

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

School's in: The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. at the E.J. McClelland Education Center at 454 S. Harvey.

Special meeting: The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meets in a special session to hold a public hearing into a possible special assessment district to pave Napier Road. The meeting takes place at township hall at Ann Arbor and Lilley Roads at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Job fair: The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce hosts its second-annual Job Fair at the Hilton Gardens Inn, M-14 and Sheldon, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. (see story, this page). More than 30 businesses will be on hand.

THURSDAY

Loyalty Day: VFW Post 6695 hosts its 23rd-annual Loyalty Day at 7:30 p.m. at the post, 1426 S. Mill St.

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Berry challenges Rivers



The political arena might have gotten just a bit more interesting with the announcement by former Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry that he will challenge U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers for her 13th District seat.

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Former Plymouth and Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry has thrown his hat into the political ring, taking out petitions to challenge U.S. Congresswoman Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, for the 13th Congressional District race this fall.

The 13th District includes Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Livonia, Northville, Northville Township, Garden City and Ann Arbor, among other areas.

"It's a challenge, and I think there are issues that need to be brought out," said Berry, 60, who is also the 13th District Republican chairman. "This area needs to be better represented.

It's not getting all the representation we need and deserve.

"I'm a strong believer of involvement," he added. "Sitting back and complaining about the government and not getting involved and doing something is wrong."

Among the issues high on Berry's list are:

- Taxes. "The tax codes are burdensome to everyone. Being a Republican, I'm in favor of tax cuts, real tax cuts, not a pay-as-you-go system."
- Local control issues.
- Gun control.

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Carl Berry

Going to Disneyland



'It's more of a science; we plan more strategy when fighting a blaze.'

Al Matthews
—Retired firefighter

Former fire chief bids adieu to long career

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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While declaring the past 33 years as "among the most pleasurable and rewarding years of my life," Plymouth Community Fire Department Assistant Chief Al Matthews has called it a career.

Sitting behind his desk at the township hall complex, Matthews said he thought about stretching his career, but felt at age 56 it was time for him and his wife to relocate to their new home near Disney World, and "make our dream come true of working for Disney for a few years."

"I love to work with people, and besides, we think it would be fun," said Matthews.

Matthews' firefighting career dates back to June 1967, when Plymouth still had its own fire department. His first major assignment was two weeks later, during the Detroit riots. "That was my first major firefighting experience," remembers Matthews. "We slept at the station and they wouldn't let us go home or call home because it was a top-secret mission. I felt threatened a couple of times, and at one point the police told us to get out because they were afraid of a major outbreak down the street from us."

Matthews remembers, like it was only yesterday, the January 1968 fire on Penniman Street which destroyed Bode's Restaurant, Minerva's-Dunning's and a bowling alley.

"I was on duty myself that day. Workers were cutting with a com-



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Bidding farewell: Al Matthews poses next to Engine E1, a fire truck that he purchased while chief at the Plymouth Fire Department before the two departments merged. The plaque at left lists his name as chief at the bottom.

mercial torch and sparks emitted, with some falling into hidden areas underneath the floor," said Matthews. "We determined the fire went underneath and through the hollow walls, but we didn't spot a fire until four hours later. It took 42 hours and the help of six neighboring fire departments to put it out."

Matthews tells of a close call he had while fighting a blaze at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant.

"A couple of us went to the back of the building to fight the fire, but it

got away from us," he said. "There suddenly was a backdraft ... and I suffered a lot of smoke inhalation. I came crawling through, gasping for air. A couple of cops made sure I got out."

One of Matthews' most memorable events involved an airplane that landed on Ann Arbor Trail between Harvey and Main streets.

"It was a four-seater that was low on fuel," said Matthews. "As it was

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Township considers assessment district

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Pulte Land Development representatives want Plymouth Township to set up a special assessment district for purposes of paving Napier Road along its development project, the Country Acres of Plymouth.

The paving of Napier Road between Ann Arbor and Powell roads will take place this construction season if the township board approves both the hearing of necessity and the Pulte/Napier Road district special assessment district scheduled for a special board meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Plymouth Township meeting room located at Ann Arbor and Lilley Roads.

"The road will not be closed during paving," said Jim Anulewicz, department of public services director.

The agreement will require the creation of the SAD prior to any closings between Pulte and the potential purchasers of parcels in the Country Acres project. The project boundaries are Ann Arbor Road, Napier, Powell and just short of Ridge Road, Anulewicz said.

"As we move on in life, we always get these different twists," Anulewicz said.

As part of the purchase agreement, future owners reviewed and signed a document stating they know that Napier Road will be paved and they would be part of the special assessment district, he said. "There will be an assessment against their unit not to exceed \$2,800."

Pulte is expected to contribute a one-time cash contribution of \$233,000, Anulewicz said.

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Chamber hopes 2nd Job Fair can top 1st

BY BRAD KADRICH
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By all accounts, the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce's first job fair last year was a raging success.

This year, the chamber hopes it can do even better. And with more businesses and a prime location, chamber officials are pretty sure they can.

The second-annual Plymouth Job Fair is set for Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn.

"We had an extremely successful one last year, and we're going to have an even better one this year," Chamber President Michele Ruppall said. "I think some of the participants saw the quality and had good results finding people last year, and are back or have shared the information with

others."

With 33 companies on board — that's up a few from last year — Toney and Job Fair chairwoman Michele Ruppall, who doubles as the chamber's president, hope to draw even more than the 800 people who showed up last year trying to find a new job or change careers.

"Everybody is crying for help today," Chamber Director Fran Toney said. "We have companies who want to add another shift, but they can't because they can't even fill the ones they've got. There is a real need, a real urgency."

The job fair was designed last year to give prospective employees a chance to either find jobs or switch careers. It was fueled largely by a booming economy that has employers combing col-

'Some of the participants saw the quality and had good results ... last year, and are back.'

Michele Ruppall
—Chamber President

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Dance fever



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

On stage: The "Men In Black" boogie for the crowd at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce 2000 Secretary's Day Luncheon Wednesday at Plymouth Manor. Plymouth Township Police Chief Larry Carey (from left), Westchester Square Manager Denny Pennington and former Plymouth Police Chief Bob Scoggins shake their groove things for the secretaries. For more on the event, please see Brad Kadrich's column on page A3.

Postal workers ready to do food collection battle for Salvation Army

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For Plymouth letter carrier Stacy Sprague, May 13 will be a big challenge. "Last year was the first year the Clipper Street post office (in

Plymouth Township) beat us in the five years of the Letter Carriers Food Drive," said Sprague. "Management at Busch's food store on Sheldon told their employees to go down the aisles and they dumped food in grocery carts. They beat us pretty good."

This year the Clipper Street letter carriers will still have Busch's on their side, but the downtown carriers will miss not having Danny's food store to help them.

However, it's a friendly competition for Sprague and her colleagues as the Plymouth letter carriers and management at both post offices prepare to collect non-perishable food items for the local chapter of the Salvation Army.

"We have a great community ... every year it gives more and more," said Sprague. "And it's good for our morale, too. It makes us feel good to know we're doing something special. And all the food we collect stays in our local community."

On Saturday, May 13, customers can leave non-perishable items at the mailbox and letter carriers will pick them up. Both Plymouth post offices, that same day, will have containers for customers to leave food at the drive-up mail boxes.

Sprague said this year the two Plymouth post offices hope to collect 30,000 pounds of food for the Salvation Army. When the program first began, local carriers collected 7,000 pounds of food. Last year they took in 27,000 pounds.

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■ The economy. "We need to look at how the federal government can help the local communities in being better prepared for the economic downturn. We know it's coming, we just don't know when."

■ Foreign policy. ■ Education. "Education is high on my agenda. I'm very much involved in the charter school issue. The more choices people have, the more opportunities we have to improve our educational process for our young people."

Berry, who is well known for 35 years in law enforcement and is no stranger to controversy, believes his name recognition will help him garner the support he needs.


"I think I'm well known,"

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A day for children



Parental performance: Kevin Leib of Plymouth, 11 (left), and brother Mike, 12, joined mom Nancy in bookkeeping at the E.J. McClendon Office of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools for the national "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" Thursday. Although the day is technically for daughters, the school district invites both sons and daughters to participate with their parents at work. "It's an opportunity for kids to see what their parents do and how the real world works," said P-C Community Relations Director Judy Evola. "It gives them a glimpse of what responsibility is about and how everything is linked. The board office really works as a team, and this lets the kids see that," she added.

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Berry said with a laugh. "If it's name recognition, I think I've got it. I'm well known in Ann Arbor, too, but not to the extent as here."

In the past, Rivers has garnered much of her support from the Ann Arbor area, which is where Berry plans to spend a lot of time campaigning.

"I think I can switch their vote," he said. "You've got to give people a plan and tell them where their tax dollars will go."

While Berry has been politically involved for years, his only stints in office were on the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, being appointed twice to fill unexpired terms in 1972-73 and 1974-75.

"I've been campaigning all my life," said Berry, who noted his congressional campaign will consist mainly of walking neighborhoods. "I have an opinion on

everything, and I'm not afraid to express it."

Berry said one thing he'll keep to himself is anything that appears to be an attack on Rivers.

"I'm not looking to bring out her weaknesses, I'm going to carry my message," he said. "I'll challenge her, but I won't attack her. She can carry her message, and whichever comes out in the fall will be the best message."

"Lynn Rivers has done what she believes is the right thing to do, and I just don't happen to agree with it," he said. "Every candidate is beatable. But, when you have a strong incumbent it makes it that much harder to do. I won't say it will be an easy race."

Berry said he expects to have some challengers for the August primary, but is confident he'll be the Republican nominee to face

Rivers, who has held the 13th Congressional seat since 1995.

"I'm not totally surprised he's running, considering my last challenger, Tom Hickey, was also a 13th District Republican chairman," said Rivers. "I don't know a lot about Carl, but the few times we've met he's been cordial."

Rivers expects to campaign on issues pertaining to education, the environment, protection of workers' rights and high-tech research, "as well as my record."

When asked if she would be willing to debate Berry, Rivers said, "I expect that to be part of the fall agenda."

"Absolutely, I will debate her," said Berry. "It will be interesting because she's on the inside and I'm on the outside."

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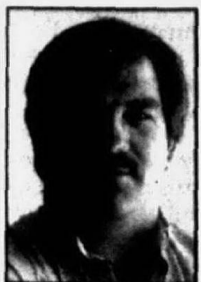
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Secretary's Day audience got more than it bargained for from dancers

There were eight grown men standing in a room at Plymouth Manor Wednesday, each of us harboring the same disturbing thought: "What were we thinking?"



BRAD KADRICH

It might have been pre-performance jitters. Every artist gets them. Butterflies as big as bats in your stomach. Nerves jangling. Hearts pounding.

There really was no need for nerves. After all, we'd rehearsed for two hours. And we'd gone over it all just an hour earlier. We were ready. Nothing to stop us.

Then the music blared. And we were finished, before the first step.

It started out as a perfectly harmless idea: replace the traditional Secretaries' Day fashion show with a "male revue" of sorts, eight male community leaders dancing to music in a routine choreographed by dance guru Joanne Zavis, who owns Joanne's Dance Extension.

(By the way, there's no truth to the rumor the Dance Association of America is revoking her license for allowing herself to get involved in this project.)

Zavis did the best she could, working for several hours with the dancers.

And the dancers themselves worked hard, too, taking the project as seriously as the idea of eight grown men dancing to the Village People's "Macho Man" can be taken.

As I said, it was all in good fun, done for a good cause: to show one of the hardest-working segments of the work force we appreciate what they do.

And they showed us their appreciation in return, which is where the trouble began. As the



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Breaking a leg: The "Men In Black" ready themselves for their dance numbers. Front row, from left: Denny Pennington, Bob Scoggins and Ken Kramer; Tom Nunez and David Rich are in the back row.

dancers hit the stage to the opening strains of the tape, the applause grew louder and more fervent.

Unfortunately, it drowned the music, causing us to miss our steps.

(We weren't going to need help; steps were going to be missed no matter what.)

So what was supposed to be about three minutes of wholesome fun and entertainment turned into about 90 seconds of The Keystone Cops.

We did the best we could, under the circumstances, and had fun doing it.

But I'm not sure we hit a single step we were supposed to hit, at the time we were supposed to hit it.

But a funny thing happened on the way to total embarrassment: the crowd loved it. They got louder as the routine went

The few, the proud ... the Dancers

The brave souls who helped make up the "Plymouth Men in Black:"

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| Ken Kramer | Soil & Materials Engineers |
| Brian Mamo | Community Bank of Dearborn |
| Tom Nunez | Parker Hannifin |
| Denny Pennington | Westchester Square |
| Dave Rich | Plymouth City Manager |
| Bob Scoggins | Retired Plymouth Police Chief |
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on. They clapped. They cheered. Perhaps a couple of them even whistled.

And when it was done, there were smiles everywhere. A couple of us even had dollar bills thrust at us.

Chamber of Commerce Director Fran Toney was very complimentary, and a couple of secretaries were heard to say, in effect, "This beats the heck out of a fashion show."

The applause and amusement warmed the hearts of eight nervous dancers, who felt (and prayed) the audience was laughing with them, not at them.

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Gift giving: Cheryl Delaney receives flowers and other gifts after she was randomly selected as Secretary of the Year when her name was pulled from a hat at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Secretary's Day Luncheon at Plymouth Manor.



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Glad it's over: Bob Scoggins (from left), Tom Nunez, Dave Rich and Brian Mamo applaud following their dance.

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In anticipation of the project, the township insisted that Pulte notify people with purchase agreements for Country Acres of Plymouth lots or units which would be part of the assessment district that such assessments will occur.

"We have done so in an abundance of caution in as much as all of the property in the district is currently titled to Pulte and will remain so until any closings,

which by agreement will only occur after creation of the SAD," said township attorney Timothy Cronin in an April 19 letter to the township board.

Plymouth Township Trustee Chuck Curmi asked Cronin at a recent meeting if he was absolutely sure real estate agents and people closing on those homes are not going to be held up or surprised or generate a lot of paperwork and grief for the

township, and if it is set up so that it will operate fairly automatically.

"The short answer is yes," Cronin said. "We had somewhat redundant safeguards built into this project."

"We have insulation after insulation after insulation," Anulewicz added.

Pulte hopes to conduct the actual closings beginning this month.

Original plans would have left a

gravel gap between the northern-most point where Pulte's project left off and Powell Road, but both Wayne and Washtenaw counties agreed to contribute money to pave the road up to Powell Road, in addition to what Pulte will contribute, Anulewicz said.

Developers of another project still in the planning stage are expected to pave Napier Road from an area north of M 14 to North Territorial.

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coming down, the right wing caught a parking meter and the cockpit was crushed by a telephone pole. Luckily, no one was seriously injured.

Among Matthews' personal achievements were his promotion to Captain in 1980, implementation of the city of Northville's first fire prevention and inspection program which he managed for seven years, and a promotion to Acting Fire Chief in 1983.

It was three years later that Matthews was given the title of Plymouth Fire Chief.

"It was during that time that I introduced our current private ambulance service into the Plymouth community, hired Plymouth's first female firefighter, and became Plymouth's first police officer/fire investigator," said Matthews. "I became a police officer to get my arson certification so I could present my own cases in court."

In February 1995, Matthews stepped down to assistant fire chief when the department, which had only seven firefighters, merged with Plymouth Township.

"The township had three strategically placed fire stations, which made it logical," added Matthews. "Economically, it eliminated the duplication of equipment, and there were more people available at the scenes of fires to operate more safely."

"Putting all politics aside, and looking out for the best interest of the firefighters and the community, the move was totally logical to me," said Matthews.

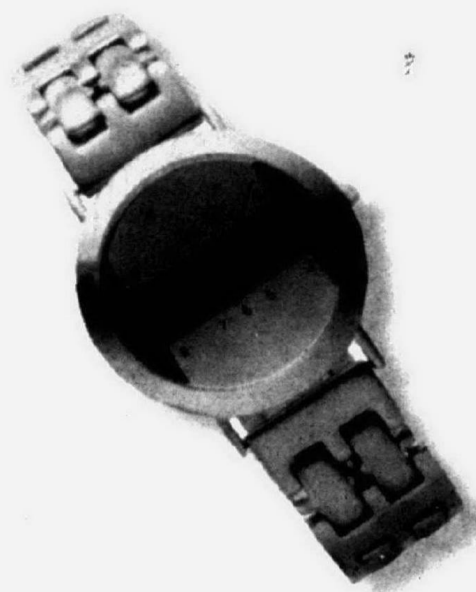
When Matthews became the merged department's assistant fire chief, he managed the fire prevention and training pro-

grams.

"We have one of the best fire prevention programs around," Matthews said. "We inspect every business in the community, more than 1,500, once a year. That's the key to keeping the number of fires down."

"Firefighting is much safer today than in the past," he said. "Now it's more of a science, we plan more strategy when fighting a blaze. We're more conscious of the person that has to go in and fight the fire."

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leges, universities, high schools and the current work force to fill jobs.

Companies scheduled to be on hand cover the gamut of career opportunity, among them engineering, computers, manufacturing, accounting, sales, teachers, retail and management, drivers, medical, general labor and administrative.

Toney said all of its data - things like the return rate of businesses coming back for the second year, the rate at which job applications were passed out, and the number of new businesses - tells the chamber last year's fair was successful.

"We know it was a success because of the job providers who are coming back, plus the new ones who want in," Toney said. "We thought we were full, but we had to make room for more because businesses were insisting on getting involved. Those

are all substantial ways of telling (last year) was a success."

She also said the location - the Hilton Garden Inn is right at M-14 and Sheldon - makes for a perfect site, especially for anyone traveling from out of town.

"One of the reasons we didn't pick up on (the job fair) before last year was we didn't have that perfect location," Toney said. "Last year I had calls from as far away as Bay City needing directions. Location is important when you're having to give directions to people from out of town."

"This is perfect, because as you exit the freeway it's right there in plain eyesight."

Fair officials said job seekers should come prepared to be interviewed, resume in hand if possible. However, tips on resumes, networking and job-finding will also be available.

For more information, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

Cops get their own downtown parking spots

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The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority and city police are working together to make downtown patrols more accessible and noticeable.

Soon there will be at least three designated parking spots in various downtown locations for police officers, making it easier for officers to walk the beat.

"We need the parking spaces downtown to provide the capability of police officers on foot to get out and respond to an urgent call for service," said Dick Miller, Plymouth police chief. "If they are downtown on foot, they need a patrol car nearby. The strategic parking locations will

allow them to get back to the car quickly and respond on the road, if need be."

The designated spaces, which will soon be marked by lines on the road and emergency vehicle parking signs, will be on Penniman, Forest and Fleet streets.

"We tried to select locations that would minimize impact on the business community," added Miller. "We certainly weren't looking for good, store-front parking spots."

DDA Director Melanie Purcell said there could be a couple more added in the future.

"Anything we can do to help police officers do their jobs is our main concern," said Purcell. "We want them to have a major presence downtown, get to know

the business owners and the customers."

Miller said he's asking his patrol officers to spend a minimum amount of their time walking downtown.

"I've asked all our patrolmen to spend at least four hours a week on foot patrol," said Miller. "With 11 officers, that means more than 40 hours spent downtown. I'm also encouraging them to spend time walking Old Village."

In fact, Purcell said she's had preliminary discussions with Miller about putting a police mini-station in her DDA office, located on Fleet Street.

"It would help the officers who are working downtown, especially during special events," said

Purcell. "While physically the current police station is close, perception is it's far away. We want to develop a partnership that will work for both of us."

Meanwhile, Purcell said it will be at least a week before the parking enforcement patrol hits the streets.

"Our patrol person, Jeanine Plymale of Plymouth, will be training with Plymouth police soon, and then she'll be on the streets handing out courtesy tickets for the first three weeks," said Purcell.

Parking limitations in downtown Plymouth include two hours on the street, four hours in parking lots and eight hours on the top deck of the parking structure.

Township to start chloride program on dirt roads

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Plymouth Township residents who live on unpaved roads can expect the first of three applications of calcium chloride May 17.

"The dates of the other applications will depend on the weather," said Tony Hollis, a Department of Public Works

employee.

Calcium chloride is used annually to reduce dust on dirt roads. Last year, there were two applications that cost about \$9,700, said James Anulewicz, department of public services director.

The three applications this year will cost about \$16,000, according to Rosemary Harvey, Plymouth Township director of

administrative services. Usually two or three applications are made annually.

Wayne County solicits bids for the purchase and application of calcium chloride and then allows communities within the county to purchase the product and services at the bid price.

The township has 6.15 miles of dirt roads. "In 1996, we had about 11.15 miles," Anulewicz said.

The Plymouth Township board voted April 25 to fund the cost of three applications this year, not to exceed \$18,000.

