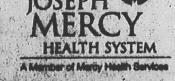
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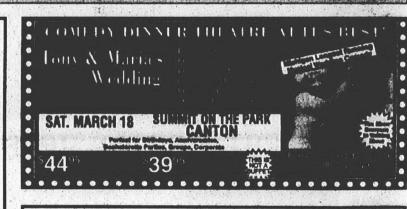
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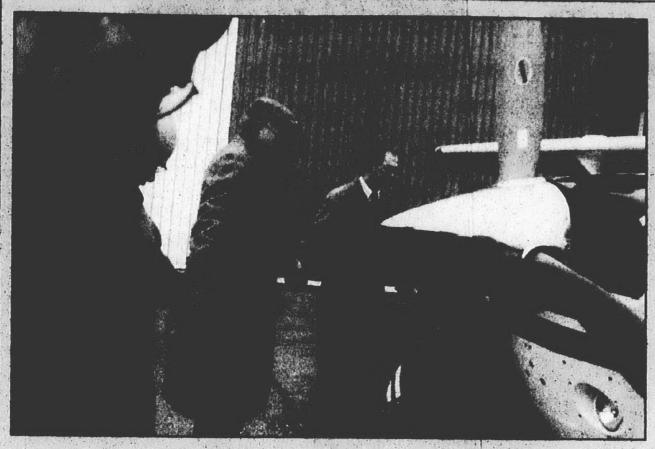
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chief pilot Dwayne King and Dr. Frank Severn, gen-eral director of SEND International (center). lead a prayer service during the re-dedication of the Cessna 206 at Mettetal Airport in Canton.

## Mission rededicates plane after 24 years

SEND International, a Farmington Hills-based inter-denominational faith mission organization, recently re-dedicated its Cessna 206 airplane at Canton's Mettetal Airport.

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The single-engine plane was originally commissioned at Mettetal 24 years ago for service in Alaska.

Pilot Steve Woelfel spent 400 hours working on the aircraft, rebuilding the tail, replacing the engine and refurbishing the interior at a cost of \$40,000. After a short prayer service, former chief pilot Dwayne King, who flew the plane for 18 years, gave the Cessna a spin before it once again headed to Alaska.

"We've saved lives by flying

people to medical facilities ... babies were born in the airplane," said King. "We've flown into areas where there is no formalized religion and helped establish churches

SEND International was established in 1945 by World War II soldiers who helped equip Christians for service to the church in their own coun-

\*SEND International starts new churches where they don't exist, and we train and develop local leaders," said Dr. Frank Severn, general director of SEND. "We have about 470 members serving in 20 countries in Asia, Europe, North America and Eurasia.



De plane: The Cessna 206 was originally commissioned 24 years ago for service in Alaska.

## Detroit cops nab suspects in robbery

Plymouth police say two men are in Detroit police custody in connection with a break-in at a Plymouth business which netted thieves \$30,000 in computers and other equipment.

The weekend burglary was reported at Martin Controls, 340 N. Main. Authorities say the two men were caught in possession of some stolen goods by Detroit police.

The suspects have not yet been officially charged

#### Ring stolen

A Plymouth man has filed a complaint with police, claiming a \$725 gold ring was stolen from his home last month.

According to the report, Gerald Ash, Jr., said he placed the 14 karat gold ring in a container of jewelry cleaner on the sink in his bathroom

Ash said he believes one of four dancers he invited from Bogart's on Michigan Ave. in Wayne took the ring. Ash said he knew only two of the dancers by name.

The ring is identified as gold with seven diamonds in the center, surrounded by two rows of black onyx.

#### Schmoos from page A1

"The program promotes creativity. The students are reading, writing and constructing houses and beds for their Schmoos."

"They were all over the ceiling and shelves, and now they're almost all gone," said Kacy Moran of Plymouth. "We adopted them all."

"It makes me want to read more," added Jansan Falcusan of Plymouth. "It makes you want to read with them. They keep you company."

'My Schmoo sleeps in a crib next to my bed. And, he has a couch and a chair where he eats," said Kara Gregory of her white, fluffy Schmoo.

Robb said not all the Schmoos are the same, and there's a way to determine which Schmoo is the one for a particular student.

"If the Schmoo is looking at you and says 'I want to go home with you,' that's the one you pick," she said. The money raised from the

more books for the Bird media "You can never have too many books," said Jane VanSteenis. Bird-Elementary principal. "It's

sale of the Schmoos goes to buy

# 'My Schmoo sleeps in a crib next to my bed. And, he has a couch and a chair where he eats.'

Kara Gregory -Schmoo owner

really a terrific project, and we have very supportive parents. "As a motivator to reading and

writing, the Schmoo project is great," she added. "While we always instill the importance of reading and writing, this just moves it up to another level."

The Schmoo invasion was so popular that even high school students, who remember the first invasion, have returned to Bird to celebrate the second

Will there be another invasion of the Schmoos? Only Robb knows, and she'll be retiring at the end of the school year after 18 years in the district.

## Local car dealer gets contract for police fleet maintenance

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees approved the police department's request to switch fleet maintenance contract from Bob Jeanotte Pontiac-GMC to Blackwell Ford.

The township has 23 vehicles. The contract period will run through Dec. 31, 2001.

"During the past few months we have had some difficulties with repairs," said Plymouth Township Lt. Robert Smith. He said the department was charged for transmission work that it was told was under warranty.

Submitting bids were Blackwell Ford, the City. of Plymouth DPS, Affordable Automotive, Denny's Service Center and Bob Jeanotte Pontiac.

Smith says Blackwell Ford has the lowest hourly mechanics' rate at \$55 and charges 15 percent over dealer's cost for materials. By contrast. Bob Jeannotte Pontiac-GMC would charge \$69 an hour and charge 25 percent over dealer's cost.

Because the majority of the police department's fleet is Ford Crown Victorias, knowledge of Ford products is a plus, Smith said. The police could use the same shop for all maintenance, recall and

"By allowing Blackwell to perform our vehicle maintenance, we would ensure that all recalls would be completed as each car is entered into the

computer and cross-checked for recall notices." said Plymouth Township Sgt. Robert Antal in material supplied to the board. "Blackwell has stated in their bid that the Plymouth Township police would receive the highest priority with regards to repairs. Ford uses genuine Ford parts unless we request manufactured."

The City of Plymouth DPS does not offer frontend alignment, which is a necessity, Antal said Warranty work would be sent to the dealership if the city bid was accepted. Therefore we will still be using Blackwell. The city DPS only employs two state-certified mechanics where Blackwell employs 12 technicians."

These technicians are licensed with the state of Michigan and certified through Ford Motor Co. training.

"Because the dealership is so close to the police department, the two current service and body shop porters would be available for transporting the vehicles, which need to be repaired during normal working hours," Smith said.

Smith couldn't say how much the police department spends on repair and service annually. Trustee Chuck Curmi commended the police

department for reviewing its purchasing practice "This is the type of purchasing activity that I

would like to see more of," Curmi said. He has asked that the township review all of its purchasing practices.

## Bonds from page A1

Edwards gave as an example a homeowner who buys two new windows at a cost of \$900. "They will roll it into the price, they won't spell it out, so it \$950," becomes Edwards said.

"The homeowner thinks that it is the permit fee," Curmi said. "That's how they get duped."

The money belongs to the homeowner, Griffith said. But Keen McCarthy said that the township never sees the homeowner

Griffith asked why the township doesn't mail the bond back to the homeowner because there's an address list-

"I was looking at it in a different aspect," Edwards said. "Marilyn is looking at it in the aspect that it is built in. I'm looking at in the aspect of all the record keeping.

Contractors would still be required to clean up after the project, but the township won't be holding the

money, Edwards said. The board's decision

is meant to give residents a heads-up in the hope that they ask more questions of contractors, who have included the bond as an expense of the project to the residents. When the project is completed, the bond is returned to the contractor which increases his return on the project, officials to \$100 category

said.

"Hopefully, we can relay to the residents. that we have done this," Edwards said.

About \$201,250 in bonds dating back to 1975 were forfeited in December and went into the township general fund, according to Plymouth Township Treasurer Edwards.

However, officials couldn't say how many of these were in the \$50

## Museum sponsors 2nd leisure lecture

The Plymouth Historical Museum presents the second lecture in a series on American Vacation and Leisure at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 9 at the Museum, located at 155 S. Main St., Plymouth.

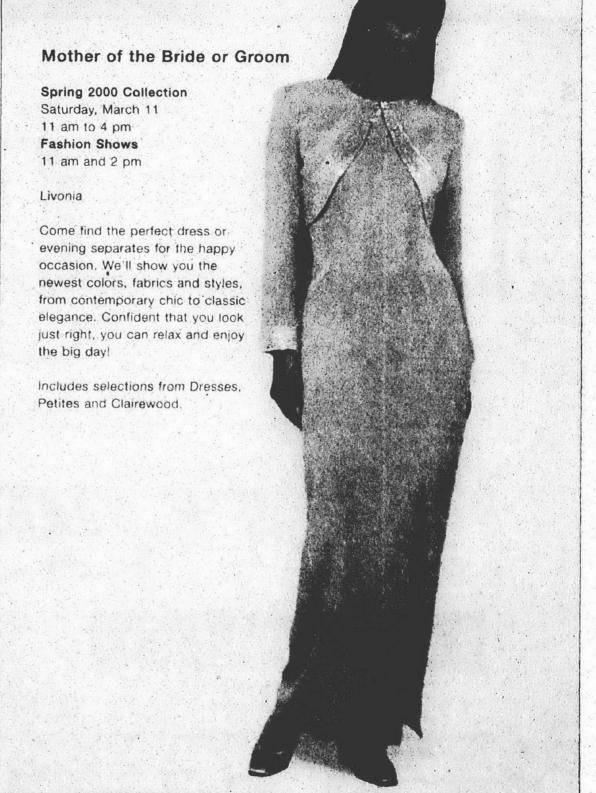
Speaker Dan Hershberger is President of the Society for Commercial Archeology, and an avid collector of 1920's auto touring memorabilia. Artifacts from his collection are part of the Museum's special exhibit, "American Vacation & Leisure," on

display until August 2000.

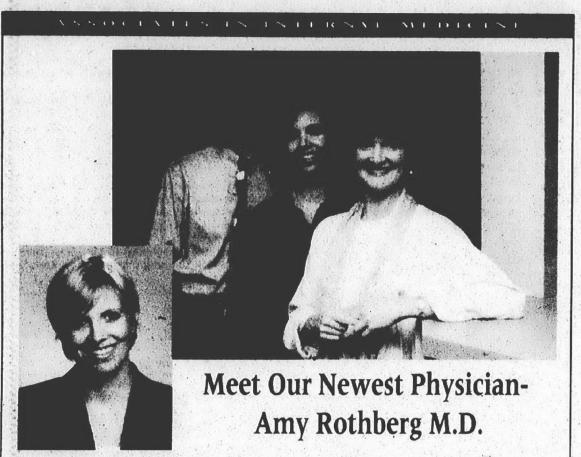
The presentation will discuss various aspects of auto touring, including the very specialized equipment auto tourists carried. The development of the roadside tourist camp and early trail marking programs and road maps will also be discussed.

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Dr. Mark Lindley is pleased to announce the addition of Dr. Amy Rothberg to the Plymouth Associates in Internal Medicine Team. The Plymouth Associates in Internal Medicine offices is one of four locations for this well established primary care practice. The other partner offices are located in Ann Arbor and Canton and staffed by Drs. Brenner, Durfee, Najor, Papo, Peppin, Reza, Stankewitz, Tai, and Winston.

The Plymouth Associates in Internal Medicine practice has been servicing the community for well over ten years, Dr. Rothberg's addition to the Plymouth practice complements the team of Jodi Lambert, nurse practitioner and Dr. Mark Lindley in their commitment to high quality personal care. The combination of knowledge, experience and rich array of skills enables this team to be responsive and attentive to patient concerns and needs. In addition to the providers, the support staff shares this commitment to high quality personal care and dedication to assist patients in all of their health concerns. The reconstruction of the office has enabled us to better service our patients and the development of a nurse triage system allows us to respond quickly to urgent and daily concerns.

Dr. Rothberg is a Wayne State University medical school graduate and completed her residency at the University of Michigan. Dr. Rothberg brings to our practice the highest level of clinical skills in internal medicine and a friendly, enthusiastic practice style. Her patients and colleagues describe her as "thorough, detailed and responsive". Beyond her interest in women's health issues and geriatrics, patients will benefit from her balanced mature perspectives and ideas for achieving and maintaining optimum health in today's modern world.

Dr. Amy Rothberg is accepting new patients at the Plymouth office location at 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 207 and appointments can be scheduled at (734) 455-1820.

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## Third time no charm as Canton denies charter school — again

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

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Sometimes abiding by the adage "if at first you don't succeed, try, try again" pays off.

That wasn't the case Monday when a charter school company's bid to build in Canton was turned down a third time by the planning commission. Previous denial recommendations were passed down in March 1999 and Jan. 10. The first site was at Hanford and Beck.

The vote was 5-0 for a recommendation to deny special land use approval, with commissioners Bob Wade and Karl Zarbo absent. The proposed Canton Charter Academy site is located on the northwest corner of Ridge and Warren.

The next tentative step is the township board, which could vote on the request March 14.

Votes of the planning commission are advisory only, and the township board has the official say on all requests.

Concerns about the 10-acre lot size being too small, increased traffic, building the school on a state-designated Natural Beauty Road and building on a wetland were again among the main concerns aired by residents and the commission.

In response, Grand Rapidsbased National Heritage 'I support this school

Academies' plans new removed access from Ridge Road, set the project farther back and added a second story.

Commission-

Sandy Gillig -Napier Road resident

... but I don't think this

site's going to be one

that's welcoming for

ers said the changes weren't enough and reiterated objections to the proposed vinyl siding and splitblock building materials.

"I think in my mind you met the requirements" for special land use approval, said commissioner Sue Dodson. After voting with the majority, she said, ". still think the site is too tight."

Commission chairman Vic

Gustafson said the problems were with the site, not the

"I personally look at a charter school as a welcome development at any site in Canton providing the site is right for the plan." Gustafson said.

"I don't feel enough changes

been made," com-II 'I find the statement missioner that this location is Cathy Johnson said. "I can't wrong totally offensive. think of any neighborhood This is a prime location in Canton that to teach students.' (the building materials) would comple-

ment.

Commission-Melissa

McLaughlin described the building facade materials as "incongruent" with the building code. She also said the potential traffic would strain overly burdened roads and that the school's lottery-style enrollment would not directly benefit Canton.

Timothy Stoepker, a Detroit attorney representing NHA, said his client's request was not any different from many requests approved in other communities, such as a recently approved site in Romulus.

We comply with each and every requirement of special

land use standards," Stoepker said after listening to comments in the public hearing, which lasted nearly three hours. "Our (charter school) sites are typically

this size."

Emotions ran high on both sides of the issue. Opponents waved bright green fliers reading, "I simply don't want a National Heritage Academy school on this site" after each opponent spoke. Those fliers were later signed and handed to Connie Roessler, planning commission secretary. She said 140 were given to her by the end of the meeting.

Gustafson asked that the audience refrain from applaud-

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here," Gustafson said. Chuck Suppnick, president of the Northwest Canton Home-

owners Association, said the revised plans failed to alleviate his and other homeowners' concerns about Ridge Road's natural beauty road status, which preBY RIC

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impacted by development. "To us this is a clear and present danger," Suppnick said.

Napier Road resident Sandy Gillig said, "I really support this school and the people here fighting so hard to get this school. But I don't think this site's going to be one that's welcoming for them." She cited the wetlands along Fellows Creek and the hilly elevation as two reasons it was not appropriate.

On the other side, 160 supporters signed petitions in favor of the plan. They also offered emotional pleas about the desire for education choice in Canton.

"I find the statement that this location is wrong totally offensive," said Stuart Drive resident Kimberly Gouwens. "This is a prime location to teach students," she added, referring to using the wetlands setting to teach about ecology.

"Did National Heritage Academies meet the requirements set forth by the township? The answer is yes," Lang added.

Jeff Poole, vice president of NHA, said the recently approved NHA school in Romulus is proof that building in western Wayne County isn't impossible.

"I think clearly we met the requirements of special land use," he said. "Really, we're very disappointed with this decision



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## Collectors trade police, fire memorabilia

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Did you know that the Russians once traded in slaves? Or that Kalamazoo's police department began in 1882?

No? Well, most likely, neither did patent attorney Chuck Chandler or printer Tom Herring before each got into collecting restraints and police badges, respectively, some 30 or more years ago.

Today, both have outstanding collections of these and other unique historical pieces which they, along with some 70 exhibitors from across the country - many with ties to law enforcement - will display Saturday at Madonna University.

The occasion is the 16th annual Detroit-Area Police and Fire Collectors Swap Meet and Exhibit, organized by Chandler, Herring and several other local collectors

The all-day event benefits the Alan E. Eichman Memorial Scholarship Fund for criminal justice students at the Livoniabased university.

The mostly police-related items on display will include uniforms, badges and shoulder patches - some dating back to the 1840s; "all kinds of weapons such as billy-clubs" but no guns, said Chandler; restraints, such as handcuffs and leg irons; old police-vehicle license plates; ceremonial clubs and pins, plus old photographs.

Fire collectors will be displayng helmets, axes, badges and other paraphernalia.

"There are hundreds of things at the show," Chandler said.

#### Tribal police

"Some of these guys put on tremendous displays," he added, citing a "very colorful" exhibit of shoulder-patches formerly worn by Native American (tribal) police officers.

While the show is "different," said Chandler, it's also "one of the more successful" of its kind "in the country," with 120 tables

Exhibitors, mostly retired or active police officers plus "a couple" of former Federal Bureau of Investigation agents and a few firefighters, come from Washington, D.C., New York, Chicago, St. Louis and places in Texas. There's even a sheriff from California, Chandler said

"Some follow the shows" from city to city "and we have a real good show, so they come to us.

"Some of these guys have been coming for years," in part due to

friendships they've made, he

Chandler, whose specialty is handcuffs, leg-irons and slave collars and who's exhibited some of his items at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., got started when he "saw a couple of old handcuffs at a gun show in 1963.

From there, he began collecting locks, concentrating mainly "in old slave stuff from Russian slave camps," he said. Some items are so rare, there are only a dozen known pieces, he said.

Tom Herring, a pre-press color man for Precision Color in Plymouth, has been collecting since age 9 when, inspired by the then-popular TV show "Emergency", he got a Los Angeles County Fire Department Paramedic shoulder patch.

#### Not baseball

While other kids pursued baseball cards, Herring went after patches, writing to police and fire departments across the country.

That evolved into a collection f police badges, most from Michigan and dating to 1865, including "three of the seven known first-issue Detroit police

First-issues, he said, are "like

the Taj Mahal. They're the best of the best you can get.

Herring claims to have "probably the best collection of Michigan antique badges.

"I have the most complete collection of anyone." he said. "Almost every badge was handmade and all are handengraved."

His most prized is an 1882 Kalamazoo badge - that department's first year.

Collectors usually find their prizes at estate sales. But flea markets and even the trash produce finds, he said: "They show up all over the place.'

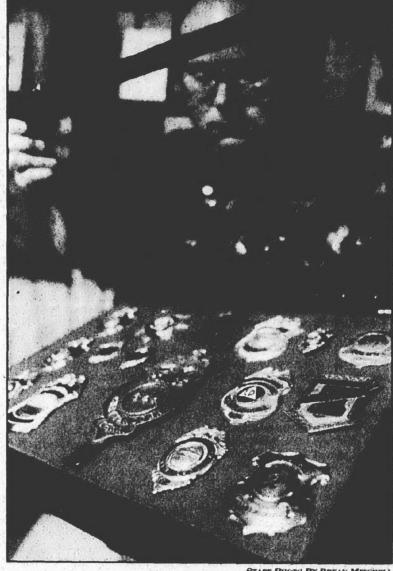
Big-city police badges are worth the most, as much as \$3,000, he said. "But the problem with values is, there's no guidebook. It's all subjective."

Money isn't the most important thing, though, said Herring, who learned a lot of geography while building his collection.

"The way I see it," he said, is it's a preserving of history, a legacy of our past."

Admission to the swap meet is \$2 per person. Refreshments will be available and door prizes will be awarded hourly.

Madonna University is on the northwest corner of Levan Road and the Jeffries Freeway/Inter-



Shiny treasures: Tom Herring with some of his police badges in his Livonia home.

## UM-Dearborn open house set

The University of Michigan- according to Gabrielle Williams Dearborn Office of Admissions and Orientation holds a Career Night 2000 for prospective students and their families 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, March 9.

UM-Dearborn faculty, alumni members and Career Services staff will provide information on careers'in engineering and computer science, liberal arts and sciences, business and education.

"This is a great opportunity for high school students to interact with our alumni and gain firsthand information about careers," assistant director of admissions and orientation at UM-Dear-

Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the program will start

A reception will follow. The campus is at 4901 Evergreen Road between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue

For more information, call the Office of Admissions and Orientation at (313)593-5100 or (313)593-5550.

County board plans session on deficit BY RICHARD PEARL to legislator," said Commission-STAFF WRITER
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The ways and means committee of the Wayne County board of commissioners plans an allday study session the middle of this month to look into the county's continuing budget deficit.

The purpose is to "get a clearer understanding" of the situation and review options, "then go to Lansing to see about working out" the situation "legislator

er Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, a committee member

She said commissioners likely would request "a one-time grant" from the state.

The first quarterly report of the county's fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 2000, indicates an anticipated \$11.1 million deficit at year's end, although Bankes emphasized that is only a pro-

The report, submitted by the

ways and means committee, was to be presented at Thursday's full commission meeting, scheduled for 10 a.m. at the Wayne County Building.

According to the report from the ways and means committee's mid-February meeting, the deficit, which first surfaced last year, is due to a shortage in state revenue.

Bankes said a key part of the shortage is the state "reneged" on a block grant it had said it would provide the county as

part of a new way of funding juvenile justice services

"I was the one that got the legislation passed" for the new funding in 1998, her last year as a state legislator, Bankes said in expressing her concern about the budget problem.

The shortage has resulted in an ongoing dispute between the commissioners and County Executive Ed McNamara regarding his request for cutbacks in spending by various county departments

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IS WILLIAM KENNEDY, O.D.

Services will be held for Dennis William Kennedy, O.D., 57. of Plymouth Township at 2 p.m. Friday, March 11, at Christ Church, Grosse Pointe. Burial will be in Thamesford, Ontario.

Mr. Kennedy was born Oct. 22, 1942, in Detroit and died Feb. 21. He was a graduate of Lee-lanau School for Boys, Detroit Institute of Technology and Illinois College of Optometry. He eared bachelor of science and doctor of optometry degrees and served as a captain in the Air Force. He was chief of optometric services at the 1707th USAF Hospital in Altus, Okla., and was an adjunct professor for Ferris State College of Optometry and optometrist advisor for the V.A. Hospital in Allen Park.

In 1975, he opened his private optometric practice (Vision Associates of Westland) and served as a contact lens consultant for many area opthalmogists, and in 1981 fellow optometrist, Randy G. Houdek, joined him in his practice.

A life-long baseball enthusiast and devoted father, he coached many years for the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball Association, winning several division championships. He had the pleasure of watching his sons, Christopher and Scott, play varsity baseball as pitchers for Plymouth Canton High School.

Mr. Kennedy was a Civil War enthusiast and enjoyed attending re-enactments and visiting historic Civil War sites. He earned the respect of colleagues and surgeons as a noted expert and lecturer on various forms of laser refractive surgery and dry eye syndrome in the U.S., Canada and the U.S. Virgin Islands for TLC Laser Eye Centers. He and laser surgeon Jeffrey J. Machayt, M.D., have published many articles and co-authored several textbook chapters on laser vision correction.

Mr. Kennedy was past president of the Wayne County Opto-

metric Association, a member of the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons, director of the Metropolitan Detroit Optometric Association and a member of the Michigan and American Optometric Associations and National Advisory Board of TLC Laser Eye Cen-

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Carroll W. Kennedy, and will be remembered and truly missed by scores of patients, friends and colleagues. Survivors include his wife, Sandra; two sons, Christopher (Maria) and Scott (Kimberly); and one sister, Carol R. (Jac)

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society and Southfield Oncology Institute, 21751 W. 11 Mile Road, Suite 114, Southfield, MI 48076.

Local arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, Plymouth.

LILLIAN S. SORG

Services for Lillian S. Sorg, 80, of Plymouth were held March 1 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Doc Ortman officiating.

She was born Nov. 11, 1919, in Detroit and died Feb. 26 in Plymouth. She was a housekeeper for Walker-Buzenverg Furniture in Plymouth for many years. She also cleaned homes in Plymouth and worked for Dr. Don Davies and Dr. George Atsalis. She came to the Plymouth community in 1966 from Detroit. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church. She sang in the church choir and enjoyed the people of O.L.G.C. She also enjoyed oil painting.

Survivors include her five children, Richard (Ruth) Froman of South Holland, Ill. James (Carolyn) Froman of Gladwin, Mich., Larry (Linda) Froman of Burt, Mich., Tim (Rayrene) Froman of Madison Heights and Lillian (Cliff) Summerhill of Battle Creek; 13 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to O.L.G.C. McKinnon Pipe Organ Fund, St. Aloysius Outreach

ASHLEY RICHARD HEIMBAUGH

Services for Ashley Richard Heimbaugh, 52, of Plymouth were held March 3 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

He was born May 20, 1947, in Milroy, Pa., and died Feb. 28 in Livonia. He started his career as a licensed private and commercial pilot and instructor. He flew in Vietnam, and after the service continued flying for WXYZ-TV Channel 7 and Medivac Helicopter for numerous hospitals throughout the country. His career expanded to the energy management industry as a consultant for the past 15 years.

Mr. Heimbaugh was a member of the Aircraft Owners Pilot Association and the National Rifle Association. He was an avid hunter and enjoyed all outdoor sports hunting and gaming. He also enjoyed gardening, was a Civil War enthusiast and supported the Michigan Humane

He was preceded in death by his brother, Andrew Heimbaugh. Survivors include his wife, Susan of Plymouth; six children, Angela (Tom) Howard of Fort Wayne, Ind., Kevin Richard Heimbaugh of Ypsilanti, Curtis Ashley Heimbaugh of Ypsilanti, Candice Sheremet of Plymouth, Deane Allen Sheremet of Los Angeles, Calif., and Allison Sky Heimbaugh of Plymouth; mother, Anita Deamer of Milroy; two sisters, Alvina (Dick) Tyson of Milroy, Pa., and Alisha (Bob) Rahauser of Centre Hall, Pa.; sister-in-law, Wendy Miller of Pennsylvania; and two grandchildren, Thomas Bret Howard and Jacob Ashley Howard of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Memorials may be made to Allison Heimbaugh Memorial Scholarship Fund or Plymouth Christian Academy.

MENRIETTA MARIE RORABACHE Services for Henrietta Marie Rorabacher, 89, of Plymouth took place March 1 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Doc Ortman officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepul-

chre Cemetery, Southfield. She was born Feb. 15, 1911, in Tawas City, Mich., and died Feb. 27 in Jackson. She sold Stanley Products for 40 years. She was a top seller, receiving numerous awards. She also worked at the Phoenix Ford Plant in Northville when it first opened. She was one of the first women to work on the assembly line at a Ford plant. She came to the Plymouth community in 1935 and was a member of our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church. She loved to bake pies and travel and enjoyed shopping for her grandchildren. She attended County Normal College in Tawas City.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Faye Barkman, and one son, James Jude Rorabacher. Survivors include her husband, Leland of Plymouth; two sons, Dennis (Dorine) Rorabacher Lawrenceburg, Ind., and David (Ruby) Rorabacher of Northville; one daughter, Mary Jane "Janie" (Aaron) Smith of Jackson; four sisters, Anna Fisher of Tawas, Mich., Alma (Jack) Reiss of South Lyon, Angela (Bill) Thomas of Plymouth and Fay (George) Schomberger of Westland; two brothers, James Fisher Plymouth and Orville (Delores) Fisher of California; and son-in-law, Rodger Bark-

**GARNET MABEL (KINCAID) YOUNG** 

Services for Garnet Mabel (Kincaid) Young, 89, of Westland (formerly of Plymouth and Oak Hill, Va.) were held at Tyree Funeral Home, Oak Hill, W.Va. with the Rev. James Sheppard officiating. Burial was in High Lawn Memorial Park, Oak Hill,

She was born Jan. 6, 1911, in Wriston, W.Va., and died Feb. 11 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. She was retired from Ford Motor Co. She was active in Eastern Star in Plymouth until leaving for Florida in 1973. She returned to Westland in 1994. She was a former member of Oak Hill Methodist Church in Oak Hill, W.Va., and was very proud of

her family. She was preceded in death by her husband, Donly S. Young Sr.; one son, Phillip Edward Young; one granddaughter; and two great-granddaughters. Survivors include her two sons. Donly S. "Bud" (Leslyn) Young Jr. of Lake Michigan and Robert D. (Dorothy) Young of Gaylord; 13 grandchildren; 31 greatgrandchildren; and two greatgreat grandchildren.

Local arrangements were made by the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, Plymouth.

WILLIAM A. SPENCE

Services for William A. Spence, 72, of Canton were held March 3 in Cherry Hill United Methodist Church with Rev. Lawrence A. Wik officiating. Burial was in Cherry Hill Ceme-

He was born July 26, 1927, in Berkley, Mich., and died Feb. 29. He worked as a terminal operator in gas and oil.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret A., and three daughters, Margaret R. Guse, Melanie K. and Wendy J. Survivors include daughters Mary (James) Miller, Lou Ann (John Angiolillo) Frederick and Sherry L.; four grandchildren, Dwayne, Jason, Daniel and Jeremy; and five great-grandchildren, David, Nicholas, Jacob, Samantha and Brandon.

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

GERALD A. CAMPBELL

Services for Gerald A. Camp-

bell, 65, of Canton were held March 3 in Santeiu Chapel with the Rev. Roger Stombaugh of United Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Riverside

Cemetery, Plymouth. He was born March 5, 1934, in Plymouth and died Feb. 28 in Pittsfield Township. He was a

He was preceded in death by his daughtef, Peggy Joyce Campbell. Survivors include his wife, Edythe Campbell; five daughters, Helen Susan Little, Laura Joan Canon, Linda Marie Coonce, Diane May Campbell and Darlene Kay Campbell; three sons, John Ross Campbell, Cliff Campbell and Gerald Allen Campbell; two brothers, Keith Campbell and Jack Campbell; 18 grandchildren; and 12 greatgrandchildren.

**VERNON MILLER** 

Services for Vernon Miller, 74, of Belleview, Fla., were held March 1 at Casterline Funeral; Home in Northville with Robert Gabbard of Livonia officiating. Burial was in Michigan Memorial Gardens, Flat Rock.

He was born March 26, 1925, in Powelltown, Ky., and died Feb. 25 in Harborside Health Care Center, Ocala, Fla. He was a self-employed upholsterer.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his two daughters, Joyce Lynn. Rhoads of Ohio and Donna Elaine Miller of Ohio; two stepdaughters, Donna Faye Dutcher of Michigan and Brenda Lucille Priest of Canton; three stepsons, Peter Everett Green of Bloomfield, Bobby Dale Greer of Plymouth and Michael Lynn Greer of Michigan; four sisters, Ada Williams of Ohio, Mildred Boggs of Arizona, Della Sobree of Kentucky and Hazel Witt of Florida; two brothers, Ernest Miller of Ohio and Carl Miller of Ohio; one half-brother, Edgar of Kentucky; 16 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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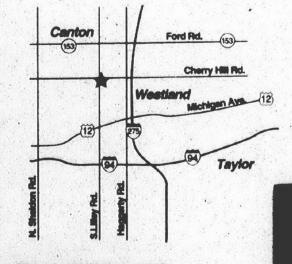
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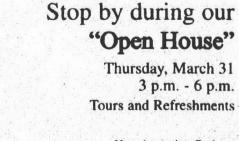
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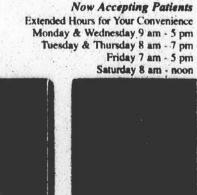


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chance said she has worked an appropriative from more specifications including the Mishigan Department Agariculture, local public saith departments, the U.S. at Drug Administration, sarchers, and consumer and industry groups over the past two years to develop the legis-

The bills will increase the safety of food preparation by requiring that hot foods be kept at higher temperatures, cold foods are kept colder, and putting stringent new regula-tions on the handing of readyto eat foods. With a few exceptions, the food code would requires such foods be handled with tongs, spatulas or gloves, rather than bare hands. Where bare hands must be used, stringent washing require-ments were included in the

Additionally, the bills pra-vide for health and safety training for food service work

At the same time, Johnson said, the bills streamline the property of the property operation. She argished that greecy operations are imported by the MDA and level health departments inspect restaurants. In some cases, where restaurants are

cases, where restaurants are included in stores, both must inspect. Under Johnson's bill, those inspections will be com-

"They are both capable of making those inspections. This eliminates duplication. That's one thing I really can't stand, inefficient government," she

She also explained the bills will base the frequency of inspections on the level of risk involved. Stores selling only packaged foods will get less inspection, while restaurants will get more because of the level of food preparation.

The bills match new regulations already adopted at the federal level.

Johnson said most industry trade groups eventually sup-ported the bills, because of the time spent by the MDA and state workers to iron out concerns they had with the new

The House of Representatives approved the bills 105-0 Wednesday, Feb. 28 All local lawmakers voted yes. The bills now await action in the Senate.

## Shooting spikes trigger lock demand

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Sheriff's Department said Friday that, in the wake of the Mount Morris tragedy, it has seen a "big spike" in the number of requests for trigger locks.

'In the past two days, we've received requests for over 1,500" of the locks, said Sheriff Robert

Normally, he said, representatives of his department give away an average 200-300 locks each week during gun-safety talks to various community organizations.

The upsurge in requests for the locks, sparked by the fatal shooting in the Flint area of a first-grader by another firstgrader, have come from municipal police agencies as well as from groups and individuals, the

The department's Trigger Lock Community Service Program, begun in 1992 and funded by private donations, has seen over 20,000 of the locks distributed.

No questions are asked and the locks are free to anyone who owns a gun and wants one, Ficano said.

Locks may be picked up at the sheriff's department administration building, 1231 St. Antoine in Greektown; the department's road patrol headquarters, 1300 Henry Ruff at Michigan Ave. in Westland: and at the William Dickerson Detention Center, 3501 Hamtramck Drive in Ham-

Ficano emphasized his department will be happy also to talk at any time with groups about

gun safety. Call the sheriff's department at (313) 224-0414 during business hours Mondays through

## 3 stores will provide free trigger locks

Three major sporting goods chains will provide free trigger locks for all guns sold at their stores in the metro Detroit area beginning March 15.

The three - Dick's, Gander Mountain and Sports Authority are believed the first retailers in the country to do this with all weapons, according to Wayne County spokeswoman June

The decision, announced Fri- ufacturers were sued.

day, ends Wayne County's April 1999 gun litigation lawsuit against them, although it is still pending against 29 other dealers and gun manufacturers.

The first of the original 33 to act was the Gibraltar Trade Center, which last year ended all gun sales at its Taylor facility and was dropped from the suit. A total of 10 dealers and 23 man-

County Executive Ed McNamara praised the resolution, adding he was particularly impressed that the companies also agreed to immediately fire any employee "who knowingly participates in a straw purchase by a felon or juvenile (through a surrogate buyer)."

The firms also agreed to quarterly "sting" purchase attempts to ensure their polices are being strictly enforced.

"It's about time Wayne County took the lead nationally in protecting children from gun violence," said Deputy County Executive Mike Duggan. "For too long, all we've been known for is our terrible number of victims."

In Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, Dick's and Sports Authority each have six stores while Gander Mountain has three.

## Tots' program focuses on nature

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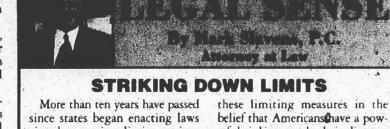
through the parks millage.

Nature Tots, a four-part, interactive learning program teaching pre-schoolers ages 3 and 4 years about nature's mysteries, will be offered 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, March 7-28, through the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center in Westland.

The program uses puppets, games, live animals and outdoor exploration to teach such topics as birds, colors and animal

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aimed at setting limits on jury awards and curtailing lawsuits. The new liability laws make it more difficult to bring some suits." They also seek to limit how much plaintiffs can collect in accident, malpractice, and other injury cases. Now, however, state courts across the country are overturning

belief that Americans have a powerful right to settle their disputes in court. In the last three years, the highest courts of at least seven states have struck down all or part of new laws passed under the banner of "tort reform." Legal experts agree that momentum is now clearly shifted to upholding plaintiff's rights.

HINT: At least 87 decisions by state appeals and trial courts have found flaws in tort reform laws enacted since the mid-1980s.

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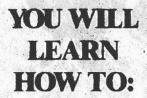
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# Internet bill pits wine lovers against wholesalers

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

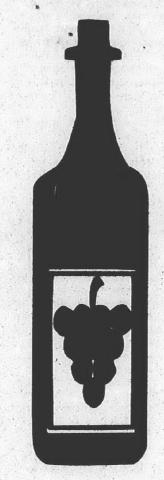
Legislation aimed at keeping alcohol sold over the Internet out of the hands of minors has set the stage for an unusual political tussle, pitting wine lovers against alcoholic beverage wholesalers.

The proposal, House Bill 4752 sponsored by Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi), primarily deals with sales to minors. It requires that when alcohol is ordered over the Internet sellers must verify the buyer's age. And it requires packages to be labeled as containing alcoholic beverages so that delivery services – including United Parcel Service and Federal Express – can get the signature of an adult before handing over the package.

But it would also have the side effect of cracking down on shipments from out of state. That means gourmets could find it more difficult, perhaps impossible, to get supplies of fine wines from small vineyards outside Michigan, particularly from California

Technically, such direct shipments are already illegal under existing state law, which uses a "three-tier" system to distribute alcoholic beverages. The system requires that the beverages pass from suppliers to wholesalers to retailers – all holding licenses from the state – before reaching consumers.

\*Nonetheless, small out-of-state wineries are making some direct shipments now. The advent of ecommerce has opened up the world to Michigan wine lovers. According to Bill Nelson, vice president of the American Vintners Association, there are about 2,000 winemakers across the country, many of which are nothing more than small family



farms. Because wholesalers and retailers must deal in volume to operate profitably, Michigan's three-tier system provides for distribution of stock from only 50 to 100 of the largest wineries.

#### Small wineries hurt

James Van Der Kolk, marketing manager of Fenn Valley Vineyards near Holland, said the bill and the three-tier system create a problem for Michigan's two dozen small wineries, located mainly around Traverse City and in the southwest region of the state.

Since states only allow direct

shipments in a reciprocal arrangement with other states, Van Der Kolk explained, if Michigan won't allow direct shipments other states won't allow direct shipments from Michigan winemakers either. Currently, about a dozen states have reciprocal arrangements.

He explained that, like most smaller wineries, his firm produces about 30 different wines. Only five are produced in volumes sufficient for mass marketing. Without the ability to ship directly out of state, that prevents customers in other states from being able to get 25 varieties of Fenn Valley's product, he said.

Cassis' bill, along with actions taken recently by Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, cracks down on those technically illegal direct interstate shipments. Worse yet, Nelson fears it will close out possibilities of the Legislature adopting an exception to the liquor code that would allow for small direct shipments, a case or two of wine per year, directly to consumers.

Granholm recently conducted a series of strings against Internet alcohol sales operations. As a result of the stings, she has reached an agreement with UPS that it will no longer ship alcohol directly to consumers from unlicensed suppliers outside the state. According to UPS, it will continue to ship alcohol inside the state.

Nelson believes there is a hidden agenda to these moves. He calls the concern over Internet sales to minors a "smokescreen." He says it isn't happening. While the stings show that youngsters can buy alcohol over the Internet, they typically don't. He argues that there has not been even one documented case of a minor buying alcohol over the Internet outside those stings,

where the youngsters are given protection by the law enforcement agency conducting the sting. Otherwise the kids themselves get in trouble, he noted.

"It leaves a paper trail. It's too easy to get caught," Nelson said. "Kids aren't that dumb. If they want to get alcohol, they'll just get a friend who is old enough to buy for them or stand in front of the party store until they find someone who will."

Nelson said that while he recognizes the degree of the problem of underage drinking nationally, those youngsters who get their supplies over the Internet would like be "a ripple on a tidal wave."

#### Wholesalers blamed

The real issue, the hidden agenda, Nelson argues, is that legislative attempts to close down direct shipments of beverages are being pushed by wholesalers who fear a loss of profits due to Internet sales. Wholesalers, represented by powerful lobbying groups like the Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, only want to protect their monopoly on the distribution of alcohol, Nelson contends.

While it is a new issue here in Michigan – Cassis introduced her bill only on Feb. 7 – it has been a national issue for some time. Congress has been mulling legislation aimed at cracking down on Internet sales to minors, including a bill introduced last March by Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah). Mike Lashbrook, president of the Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association, turns the argument around.

Small wineries that want to make direct shipments into the state without going through the three-tier system "just want to keep all the profits for themselves."

There are reasons for the three-tier system, he argues, and they date back to the repeal of Prohibition. Wholesalers were introduced into the system back then to provide a "buffer" between suppliers and retailers, Lashbrook argued. Part of the problem that led up to Prohibition was that many suppliers also controlled the outlets. And "when suppliers control the outlets, they can do things that encourage excessive consumption. Independent wholesalers were included in the system to temper use. Bad things happen when suppliers control the outlets," he said.

Wholesalers also serve as a check in the system to insure that the state gets the liquor taxes it is owed, he said.

Cassis insists there is "no smokescreen. We are talking about the safety of children. When it comes to children's safety, that comes first," she said.

She noted that she has been active in dealing with numerous issues regarding the Internet and the access if provides to youths of items typically reserved for adults.

"Frankly, this is new technology and it has outpaced our ability to regulate it," she said.







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# OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

## Pistons/Shock Clinic

Members of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Shock will put on a basketball clinic Saturday afternoon, March 18, at Ward Presbyterian Church, located at 40000 Six Mile (west of Haggerty) in Northville.

Boys and girls in the third-to-eighth grades are encouraged to attend. Cost

Session I (grades 3-5) will run from 2-3:15 p.m. Session II (grades 6-8) will run from 3:30-4:45 p.m. Arrive 15 minutes early to register, or pre-register at the Ward Presbyterian Church by March 17.

Parents are invited to attend (no additional charge). The clinic includes five follow-up Saturdays of open basketball practice, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Fundamental basketball skills will be emphasized (ball-handling, passing, shooting, defense and rebound-

For further information, call (248) 374-5937.

## 1st-year phenom

Janell Twietmeyer certainly made the most of her first year at Alma Col-

The Plymouth Canton graduate finished her first Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association campaign strongly, setting a new conference tournament record by nailing six three-pointers in a 71-59 semifinal win over Hope College.

Her end-of-the-season efforts -Twietmeyer was named MIAA player of the week Feb. 21 after scoring 40 points on 16-of-27 floor shooting and grabbing 14 rebounds in two games earned her all-MIAA second team

Twietmeyer finished the season ranked second in three-point shooting, converting 41.7 percent of her triple tries. Her 44 threes is the second-best total for a freshmen in school history. She finished the season averaging 10.4 points and 6.2 rebounds per game.

The Scots finished their season with a 51-44 loss to Calvin College in the MIAA championship game. They were 15-11 overall, 10-6 in the confer-

## **Good finish**

Another Plymouth Canton graduate, Mark Bray of Hope College, completed his collegiate career by earning all-MIAA honorable mention accolades. A 6-foot-1 guard, Bray started 24 games for the Flying Dutchmen, averaging nearly nine points, 3.3 assists and 3.0 rebounds per game.

Hope finished 15-11 overall, 9-5 in the MIAA.

## **Collegiate notes**

·Kristin Mayer, a Plymouth Canton HS graduate, scored seven points to help St. John Fisher College to a 66-55 win over Mount St. Mary in a first-round NCAA Division III women's basketball tournament game Wednesday.

The Cardinals, with 631 wins in the past 26 years, rank as the top women's basketball program in the NCAA III. They advanced to play SUNY-Cortland in the second round Saturday. St. John Fisher was 21-4 prior to that game.

Doug Herriman, a Plymouth Salem graduate, scored 19 points, dished out eight assists and made seven steals, but it wasn't enough to prevent his University of Michigan-Dearborn team from losing to Daemen College, 82-65 on Feb. 25.

## **Baseball clinics**

The Plymouth Salem baseball team and coaching staff will sponsor their annual instructional clinics on consecutive Saturdays, March 25 and April 1, in the Salem gym.

Cost for each session, which includes a hot dog lunch (served from noon-1 p.m.), is \$20. The 11-15 yearold session will be from from 9 a.m.noon; the 7-10 year-old session will be from 1-4 p.m.

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# Trojans end Salem season

## BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Question: What do you get when you match a perennial powerhouse in high school hockey against a first-year team playing in its inaugural state playoff game?

Answer: Trenton 10, Plymouth Salem 0.

Like a one-sided heavyweight fight, the Region 3 semi-final game played at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center was mercifully brought to a pre-mature end Thursday night with 4:41 left in the third period due to a Michigan High School Athletic Association rule that stops games once a team gains a 10goal advantage.

The loss left the Rocks with a 3-22 record in their initial season.

Trenton, which won state Division I hockey titles in 1998 and 1996, improved its mark to 24-2. The Trojans were scheduled to play Livonia Churchill in Saturday night's regional

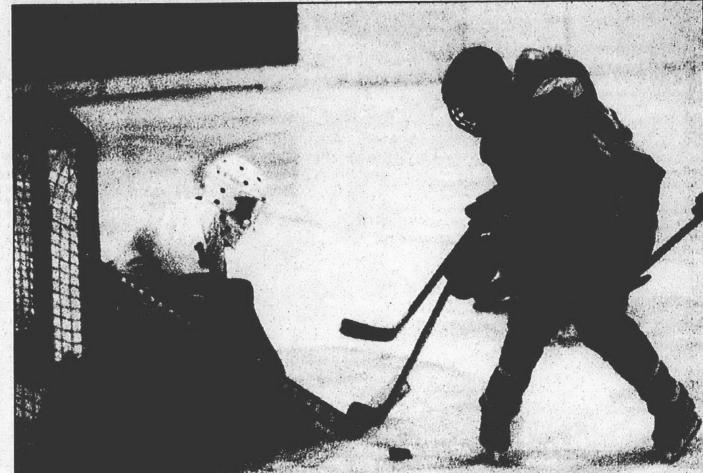
Despite getting outshot 20-4 in the opening period, the gritty Rocks trailed just 1-0, thanks in large part to the Herculean performance of goalie James Dogonski, who, at times, must have felt like a duck in a shooting gallery.

However, the junior netminder met the challenge and repeatedly frustrated Trojan forwards with an assortment of diving kick and glove saves.

"James played a great game," Salem coach Fred Feiler said. "He kept us in it early. They had a lot of quality scoring chances in the first period, but he made the saves.

Although the Rocks failed to meet a pre-season goal they had set.for victories, Feiler said he is satisfied with his team's efforts.

We had high expectations going into the season," Feilder admitted. "Recordwise, we set our goal at finishing right around .500. But I don't think we had an idea of how difficult the competition was going to be. From what I saw this year, the Western Lakes Activities Association is one of the toughest conferences around.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Stopped cold: Salem's Dan Valentine (right) tries to slide the puck past Trenton goalie Tony Dryer, but is thwarted. The Rocks, forced to face one of the state's best teams in their opening game of the state tournament, didn't get many chances like this, and didn't take advantage of any of them.

"In a lot of games this year, the final score wasn't necessarily indicative of how well we played. We had a few games where we would outplay the other team for 35 or 40 minutes, and

Trenton coach Mike Turner praised the Rocks' effort, especially early in the contest when the outcome was far from settled.

"I thought they played very hard,"

Turner said, who has 12 first-year players on his roster this year. "We didn't know too much about them before the game, and, as a result, we had individuals trying to do it themselves instead of playing as a team. We settled down in the second period and started playing better.

"It's good to see first-year teams like Plymouth Salem take up hockey. Give them some time and they'll be right up there."

Trenton forward Brandon Thompson opened the scoring when he whistled a slap shot over Dogonski's right shoulder just over three minutes into the game. Dogonski's vision on the shot was obscured by Trojan center David Bida, who was camped out just in front of the crease.

Dogonski excelled during one fourminute stretch of the first period when

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# Whalers' streak reaches 14



BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

There's are certain consistencies about the Plymouth Whalers. A tough defense; potent, and time-

ly, offense; solid goaltending; and, not to be overlooked, a tendancy to find a way to win.

It's something the Whalers have done well for a long, long time. In fact, one must travel back to January to discover their last loss (it was by a 2-1 score, Jan. 29 to the Ottawa 67s).

On Friday, Plymouth traveled to London (Ont.) to take on the Knights and a crowd of 3,543. It was, as anticipated, a battle, but second-period goals by Tomas Kurka and Kris Vernarsky giero, took command early in the secwere the difference as the Whalers pre- ond period. Kurka's goal, scored at the vailed, 3-2.

The victory was their 14th-straight and boosted Plymouth's record to 40-17-4; the Whalers' 85 points is second in the Ontario Hockey League only to Ottawa.

London fell to 18-33-7.

The Knights, behind the strong goalkeeping of former Whaler Aaron Molnar, took the early lead on a powerplay goal by Brett Gibson with 2:59 left in the opening period. The Whalers knotted it before the period was over, however, on a power-play goal scored by Eric Gooldy. Stephen Weiss and Kurka assisted.

Plymouth, which got some tough goalkeeping of its own from Bill Rug2:29 mark, was unassisted; Vernarsky got the eventual game-winner at the 8:52 juncture, assisted by Steven Morris and Jamie Lalonde.

London narrowed the gap to 3-2 with 5:49 left in the second period when D.J. Maracle scored. But the Knights could not get the equalizer.

Ruggiero stopped 27 London shots in earning the win. Molnar had 28 stops for the Knights.

## Whalers rally to win, 4-3

In the world of sports - no matter what the sport - everyone has a theo-

One that coaches have ascribed to for

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# Starting all over

## Talented frosh are key for Madonna

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.homecomm.net

What Al White did in his

first season as Madonna University's softball coach was - in a word - impres-"We had a great year,"

was White's own description of his first season as head coach after 10 years as an assistant, since the program's inception. "What we had, we called them the 'dirty dozen.' We were just lucky no one got hurt."

White was named as Madonna's coach five months before the season's start, with only seven players on the roster. He gradually built the roster to 12 hence the 'dirty dozen' tag then guided the Lady Crusaders to a 34-26 overall record, including a 15-13 mark in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

So: What was gained by all that? For Madonna, the most important benefit



Angela Litwin moving to 1st base

team.



Al White



Madonna coach



shortstop standout

might be a more-developed insight on how to build a Because White was facing a task every bit as imposing as last year's as he began his

day in Fort Myers, Fla. Three of his four pitchers from last season's team are gone. So is the entire outfield

second campaign on Satur-

Making matters worse, one player White was counting on to fill a hole in the outfield - Sharon Smith, a

speedy transfer from Macomb CC with junior eligibility - was ruled academically ineligible. Another pitcher Janelle Schmidt. who was 8-4 with a 3.10 earned run average last season - did not return.

Madonna has just two seniors on the squad: catcher Vicki Malkowski, who led the Crusaders in hitting (a .435 average), doubles (16), runs stored (47) and home runs (three) and was third in runs batted in (33), and pitcher Tanya Liske, who was 4-5 with a 4.80 ERA.

Of the 14 players on the team, nine are freshmen. Which means they will have to make major contributions immediately if Madonna is to at least match last season's accomplishments.

'You shouldn't have to depend on incoming fresh-men at key spots," White said. "That puts a lot of pressure on them. We'll see if they can handle it.

All is not doom and gloom for the Crusaders, however. Not at all.