The streets listed in the Plymouth Township chloride program are:

- Tomlinson Estates, 1 mile, Southworth and Gold Arbor Avenues.
- Burger Estates Subdivision, 3 mile, Micol and Burger Drives.
- Eastlawn Subdivision, .6 mile, General, Eastside, Micol and Firwood Drives.
- Robinson Subdivision, 1.7 miles, Russell, Morgan, Brownell, Francis, Butternut, Gilbert and Ferguson Avenues.
- Plymouth Colony Subdivision, .5 mile, Gov. Bradford and John Alden Roads, Priscilla Lane, and Turkey Run.
- Plymouth Hills Subdivision, .9 mile, Amherst Court and Nicholas Lane.
- Plymouth Gardens Subdivision, .3 mile, Parkhurst Road, Lakeland and Phoenix Courts.
- Finch Subdivision, .3 mile, Lakeland Court and Finch Avenue.
- Phoenix Park Subdivision, .3 mile, Hammill and Garland Avenues.
- Powell Road, .25 mile, Beck Road east to the dead end.

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2000
7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

SITE PLAN APPROVAL:
Skyway Precision - Addition
41225 Plymouth Road
Zoned: I-1 Light Industrial
Applicant: Medora Building Co.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
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All interested persons are invited to attend.
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PLEASE TAKE NOTE: On or before May 1, 2000, it shall be the duty of every owner, occupant or person having charge of any land within the Township of Plymouth, Michigan, to cut and destroy noxious weeds before they reach a seed bearing stage and to prevent such weeds from perpetuating themselves or becoming a detriment to public health, or shall cause the same to be done. Failure to comply with this notice and Section 32.050 of the Plymouth Township Ordinance means that the Township will enter upon such lands and mow the weeds and bill the property owners for the service, as provided in Section 21.070 of the Plymouth Township Ordinance.

The Charter Township of Plymouth will begin mowing all unmowed lots or plots of land on May 15, 2000, without further notice to the property owners.

Publish: April 27 & 30, 2000

City of Plymouth
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REQUEST FOR INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

This is to give notice that the Plymouth City Commission will hold a hearing on a request for issuance of an Industrial Exemption Certificate at its regular meeting on Monday, May 15, 2000. The public is invited to provide comments or other information on this request, either in writing or in person, at this hearing.

The request is from E & E Manufacturing, 300/400 Industrial Drive and 800 Plymouth Road, Plymouth, Michigan, regarding the following property:

TAX ID #49-007-99-0002-000: THAT PART OF THE SW ¼ OF SEC 25 DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT DISTANT S 88D 21M E ALONG THE E AND W ¼ SECTION LINE 80 FT AND S 1D 39M E 400.14 FT AND S 89D 51M 50 SEC E 400.14 FT AND N 1D 39M E 485.95 FT AND S 88D 39M 10 SEC E 84.40 FT FROM THE W ¼ CORNER OF SEC 25 AND PROCEEDING TH S 88D 39M 10SEC E 320 FT TH S 1D 20M 50SEC W 250 FT TH N 88D 39M 10SEC W 320 FT TH N 1D 20M 50SEC E 250 FT TO THE POB 1.84 ACRES; and

TAX ID #49-007-99-0004-000: PART OF SW ¼ SEC 25 T1SR8E BEG S 88D 21M E 80 FT AND S 1D 39M W 724.86 FT AND S 89D 51M 50S E 400.14 FT AND N 1D 39M E 485.95 FT AND S 88D 39M 10S E 30 FT FROM W ¼ CORNER OF SEC 25 TH N 1D 42M 48S E 254 FT TH S 88D 39M 10S E 373.08 FT TH S 1D 20M 50S W 254 FT TH N 88D 39M 10S W 374.70 FT TO THE POB 2.18 ACRES; and

TAX ID #49-007-99-0007-700: PART OF NW ¼ OF SEC 25 T1SR8E BEG AT A POINT S 88D 21M 80FT AND N 01D 39M E 172.77 FT FROM NW ¼ COR OF SEC 25, TH N 01D 39M E 442.12 FT, TH S 73D 17M 40S E 414.22 FT, TH S 01D 39M W 334.73 FT, TH N 88D 21M W 400 FT TO POB, EXC N 60 FT ALSO EXC E 30 FT THEREOF.

The Certificate would allow tax abatement on new manufacturing equipment. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$3,158,428. The Certificate would result in the abatement of one-half (½) of the property taxes which would otherwise be levied on the estimated additional State Equalized Valuation of \$1,579,214, for a maximum period of twelve (12) years.

This notice is given pursuant to the Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act (P.A. 1974, No. 198, as amended - MCLA 207.551 et. seq.), which provides that the legislative body of each taxing unit which levies and valorem property taxes in the City of Plymouth shall be notified of a request for issuance of a IFE Certificate, and shall be given an opportunity for a hearing before the City takes action on the request.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

Publish: April 30, 2000

SHURGARD OF CANTON

Notice is hereby given that the following unit(s) will be sold to the highest bidder by open auction on May 26, 2000 at approximately 9:30 a.m. at Shurgard Storage located at 2101 Haggerty Rd., Canton, MI 48187. (313) 981-0300.

Unit #4037 - Rebecca Russell - Dressers, weight bench, mattresses, kid's toys, lawn equipment, picnic table.

Unit #5028 - Gary Tilley - Lockers, office furniture.

Publish: April 27 and 30, 2000

SHURGARD OF PLYMOUTH

Notice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of an open bid on MAY 26, 2000 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgard Storage Centers located at 41889 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

Unit #101, DANA SEXTON, 10 misc. boxes, folding chair, fan, stuffed animals, bed frame, mattress set.

Unit #303, MARK ERWIN, antique car parts (doors, tires, hood, rims, seats), chain saw, bicycle, neon sign.

Publish: April 23 and 30, 2000

CITY OF PLYMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to state law 257.252, the following vehicle (s) will be sold at public sale at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather Rd., Plymouth, Michigan, on the date and time listed below:

Tuesday, May 9, 2000 10:00 a.m.

VEHICLES (S):

YEAR/MAKE/STYLE/VEHICLE	ID NUMBER	CASE NO.
1983 OLDSMOBILE 4D DELTA 88	1G3AN69Y8DM9487789	00-676
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1986 CHEVROLET	4D CAVALIER	1G1JC69P7GK155134 00-339
1989 CHRYSLER	4D FIFTH AVE	1C3XM66P8KW306376 00-139

Inquiries regarding these vehicles should be directed to Officer Al Cox, City of Plymouth Police Department, at 453-8600.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER

Publish: April 30, 2000

CITY OF PLYMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to State Law 257.252, the following vehicle (s) will be sold at public sale at B&B Towing Co., 934 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, Michigan, on the date and time listed below:

Tuesday, May 9, 2000 9:00 a.m.

VEHICLES (S):

YEAR/MAKE/STYLE/VEHICLE	ID NUMBER	CASE NO.
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1985 PLYMOUTH	SW RELIANT	1P3BP49C1FF116838 00-494
1991 PONTIAC	2D GRAND AM	1G2NE14U0MC537910 00-493
1979 FORD	4D LTD	9B65F128816 00-557
1993 DODGE	4D SPIRIT	3B3XA46KXPT518188 00-501

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LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
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OBITUARIES

HARVEY C. SHAW

Services for Harvey C. Shaw, 79, of Plymouth were held April 27 at First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, with the Rev. Dean A. Klump officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Mr. Shaw was born April 8, 1921, and died April 22 at St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. He was retired from Michigan Bell. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, the Plymouth B.P.O.E., Michigan Bell Pioneers and VFW Post 06695.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his son, Jerry Bennett of Canton; two daughters, Gail Smith of Northville and Linda Johnson of White Lake; one sister, Virginia Duke of Plymouth; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI 48170, or to the Elks Major Project-BPOE No. 1780, 41700 East Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Local arrangements were made by the Casterline Funeral Home, Northville.

JOHN ALBERT COXFORD JR.

Services for John Albert Coxford Jr., 82, of Plymouth will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 3, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Visitation is scheduled for Tuesday, May 2, 6 to 9 p.m. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Clarkston.

Mr. Coxford was born April 10, 1918, in Ypsilanti and died April 23 in Plymouth. He was a sales agent with AAA who retired after 37 years of service.

Mr. Coxford was born and raised in Ypsilanti and came to the Plymouth community in 1951 from Ypsilanti. He loved being with his family, playing golf and watching the sport on TV.

He served 4 1/2 years in the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his wife, Alta May Coxford of Plymouth; three children, Michael (Peggy) Coxford of Plymouth, Janet (David) Sibbold of Plymouth and Robert Coxford of Plymouth; one sister, Margaret Platt of Ypsilanti; and six grandchildren, Lori Coxford, Kevin Coxford, Jeff Sibbold, Katie Sibbold, Shelley Sibbold and Steven Coxford.

Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice.

DIANE MARY BARAGANA

Services for Diane Mary Baragana, 55, of Canton were held April 29 at the Neely-Turowski Funeral Home, Livonia Chapel, with the Rev. William Seibert. Burial was in Parkview Memorial.

Mrs. Baragana was born April 3, 1945, and died April 26 in Canton.

She was a sergeant with the Detroit Police Department and a past president of the Michigan Association of Women Police, a member of the International Association of Women Police, and a member of the board of directors of the Livonia Heart Fund.

Mrs. Baragana attended Madonna University.

Survivors include her sister, Jean; one brother, Ken Coyne; two nephews, Scott and Bryan; one niece, Heidi; and one great-niece, Abigail.

WILLIAM G. FRANKLIN

Services for William G. Franklin, 81, of Taylor were held April 1 at the Uht-Funeral Home with Rev. Roy Forsyth officiating. Burial was in Sheldon Cemetery, Canton.

He was born Nov. 30, 1918, and died March 30 at Oakwood Hospital Heritage. He was a hi-lo driver.

He was preceded in death by his brother, James Franklin. Survivors include his wife, Alice; one daughter, Janice L. Smith;

two sisters, Myrtle Medaugh and Ruth Wallace; and four grandsons, Nicholas Smith, Adam Smith, Timothy Smith and David Arrington.

CHRISTENE RACHO

Services for Christene Racho, 57, of Northville were held April 26 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph S. Mallia. Burial was in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia.

Mrs. Racho was born April 6, 1943, in La Mesa, Texas, and died April 22 in Livonia. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hollis and Mildred Carpenter. Survivors include her husband, Ramon E. Racho of Northville; two daughters, Andrea E. Smith of Plymouth and Diana (Guy) M. Lemieux of Middletown, Del.; two sons, Craig Racho of Northville and Matthew (Mary) B. Racho of Canton; two grandsons, Steven Smith and Zachary P. Racho; and two granddaughters, Madeline Lemieux and Jean Luc Lemieux.

Memorials may be made to Detroit Rescue Mission, 150 Simson, P.O. Box 312087, Detroit, MI 48231.

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

HENRY R. PIANOWSKI

Services for Henry R. Pianowski, 75, of Canton were held April 25 at St. Thomas A'Becket Church with the Rev. Richard Kelly officiating.

Mr. Pianowski was born Oct. 21, 1924, in Detroit and died April 22. He worked as a shipping clerk at a bakery company.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Agnes. Survivors include his son, John R. (Christine); one daughter, Mary K. Smigielski; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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

MICHAEL M. HIPOL

Services for Michael M. Hipol, 38, of Canton were held April 24 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton, with the Rev. Ray Haselhum of the First Baptist Church of Canton officiating.

Mr. Hipol was born Feb. 21, 1962, in Detroit and died April 20. He worked as a salesman in real estate.

Survivors include his wife, Mary E. Hipol; two daughters, Sarah Mae and Jessie Sue; one son, Mathew Michael; four brothers; four sisters; and two grandchildren, Mikayla and Austin.

Deadline looms for scholarship applications

Students from Canton and Plymouth have until Monday, May 1, to apply for more than \$10,000 in academic scholarships available from the Canton Community Foundation.

Many of the scholarships, valued between \$500 and \$3,000 each, have drawn few applicants to date, said Joan Noricks, foundation president.

Local businesses, civic groups and area colleges and universities have been offering the scholarships through the foundation for a decade.

"I'm not sure why, but we haven't had as much interest this year as in previous

years," Noricks said Wednesday.

Yazaki North America, an auto supplier headquartered in Canton, is among the companies offering scholarship this year. It will award \$3,000 to two high school seniors attending a college in Michigan.

Applications can be picked up at either the Plymouth or Canton libraries, high school counseling offices and the foundation office at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road. Call (734) 398-5000 for more information.

Pioneer student wins award

Pioneer Middle School student Shankar Ramamurthy has won the "Silver Award" in the painting category in the Scholastic Art Awards 2000 contest.

His painting was titled "Wine Bottle with Orange." The painting will be on display at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. The opening will be June 16 and there will also be an assembly at the Washington Monarch Hotel on that same day.

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Philanthropist, TV newsman keynote Schoolcraft graduations

Robert Thompson, philanthropic former owner of Michigan's largest road-paving firm, and television news anchorman Rich Fisher will be keynote speakers next weekend at Schoolcraft College's 35th commencement exercises.

More than 1,000 students, including 125 from the public safety program, will be graduated during the 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 5, and 6 p.m. Saturday, May 6, ceremonies in the physical education building. In addition, Schoolcraft will confer honorary degrees and recognize a distinguished alumnus during Saturday's main commencement.

Eugene Bossart, its artist-in-residence; John Blackwell III, president of Blackwell Ford Inc.; and Hazen J. and Margaret S. Wilson, Schoolcraft College Foundation supporters, all will receive the degrees. The Rev. George Shalhoub of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church in Livonia is the distinguished alumnus.

Thompson, the Plymouth resident who gained world renown last year when he shared with employees \$128 million of the more than \$450 million he got

for his paving company, will speak Saturday.

This year, the Thompson-McCully Foundation pledged \$500,000 to the Schoolcraft College Foundation for special-needs scholarships.

Fisher, an Emmy Award-winner who since 1980 has covered every major political convention, will address the college's public safety graduation Friday.

Bossart, described as "oozing musicality," came to Schoolcraft in 1989 to teach after having created and then directed for 30 years the University of Michigan music school's accompanying and chamber music program.

A former Metropolitan Opera accompanist, Bossart still is sought worldwide by singers, pianists and musicians.

Blackwell, who has operated the family car dealership since 1983 and who won Ford Motor Co.'s highest honor for customer service in 1998, joined the Schoolcraft Foundation in 1996, serving in 1998-99 as president.

A Foundation supporter both in terms of time and corporate and personal financial contributions, Blackwell also has established an endowment to help meet the educational needs of

Blackwell Ford staffers.

The Wilsons are longtime supporters of the Foundation and the college's mission who in 1996 - after several years of contributing to Schoolcraft - established the Hazen J. and Margaret S. Wilson Endowment. Its earnings support student scholarships.

Hazen Wilson, retired as public relations director for Ameritech, remains active in community affairs and is a consistent supporter of educational institutions.

Shalhoub, a 1974 Schoolcraft graduate who holds a doctorate from the University of Notre Dame, has led St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church to prominence in metro Detroit during his 28 years as pastor. He also is heading development of its cultural center.

A Madonna University faculty member and writer of numerous articles, Shalhoub also is a spokesman for the metro area's Arabic community.

He devotes much time to personal and family counseling and also helps organize inner-city food banks. He is a member of various national, state and local anti-discrimination and counseling associations.

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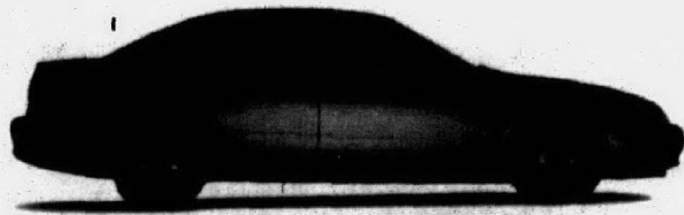
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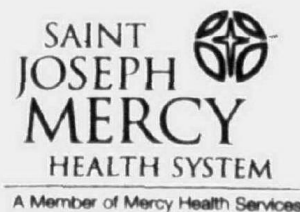
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Tin Can sailors gather to remember USS Indianapolis

BY RICHARD PEARL
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The nightmarish story of the USS Indianapolis, the last American warship to be sunk in the Pacific Theater during World War II, is the theme of this year's Tin Can Sailors regional Bull Session.

Among those expected to attend the Saturday, May 6, annual gathering in Livonia of crew members and officers who have served aboard destroyers — nicknamed "tin cans" for their thin hulls — is Richard P. Thelen of Lansing, who survived the sinking in shark-infested waters that night in 1945.

The Indianapolis secretly had just delivered the atomic bomb that was to be dropped on Japan when it was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine. Of its crew of 1,100, just 317 survived the five days in the water before rescuers arrived.

Thelen is one of 10 such survivors reportedly living in Michigan, according to Lloyd Borsveld of Westland, this year's Tin Can organizer.

The informal Bull Session at the Laurel Park Holiday Inn on Six Mile in Livonia is a gathering of ex-sailors and officers from across Michigan and surrounding states who reminisce about serving aboard the speedy, heavily-armed and highly maneuverable warships that escort troop ships and aircraft carriers. Spouses, family and friends are invited.

Starting at 11 a.m. and concluding with a 6 p.m. supper (tickets are \$30 each), this year's event again will have a ship's store selling books, artwork, Tin Can ball caps, shirts and patches relating to destroyer history.

Artwork will include paintings by a former Navy staff artist who designed the USS Indianapolis memorial being dedicated this year in Colorado.

The Bull Session will also, for the first time, have a separate hospitality room.

About 80 servicemen and others from across Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois attended last year, said Borsveld, a retired school custodian who was a machinist's mate during the Korean War.

He said the Michigan Bull Session also aims to raise funds to

bring the state its first permanently docked, decommissioned destroyer.

The USS Charles F. Adams, designated for the Saginaw River at Bay City, is a guided-missile destroyer built in 1959 that would be used as a floating museum open to the public. About \$1 million is needed to prepare it and bring it in, said Borsveld.

Although such destroyer museums exist elsewhere in the country, the only modern naval ship exhibit in Michigan is a submarine docked in Muskegon.

Though the Indianapolis sank 55 years ago, it continues to make headlines: The commander of the Japanese submarine that sank it asked the U.S. government last year to clear the American ship's captain, who commit-

ted suicide after being court-martialed for not maneuvering his ship properly.

The sub commander said he would have sunk the Indy anyhow.

Borsveld also has a spot in

U.S. Navy history: The Detroit native, who served aboard the USS Renshaw, was among those witnessing the first hydrogen-bomb test in the Pacific.

For information, call Borsveld at (734) 728-4004.



Full speed ahead: Michigan Bull Session organizer Lloyd Borsveld pulled duty aboard the USS Renshaw and witnessed the first hydrogen bomb test in the Pacific.

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■ **Great Books, Mondays, May 8 and May 22, 7:30 p.m.** — This discussion group is open to anyone who is curious and willing to work with others in developing an understanding and appreciation of great literature. For additional information, contact Karen Berrie, (734) 453-2454.

■ **Plymouth Writer's Club, Thursdays, May 11 and May 25, 7 p.m.** — Writers of all ages are invited to join other aspiring writers to share their work in a friendly group setting. Contact Brian Anderson, (734) 416-0418.

■ **Your Poetry Group, Sunday, May 14, 1:30 p.m.** — Bring your own or others' poetry to read aloud; short stories are also welcome. Reader's discretion is asked in the language of the works read. Contact Don Hewlett, (313) 272-3648, or donhewlett@aol.com for more information.

■ **Space Enthusiasts, Monday, May 15, 7 p.m.** — Intended for ages 6 and older, participants in this group share ideas

and questions on space. Stargazing through a telescope follows the meeting; bring your own binoculars. Contact Mike Best, (734) 459-2378.

■ **Contemporary Books Discussion Group, Wednesday, May 17, 7:30 p.m.** — The title selected for this month's discussion is *Mother of Pearl* by Melinda Haynes. Copies of the book are available at the check-out desk. For further information, call Darlene Ursel at the library, (734) 453-0570.

■ **Brown Bag Books Discussion Group, Wednesday, May 24, noon** — Copies of this month's selected title, *Cold Mountain* by Charles Frazier, are available at the check-out desk. Bring a lunch if you like; beverages are provided by the library. For more information ask at the Reader's Advisory Desk or call (734) 453-0750, press 4.

Teen Events

■ **Teen Advisory Board, Saturdays, May 13 and May 27, 11 a.m.** — Teens 12 to 18 years old are invited to share ideas for the Teen Summer Reading Program and other summer library activities for

teens. Refreshments will be provided. No registration is necessary.

■ **Teen Book Discussion Group, Monday, May 15, 3:30 p.m.** — The title selected for discussion by this group of students in grades 6 through 12 is *Whirligig* by Paul Fleischman. The group meets bi-monthly; refreshments are provided by the Friends of the Library. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by phone, (734) 453-0750, press 4.

Youth Events

■ **Toddler/Parent Storytimes for children 2- to 3-1/2 years, Thursdays, May 4-25** — Storytime at 10 a.m. is a one-on-one session with toddlers and adults participating together. Storytime at 11 a.m. is a family session with siblings and other family members welcome. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by phone at (734) 453-0750, press 4.

■ **Preschool Storytimes for children 3-1/2 to 5 years, Mondays, May 1-22** — Story-

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■ **Preschool/Family Evening storytimes for children 2-5 years old** — Storytime at 7 p.m. is a family session, with siblings and other family members welcome.

■ **Lapsit Storytime, Monday, May 8, 6:30 p.m.** — A 15-minute song and rhyme time for babies six to 24 months old and their caregivers only, lapsit storytime is limited to 12 children per session. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by telephone at (734) 453-0750, press 4.

Library Board

The Plymouth District Library Board holds its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Library Tuesday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is open to the public. Individuals with special needs who plan to attend should contact the library, (734) 453-0750 if auxiliary aids or services are needed.

POLICE BLOTTER

Two men were arrested April 22 on charges of gross indecency and criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree by Plymouth Township police officers working overtime on the Narcotics Interdiction Team that patrolled the Hines Drive area.

The separate incidents, which were committed on the same plainclothes police officer, were similar and occurred an hour apart in a wooded area on Gunsolly Drive near Edward Hines Drive.

The first incident occurred at 4:24 p.m., shortly after officers were deployed there at 3:45 p.m., a police report said.

The driver of a green Saturn drove toward the police officer and smiled "in an unusual manner," the report said.

After a few minutes, the same Saturn came back around the bend and parked directly across the drive. The man continued to stare at the police officer for five minutes after which the man motioned to the police officer to come over to his car. The officer went over and started conversation about everyday issues, the report said.

As the officer stood outside the driver's side and refused the man's invitation to come and sit down in the car, the man fondled himself, stuck his hand out the window and stroked the officer's crotch with the back of his left hand.

The officer identified himself and arrested the man, a 57-year-old Plymouth resident. He was released on \$500 bond with a May 22 court date, according to Jamie Senkbeil, Plymouth township community resource officer.

In the second incident, which occurred at 5:40 p.m., the driver of a 1999 Lincoln parked his car in the same location on Gunsolly Drive. This man also began fondling himself and as soon as the gap closed between the police officer and the man, the driver grabbed the officer's crotch with his right hand, the report said.

The officer identified himself and made the arrest. During booking, the man, whose hometown wasn't on the report, told police that he has HIV and is on multiple medications. He was released pending issuance of a warrant, Senkbeil said.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Open time

•The Michigan PGA Section is accepting registration applications for the Michigan PGA Junior Championship, which will be July 12-13 at Bedford Valley Golf Club in Battle Creek.

The winners in the boys and girls divisions at the Michigan PGA Juniors qualify with nearly 100 of their peers for the National PGA Junior Championships, played Aug. 23-26 at the PGA National Golf Club in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

The 25th annual National PGA Juniors features boys and girls 17 and younger who are champions of the 41 national sections, plus winners from selected national junior tournaments, the point leaders from the PGA Junior Series, and members of the 1999 American Junior Golf Association Rolex Junior All-American first team.

Those interested in entering the Michigan PGA Junior Championship can obtain entry forms at their local PGA golf facility or by contacting the Michigan PGA Section at (734) 522-2323.

•Qualifying rounds for the 85th annual Detroit Newspapers Michigan Open are scheduled for May 22 and May 23 at eight sites throughout the state. The \$200 entry fee and completed application must be received in the Michigan Section PGA office by 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 9.

May 22 qualifying sites are Greystone Golf Club in Romeo; Forest Akers West Golf Club in East Lansing; Gull Lake Country Club in Richland; and Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville.

May 23 qualifying sites are Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville; Western Golf and Country Club in Redford; The Fortress in Frankenmuth; and The Highlands in Grand Rapids.

The field at all qualifying sites will be limited to 104 competitors, with all golfers assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Michigan Open will be Monday through Thursday, June 26-29, at Grand Traverse Resort. Contestants will vie for the James D. Standish Jr. Trophy and \$110,000 in prize money.

•The 19th Michigan Senior Open Championship will be June 13-14 at Bedford Valley Golf Club. A Pro-Am is scheduled for Monday, June 12.

The event is open to all male golfers 50 or over who have established residency in Michigan. Contestants will play 36 holes of stroke play golf; there will be two age divisions, 50-64 and 65 and over. Handicap limits for competitors is 10.0 for those in the 50-64 division and 15.0 for the 65 and older division.

The \$200 entry fee includes greens fees, range balls and automotive golf car for both rounds. The entry fee and completed application must be received in the Michigan Section PGA office by 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 23.

Entry forms are available by contacting the PGA office at (734) 522-2323.

Golf outing

The WaCo Wolves USA Travel Baseball Club is sponsoring a golf outing fund-raiser at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at St. John's Golf Course in Plymouth (located at 44115 Five Mile).

Cost is \$90 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf (shotgun start, four-person scramble), prizes for closest to the pin and longest drive, beer and pop on the course, a complete steak dinner and door prizes.

All proceeds go to benefit the WaCo Wolves travel teams. Checks should be made payable to the WaCo Wolves.

For information, call John or Karen Abrahamson at (248) 473-1336.

Women's golf

•A women's Friday morning golf league will get underway May 8 at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. All ability levels are welcome; individual handicaps will be established.

Tee times begin at 9 a.m. The 16-week season costs \$15 to register and weekly greens fees. There are no residency requirements.

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

•A women's golf league is forming at Hilltop Golf Course, starting May 4. The league will play at 8 a.m. Thursday mornings.

Those interested should call Liz at (734) 397-1212.

Williams saves Whalers!

OT winner scored with Whalers a man short

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The theme song from "Mission Impossible" blared over the Compuware Arena public-address system with just over seven minutes remaining in overtime on Friday night's game four of the Ontario Hockey League Western Conference final series between Plymouth and Sault Ste. Marie.

And for good reason: The Whalers had just been whistled for a penalty, giving the visiting Greyhounds a potential game-deciding power play.

However, less than a minute later, Plymouth right-winger Justin Williams proved nothing's impossible as he took a feed at center ice from Libor Ustrnul, outraced a Greyhound defenseman and rocketed a low, sizzling slap shot past goalie Ray Emery to give the Whalers a dramatic 2-1 victory.

Williams was mobbed by his teammates and coaches at center ice seconds after the goal, which gave the Whalers a commanding 3-1 advantage heading into Saturday night's game five at Compuware.

Prior to his game-winning heroics Friday night, Williams had never scored an overtime goal, let alone a short-handed one in the playoffs.

"It's definitely the biggest goal I've ever scored," Williams said, recounting the slapshot that just eluded Emery's outstretched glove. "When I first saw Libor get to the puck, I thought he was going to dump it in. But he got it to me somehow. We had been missing high on (Emery) all night, so I knew I was going to try to beat him low."

Whaler coach Pete DeBoer said Williams' goal salvaged a win in a game that had the Soo's number written all over it from the opening face off.

"There's no doubt they had outplayed us tonight going into the overtime," DeBoer said. "They were playing desperate hockey, like it was a do-or-die kind of game."



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Some kind of battle: The Whalers' Jamie LaLonde (14) fights for possession of the puck (above) while Greyhounds' goalie Ray Emery sprawls and keeps a close eye on the play. Friday's game was tight and physical throughout, one that kept Whalers' coach Pete DeBoer (below) on edge all the way.

"But Justin has been an opportunistic player for us all season. He didn't have a lot of jump to his step all game, but when he got the puck (on the game-winning play), he put it in a higher gear."

Whaler goalie Rob Zepp played in a higher gear the entire game, stopping 32 Greyhounds shots, at least six from short range.

His biggest save came at the 5:05 mark of overtime when he went down on his knees to knock away a blistering shot from the Soo's Ryan Milanovic, who was camped just a few feet outside the crease.

Emery matched Zepp save-for-save most of the night, stopping 22 Whaler shots.

Following a scoreless first period, Plymouth drew first blood on a power play with 4:31 left in the second period when defenseman Cole Jarrett scored

on a slapshot just outside the left face-off circle. Jarrett's goal, his third of the playoffs, was assisted by a cross-ice feed from fellow defender Shaun Fisher.

Plymouth had a golden opportunity to cement the game just over a minute later when Greyhound left-winger Ryan Jardine was sent to the penalty box for roughing. Soo coach Paul Theriault protested the call vehemently and displayed his anger by waving a white towel towards the official.

Theriault's theatrics earned him a two-minute bench misconduct penalty and dismissal from the game -- and gave the Whalers a two-man advantage.

With their backs against the wall, the Greyhounds not only killed the penalties, they tied the game 16 seconds after the penalties expired when defenseman Trevor Daley controlled a

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Chiefs divide a pair at South Lyon

BY C.J. RISAK
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Due to time constraints, we will pretend these two public schools have, for the day anyway, been established as members of the Detroit Catholic League.

Disclaimers aside, Plymouth Canton's baseball double-header at South Lyon HS Thursday provided a couple of things:

•It allowed the Chiefs to stay in game shape while just about everyone else was either vacationing or glued to the TV following Elian's travails;

•It kept their attention focused on the difficulties that lie directly ahead.

Or, as Canton baseball coach Scott Dickey put it, "It should be fun."

Dickey was referring to Monday's pivotal game

PREP BASEBALL

against Farmington Harrison, a game that could go a long way toward deciding the champion of the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division.

"We're excited for Monday," said Dickey. "Harrison's a big game. We haven't beaten them in two years."

Although Thursday's twinbill at South Lyon meant little, convincing the Chiefs of that would have been difficult -- especially after they split to run their record to 9-4. The Lions (5-7 overall) are not a great team when at full strength, and according to coach Mark Thomas they were well below that for these games.

"We only had one senior here," Thomas said, noting the very reason most coaches refuse to schedule games during spring break. "But a lot of guys that don't get a lot of playing time were able to get some, so that was good."

JV players, coach? "No," Thomas answered. "But in the first game, we looked like a JV team."

Canton had no trouble in the opener, rolling to a 12-3 triumph. Jon Johnson was among the batting leaders in this waxing, slugging two doubles in three trips and driving in two runs.

Jim Wisniewski was another, collecting two hits in two official trips -- one of them a double -- to drive in two runs and score three more. Bryan Kay totaled three hits, including a double, scoring twice and driving in one, and Brad Smigielski had a dou-

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Tossed out: CC's Phil Marrone, from Plymouth, fires the ball to first to get this Country Day baserunner. Mistakes would plague the Shamrocks, however, ultimately leading to a defeat.

Not a beauty Miscues ruin Shamrocks

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
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To call Thursday's baseball game between Redford Catholic Central and Detroit Country Day ugly would be an insult.

At one point in the late innings the two teams had combined for more hit batters than hits.

But it was one key hit that broke the ice and gave the Yellowjackets a 6-4 comeback win over host CC.

"It wasn't the prettiest game in the world, but it was a great competitive game," said Country Day coach Frank Orlando. "We played a great game against Troy and lost 1-0 because we didn't execute. This one we did."

CC (10-3) took a 4-2 lead into the top

of the sixth, holding the Yellowjackets (7-1) to just two hits but only able to muster three of its own.

Country Day manufactured its first run in the sixth with walks to David Barkholz and Matt Collins by reliever Ryan Rogowski (2-1). Sean Gallagher advanced the runners with a sacrifice bunt. With Mike McGavin up, the runners moved up on a passed ball to cut the lead to 4-3.

Then McGavin drilled a shot to left-center field that froze CC outfielder Brian Williams. The ball took two hops and disappeared into the trees beyond the fence. Williams held up one hand, and most thought it was a ground-rule double that would have merely tied the score. But the umpires called it a home

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Rockers re-sign both Tschantret, Shanker

The Detroit Rockers will make their debut in their new home — Plymouth's Compuware Arena — this fall with two of their newer additions committed to staying for a couple of years.

Midfielder Joel Shanker and forward Lee Tschantret will be in Rockers' uniforms through the 2002-2003 season.

Tschantret came to Detroit last sea-

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son and promptly led the team with 123 points in 42 games. "Lucky" Lee finished the season on a 15-game point-scoring streak, and knocked in four game-winning goals on the year.

"I'm definitely looking forward to next

year," Tschantret said, and Rockers' head coach Drago echoed his excitement.

"We are very excited to be able to create the core of a championship team," Drago said. "These are two quality players who show the determination, talent and knowledge that is necessary to win a championship.

we want to build to the level that Milwaukee and Cleveland have achieved."

The aforementioned Shanker, who resigned at the same time as Tschantret, provided a deft scoring touch in his limited term of action last season.

Shanker joined the Rockers via trade from Philadelphia in late December. He scored 22 points in eight games with the Rockers before suffering a stress frac-

ture in his right foot.

Overall, Shanker scored 37 points on the season, good for tenth among Rockers scorers. General manager David Woodrow was happy to keep both players in the Rockers organization.

"These two players will be part of the core of our team for years to come," Woodrow said.

Crusaders rip Tech, then get ripped

There's this timeless adage — personally, I believe it was invented by some Australian as a clever reference to his boomerang — that promises, "What goes around, comes around."

Madonna University's softball team discovered just that Thursday in its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference double-header at Indiana Tech. The Lady Crusaders routed Tech 11-3 in the first game, pounding out 12 hits and taking advantage of four errors.

But in the second, Tech got its revenge, ripping Madonna by the same 11-3 margin. This time it was the Crusaders — who were errorless in the opener — that had the faulty gloves, committing five errors.

The split left Madonna with a 29-20 overall record; they are 14-

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12 in the WHAC. Tech is 16-30 overall, 7-19 in the WHAC.

Jenny Tenyer was on the mound for the first-game victory. She surrendered three earned runs on seven hits and one walk, striking out three to improve to 12-7. The loss went to Danielle Archer.

Kristy McDonald (from Redford Thurston) was one of Madonna's hitting heroes, collecting two hits, including a triple, with two runs batted in and two runs scored.

Meghan Quinn also had two hits and two runs scored. Devon Fletcher added two hits and a run scored, and Stacie Wilson contributed a hit and three RBI, scoring twice. Tanya Liske,

Erika Keys, Jennifer Kruzal and Pam Kowinski each had a hit and an RBI, with Kruzal scoring twice.

In the second game, Madonna managed just five hits off winning pitcher Robin Stillwell, who did not walk a batter and struck out four. Jennifer Staup started and absorbed the defeat for the Crusaders, lasting five innings; she gave up eight runs (five earned) on eight hits and two walks, falling to 12-7.

Things started well for Madonna. Keys opened the game with a single and, with one out, scored on Vicki Malkowski's triple. McDonald followed with another triple, scoring a second run, and Kruzal then doubled to deliver a third.

But that was it, as the Crusaders managed just one more hit.

Aquinas sweep makes Madonna 13-9 in WHAC

The season continues to progress well for Madonna University's baseball team.

Madonna swept a doubleheader Saturday (April 22) from visiting Aquinas College by scores of 3-2 and 2-1 to move 10 games above .500.

The Crusaders ended the twin-bill 24-14-1, including a 13-9 record in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. The Saints (25-12-2) are 11-7.

Jason Brooks singled home the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning of the first game to make a winner of Ryan Andrzejewski (4-2), who worked the final two innings.

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Dale Hayes started and pitched a two-hitter, allowing both runs in the sixth on a home run by John Pike. He struck out four and walked three.

Derick Wolfe provided Madonna with its first run in the second inning, stroking his fourth home run of the season.

Wolfe walked with two out in the eighth, Joe Pruchnik was hit by a pitch and Brooks singled to left center.

Andrzejewski faced just six batters, striking out two.

Brooks also came through in

the second game, delivering a double down the right field line in the bottom of the sixth.

Mitch Jabczynski (4-2) went the distance, allowing one run and scattering eight hits. He limited his walks to one and struck out five.

Eric Lightle doubled in a fourth-inning run for the Crusaders to negate a 1-0 lead the Saints had taken in the top of the inning.

Neil Wildfong singled leading off the sixth for Madonna and was sacrificed to second. Wolfe was hit by a pitch, Lightle forced Wildfong and Brooks then unloaded his double.

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New gravel bed should aid trout habitat

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

In an effort to improve trout habitat on Paint Creek, the Clinton Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited has joined forces with the Clinton River Watershed Council and the Village of Lake Orion to create a gravel bed at the upper end of the creek.

Trout rely heavily on gravel, as a source for insect hatches - a main source of food - as well as for spawning activity. At the urging of TU, the project received a green light and a state grant, and there is now a new gravel bed in Paint Creek. "When we installed the bottom draw in Paint Creek (1994) it gave us cold water in the upper stretches of Paint Creek," said DNR fisheries biologist Jeff Braunscheidle, of the DNR's Livonia district office. "Now we have to improve the habitat so fish can spawn, and hopefully this project will provide for that."

The price tag for the project

was in the area of \$24,000. The DNR awarded a grant totalling \$10,000 to the project and TU came up with the rest.

The project began last week and was scheduled to be completed before Saturday's trout opener. A large sand bar was removed from the creek and replaced with gravel. Walls were also added to the bank of the creek, narrowing the stream, increasing its depth and increasing the velocity of the water flow, all of which should encourage natural reproduction.

"Paint Creek has a very good survival rate and some limited reproduction," Braunscheidle said. "We stock it to supplement that reproduction."

The DNR annually stocks 5,600 brown trout in Paint Creek. The stocking program supports a stellar fishery that is enjoyed by hundreds of anglers each spring and summer.

"Fish should start using the area immediately," Braunscheidle said. "They'll spawn in the fall and it should provide good habitat for the young fish, too."

Elk herd grows

Michigan's winter elk survey turned up 1,100 elk, up from last

winter's count of approximately 950 animals. When combined with this spring's calves, the fall herd will likely number in the area of 1,500 animals.

The state is shooting for a summer herd of some 950-1000 animals, so speculation is running high that the state Natural Resource Commission will expand the area open to hunting and increase the harvest goals for the 2000 elk season.

The DNR made a recommendation to the NRC to expand the area open to hunting to include the counties of Alpena, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmett, Montmorency, Otsego and Presque Isle. Elk have expanded their range and biologists feel there is a need to open the entire seven-county area to hunting to better manage the herd.

Hunters combined to harvest 189 elk last year between a September hunt and a December hunt.

Bear hunt applications due

State bear hunters are reminded that the application deadline to apply for a fall 2000 hunting permit is May 15.

"Bear hunters have requested an earlier registration period for

years," said Tim Reis, Michigan Department of Natural Resources bear specialist. "This will give them more time to plan for their vacations."

This year is the first of a preference point system. This year's drawing will still be a random lottery since no preference points have been awarded.

Unsuccessful applicants for the 2000 hunt will receive one preference point toward next year and hunters with the highest preference points will be given the first shot at receiving a tag. Points will accumulate until the hunter receives enough to qualify for the hunt.

Last year, a record 8,097 harvest tags were issued and hunters killed 1,707 bears statewide. The largest harvests were recorded in the Baraga (388 bears), Newberry (354), Bergland (285), Red Oak (196) and Gwinn (189) management units.

This year the DNR is issuing upwards of 9,400 kill tags compared to 8,094 that were issued for the 1999 hunt.

The DNR's harvest goal is 1,900. Last year, state hunters

tagged 1,707 black bear.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to

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PREP BASEBALL

Monday, May 1

Farm. Harrison at Canton, 4 p.m.
Salem at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Franklin Road at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 4 p.m.
N. Farmington at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2

Sfield, Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Dearborn at Churchill, 4 p.m.
W. Bloomfield at Franklin, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Canton at North Farmington, 4 p.m.
Harrison at Salem, 4 p.m.
Churchill at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Franklin vs. W.L. Central
Redford CC at DeLaSalle (2), 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

Stevenson at Redford CC, 4:30 p.m.
Macomb at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Det. Urban, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 5

Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem, 4 p.m.
Zoe Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Churchill at Harrison, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Stevenson, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

Salem at Canton (2), noon
Redford CC at Notre Dame (2), 2 p.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Monday, May 1

Canton at Harrison, 4 p.m.
Farmington at Salem, 4 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2

Sfield, Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Churchill at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
Ladywood at Marian (2), 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

North Farmington at Canton, 4 p.m.
Salem at Harrison, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Churchill, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

PCA at Oak Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Ladywood at Mercy (2), 4 p.m.

Friday, May 5

Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Harrison at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Stevenson vs. W.L. Central

Saturday, May 6

Canton Tournament, TBA

BOYS TRACK

Monday, May 1

Redford CC vs. Notre Dame at H.W. Lutheran East, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2

PCA at Country Day, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

Churchill at Canton, 3:30 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 3:30 p.m.
Salem at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

Observerland Relays at Churchill, 3:30 & 6:30 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK

Tuesday, May 2

PCA at Country Day, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Ladywood at Regina, 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

Canton at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem, 3:30 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
Farmington at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

Stevenson Invitational, 10 a.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Monday, May 1

Canton at Farm. Harrison, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem (CEP), 7 p.m.
Farmington at John Glenn, 5:30 p.m.
Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Farmington at Canton, 7 p.m.

Salem at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.

John Glenn at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Franklin at Harrison, 7 p.m.

W.L. Central at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 5

Birm. Seaholm at Canton, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

Salem at Birm. Groves, 3:30 p.m.

Churchill at Troy Athens, 12:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL

(all double-headers)

Sunday, April 30

Madonna at St. Francis (Ill.), 11 a.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Madonna at Indiana Tech, 2 p.m.

Friday, May 5

Madonna at St. Xavier (Ill.), 1 p.m.

Saturday, May 6

Madonna at St. Xavier (Ill.), 11 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL

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Madonna at Saginaw Valley, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Madonna at Hillsdale, 4 p.m.