Other returnees are junior shortstop Kristy McDonald, a Redford Thurston graduate who hit .369 with 14 doubles and a team-high eight triples and 42 RBI; junior second baseman/outfielder Angela Litwin, from Plymouth Canton (.275, 14 RBI); and junior third baseman Jenny Kruzel (.323, 15 doubles, two homers, 37

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## And: The winner is who knows?



school basketball winners come state tourney time is a science. OK, it's not a

Picking high

science. OK, for the most part it's nothing

but guess work.
OK, it's one part guess work, one part research and

one part throw-the-team-namesagainst-the-wall-and-see-whichone-sticks. Once upon a time, I used to be

good at this. Then again, once upon a time, there were a lot of things I used to do well.

But like crabgrass, hay fever and the Rouge River flooding Hines Drive, I won't stop. That's because my favorite part of tourney play is when area teams do their best to prove me wrong. (A complete list of district pairings can be found on

#### CLASS A At Romulus

Teams: Romulus, Livonia Franklin, Belleville, Garden City, Wayne Memorial, Westland John Glenn.

Predicted Winner: Wayne? Chuck Henry's done one of his best coaching jobs yet. John Glenn? Could be a sleeper, but has been an underachiever. Garden City? In any other district, maybe, but here? Not without Justin Ockerman. Franklin? Ummm, no. So let's think about this. Time's up. Romulus over Belleville in the final, only because of the homecourt advantage.

At Redford Union Teams: Union, Detroit Henry Ford, Catholic Central, Southfield, Livonia Stevenson, Detroit Redford.

Predicted Winner: CC could be a darkhorse, depending on which team shows up. If Union or Stevenson win this district. I'm serving sheet cake at school Tuesday with

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# PCA finishes season with 14-straight wins

It's sort of like saying we're having good weather for this time of year.

When Coach Doug Taylor says "the kids are playing well," it is a bit of an understatement. Like saying 50-degree weather in February and early March is only tolerable.

Taylor's Plymouth Christian Academy basketball team posted its 14th straight victory Thursday night when it edged visiting Ann Arbor Greenhills, 81-79.

The Eagles will take a 16-4 record into their state high school district basketball tournament opener at home at 8 p.m. Tuesday night against Canton

But if you subtract 14 consecutive victories from a 16-4 record, you come up

with a not-so-sweet start. "The guys made a commitment," Taylor said. They came up with a mission statement and they did it all on their

"For example, they wrote down 'excellence' and 'example of Christ's like-

A key to the run was beating Adrian Lenawee Christian, the team that dumped Plymouth Christian in the tournament last season and had never lost to the Eagles before.

"I'd say that charged us up," Taylor said, "beating them."

Dave Carty scored 27 points, Derric Isensee had 20 plus nine rebounds, A. J. Sherrill scored 13 and had eight assists

and Mike Huntsman also had 13 points. The Eagles had a 35-28 halftime lead that the Gryphons shaved two points from in the third quarter. Plymouth Christian made 7-of-10 free throws down the stretch to win it, which it needed to do because Greenhills sank 8-

Andy Joynt led the Gryphons, who Anleitner, its leading scorer with 19 finished 13-7, with 23 points and Anthony Thomas added 21.

Now it's on to the tournament.

"At this time of year," Taylor said, "you take them one game at a time. But we have high goals and high expecta-

Agape 63, Baptist Park 50: You win some and you lose some.

Canton Agape won its regular seasonending basketball game Friday night, 63-50, from host Taylor Baptist Park.

But it also lost junior guard Paul

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Anleitner is doubtful for Agape's state high school basketball tournament game Tuesday against host Plymouth Christian.

Agape, 12-6, took a 14-7 lead in the first quarter and the two teams played the next two periods even before Agape pulled away at the end.

Julian Wettlin and Josh Anthony scored 13 points each for Agape while Caleb martin netted nine plus 11 assists and 10 rebounds.

Jared Setser scored 20 to lead Taylor

Baptist Park, 4-15.

## Salem hockey

the Rocks were hit with back-toback two-minute penalties. For the game, Salem was ticketed for eight minutes in penalties. The Trojans, on the other hand, were whistled for just one twominute infraction.

With a Rock in the penalty box, Trenton padded its lead two minutes into the second period when Matt Helka took a pass in front of the net from Justin Jabara and one-timed the puck past Dogonski's outstretched blocker to make it 2-0.

Less than three minutes later, John Hackett made it 3-0 when he wristed a shot into the back of the net.

Mark DeSana and Deak Swearington closed out the second-period scoring for Trenton. netting goals at 9:14 and 11:12, respectively. Swearington's goal came after he gained possession of the puck at the far blue line and weaved skillfully through a maze of Rocks.

A sequence that best illustrated the Rocks' night unfolded seven minutes into the final period. With his team trailing 7-0. Dan Valentine stole the puck near the Trenton blue-line and broke free towards Trojan netminder Tony Dryer. However, as



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

A battler: Without doubt, Plymouth Salem's first-year program couldn't match Trenton's - but that didn't stop Dan "Killer" Kilpatrick from giving it his all.

he pulled his stick back to shoot, Valentine was upended on a clean check by Trenton defenseman Eric Dumais, who then gained control of the puck and passed it up ice to Helka. Helka broke past two Rocks and

slapped a shot past Dogonski to put the finishing touches on his hat trick.

Andy Greene and DeSana scored the Trojans' final two goals. Trenton outshot Salem 53-

# CC crushes Flyers, 12-2

BY DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITER

Farmington Unified coach Glenn Breuhan was impressed, to say the least, with the Redford Catholic Central hockey team he saw Thursday night. Everyone else at Redford Ice Arena had to

be, too. For the second time in as many games, the Shamrocks invoked the mercy rule by beating Breuhan's Flyers in a regional tourney semifinal, 12-2.

The victory boosted top-ranked CC's record to 23-2 heading into the championship game Saturday against Livonia Stevenson, which defated Allen Park in the other semifinal Wednesday, 2-1.

"They showed why they're No. 1," said Breuhan of the Shamrocks. "They're so fast and so strong. One-on-one, they're just far superior than we were. We haven't run into a team like that

all year. "I have a hard time believing anybody has so many talented players and so much depth. I'd

say they're the team to beat." CC carved out a 7-0 lead after one period, and the game ended after two due to the mercy rule, which comes into play when there's a 10-goal differential.

after two periods.

The Shamrocks spread the scoring among nine players, but Brian Williams was the team leader with three goals.

Mike Ratigan scored twice; Brett John, Jim Spiewak, Brandon Kaleniecki, Jared Ross, Sean Genrich, Joe Moreau and John Perkovich contributed one goal

The list of players with assists was even longer

John, Ross, Derek Genrich. Andrew Eggert, Joe Hillebrand, Ryan Yost and Kaleniecki were credited with two apiece. Single assists went to John Bowers, Spiewak, Rick Buttery, Dave Moss, Moreau, Williams and Eric Reinhardt.

"Their passing was unbelieveable," Breuhan said. "Obviously, they've played together for a while. They knew where each other was at any given time.

"They bring the puck out of the corner and cycle it so fast we couldn't seem to keep up with them.

Despite the CC offensive onslaught Farmington goalie Logan McLean actually played pretty well, stopping a lot of slapshots and covering a number of rebound attempts.

CC peppered the Farmington goal with a total of 51 shots, including 28 in the second period. The Flyers managed just 11 shots at the opposing net.

"It was a shooting range out there," Breuhan said. "(McLean) did as well as anybody could do under the circumstances.

"Not only were they firing the puck at him, they were right at his doorstep and following the

Farmington's Matt Lee scored an unassisted, short-handed goal just 58 seconds into the second period when a rare CC mistake allowed Lee to have a break-

Brad Heraghty scored the second Farmington goal with only a second left in the period; Lee and Scott Salomonson assisted.

The Flyers took a number of penalties late in the game, and the Shamrocks benefitted from the power play, scoring twice while having a 5-on-3 advantage.

"We wanted to get out of here in two," CC coach Gordie St. John said. "You see how the game gets when it starts to fall

The Flyers, in their second season, end it at 17-8-1.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

DISTRICT TOURNEY PAIRINGS

CLASS A

at ROMULUS Monday, March 6: (A) Romulus vs. (B) Livonia Franklin, 6:30 p.m.; (C) Belleville vs. (D) Garden City, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8: Wayne Memorial vs. winner, 6:30 p.m.; Westland John Glenn vs C-D winner, 8 p.m.

p.h. (Winner advances to the regional semifinas at Ypsilanti Lincoln vs. Adrian district

at REDFORD UNION

Monday, March 6: (A) Redford Union vs (B) Detroit Henry Ford, 6 p.m.; (C) Redford holic Central vs. (D) Southfield, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8: Livonia Stevenson A-B winner, 6 p.m.; Detroit Redford vs. C-D nner, 8 p.m.

Friday, March 10: Championship final, 7 in. (Winner advances to the regional semifinal at Dearborn High vs. Detroit Northwestern district champion.)

at NOVI

Tuesday, March 7: (A) Novi vs. (B) Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 9: Northville vs. Plymouth Canton, 5:30 p.m.; Plymouth Salem vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 11: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifi-Friday, March 10: Championship final, 7 nals at Southfield-Lathrup vs. University of Detroit-lesuit district champion.)

at WEST BLOOMFIELD

(B) Farmington, 7 p.m. \*

Wednesday, March 8: Bloomfield Hills Lahser vs. Farmington Hills Harrison, 6 p.m.; North Farmington vs. A-B winner, 8 p.m.

Friday, March 10: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Southfield-Lathrup vs. Birmingham Groves district champion.)

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CLASS B

7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7: Redford Thurston vs.

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 8: Beverly Hills-Detroit

Country Day vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m.

nals at Warren Woods-Tower vs. Warren Woods-Tower district champion.) CLASS C

Monday, March 6: (A) Redford Bishop Borgess vs. (B) Lutheran High Westland, 6 p.m.; (C) Livonia Clarenceville vs. (D) Dearborn Henry Ford Academy, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7: (E) Detroit Benedictine dale Academy of Detroit vs. (H) Detroit Indus-

winner, 6 p.m.; E-F winner vs. G-H winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 10: Championship final. 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Riverview Gabriel Richard vs. Flat Rock district champion.)

CLASS D

at PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Tuesday, March 7: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Jackson Baptist, 6 p.m.; Canton Agape Christian vs. Plymouth Christian Acade my, 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 9: Championship final, 7:30 nm (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Hillsdale College vs. Reading district champion.)

#### at STERLING HEIGHTS BETHESDA CHRISTIAN

Monday, March 6: (A) Sterling Heights vs. (F) Southfield Christian; 6 p.m.; (G) Fern Bethesda Christian vs. (B) Detroit Westside Christian Academy, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7: (C) Southfield Franklin Road Christian vs. (D) Redford St. Agatha, 6

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Thursday, March 9: Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest vs. A.B winner, 6 p.m.; Oakland Christian vs. C-D winner, 7:30 n.m.

Saturday, March 11: Championship final, 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher vs. Detroit Urban Lutheran district champion.) ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Tuesday, March 7

Ply. Whalers vs. Kingston at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 11 Ply. Whalers vs. London at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 12 Ply. Whalers vs. Owen Sound at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m

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icing saying "Nothing is over until we say it is." The winner will come out of the bottom bracket. Monday's game between CC and Southfield should be a shootout. As a reward the winner gets Detroit Redford, which first squeaks past Southfield in the semis then sneaks past Henry Ford in the final.

At Novi

Teams: Novi, Livonia Churchill,

Northville, Canton, Salem. Predicted Winner: There ain't no restrictor-plate racing here. This district is wide-open. Salem might be the favorite because it laid a big hurt on Western Lakes fav Walled Lake Western before losing in the WLAA championship. But come tourney time, as Bob Brodie will tell you, the past don't mean nuthin', especially when all five teams are within three wins of each other. The dart board

says . . . Canton over Salem. At West Bjoomfield

Teams: West Bloomfield, Farmington, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Farmington Hills Harrison, North

Farmington Predicted Winner: If this was

football, it would be easy. But since Bob "Down-Up" Sutter isn't coaching varsity hoops, it's a little more difficult. A lot more difficult. Three teams can win -West Bloomfield, Farmington and North Farmington. NF won the Western Lakes regular season, Farmington was the only team to beat the Raiders in the WLAA and this WB is more entertaining than its TV network counterpart. The survivor is: North Farmington, which cruises past Lahser in the final after squeaking by West Bloomfield in the semis.

CLASS B At Orchard Lake St. Mary's

Teams: OLSM, Bloomfield Hills Andover, Redford Thurston, Cranbrook, Detroit Country Day.

Predicted Winner: The good news for Thurston is that if it beats Cranbrook on Wednesday, it's in the district finals. The bad news would be it faces the St. Mary's-Country Day winner. This is like choosing between which

you'd want more: A broken arm or a broken leg. They both hurt, the question is how much. Forget the cake here, if Thurston wins the district over O.L.S.M. (... Number 1 in Michigan), I'm flippin' burgers and bringing the potato chips.

CLASS C At Redford Bishop Borgess

Teams: Borgess, Lutheran High Westland, Livonia Clarenceville, Dearborn Henry Ford Academy, Detroit Benedictine, Southfield Christian, Ferndale Academy of Detroit, Detroit Industrial Arts.

Predicted Winner: On the surface, the pick is Benedictine. On the other hand, there's this nagging little voice in my head telling me not to overlook Borgess. Or Clarenceville. Or Lutheran High. Last time I listened to my little voice, I picked Virginia Tech. A loud voice says, Benedictine over Borgess.

CLASS D

at Plymouth Christian Academy Teams: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, Jackson Baptist, Canton Agape Christian, Plymouth Christian.

Predicted Winner: The winner of this one can savor it for a while - at least until the regional final against Adrian Lenawee Christian or Britton-Macon. And that winner will come from Tuesday's Agape-Plymouth Christian semifinal. And that will be - the Eagles.

At Sterling Heights **Bethesda Christian** 

Teams: Bethesda Christian, Detroit Westside Christian Acade my, Southfield Franklin Road Christian, Redford St. Agatha, Oakland Christian, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

Predicted Winner: The person who used to do these predictions asked me if I was picking Oakland Christian to win this district. Seems like a good one to me. If St. Agatha wins, send the fan mail to "Observer & Eccentric

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Friday, March 10: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifi-



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Please submit a letter of intent indicating the services you are applying for by March 24, 2000. Applications will be available for pick up on March 31, 2000 after 12:00 p.m. at:

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Plymouth Twp. Redford Twp.

The Senior Alliance 3850 Second Street, Suite 201 Wayne, MI 48184 Completed applications are due May 19, 2000 by 5:00 p.m.

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Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

#### CLASSES/ CLINICS

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

MORE FLY TYING

River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

#### SHOWS

SPRING BOATING EXPO

The 8th 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.

**OUTDOORAMA** 

Outdoorama 2000 Michigan Sport and Travel Show concludes today at the Novi Expo Center. The show features over 200,000 square feet of floor space devoted to more than 400 exhibits featuring the latest in hunting, fishing and camping equipment, recreational vehicles, boats, conservation clubs travel and outfitting destinations and

## **ARCHERY**

**DETROIT ARCHERS OF WEST** BLOOMFIELD

The Detroit Archers of West Bloomfield (5795 Drake Road) is hosting a number of leagues: 3-D indoor, Sundays, 6:30 p.m.; Monday bush league, 7:30 p.m. (men only); Tuesday target league, 7:30 p.m.; 3-D bow hunter, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. (indoor); and Friday fun league, 7:30 p.m. Open shoot hours are from 1-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 6-10 p.m. Thursday. For more

information call (313) 825-2110. 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. The range is also open Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only through the

end of November. 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.

### **ACTIVITIES**

**DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS** 

Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365 or club President Ray Banbury at (810) 598-0310. The Detroit Area Steelheaders will also hold a Sportsmen's Game Dinner March 18 at Bishop William F. Murphy Knights of Columbus Hall in Warren. The dinner is open to the public and doors open at 5 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person.

BASS TOURNAMENT

The 2000 Top Bass Tournament will be held at various sites throughout the summer months. The schedule is as follows: Saginaw Bay, May 27; Lake St. Helen, June 3; Wixom Lake, June 24; Sanford Lake, July 8; Wixom Lake, July 22; Lobdell Lake, Aug. 5; Lake St. Helen, Aug. 19; and Wixom Lake, Aug. 26-27. Guaranteed payoffs will be awarded with amounts determined by the number of entries. For more information, call (734) 729-1762 or (734) 422-5813.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club

meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more informa-

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Rd., Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more informa-

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more informa-

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

HERITAGE PARK HIKE

Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a 2-3 hour hike at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills on Sunday. Call Don Dahlin at (248) 644-2746 for more information.

POINTE PELEE ICE HIKE

Join members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club on a 2-3 hour hike at Pointe Pelee in Ontario on Sunday. Call (313) 581-7579 for more information.

## SHOOTING RANGES

**BALD MOUNTAIN Bald Mountain Recreation Area** 

in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24 Call (248) 814-9193 for more

information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are noon-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more informa-

#### **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.

2000 PERSOTTS

The 2000 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.

## OAKLAND **COUNTY PARKS**

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

The 2000 Oakland County parks motor vehicle permits are on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is \$20

through April 30 and \$25 thereafter. Call (248) 858-0906 or TTY (248) 858-1684.

## STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald-Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

(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.)

## Madonna softball from page B1

RBI, 45 runs scored).

Solid players all. And yet, as proof of the talent level of the newcomers, all of the above except Kruzel could be switching positions.

"We've got some talent," said White. "A couple of them have even surprised me. I have to say this is the most talented group (of freshmen) we've ever had come through here.

In softball, it all starts with pitching, which could be trouble for Madonna. The pitching mound is three feet further from the plate than in high school quite an adjustment for newcom-

Still, White plans to give two freshmen, Jenny Staup from Onstead and Jenny Tenyer from Marine City, equal mound time with Liske to start the season.

"They're hard workers, all of them," said White. "But it's tough to gauge them in the

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freshman Meghan Quinn, from Brighton, a lot of time behind the plate. That will allow him to move Malkowski to the outfield. Litwin will also be moving, to

first base and the outfield, if White's plan works out. That will leave room for freshman Emily Cunningham (Romeo) at second base. "Talk about a sweet ballplayer," noted White of Cunningham.

Even McDonald, who played outfield at Thurston, could be back out there again. That's because White has brought in a couple of promising freshmen: Lauren Barker (Milford) and Devon Fletcher.

That trio could be shifting between the outfield and shortstop through much of the season. As for which of the freshmen will play, White said it could depend on who's hitting the best.

In left field, White plans to insert freshman Stacie Wilson (Waterford Kettering). "She's got White is also planning to give a cannon for an arm," he said. "I

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just hope she develops as a hit-

Right field will be patrolled a lot of the time by freshman Erika Keys (St. Mary's Catholic Central), a left-handed hitter who "could help us," White said.

Another freshman, Pam Konwinski (Southgate Aquinas), will see a lot of time at first base and in the outfield.

"Inexperience might catch up to us," White admitted. "You just don't know how they'll react.

"The biggest thing is, just don't give up on yourself and your teammates. If we can instill that in them, we'll do very well. "We're going to struggle at

times. Our whole (coaching) staff knows that. We're probably two players away from having a team that can compete for the league title.' How quickly Madonna's

youngsters adapt to the collegiate game will be decisive in the

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## A bear's interest

## Symposium to study how best to handle the black bear question



task. In this diversified society we live in there are a number of variables used to develop management plans for all of our wildlife species

The black bear is one species that receives extra attention. A shy PARKER and reclusive creature, black bears are often misunderstood by humans. That's why

Developing strategies

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ment is not an easy

the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Bear Hunters Association teamed up to hold a Black Bear Symposium on Friday, March 10, at the Northfield Hilton in

A distinguished panel of research biologists will discuss the various human cultures and beliefs, economic factors and land use trends that will influence future bear management in Michigan, North America and other parts of the world

"Our primary purpose is to enlighten bear hunters, the general public and wildlife managers in the region to better understand what bear management involves today," said DNR bear specialist Tim Reis. "There are lots of different stake holders with a wide variety of expectations on how the resource should be managed and we want everyone to be aware of this.

"We don't want this symposium to be some hard-core presentation," added Reis. "We want it to be fun and educational and we want people to leave with a better understanding of the resource and the challenges we face now and in the future.'

The theme of the event is, "People, Bears and Challenges for the 21st Cen-

"This is an excellent opportunity for hunters and the general public to come out and learn all about the black bear," said Westland's Bill Sutherland, a past president of the Michigan Bear Hunters Association. "When the anti-hunters came here in 1996 and tried to end bear hunting, one of the things we realized as hunters is that people in general, and a lot of hunters, too, don't know a whole lot about bears and bear management.

This symposium is a good way to learn more about them, and it's totally

There is no charge for the symposium, which is slated to begin at 10 a.m. Researchers scheduled to speak at the symposium include: Dr. Dave Garshelis

phies from a trip to Mexico. of the Minnesota DNR, who will speak on his extensive research on five of the

world's eight bear species; Dr. Frank T.

A memorable trip: Paul Opfer-

mann shows off one of his tro-

vey, Appalachian Field Lab, who will cover the topic of "Black Bear Manage-ment Issues in the Southeastern U.S."; Dr. Martyn Obard of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, who will talk about "Bear Research and Management in Eastern Canada"; and Dr. Larry Visser of the Michigan DNR, who will explain the intricasies of "Black Bear Population Dynamics in the Great Lakes and Northeastern U.S.' In addition, Mr. Bill Rustem of Public

van Manen of the U.S. Geological Sur-

Sector Consultants in Lansing will give a presentation on "Land Use Trends in Michigan"; and Dr. Ben Payton of Michigan State University, will cover the topic of "A Social Carrying Capacity The symposium will conclude with a

panel discussion among all the researchers and a question and answer

"The Michigan Bear Hunters Association deserves a lot of credit for helping us organize the symposium," said Reis. "They made it possible for some of the most knowledgeable people in the world about bear to come to Michigan for this special event."

Take a break from the rigors of your everyday affairs and stop by the Northfield Hilton this Friday. The event promises to be a good one.

#### Opfermann makes book

Paul Opfermann, of Farmington Hills, recently had a tremendously successful hunting trip in the Sonora Desert near Hermosillo, Mexico.

Hunting with a local guide on the Rancho Aqua Frio, Opfermann and his hunting partner Dr. Paul Misch, also of Farmington Hills, both returned home with a trophy and memories that will last a lifetime.

Opfermann shot a 5x5 mule deer and a 5x6 coues deer. The coues deer turned out to be a real bonus as it green scored 114 on the Boone & Crockett scoring system. The rack must dry for 60 days before being officially scored. The minimum score for coues deer needed for entry into the Boone & Crockett record book is 110.

Misch also shot a nice coues deer and a 5x5 mule deer.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, clo. Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham,

# Woodpeckers find dead trees very appealing



Not far from the trail I noticed a dead aspen tree with four feet of its trunk lying on the ground. Surrounding

the trunk section were chips and splinters of wood, some of which were five inches long and inch in an

width. A large, ragged, scalloped section of the upright tree where the chips originated was plainly

This was the work of Michigan's largest woodpecker the pileated.

According to the dictionary, Pileated can be pronounced with either a pi'le or a pil' sound. I prefer to use the pi'le sound because I think of them as preferring pie to pills.

A pileated woodpecker is about the size of a crow. Their chisellike bill has no problem creating large chips of wood like I saw on the ground.

Michigan has nine different species of woodpecker. The downy woodpecker is the smallest. This black and white bird is

the most likely woodpecker to visit suet feeders in your back-

er, is similar in coloration, just a little bigger. We only see them one-seventh as often as the downy, according to Christmas bird count data.

Woodpeckers are a stately but active group of birds. They can be colorful like the yellow-bellied sapsucker and red-headed woodpecker, or they can exhibit interesting patterns of muted colors, like the northern flicker. Most are variations of the black and white color scheme.

As a group the woodpeckers do logs create a very impressive not cause any problems, except in a few cases.

When T-111 siding was installed on the outside of homes, woodpeckers soon took advantage of the hiding places it created for insects. Holes drilled into the siding in perfectly straight rows made it look like they were using a level. Actually they were just following the openings and grooves created during manufacturing.

Sometimes a territorial woodpecker may find a down spout as a drumming "log." Resounding echoes from these man-made sound that deters other males and hopefully lures females into this resourceful male's territory.

Unfortunately it's not impressive to the home owner at 5 a.m. Especially on a weekend.

Except for these two faults, woodpeckers are not pesky birds. They feed on insects that invade dead or dying trees.

Woodpeckers do not kill healthy trees. Healthy trees do not have insects in fresh wood, thus they are unable to find food, and the wood is too hard for them to excavate.

Most woodpeckers stay around all year long. This allows us to

view them at suet feeders any time of the year.

Woodpeckers in our yard bring their young to our feeders and show them what to eat and how to eat. Watching this learning process makes us understand that not all behavior is innate or instinctive.

If you travel into the Upper Peninsula you will have a better chance to see three-toed and black-backed woodpeckers that we rarely see in southern Michi-

But lucky for us, most places that have trees, have woodpeckers to watch.

## Rocks hold off Chiefs



Feb. 11 through June 19 in Albuquerque, N.M. with a total of 10,688 teams entered. I will be flying

out March 15 to bowl in the ABC for my first time and to attend

the Bowling Writers Association of America meeting as well as the ABC national convention as a delegate.

The ABC has a proposal this year to increase the annual dues paid by members for the 2000-2001 season.

The Greater Detroit Bowling Association will have a say in the matter, and will act in the best interests of its members. The proposed increase would raise the maximum dues to \$16.

The GDBA has been working out some ideas to enhance the memberships in the event that the dues increase does pass and goes into effect. Even with the proposed increase, the advantages of being sanctioned far outweigh the alternative. I will keep everyone posted on the legislation which will take place in Albuquerque, as many other items are slated for the meeting.

The ABC is the world's largest sports membership organization and the GDBA is by far the largest local affiliate in the

·Waterford's Century Bowl is the venue for the Michigan High School State Finals 2000 which will be Friday-Saturday.

High school bowling has grown rapidly in this state, with more and more schools entering with competitive teams in both the boys and girls divisions.