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Summer hockey

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ble and two runs scored. The beneficiary of all these offensive fireworks was pitcher Matt Staley, who improved to 2-0. Staley went all seven innings, giving up two earned runs on eight hits and three walks, striking out six.

ferent. Canton's Brent Vasher and South Lyon's Tony Kern dueled evenly through 4 1/2 innings before the Lions got some key hits to take charge and eventually win, 4-2.

walked, putting two runners on with no one out. But Wisniewski's grounder to third was turned into a double play, dampening the rally.

The Chiefs did get one run on a double by Caid, making it 4-2, but that was as close as they could get.

Vasher went the distance and absorbed the loss to even his record at 1-1; he gave up four earned runs in six innings. Kern was the winner for South Lyon.

Despite the split, Dickey was pleased with what he saw. "I'm not happy to lose, but we didn't play that bad," he said. "We hit the ball hard. We've been hitting the ball well all year."

The Canton coach won't be nearly so accommodating in this week's games. After the Harrison showdown Monday, the Chiefs play at North Farmington Wednesday and at Livonia Frahlin Friday. On Saturday, they return home to play a double-header against campus rival Plymouth Salem.

It may, as Dickey described it, "be fun" — but it won't be easy.

Whalers -- B1

long rebound shot off Zepp's pads and fired the puck into the back of the net to make it 1-1.

It stayed that way until Williams' tally two-thirds of the way through overtime.


Plymouth killed off five two-minute penalties while the Greyhounds killed off eight of nine.

Game five was played Saturday night, beyond deadline. Results will appear in Thursday's Observer.

Oh yes — about that disclaimer. The umpires showed up an hour before the scheduled noon start, saying they had been misinformed and they had another commitment that would force them to leave by 3:30 p.m. That left two choices for Canton and South Lyon: play one game, or adopt the three-ball, two-strike format used by the Catholic League. "I don't mind it as a coach," said Dickey of 3-2 ball. "It helps our pitchers. But I don't think our hitters like it much."

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Birds don't smell? They certainly can!

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

For many years people, naturalists particularly, including myself, have taught others that birds have a poor sense of smell.

We often make this statement when people ask, "If I touch a baby bird, will the parents return to take care of it?"

Yes, they will, because they are not likely to smell your human odor. Or, the fact that great horned owls eat skunks, highly suggests that they have a really poor sense of smell.

But science is a dynamic discipline. Scientists do not have time to question each longstanding view or principle of the natural world, though when experiments suggest it, sometimes it's worth reviewing dogma.

That is what has happened in recent years. Experiments on several different species of birds have shown promise in dispelling the notion that they cannot smell. Birds should no longer be generalized as lacking a sense of olfaction, or smell.

John James Audubon probably contributed to our long held idea that birds cannot smell when he experimented with a black vulture. He hid some carrion and watched as the birds flew by the location.

Had he used a turkey vulture, like those we see flying here in southeastern Michigan, he would have had very different results. Experiments have shown that turkey vultures do find food by smelling the rotting carcass.

Dissecting bird brains also contributed to a general consensus among scientists that they cannot smell. Olfactory lobes in the brain account for only three percent of the total mass in forest dwelling

songbirds. Some birds have 37 percent of their brain functioning in olfaction.

Sea birds that spend most of their time searching for fish in the ocean have large olfactory lobes of the brain.

It has been suggested recently that they may be smelling the chemical dimethyl sulfide given off by tiny plants in the ocean. Where ever the plants are found, edible fish are found, too. Experiments have shown that seabirds can smell this chemical in controlled situations.

Birds migrating north during the next couple weeks may also be using their sense of smell. Evidence has already been obtained that shows homing pigeons use their sense of smell to help them home to a known location.

Experimental birds whose nostrils were plugged took much longer to find their way back. This suggests that migrating birds may have memorized an

odor trail that they use to help them orient as they migrate in spring and fall.

The ever present starling has also been shown to have a sense of smell. When starlings add flea-bane leaves and stems to their nests, they have fewer parasites in the nest. This helps to raise more young. Experimenters feel the only way they know which plant to add is by smelling the plants.

Experiments have also shown that birds, chickens for sure, learn to avoid distasteful insects by associating both color and taste. Many distasteful insects are brightly colored.

Birds can see colors much the way you and I see color. Once the chicken had an insect in its mouth and discovered it to be noxious, they did not eat it again.

Science is always seeking the truth, sometimes we just don't have the whole story yet.

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FLY TYING

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.

DUCK & GOOSE CALLING

The West Bloomfield Schools Community Education Department is offering a basic Duck & Goose Calling class on Mondays, beginning May 1 and lasting through May 22. The one-hour classes will be taught at Orchard Lake Middle School from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$40. Contact the West Bloomfield Schools Community Education Department at (248) 539-2290 for registration 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.

DETROIT ARCHERS OF WEST BLOOMFIELD

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.

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 information.

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 information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

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

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.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), 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 information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

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

2000 PERMITS

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.

NATURE PROGRAMS

Two nature programs will be conducted at the Nature Center of Stony Creek Metropark (near Rochester): "May Migrants" is scheduled for 8 a.m. Friday, May 12, where an interpreter will guide you in a search for warblers, vireos and flycatchers during an early morning walk. "An Adult Night Walk" follows on Saturday, May 13 at 8 p.m. Take a two-hour, two-mile leisurely walk (for adults only) through woods and meadows to learn about the sights and sounds of a spring evening. Pre-registration is required for both events. For more information or to register, contact the Nature Center at (810) 781-4621.

MOTHER'S DAY

Stony Creek Metropark near Rochester will be the site of the "Annual Mother's Day Walk-a-Mom" on Sunday, May 14 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Take mom for a walk on any of the trails. "Walk-A-Mom" certificates will be awarded, and moms receive a garden flower to plant. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call 1-800-477-7756.

BOWLING NEWS

Wayne student lauded

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

Jackie Haner started bowling at age 10 in 1992.

At that time her mom, Sandy, was working in the pro shop at Wayne Bowl, young Jackie would roll some balls down the lane until her mom was off work.

Now she is a graduating senior at Wayne Memorial High School and is heading to Eastern Michigan University with a little bit of help in the way of a \$200 scholarship award in the name of yours truly (Al Harrison).

The scholarship certificate is the 2000 Michigan State Bowling Council Journalist Award in the Professional Division, and will be awarded at their awards banquet Saturday, June 24, in Jackson.

This was an incredibly tough decision since there are so many other deserving youth bowlers.

Haner, however, was the first-ever female bowler to roll a perfect game in the Western Wayne Youth Travel Classic league last November at Cloverlanes in Livonia.

Her three game set that day was 233-300-256 for a 789 series.

The list of her other achievements goes on and on.

In the W W Y T C she was the league vice-president in 1998-99, and rolled six 700 series during the past two seasons.

She also made the girls All-City team twice in the Greater Detroit YABA Yearbook. Haner also captured the YABA girls singles the past two years and set a record high series in the State YABA Tournament (708) in 1998-99. She recently became a certified (level one) coach in the Junior

Olympics.

She also volunteers her time on Saturdays to coach the bumper bowlers at Wayne Bowl.

In her scholastics, Haner has maintained a 3.5 grade-point average and has been accepted at EMU where she'll be studying forensic pathology.

Haner plays varsity softball, both first base and catcher, and is a member of the marching band & vision drum line.

How one person can even find the time for all this and excel at everything, I do not know.

Deserving of a scholarship award in my name? Yes, and with great pride.

•Tim Weczorek, who operates the Rack Attack Pro Shop located in Thunderbird Lanes on Maple Road in Troy, has developed a radically different method of fitting a bowling ball.

He calls it the "Freestyle Bowling Grip," making an easier, more accurate and powerful shot.

Keith Chase was one of the first to try the Freestyle and he said "I never had a 700 series and within three weeks I shot 671, 702 and 745, including a 298 game."

Joe Knight said "It gives you less to think about, just throw the ball. It helped me win the Mid-States Masters (on April 2), using it to qualify for the finals, then winning again in match play."

And Al Bielawski said "It gives me a more comfortable grip and release, and a more consistent release."

Seeing all this, I had Tim drill

up one of my older balls, and I must say, the results were very positive in the short time that I have tried it.

For more information, call Tim at (248) 362-2212.

•Last Monday was the championship roll-off for the All-Star Bowlerettes at Livonia's Cloverlanes.

The first half winner, Community Bowling Centers was matched against the second-half winner, All-Star Grille.

In what turned out to be a high scoring shootout, All-Star Grille, with a lineup of Kathie Parks, Renee Palmer, Julie Wright, Cyndi Black and Carmen Allen, emerged as the champions for 1999-2000.

The Community Bowling Centers team was without the services of Aleta Sill and Marianne DiRupo, who are out on the pro tour now, while Lisa Bishop was not able to bowl for All-Star Grille for the same reason.

But that is why teams carry the extra members.

Community did have a stalwart lineup anyway with Jeanne Gebbia, Tracy Bettin, Joanne Pencola, Tamika Glenn and Tracey Wade.

In Game No. 1, Community Centers edged out All-Star Grille, 1,119-1,095. All-Star Grille came back to win Game No. 2 (1105 to 1069).

That set up a one game winner-take-all for Game No. 3. It was close until the late frames when All-Star Grille finished strong for a 1,163-1,065 victory.

Individual highlights were Parks, 266 and 246; Wade, 279-220-239; Wright, 233; Allen, 247; Black, 276.

Three proud dads, Ed Wright, Ernie Kuhn (Cathy's) and Bob Black were in the audience enjoying the performances of their bowling daughters.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

<p>Westland Bowl</p> <p>St. Mel's Men: Mark Brooks, 299-764; James Combs, 268-732; Troy Taylor, 250-729; Erik Hein, 279-704; John Kososki, 248-682; Jim Landau, 279-678.</p> <p>Monday 6:30 p.m. Men: Dave Lelo, 258-612; Mike Sosnowski, 258-590; Carl Kuehnler, Sr., 244-576; John Castlip, 242-678; Ed Grimm, 234-572.</p> <p>E/O Out to Lunch Bunch: Scott Whitehead, 259-734; Bill Pickers, 257-569; Bill Mulvan, 223; Ricky Palac, 222-622; Michele Summers, 208-542; Carol Mulvan, 202-559.</p> <p>E/O Friendship: Dennis Allison, 215-588; Mike Gank, 193; Annette Allison, 200-538.</p> <p>Thursday Nite Mixed: Dan Harrison, 247-715; Ken Forbes, 225-652; Candy Bailey, 226-586; Genevieve Forbes, 224-602; Brian Bailey, 218-584.</p> <p>Westland Champs: Sunday, Gains, 231-630; Dee Platt, 230-599; Mani Mava, 200-599; Candy Joschick, 193-552; Gail Sheridan, 191-518.</p> <p>NASCAR Trio: Lou Sabatini, 244-698; Ron Hicks, Jr., 235-629; Dan Duggan, 232-633; Bill Eisey, 224-636; Brian Duggan, 215-582.</p> <p>Town 'n' Country Lanes (Westland): Sunday Funnies: Gordie Kida, 300.</p> <p>Thursday Trio: David Myers, 300.</p> <p>Saturday Morning Teens: Greg Salkoz, 241-580; Peter Bednar, 234-629; Evan Reich, 232-652; Dan Turner, 222-589; Krista Adams, 203-547; Sheila Honevout, 203-541; Erin Davis, 200.</p> <p>WB Memorial Open: Dave Epperson, 278-695; Marc Andria, 268-718; Dave Reider, 258; Mike Chapman, 258-027; Lloyd Steed, 258.</p> <p>Garden Lanes (Garden City): St. Linus Classic: Gary Orsika, 235-243; 207-691; Dan Fraser, 204-257; 219-640; Dave M. Bazer, 209-243; 214-666; Dave R. Bazer, 238-235; 657; Rick Borges, 204-244; 204-652; Matt Dallas, 209-247-649.</p> <p>Friday Ladies Classic: Sue Simms, 233-214-214-660; Dawn Williams, 255-204-643; Carol Konopatz, 255-202-626.</p> <p>Pizza Lanes (Plymouth): Pizza Men: Dan Wilson, 240-216; 273-733; John Pae, 223-267-226; Sam Fullerton, 232-235-217; Tom Steve Seadock, 224-257-226-707.</p> <p>Waterford Men: Tom Newkirk, 300; Chuck Morris, 279-737; Steve Demeter,</p>	<p>269; Derek Verant, 257-694.</p> <p>Woodland Lanes (Livonia):</p> <p>Ford Parts: Joe O'Connell, 300-779; Brennan Moss, 279-765; Gerald Urban, 255-673; Jon King, 698; Mitch Grogan, 259-704; Dennis Weatherford, 279; Dan Chevlier, 701.</p> <p>Men's Trio: Norb Dominguez, 267-711; Dave Myers, 253-696; Eric Watson, 278; John Weiss, 258-709; Greg Wogard, 267-718; Kevin Muto, 278-717; Ryan Adams, 671; Vern Flowers, 698; Dan Filip, 677.</p> <p>Early Birds: Laura Sakala, 501; Debbie Ellsworth, 525; Gerry Brady, 506; Leslie Hunt, 510; Judy Brosch, 211.</p> <p>Guys & Dolls: Celia Maliszewski, 202.</p> <p>Livonia Elks: David Zank, 298.</p> <p>Senior House: Doug Spicer, 300-763; Bryan Goggin, 718; Rick Lepard, 737; Craig Johnson, 765; Brian Ziemba, 289-752; Dan Kurb, 290-730; David Matia, 275-721; Philip Calkins, 711.</p> <p>Grandale: Bud LeBlanc, Sr., 888.</p> <p>Swinging Seniors: Andy Bruner, 220.</p> <p>Oddballs: Mike Harris, 209.</p> <p>Merrill Bowl (Livonia):</p> <p>Strikes & Spares (Bowler of the Month): Dorothy Tarka, 264-84 pins over average; Liz Bevier, 257-85 pins o.a.; Jean Busch, 217-211.</p> <p>Senior No Tap Egg Toss: First: Bob Nelson, second: Charles Singler, third: Emma Bixton, fourth: Irene Polakowski, fifth: Bill DeStappard.</p> <p>Wednesday Toast & Coffee: Margaret McConaughy, 202; Susan Tossava, 201-550; Sue Harstad, 204; Lisa Weber, 220-203-575.</p> <p>Youth League (Gutter Dusters): Nicole Lewandowski, 167; Benjamen, 145.</p> <p>Strikes & Spares: Lindsey Hiden, 207; Dale Donahue, 206; Jason Rowe, 186.</p> <p>Pepel Pros: Tony Fort, 300; Andrew Murray, 246; Tim Bishop, 278-717; Frank Sopher, 289; Jeff Lewandowski, 266.</p> <p>Merrill Minis: Courtney McCauley, 148; Taylor Sumner, 146.</p> <p>Pin Busters: Nick Yee, 182; Rachel Ringrose, 163; Chris Schaefer, 162.</p> <p>Pin Heads: Jeff Frankel, 202; Bill Gier, 200-202; Mark Lukaski, 208-212; 200-620; Paul Borda, 199-199; Michele Turnbull, 193-192.</p> <p>Cloverlanes (Livonia): Friday Seniors: Bob Gaim, 206; Ralph</p>	<p>Pearce, 209-566; Howard Simon, 211-536; Ken McDaniel, 204-552; Tony Rye, 228-225-631; Bob Charbonneau, 238-574; Joe Newton, 204-589.</p> <p>Tuesday Seniors: Norm Kevilla, 221-598; Tony Rye, 225-213-608; Harry Burt, 206-556; Ted Sar, 207; Larry Savin, 206; Dan Ulmer, 206-569; Floyd Halstead, 256-539; John Gorsior, 227-580; Joe Newton, 232-210-205-647; George Bowman, 219-569.</p> <p>Thursday Junior House: Bryan Lakatos, 267-723; A. Hall, 264-682; Ron Blaszczyk, 269-696; Barry Lawrence, 279-685; Jeff Hogan, 257-696; Dave Looker, 266-686; Jim Florence, 256-692; Mitchell Woodward, 267-654; Brandon Teddo, 259-703; El Don Pickers, 264-726; Mike Taylor, 289-676.</p> <p>Mixed Team Event Easter Sunday (High Team): Mickey Webb, 256-692; Tamika Green, 275-725; Craig McCain, 287-765; Janna Hughes, 268-747; Lorraine Jones, 279-269-732; team total 3,701.</p> <p>Men's High Series: Gerald Johnson, 802; Mark Levy, Sr., age 75, 379-218-243-800.</p> <p>Wonderland Lanes (Livonia):</p> <p>Wonderland Classic: John Hurley, Jr., 266-726; Pat Agius, 287-724; Dennis Reisman, 712; Rick Burky, 711; Ken Baska, 269-703.</p> <p>Thursday Nite Wonders: Debbie Hoen, 274-126 pins o.a.</p> <p>No Names: Tony Leierlein, 300; Jerry Stuber, made the 710 split.</p> <p>Super Bowl (Canton):</p> <p>Youth Leagues (Thursday Bentams): Brad Merry, 149; Steven Albert, 154.</p> <p>(Prep): Andrew Land, 120.</p> <p>(Juniors Majors): Alicia Sundgaard, 204; Jon Phillips, 206-573; Brian Stack, 200; Kristine Eggertberger, 171; Clayton Laine, 176.</p> <p>Friday (Prep): Jerold Bonkowski, 205-512; Jeremy Henderson, 536.</p> <p>(Juniors): Eric Rakus, 210-519; Justin Bonkowski, 224-586.</p> <p>(Majors): Leon Walsh, 278-747; Brian Peczynski, 268-689; David Jacobs, 222-584; Todd Schemianski, 225-524; Steve Renzel, 226-632.</p> <p>Novi Bowl:</p> <p>West Side Lutheran: Ron Williams, 679; Stu Levy, 677; Lynn Lewis, 658; Jim Molnar, 658; W. 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run, giving the Yellowjackets a 5-4 lead.

"It was a tough call with a shorter fence," said CC coach John Salter, whose protest went for naught. "But that didn't lose the game for us. We had two walks to start the inning and we had an opportunity to score and didn't."

The lost opportunity came in the bottom half of the fifth inning. Williams led off with a

single but was out at third on a fielder's choice. Still, another fielder's choice and a walk left runners at second and third with two outs.

Matt Loidas struck out, but the ball got past Country Day catcher Joe McCarthy and Loidas got to first. And yet neither CC runner advanced on the play, despite Salter telling them to run, and Country Day wound up getting out of the inning.

"We messed that up," said Salter. "We should have had someone get in."

The scoring in the sixth was a far cry from the first half of the contest, when Barkholz and CC's Adam Kline didn't give up many hits but walks, hit batters, wild pitches and passed balls accounted for the scoring.

For example, CC opened the scoring in the first with Dave

Tovey leading off by being hit with a pitch, taking second on a fielder's choice and scoring on two passed balls.

The Shamrocks grabbed three more runs in the third on only two hits — the big one a two-run single by Kline, with John Hill adding an RBI single. They got the runners on base with an error and two walks, with a wild pitch thrown in for good measure. But CC also left the bases

loaded in the inning.

"Sometimes (Barkholz) starts out that way," said Orlando. "He just wasn't too fluid at the start. But once he got settled down, he got into it."

Country Day manufactured its first two runs. Jason Probert led off the fourth with a single for the Yellowjackets' first hit, took second when Barkholz was hit by a pitch, went to third on a fielder's choice and scored on a passed ball.

It was a similar situation the next inning when Brian Haveri

reached on an error, took second on a fielder's choice, got to third on another error and scored on a single by Andrew Stein.

All three pitchers — Kline, Rogowski and Barkholz — suffered from the passed ball/wild pitch syndrome, with seven in the game.

"Still, I thought (Kline) threw a good game," said Salter of his pitcher, who gave up two hits, two runs and a hit batter, with four strikeouts. "He gave us some good innings."



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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the annual election of the School District will be held in the School District on Monday, June 12, 2000.

TAKE NOTICE THAT any qualified elector of the School District who is not already a registered elector of the School District may register at the following places on the days indicated:

PLACE: For those persons living within the City of Livonia:
Livonia City Hall
33001 Five Mile Road
Livonia, MI 48152

For those persons living within the Township of Redford:
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31555 Eleven Mile Road
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DAYS AND HOURS:
Each day during the office hours until Monday, May 15, 2000, at the close of business. Persons planning to register should determine when the several municipal offices or Secretary of State branch offices will be open for registration.

A person may also register to vote at a branch office of the Secretary of State or by completing an application to register to vote while applying for a renewal operator's or chauffeur's license by mail under Section 307 of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code.

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Those persons who are duly registered to vote in this School District at said Annual Election need not re-register.

TAKE NOTICE, that there will be elected two (2) members of the Board of Education for full terms of four (4) years ending June 30, 2004.

This Notice is given by Order of the Board of Education.
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Oratorio society to sing music for the masses

The sanctuary at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth is hushed as Leonard Riccinto lifts his arms to begin the next-to-the-last rehearsal for the Plymouth Oratorio Society's spring concert Saturday, May 6.

United in song, the choir of nearly 65 voices sends a chill through an audience of one - me.

What a privilege to hear and watch the choir in action as Riccinto leads them through John Rutter's *Magnificat* with soprano Rose Keehr singing the solos. Now in its 14th season, the Plymouth Oratorio Society has built a reputation for singing masterworks. In addition to *Magnificat*, the choir will perform Handel's *Coronation Anthems No. 1 and 4*. The Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra joins them for the concert.

Joyous experience

"We want the audience to have a joyous experience with the music, to enjoy the poetry set to music," said Riccinto, now in his fifth season as

director. "I try to have a balance of styles so there's something new and refreshing, and to present the best choral literature so that we're stretching ourselves."

G.F. Handel's, *Zadok the Priest and Let Thy Hand Be Strengthened*, the first and fourth coronation anthems, were first performed in 1727 at a ceremony to crown King George II in

Spring concert: Leonard Riccinto directs the Plymouth Oratorio Society in large-scale choral works.

Westminster Abbey. The choir will perform the fourth anthem with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Sunday, May 21 at St. John Neumann Church in Canton.

"The Handel is from the Baroque period, very well known and energetic," said Riccinto. "*Magnificat* is by a living English composer. Rutter is very popular because he's so accessible. It's a very lush work and performed part in English, part in Latin but the audience will be able to understand it all because they'll be able to read along."

Accessibility

Keehr thinks Rutter's accessibility can be deceiving. She speaks from experience as the soprano reaching for the highest notes in the work.

"Rutter is deceptive for some people. Because he's so beautiful, people think it's easy," said Keehr, who's studied voice with Glenda Kirkland and Donald Hartmann at Eastern Michigan University. "But there are a lot of high notes with a quiet interlude at the end."

Choir member Donald Pratt agrees with Riccinto about the accessibility of Rutter's work though.

"The *Magnificat* is exactly like it's titled," said Pratt of Canton. "It's a beautiful piece, very approachable music. We'd done Rutter's *Requiem* and *Gloria*. You can really spot the same styles at times in both of those works. The Handel is fun to do and quite grand. I'm looking forward to doing the fourth anthem with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra May 21. We've had a busy year. We performed a concert last month with the Eastern Michigan University Choir - *Te Deum* by Bruckner. Usually we perform only

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What: The Plymouth Oratorio Society performs the music of Handel and Rutter. A free will offering will be taken (\$5 suggested donation). For information, call (734) 455-8353

When: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6

Where: First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth



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FESTIVAL SPOTLIGHTS

VERY SPECIAL PERFORMERS

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There was no doubt - Abbey Kratchke was there to have fun. The Farmington Hills singer had arrived early for a rehearsal with Fine Chimes, a musical group of young adults with a variety of special needs including developmental, physical and mental impairments.

The 15-member group, under director Patrice Morris-Weaver of Bloomfield Village, was preparing for a performance at the VSA Arts Festival Friday-Saturday, May 5-6 at Wonderland Mall in Livonia. Sponsored by the Southeast Region Committee of VSA Arts of Michigan, the festival features more than 150 performers from Birmingham, Pontiac, Farmington Hills, and Detroit. Founded by Jean Kennedy Smith in conjunction with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in 1974, VSA Arts (formerly known as Very Special Arts) provides programs in dance, music, drama, and the visual arts for persons with disabilities.

"I'm excited because my mom is going to be there," said Kratchke before the rehearsal at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Farmington Hills, "and because it's fun and I know everybody."

Having fun

According to Morris-Weaver, building socialization skills and having fun is what Fine Chimes is all about. Members increase attention spans and develop social skills such as working together as a team.

"We use the group for socialization," said Morris-Weaver, a registered music therapist with a master's degree in early childhood development. "Everyone has needs and abilities. We're thankful for the opportunity to perform in a non-threatening atmosphere like a mall. And it can heighten the awareness of persons with special needs."

This is Fine Chimes' second concert this year. They performed at the

VSA Arts Festival

What: The celebration of arts ability features more than 150 performers, an art exhibit, and hands-on activities in art, music and movement. Call FAR Conservatory (248) 646-3347 for more information

When: 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 5, and noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 6

Where: Wonderland Mall, Plymouth Road and Middlebelt, Livonia

Michigan Performing Arts Talent Show at The Community House in Birmingham the third weekend in April. At 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6, they'll play *Simple Gifts*, a Quaker hymn that tells us to be pure in heart and true to oneself, and Rimsky-Korsakov's *Sheherazade*.

"We use chimes as opposed to bells because they're easier," said Morris-Weaver. "Each student plays one note that corresponds to the chime. Some of the members lack fine motor skills. The chimes help develop range of motion. It also helps to increase eye-hand coordination, and the strength of their grasp. And they're recognizing notes and letters."

Morris-Weaver, who works as a consultant in an early childhood program for Birmingham Public Schools, founded her first chime group 13 years ago at the Farmington Training Center which has since closed. Many of the original members, who joined Fine Chimes at its inception seven years ago, remain with the group. They live in Farmington, Birmingham, West Bloomfield, Novi, Walled Lake, Warren and Franklin, and range in age from 20 to 30.

"I learn from students," said Morris-Weaver. "They give me everything I need to help them and we all grow."

Dance and song

In addition to Fine Chimes' performance, individuals members of the group will strut their stuff. Kevin Brown will dance a solo to Backstreet Boys' *The Perfect Fan*, and Amy

Somerville will play a jazz medley arranged by Bess Bonnier. Somerville, a Walled Lake resident, studied with Bonnier after receiving a grant from the Southeast Region Committee of VSA Arts of Michigan.

Fine Chimes member Karen MacDonald lives to sing for an audience. The Franklin resident will perform an Italian art song by Scarlatti (*Gia il Sole dal Gange*) and the theme song from *Titanic* (*My Heart Will Go On*). She's been singing 14 years and is proud of the eight trophies sitting on the bookshelves in her bedroom. She won all of them for singing. But they're just some of MacDonald's achievements as a singer. She sang the national anthem before a Red Wings game and after was presented with a puck as a souvenir.

"At first I got nervous, but I've been performing for so long," said MacDonald. "It was fun."

Win-win

Performers like MacDonald and the rest of the Fine Chimes make all of the hours that Connie Lott spends coordinating festival musicians and dancers worth it. Lott, a member of the Southeast Region Committee and executive director of FAR Conservatory in Birmingham, doesn't mind seeing to all the details like making sure there are enough busses with wheelchair lifts for performers.

Once a year, the committee hosts the festival to spotlight the achievements of students in VSA Arts programs including those awarded mini-grants by the Southeast Region. Their annual scholarship, named after Livonia artist Jack Olds, provides money for an individual to pursue studies in the arts.

"I help to put it on for the special artists," said Lott. "They need the opportunity to shine. It's a win-win situation because the more positive feedback they get from the audience, their families and teachers, then the better they're going to do in their life. As a parent of a young woman with special needs, I've seen the self-confi-



Light and lyrical: The Fine Chimes (top left) have fun while practicing for an upcoming performance at Wonderland Mall. Karen MacDonald (directly above) sings a song from the hit film *Titanic*. Patrice Morris-Weaver (top photo) leads the Fine Chimes as they prepare for the VSA Arts Festival.

dence, poise and social skills gained from taking music and dance. They helped my daughter at work and with social situations."

Reinhard Lemke is delighted to be hosting the festival at Wonderland Mall. He's looking forward to not only seeing performers such as the FAR Conservatory Dancers and choirs from Pontiac Public Schools but viewing artworks created by children and adults in VSA programs throughout the state. There will also be hands-on art activities for children.

"The festival perfectly fits into our goal to be an active part of the community," said Lemke, general manager of Wonderland Mall. "The Very Special Arts philosophy goes with what we believe - to include all groups of a community. It opens the eyes about the talents we have in different areas."

Incorporating arts and culture into activities at the mall is something Lemke has tried to do since assuming his position at Wonderland in December 1998. Under his leadership, the mall has hosted a fund-raiser for the Livonia Symphony Orchestra as well as performances by Livonia high school bands.

"This is something we successfully did in Germany," said Lemke, who moved to the United States from his homeland of Germany in 1998. "It recreates the past for the future. It's what made people happy when they still had their downtowns with art fairs, art markets and activities. We focus on a family-friendly environment. It's not a contradiction to be successful in business and care for people."

Chorus concert is 'Your Ticket to Broadway'



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Ticket to Broadway: Thomas Sheets rehearses with the Oakland Community College Masterworks Chorale.

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Thomas Sheets has a vision for the chorus at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. He plans to at least triple the size of the 30-member group he calls the Oakland Community College Masterworks Chorale.

Of course, it won't be in time for its performance of Broadway favorites Friday, May 5, at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington Hills.

Guest soloists Valerie Yova and David Troiano, along with chorale members, are *Your Ticket to Broadway* in this concert featuring music from *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Annie*, *Camelot* and more. Yova and chorus member Fredrick Brohn will sing a duet from *Fiddler*.

"I just love large choruses," said Sheets, who also directs the University

What: The Oakland Community College Masterworks Chorale give their spring concert, *Your Ticket to Broadway*.

When: 8 p.m. Friday, May 5

Where: First Presbyterian Church of Farmington Hills, 26165 Farmington Road at Eleven Mile Road

Tickets: Suggested donation is \$5, \$12 for a family of 4 or more. Call (248) 522-0590

Musical Society Choral Union in Ann Arbor. "Chorally speaking, bigger is better. I would just love to develop a 100-plus voice group."

Since taking over as director in January of 1999, Sheets has striven to expand the vocal talents of students in the sole choral program in the college's five-campus system. The chorus, which ranges in age from 18 to 60, draws students from several cities including Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Livonia,

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Canton, Farmington Hills, Troy, and West Bloomfield.

"It's a performance group but also a class with educational components," said Sheets. "With a group that size we can perform every choral genre."

Sheets would like to pattern the chorus after the 150-member University Musical Society Choral Union, which he's conducted the last 7 years. An un-auditioned group, the Oakland Community College Masterworks Chorus would develop musical skills that would allow it to perform as a small chamber ensemble or as a chorus capable of large works with orchestra.

Sheets, who's been involved with church music nearly 30 years, earned his Doctor of Musical Arts degree in choral music at the University of Southern California. He came to Michigan in 1993 to direct the University Musical Society Choral Union at the request of Society president Kenneth Fischer.

"I hope to develop a group that's large enough and skilled enough to perform choral music of every genre," said Sheets, who also teaches graduate choral studies at Wayne State University. "This semester we've already done a wide range of literature from Palestrina to Brahms, to Gilbert and Sullivan and gospel music. I like good music of every type. Our musical theater program features a lot of variety."

'I'm scared to death to sing in front of people. I'm excited because this is my first performance, but it'll be fun.'

Jodi Allhands
Chorus member

Chorus members have a variety of reasons for belonging to the group. This is Jodi Allhands first semester with the chorus. A Canton resident, Allhands is studying elementary education at the college. She's never sung in a choir before but thought it would help her overcome the fear of speaking before a crowd.

"I'm scared to death to sing in front of people," said Allhands. "I'm excited because this is my first performance, but it'll be fun. The chorus is great for honing presentation skills and we meet lots of different people from different countries. It's neat to talk to them."

By day, Dianne Larimer is an admissions counselor at William Tyndale College in Farmington Hills. At night, she loves to sing. Larimer had sung in choirs while a student at a high school in Jackson. Ever since, she moved to Farmington Hills, she's wanted to sing in a choir again. Her favorite selection on the program is *Neighbors' Chorus* from a French operetta by Jacques Offenbach.

"It's something I want to continue with," said Larimer. "Dr. Sheets challenges us to become better musicians not just a fun, sing-a-long group."

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Farmington Chorus

The Farmington Community Chorus celebrates its 20th anniversary with *It's A Grand Night for Singing*, to be presented 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, at Farmington High School on Shiawassee Road west of Orchard Lake Road. Tickets are \$10. Call (248) 788-5322 or visit the Web site, www.farmingtonchorus.com

Under the direction of Steven SeGraves, the chorus will perform some of its best numbers from the past 20 years. Susan Garr will provide piano and key-

board accompaniment for the chorus of over 90 members.

The Perfect Blend, a select group of 12 people, will also perform. Solos, duets and small ensembles will complete the evening's program, but watch for some very special surprises.

Plymouth Community Chorus

The 125-voice Plymouth Community Chorus will present its annual spring concert, *Touched by a Song*, 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at First Church of The Nazarene, Haggerty at Eight Mile Road in Novi. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased at Sideways, 505 Forest, Plymouth; Evola Music Center, 7170 N. Haggerty Road, Canton, or by calling (734) 455-

4080.

A variety of songs are on the program, including *You'll Never Walk Alone*, *Impossible Dream*, *Wade in the Water*, *Love Will Find A Way*, and *The Time of Your Life*.

The chorus was founded in 1973 and its members come from 25 communities in southeastern Michigan.

Schoolcraft College Community Choir

Fifty voices strong, the Schoolcraft College Community Choir will present *A Choral Offering* with small orchestral accompaniment, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church of Livonia, 30900 Six Mile Road, between Merriman and Middlebelt roads. Donations

will be accepted during intermission. For more information call (734) 462-4435.

The choir, ending its first year under new director Mark Perrine, will perform Gabriel Faure's *Requiem*, Ralph Manuel's *Alleluia*, several spirituals and a variety of choral compositions.

Celebrating its 35th season, the choir is a skilled ensemble dedicated to performing music of the masters. Offered through the Liberal Arts Department at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, the choir presents at least two major concerts each semester. Membership includes both college students and experienced singers of all ages throughout the metro area. Auditions for the group are held at the beginning of each semester.

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one concert a season."

Rehearsals for the Plymouth Oratorio Society began in January.

The choir meets the first four months of the year for an annual May performance. Lottie Resner likes the flexibility of that schedule. She'd always loved choral music but was too busy raising a family to sing with a group until she joined the Plymouth Oratorio Society 14 years ago.

"It's always been something I wanted to do since I was a young girl," said Resner, a Canton resi-

dent. "I love choral music."

Join the group

Riccinto encourages anyone interested in singing with the Plymouth Oratorio Society to join the group next January. For information, call Pratt at (734) 455-8353.

"It's open without audition," said Riccinto. "Some members are former music teachers but they come from all walks. People should not be afraid to join us if they like good choral music. If there's anything they need to know, I can teach them."

Terry Fuller joined the Plymouth Oratorio Society three years ago. He's also a member of Riccinto's *Measure for Measure*, an all male chorus which gives its annual spring concert 4 p.m.

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Terry Fuller

Plymouth Oratorio Society member

Sunday, May 14 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$12, \$8 students. call (734) 483-9336.

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ART SHOWS

BIRMINGHAM FINE ART FESTIVAL
First Fest, held 6-9 p.m. Friday, May 5, showcases some of the finest works by artists juried into the Birmingham Fine Art Festival. It takes place at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866. The festival takes place May 13-14 in Sham Park.

DOLL SHOW AND SALE
The Michigan Costumers Guild hosts this sale from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Holiday Inn, Laurel Park, Livonia (6 Mile at I-275). (248) 357-2090.

JUDAICA ART FAIR
The Sara Tugman Bais Chabad Torah Center is hosting the art fair on Sunday, May 7 at the Synagogue, 5595 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 932-3311.

SPRING ART SCOPES
The South Oakland Art Association announces its annual juried show opening reception from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, May 7. Regular exhibit hours, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. May 8-19 at the American Center Building, 27777 Franklin, Southfield. (248) 647-1886.

AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

ART ON THE GREEN
Franklin Arts Council seeks applications from artists interested in exhibiting fine arts or fine crafts at Franklin's juried show to be held Sept. 4. Send application and slides to: Franklin Arts Council, P.O. Box 250683, Franklin. Applications must be received no later than May 1. Call (248) 644-3349.

CLASSES

ART THERAPY WORKSHOP
A hands on workshop on Art Therapy and the Native American Medicine Shield is 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday, May 6 and Saturday, May 13 in 115 O'Dowd Hall, Oakland University. (248) 370-3033.

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CONCERTS

BRUNCH WITH BACH
Pianist Neil Eisenstein performs solo piano at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

CONCERT AT THE CENTRE
Presents pianist David Sylve at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9011.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS
Performs *The Soldier's Tale* and works by Jolivet and Vaughan Williams at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. (248) 362-9DCW.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
The final program of the Symphony's Volunteer Concerts *Prejudges* is at noon, Sunday, April 30 in the Main Dining Room of the Detroit Club, 712 Cass at Fort Detroit. For information or reservations call (313) 576-5154. Music from Wagner's Ring is May 5-7 at Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5100.

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC SINFONIA
The 70-member introductory orchestra for young musicians performs at Orchestra Hall at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 7. (313) 576-5100.

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS
The 20th anniversary concert is *It's a Grand Night for Singing* at 8 p.m. Friday, May 5 and Saturday, May 6 at Farmington High School.

THE FORD CHORUS
The local choir presents a concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 at Athens High School, John R. at Wattles, Troy. (810) 979-8406.

MUSICA VIVA
Love Sublime, an original adaptation of Dante's Divine Comedy is at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at Kingswood Auditorium, Cranbrook, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 851-8872.

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY
Performs Rutter and Handel at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6 at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth. (734) 455-8353.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR
A choral concert is 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia. (248) 349-8175.

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EVENTS

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JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL
JCC hosts the second annual Lenore Marwil Jewish Film Festival April 30-May 7 at the United Artists Theaters in Commerce Twp. For ticket information call (248) 661-7649.

MICHIGAN FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS
The 83rd annual convention is May 4-6 and features concerts open to the public including a harp recital at 11 a.m. and a handbell choir at 5:15 p.m. Friday, May 5. An 11:45 a.m. piano concert is planned for Saturday, May 6 along with a 1:30 p.m. choral ensemble concert at the Troy Marriott Hotel, 200 W. Big Beaver, Troy. (248) 375-9534.

TASTE OF THE NATION
Share our Strength & Taste of the Nation is 6:30 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at Somerset Collection, Troy. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased by calling (313) 923-3535, ext. 245.

FOR KIDS

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT
Beyond the Galaxy features Holst's *The Planets*, Strauss, Stravinsky and Williams at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 6 at the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. (313) 576-5111.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

ANDERSON GALLERY
Opens Friday, May 5 — Sonya Clark: Walk Talk through June 3. Opening reception is 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 5. 135 Pierce, Birmingham. (248) 593-6892.

CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY
Opens Wednesday, May 3 — John Stockwell: Contemporary Landscapes through May 29. Opening reception is 6-9 p.m. Friday, May 5. 162 North Old

through May 25. Opening reception is 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 5. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4278.

SMALL WORLD CAFE
Opens Monday, May 1 — Ocean World: Paintings by Brian Taylor through May 31 at the International Institute's cafe, 111 E. Kirby, Detroit. (313) 871-8600.

SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Opens Monday, May 1 — *Pauline Ender: Less is More* through May 30. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

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CASS CAFE
Through June — Paintings by Diana Alva and James Puntigam. 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313) 831-1400.

JOHANSON CHARLES GALLERY
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JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY
Through May 4 — Glass artist Jon Kuhn. 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

GALLERY 212
Through May 14 — *Endangered Planet*, an all media juried exhibition. 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

HABATAT GALLERIES
Through May 14 — The 28th Annual International Glass

Evergreen, Beverly Hills. (248) 646-7033.

PEWABIC POTTERY
Through June 3 — *Animals Vessels & Sculpture*. Pewabic Pottery, E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

PRINT GALLERY
Through June 2 — An exhibit of Malaysian artist Eng Tay. 29173 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 356-5454.

REVOLUTION
Through May 27 — Larry Fink. *Theater Without a Plot*. Runway, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

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Through May 30 — Paintings by Pauline Ender. 24350 Southfield, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Through April 30 — *Helping Hands: The African American Health Care Experience in Southeastern Michigan*. Residential Reflections, glass works by Donna Maskill will also be on display through April 30. 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. (248) 948-0460.

SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES GALLERY
Hot Gun Art: Artful Weapons for Peace. 33 E. Adams, Detroit. (313) 963-7575.

SYBARIS GALLERY
Through May 20 — Barbara Cooper sculptures. 202 East Third Street, Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Through April 30 — group mixed media exhibition. 510 W. Big Beaver, Troy. (248) 524-3538.

UZELAC GALLERY
Through May 12 — *Interpretations in Glass*. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 332-5257.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY
Through May 6 — Janet Keiman's *For the Love of Glass*. Through June 3 — *The Many Moods of Wooden People* by sculptor Chris Donnelly. 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

ZEITGEIST GALLERY
Through May — Altered landscapes, three Canadian perspectives. James Gordaneer, Jeremy Gordaneer and John C. Greenhage. 2661 Michigan, Detroit.

LECTURES

RON MAXWELL LECTURE
The screenwriter known for *Griffithsburg* will give a free public lecture at Cranbrook at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 5 in the DeSalle Auditorium of the Cranbrook Art Museum, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-8664.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through May 12 — The Student Degree Show 2000 featuring original work by more than 60 graduate students of the Cranbrook Academy of Art. 1225 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
On the Anniversary of its founding, April 30 at the museum, 400 W. Warren, Detroit. (313) 833-8700.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Through May 12 — *Art and the City*, a series of lectures and discussions on the history of Detroit. 1000 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

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MEADOW BROOK THEATRE
Performs *Brits Honey's Comes at the Boat* through May 14 at Oakland University. Tickets are available at the box office. 248-377-3300 or at Taylor Macklin. (248) 747-8600.