In recent playoffs held at Merri Bowl in Livonia, the Southeast Conference provided plenty of excitement as Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem had to duke it out in a one-game shoot-out.

Canton scored the high game of the day with an 1,124 scratch total in a miracle finish vaulting

The American from 11th place after two-game B o w l i n g to finish in second place. But it Congress/Sandia was Salem that took over at the Casino champi- end to go on to the State Finals onship tourna- at Century.

ment will be They started with 32 top teams from the divisional playoffs, 16 boys teams and 16 girls After three games, the top

scoring teams in each division competed in a Baker System of one-game head-to-head play to win the eight spots for the finals, four for the boys and four for the girls.

As luck would have it. Canton. finishing second had to face Salem, who finished seventh.

When the smoke of battle had cleared, the Salem boys had outscored Canton boys and earned their spot in the finals.

Representing Salem will be Jeff Thomas, Cory Caincross, Justin Horvath, Steve Reitzel and Pat Brown. Team alternates include Eric Pawlus and Matt

Thomas also qualified for a spot in the singles competition with a 645 series.

The Canton boys had some outstanding performances from Alan Florka (259/639), Brian Kaufman, Ken Bazman, Keith Moore and Tony Vitale (234/640)

•One local bowling proprietor became a sudden life-saving hero recently while dining at the Palace during an outing at the Detroit Pistons game.

Mark Voight and his wife Diane were at the right place at the right time for one of the patrons at the restaurant who started choking on a food particle that had become caught in her throat.

Mark acted quickly, once it became apparent that there was a serious problem, he used the Heimlich Maneuver, which dislodged the food and saved the day and possibly the life of the woman.

The Voights, who reside in Farmington Hills are the owners of several bowling centers in the area including Merri Bowl Lanes, Plum Hollow Lanes, Century Lanes, Troy Lanes, Super Bowl and others under the corporate title of Community Bowling Centers.

yard. Its cousin, the hairy woodpeck-

Gay '90s; Howard Featherston, 202; John Nelson, 213

Woodland Senior House: Bryan Gogolin, 267/733; Doug Spicer, 300/705; Bob Banks, 252/714; Gary Duarard, 240/712; Mike Nor-

ris, 258/750. Ford Parts: Mark O'Connell, 300/768.

Morning Stars: Shirley Steele, 201; Betty. Koski, 236. Afternoon Delights: Sherrill Everette, 211;

Betty Winn, 204: Phyl Long, 202: Lynn

Snaromakers: June Nietunski, 233. Guys & Dolls (Seniors): Henry Judge, 208.

Men's Trio: Charlie Parker, 300/734: Steve Macika, 289/698: Dave Grabos, 267/754; Steve Hubble, 278/737; Butch Cook, 265/721.

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth)

Burroughs Men: Bryan Schwartz, 257/698. Waterford Men: Mark Pennington, 238 279/723: John Schafer, 230-276-220/726: John Thorson, 255-259-211/725.

hagen, 290-244/736.

Sheldon Road Men: Mike Lundy, 264/694; Gary Jividen, 234-223-257/714; Dave Kowalski. 279; Larry Minehart, Jr., 217-229

268/784; Bob Healy, 277; Rick Bolan, 274-268/733; Ted Gish, 245-246-243/734.

St. Colette Men's: Willie Cuellar, 233-236-253/722; Robert Minehart, 242-220-245/707; Kevin Bainbridge, 279; Shawn Arbogast, 236-257-248/741.

300-226/784.

St. Linus Classic: Scott Whisenand, 219-222-266/707: Matt Dalley, 245-226-223/694; Rick Borges, 257-236/675; Daye B. Bazner, 278/665; John-Adomitis, 218-

257-221-215/693; Carol Konopatski, 215-Even, 228-227/650.

209/550: Mary Brennan, 182-175: Ross Rossano, 234; Ed Grady, 214-211/601.

Monday Canton Seniors: Farris Barnes. 201; Harold Sneath, 231/564; Joe Cabrera, 213/515; Tiny Lashbrook, 214.

Parent/Child Mixed: Keith Kingsbury, 540 Thursday Juniors/Majors: Brian Stack 237/562; Jon Phipps, 212/554

Friday Majors: Steve Reitzel, 258/631: Brent Moore, 224/564; James Thornton, 216/513: David Jacobs, 216/585; Mark Hiefmstadt, 215/529. Friday Juniors: Bill Schmeller, 174; Bryan

Walker; 157; Christina Hoelscher, 146.

Friday Preps: Jerald Bonkowski, 204; Jere my Henderson, 197/500; Danielle Wrenn, Saturday 9 a.m. Bantams/Preps: Bradley

9 a.m. Malors: Jon Robison, 247/582: Ken Bazman, 234/587; Todd Schemanske. 235/570: Pat Brown, 234/593: Brian Stack

Alonzo, 168; Brian Alonzo, 158; Kelly Delcol,

11 a.m. Malors: Cory Caincross, 225: 658: Tony Hopton, 200

11 a.m. Juniors: Crystal Niedermeyer, 195 Greg Johnson, 167.

11 a.m. Preps: Nichole Woiciechowski. 169; Charise McClendon, 166; Nick Taggie,

Country Lanes (Farmington) B'Nai Brith Brotherhood Eddle Jacobson:

Andy Rubin, 268-238-245/753; Howard Waxer, 268-259-202/729; Mike Lieberman, 263-235-207/705; David Radner, 277/656; Rick Woolman, 244/655. Greenfield Mixed: Rick Madvin, 223-

214/641; Ryan Wilson, 216-244-267/727; Bill Weed, 244/624; Ken Smith, 224/595; Tom Cadeau, 233/619. Sunday Goodtlmers: Al Harrison, 221-207-

246/674; Wayne Lanning, 225-227/645; Todd Wortinger, 228-214/614; Ray Hassen, 232; Mike Kovacs, 210-211/580. B'Nai Brith Pisgah: Steve Elkus, 224-207-

212/643: Mitch Finkel. 224-209-205/638: Lyle Schaefer, 217-225/635; Bob Mitchel. 222-233/625; Wayné Lusky, 213-238/622.

Drakeshire Lanes (Farmington Hills)

R'Nel Brith Morgenthau L'Chaylm/Zelger Gross: Ryan Lash, 243-226-265/734; Jon Firsht, 226-224-210/659; Ross Benchik, 226-1233/655; Dan Cohen, 226-233/619; Larry Garfinkle, 247/613.

B'Nal Brith Downtown Fox: Kevin Elbinger 226-266-213/705; Steva Woronoff, 221-22/642; Jeff Sprague, 222-214/630; Ami Reiter, 239-210/618; Nancie Rakotz,

Westelds Lutheren: John Koenke, 675 -Cum Taylor, 632; Chuck Berry, 613; Craig Engel, 618: Terry Krohn, 609.

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day Senior Mens Classic: Tony Bal larta, 253/670; Ted Kress, 243/650;Ron Gendiar 2236-235/654 lack Dahlstrom 259/663; Bill Funke, 234-245-234/713; Al Messecar, 243-229/679; Jess Macciocco, 265/632: John McKeever, 235/655.

Good Neighbors: Gloria Mertz, 193-Friday Seniors: Tom Hay, 244/688; Herb Stow, 232; Rick Wohlfeil, 209.

Richardson 241 /680: Mel Albirte 249 /674: Dick Kieffer, 238/662; Walt Tinsley, Monday Seniors: Ed Patrick, 248-242/680;

254/670: Howard Davis, 246/669: Mike Detroit Diesel Trio: Brian Heyza, 279; Doug

Jary Woehlke, 238-242/679; Ed Adams,

Ellison, 722; Corey Pierce, 754. Westland Bowl

Monday 6:30 p.m. Men: Tony Shackelford, 248/603; Mike Gehrke, 241/666; Mike Sosnowski, 240/581; Kenny Rehandorf, 240/642: Carl Kuehnel II. 236/675.

Monday Morning Men: Randy Kline. 257/687; Bob Roulin, 247/610; Pat Stover, 244/640; Joe Kovatch, 244/628; Bob Simmons. 246/650.

E/O Friendship: Dennis Allison, 237/615; Sean McConnell, 234/615; Pat Tapper, 221/576; Bob Koch, 203; Sally Mersino.

E/O Out to Lunch Bunch: Dick Powell. 246/618; Bill Pickens, 241; Steve Goldener, 237/617; Scott Whisenand, 231/622; Louis Hargis, 225/568: Michele Summers:

Sunday Sleepers: Jeff Roche, 290/707;

Paul Szumny, 279/739; Shawn Arbogast. 279/826; Mike Suchy, 278/679; Terry Tesarz, 277/710; Mack Ivory, Jr., 276/748. E/O Spartan Mixed: Don Rohraff. 269/685; Tom Diedrichs, 239/694; Scott Olsen, 224/557; Tom Bain, 223/603; Ken

Dotson, 222/635; Liz Waldo, 225/532; Jen-

nifer Anderson, 221/591; Leslie Rohraff, Thursday Nite Mixed: Dan Harrison. 279/703; Frank Boner, 258/653; Larry Cyr. 244/614; Brian Bailey, 244/672; Candy Bai-

ley, 213/523 Westland Champs: Dee Plitt, 223/577; Sunday Gains, 220/606; Donna Middleditch, 215/581; Jenny Massarang, 213/592; Cindy Komsa, 205/502.

Dan Doddie, 223/623; Terry White, 201/524. Oak Lanes (Westland) GAG Auto: Paula Sitarski, 196/551; Sheryll Newton, 207; Paulette Daniel, 203; Janice Ream, 205/541.

NASCAR Trio: Mike Boucher, 241/602;

Lou Swindell, 238/608; Bill Elsey, 233-587;

Town 'n Country (Westland) ay Morning Mon's Inviational: Lance

Wednesday Nite Merchants: Tim Stalo. 277; Don Godbey, 257/685; Pat Ostrowsky, 256/668; Yves Szmansky, 249/729; Jerry

W.C.R.E.S.A.: Janet Ward, 214; Karen

Our Gang Mixed: Dave Collins, 246; Darren Merri Bowl (Livonia)

Wednesday Morning Early Birds: Laurie Aldrich, 213.

All-Star Bowlerettes: Karen Martin, 279-299-203/781; Erica Mickowski, 238-300-207./745; Lisa McCardy, 247-267/698; Marianne DiRupo, 236-213-267/716; Tamika

Glenn, 237-216-278/731. Friday Seniors: Joe Buhagiar, 212 222/646; Andy Wright, 242-226/644; Bob Golm, 224/618; Mary Bauman, 222/509; Ken McDaniel; 232/584; Joe Newton,

254/701; Rich Radak, 246-257/702; Rob Jackson, 224-233/625; Dan Gauvin, 220-213/617: Mike Carson, 226 FoMoCo Thursday: Chuck O'Rourke,

288/787; John Teetzel, 279/736; Bill Crab-

St. Alden's Men: Mike Kowalski, 202-245-

tree, 279/702; Bill Funderburk, 266; Frank Pico Inter-Plant Mixed: Debbie Merriman. 221: Jim Driver, 232-211/625; Steve

Dmitruchina, 236-210/636. Thursday Junior House: Barry Lawrence, 300/666: Henry Petryk, 268/758; Darryl Essix, 264/702; Brandon Teddy, 277/651;

#### James Gendiar, 264/689. Wonderland Lates (Livenia)

Motor City Engles: Al Brisco, 266/734; Scott Mears, 257/709; Wayne Fredrickson, 255/672; Ed Zaidel, 657; Jack Pauley.

Senior Men's Invitational: Ed Dudek, 673: Bob Wilson, 267/672; Charles Orbecky, 263. Classic: Bryan Macek 263-266/754: Greg Cohen, 279-269/751; Mike Caldwell, 711; Brad Wolter, 290/700.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia) St. Edith: Bob Jordan, 277; Pat Russell, 275; Roger House, 258/697; Pat Mack, 254;

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Kappen, 214: Jon Jarman, 216-203: Frank Bertani, 221-202; Al Hardin, 201. Saturday Youth: Nick Farrugia, 212.

212/608; Chad Lemmon, 202/525; Chris Lenhardt, 214-223/611: Brandon Proffer.

Gleries: Leura Strauss, 222; Jan

Monday Seniors: Gil Larsen, 229; Richard McQuesten, 229; Shirley Johnson, 212; Ken

Midnighters: Ed Fitzpatrick, 258; Mark Zielinski, 247; Evans Brown, 265; Cullen Cacicedo, 230; Jim Ryan, 224.

Mrozek, 200.

Grevak, 501: Sue Stack, 511.

Keglers: Bob Bray, 270; Rodney Reppen-

278/724. Plaza Mon: Larry Minehart, Jr., 216-300-

Garden Lanes (Garden City) Dearborn Heights Men: Mark Wells, 258-

Wayne County Road Commission: Bob Mar tin, 269-269-264/802; Ron Mowat, 277/744; Lee Ward, 268/760; Skip Kissell, 255/611; Ray Christy, 265/678.

Friday Ladies Classic: Lisa McClenahan. 259/663; Heather Ignagni, 216-246/650; Kin

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#### **Final registration**

The last chance to sign up for the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association's baseball, softball and Tball leagues is scheduled for 6:30-9 p.m. March 16 at the Plymouth Township clerk's office, located on the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

New players must provide proof of birth. For more information, call (734) 453-2040.

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The city of Plymouth Recreation Division will have registration for its 5-6 year-old T-ball league April 3-21 at the Recre-

ation office, located in the Plymouth Cultural Center (located at 525 Farmer, Plymouth).

Children must be born July-December 1993; January-December 1994; or January-July 1995. A birth certificate is required. The season runs June 24-Aug. 12 (no games July 1).

For more information, call (734) 455-6623.

## Adult softball

The city of Plymouth Recreation Division will sponsor adult softball leagues this spring/summer for men's slow pitch, women's slow pitch, co-ed slow pitch and men's modified.

Registration for returning teams begins Monday. New teams may begin registering March 15. All registrations may be completed at the Recreation offices, located in the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

The season starts the week of May 1. For more information, call the Plymouth Recreation Division at (734) 455-6620 or check the web at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

## Whalers from page B1

years is: When playing on the road, get ahead early. Don't let the home team dictate and control the tempo.

Playing an OHL game at Erie Wednesday, the red-hot Plymouth Whalers knew there were factors weighing against them. They had already won 12-straight games — how long could they keep it going?

Playing a mid-week game, on the road, trying to win their 13th in a row? How lucky can that be?

But the Whalers stuck to the plan. They led 2-1 after one period; after two, it was tied at 2-2. Then they made a dreadful mistake: Brad Boyes, the Otters' leading scorer, pushed a shorthanded goal past Whaler goalie Rob Zepp 6:18 into the final period and the Otters had a 3-2 lead.

But the bad news didn't stay that way for long. It took Plymouth less than three minutes to knot it again, on a goal by Eric Gooldy with 10:44 left in the game.

And just 2:45 after that, Damian Surma — recently named the OHL's Player of the Month — beat Erie goalie J.F. Perras with what proved to be the game-winner in a 4-3 Whaler victory.

er in a 4-3 Whaler victory.

Plymouth got off to a quick

enough start, with Kris Vernarsky getting a power-play goal 3:19 into the opening period; George Nistas and Justin Williams assisted.

Erie tied the game less than three minutes later, also on the power play, with Mike Nelson scoring the goal. But the Whalers regained the lead midway through the opening period when Cole Jarrett got an unassisted goal with 10:06 left in the period

Nelson's second power-play score of the game allowed the Otters to re-tie the game with 2:13 remaining in the second period. Boyes' unassisted, shorthanded goal in the third provided Erie with its first lead of the game.

Gooldy made certain the Otters didn't enjoy that status for long; Stephen Weiss assisted on his third-period goal. Surma's game-winner came on assists from Jamie Lalonde and Williams.

Zepp made 20 saves in earning the victory in goal. Perras turned away 30 of 34 shots in goal for the Otters.

## Players of the month

Surma wasn't the only Whaler ing leaders.

ing the month of February. And why not?

It would be hard to top Plymouth's performance.

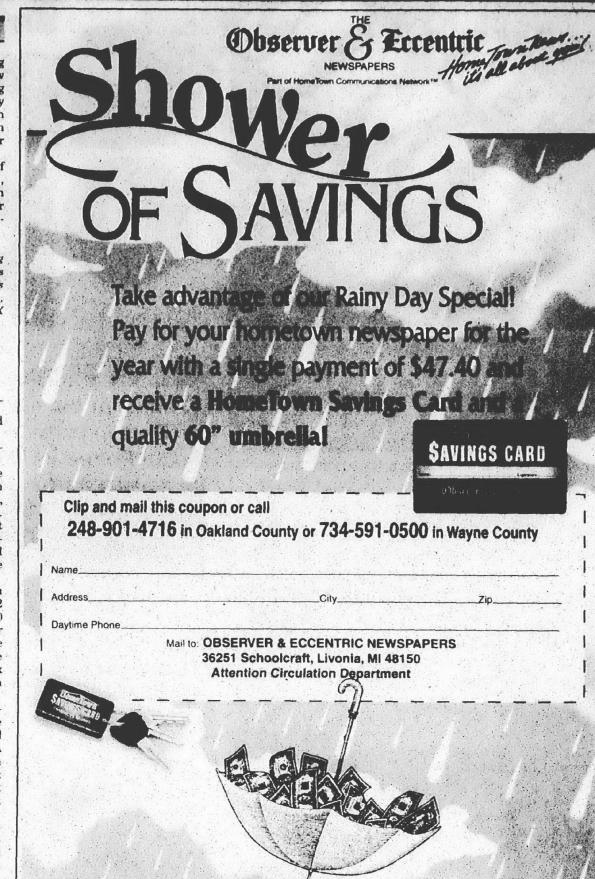
The Whalers climbed to the top of the OHL's West Division by going unbeaten in February, winning 12-straight games. Surma was instrumental in that run, scoring 12 goals — including four game-winners — and collecting 15 assists during the month.

A 19-year-old left-winger from Lincoln Park, Surma had 32 goals and 38 assists (70 points) for the season (58 games) for Plymouth, second best on the team. Included in that total are eight game-winning goals, six power-play scores and a plus/minus mark of plus 29.

Also honored for his monthlong performance was the Whalers' Stephen Weiss, named OHL Rookie of the Month. A first-round priority selection in 1999, Weiss had back-to-back two-goal games Feb. 12 against Mississauga and Feb. 13 against Erie.

A 16-year-old native of Toronto, Weiss has 20 goals and 35 assists for 55 points in 56 games

- fifth among OHL rookie scoring leaders.





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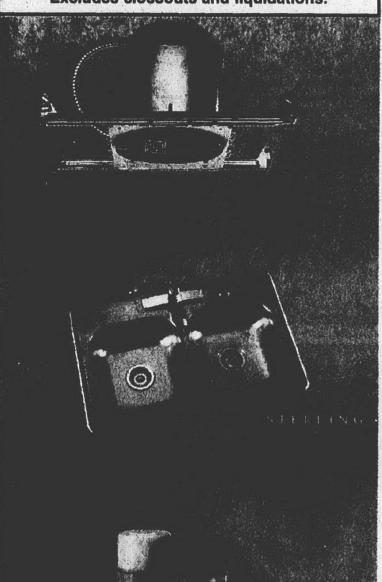


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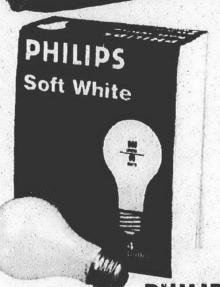
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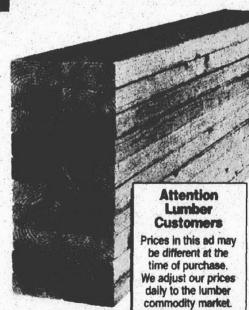
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Sunday, March 5, 2000

**ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS** 



Composer writes music for

hristopher Tew composes classical works in the Romantic tradition with chromatic harmonies for everyone to enjoy.

the masses

Listeners tired of contemporary dissonance won't want to miss the Saturday, March 11, concert by the Livonia Symphony Orchestra. Tew's "A Picture Symphony for Strings in D Minor" paints pictures of a warm spring day, yesteryear's countryside and a night sky filled with thousands of stars. The composition, dedicated to his wife Laura, is the seventh the orchestra has performed.

"There's been a tendency for 20th century composers not to care what the people would think," said Tew. "I like to write music that is not just artistic but interesting. If the audience can't enjoy it, there's not much use writing it.'

A former violist with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, Tew will arrive several days before the concert to oversee the work that Livonia Symphony conductor Volodymyr Schesiuk will carry to fruition. The orchestra has performed six of Tew's works to date including "Elegy for Strings," "Overture for Hanukkah" and "Prelude and Dance." Tew's "Rhapsody on Jewish Folk Melodies" was performed last May in Livonia.

"I'm very honored that Volodymyr wants to perform the music," said Tew. "I leave it to his judgment. Music is almost always a collaborative art. I have a sound in my head but everyone adds their bit of art to make it better than any one person could do."



In concert: Violinist Leslie English is one of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra members.

Tew misses living in the Livonia area since a job transfer took him to Tennessee where he now plays with the Cadek Community Orchestra in Chattanooga.

"I like coming up to Livonia to see old friends and hear the orchestra perform because they sound so wonderful," said Tew.

## **Musical Pictures**

In addition to the symphony by Tew, the orchestra will perform "Jupiter, the Bringing of Jollity" from "The Planets" by Gustav Holst; "The Moldau" from "My Country," Bedrich Smetana; "Fingal's Cave (Hebrides Overture)," Felix Mendelssohn; and "Finlandia," Jean Sibelius: Livonia Symphony trumpeters Brian Moon and Ken Robinson will be the featured artists on "Concerto for Two Trumpets" by Vivaldi.

My idea for the program was to bring people some music that's like a movie- musical pictures," said Schesiuk. "The Vivaldi concerto is played with old-fashioned trumpets with a higher register and is a good experience for the musicians and enjoyable for the audience. I chose Chris Tew's. work because his music is not really modern. He's closer to late Romantic

style.' Have an interesting idea for a story? Call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

## "Musical Pictures"

What: The Livonia Symphony Orchestra draws pictures using the music of Vivaldi, Smetana, Mendelssohn, Sibelius, Holst and

Whom: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 11 eres Churchill High School Auditorium. 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, Livonia. Tieketes \$15, \$10 students/children. Call

(248) 645-6666 or (734) 464-2741.

"This world was never meant for one as beautiful as you..." VAN GOGH PHOTO AT RIGHT, SELF-PORTRAIT

WITH A FELT HAT, 1887, OIL ON PANEL. VAN GOGH PHOTO AT LOWER RIGHT, SELF POR-TRAIT, 1887.



"Van Gogh: Face to Face"

ing with the people in the coal mining region," Keyes said. "He was a

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Van Gogh had a history of copying

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ARTIST FOR ALL TIMES . AN ARTIST OF THE PEOPLE

By Linda Ann Chomin STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm

incent van Gogh died never knowing the impact his art would continue to have on viewers. His vibrant palette and the emotionalism with which he captured

his subjects makes him an artist of the people, an artist for all times.

It took van Gogh the first 27 years of his life to realize his one passion, the next 10 to develop his skills as an artist. From the draw-

ing of a wounded PORTRAIT OF veteran weathered by life to a charac-JOSEPH ter study of an old **ROULIN, 1888.** skipper from his

"Heads of the People" series, and a vibrant portrait of a young French soldier, the 66 portraits in "Van Gogh; Face to Face," opening March 12 at the Detroit Institute of Arts, leads viewers on a journey that documents those torturous times from the early 1880s until his death from a selfinflicted gunshot wound in Auvressur-Oise, north of Paris, in 1890.

Co-organized by the Detroit Institute of Arts, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and Philadelphia Museum of Art, the exhibition paints a picture of the man, who in his adult years, surrounded himself with the working class and down-trodden to paint the people society forgot. A rebel of sorts, van Gogh never quite fit in with society. Battling to find his place, the tall red-haired misfit sympathized with the coal miners eking out the barest existence in the Borinage region of Belgium and the long-forgotten pen-

sioners at the Dutch Reformed Old People's Home in The Hague. In his portraits, he captures their sadness, melancholy and weariness.

"Van Gogh by representing them he's representing himself," said George Keyes, who initiated the exhibition after Mr. and Mrs. Walter

Buhl Ford II donated a portrait of Joseph Roulin to the museum in 1992. "Many people

can identify with van Gogh because he had such a great hardship - that he could overcome this. There's a tremendous mythology about this artist. He was a member of a wellheeled family, a reader of 19th century literature from Zola to Balzac. He identified with the characters in the novels. He had a photographic memory, all qualities in his art.'

The rapidly worked canvases and drawings illustrate the intense manner in which van Gogh worked. His

HEAD OF A **PEASANT WITH** CAP, 1885.



"We need to stress he has this strong sense of evangelical zeal when he was work-



HEAD OF A PEASANT **WOMAN WITH** WHITE CAP.

1885.

for food or trade the finished portrait for a sitting. When models were unavailable, he copied masters such as Millet or did self-portraits. "In St.-Remy he didn't have access to the outer world so Theo (his broth-

er and an art dealer in Paris) sent him copies of Millet who focused on the same type of subject matterpeasants," said Keyes. "Van Gogh has a way with characters. They seem to have an

inner life, a spirit of their own. "Van Gogh was

one of the great pioneers of modernism. He liberated color from a descriptive agent and an art that strove for realism. Color became for him the primary agent for expression. He was a classic artist of the



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THE ZOUAVE, 1888, OIL ON CANVAS



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## IMPACT

## Record crowds, international prestige expected with portrait exhibit



Gatekoopers: George Keyes, curator of European Paintings (left), and Graham Beal, director of the Detroit Institute of Arts, stand at the entrance to the most anticipated exhibit in the museum's history, "Van Gogh: Face to Face."

BY FRANK PROVENZÁNO

The swirling anticipation is hardly coincidental as the Detroit Institute of Arts prepares to host a 12-week evangelical revival staring Vincent van

The minister of intense color, coarse brushstrokes and hauntingly empathetic renderings of

common people is in the building.