PONTIAC THEATRE IV
The musical *Amie* (Barbara's 8 p.m. May 5th, 12:13 and 2 p.m. May 11th) at the Northern High School, 101 E. Avenue, Pontiac. (248) 747-8600.



Film presentation: "The Hannukah Soldier" highlights the Jewish Community Center's second annual Lenore Marwil Jewish Film Festival April 30 through May 7 at the United Artists Theaters in Commerce Township. For ticket and schedule information, call the JCC at (248) 661-7649.

Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-3688.

FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB
Opens Sunday, April 30 — Spring exhibit through May 7 at the William Costick Activities Center, 28600 Eleven Mile, Farmington Hills.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION
Opens Tuesday, May 2 — In the Livonia Civic Center Library, the students of Clarenceville Schools present their artwork through June 1. 32777 Five Mile, Livonia in the Livonia City Hall Lobby beginning May 1 is an exhibit by Visual Arts Association of Livonia, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

MAJESTIC CAFE
Opens Thursday, May 4. Art show featuring Martin Hirshak through June 1. 4120 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-9100.

METRO POLITAN CENTER FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS
Opens Saturday, May 6. Shows and classes for children and adults. 1000 W. Wayne, Southfield. (248) 357-1100.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER
Through May 6 — *Art Awakening*. 2000 BBAC Highways, Birmingham. (248) 357-1100.

BOOKBEAT
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CARIBBEAN COLORS
Through May 21 — *Art and the City*, a series of lectures and discussions on the history of Detroit. 1000 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

THE WOODEN BIRD
Artist Steve Hanks will personalize art prints from 6-9 p.m. Friday, May 5 at the Wooden Bird in Twelve Oaks Mall, Nov., and from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, May 6 at the Wooden Mall in Lakeside Mall, Sterling Heights.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

A.C.T. GALLERY
Through May 19 — *60 Figure 35 East Grand River*, Detroit. (313) 961-4336.

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY
Through April 30 — *Harold Ritter's Suspended Expressions*. *Visions in Glass*. The gallery is on the third floor of the Margaret Library at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. (313) 983-9400.

ALLEY CULTURE
Through May 27 — *Art and the City*, a series of lectures and discussions on the history of Detroit. 1000 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

ART CORRIDOR GALLERIES
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SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY
Through May 27 — Megan Parry paintings and clothing by Gvar Shrostrree. 558 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-8250.

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY
Through May 19 — *Modernism and Post-Modernism: Russ and Art of the End of the Millennium*. 480 W. Hancock, Wayne State University. (313) 994-7613.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Through May 13 — Exhibit of paintings by Bob Nugent. Sculpture by Christine Hagerston. Group show of Sculptural Glass. 577 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3900.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY
Through April 30 — *New Photographs*. Photographs of Detroit. 1000 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

LEMBERG GALLERY
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GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Movie listings for various theaters including National Amusements, Showcase Cinemas, Star Southfield, United Artists, and others. Lists titles, times, and prices.

'June' makes good things happen

June - by Mary Sanders Smith (Lintel Publishing, 2000, \$16)

Although born and raised in Illinois Corn Belt country, June Ventler feels like an outsider. Still barren at 38 despite her 20-year marriage to Ed, a hard-working, taciturn third-generation German-American farmer, June longs for a child and the acceptance motherhood would bring.

While June's hands are busy with domestic activities, her mind is preoccupied with architectural fantasies. In scarce leisure hours, June furtively designs the "perfect house," one with "straight rectangular extensions stretching out in space."

But all her life June has been boxed in by tradition, community, and her own "obedient compliance." She quietly despairs that her dreams will ever come true: "like just hang on the horizon like summer heat-lightning that never turns into a

REVIEW

Mary Sanders Smith will sign her book at Borders Books, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, (248) 644-1515.

storm." Enter Mac McDonald, a Van Heflin look-alike, as her husband's new hired man. A sturdy, red-haired Irishman with a ready grin, he exudes sexuality and rootlessness, risk-taking and change. It is Mac who boosts June's flagging ego and encourages her to enter a competition in house design.

When she wins, June Ventler gains more than the chance to travel and learn about "organic architecture" from the master himself, Frank Lloyd Wright. Her trip becomes a catalyst for change and self discovery.

She comes to understand that she is not alone, that her ideas are shared by others and have merit. But most importantly, June discovers that human nature evolves by the same principles as a work of architecture. "Everything must flow from within and create continuity," says her mentor, "so that the outside will reflect what's within."

In some ways, the eponymous heroine of June is reminiscent of Eliza's frustrated womanhood in John Steinbeck's The Grapes of Wrath and Frances's smol-

dering eroticism in Robert James Waller's The Bridges of Madison County. But Smith's characterization suggests that women do not have to choose between despair and deception. Once June stops seeing herself primarily through the eyes of her husband and neighbors, once she harnesses her creative energy to take charge of her life, she makes good things happen.

Set in 1940 on the eve of America's involvement in World War II, Smith's novel brings to life the last days of the old farming traditions. Those were the times when neighbors and friends came together to help harvest crops, when women gathered at meetings of the Ladies Home League for gossip and mutual support, and when farm families socialized in the town square on Saturday night. Soon the combine and Roosevelt's farm programs, along with U.S. entry into the war, would forever change this way of life.

The writer A part-time resident of Grosse Pointe, Mary Sanders Smith began writing when she was 50. Now, nearing 70, she has published short stories, TV nature documentaries, and a screenplay for Running Free. Her first novel, June is a finely crafted mosaic, rich in nature imagery and sensitive characterization, architectural insights and historical reference. While embracing change, it seeks to identify what is timeless and of enduring human value.

Esther Littmann is a resident of Bloomfield Township 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 Wygonnik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-mail to kwygonnik@oe.homecomm.net.

AUTHORS TO SPEAK

Novelist Arlik Ryan will speak about her new book, The Kingsley House, at Livonia's Greenmead Historical Society, 2-7 p.m. Sunday, April 30. The real Kingsley House, built by one of Ryan's ancestors in 1843, has been preserved at Greenmead since 1977. The house will be open for tours throughout the afternoon, and Ryan will give a talk at 4 p.m. featuring a slide show and old photographs. Arlik's novel is a classic American tale that spans five generations and 150 years of small-town Michigan life. Greenmead is located at 20501 Newburgh Road. Call (248) 477-7375.

BOOK SIGNINGS

Author signings, chats, and readings from five authors will take place at 5 p.m. Monday, May 1, at Murder, Mystery & Mayhem, a mystery bookstore located at 35167 Grand River in Farmington. Jeanne M. Dams writes about two mystery characters: Dorothy Martin, a matronly amateur sleuth in England, and Hilda Johansson, a Swedish maid in the Studebaker House at the turn of the century. Dams lives in South Bend, Ind. Barbara D'Amato is well known for her Cat Marsala mysteries, featuring a Chicago investigative reporter. A native of Michigan, she now lives in Chicago. Hugh Holton is a lieutenant with the Chicago Police Department and is one of the highest ranking active police officers writing books today. His knowledge of his Chicago home and its criminal mind are evident in his Larry Cole novels. Lee Medow is a local author from Ann Arbor who writes about

Library hosts free story times

through May 8 for Livonia residents. Registration is at the children's desk in the Civic Center Library. Story times include Toddler Story times (for age 2) on Tuesdays, with session No. 1 from 9:30-10 a.m.; session No. 2 from 10:20-10:50 a.m.; Preschool Story times 10:30-11 a.m. Thursdays, ages 3 to 6; and Drop-in Story times 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays, ages 3 to 6. No registration is required for drop-in times. For registration availability or more details, call (734) 466-2493.

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 Louie Arena, (313) 983-6606. For tickets, call (248) 645-6666.

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, e-mail Stevens at stvmj@aol.com.

Look out local bands: A chance to play Van's Warped Tour is here

Van's Warped Tour 2000 features stage mail a cassette or CD and contact phone number: Van's Warped 2000 Local Stage Contest, Ritual, Inc. 316 E. Third Street, Royal Oak, Mich. 48067. The deadline for submissions

is May 3. Contest winners will be called and asked to perform May 10 at St. Andrews Hall in Detroit. A panel of judges will choose winners to play at this year's Warped Tour, July 23 at Pontiac Amphitheatre in Pontiac.

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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.

FINAL CALL

Celebrate Indian culture at the Arts of India Festival featuring dance, poetry readings, roundtable discussions, yoga lecture and demonstrations, and a dinner Friday-Saturday, May 12-13 at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

Admission is \$70 for all events, or \$25 conference, \$15 concert/dance recital (Friday), \$40 Indian buffet dinner/dance recital (Saturday). For more information or to register, call Rebekah Weber at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5641. Deadline to register is Monday, May 1.

ARTS MEETING

Three Cities Art Club meets 7 p.m. Monday, May 1 at the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. For information, call Annalee Davis at (734) 427-6524.

Bring a sample of your work. A ribbon will be awarded to the most popular painting as determined by a vote. You need not be a member to win.

May's program features Canton artist Kay Rowe who owns Village Artists Studio in Plymouth. Rowe demonstrates watercolor techniques including overlapping images and layering with transparent glazes.

IRISH MUSIC

The Detroit/Ann Arbor Grupai Ceol, which won first place in the Midwest Irish Band Competition and second in the All Ireland Competition last year, will give a concert 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6 at the Gaelic League, 2086 Michigan Avenue, Detroit.

Tickets are \$7 at the door. Proceeds will help fund the group's return to the All Ireland Competition. For more information, call Sean Gavin at (313) 537-3489.

VOCAL COMPETITION

The finals of the sixth annual Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan high school students takes place 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Italian American Cultural Center in Warren.

Tickets are \$7, \$5 seniors/high school students. Call (734) 455-



Ancient art: Dance is one of the traditions being celebrated in the Arts of India Festival at Schoolcraft College.

8895 or (810) 751-2855 for information.

Sponsored by the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan in cooperation with the Italian American Cultural Society, the competition features 10 finalists. Each will receive a cash prize ranging from \$50 to \$1,000.

ART EXHIBIT

The Garden City Fine Arts Association holds its annual spring exhibit and sale Monday-Saturday, May 8-13 at the Garden City Library, 2012 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road.

A reception and awards ceremony takes place 7 p.m. Monday, May 8 at the library. The public is invited. Meet the artists and enjoy the exhibit and refreshments.

Hours are Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Friday.

FESTIVAL FUN

Don't miss out on all the fun at the Farmington Festival of the Arts continuing through Sunday, May 7 at the Wm. Costick Center, 28600 Eleven Mile (gate four), Farmington Hills.

Farmington community arts organizations present exhibits, concerts, theater, dance, poetry readings, and hands-on activities. Events are free except for Farmington Community Chorus concert and Farmington Players production of *Kiss Me, Kate*. Hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday-Friday, April 30-May 5, until 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 6-7. For more information, call (248) 473-1816.

IMPRESSIONIST LECTURES

The Plymouth Community Arts Council hosts a lecture on the French Impressionists noon Tuesday, May 9 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth.

The brown bag lecture will be presented by a docent from the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Admission is \$3. Call (734) 416-4ART for more information.

If you miss this lecture, later in the day Hope Palmer will talk about Post-Impressionism at 7:30 p.m. in the Wm. Costick Activities Center, Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$10. Call (248) 473-1816.

Palmer, an associate professor of humanities at Oakland Community College, and art department chair at North Farmington High School will lead the audience on a journey through Paris when it sizzled in the 1880s.

SPRING ART FAIR

The 22nd Ann Arbor Spring Art Fair comes to town 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 6 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Ann Arbor. Admission is \$3.

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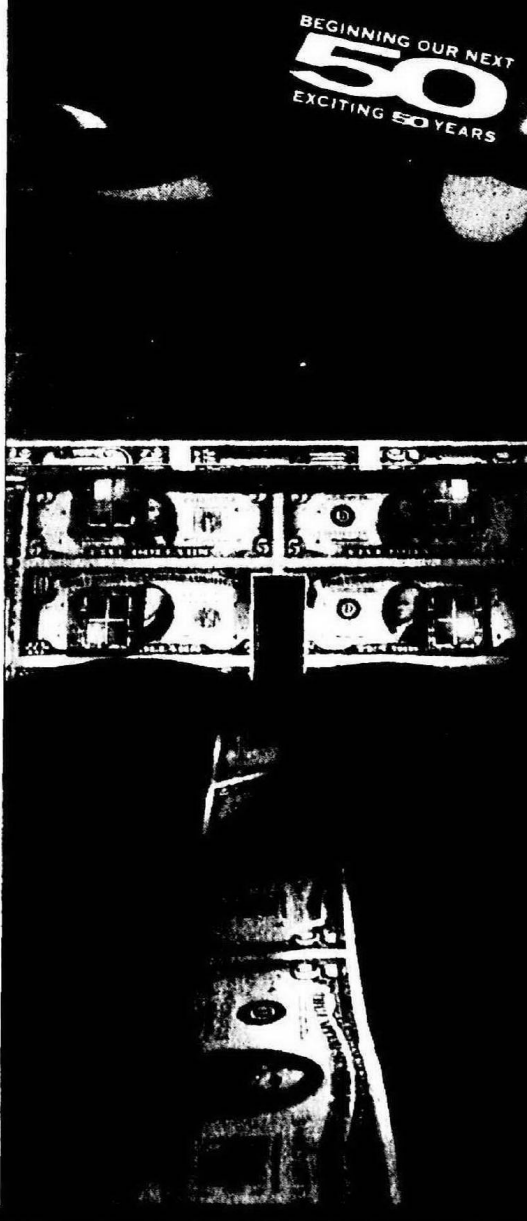
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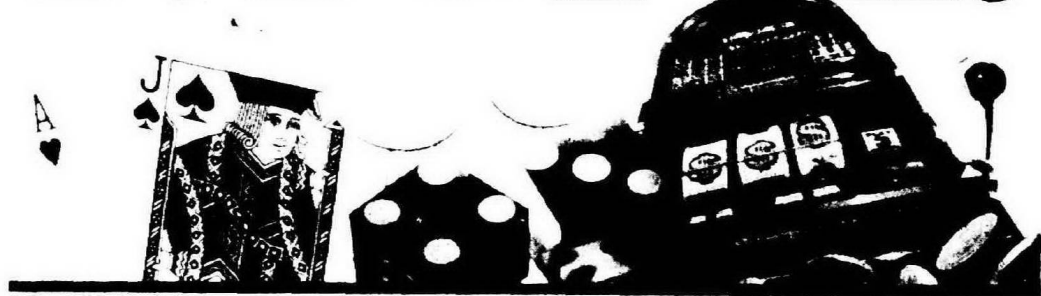
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Shopping is supposed to be fun, so enjoy it

SHOP TALK



NICOLE STAFFORD

Well, I'm taking a new job with The Eccentric Newspapers and will no longer be writing "Shop Talk."

So, I'd like to thank all the local store owners and retail professionals I've met during the last year. Your help and support has been invaluable, and it's been a pleasure

working with all of you.

I'd also like to share a few observations about shopping and the local retail scene.

Something to savor

While metropolitan Detroit may not boast the same kind of retail offerings as places like New York City and Chicago, we shouldn't underestimate our options in Oakland and Wayne counties.

In addition to having several full-service department stores, we're lucky to have a plethora of unique stores and boutiques that provide interesting merchandise and personal, one-on-one service.

Consider, too, all the venues. Downtown Birmingham is almost always hopping in terms of its retail offerings, day-to-day activity and special events. Downtown Plymouth and Rochester also hold numerous events, in addition to providing shoppers with a pleasant and quaint backdrop for window-shopping, strolling, making purchases and socializing.

And, while the Somerset Collection in Troy houses some of the most exclusive retailers in the world, other shopping centers have made room for locally-owned, niche stores, such as New England Home at Livonia's Laurel Park Place and Truth Bookstore, which specializes in African-American literature, at Southfield's Northland Center.

Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills not only puts outlet shopping in our backyard but also significantly expands our local entertainment options.

And, just about every area shopping mall and district provides us with opportunities to spend time with family. Wonderland Mall in Livonia is especially focused on sponsoring events and programs for children and families.

It's also heartening to know one of our local department store chains, Jacobson's, is based in Michigan. Thus, when we spend money at Jacobson's, we know we're supporting one of the state's major businesses, as well as the local economy.

Have a ball

Whether shopping for a new blender, a last-minute gift or a pair of summer sandals, enjoy the process.

If there's one thing that can be said about shopping, we should enjoy it. The fact is, we're spending our money.

True, shopping can be time-consuming, hard on the budget and frustrating. Often, it's nothing more or less than work. But even when it's a task, try to enjoy it.

Look around. Retailers make their stores physically appealing and pleasant for a reason: they want us to enjoy the shopping experience and return. The same holds true with shopping malls and downtown districts. From beautiful window displays to the aroma of freshly-baked cookies, take advantage of the surrounding sounds, scents

and sights.

Shopping can also be an opportunity for us to learn. When running an errand or making a return, make a point of finding out about new technology, design innovations or fashion trends.

The retail scene also tells us about ourselves. What we buy - not to mention, what retailers try to sell us - says something about who we are as individuals and as a culture. Again, look around. What do these items say about our values, needs and lifestyles?

And, while we can't buy everything we'd like to own, there's no reason we can't look - and dream.

Fits like a glove

Dressing well is easy with a custom hand



Wardrobe at work: Nancy Glass, of Nama Clothing Designs for Men in West Bloomfield, has brought numerous samples of casual shirts and sport coats to Clinton Baller's office in Franklin to help him decide which pieces he'd like to have custom-made. Glass fits and consults with her clients whenever it's convenient for them, since they often don't want or have the time to shop for clothes.

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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There's a load of information about fashion these days: countless lists of trends in magazines and on web sites; reports about which designers are being worn by which Hollywood stars; even updates on the personal lives of fashion models.

With so much superfluous information about fashion and a seemingly infinite number of retail purchase points - catalogs, cable television, the Internet and stores - one subject, the art of dressing well, seems to have fallen into the shadows.

Perhaps that's one of the reasons why more people are opting to take an entirely different route - custom clothing. And, as most shoppers know, dressing well only becomes more difficult when the fashion season is in full swing and clothing racks begin to get picked over.

While hiring someone to custom-make your clothing isn't the cheapest approach to building a stylish and useful wardrobe, it appears to be the only way to get exactly what you want in a given period of time.

And, if you don't like or have the time to shop, that's especially the case.

"It's still shopping," admits Clinton Baller, who buys his custom shirts from Nancy Glass of Nama Clothing Designs for Men in West Bloomfield. "But the thing is, the shirts ... They're way better."

Like many men, Baller doesn't like excursions to shopping malls and clothing stores. What's worse is paying for shirts year after year that don't fit and shopping for them, he said, as Glass measured him for a sport coat in his Franklin office on a weekday morning.

While Baller has broad shoulders for his size, so particularly benefits from custom shirts, he also views the service as a way to save time.

"It's very cool, if you're busy," he said. While custom shirts range \$80-150, the cost is balanced by value, said Glass. "It's the time, it's the fit, and getting the fabric and color you want - and finding it all together," she said, adding many of her clients wear their custom shirts for over three years.

Once more, Glass acts as a kind of wardrobe consultant to her male clients, dispensing advice about cut and color, as well as building up their confidence about fashion, style and dressing. "I think men are insecure about clothes," said Baller. "They need a wife or a salesperson to help them, to give them confidence, to help them try new things."

Absent his wife, Baller said he appreciates having Glass all to himself to help make selections and develop a wardrobe that suits him. "In stores, you don't tend to have that much of a relationship," he said. And, while you can forge a personal relationship with salespeople, "you don't have other customers around," when you're working with a custom clothier, he said.

The process

Glass, who often receives calls from wives in

search of help for their husbands, fits her customers wherever and whenever it's most convenient for them, so trips to clients' offices and homes are frequent.

Diana Jellinek of Vervoux Couture also travels to her clients for fittings and consultations, although her Troy studio has two ample dressing rooms and an impressive display of her designs for clients to peruse.

In general, a designer or clothier, like Jellinek, will first want to talk with a client about their lifestyle and current wardrobe needs. After, he or she will take about 20 body measurements and create a general clothing pattern. The information will be kept on file for future reference.

"It's not just the bust, waist and hips here," said Jellinek, adding that she even computes a measurement for a fish-tail, ball gown hem when taking measurements "just in case" the client wants such a dress later.

Jellinek, who studied couture in Italy and attended the Parsons School of Design in Paris, also sketches her designs for clients.

Some clothiers require minimum orders, and prices vary depending on fabric choice, garment type and the amount of workmanship in a piece. Depending on the garment and the clothier's current workload, orders require between three weeks and two months to complete.

Jellinek estimates that her orders take about one month and charges \$750 and up for a dress and \$1,400 and up for a gown.

Barbara Terry of Farmington Hills' BT Couture Design, which exclusively handles female clients and specializes in special occasion dresses, estimates the process to

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM ROFFMEYER

take between six and 12 weeks. Including fabric, her evening wear runs about \$1,000, she said.