In the spirit of his superstar status, expect images of van Gogh on T-shirts, posters, hats and

other memorabilia. After all, this is the retro 2000s. History is to be merged and purged as needed. Hype? That's a

Doors to Van Gogh: Face to Face open next Sunday, during a month when terminal gray Michigan weather has been known to induce bouts of

ear-cutting anguish and a longing for the expressive color of spring.

By any popular or critical standard, a van Gogh exhibit is an immediate, large-scale draw. It is

also a stunning display of some of the most valuable art in the world. Depending on the piece, an original painting by van Gogh can attract between \$50-\$70 million. After Rembrandt, no other Dutch painter's

name comes next. Yet because of his dramatic, tortured life, distinctive style and prolific output, the late 19th-century artist's greatest influence might not only be on Expressionism and as a

patron saint of tortured artists. Perhaps more than any other artist, van Gogh' represents the 20th-century's preoccupation with the psychology and personal life of artists.

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## Lecture reveals the process and history behind van Gogh's art

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Marie Humphrey arrived late for the lecture she was to give on the "Van Gogh: Face to Face" exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts, but none of the more than 80 people assembled at the Plymouth Community Arts Council seemed to mind.

The audience was buzzing about the much-anticipated showing of portraits by an artist who's captured the imaginations of generations of viewers - art lovers and novices alike.

Humphrey, a Southfield resident who's a member of the museum's speakers bureau, expects the exhibit to be very popular. Her first slide showed the portrait of postman Joseph Roulin, the acquisition which led a slide of a portrait of Sien- the to DIA curator George Keyes proposing the idea for the exhibi-

"This portrait was done in the south of France," said Humphrey. "Van Gogh wanted to start an art colony of likeminded artists. Van Gogh started to paint at 27 and did over 1,000 paintings and drawings. He started out in Holland and Belgium the first six years. He was trying to learn how to

Van Gogh, in one of the more than 600 letters he wrote, told his brother, Theo, about the pensioners he'd found to draw in The Hague.

"He was trying to make a statement that they needed to be recognized and respected," said Humphrey, who went on to show

woman with whom van Gogh lived for a short time. "He never painted portraits for a commission only of everyday people."

Humphrey went on to talk about techniques van Gogh used in his drawing and painting. This is the reason Joy Wolfe came. She wanted to listen to the DIA volunteer tell of the artist pouring milk over a graphite drawing to lessen the shine on the cross hatching. She wanted to know about the process and history behind the art. It also gave her a chance to cure her curiosity about the arts council she'd never visited before.

"I've always loved van Gogh and the Impressionists," said Wolfe, a Canton resident who's already bought her tickets for "Face to Face." "I want to learn

more about van Gogh's life. Everybody knows he cut off his ear but not about how the time he lived in affected his art.'

Those were the details Lisa Gross had also come to hear. An arts council volunteer, Gross expected to learn more about van Gogh for the presentations she makes to elementary students in the Plymouth-Canton Schools. Gross frequently takes her three sons to the DIA's First Friday programs. She already has tickets to the exhibit in

"I wanted to get a little bit of background and history on his works to help present it to the children," said Gross of Canton.

This was the first time Don and Shirley Miller had attended one of the Brown Bag Lectures featuring speakers from the DIA.

The two Livonia residents go to lectures and exhibits at the museum on a regular basis.

"I think it was very informative," said Don Miller. "We're going next week and wanted to know a little bit more before we saw it."

Like the Millers Judy Lewis, a DIA docent and arts council volunteer, wanted to learn as much information about the exhibit as she could before going through the exhibit with DIA volunteers on Sunday, March 5.

"I wanted to know more about how he was thinking when he did these," said Lewis.

Humphrey hopes that visitors will not only see the exhibit but make a day of it.

"They can see the exhibit, have lunch and then take a public tour of the rest of the museum response from the community."

anytime Wednesday through Sunday. On Monday and Tuesday, only the van Gogh exhibit will be open."

Barbara Young was delighted with the number of people who turned out for the Brown Bag Lecture at the Joanne Winkle-

man Hulce Center for the Arts. A collaboration between the Plymouth Community Arts Council and Plymouth-Canton Schools community education, the event is part of a series begun last year.

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"Community education looks at exciting ways to involve all parts of the community," said Young, a spokesperson for community education. "In fall the speakers bureau presented a program on Rembrandt's etching. We're overjoyed by the

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Post-Impressionistic phase beyond realism to something spiritual."

Keyes personally is taken with some of the drawings even though they're in black and white. Few of these works have been seen in America before.

"Van Gogh used only the best paper, thick with texture and he applied with such force it almost indented the paper like a relief."

#### **Exhibition history**

Keyes developed a fondness for van Gogh's work while living in The Netherlands where van Gogh was born. During the time he was working on a doctorate at the University of Utrecht and after while compiling a catalogue on old Dutch master prints, Keyes had access to the major van Gogh collections at the Van Gogh Museum and the Kroller-Muller Museum. Here, he developed an admiration for the artist. So when the second share of the gift, "Portrait of Postman Roulin," came to the museum three years ago, Keyes, as Elizabeth & Allan Shelden curator of

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European Paintings at the DIA, thought to organize an exhibition focused on the Roulin family who were favorite subjects of van Gogh in Arles in 1888. He knew Boston had two portraits of the Roulin family and Philadelphia two. Once the Boston and Philadelphia museums became involved, the concept for the exhibition expanded to include more than 70 works that span van Gogh's tragically short 10year career. The number of paintings and drawings in the exhibits vary depending on the availability. Drawings vary from venue to venue because of the fragility and the need to restrict their exposure to light. The Detroit museum shows 35 paintings and 31 drawings from the 70 works. One gallery is devoted entirely to the Roulin family. The DIA's "Self-Portrait" painted in Paris in 1887, purchased by the DIA and City of Detroit in 1922 is also in the exhibit.

"Certain portraits we couldn't get because of loan restrictions," said Keyes. "A portrait of Gachet from Paris was unavailable II 'Van Gogh used only the best paper, thick with texture and he applied with such force it almost indented the paper like a relief.'

George Keyes Curator

because of bequest restrictions. We looked for anything available and decided to focus on early character studies in The Hague (1881-1883) to set the stage for his remarkable period in France."

The only Dutch speaker from the three museums co-organizing the exhibit, Keyes, in the process of drawing together the works from public and private international collections, met with curators in The Hague and Amsterdam.

#### Challenge

"The biggest challenge was the time restraint, when all three institutions could take the show, working around restraints which were caused by 'Van Gogh's van Goghs' in LA, and the Art Institute of Chicago and the Van Gogh Museum "Van Gogh, Gauguin: The Studio of the Self" which opens the end of next

Traditionally, van Gogh exhibitions were broad surveys until 20 years ago when museums began focusing on chronology with shows such as the Metropolitan Museum of Art's "Van Gogh in Arles" and "Van Gogh in St.-Remy and Auvers."

"Van Gogh: Face to Face" is the first focused thematically.

"The portraiture exhibit coincides with a revival of portraits in general. There have been exhibits on Renoir and Picasso's women," said Keyes. "In portraits, I think people know there's an elusive sense of what art is. Portraiture is a vehicle for a lot of artistic ideas."

#### Installation

Walking through this premier showing of portraits, the excitement builds. Before installing the exhibition, full-size reproductions of every work in the show were made.

"We've been dealing with a virtual exhibit for two weeks to determine the best relationship of objects," said Keyes. "The European museums have been doing this for some time. As the objects come in we replace

Viewers are face to face with van Gogh's drawings as they begin their walk then become mesmerized by his use of color during his time in Paris, St .-Remy, Arles and Auvers. "Portrait of a Restaurant Owner" and "Woman by a Cradle" are two of the most impressionistic works from his time in Paris. The influence of Gauguin is evident in 1888 in "The Zouave." The portrait is from the period when the two artists nearly drove each other mad while living together in the "yellow house" in Arles. The final gallery features paintings from the year he spent in the asylum at St.-Remy and the short period of time in Auvers before his death. The vastly differing styles of the portraits illustrate Van Gogh's tortured state of mind.

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With the opening of Van Gogh: Face to Face, the DIA will inevitably ride along with the van Gogh phenomenon. Indeed, there's a prevailing sense the exhibit of the artist's 31 drawings and 35 painted portraits isn't the only unprecedented event worth discussing.

Along with record crowds estimated as high as 350,000, the DIA expects that the largest assembled collection of van Gogh's portraits will attract international accolades.

"Over the last decade, it might seem as if the DIA has slipped (in the eyes of the museum community), but having this exhibit goes a long way in demonstrating that we're a player," said DIA Director Graham Beal, who assumed the post in October.

Unlike 10 years ago, when the DIA was reeling from state funding cuts, which led to reduced staff and hours of operation, today's direction of the museum appears quite clear.

Last April, the DIA embarked on a 10-year, \$320-million campaign to increase their endowment, exhibit space and update the museum. In less than a year, the DIA is ahead of its fund-raising schedule.

And with pieces from its permanent collection continuously on loan to museums throughout the world, the DIA has effectively translated pieces from their collection into currency.

Perhaps the greatest change in the museum, however, has been perceptual. The transfer last year of day-to-day operation from the City of Detroit to an independent body has minimized political wrangling. Only Beal's decision last November to suddenly close an exhibit of "shock art" attracted unwelcomed controversy.

In the last three years, exhibits such as Splendors of Ancient Egypt and Angels from the Vatican have brought large crowds. But no other exhibit in recent museum history has the equivalent feel of a major blockbuster like the upcoming exhibit of van Gogh's portraits.

Perhaps only an exhibit of Monet's paintings or the longawaited comeback of Elvis could stir such immediate and intense public interest.

On the surface, Van Gogh: Face to Face appears like a huge money maker. Revenue from tickets, sales of an illustrated book and exhibit-related merchandise is estimated as high as \$2 million.

Expenses for the 66-portrait show, however, are far from modest. The portraits have been loaned from 26 museums, including the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam and from co-organizers, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and the Philadelphia Museum of Art. In addition, the DIA has extended its hours. increased staff, and has embarked on a marketing blitz to hype the exhibit.

Whatever revenue remains after expenses, said Beal, will be earmarked to fund future exhibits and the general operating budget for the museum.

"We're going into this being happy if we break even," said Beal, who served as director at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, where 70 paintings from the Van Gogh Museum were on exhibit last May.

"On a basic level, a blockbuster is about logistics and traffic flow, and a reminder to people that we're here, and the museum is easy to get to."

With more than 100,000 tickets already sold and interest intensifying, Beal's concern about breaking even sounds more like pre-game jitters.

It's anticipated that 500 people per hour could see the show. "There will be a chain reaction," said Tara Robinson, exhibition coordinator at the DIA.

"People who don't usually come to the museum will come to the exhibit.'

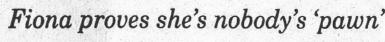
Some contend that while blockbuster exhibits attract big crowds, they can also promote only familiar work of known artists. The concern is that lesser known artists and challenging art is overlooked. But the commercial side of any major exhibit is part of modern-day realities, said Robinson.

"Museums that wish to survive have to make money," she said. We have to make money in a combination of ways - charitable, on our own enterprise, grants, membership.'

Located outside the last gallery of portraits will be a gift shop offering books, posters and a range of van Gogh-inspired items, including scarves and jew-

"(The exhibit) is a social, educational and spiritual experience," said Robinson. "People want to take part of it home with

Obviously, when it comes to van Gogh, there's no separating the work from the myth.



Go ahead, call it self-indul- frail ingenue to be reckoned with gent.

The 90-word title of Fiona Apple's latest album has been analyzed to death. A poem derived from what the young artist considered to be an unfair article about her and her work is a title which requires one sufficient attention span and one deep breath.
"When the Pawn Hits the Con-

flicts He Thinks Like a King What He Knows Throws the Blows When He Goes to the Fight and He'll Win the Whole Thing Fore He Enters the Ring There's No Body to Batter When Your Mind Is Your Might So When You Go Solo, You Hold Your Own Hand and Remember That Depth Is the Greatest of Heights and If You Know Where You Stand, Then You Know Where to Land and If You Fall It Won't Matter, 'Cuz You'll Know That You're Right" shows a deep, sonic honesty for the 22-year-old who broke into pop music as a

just three years ago. While her debut, "Tidal," drown listeners deep into the murky waters of Apple's soul, and shared her tortured thoughts on love and life, it wasn't nearly as honest and revealing as "When the Pawn.." Apple has sufficiently separated herself from the throw-away pop stars by creating this new category of jazz-inspired, hip-hop-tinged rock. Apple's sound is decidedly dark, yet uncompromisingly engaging.

Perhaps she'll perform those songs March 10 when she visits Detroit's State Theatre for a sold-out show. Audiences anticipate the echo of those sentiments on tortured love "I'm a mess he don't want to clean up" ("Paper Bag"), those warnings to potential lovers to run away "Fast As You Can," and the waning of a relationship "In a little while we'll only have to wave" (Love Ridden).



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LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY I Through March 25 - 4th annual exposures 2000 photography show of emerging regional profes sionals, students and amateur photographic artists at 6. N.

Through March 30 - The Visual Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Exhibition by the Palette Guild of Civic Center Drive, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

and characters at Cross of Christ

LANGUAGE SYMPOSIUM A two-day lecture on how and why language evolves with featured speakers CD Wright, Bruce Sterling, Röderick Watt, David Armstrong and Olga Meerson .

March 10 at various sites on Cranbrook grounds beginning 10 a.m. Thursday, March 9 at the Cranbrook Art Museum Auditorium, Bloomfield Hills.

(248) 645-3605. THE WRITER'S VOICE

Clouten's exhibit of sketches and

watercolors. 279 W. Nine Mile.

Through April 6 - People, Plants

and Culture." an exhibit of fine arts

Telegraph Road, Pontiac, (248) 858-

Through April 1 - Solo exhibition

showing the diversity of photogra-

Through March 31 - Israeli artist

phy as an art medium. 407 Pine

Street, Rochester. (248) 651-

David Gerstein. 4301 Orchard

Lake Road, Crosswinds Mall,

West Bloomfield. (248) 626-

Through April 15 - Posev

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY** 

Bacopoulos in the Stratton

Gallery and "Wood Fired, Sait

Fired" a group exhibition, 10125

Through March 24 — Personal

Visions, a photography show in

Club. Reception is noon-3p.m.

Through March 31 — Featured

artist: Phillip Krier. Summit Place

Through April 3 - Latin American

Carrington, Remedios Varo, Frida

Kahlo, Gonzalo Cienfuego and

Northwestern Hwy., Southfield.

McCafferty, recent paintings and

Bill Jones/Ben Neill, lights/sound

installation, 23257 Woodward,

Through March 31 - Group exhi-

March 5. 774 N. Sheldon,

Mall, Waterford, next to

artists including Lenora

Fernando Botero. 29173

Through March 11 - Jon

Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

bition: Images of the Mind

Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

Through March 25 - Radiance

by Kpi. Detroit area artist. 7:

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY

North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248)

Through April 8 - Paintings by

Elizabeth Murray. Opening recep-

Through April 8 - Ceramic sculp

ture by Beth Katleman and "Past

tion, 5-8 p.m. Saturday, March

11. 555 South Old Woodward.

Birmingham. (248) 642-9039.

Form Present Tense," found

object jewelry by Boris Bally,

Robert Ebendorf and Ramona

TEMPORARY CONTEMPORARY

Solberg: 202 E. Third, Royal Oak

Through March 18 - Banned in

Detroit: Art Until Now. 7 North

Saginaw, Pontjac. (248) 334.

Through April 1 - Off The Wall

featuring six area artists explor-

ing the third dimension in art. 7

North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248)

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Through April 1 - First anniver-

sary exhibition of small works.

March 5, 215 East Washington

WATERFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL

Through March 31 - artwork of

Waterford Wendy's, 370 Elizabeth

Lake Road Reception 9-10:30

a.m., Saturday, March 11. (248)

LITERARY

curator of Royal Ontario Museum.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

\*Spirit Portraits: Shaman

Dynasty (1392-1910), 2 p.m.

Sunday, March 5 in the DIA

Detroit (313) 833-7900

Lecture Hall, 5200 Woodward.

Thursday, March 9 and Friday,

DIA hosts Wonyoung Koh, co-

who will lecture on Korean art.

Paintings of the Korean Choson

more than 50 elementary stu-

dents will be on display at

Reception 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287

24350 Southfield Road.

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OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA

YMCA's 18th Annual Colloquium Series and The Detroit Public Library's 6th Annual International Women's Day Reading featuring Beat writer Diane di Prima with Detroit writers Chris Tysh, Anca Viasopolos and Melba Boyd 7. p.m. on Monday, March 6 at the DPL-Main branch Friends' Auditorium at 5201 Woodward. At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8 is jazz musician Faruq Z. Bey with Bob Hicok and Terry Wooten at the Scarab Club, 217 E. Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 267-5310 Ext. 338.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through March 26 - Joseph Grigely: Publications and Publication Projects. 1994-1999. Through April 2 -Painting Zero Degree, group show by contemporary artists, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (800) GO-CRANBrook

**CRANBROOK INSTITUTE** OF SCIENCE

"Take My Picture, Please," a Festival of Cultural Snapshots. Sunday brunch series is "Medical Illustration Through the Ages," 11 a.m. Sunday, March 12. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3224

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS Through March 26 - Robert Frank The Americans. Through May 31 -

"Glass, Glass, From the DIA's Collection," 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7900 TROY MUSEUM Through March 30 - "Going

West-Michigan Cavalry in Indian

Wars." 60 Wattles, Troy. (248)

THEATER

524-3570.

GEM THEATRE "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, extended through June 25, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays: 3 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays: 33 Madison Ave. Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50, (313)

STAGE DOOR PLAYERS

"A Night at the Theatre: Five Short Plays," 7:30 p.m. Saturday. March 11 and 6: 30 p.m. Sunday March 12 at Birmingham Groves School Little Theatre, 13 Mile and Evergreen.

DINNER

THEATER

BACI THEATRE Tony 'n Lina's Wedding," 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Fridays, 4:30 p.m. and 9: p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays, at 40 W. Pike, Pontiac. (248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666.

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

SNOW WHITE

Sara Smith Productions Youth Theater at The Community House in Birmingham will show "Show White and the Seyen Dwarfs." Appropriate for ages 5 and up. Performances are. 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, March 11 and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 12. Tickets are \$7 per person general seating), \$9 at the door. Reserved seating is \$30 per person. Proceeds benefit Sara Smith Productions Youth Theater at The Community House. (248) 644-5832.

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., 48325-1651, (248) 626-2285.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Gallery Service volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training sessions at the DIA. 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-

FUND-RAISER

AMBASSADOR TO AFRICA

A fundraiser for the CCB African Collection Committee is 1-4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit (313) 341-4278.

ESCAPE TO THE CARIBBEAN

The annual fundraiser for the Plymouth Community Arts. Council is 6 p.m. Saturday, March 11 at the Mayflower Meeting House, Plymouth. (734) 416-4278

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NP 3 STRIKES (R)

11:45, 2:10, 4:35, 7:00, 9:30

NO VIP TICKETS

NP REINDEER GAMES (R)

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7:50, 9:10-NO VIP TICKETS

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HANGING UP (PG13) 1:30, 4:15, 7:05, 9:15

THE WHOLE NINE YARDS (R)

1:10, 3:30, 5:50,7:10, 8:15, 9:25

PITCH BLACK (R)

BOILER ROOM (R) 12:50, 3:20, 6:20, 8:55

THE BEACH (R) 1:40, 4:20,7:10-NO 7:10 MON 3/6

SNOW DAY (PG) 11:45, 12:45, 1:45, 2:45, 3:45, 4:45, 5:45, 6:45,7:45, 8:45, 9:45

THE TIGGER MOVIE (C)

SCREAM 3 (R)

THE HURRICANE (R)

AMERICAN REAUTY (R)

12:00, 2:35, 5:25, 7:55

THE CIDER HOUSE RULES (R)

12:15, 2:55, 6:00, 8:40 STUART LITTLE (PG)

THE GREEN MILE (R)

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7:40, 8:30, 10:00

NO 5:15 & 7:40 3/8

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AMERICAN BEAUTY (R) 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:10 THE TIGGER MOVIE (G) 12:05, 1:50, 3:50, 6:00 SNOW DAY (PG) 12:15, 2:10, 4:20, 6:20, 8:30 CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13) 12:50, 3:30, 6:10, 8:50

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PITCH BLACK (R) 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 7:30, 9:00, 10:15 AMERICAN BEAUTY (R) BOILER ROOM (R) THE BEACH (II 9:20 PM ONLY SNOW DAY (PG) SUN-11:15, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:45, 5:20, 7:40, 9:55; MON-THURS, 12:30 2:00, 3:00, 4:45, 5:20, 7:40, 9:55 THE TIGGER MOVIE (G) SUN-11:00; 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00 MON-THURS 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:15

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MY DOG SKIP (PG) NV 12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:20 THE NEXT BEST THING (R) NV 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15 THREE STRIKES (R) NV REINDEER GAMES (R) NV 12:40, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10 WONDERBOYS (R) NV HANGING UP (PG13) 12:30, 2:40, 4:55, 7:15, 9:40 THE WHOLE NINE YARDS (R)

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SCREAM 3 (R) 11:35, 2:15, 5:05, 7:45, 10:30 THE TIGGER MOVIE (G) NV CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13) 10:35, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40

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12:30, 2:50, (4:10 @ \$4:00) 6:10

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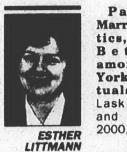
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# 'Partisans' offers glimpse of 5 extraordinary women



Betrayal among New York Intellegtuals by David Laskin; Simor and Schuster 2000, \$26

Partisans:

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Marriage, Poli-

"She writes just like a man, was once the ultimate compliment paid a female author. But that predated feminism, when women writers accepted maledominated standards, both in their professional and private

Nowhere was this more true than at the offices of "The Partisan Review," once New York's foremost intellectual journal. Although their names may be only vaguely familiar today, women like Mary McCarthy (The Group"), Hannah Arendt (The Origins of Totalitarianism"), Elizabeth Hardwick (Sleepless Nights"), Jean Stafford (The Mountain Lion"), and Caroline Gordon (Women on the Porch"), were the critics and opinion makers of the 40's and 50's. They published best sellers, penned scintillating articles, and stood on equal footing with their male peers. Beautiful, charming, and chic, they had little trouble attracting men and few traditional restraints against sexual experimentation. And when they married, they seemed to "have it all," juggling career, family and homemaking without question and few complaints.

Beneath this façade of breezy efficiency and personal fulfillment, however, lurked a very different reality, writes David Laskin in his new book, "Partisans: Marriage, Politics, and Betrayal among New York Intellectuals." Their marriages were often battlefields, "as fraught with physical and emotional abuse, violence, madness, drunkenness, brutality, contempt, and revenge as any 1990s tell-all autobiography.'

Male infidelity was rampant, and all but Arendt were divorced by self-centered and abusive

Despite all, these talented women ignored - even disparaged - the early rumblings of feminism. They failed to see how it could improve their relations with men or how it could advance their career. Gender, they claimed, had been no obstacle in their pursuit of success.

Why should it be a problem for other women? Feminism, insisted Mary McCarthy, is "bad for women in its self-pity, shrillness and greed.'

But what McCarthy and her colleagues failed to acknowledge. Laskin points out, is that they were the exceptions and that their literary fame had often come at the price of personal sac-

Rationalization and self-deception were their constant compan-

Interestingly, feminism wasn't the only major event these Partisan intellectuals ignored. When World War II broke out, they opposed American involvement.

It wasn't "their war," claimed the mostly left-wing radicals, but rather a hopeless conflict between two systems they despised: capitalism and fascism."

What was needed was revolution, when capitalism, "that stupid gigantic fraud," would be replaced by a Marxist brand of socialism.

Only Hannah Arendt recognized the similarity between the Soviet and Nazi regimes. Both manifested the same "radical evil," she explained.

Both systems had as their goal the complete subordination of the individual to the state.

Laskin's discussion of Arendt's "The Origins of Totalitarianism" and "Eichmann in Jerusalem," and the controversy that surrounded these two groundbreaking works is one of the most enlightening parts of his book.

"Partisans" is a highly-entertaining narrative of the lives of five extraordinary women and their equally-gifted literary husbands (Robert Lowell, Alan Tate, Edmond Wilson, etc.).

Part multi-biography, part literary, social, and political history, the book is a colorful and thought-provoking mirror of the

One can't help wondering, however, why these brilliant people got so many things wrong. With the exception of Hannah Arendt, who had learned from her personal experience as a German refugee, the others refused to accept what their turbulent lives were telling

When it came to social and political issues, they espoused ideals that had little to do with

More concerned with exploring human emotions and with the craft of writing than with world events, the female writers at the "Partisan Review" and their male counterparts were artists before they were intellectuals.

But despite Laskin's misnomer, "Partisans" is an insightful glimpse into the frenetic lives of women who struggled privately and succeeded professionally, with no road maps to guide them on their pioneer paths.

"Partisans" is available at Border's Books and Music in Farm-

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

## **BOOK HAPPENINGS**

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

**PSYCHIC TALK** 

Olympia Entertainment presents "An Evening with Sylvia," part of Sylvia Browne's book tour and psychic lecture series. Included will be a discussion of the author's third book, "Life on the Other Side." Tickets are on sale now for the event, set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Cobo Arena. Tickets are \$25 and \$40. For more information, call the Olympia Entertainment event hotline at (313) 983-6611 or Joe Louis Arena, (313) 983-6606. For tickets, call (248) 645-6666. **DISCUSSION GROUPS** 

Reimagining Community - This winter book discussion series at the Carl Sandburg branch of the Livonia library will next examine

"The Damnation of Theron Ware" by Harold Frederick. The program, which features guest scholars from Madonna University and focuses on the changing concept of community, takes place 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the library, 30100 Seven Mile Road west of Middlebelt. Call (248) 478-0700. KIDS STUFF

n Story Time with Miss Karen will be held 9:30 a.m. Tuesday. March 7, at the Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman, downtown Plymouth, Parents and children may experience free interactive 20-minute programs of story telling, music and movement. Favorite children's books, simple instruments and imaginative songs and chants highlight the story times. Registrations are suggested but not mandatory. For more information or registration. call (734) 454-0178 for Plymouth Coffee Bean or (734) 455-5220 for Little Book Shoppe on the

Park. n Put the kids in their jammies and come to the Dearborn Borders bookstore for stories, a craft and a treat at a sarble Pajama Party, 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 8. Bring a favorte Barbie

and a pillow. Call (313) 271 4441.

**AUTHOR TO SPEAK** 

Michigan outdoor author Tim Smith will make two special appearance in March at the Northville Barnes & Noble store. Smith, author of the Buck Wilder outdoor guides for children and a popular speaker for adult groups, will appear at the store 7 p.m. March 9 and 22. The topic of the March 8 event is "Stop, Look & Listen: A Lesson for Adults," and the March 22 night will consist of a Buck Wilder storytime. The store is located off Six Mile and Haggerty.

GREEN SCENE

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a series of special events at the Northville Barnes & Noble, On March 11, beginning at 1 p.m., Irish step dancers Katie and Shannon Bowerson will perform in the cafe, and at 2 p.m. harpist Colleen Burke will regale customers with ethereal Irish melodies.

SPEAKER AVAILABLE

Mary J. Stevens, autobiographer of "It's All in Your Head," a book relating her experiences as an identical twin, nun, teacher, wife and mother, as well as her "death" and recovery experience. To schedule speaking engagements or to purchase her book, email Stevens at stevmj@aol.com LIBRARY PROGRAMS

■ The Flint African American Ouilters' Guild will put on display a selection of legacy-inspired quilting styles and patters at the Southfield Public Library. The quilts can be viewed any time the library is open, from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday. Call (248) 948-0470 or visit the Web site at 222.sfldlib.org.

CRAFT CLUB

Barnes & Noble Bookstore, 17111 Haggerty Road, Northville, hosts a craft club on the second Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. All activities are free and the club is open to all. This month craft club will meet on Wednesday, March 8. The activity will be making St. Patrick's Day Tea gift packages. For information, call (248) 348-3696.

Join Lori Lipinski for an encore book signing and discussion of "Common Sense...Is It Really That Common?" 7 p.m. Thursday, March 9, at Borders i Farmington Hills, 30995 Orchard Lake Road. Learn about the difference between commercial and organic foods, and what you can do to make healthy decisions about your life. Natural food samples courtesy of Whole Foods Market in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 737-0110 for information.

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

Iris Underfood returns to Borders Farmington Hills 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 23, to conduct one of her patented creative writing workshops. There is no

charge. WRITERS AT WORK WORKSHOPS Oakland Community College sixth

annual writers conference "Writing for All Seasons," Friday. Saturday, March 17-18, Hilton Suites of Auburn Hills. Preregistration by March 10, \$85 (\$55 for currently enrolled OCC students), includes Friday keynote speaker Jim Daniels. Saturday workshops, lunch and more. Call (248) 360-3186 for information. Workshops include Teaching the Write Way, Using Suspense in Film, Small-Group Critique Workshop, Screenwriting, and the Fourth Genre.

Daniels is professor of English at Carnegie Mellon University, and a native Detroiter. He has published four books of poetry, and wrote the screenplay for the film "No Pets," which is the title of his lat est publication, a collection of short stories. His awards include grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. and a Pushcart Prize.

**NOONTIME CONCERT** 

Felicity Strings performs Irish songs on hammered dulcimer, Celtic harp and bass, 12:15 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at the noontime concert series, Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Tea and coffee will be provided, brown bag lunches

No registration required. Call (734) 466-2197.

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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.

#### ART CLASSES

Drawing and painting classes in any medium are being offered with Detroit artist Lin Baum at the Art Gallery/Studio, 29948 Ford Road, in Sheridan Square, Garden City.

Classes begin 1-4 p.m. Thursday, March 9 and continue through March 30. Individualized instruction will be given. For more information, call Norma McQueen at (734) 261-0379

#### RECEPTION TODAY

Members of the Livonia Camera Club exhibit photographs through Friday, March 24 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 774 N. Sheldon at Junction.

An opening reception for the exhibit, "Personal Visions," takes place noon to 3 p.m. today. The public is invited. Call (734) 416-4278

As part of the collaboration with the arts council, a workshop is scheduled for 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 15 and 22 on glamour techniques. Observer photographer Paul Hurschmann will teach students professional lighting and posing techniques.

Founded in 1975, the Livonia Camera Club meets at 8 p.m. on the first three Thursdays of the month at Grant Elementary School, 9300 Hubbard, Livonia. For more information on the club, call Jonathan Warren at (313) 274-0912 or visit the Web site at, home earthlink.net/-fotofrank/p

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DIRECTOR WANTED

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for an executive director/general manager desk at the Summit.

to work with the music director and board to provide the vision and plan for the growth of the organization and provide primary leadership in development, fund-raising (including grant writing, event, individual and corporate giving), marketing, and promotion activities. For more on the description or an application, visit the Web site at www.plymouthsymphony.org.

The position requires experience with an arts or nonprofit organization (preferred) which includes fund raising, financial management, marketing, and long range planning with proven success in grant writing and development.

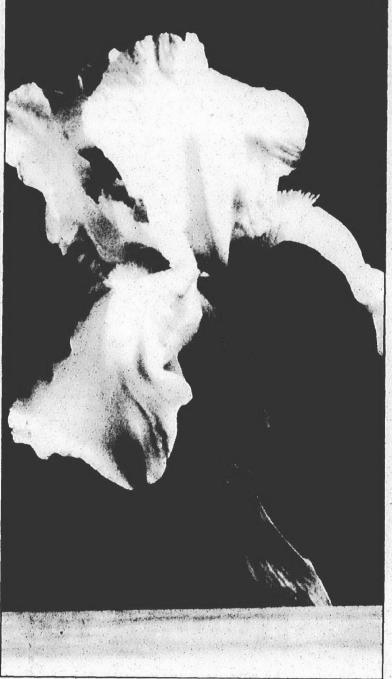
#### FACE TO FACE

Canton Project Arts is going face to face with the van Gogh exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts Sunday, May 21.

The arts organization is hosting a trip to visit "Van Gogh: Face to Face" for a cost of \$24 which includes a ticket, audio tour, and round-trip transportation from the Canton Township Administration Building. Tickets are on sale now for Project Arts patrons, for the general public April 1. Call (734) 397-6450.

The DIA's Speakers Bureau will give a slide presentation on the exhibit I p.m. Wednesday, March 15 at the Summit on the Park Community Center, 46000 Summit Parkway. Donation is \$1. To reserve a seat, call (734) 397-5444.

An additional bus trip through the Summit will be visiting the exhibit Wednesday, March 22. The bus departs at 9:45 a.m. and returns at 4 p.m. The cost is \$20 residents, \$22 non-residents. Tickets are available at the front desk at the Summit.



Personal Visions: Frank Adams is one of the Livonia Camera Club members showing his photography at the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

# A lot to appreciate in Hilberry's 'Our Town'

Wayne State University's graduate theatre company presents Thornton Wilder's classic, "Our Town" at the Hilberry Theatre in rotating repertory through April 1. The Hilberry is located at Cass and Hancock on the WSU campus in Detroit. For tickets and show times, call the Hilberry box office at (313) 577-2972.

#### By Sue Suchyta Special Writer

Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" captures a simpler time in America, and in doing so reminds us of both the beauty and importance of life. With the simplest of furniture and pantomimed props, the stage manager introduces us to the people and places of his town, and opens a window to their lives. We watch George Gibbs and Emily Webb discover love, marry, and live through some of life's most challenging moments.

The Hilberry framed the story inside a deliberately casual play. The set looks as if it is in midconstruction, with ladders and mismatched chairs scattered throughout. The stage manager is portrayed by Sean Ramey, who wanders on stage and makes his first official pronouncement with a distinct New Hampshire clip to his speech five minutes before curtain.

Tanisha Gonzalez captures the wide-eyed youthful enthusiasm of Emily Webb. Mike Schraeder shows awkward brashness as George Gibbs with a cautious yet unassuming honesty. As Emily brings out the better qualities in George, Schraeder's earnestness brings the joy in Emily's heart to full bloom.

The pantomime of the actors is impressive. Fires are stoked and

meals prepared. Horses are led carefully by their halters over an icy road. Mary Leyendecker's costumes are simple yet authentic.

When George and Emily perch on ladders and tentatively share their feelings with each other, we forget about the makeshift set and begin to imagine moonlight and clapboard houses.

The parents provide perspective to George and Emily's growing up as they gently but firmly guide them toward adulthood. We watch as Kristopher Yoder's Dr. Gibbs skillfully uses psychology and well-aimed guilt to get George to help his mother, and to accept the responsibilities of manhood. We see Mr. Webb, played by Aaron Lake, playfully tease his daughter, whose growing up has probably caught him as much off guard as it does with most fathers. Cat Shoemaker, as Mrs. Gibbs, and Trisha Miller, as Mrs. Webb, are the families' Rocks of Gibraltar.

The town drunk is played with quiet, unspoken grief by Dallas Henry; the loud gossip Mrs. Soames, with relish and exuberance by Sara Wolf, and Howie Newsome, the ever-present milkman, portrayed by Chad Smith, delivers weather predictions along with the cream.

The graveyard scene utilized an echoing effect for the voices of the dead, giving them a surreal countenance, and adding to the remoteness of their souls from those of the living. Slides above the stage showed weather worn tombstones engraved with moss-covered messages. The somber but vital energy of the living contrasted markedly with the monotone voices of the souls waiting for rapture.



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Sunday, March 5, 2000

Anticipating spring: Saks Fifth Avenue's runway

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and other spring colors,

Many of the show's

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season, drew an excited

front row seats are, left

## Handbags are all the rage for spring and summer



Well girls, if there's one place to put your money this season, it's in the bag.

Specifically, a new handbag. Purses are all the rage this season. And, rather than there being a musthave element or design trend, there's something for every-

While Kate Spade has made preppy col-ors, like baby blue

and pastel pink, chic again in her purses, Donna Karan has reinvented the lady-like clutch in faux crocodile and snake skin.

Although a variety of elements are making this season's purses interesting and exciting, texture is probably the most important.

Beading, one texture alternative, adds romance to daytime dressing.

Animal print on backpacks, on the other hand, brings new spirit to college campuses. One designer that went strong with animal print was Nine West. Their square totes in leopard, pony and cow prints have a fresh look for day or evening dressing.

Other texture trends to look out for include floral embellishments, sequins, embroidery and straw.

While straw bags have been around for ages, designers are making them interesting for today's woman. One example can be seen at Tender, a women's clothing boutique in downtown Birmingham. The store's straw bags by Lulu Guinness scream

"This season is about adding interest via accessories," says Tender's coowner Cheryl Daskas of the trend. "When wearing a pair of black cropped pants and a colorful cashmere sweater, pull it together with a patterned purse. This season is not about black," says Daskas.

And, color is a huge consideration this season.

Just in time for spring, designers are unleashing a variety of bags in a rainbow of colors, as well as patterns and shapes, which are spectacular enough to make anyone's arm ache for a new satchel.

When it comes to making a statement with a bag, how better to do it than with color? Bright red, citrus orange and sunshine yellow are hot picks, if you are looking to introduce color into your wardrobe.

Choose one that is strong enough to make an entrance, but not so bold as to overwhelm your outfit. Such vibrancy works well with slinky bags that easily drip over the shoulders.

Size and function also have arose as important handbag elements.

After a season of small styling, totes have appeared again, taking on the size of any load, even a trip to the beach.

Emphasizing fashion and function, Lord and Taylor's own label has a few semi-structured, mid-size handbags designed to take you just about any-

Especially notable are the retailer's Bohemian-striped canvas bag and pastel cotton tote with just the perfect amount of beading.

Need a look that's practical, hip and 21st century all at the same time?

For the die-hard user of technology, there are a slew of bags with cell phone compartments.

And, if embellishment isn't your style, and the new twist on purses doesn't feel right, there's still lots of micro-fiber bags out there.

Across the board, the variations are endless. So for a quick update to your wardrobe, consider one of the new handbags of the season. The bottom line: from soccer mom to young professional, every woman can find a place for a new purse in her wardrobe.

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Elements: Christian Dior's Malice handbag in golden yellow crocodile brings together texture and color.



Itching for spring

First local fashion show of the season packs in pastels and tropical hues

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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Ladies, dressed in suits - several are pink - stand in clusters in the designer department of Saks Fifth Avenue in Troy, talking.

At the same time, they balance glasses of white wine and small plates of poached salmon and dainty roll-up sandwiches in their hands. One woman dons a strawberry-colored hat. Another wears a bright teal print skirt. Many wear basic black with Pashmina wraps and tops in hot pink and other spring colors.

The scene, if you haven't yet guessed, is a reception for the first St. John's vocabulary in a way it hasfashion show of the season, a runway presentation of St. John's spring collection hosted by Saks.

Never mind the groundhog's shadow. Spring fashion has arrived.

Once more, fashion-forward shoppers will have ample opportunity in coming weeks to scrutinize the season's cuts and colors and particulars on local runways.

The St. John show, held Thursday to benefit The Community House in Birmingham, precedes several planned spring fashion shows, including a presentation of Michael Kors Celine line hosted by Jacobson's.

Even if you're not ready to start donning traditional spring colors like those at St. John show, prepare to be bombarded by sherbet colors and

bright citrus tones on area runways.
"Color. Color. That's it," said Amanda Turner, Somerset Collection fashion director, following the presentation, which was dominated by spring pastels like lilac, ice pink and mint green and tropical colors, such as bright turquoise and lime.

The audience seemed to embrace the flood of spring and summer shades, and even those dressed in darker colors said they planned to wear bright colors this season. "Everything's been gray, blue and black for

so long," said Dotti Howe, of Birmingham. "We need cheering up."

Color aside, St. John's spring line, like other designer collections, showcased feminine details. Among them tiny bows at the cuff and on colorful shoes, three-quarter-length sleeves reminiscent of Jackie Onassis, scalloped edges and loads of sequins, beads and pearls on both day and evening wear.

"Very feminine without being froufrou, without being girlish," Turner said of the collection. "And lady-like, even when casual."

The word casual did seem to enter n't before. St. John is best known for making quality knit suiting, but denim jackets and jeans in pink and black and blueberry and ivory with backpacks, mesh pockets and silver clasps made an appearance midway through the show.

Turner said St. John is probably making casual sportswear because we're headed towards refining our casual Friday attire. "It's that dressup casual look," said Turner. That's the next word we're going to get sick

Likewise, St. John's evening wear did include a few sportswear pieces, sexy halter tops and halter-top dresses that revealed the back. Several other evening garments showed skin through sheer black fabric at the bodice, shoulders and side hem lines.

"Everyone loves the way St. John clothes fit, but for years people have thought of the clothes as mature," said Cheryl Hall-Lindsay, special events director for Saks Fifth Avenue and the show's host. "I think that's going to change after tonight. ... (The collection) is lady-like and sophisticated, but fun with a twist. It's young. It's sexy."

## **Upcoming fashion** shows

Jacobson's debuts Celine by Michael Kors

When: noon (luncheon), 12:45 p.m. (show), Tuesday, March 14 Where: Townsend Hotel in downtown Birmingham Seating: Limited, call (248) 644-6900, ext. 585

Saks Fifth Avenue shows Anne Klein 2000 for benefit

When: 11 a.m. (brunch), 11:30 a.m. (show), Thursday, March 16 Where: Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, Anne Klein Boutique, second

Tickets: \$25-35 to benefit Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County, call (248) 332-

St. Patrick's Day spring fashion show for benefit

When: Strolling buffet and auction begin at 7 p.m., fashion show follows, Friday,

Where: Somerset Collection in Troy, South, main entrance. Tickets: \$85 to benefit On My Own of Michigan, call (248) 649-

Somerset Collection shows spring collections

When: 1 p.m. Saturday, March

Where: Somerset Collection in Troy, South, South Rotunda Seating: Limited, but open to the public



Citrus hues: A classic St. John suit looks fresh and vibrant in a tropical lime shade.

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, MARCH 5

ARMANI MEN'S COLLECTION

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Some set Collection in Trov. hosts a trunk show of Giorgio Armani Le Collezioni for men (special order), noon-6 p.m., The Men's Store, first floor.

Transformations - A Holistic Spa, 33060 Northwestern Highway in West Bloomfield, holds free, introductory lectures about Buteyko breathing and their workshops, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. For more information, call (248) 626-3700.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts several wardrobe planning events with designer representatives through March 11. For times, personal appointments and locations for: Lafayette 148

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

on March 7, call (248) 614-3347; Escada on March 8, call (248) 614-3366; TSE Surface on March 9, call (248) 643-9000, ext. 247; Tahari, on March 9 and 10, call (248) 643-9000, ext. 401; Jennifer Roberts, on March 10 and 11, call (248) 614-3323; and Michael Kors on March 11, call (248) 614-3347. THURSDAY, MARCH 9

ONES NEW YORK SHOW

Hudson's, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents a runway show of spring fashion by Jones New York, 7 p.m., Second Floor.

JEWELRY TRUNK SHOW Roz & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, presents a trunk show of M & J Sevitt jewelry through March 11, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. For

details, call (248) 855-8855. THURSDAY, MARCH 9-10 JEWELRY DESIGNER VISITS

Jewelry designer Laura Gibson brings her collection to Jacobson's stores: March 9 at Rochester Hills store and March 10 at downtown Birmingham store. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Fine Jewelry.

**ESCADA STOCK SHOW** 

View Escada's spring and summer collection at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Sportsyear, third floor. SATURDAY, MARCH 11

MOTHER-OF-THE-BRIDE SHOW

Jacobson's at Laurel Park Place in Livonia holds two fashion shows highlighting the latest looks for the mother-of-the-bride, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Fashion also may be seen in a trunk show, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. TAHARI TRUNK SHOW

View Tahari's spring collection of suiting at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4

p.m., Galleria, third floor. SUNDAY, MARCH 12

PUNCH AND JUDY SHOW Livonia Mall, 7 Mile and Middlebelt roads, hosts a

puppet performance of Punch and Judy for children and families, 1 p.m., Value City court.

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- Luden's cough drops can be purthased at the Rite-Aid in the Newburgh Plaza, 6 mile & Newburgh roads - A store in the Livonia/Canton

area that sells Mother-of-the-bride

- A company that would perform repairs on a Seeburg jukebox. FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

- We found the following items: a portable phonograph; a June, 1958 Chadsey High School yearbook and a reader who has a millennium princess Barbie doll.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR: - A Samsonite metal card table chair for children (yellow/grey) for Mary.

 A video tape copy of a program about events and influential people of the century that aired Thursday, January 24, 2000 on WDIV-Channel 4 television and the Microsoft Barney character software for children, goes to the Circus," or "Fun on the Farm" for Colleen.

A store where a whistling tea kettle that shuts off when it reaches boiling-point can be bought for Barbara of Troy.

- A store where the game Michigan Rummy can be purchased for Jack, a resident of Livonia.

A Detroit Brady Elementary School book from 1944-45 (it had poems and pictures) for Florence, who lives in Southfield.

The game Scotland Yard for Deb-

- British Sterling men's stick deodorant for Shirley of Livonia. A store that sells FINESSE hair brushes for Judy.

- Drapery Boutique's "Moon Glow" curtains, sheets, drapes and scarves, either new or used, for Debbie, a Canton

- A gasket for a Mirromatic 4-quart pressure cooker for Agatha of Livonia.

Two Millennium Barbie's from McDonald's for Nancy, a resident of Livo-

- A store where Corn Huskers hand lotion can be bought for Elia, who lives in Redford.

The 1999 Waterford "Twelve Days of Christmas" ornament series for Helen of Livonia.

Coty's 24-hour crème lipstick in "Redstone" for Lois of Livonia.

A June, 1950 Grosse Pointe High School yearbook and AGZALELAND lavender-water men's after-shave for Mike, who lives in Plymouth.

A June 18, 1998 copy of the Detroit News/Free Press front-page or section for Carol of Troy.

 Old-fashioned, library-style and antique dictionaries stands for Joanne of Bloomfield Township. The book "Alphie, the Christmas

Tree" by John Denver for Cyndie. A store where a heating coil for use in a cigarette lighter or coffee warmer can be purchased for Regina

- A 1939 Commerce High School yearbook for Grace, who lives in Livo-

A store where "Wibbles that Wobble" can be bought for Marge of Can-

A 6 or 8-ounce Vernor's ginger ale glass (used for ice cream floats) for John. - A store where bed sheets for a 3/4 antique bed can be bought for Janet, who resides in Clarkston.

- A pastry cloth by Foley and sheet music for "Dancing Doll" by E. Poldini (soprano solo part) for Gail of Dearborn.

A 1934 Ferndale Lincoln High School yearbook for Catherine of Novi. A video tape of the movie "Bus Top" for Heidi of Bloomfield Hills.

A store that sells products from the Super Guard II Ideal Security Hardware Corporation, based in St. Paul, Minn. for Christine, who lives in Ortonville.

- A store where homemade pizza rolls with lots of cheese and pepperoni (wrapped tightly) can be bought for Kim of Livonia.

A store where standard mattress sheets, not the deep-fitted ones and not with elastic surrounding the entire sheet, can be bought for Marie of Canton.

A store where a battery-operated flour sifter can be bought for Sandra, a resident of Sterling Heights.

A store where a laundry bag that attaches to a laundry chute and has a zippered bottom would be available for Debbie, who lives in Livonia.

A store that sells short, taffeta, half-slips for Sharon of West Bloomfield. - A store that sells Lagerfeld KL cologne for women for Sandy, a resident of West Bloomfield.

A store that sells women's Air Step shoes for Mary of Sylvan Lake. A Nettle Creek bedspread, carried

by Jacobson's about 20 years ago, for Barbara of Bloomfield Hills. - A store that sells Aileen clothing

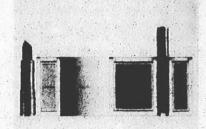
for women for Patricia. - Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

# a la carte



Cotton heaven: Clothing designer Michael Kors uses cotton to create a sleek and modern look that's comfortable and lightweight. His double cotton poplin raincoat is shown in paper bag tan, \$525. Cotton trousers are brilliant in tangerine, \$245, with a longsleeved, floral print shirt of cotton, \$190, all at Saks Fifth Avenue.

Calvin colors: Calvin Klein launches its new color cosmetics collection in March. The approach to the line, which includes skin care products, foundation and eye, cheek and lip color, is based on enhancing and revealing the skin, \$14-38 at Hudson's.





Urban floral: DKNY Women, a new fragrance by DKNY, makes traditional floral scents rounder and heavier - lending flowers an urban feeling - by adding such aromas as blood oranges, chilled vodka, white birch and tomato leaf, \$38-55 at Hudson's.

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# Holy city of Jerusalem leaves lasting impression

(Editor's note: Diane Hanson of Canton recently took a trip of a lifetime - she visited Israel. This is part II of her two-part story.)

BY DIANE HANSON

the City of David is the capital of Israel and the largest and most populated city in the country.

Old Jerusalem is at the heart of one of the holiest and most intriguing cities in the world.

King David chose Jerusalem to be his capital and built the first temple there which was destroyed by the Babylonians in 565 BC. King Herod, who died in 4 BC, built the second temple, where Jesus was brought by his parents, where he taught and prayed. That temple was destroyed by the Romans in AD

The Jewish Quarter in the Old City dates to the 15th century when the Jewish people desired to live in the area of the Western (Wailing) Wall, the only remnant of the second temple. The tradition of praying at the wall began around AD 200-300 when some rabbis taught that the presence of God still remains at the location of the former Holy of Holies.

To this day pilgrims come to the Wall to pray and insert prayers and petitions, written on bits of paper, into the cracks of the towering ancient artifact.

But just on the other side of the Wailing Wall on the Temple Mount, standing on the location of the former Jewish Temple is. yet another reason for religious tension. There the Dome of the Rock was built in AD 691 and is now the Muslim mosque that encompasses the huge rock believed to be where Mohammed ascended into heaven, leaving his footprint embedded in the boulder's surface. It is also a holy site for Jews and Christians as the place where Abraham nearly sacrificed his son Isaac at the Lord's command.

Its golden dome and intricate blue mosaic exterior make it an easily identifiable landmark in

Traveling through the Christian section of the city, I found the Garden of Gethsemane was smaller than I had imagined. But seeing the garden with its ancient olive trees was incredibly inspiring. The oldest, biggest and most gnarled tree there is believed to date back to the time of Jesus.

I had anticipated a spiritual experience walking along the Via Dolorosa (the 14 Stations of the Cross), beginning at the Church of the Flagellation and

Don't leave home without...

Traveling to Israel can be the experience of a lifetime. Being well-informed and prepared ahead of time can make things go much more smoothly.

Pack light - Although Israel is a small country, there are so many sites to see that you will be frequently packing up to move to the next destination. Take coordinating clothing that

can be mixed and matched and preferably wrinkle-free. Lightweight pants and shortsleeved shirts are appropriate in most areas. During the warmer months of summer and fall, shorts would be more comfortable for visiting the ancient ruins and sites in the desert areas, but don't plan on wearing them or tank tops or low-cut tops to any of the holy sites you may be turned away. Pack a sweater or light jacket. Even summer evenings can drop below the 70s, especially in the northern regions of the country.

Many hotels have Irons and

there. U.S. dollars are also accepted in many places. Most major credit cards are welcome nearly everywhere in Israel and, yes, there are ATM machines. Phone home - If you plan on

hair dryers, but if you are stay-

ing in a kibbutz-type lodging you

may wish to bring travel appli-

ances with you. An electrical

converter set will also be neces-

Money - Dollars can be con-

verted into shekels at the air-

port in Israel or at any bank

staying in contact with family and friends back in the U.S. be sure to take some pre-paid phone cards with you. I have seen the cards available for as low as \$12 for 200 minutes. Even though a 60-minute card will only last about seven minutes when calling from Israel, it is still considerably cheaper than dialing direct from a hotel.