Customers can also expect to see a prototype of a garment before it's actually made.

Perfect fit

While men typically don't like to shop, women tend to enjoy it. The problem is locating precisely the garments they need and want, and many women are frustrated by the process, said Jellinek.

"They can't find what they're looking for in a store. To find the whole combination - the right color, the right size, the right design, the right sleeve length - well, it is impossible," she said. "And, reasonably speaking, people want to enhance their wardrobe and have pieces that they can get some use of. ... Even getting the little black dress or the right red dress can be difficult. It's like waiting for a car."

That's why Jellinek primarily creates very classic, European clothing for her clients, like a black, long-sleeved gown with a side slit and interesting neck line. Such a garment, she said, flatters women of all ages and sizes, while being very elegant and sexy.

And, since all of her pieces are custom, they're made to fit the client, rather than a model. "In clothing, not only is important to gear towards a natural size, but it's also important to consider the occasion where the outfit is going to be worn," she said. "I make it look like the event is designed around the dress, designed around them."



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Couture craft: Diana Jellinek of Vervoux Couture in Troy, above, examines one of her gowns. At left, beading and a fish-tail hem render another of her gowns a one-of-a-kind piece of art.

Getting personal

Beyond saving time and promising a perfect fit, custom clothiers enable their clients to personalize their wardrobe. From small details, like buttons and beading, to larger design choices, like neck lines and pockets, the opportunities to make garments unique and individual abound.

Both Jellinek and Terry, for example, have clients that buy unusual fabric while traveling overseas.

"I think they like the attention, too," said Terry. "It's cheaper than a psychologist, and when they're done they have something pretty to wear."

It's the individual attention, like when you would go for a massage."

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

MONDAY, MAY 1

CHANEL WEEK

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a Chanel "High Summer" event featuring a special collection of the house's ready-to-wear pieces, foot wear and accessories for summer through May 6, Chanel Boutique, second floor. For more information, call (248) 614-3302.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

ESCADA RUNWAY SHOW

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents Escada's Fall/Winter 2000 Collection to benefit The Children's Charities Coalition, 11 a.m. reception, 11:30 a.m. show and noon luncheon, sec-

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

ond floor Tickets are \$50. To make reservations, call (248) 332-7173.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

READING AND SIGNING

Author Arliss Ryan reads from and signs her new book, *The Kingsley House*, at Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills, 7 p.m. For more information, call (248) 737-0110.

THURSDAY, MAY 4

BEAUTY EVENT

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, offers shoppers a signature cosmetic bag with cosmetics or fragrance purchases of \$75 or more and an ample selection of deluxe-sized gift sets as part of the retailer's national program The Beauty Event,

through May 7, first floor. For more information, call (248) 643-3300.

JEWELRY DESIGNER VISITS

Jacobson's in Rochester Hills hosts jewelry designer John Atencio and his contemporary "Elements" collection, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Fine Jewelry department. For details, call (248) 651-6000.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

MOTHER & DAUGHTER EVENT

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a breakfast and makeover event for mothers and daughters with a team of makeup artists from Trish McEvoy, 9 a.m. Cosmetics & Fragrances, first floor. To make a reservation, call (248) 614-3364.

FARMERS' MARKET OPENING

Rochester's Downtown Development Authority opens their Farmers' Market, at East Third and Water streets. After the market will be open every Saturday through the end of October, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. For additional information, call (248) 656-0060.

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Colorado's canyons provide ideal vacation

By DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Writer Kent Haruf describes Colorado's Front Range as a "faint jagged blue line low on the horizon a hundred miles farther away" in his recent best-seller, *Plainsong*.

He's talking about that first glimpse of the Rocky Mountains as you come in from the east on I-70 or I-76. The Front Range is the destination that drove Zebulon Pike and inspired *America The Beautiful*. These purple mountain majesties are what the *Rocky Mountain News* describes as Colorado's "boon and bane."

If you haven't visited the area recently, you will be amazed at the growth. The populations of about eight Livonias have moved into the Denver-Boulder area since 1980. They joke that in 20 years you will be able to walk on rooftops from Fort Collins in the north to Pueblo in the south.

Even with the population boom it's not hard to find quiet spots just moments away from the urban areas.

Take US 285 and drive to the Pine Junction turnoff, go to Deckers (it's just a single store, no gas) and turn either left or right and travel along the south fork of the Platte River. As the crow flies, you are a few minutes from Denver. But in location and in spirit you are far away, behind the first wall of the Rockies, traveling along a dirt road, the Platte roaring beside you. You pass a ranch or two, some trout fishermen, and a handful of college kids up for a picnic. At one point the road narrows; the river runs deeper because a boulder the size of a house blocks a stream. No population boom here.

It's these places that draw you to the mountains.

If you stay in Boulder to avoid the traffic and noise of Denver, it's the jumping off point for trips up one of several canyons: Coal Creek up to Nederland; Boulder Canyon where locals inner tube, hike and cool off in the spray from easy-to-reach Boulder Falls; or up South Saint Vrain Canyon or Big Thompson Canyon to Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park just

If you go

- A great source for information on Colorado is *The Colorado Guide* by Bruce Caughey and Dean Winstanley.
- Four wheeler guides like Charles Wells' *Guide to Colorado Backroads and 4-Wheel-Drive Trails* offer useful maps and sound advice. Also Peter Massey-Jeanne Wilson's *4WD Adventures-Colorado*.
- A November 1996 issue of *National Geographic* has a detailed article on the problems and the lure of Front Range communities.
- Boulder Web sites include www.ci.boulder.co.us/comm/fyi/index Also: www.m1e.com/bic.html Visitor
- The Royal Gorge train number is (888) Rails4U.
- The NORAD Web page offers many details if you wish to visit: www.cheyennemountain.af.mil/cmoc/cmocctour.htm
- *The Denver Post*, *Rocky Mountain News*, *Boulder Daily Camera* and *Colorado Springs Gazette* all run very good Web sites for detailed, up-to-date information.

beyond. Big Thompson is spectacular and famous. In 1976, 139 died and many were injured in a rain-induced flash flood. When you see the sheer rock walls and the river, you'll see how eight inches of rain produced the disaster. Now signs warn you to seek higher ground. If you look up, you'll see mountain goats, which is what you would want to be in a flood.

Boulder

Boulder often makes the "best places to live" top 10 lists. This month, *Modern Maturity* magazine called Boulder the best "clean and green" city for retirees. Home of the University of Colorado and the National Center for Atmospheric Research, as well as computer companies such as IBM, Boulder is like Ann Arbor. Two-thirds of the population holds some kind of college degree. Smaller companies such as Celestial Seasonings Tea make Boulder their home.

The city's plan for outdoor recreation should be the model for the nation. A local sales tax has allowed the city to surround itself with huge tracts of open space lands that cannot be touched by developers.

Most people living in Boulder can look out one of their windows and see the Front Range and the low Flatirons. Municipal water comes from the city-owned glacier. Downtown is easy to reach, highlighted by the tree-lined Pearl Street mall, full of shops and places to eat. Just

blocks from downtown you can hike mountain trails.

No wonder the residents have built a green enclave with open spaces, spending more than \$100 million to gain control of 30,000 acres.

North of Boulder out of Fort Collins is Cache la Poudre River, a designated Wild and Scenic River. The rocky canyon goes on for miles and miles deep into the Front Range. The Forest Service has been refurbishing the extensive string of picnic areas, turnouts, campgrounds and fishing bridges along the river. Kayakers enjoy the white water, and trout fishermen have many choice spots to cast a line.

The canyon is quiet during the week but gets busy starting Friday afternoon. Locals like the Mishiwaka Inn on the Canyon Highway at supper time, watching the river for bighorn sheep looking for fresh water.

The Poudre is the last unblocked river along the Front Range, hence the bumper stickers: "Don't Damn the Poudre." The intense force of the white water rushing along side the road for miles can best be felt if you drive slowly with the windows down.

South along the front range many people end up at Colorado Springs, drawn by Pikes Peak, the Air Force Academy and several other tourist destinations.

Some of the recent changes in this area include a new visitor center at the Garden of the Gods opened in the mid-Nineties and the end of tours at Cheyenne Mountain.



PHOTO BY DOUG JOHNSON

In the soup: Whitewater rafters tackle the Arkansas River in Colorado's Royal Gorge near Canon City.

The government used to take visitors into the mountain to see the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD), made famous in the movie "War Games."

Last April the Air Force stopped the tours; you can still hear a hour-long presentation given outside the mountain in a building nearby. "Briefings" are Fridays only; call (719) 474-2238 two months in advance. There are many rules and regulations, and you will want to review them by looking at the NORAD Web site.

Garden of the Gods

The Garden of the Gods is the neatest city park (it's owned by Colorado Springs) in America. You get a great view of Pikes Peak from the balcony of the visitors center. Another Front Range community, Canon City, is the setting for a new tourism venture launched last May. For the first time in almost 35 years, you can take a train ride into the Royal Gorge, the 1,000-foot-deep canyon of the Arkansas River.

Riding the Canon City and

Royal Gorge Railroad takes about two hours for a round-trip into the canyon, including a trip over a hanging bridge that is secured to the granite walls. The only other way to see this section of the Front Range is by raft or kayak on the churning Arkansas.

The other big draw in Canon City - besides the 13 correctional institutions - is the Royal Gorge Bridge, where you can get a view on a suspension bridge above the gorge. The bridge, aerial tram, incline railcars, restaurants and children's attractions are all part of a commercial venture, and it costs to enter the bridge area; you can walk over or go by car. The view is spectacular and perfect, but you will have to decide whether the admission charges are worth it, especially for a large family.

North of Canon City you can visit Cripple Creek, one of the towns in the mountains that offers casinos. The trip to Cripple Creek can be made several ways, including High Park Road, a normal route, or up two ominous-sounding roads: Phantom

Canyon Road, or Shelf Road. Both contain narrow sections of gravel-only surfaces. Last summer Shelf Road was closed, but it reopened this spring, according to the Canon City Chamber of Commerce office.

Check locally to see if the vehicle you are driving and your expertise behind the wheel are suitable for these roads.

That's what it is like up and down the Front Range.

Out on the plains, you'll find more people and a booming economy. A revamped Denver, with its Historic Lower Downtown Districts (LoDo) is bringing people back downtown. All Front Range cities struggle with more and more growth.

But close by - up the trails and roads and rivers and canyons - exists the other Colorado.

Doug Johnson, a Colorado native, is a retired Livonia teacher who lives with his wife in Plymouth. Their son Tom, a 1988 grad of Plymouth Salem, works as a research chemist for Amgen, a biotech firm in Boulder.

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HOME SENSE



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Table for one? Adjusting recipes for meals is easy

Eating alone? That's not unusual, many people do. Single people (young or old), men or women who work late or eat early to get to work; teenagers whose school activities keep them late at school; or young children who are too messy to eat with the rest of the family, are all reasons for eating alone.

A nice quiet meal alone may be a real pleasure for some people, but very lonely for others. Research shows that eating without the company of others may put people at risk of consuming a poor diet.

If you prepare meals for a large family, it takes planning. The same is true when cooking for one person. Plan quick, easy nutritious meals for yourself. There are many cookbooks on the market with recipes for one, two or three servings, if you do not want to adjust one of your own recipes.

Dining alone

Most recipes are planned to serve four to six people. Many recipes can be reduced to one-half to one-third to serve two people, but it is more advantageous to cut the recipe in half rather than thirds. Remember, the cooking time may need to be adjusted because of the smaller quantity.

Most cookbooks contain a page of equivalents, so the measurements are easy to figure.

When you divide a recipe, translate the amounts into equivalent measures. For example, one-third cup can be divided easily if you know that it equals five tablespoons plus one teaspoon or 16 teaspoons; half of this would be two tablespoons plus two teaspoons or eight teaspoons.

When you figure or make notes in the margins for future reference. Most cookbooks contain a page of equivalents, so the measurements are easy to figure.

Egg-stra portion

One problem in division is how do you halve an egg. You can either use a very small egg or break a large egg into a cup, beat slightly, then divide in half for your recipe. Cover the remainder and store in refrigerator for another dish. Depending on the size of the egg, one egg usually yields about four tablespoons. A little more egg than called for in the recipe will not generally do harm to the dish.

Buy carefully to avoid waste, save storage space and make small-scale cooking and serving easy. As a quick-buying guide for meat and poultry with lots of bones, you should figure one pound equals two servings. One pound of fish filets or meat with a little bone makes three servings. One pound of boneless meat will make four servings. Instead of a large beef roast, buy a thick steak, roll and tie for roasting.

Make it fresh

When you buy fresh cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli and Brussels sprouts, cut off or separate enough for one meal, cover and refrigerate the remainder to cook within a day or two. Larger size bags of frozen vegetables are excellent for one or more persons, pour out enough for one meal and return the rest to the freezer.

Leftovers can be a problem when cooking for one. Many recipes can be made in full amounts and leftovers reheated for several days. Freeze leftover meat and casseroles in individual containers for convenient cooking later. Stir a few tablespoons of sour cream into heated leftover gravy to give it new zest or use a dash of curry

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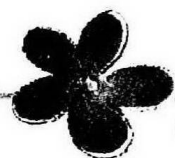
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IT'S SPRING ~

Let's party!

By Ken Abramczyk • Staff Writer



The sun shines. The tulips are bursting with yellow and pink. People walk with a little more kick in their steps. Of course, the sun stays out longer and taking the dog out is easier because you don't need that winter overcoat.

Spring has arrived. With it, so have spring parties.

You may have just celebrated Easter or Passover, but you soon face a barrage of spring activities — Mother's Day brunches, baby or wedding showers, weddings, graduations — or just plain old get-togethers with family and friends to snuff winter out for a few months.

Good riddance, too, because spring's arrival brings an entourage of spring produce from asparagus to radishes, artichokes to peas.

"The weather has turned, people have more energy and they are ready to taste fruits and vegetables," said Gail Posner, dietitian with Healthy Ways Nutrition Counseling of West Bloomfield. "Strawberries will be arriving soon, and the tomatoes start to taste better again."

Toula Patsalis, co-owner of Kitchen Glamor stores, said spring gatherings generally are more casual than the Christmas or Thanksgiving holidays.

"We want to entertain, but we want to do it healthfully," Patsalis said.

Spring gatherings not only bring the traditional baby and wedding showers or graduations, but people also entertain with children and relatives who they haven't seen in several months.

"People are more apt to have people over," said Angie Bournias, spokes-

woman for Farmer Jack supermarkets. "They want to entertain for events or even to have people over to watch a championship game on TV."

Eat your veggies

When you are preparing to entertain this spring, have a game plan. Posner recommends including healthy foods for your parties.

"Be sure to serve some fresh vegetables for people to fill up on," Posner said. "You can dress up rice and pasta by adding chopped broccoli, mushrooms or tomatoes to it."

Posner starts distributing her gazpacho recipe at this time of year because it is fat-free and made without oil.

Patsalis said party hosts who want to spend more time with guests should prepare favorite recipes that only need to be re-warmed.

"Be warned never do anything new," Patsalis said. "Test it first. You want to make sure if you reheat it, that the flavors still are appealing and it isn't a dried-up piece of meat."

If you are serving in chafing dishes and a buffet, it is important to keep the foods the right temperatures — canned fuels such as Sterno should remain lit under the chafing dishes, while cold salads should remain iced, Patsalis said.

Patsalis likes to prepare casserole dishes and salads for parties. For example, she prepared baklava weeks ago that she pulled out of the freezer for a recent gathering.

Hosts should not forget fruits on their menus. Soon new items will fill store shelves, including apricots, plums and nectarines — a break from the usual apples we've seen the past several months.

"Now that we've had a global economy, we have produce year-round, and

now we're just starting to see American produce instead of the imported," Posner said.

An important aspect of the parties is that consumers can buy food that is ready to serve, Bournias said. "It's something consumers love. They can buy a platter of vegetables and dips, platters of cheese and lunch meat, shrimp or chicken and ribs. It's wonderful."

Those trays can be bought at local supermarkets.

Don't go hungry

Whether you attend or throw a spring party (or, for that matter, at any other time of year), you should not attend the party hungry. "Eat a lunch," Posner advises as a pre-party instruction.

"Often appetizers have a lot of fat in them," Posner said. "You should have a low-fat option. Shrimp is good, because it is so low in calories. You should look out for high fat. Beware of the candy dishes and the nut dishes."

Also alternate between non-alcoholic and alcoholic drinks, starting with the non-alcoholic beverage such as Perrier or soda before imbibing.

"Alcohol for some people acts as a trigger for people not to pay attention to what they are eating," Posner said.

For Luciano DelSignore, owner of Fonte d'Amore restaurant and Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia, springtime represents a great time of year for parties, whether it is a baby or wedding shower or graduation.

"It's just the weather at this time of year," he said. "The flowers are blooming, it's getting warmer and people want to get out."

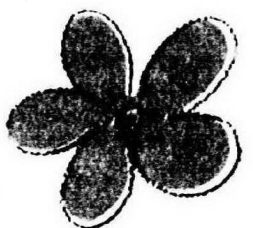
"People are happy."

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SPRING PARTY TIPS

- Be generous. There are rarely any leftovers, and abundance adds to that celebratory feeling.
- People eat more in cold weather and drink more in hot weather.
- For more guests, make more food, of course, but guests at larger parties generally consume fewer hors d'oeuvres per person.
- Dips and spreads are convenient, but finger food is more festive.
- Have nuts, pitted olives, and good cheese stocked in case you run low on other foods.
- Pass a platter or two yourself to circulate among your guests and encourage eating.
- Have a "quiet code" to signal vegetarian friends which hors d'oeuvres they can eat (Garnish those platters with watercress, for instance).
- If you expect more than 10 guests, ask a friend to assist with refills.
- Gradually increase the supply of food as the party grows during the evening.
- For long parties or large buffets, offer a small sweet (try Lemon Meringue Bites or Chocolate Caramel Diamonds).
- If you tolerate smokers, provide ashtrays and matches.

Source: Epicurious.com



AN OCCASION TO CELEBRATE

Following is a list of days you may wish to celebrate with suggested dishes:

National Teachers Day May 2

Invite your children's favorite teachers to the house for a simple, but memorable, family meal. Keep things easy with an entree, dessert and side dishes that can be prepared in advance.

Cinco de Mayo May 5

Roll out a do-it-yourself buffet featuring a taco bar, fajitas or "invent your own" wraps. Set out dishes with "all the fixin's" — namely shredded cheeses, shredded lettuce, chopped green and red peppers, fresh jalapenos, guacamole and refried beans.

Mother's Day May 14

Pull out all the stops for Mom. An early-afternoon brunch covers you for lunch and dinner, and a lavish early evening dessert buffet makes a stunning grand finale.

Armed Forces Day May 20

Do you know a veteran or any armed services personnel? Invite them over for a home-cooked meal to express your appreciation for their dedication.

Baby shower

Host a dessert buffet, a break from the traditional brunch or luncheon. It will leave you with time to enjoy the guests and everyone will enjoy the sweet treats.

Wedding shower

Couples showers are gaining in popularity. A few make-ahead salads and/or side dishes are the perfect accompaniment to a hearty casserole.

Graduation

Nothing feeds a crowd like a roast, whether it's a ham or popular beef roast. Serve as a centerpiece to a buffet with fresh breads, cheeses and condiments.

First Communion/Baptism

Pasta is a perfect party food. Celebrate with lasagna or pasta casserole and a savory Caesar or chopped salad.

Source: Sargento Foods Inc.



Warming up: (Top photo) Spring traditionally features many family gatherings that you can serve signature salads, such as Salad Nicoise, Monterey Jack and cheddar cheeses are combined with red potatoes, green beans, hard-cooked eggs, Boston or leaf lettuce, canned white albacore tuna and nicoise olives. (Photo above) If you have a brunch scheduled for Mother's Day, you can create a Cheddar Breakfast Strata for your family or guests.

Grapes are glorious in this cookbook

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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You probably knew the United States exported the most fruit in the world. During the winter months, many American markets import from Chile. As a result, fruit fills the shelves constantly at local supermarkets. But the country that was the center of a product boycott by the United

States in the late 1980s and early 1990s for its apartheid government — South Africa — has now expanded its fruit products into American supermarkets.

Since South Africans ended apartheid, South African fruit burst onto the American marketplace just like its grapes ripening on a vine.

The nation's location in the southern hemisphere lends South African produce well to the change in seasons here. While

we await for the last frost in May before planting vegetables in our gardens and hope for rain so crops will be plentiful for local farmers, South African farmers and growers are reaping crops there.

That timing assists CAPE, the largest fruit grower in South Africa, with selling grapes, pears and apples to American supermarkets like Farmer Jack and Me-

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in gravy for a new tasty treat. Herbs and spices offer a low-sodium way to season and makes ordinary food taste extraordinary.

Preparing extra is a good way to always have food "ready to go." Rice, potato or pasta can be frozen for use later. When there is a night when you are just too tired or too rushed to cook, have some homemade dinners made from leftovers ready to microwave.

If you don't enjoy eating solo, invite a friend or neighbor over at mealtime on a regular basis. Create interest in meals by using attractive placemats or trays. Choose a pleasant spot to eat, perhaps by a window. Pay attention to how the food looks

■ If you don't enjoy eating solo, invite a friend or neighbor over at mealtime on a regular basis.

on the plate. Whether you are cooking for one, two or 10, food tastes better if it looks good. Eating alone doesn't have to mean you're eating poorly.