■ Travel info - The official Web site of the Israel Ministry of Tourism is www.goisrael.com or call them toll-free at 1-888-77-ISRAEL.

six Christian faiths, each responsible for its own section. To avoid conflict, the guardians of the key to the door of the church are two Muslim families. Every morning and every evening, a family member climbs the ladder to unlock or lock the massive door. The Roman Catholics have an altar at the 13th station where Jesus is nailed to the cross. The Greek Orthodox claim the 14th station with an altar built over

Must-see museums

We visited the Tower of David Museum near the end of our trip through Israel, but perhaps that would be a good place to start. It holds a fabulous introduction to Jerusalem's 4,000 years of history. The restored remains of the 2,000-year-old citadel became the site of the museum. Each room holds a different period of Jerusalem's history.

top of the rock where Jesus was

crucified - Golgatha - visible

through the glass floor and from

below. They also claim Jesus'

The Shrine of the Book at the Israel Museum is the major attraction there and inspiring. But, if time permits, there is so much more at the museum, including archeological finds and the interiors of three original

A visit to Yad Vashem - the National Memorial and Museum of the Holocaust - is one that few can leave with dry eyes. The

Divided: The Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem is the holiest of Christian sites. The church is divided between six Christian faiths and, to keep the peace, two Muslim families hold the key to the massive door.

vivid photographs and written descriptions left impressions on me that will last a lifetime.

The memorial to the 15,000 children who died is at the same time, beautiful and eerie. Points of light representing the children, their names and countries read in a continuous steady rhythm, permeate the total darkness inside.

"This is not a holocaust of just the Jews," said our guide, Oded Geva, whose parents escaped Germany just after Adolph Hitler was made chancellor. "This place is a warning to the whole world. We are not talking here about Jews, we are talking about people."

Of all the magnificent ancient and holy sites in Israel, my favorite was the Galilee area. The Galilee, as the area around the sea is referred to, is lush, green and fertile with an abundance of colorful flowers.

It is certain Jesus visited the Sea of Galilee - the only freshwater body in Israel. In Capernaum, a fifth-century AD synagogue sits atop the ruins of one of just two synagogues - the other was in Masada.

The remains of what is believed to be St. Peter's house are in Capernaum.

The house had been extended into an octagonal church - for the eight blessings of the Beatitudes - in the early days of Christianity.

Tabgha, on the northwest shore of the Sea of Galilee is the home of two important sites. One is the traditional site where it is believed Jesus fed 5,000 with two fish and five loaves.

The remains of two successive Byzantine churches built in the fourth and fifth centuries were found there in 1932. The Benedictines built the church standing there today.

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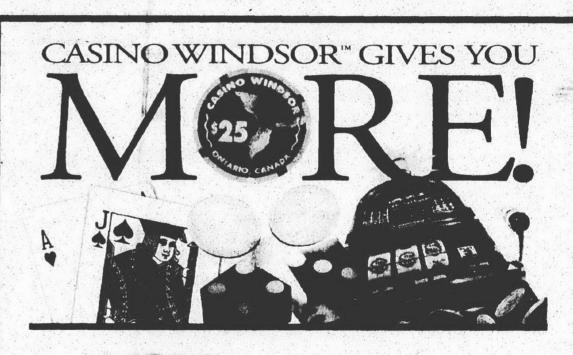
PHOTOS BY DIANE HANSON A moment of prayer: An Orthodox Jewish man is deep in prayer as he walks near the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem.

ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Most of the way is lined by markets with proprietors hawking their wares, which can be a definite distrac-

The last five stations are sheltered in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the holiest Christian

St. Helena, the mother of Constantine, built the first church in the fourth century. The Crusaders built the current building in the 12th century.

The holy site is now divided by



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## Cal-Itals are steeped in tradition

talian-origin wine grapes grown in California are dubbed Cal-Itals. California's wine heritage stems from Italian families who brought their wine traditions to the United States. Today, these families have 100 years or longer in the California wine business. They've gone back to their roots and are raising awareness of three red varietals in particular barbera, sangiovese and nebbiolo.

■ Barbera: From its birthplace in Italy's Piedmont, barbera is challenged only by Tuscany's sangiovese in versatility. The Piedmontese refer to barbera as a "people's wine," meaning a wine to be drunk in youth or while waiting for the region's great wines, Barbaresco and Barolo, to age.

Barbera excites California winemakers. Some producers are old hands at it, but newcomers have added it to their growing portfolio of Cal-Itals.

Piedmontese barbera is bottled in a wide array of styles from young and fruity to dark, intense, extracted versions with heady aromas. Some of this is due to variances among soil type and microclimates, but winemaking practices contribute significantly. Not all Piedmont barbera is oak aged.

California, too, is developing a wide range of styles. While most producers age their wine in oak, some are stylizing for early release and drinkability with minimum cellaring in older

■ Sangiovese: From Italy's Tuscany region, Chianti is the bestknown red wine. It draws its charm from the sangiovese grape, but there seems to be no limit to variations Tuscan producers have created when working with this varietal. Grown in California, sangiovese is beginning to show a similar potential.

Under "traditional" Chianti winemaking, the law required a blend of 20 percent lesser grape varieties. This law stifled creative potential of both producer and grapegrower. A new law effected in 1984, allows up to 10 percent of non-traditional varieties such as cabernet sauvignon to be blended with a maximum of 90 percent sangiovese.

■ Nebbiolo: Native to the Piedmont region, it is the great red grape responsible for some of the longestlived wines in Italy - Barbaresco and Barolo. The grape name derives from "nebbia," fog in Italian, a frequent phenomenon in the Piedmont during the October grape harvest.

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## Wine Picks

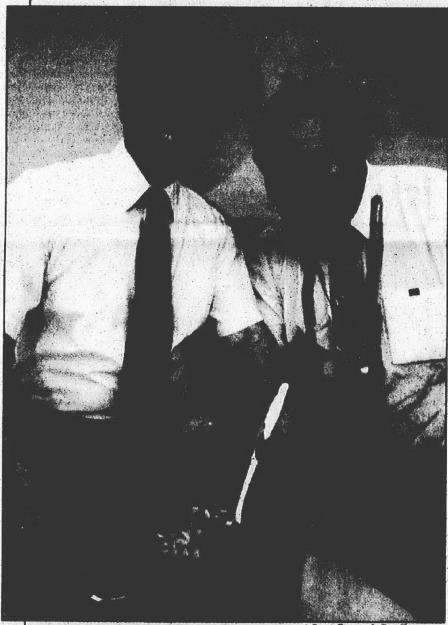
- Pick of the pack: Arzuaga Crianza from Ribera del Duero in Spain (\$27) is every thing a great Spanish red wine should be - beautiful fruit, concentrated flavor with integrated oak. Spanish cuisine is trendy. It deserves the complement of a great wine. This is it!
- Last month we wrote about Meritage wines and unfortunately, the 1997 Geyser Peak Reserve Alexandre Meritage (\$45) was not yet available for our comparative tasting. Guaranteed, it would have been highly ranked as a magnificent blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, petit verdot, cabernet franc and malbec - all five of the great Bordeaux varietals. Cellar it for a few
- years and reap more taste rewards. Outstanding chardonnays: 1996 Casa apostolle Cuvee Alexandre (Chile), \$18; 1998 Hogue Barrel Select, \$14 (an absolute steal at this price); and 1998 William Hill Reserve, \$221 creamy and delicious); and 1998 Kumeu River Mate's Vineyard (New Zealand), \$42, a bit pricey as it seems all New Zealand
- wines are, but very good. Finding good cabernet sauvignon with a Napa Valley designation under \$20 gets more difficult. Eurekal Try 1997 Beaulieu Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon (\$16) - a great value.

## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- What's for Breakfast
- Main Dish Miracle





## MEDITERRANEAN CHICKEN SOUP

- . One 6-pound stewing chicken
- 3 quarts water
- · 1 cup baby carrots
- · 3 ribs celery, sliced with tops
- · 2 large onions, halved
- 1 (14 1/2 ounce) can artichoke bottoms (4 pieces, reserve remainder for another use)
- 1/2 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spinach
- (thawed and drained) 3/4 cup long grain rice (raw) or 1 1/2 cups cooked rice (leftover)
- 1/2 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- · 2 bay leaves
- 3 large garlic cloves (minced)
- Salt and pepper to taste

Cover chicken with water in a stockpot and bring to an immediate boil. Then discard water and drain.

Return chicken to pot with 3 quarts water and 1/2 cup of the carrots, the celery and tops, onions and bay leaves. Partially cover the pot and simmer for 2 hours or until the chicken is tender but not falling apart.

Remove the chicken to a large platter, and when cool enough to handle, remove the meat from the bones. Shired the white meat, measure out one cup and set aside. Reserve the remainder of the meat for chicken salad or other recipe.

Strain the liquid into a large bowl. Discard everything in the strainer. Cool the soup and refrigerate overnight. Remove all fat that has hardened on the surface.

The next day start with the defatted chicken stock, the remaining 1/2 cup baby carrots (each cut in half), spinach, rice, lemon juice and 4 diced artichoke bottoms and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer 1 hour. Add more water to equal 2 1/2 to 3 quarts if necessary.

Mince garlic cloves and add to soup with shredded white chicken meat 5 minutes before serving.

Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Recipe compliments of Carolyn Silverstein

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aking chicken soup is something people put their hearts into.

"Mine comes from the heart. I make it to make my kids feel better," said Sylvia Bernstein of West Bloomfield, one of the finalists in the second annual Ultimate Chicken Soup Contest held Friday, Feb. 25, at Temple Kol Ami in West Bloomfield.

Sitting at a table waiting for the judges to begin tasting the chicken soups simmering in Crock-Pots, Bernstein and Sandra Biagini of Clarkston, last year's winner and one of this year's finalists, struck up a conversation.

Both wore heart necklaces, and agreed making chicken soup is about the nicest thing you can do for someone who's not feeling

"It's just a way you show people you really care about them and that you're trying to do something to help them. It shows you're interested in their well-being," said Carolyn Silverstein of Franklin, who won this year's contest.

Her Mediterranean Chicken way you Soup is not an show pooold recipe. It's ple you something she realty care just put togethabout them "I always make up stuff as and that I go along," she you're try-said. "I was ing to do ing to do experimenting something with combining to help leftover 'rice, cooked spinach, and artichokes

- Carolyn create a 'Heart Smart' Silverstein yet tasty soup

with some ingredients my husband I both enjoyed. Cooking the rice with the soup makes it creamier."

Reducing fat and cholesterol has been a concern since Silverstein's husband, Barry, suffered a heart attack. When she makes soup, she lets it cool overnight, and removes the hardened fat the next day.

Attesting to its medicinal qualities, Chef Keith Famie, one of the judges who was fighting a cold, said Silverstein's soup was "refreshing. There's a balance of acids, the artichokes with lemon," he said. "It does help colds," said Silverstein. "I was coming down with one and this soup help stave it off."

Joe Wnuk and Curtis Rellinger of Westland, best known as Chili Joe and Chef Curtis, hosts of a local cable cooking show, placed second in the contest.

They spent three weeks researching to develop their prize-winning recipe.

"I collect musical instruments and found the recipe tucked into an old violin case," said Wnuk,

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## Check your family's eating habits in March

March is National Nutrition Month. Do you know what you and your family should be eating? Let's take a look at the top-rated foods for the new mil-

#### Top-rated foods for 2000

Throughout the '90s, health professionals recommended soy products for cholesterol lowering, cancer prevention and alleviation of menopause symptoms.

Soy contains phytoestrogens. Phytoestrogens belong to a family called

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phytochemicals. Phytochemicals are substances naturally present in plants that help protect the plant from severe weather, insects and stress. In your body, they can aid in preventing the origination and growth of cancerous tumors and slow cancer cell growth. Phytoestrogen containing foods can also help

reduce hot flashes as well as help prevent osteoporosis. Phytoestrogens contain the isoflavones genistein and daidzein, which can prevent osteoporosis. Soyfoods include tofu, tempeh, soy cheese, soymilk and "meatfree" products such as veggie burgers.

#### RED GRAPES

Is wine good or bad for your heart? In countries such as France, alcohol consumption has been related to a lower incidence of heart disease. But some experts argue that the social. support or even the relaxation and bonding that occurs during "happy hour" is perhaps more related to the

### March Is **National** Nutrition Month

prevention of heart disease than the alcohol itself. Alcohol, specifically red wine, contains a substance called resveratrol, which helps prevent arteries from clog-

ging up. However, red grapes and its juice also has resveratrol without any of the negative aspects from alcohol.

Red wine contains polyphenols, another phytochemical important for heart disease and cancer prevention. Green tea and chocolate also contain polyphenols.

## **BFLAX**

Flaxseeds and flax oil have the highest omega-3 fatty acid and lignin content of any food. Omega-3 fatty acids can help prevent heart disease, promote energy and fight depression. Lignins are substances that act like estrogens in the body and can bind to estrogen receptors.

In this way, lignins can regulate your body's estrogen production in a way similar to isoflavones in soy products. In turn, lignins can be bone building. Sprinkle flaxseeds on your breakfast cereal or in your smoothie. If you are using flax oil, mix with herbs to make salad dressings or drizzle on foods after cooking. Do not heat the flax oil as heating destroys the omega-3 fatty acids.

## I OLIVE OIL

. Soy

· Flax

· Red grapes

· Olive oil

· Garlic

Don't be fat-phobic. Several years ago, it was thought that only calories were important. You could eat hot dogs and ice cream all day if you chose to, as long as you kept your calories below a certain number. Then fat became the only factor of importance. Eat as many calories as you want to, just don't eat any fat. Thisapproach worked for some people and

backfired for others, especially those who tended to overeat at snacks and meals.

People gained weight on fat-free foods. Now the pendu-

lum has returned to the center. Cafories and fat intake are both important. Dr. Gary Null, a physician who specializes in nutrition, appeared on NBC Today to promote the benefits of olive oil. He showed that the benefits of olive oil not only lowers cholesterol and maintains blood sugar, but a lit-'tle bit of olive oil with meals helps to create a feeling of satiety. When you incorporate olive oil with meals, you tend to feel full and are not looking for something to eat two hours later.

Ever try roasted garlic? Try a great recipe from Farmington Hills resident

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explaining the history behind Dr. Benjamin Overstreet's

Chicken Soup Recipe. The duo invented the character "Dr. Overstreet," a traveling medicine man who roamed the streets of old Detroit making this chieken broth for hundreds of his cold waning customers.

The good doctor pioneered the theory that a 'healing combustion' develops when chicken meat is boiled with certain vegetables.'

The secret to making good chicken soup, they agree, is all in the stock. Use fresh chicken. veggies and cold filtered water. Wnuk and Curtis also spent a lot of time deciding on the perfect noodle for their soup, and found one-inch medium egg noodles worked best.

What made their soup unusual was corn and peas. They added color and flavor. "It goes back to my childhood," said Curtis. "My grandma used to add corn and

peas to her soup. John Gallagher of Grosse Pointe Woods placed third in the contest. Old Fashioned Twice Boiled Soup was his mother's recipe with a few changes made

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over the years.

"To the best of my knowledge this recipe has never been written down," he said. "We all loved

this soup growing up."
Contest finalists Mary Ann Leduc-Yee and Jennifer Rosenberg-Lopatin of West Bloomfield teamed up to create Rosenberg & Yee Or-Yenta Chicken Soup.

The flavorful Oriental inspired soup combines the best of their heritages - Chinese and Jew-

"My husband is Chinese, and I learned to cook Chinese food," said Yee. "We've been married for a long time, and I feel Chinese is part of my heritage, too. Jennifer is Jewish. The soup was a joint effort, but the matzo balls were totally hers.'

On March 22 Silverstein's prize winning soup will be served to 500 people at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit. She will also appear on Chef Keith Famie's Adventures in Cooking on WDIV-TV, Chan-

"Some of my co-workers want to help me serve the soup at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen," she said. "And I'm really excited and

looking forward to being on the

Silverstein found out Thursday night that she was a finalist in the contest, the first cooking contest she ever entered. She made the soup that night, and got up early Friday morning to finish it in time for the contest. As part of her prize she also received a deluxe soup pot from Kitchen Glamor.

Second prize was dinner for two at Restaurant Di Modesta in Southfield. Third prize was a cookbook from Kitchen Glamor.

See recipes inside.

## Learn all about vegetarian diet

Consumers can learn about eating a healthy vegetarian diet 2-4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the Royal Oak Senior Center.

There is no admission charge. The event will feature free food samples, free recipes and free handouts on health and nutrition, videos and other information resources. The event is also two days before the Great American Meatout scheduled for March 20.

Sponsors of the Meatout say its purpose is to help consumers kick the meat habit and explore a "more wholesome, less violent

Local sponsors include the Royal Oak Medical Center and a coalition of vegetarian, animal rights, religious, and environmental groups.

Some participating businesses are Amici's Pizza, Buday's Tasty Health, Good Food, Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Mei Ling Vegetarian Chinese, Om Café, Pita House, Salvatore Scallopini's and Whole Foods.

The Royal Oak Senior Center is at 3500 Marais in Royal Oak. Marais is north off 13 Mile Road, at the first traffic light east of Crooks. The senior center is in the second block on the right. A map is available on the Internet at www.all4vegan. net/vim.htm.

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and personal trainer Shelly Gardynik. Shave off the top of the whole garlic, brush with olive oil and add a little salt and pepper, wrap in foil and bake at 350° F for 40 to 45 minutes.

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Peel and eat. Yum. Garlic contains allyl sulfides, a phytochemical important for heart disease and cancer prevention. Garlic has been shown to lower cholesterol and blood pressure as well as boosts the immune system to fight infection. You can be generous with garlic while cooking or spread roasted garlic on crackers and enjoy.

Make healthy eating, along with regular exercise, your goal for the millennium!

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#### **MEAT-FREE QUESADILLAS**

8 whole-wheat lavash

- 2 cups ground meat substitute (such as Morningstar Farms Harvest Burger Recipe Crum-
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 large bell pepper (red, yellow or green) 4 Roma tomatoes, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- pinch of black pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- 2 cups TVP (texturized vegetable protein); sauteed in 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 8 ounces shredded soy cheese
- 2 cups fresh salsa

In a large skillet, saute meat substitute, onion, bell pepper and garlic until softened, about 3 minutes. Add tomatoes, cumin, cayenne, and black pepper,

cilantro and TVP.

Cook, stirring about 3 minutes more. Divide the mixture among the 8 tortillas. Fold the tortillas and place in a hot skillet. Saute until the tortillas are

Serve with a garnish of soy cheese, low fat or soy sour cream and salsa. Makes 8 quesadillas.

#### TEMPEH SALAD

- 1 8-ounce package tempeh
- 1/2 cup finely chopped celery 1/2 cup finely chopped red onion
- 1/2 cup shredded carrots
- 1/3 cup soy or lowfat mayonnaise
- 1/2-1 tablespoon brown rice syrup

#### 1-2 tablespoons Dijon mustard

Boil tempeh for 20 minutes. Dice tempeh and add vegetables. Combine mayonnaise, brown rice syrup and mustard. Mix well with tempeh-and-vegetable mixture until evenly distributed and well moistened. Serve on a bed of lettuce. Serves 4.

#### **DATE-NUT BREAKFAST BARS**

- 3/4 cup frozen apple juice concentrate
- 1 1/2 cups pitted dates
- 1 cup flax seed

1/2 cup chopped walnuts

Place the apple juice concentrate and dates in a saucepan. Cover and cook over medium-high heat for five minutes, until softened. While the dates cook, grind the flaxseed in an electric coffee grinder 1/3 cup at a time. Pour the ground seeds into a food processor with the S blade inserted. Add the dates. Process until the mixture is doughlike. If the mixture rises above the processor blades, shut off the machine and push the mixture down with a spatula. Then, turn the machine back on.

Pour into a bowl and mix with the walnuts. Turn the dough into 9- by 9-inch cake pan and press flat with damp hands to cover the entire bottom of the pan evenly. Cut into eight bars. Remove from the pan. Place in a storage container or in plastic sandwich bags. Refrigerate.

## Wine from page D1

By comparison, barbera has 15 times more planted acreage than nebbiolo.

Only a few California bottlings of nebbiolo have, in our opinion, demonstrated much of the grape's worth as a serious contender in the growing bevy of Cal-Ital reds.

Look for top Cal-Itals made by: Amador Foothill, Andretti, Atlas Peak, Bonterra, Cambria, Iron Horse, La Famiglia di Robert Mondavi, L'Uvaggio di Giacomo, Montevina, Pepi, Seghesio and Venezia.

## Pop for Art

Nowadays you hear and read a lot about auctions for everything including groceries. The media hypes outlandish prices for wines bought at auction. But a charity wine auction is not anything like this. You can experience what we mean Saturday, April 15 at the 18th annual WineFest, a wine auction benefiting the programs of the Ann Arbor Art Center.

The festivities at the Marriott Hotel Eagle Crest Conference Resort, 1275 S. Huron, in Ypsilanti, begin at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction, strolling dinner and colossal wine tasting, followed by a live auction at 7:30 p.m. There will be post-auction dessert tables; port, cigar and cognac tent; live music and danc-

ing.
The cost is \$110 per person (a

portion of all tickets is tax deductible to the extent the law allows). Tickets are on sale now. Call (734) 994-8004 Ext. 101.

In keeping with this year's theme Pop for Art, the honorary chair: is Champagne Veuve Clicquot. Guaranteed, the corks will be poppin' in a crowd of about 800 wine and food enthusiasts bidding on fabulous wine, art and travel packages. This event is a blast.It sells out each year, so don't delay.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

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# Prize-winning chicken soups will warm your heart

See related chicken soup contest story on Taste front.

#### DR. BENJAMIN OVERSTREET'S CHICKEN SOUP RECIPE

Basic chicken stock ingredients

1 (4 pound) roasting chicken 2 large onions, quartered

6 celery stalks

4 large carrots, split lengthwise 4 cloves fresh garlic, halved

10 black peppercorns

1 teaspoon thyme

1 tablespoon salt

8 cups water Soup Ingredients

1 large parsnip, peeled and diced into 1/4-inch cubes

5 carrots, peeled and cut on the bias

3 celery stalks, diced

1 bag frozen peas (16 ounce bag) 1 bag frozen corn (16 ounce bag)

1 bag thin egg noodles (16 ounce bag)

4 chicken bouillon cubes

Salt and pepper to taste

Put chicken and all stock ingredients in a 12-quart stock pot, cover with 8 cups of water. Bring to a boil, then reduce to a simmer. Simmer for 2 hours.

Remove cooked chicken to a chopping board or plate. Strain stock to remove all vegetables and chicken parts. Reserve stock only. Skim the fat from the top of the stock. To make skimming the fat easier, place stock in the refrigerator for at least an hour, the fat will solidify and be easier to remove.

Debone chicken to remove all meat and cut into 1/2-inch cubes. Return strained chicken stock to the stock pot. Add the parsnip cubes, 5 cut carrots, cut chicken pieces and bouillon cubes. Bring stock to a boil, then reduce to a simmer. Simmer until carrots and parsnips are tender. Add peas, corn and 2 cups of the egg noodles. Cook for 15 minutes, salt and pepper to taste. Add additional noodles as desired. Makes 8 quarts.

Second prize winning recipe in the Temple Kol Ami Ultimate Chicken Soup Contest. Compliments of Chef Chili Joe (Wnuk) and Chef Curtis Rellinger. Visit their Web site http://chilijoeandchefcurtis.webjump.com for information about their TV cable show "Microwave Today, the Cooking Show of Tomorrow," broadcast on MediaOne Cable TV in Westland, Plymouth, and Canton.

Third prize winner John Gallagher said this soup can be made as either turkey or chicken soup. Prior to starting the soup, roast two whole chickens or one turkey, with or without the stuffing. Carve, leaving plenty of meat on the bones, and use the carved meat with a meal, salad or whatever you wish. Remember to set aside some of the meat to add to the soup.

#### OLD FASHIONED TWICE BOILED SOUP

2 chicken carcasses or 1 turkey carcass, with as much skin removed as possible

Water

3 medium yellow onions, coarsely chopped

1 medium onion, medium chopped

4 cups celery, coarsely chopped

1 cup celery, diagonally sliced

1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper

1/4 teaspoon garlic powder 1/4 pound mushrooms, sliced

3/4 cup carrots, peeled and sliced 2 tablespoons celery leaf, chopped

2 cups roasted meat, cut into small pieces

4 cups cooked (1 minute less than recommended) egg noodles, extra

Freshly ground black pepper

Break up the carcass(es) into pieces and put them in soup pot (minimum 8 quart) and cover with water (remember a little more water, a little more soup, and at this stage it can't hurt because you can always reduce later).

Add the coarsely chopped onion, coarsely chopped celery, crushed red pepper, garlic powder, and about 1 1/2 teaspoons black pepper. Bring to boil, lower the heat, cover and simmer for 3 or 4 hours (maybe a little longer for the turkey), stirring

occasionally

Allow to cool to a temperate temperature and strain broth through a colander and a double layer of cheese cloth, pick through the bones and vegetables to remove larger pieces of meat and set aside to return to soup later.

Remove visible bones from mix, collect mash in cheese cloth and press to remove remaining broth (discard pressed mash and cheese cloth).

Allow broth to cool so that fat congeals on surface, remove all but 1 large tablespoon of fat. Return broth to heat and bring to a boil, add the medium chopped onion, diagonally sliced celery and carrots. Allow this to boil 10 or 12 minutes, remove from heat; and immediately add mushrooms and celery leaf, stirring often for the next 2 minutes.

Add the noodles and meat pieces. Salt and pepper to taste.

Recipe compliments of John Gal-

#### WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net.

Wegetarian Cooking - Lenore Yalisove Baum, author of Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking, conducts vegetarian cooking classes and has scheduled a session on soups for March 29 at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills. The class fee is \$35. Call (248)

■ Cake Decorating - Mary Ann Hollen will teach cake decorating methods at the Kitchen Glamor. 26770 Grand River, in Redford at three remaining sessions on Saturdays in March. Sessions are scheduled for 10 a.m. March 11, 18 and 25. Call 1-800-641-1252 for information

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■ Pasta Tips - Chef Dave Martinico of the Traffic Jam & Snug Restaurant will show how easy it is to make your own pasta and ravioli at the restaurant, 511 West Canfield, two blocks west of Woodward at the corner of Second, near Wayne State University in Detroit. Recipes, lunch and a glass of wine is included in the \$50 class fee. Credit cards accepted. Call (313) 831-9470.

■ Potatoes - Michelle Fuller will

instruct how to prepare various potato dishes, including caesarstyle mashed potatoes and potato pancakes, along with cheesy ham and leek casserole. Classes are scheduled at Kitchen Glamor stores for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. March 7, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and Wednesday, March 8, at 26770 Grand River, in Redford. Call 1-800-641-1252 for information.

Pressure Cooking - Toula Patsalis, author of The Pressure Cooking Cookbook, will provide information on how to handle, operate and cook with a pressure cooker, including how to prepare vegetable soup with sausage bits. chicken with arborio rice and peppers and South Pacific bread pudding with pineapple sauce. Sessions are scheduled for the Kitchen Glamor stores at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and 1 p.m., Wednesday March 15, at 26770 Grand River, in Redford. Call 1-800-641-1252 for informa-

■ Kids in the Kitchen - Home economist Dana Reynolds will instruct parents and grandparents with their children or grandchildren (aged 7-12) about the enjoyment of cooking. You and your child will learn how to wrap and roll phyllo pastry filled with berries and topped with ice cream.

and chicken fingers, southwest style, wrapped in tortilla and served with a variety of sauces. Class is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for information.

**Easter Eggs** - Learn how to make panoramic Easter eggs with sugar, royal icing and an egg mold with Audrey Edwards at a three-hour class at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 1, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for

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Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights Center: Mardi Gras, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 7; Sausage Making, 6:30-9 p.m., Wednesdays, March 15, 22 and 29; High Tea the British Way, 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 10,

and 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, April 15; New Orleans Brunch, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Friday, April 14: and Cool Stuff for Sizzling Days, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m., May 20.

For more information about these HFCC continuing learning courses. call (877) 855-5252 or visit HFCC at www. hfcc. net

■ Kitchen Glamor features Signature Recipes of Michigan Five-Star Chefs at Kitchen Glamor, Orchard Mall, northeast corner of Maple and Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield. All celebrity chef sessions on Sundays begin at 12:30 p.m.

On Sunday, March 19, Jim Barnett, corporate chef of Unique Restaurant, including Morels and

Northern Lake Seafood Co., will feature tea-cured salmon gravlox; with potato galette, cucumber and sweet onion salad with dill creme fraiche, chanterelle and barley risotto with pan-roasted duck breast, huckleberries and red wide jus lie and bittersweet chocolate pot creme. The Celebrity Chef Series also features Joanne Weir, cookbook author, food writer and PBS television celebrity, at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 20, and Tuesday March 21, in a one- or two-day session. Weir will feature recipes between the two sessions, including white winter salad with a hint of green oven roasted beet soup. pizza with smoked trout and caviar, salmon with asparagus

and blood oranges on March 20, and crostini with artichokes and olives, asparagus with lemon creme fraiche and linguine with 5; goat cheese and arugula on March 21

On Sunday, April 2, Chef Keith Famle will show how to prepare sea bass encrusted with horseradish coating, smoked whitefish wontons, chocolate pasta and escargot with prosciutto. On Wednesday, April 12, Chef Giuliano Hazan will demonstrate Italian recipes of porcini mushroom soup with chick peas, fennel grantineed with parmesan cheese, veal braised with peppers and tomatoes, and chocolate amaretto custard. Call 1-800-641



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## **MEDICAL BRIEFS**

## **Memory care**

Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease or any form of memory impairment is a difficult task. Caregivers are often called the hidden, or second, victim.

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia, a "memory care" residence located at 32500 Seven Mile Road, will present a free educational series once a month on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. for caregivers, medical professionals, friends and residents. The series will be held in the Communi-

■ March 14 - Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice will feature guest speaker Elizabeth Carlson. Topic: Hospice 101.

■ April 18 - NeighborCare Pharmacy will feature guest speakers Sue Harrington, RN, BSN and Greg Kirchmeier. Topic: Osteoporosis and bone density. Bone density screening will be available.

■ May 9 - Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice will feature guest speaker Grace Fidler, MSW. Topic: Advanced directives, when and how soon they should be in

■ June 13 -Sharon M. Jones, Ph.D., will be the guest speaker. Topic: Stress management, emotions of caregiving.

Call Nanette Cooper or Denise Mannion for reservations or Debbie Uelsmann for a tour at (248) 428-

#### Learning disabilities

Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency will sponsor a "Learning Disabilities and Technology" conference 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, at Wayne RESA in Wayne. Richard Wanderman, a successful adult with a learning disability, will present high- and lowtech ideas and resources to help people with disabilities build skills, compensate for weaknesses, participate more fully and have more fun.

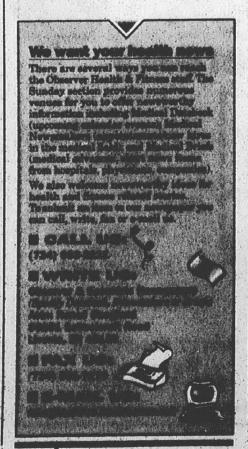
Wanderman will discuss the use of highlighter pens, digital clocks, tape recorders, electronic books, AlphaSmart keyboards, on-line services and much more. Registration is \$35 and includes handouts and lunch. To register, call Event Services Hotline at (734) 334-1406.

## **Urinary incontinence**

Thirteen million Americans experience an uncontrolled loss of urine, called urinary incontinence. Incontinence is not a disease but a symptom of an underlying problem. It can be treated by a medical team approach, including physical thera-

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will present a Carelink lecture on urinary incontinence 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. Physical therapist Archana Uppal will lead a discussion on types of incontinence, its causes and the treatment options.

There is no charge for the lecture but registration is required. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-8940 or toll free at 1-800-494-1650.



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## Minutes matter when treating strokes

ore than 2,400 years ago, Hippocrates, the father of modern medicine, recognized and described stroke - the sudden onset of paralysis. Today, stroke remains a lethal killer, yet many people do not know how to spot one and why every minute counts in responding.

"Stroke is the third leading killer of Americans, behind only heart disease and cancer, and it's also the number-one cause of long-term disability and nursing home placement among adults," says Dr. Susan Hickenbottom, a clinical assistant professor of neurology at the U-M Medical School.

"In the state of Michigan alone, it's now thought that there is a stroke every 40 minutes and about 6,000 deaths a year."

Simply put, a stroke is a disruption of blood flow to the brain, says Hickenbottom. That interrupts the supply of the brain's two main "fuels," oxygen and sugar. There are two kinds of fullfledged stroke and another form called a mini-

"About 20 percent of strokes happen when a blood vessel breaks open and blood is released into the brain. We call these hemorrhagic, or bleeding, strokes," she explains. "The more common type of stroke is where a blood vessel is blocked off, often by a blood clot or a cholesterol plague. In either case, the area of the brain dies because it's not receiving its fuel."

Because a stroke can hit any part of the brain, it can affect everything from speech and vision to movement and breathing. Physicians have devised a list of five easy-to-remember warning signs that cover most typical stroke effects: Weakness, numbness or tingling in any part

of the body, especially half of the body. ■ Difficulty producing speech, getting speech

out, or understanding what others say. Disruption of vision, loss of vision in one eye or sudden double vision.

Sudden onset of dizziness, usually accompanied by other symptoms.

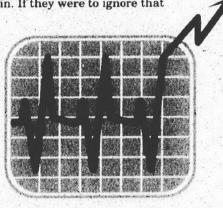
Sudden, unexpected headache. For anyone experiencing these warning signs or

noticing someone else having them, Hickenbot-

tom issues a simple directive: seek immediate medical attention.

Even if the warning signs don' last very long, the cause might be a mini stroke, known formally as a transient ischemic attack or TIA. Such an event is still a warning to head to the emergency room or the family doctor immediately, said Hickenbottom.

"A TIA serves as a warning that a person has something going on that's slowing the blood supply to the brain. If they were to ignore that



warning, they could later on suffer a larger stroke that could leave them disabled.

#### Timely intervention

According to the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, when blood flow to the brain is interrupted, some brain cells die immediately while others remain at risk for death. These damaged cells can linger in a compromised state for several hours.

Whether symptoms suggest a TIA or a fullfledged stroke, doctors in emergency rooms every where are now more likely to have a drug called tPA, or other medications, on hand to help patients who may be having a stroke. When doctors confirm a patient is having a stroke caused by a clot blockage, tPA breaks up blood clots

Hickenbottom and her U-M colleagues have confirmed earlier findings that tPA can prevent certain strokes from causing long-lasting effects in a large percentage of patients - if given quick-

In this case, haste does not make waste. "The drawback is that there's a three-hour cutoff, so that a person needs to be seen, evaluated and diagnosed within three hours of the symptoms starting, or the tPA can't be given," says Hickenbottom.

According to some estimates, only about 1 percent of eligible patients nationwide currently receive tPA. U-M Hospital has given tPA to about 100 patients since it was approved for use three years ago. Patients given tPA have a 30-50 percent chance of walking out of the hospital almost completely the same as they were before the stroke. Some patients' chance of a normal recovery is even higher,

#### Risk factors

Hickenbottom stresses that it's important for those who might be at risk for a stroke to establish their risk level by having a health screening and taking preventive measures. Risk factors include:

Family history of stroke ■ Diabetes

Personal history of high blood pressure

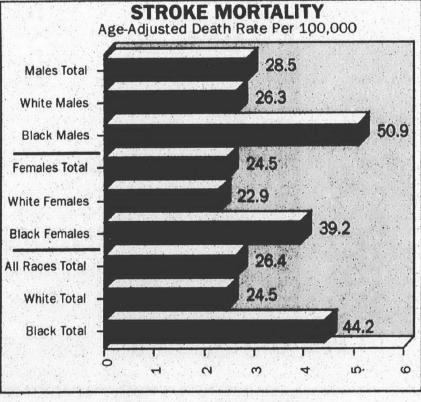
■ High cholesterol ■ Cigarette smoking

■ Heart rhythm irregularities, especially atrial fibrillation

Even people without these risk factors should know what to do in the event of a stroke, she warns. "There are certainly populations that have higher rates of stroke, for example the elderly, but anyone from a 20-year-old woman to an 88year-old man might be at risk." Sources.

■ U-M Health Topics A to Z: Stroke

■ National Institute of Neurological Disorders &



## The stroke toll

## Older Adults

For each decade after age 55, the risk of stroke doubles

- For adults over age 65, the risk of dying from stroke is seven times that of the general population. ■ Two-thirds of all strokes occur in people over age 65. The over-50 popu-
- lation is the fastest growing U.S. age group. Stroke is a major factor in the late-life dementia that affects more than
  - 40 percent of Americans over age 80.

- Stroke kills more than twice as many American women every year as
- Women account for approximately 43 percent of the strokes that occur each year, yet they account for 62 percent of stroke deaths. The explanation may be that stroke risk increases with age, and women generally live longer than men. In addition, women may on average be older than men at the time of stroke.
- Women over 30 who smoke and take high-estrogen oral contraceptives have a stroke risk 22 times higher than average.

## African-Americans

- Incidence rate for first stroke among African-Americans is almost double that of white Americans - 288 per 100,000 African-Americans, compared to 179 per 100,000 whites.
- African-Americans suffer more extensive physical impairments that last longer than impairments suffered by other racial groups in the United States.
- Stroke mortality for African-Americans is almost double that for
- African-Americans have a disproportionately high incidence of risk factors for stroke, particularly hypertension, diabetes, obesity, smoking and sickle cell anemia.

Source: National Stroke Association, www.stroke.org/

## WSU study finds better stroke care needed

Not all hospitals that treat acute stroke have facilities or personnel continually prepared for stroke evaluation and treatment, according to a Wayne State University School of Medicine survey to be presented at an upcoming meeting of the American Stroke Association.

As part of Operation Stroke, a stroke-awareness initiative kicked off in Detroit by the American Heart Association, hospitals and EMS providers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties were surveyed. Although protocols for handling stroke patients existed in 95 percent of the hospitals that responded, just 52 percent had stroke teams and 32 percent had stroke "Hospitals in the Detroit metro area currently are not operating at opti-

mum efficiency as far as acute stroke treatment," said Dr. Bradley Jacobs, assistant professor of neurology and lead author of the study. "There are several areas we can fix to make it better." Of 4,049 patients treated in 1998, 61 (4 percent) were given a drug

called a tissue plasminogen activator (tPA) that eliminates or significantly reduces disability if it is administered within three hours of the stroke. Although use of tPA in Detroit is at least as frequent as the national average of 1.5 percent, just two-thirds of area hospitals use it. We're better than the national average, but there are still a lot of peo-

ple out there who aren't getting it in time," said Dr. Steven Levine, professor of neurology and co-chair of Operation Stroke.

Further, just 79 percent of EMS units have written protocols for stroke, and 85 percent treat stroke as a time-dependent emergency.

## Strokes cost U.S. \$30 billion annually

- Stroke is our third leading cause of death, killing nearly 160,000 Americans every year.
- Every year approximately 730,000 Americans have a new or recurrent
- Over the course of a lifetime, four out of every five American families will be touched by stroke.
- Stroke is the largest single cause of neurologic crippling in our nation.
- Approximately one-third of all stroke survivors will have another troke within five years.
- Of the 570,000 Americans who survive a stroke each year, approximately 10 to 18 percent will have another stroke within one year. The rate of having another stroke is about 10 percent per year
- thereafter.

  Stroke is one of the leading causes of adult disability. Four million Americans are living with the effects of stroke. About one-third have mild impairments, another third are moderately impaired, and the remainder are severely impaired.

  Stroke costs the United States \$30 billion annually. Direct costs, such as hospitals, physicians and rehabilitation add up to \$17 billion, Indirect costs, such as lost productivity, total \$13 billion. The average cost per patient for the first 90 days post-stroke is \$15,000, although 10 percent of the cases exceed \$35,000.

  Parce: National Stroke Association, www.stroke.org/

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## Users having lots of problems with AOL 5.0 version America ally re-write your dial-in settings Internet Explorer, the Outlook



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Online's latest version of its software, Version 5.0, the upgrade death?"

That's what some people are complaining after installing the new 5.0 upgrade. I've been getting lots of e-mails and

calls from listeners to my WXYT radio show and pcmike.com web site over the past couple of months describing all sorts of problems with AOL's latest soft-

The problems all stem from the way the upgrade takes over the network settings of Windows-based PC's.

What happens is that during the installation process, one of the on-screen instruction boxes asks if the user wants AOL to be the user's primary Internet connection. The default choice is "No." Clicking "Yes," however, invites AOL to move in and liter-

so that the computer connects to AOL whenever the user wants to browse the Web. Same thing when the user wants to send or receive e-mail or do any other online activities.

But that's not all: Version 5.0 also disables the network settings you'll need to obtain access to the Internet through any other service

providers. A number of frustrated users have also told me it's all but impossible to get rid of AOL 5.0, even by uninstalling it. For some, the only solution was to reformat, or completely erase the hard drive.

A class action lawsuit has been filed over the AOL upgrade, something AOL has labeled as "without merit." Meantime, my advice is ... leave 5.0 alone. Stick with 4.0 until the whole mess is cleared up.

But AOL is not alone with these kinds of problems.

A lot of you have e-mailed me to complain of other net applications that have a way of holding your system hostage. Microsoft's

Express e-mail program, the Microsoft Network RealPlayer are those most frequently cited by pcmike.com visitors as culprits that have a way of moving in and not making it easy for you to move them out or use alternate programs.

Several readers have also cited McAfee's anti-virus software as another application that likes to lock up your system when you try to install an anti-virus program from a rival manufacturer.

The manufacturers play dumb about all this, like it's not on purpose. But it's really all about greed and market share, and I'm not about to believe them when they say they don't intentionally try to make it as difficult as possible for you to switch out of their programs.

Guru net

I've spent most of the past week in St. Petersburg, Fla., with a group of online news directors at the Poynter Institute for Media studies. The other night we all huddled around a PC screen and shared some of our favorite web sites. The one that caught our collective fancy the most is called Guru www.gurunet.com ). Try it out. It's a free download. If you're hooked up to the Internet and have this little program running all you have to do is put the cursor on any word - whether on a web page or even a document from your word processor - and then with just a right mouse click get instant information, word definitions, facts and much more. It's very cool.

Palm stock hot

Palm Computing has been spun off from parent 3Com and is the Net's new tech-stock darling. The stock was originally expected to sell for about \$34 a share but soared in opening day trading to as high as \$145 a share, more than four times the projected value. Here's a key reason why Palm is so hot: Forrester research is predicting 1 billion wireless-enabled devices by 2003. Palm is way out front in the fast-growing WAP (Wireless Application Protocol) craze as our hand-held computers and

organizers merge with digital phones and pagers.

Online trading?

Or maybe I should say Fidelity (www.fidelity.com). But from e-mail, the problems I experienced Thursday trying to log in to their web site and to execute an order for some of that hot PALM stock is something a lot of you regularly encounter from a lot of financial sites. The Fidelity web site was very s-l-o-w in connecting, even with my T1 line access. But once logged on, it was so jammed my admittedly modest order could not be handled. When I tried to get through to the site's referred 800 telephone number, all I encountered was a busy signal ... and that after a frustratingly long three minutes of having to listen to stupid recorded messages

This is no way to do business. For the record, I tried to access some other sites Wednesday morning. E-trade's Web site (www.etrade.com ) was also very slow. Ameritrade (www.ameritrade.com) and Datek (www.datek.com) offered instant

Net taxes

The National Governors Association and the Clinton administration are sharply divided over the issues of Net taxes. It will be interesting to see how the issue plays out as the presidential election draws near. The governors don't want any federal laws that will diminish their ability to tax Internet sales, something they've been hollering about for the past year. The Clinton administration doesn't want Net taxes, believing it would put a major chill on the hot technology-driven economy. But with the national elections approaching, I'm predicting the Democrats and Clinton will cave in to the governors.

Till next week, "73" - PC Mike.

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

## **MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals. physicians, companies and resi dents active in the Observerarea medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

## **ONGOING**

**ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS** 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.

AA & ALANON

Alcoholics Anonymous & Alanon meeting meets Wednesday and Sunday from 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Garden City Hospital North Entrance (5254 Inkster Road) at Garden City, Contact (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Everyone's welcome. "Alanon meeting" Sunday ONLY.

**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.

## TUE, MARCH 7

FOOD AND MOOD

Learn how food can affect moods and how moods can effect food choices. Tips and guidelines provided to help with emotion-based eating. Call (734) 827-3777 to register. Class runs from 7-9:30

## WED, MARCH 8

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Let "Macro Val" teach you how to make healthy desserts, including chocolate cake and brownies! From 6-9p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City, For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

## THUR, MARCH 9

HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

HIV/AIDS heterosexual support group and family is sponsored by Friends Alliance and meets the second and fourth Thursday of

each month. Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly, between Plymouth and W. Chicago in Redford. More information call Kathleen (800) 350-

#### **BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT**

La Leche League of Livonia meets 7 p.m. for breastfeeding support and information. Babies and children are always welcome. Please call for location and additional information: Theresa (734)261-6814, Vicki (313)937-3011, or Michele (734)591-7071.

## SAT, MARCH 11

PUBERTY/GROWING UP

"A Heart-to-Heart Conversation for Mothers and Daughters on Puberty and Growing Up," provides both mothers and daughters ages 9-11 with accurate information about the normal physical and emotional changes that pre-teen girls will experience as they enter puberty. Ann Arbor class from 1-5 p.m. Ann Arbor St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Canton Health Center, 1600 S. Canton Center Road. Call (734) 397-7557.

## **TOURETTE BOWL-A-THON**

Bowl-a-strike for Tourette Syndrome Awareness at 1 p.m. at Vision Lanes (call Debbie (734) 525-6245), Ford Road east of I-

275, and Oak Lanes in Livonia (call Rhonda (313) 543-1285). Bowlers are asked to pre-register by mail or phone and then turn in donations when you arrive. Bowling includes 2 games, shoes, pizza, pop and prizes. If you don't raise donations you are invited to join in the fun anyways. The fee to bowl is \$6 per bowler (extra games \$1). You must register by March 4. Write TSA, Michigan Chapter Bowl-a-Thon, 416 Mary, Royal Oak, MI 48073. Or e-mail tsamich@USA.net

## **TUE, MARCH 12**

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Friends, a support group for anyone hypersensitive to chemical or environmental irritants, will meet from 2-5 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Wayne (across from the library at Wayne Road and Michigan Ave.) For more information, call

(348-349-4972. WED, MARCH 13

## **VEGETARIAN NUTRITION**

Menu planning tips and resources for individuals of all ages who are already vegetarian and those who are leaning in

that direction. Includes hands-on cooking demonstrations. Class runs from 4-5:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall Health Stop (620 Briarwood Circle). Call (734) 827-3777.

#### YOUNG MOTHER'S SUPPORT

The Young Mother's Assistance Program (Y-MAP) will host their December support group from 6-8 p.m. at Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) in Livonia. For information call (734) 513-7598. Meetings are always held on the second Monday of each month. Y-MAP provides moms an opportunity to meet with other young parents and share feelings and experiences with each other. Speakers are invited to share topics of interest including positive parenting, substance abuse, job search, education and more. Child care is provided by licensed care givers at no charge. A light dinner and refreshments will also be available.

#### TUE, MARCH 14 MASSAGE III (BODYWORK)

Advanced techniques that provide long-term results. Techniques include strain-counterstrain, trigger point therapy, myofascial release techniques.

Class runs Tuesday, March 14 -April 4, 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.

#### HOSPICE CARE

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia, 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Hospice 101" given by a speaker from Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice 6-7:30 p.m. in the community center. No charge. Call Nanette Cooper or Denise Manion for reservations at (248) 428-

#### WED, MARCH 15 DYSLEXIA SUPPORT

The Michigan Dyslexia Institute of Detroit Metro Center will meet from 7-9 p.m. at MDI, 30230 Orchard Lake Road (Suite #130) in Farmington Hills. The topic will be Dyslexia: What is it, how is it treated and how important is early intervention? The presenter will be Ann L. Beatty, director, Fellow from the Acade-

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## TUES, MARCH 7

WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS The Greater Detroit Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners meets 8-9 a.m. at Border's bookstore in the Arborland mall in Ann Arbor, Discussion: "NAWBO is More Than Networking." No. cost. Contact Jennifer Rice at (734) 425-8328

#### Wed. March 8 BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

## FRI, MARCH 10

**BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L** Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30

a.m. at the Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark. Call BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

#### THUR, MARCH 16 SCORE MEETING

Business Plan Workshop from 8:45 a.m. to noon at One Stop Capital Shop, 2051 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit. Topics include planning process overview, financial statements and management and marketing questions. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

## SAT, MARCH 18

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P.S. One easy and effective way to prevent tooth decay is to drink water, which may not include bottled or filtered water.

8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wayne State University-McGregor Conference Center, 495 W. Ferry, Detroit. Topics include analyzing opportunities, marketing and advertising, and business planning. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

## MARCH 21

NAT. ASSOC. OF CAREER WOMEN The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women will meet at 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Etiquette consultant Patricia Warner will discuss "Minding Your P's and Q's in the Workplace." Cost: \$18 for mem-

bers and \$22 for non-members To make reservations, call Tracey Huff (248) 347-3355.

## MARCH 30

SCORE MEETING

Marketing Plan Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Executive Office Building of Oakland County, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. Topics include diagnosing marketing problems, market targeting, and advertising and publicity. Cost: \$40. To register. contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 14 BUSINESS IN CHINA

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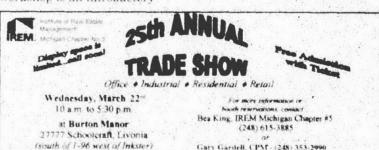
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course for individuals and organizations that are interested in developing or expanding markets in China. Jerome D. Hill, J.D., Ph.D., and Ledong Li will share their expertise on expanding interests and overcoming the challenges of doing business in China. Cost is \$295 and includes a Chinese luncheon and handout material. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 5, 2000; enrollment is limited. Contact the Professional Development office at (248) 370-3033 for a brochure or to register for the seminar. Fax registration with VISA or MasterCard payment is accepted at (248) 370-3137.



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## **PROPER POSTURE**

about girds at boarding school were showing one way to achieve proper posture when the movie shot a scene of girls trying to walk with a book on their heads. The only way to balance that book is to walk exactly right with stomach even with chest and ear lobes even with the

There are advantages to this posture besides looking nice. First, you remove undue strain from your low back. Walking correctly means you stand upright using your abdominal muscles rather than putting strain on your back muscles running between the lumbar vertebrae.

Selond, you prevent neck ache. Achieving disparent between your ear and your collabore requires use of the scalene muscles which are anterior to the splenius and supraspinatus neck muscles. What you gain is relief of reliance on the splenius and supraspinatus to hold your head up. As the responsibility is distributed among several muscle droups, the likelihood diminishes that any single set iscles will develop cervical strain.

Finally, proper posture as described above creates an equality in the forces acting on your polivis, legs, and feet. Note the way athletes and ballet dancers walk. Their gait and station reflects their against the balance in their movement permits a sudden shift, a quick and graceful move wherever they are.

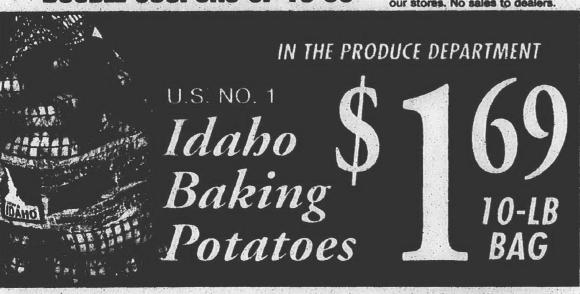
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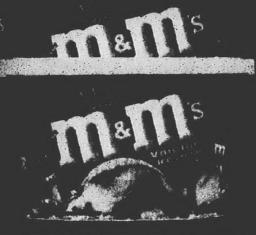
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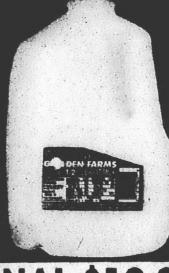
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