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Versatile basil: The aromatic leaves of this healthful herb can be used with fresh and cooked vegetables, in salads, soups and breads, and for seasoning vinegars and oils. This Warm Italian Salad features basil and tomatoes, a natural mix for the herb and vegetable.

Basil sharpens vegetables

Hints of mint, anise and pepper come to mind with the sharp, refreshing flavor of basil, a favorite seasoning for Italian foods and many other ethnic cuisines. The aromatic leaves of this healthful herb can be used with fresh and cooked vegetables, in salads, in soups and breads, and for seasoning vinegars and oils.

Native to India, basil reached the Mediterranean region in ancient times. Basil inherits its name from the Greek word for king, and in France it is still known as "l'herbe royale." The warming properties of basil were prized as a remedy for coughs, sore throats and head colds.

Perhaps best known as a basic ingredient in Italian pesto, as well as the related pistou of southern France, basil combines well with garlic and olive oil. The herb has a natural affinity with tomatoes and is sensational in pepper, zucchini and eggplant dishes, as well as recipes for pasta, potatoes, beans, rice and other grains. Basil is also a popular herb in Thai cooking and is used in curries, stir-fries, fish and chicken dishes.

Tearing rather than chopping the leaves helps bring out basil's flavor. Since the aromatic basil

oil vanishes rapidly when exposed to heat, it's best to use only a little basil during cooking, then add more at the very last minute to a dish.

WARM ITALIAN SALAD

- 3 medium tomatoes, cut into thin wedges
- 1 small red onion, thinly sliced
- 1 roasted red pepper, cut into thin strips
- 10 pitted black olives, sliced
- 1/2 cup fat-free Italian dressing
- 4 whole grain rolls or 8 Italian bread slices
- 1/4 cup shredded reduced-fat mozzarella
- 1/4 cup shredded fresh basil

Preheat the broiler. In a medium bowl, combine tomatoes, onion, red pepper and olives. Add dressing; toss well to coat. Let stand for 20 minutes. Spoon tomato mixture evenly onto rolls. Place sandwiches on a baking sheet. Sprinkle with mozzarella. Broil, 4 inches from heat, until cheese melts and edges of rolls are golden, about 2 minutes. Sprinkle with basil and serve immediately.

Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

Grapes can be used for meals, salads

Here are recipes from "Glorious Grapes and Other Fabulous Fruit Recipes" by Barbara Burman. See related story on Taste front.

LIME AND HONEY-ROASTED CHICKEN WITH GRAPES

- 6 assorted chicken pieces (legs and breasts)
- Grated rind and juice of one large lime
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- Salt and pepper
- 2 cups black grapes (halved and seeded)
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon sesame seeds

Place chicken pieces in a large non-reactive bowl.

Combine lime rind, juice and garlic. Pour mixture over chicken and let marinate in refrigerator for one hour, or overnight.

Arrange chicken pieces in large shallow roasting pan or dish in a single layer. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Roast, uncovered, in a 375° F oven for 45 minutes. Remove chicken from oven and pour off pan juices. Add grapes to dish.

Combine honey and soy sauce. Spoon sauce over chicken pieces and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Return to oven, basting occasionally with sauce for 15 minutes more, or until chicken is nicely glazed. Makes 6 servings.

WARM BACON-SPINACH SALAD WITH GRAPES

- 1 large bunch spinach, washed and stemmed (8 cups packed)
- 6 slices bacon
- 1 small red onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 cup black grapes, halved and seeded
- 3/4 cup aged cheddar cheese, cut into small cubes
- Salt and black pepper

Place spinach in a large salad bowl and set aside. Cook bacon in a large skillet over medium heat until crisp. Place on paper towels to drain. When cool, crumble and reserve. Drain all but one tablespoon of bacon drippings from skillet.

Return skillet to heat and add onion and garlic. Cook, stirring, for 2 minutes or until softened. Remove from heat.

Combine oil, vinegar and mustard until smooth. Add to skillet and return to heat. Cook, stirring, until almost boiling. Immediately pour over spinach and toss.

Add grapes, reserved bacon bits and cheddar cubes. Season with salt, if necessary, and generous amount of pepper to taste. Gently toss. Divide among salad plates and serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

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jer. "It's the only way to get freshly picked grapes in the wintertime," said Barbara Burman, spokeswoman for the grower.

Grapes glorified

Burman has written "Glorious Grapes and Other Fabulous Fruit Recipes" to extol the virtues of grapes.

"Dark grapes contain a host of vitamins and minerals," Burman said. Purple and black grapes contain antioxidants, which protect humans by neutralizing cell-damaging molecules known as free radicals. Free radicals, if left unchecked, are responsible for very early cell changes that lead to diseases

such as cancer and heart disease.

Researchers are studying grapes for their flavonoids, namely proanthocyanidin, reported to be at least 20 times more potent an antioxidant than vitamins C or E, according to the cookbook.

Grapes contain vitamin C, potassium and iron.

Burman said she loves to cook, creating the cookbook after looking through her collection of recipes. "If they looked good and were easy to do, I put them in the book," Burman said.

She enjoys her Lime and Honey-Roasted Chicken with Grapes, which she calls "absolutely stupendous." The

chicken is marinated overnight in lime rind, juice and garlic, then the chicken is baked. After 45 minutes, grapes are added with a honey and soy sauce and sesame seeds, and the dish is baked for 15 more minutes.

Others include a Warm Bacon-Spinach Salad with Grapes and a Grape Creme Brulee. Burman likes the salad for lunch.

Readers who wish to purchase the cookbook can send a check for \$3.50 to cover postage and handling to Fisher Capespan at CAPE FRUIT, P.O. Box 1044, Grand Rapids, MN 55745-1044. See recipes inside.

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These recipes celebrate spring

See related story Taste front.
Toula Patsalis, co-owner of Kitchen Glamor stores with her husband Chris, likes appetizers, salads and casseroles for spring gatherings.

These recipes are from "The Joy of Greek Cooking with an American Accent"

"Salads should be prepared the day before, adding the dressing at the last minute," Patsalis said. Casseroles can be made and frozen for up to three weeks. Defrost two days before in the refrigerator and warm, in a 300° F oven for 25 to 30 minutes.

Also Gail Posner, a dietitian from Healthy Ways Nutrition Counseling in West Bloomfield, pitches in with a gazpacho recipe, which she says tastes "even better" the next day after it is prepared.

The following recipes can be used for spring entertaining or early summer gatherings:

THREE-PEPPER PASTA WITH GRATED FONTANELLA AND PARMESANO CHEESE

- 1 pound spaghetti, cooked and drained
- 1 green pepper, sliced thin lengthwise
- 1 red pepper, sliced thin lengthwise
- 1 yellow pepper, slice thin lengthwise
- 3 leeks, washed, trimmed and sliced thin
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 4 tablespoons fresh chopped basil
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Fresh ground pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon ground fennel
- 1 tablespoon oregano
- 1/4 pound imported Parmesan cheese, grated
- 1/4 pound imported Fontenella cheese, grated

In a large skillet, saute leeks over gentle heat until cooked, about five minutes. Add sliced peppers and increase heat, stirring until well incorporated. Reduce heat the medium and cook, stirring occasionally, until peppers are almost soft.

Add chopped garlic, basil, salt, pepper, fennel and oregano. Stir and cook for four minutes or so. Toss pepper mixture into spaghetti in a large pasta bowl and toss until incorporated. Mix Fontenella and Parmesan cheeses and sprinkle over top. Serve.

Recipe courtesy of Toula Patsalis.

STUFFED CABBAGE ROLLS

- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped fine

- 2 cups onion, chopped fine
- 2 pounds ground round
- 1 cup uncooked rice
- 1 12-ounce can crushed tomatoes
- 1/2 cup fresh dill
- 1 tablespoon Salt
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1 large head cabbage
- 1 teaspoon salt

In a large pan, mix olive oil and vegetable oil. Add 2 cloves of garlic and 2 cups onion, saute on medium-high heat for about 5 to 10 minutes. Add 2 pounds of ground beef, crumbled in small pieces; brown well. Add 1 cup uncooked rice and stir in.

Add 1 can crushed tomatoes, 1/2 cup fresh dill, 1 tablespoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon sugar. Mix together well, then cook over medium low heat for 20 to 25 minutes.

While filling is cooking, remove the core of the cabbage so that the leaves can be removed easily. Steam cabbage in large pot of water with 1/4 teaspoon salt. After steaming for about 10 minutes, the leaves should be ready to be removed. Cover and repeat until cabbage leaves are too small to use.

Place filling in center of cabbage leaves and shape into rolls by folding side in and rolling from bottom. Place in large pot (4 quarts) in layers then top with 1 cup tomato sauce, 1/4 cup fresh dill, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon sugar. Pour this over cabbage rolls. Shake the pot so sauce flows to bottom of it. Bring cabbage rolls to boil, then turn heat down to medium low to cook for one hour until cabbage rolls are tender. Serves 8 to 10.

Recipe courtesy of Toula Patsalis.

GAZPACHO

- 6 cups tomato juice
- 5 beef bouillon cubes, dissolved in a little water
- 2 (28-ounce) cans of tomatoes, chopped with juice
- 3 medium cucumbers, seeds removed, then cucumbers chopped
- 4 medium onions, chopped
- 8 stalks celery, chopped
- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- Red pepper sauce (to taste)
- Parmesan cheese (to garnish)

Combine all ingredients except garnish. Refrigerate for several hours. Serve with garnish on top.

Recipe courtesy of Gail Posner.

WHAT'S COOKING

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Battling Hunger - Taste of the Nation Detroit will help raise money for nonprofit organizations to battle hunger and poverty. The event is scheduled from 6-9:30 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the Somerset Collection in Troy. It features the area's 50 best restaurants, caterers and purveyors. Tickets are \$75. About 70 percent of the proceeds will go to Gleaners Community Food Bank, The Food Bank of Oakland County, Forgotten Harvest and Detroit Entrepreneurship Institute. For information or to purchase tickets call Gleaners Community Food Bank at (313) 923 3535.

Wine-Tasting benefit - Wine aficionados can taste wine and help benefit scholarship and other groups at A Toast to Canton Wine Tasting 7-9 p.m. on Friday, May 19 at the Summit on the Park. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. For information, call the Canton Chamber of Commerce at 453 4040.

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- 1 hard-cooked egg, quartered
- 6 cups packed torn Boston or leaf lettuce
- 1 1/2 cups Sargento Salad Creations with Monterey Jack and Cheddar cheeses, divided
- 1/2 cup Italian or red wine vinaigrette salad dressing, divided
- 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 1 can (6 1/2 ounce) white albacore tuna in water, drained, broken into chunks
- 12 nicoise or calamata olives

Scrub potatoes, but do not dry them. Place wet potatoes in an 8-inch square baking dish or microwave-safe casserole. Cover with vented plastic wrap. Microwave on high for 3 minutes. Add green beans to potatoes in dish; cover with vented plastic wrap. Microwave at high for 4 or 5 minutes until vegetables are tender. Transfer to sink and fill with cold water. Drain water and fill again with cold water to stop cooking and cool the vegetables. Let stand while preparing salad.

In large bowl, combine lettuce and 1 cup cheese. Combine dressing and mustard. Add 1/4 cup of the dressing to lettuce mixture; toss well. Arrange on four serving plates. Top with tuna and olives. Drain vegetables. Cut potatoes into quarters; arrange around edges of salad. Arrange green beans over salads. Chop egg and sprinkle over

salad. Top with remaining 1/2 cup cheese and drizzle remaining 1/4 cup dressing over salads. Serve with freshly ground pepper, if desired.

CHEDDAR BREAKFAST STRATA

- 6 slices whole wheat bread
- 1/2 pound bacon, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 8 ounces, fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 1 cup chopped broccoli florets
- 1 teaspoon thyme
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups milk
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 cup (4 ounces) mild cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1/2 cup (2 ounces) shredded Swiss cheese

Arrange bread in bottom of lightly greased 13-by-9 inch baking dish. Cook bacon in skillet on medium-high heat until browned, drain on paper towel. Place evenly on bread.

In same skillet, cook mushrooms about 3 minutes on medium heat; drain. Layer mushrooms over bacon. Add broccoli and sprinkle with thyme.

In medium mixing bowl, combine eggs, milk and Worcestershire sauce. Pour evenly over vegetables. Sprinkle cheeses on top. Bake at 350° F 35 to 40 minutes or until puffed and golden brown. Serves 8.

See related story and photos on Taste front. Recipes courtesy of Sargento Foods.

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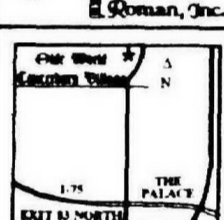


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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Restless legs

Do your legs develop a mind of their own come bedtime? Do they want to jump, jab and jive when the rest of you wants to sleep? You may have restless leg syndrome, often described as "the creepy crawlies."

The Restless Leg Syndrome Support Group will hold two meetings in May at Henry Ford OptimEyes, 35184 Central City Parkway in Westland. The first meeting, scheduled 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, will feature a video by California-based physician Dr. Vuchfuhrer. The second meeting, scheduled 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, will feature Garden City Hospital nurse Marilyn Armerage as the featured speaker.

For more information, call Jan Prentice at (734) 453-4847.

Hot flash!

There's more to getting through menopause than battling your hormones. There's humor and there's art.

Jennifer Tobin, executive director of the Plymouth Community Arts Council will discuss "Creating a Healthy Life Through the Arts" at St. Mary Hospital's Menopause Support Group, which meets 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, May 3 in the West Addition Conference Room B, Marion Women's Center, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

The group meets the first Wednesday of the month. There is no charge. For more information, call 734-655-1100.

Prostate screening

Botsford General Hospital will host a free lecture on prostate cancer 7 p.m. Monday, May 1, in the Zieger Center on the Botsford General Hospital campus, 28050 Grand River. Dr. Steven Roth, a staff urologist, will be the speaker. An interpreter of American Sign Language will be present.

The hospital will also sponsor free prostate screening from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 12. Registration for the lecture and the screen are required. For information, call Botsford's Health Development Network at (248) 477-6100.

Free MS programs and services

Local residents with multiple sclerosis can receive a wide array of free, direct support services that range from information to therapeutic equipment through the Multiple Sclerosis Association of American (MSAA) services include:

- Educational literature
- A national lending library program that exceeds 100 titles
- No-cost MRIs for people suspected of having MS
- Cool suits to help reduce symptoms
- Wheelchairs and scooters
- Support groups and programs designed to link clients together via mail, phone, or computer.

For more information, contact MSAA at 1-800 LEARN MS or access www.msaa.com

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday edition provides numerous venues for you to offer your story, information, interesting Medical Database (upcoming seminars, events), Medical Newsletters (appointments/see him in the medical field) and Medical Briefs (medical news, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

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AROMA 'THERAPY'

Olfactory study shows effects of scent on physical performance

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Attention, athletes and fitness buffs. Want to get more out of your workout or sports performance? Start with your nose!

A study sponsored by the Olfactory Research Fund, whose sponsors include several international fragrance companies — such as The Dial Corporation, Avon Products and Christian Dior Parfums — showed that scent has consistent and reliable effects on a person's mental condition during exercise.

Dr. Bryan Raudenbush, assistant professor of psychology at Wheeling Jesuit University in Wheeling, W. Va., recently completed a study on the "Effects of Odors on Objective and Subjective Measures of Physical Performance." Forty male and female undergraduates from sports teams at Wheeling were the subjects.

Participants spent 15 minutes walking on a treadmill with speed and grade increasing every three minutes. The exercise was performed four times, each time under a different odor condition. The overwhelming response? Peppermint odor was associated with lower ratings of physical workload and demand.

Participants found the exercise easier and more slow-paced with peppermint, compared to no odor or unpleasant odor. The peppermint odor also produced a significant reduction in perceptions of frustration that many of us associate with exercise.

Pene Murdoch, a nationally certified massage therapist with Healing Arts Massage Therapy Center in Plymouth, uses essential oils in her practice. Peppermint oil, besides being an anti-inflammatory, is a great "pick up" scent, she said. She uses it with clients to combat headache and fatigue.

"I sell bottles of peppermint oil and tell clients to keep it in their purse."

Smell power

As humans, we "see" the world mostly through our eyes and ears. We give little importance to the sense of smell within the dynamics of our daily lives. Yet, smells move us in profound ways — consider fresh baked bread, a roast browning in garlic and butter, a particular perfume, or the smell of a new car — and instantly memories and emotions come calling from the past.

"Eyes have a limited range of color and taste can only identify four things — sweet, sour, salt and bitter — but scent can detect more than 10,000 odors," said Murdoch. "The sense of smell is the first one to develop in the womb. Older adults who lose their sense of smell have more problems with depression."

Simply put, smells both anchor us to the present and connect us to the past. When our nose is blocked by a cold, suddenly the

whole world becomes bland.

The National Association for Holistic Aromatherapy defines the effect of inhalation of essential oils as such:

"When inhaled, essential oil component molecules enter the nasal passages where they stimulate the olfactory nerve, sending messages directly into the limbic system of the brain. The limbic system is the seat of memory, learning and emotion. The inhalation of essential oils triggers changes within the limbic system, which in turn can stimulate physiological responses with the body via the nervous, endocrine or immune systems.

"For example, if the aroma of cinnamon is reminiscent to a particular individual of traditional hot apple pie baking in the oven, an emotional response such as comfort, warmth and security may therefore accompany the inhalation of cinnamon zeylanicum essential oil. This emotional response, triggered by a mental association, creates a relaxed and comforted response from the body."

Even if we have no memory or association with the scent of certain essential oils, they can still produce a relaxed, stimulated or soothed state, according to the NAHA.

When Murdoch feared nodding off in class during her college years, she enlisted the help of rosemary oil. "I'd coat the tops of the pages I was working on, and it worked. I got great grades," she said.

Oils and emotions

In the September 1995 edition of "Advertising Age," author Pat Sloan wrote that Dr. Alan Hirsch, neurological director of the Smell & Taste Treatment & Research Foundation

Using essential oils

Bath — Fill your tub with warm water then add about 10-15 drops of essential oil. Soak at least 20 minutes for the therapeutic benefits. You can mix essential oils with sea salt then add to water. For children and the elderly, add essential oils to 1/4 cup milk before adding to tub.

Inhalants — Fill a large glass bowl with boiling water. Add five drops of essential oil. Breathe gently under a large towel. Add more drops after five minutes. This benefits sinusitis, cold, lung problems, etc. Have tissues ready!

Compresses — Add five drops of the appropriate blend of oil to a bowl of water. Soak cloth and squeeze out excess. Apply to area, such as abdomen for menstrual cramps and forehead for headache.

Massage oil — Mix two ounces of vegetable oil to 15-20 drops of essential oil, depending on odor intensity. Let your nose guide you.

Source: Sandra M. Goguen, certified therapeutic myomassologist and holistic health practitioner. She is in private practice in Richmond, Mich, (910) 727-4042.



HELEN FURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

in Chicago, discovered a link between environmental scenting and the inclination to spend money. His experiments showed that people bought more Nike shoes in a floral scented room than in an unscented room and inserted more money into scented slot machines in Las Vegas than in scent-free ones.

The Olfactory Research Fund has coined the term "aroma-ology" to refer to the collecting of systematic, scientific data under controlled conditions to establish a relationship between psychology and fragrance technology's ability to transmit through odor a variety of specific feelings — relaxation, exhilaration, sensuality, happiness and achievement.

On the other hand, the Olfactory Research Fund defines aromatherapy as a concept based on anecdotal individual case studies and folklore.

Aromatherapy prescribes the use of natural essential oils and herbs for the treatment of various mental and physical disorders. It is generally used in combination with body massage.

Murdoch uses a variety of essential oils in her massage practice. She claims that many oils, because their molecules are so small, are absorbed directly into the bloodstream through the skin.

"You can actually rub garlic on the soles of your feet and taste it a half hour later," said Murdoch.

Uses

The following are some of oils Murdoch uses for specific purposes:

- Lavender — Antidepressant, antibiotic. Helps heal burns and wounds. Induces sleep.
- Peppermint — Anti-inflammatory. Good for headaches and fatigue. Improves accuracy and alertness.

- Chamomile — Calming. Good for asthma, hay fever and nervousness. Strong scent. Murdoch mixes it with a lotion. Needs to be diluted.

- Sandalwood — Soothes people in distress or grief. Helps people keep their emotions from over-expressing. Needs to be diluted.

- Eucalyptus — Great for colds, coughs and sunburn. Combined with peppermint, "it will clear a head really fast," said Murdoch. Needs to be diluted.

- Rose — Good for people going through a divorce or break-up. Evokes feelings of comfort and love. Very expensive. Best diluted.

- Y-lang y-lang — A "high floral" scent. Associated with euphoria and considered an aphrodisiac. A little goes a long way.

- Clove — Acts as an analgesic. Best diluted.

- Geranium — Pain-reliever. Helps stomach aches and sore throats. May soothe discomfort of endometriosis.

- Rosemary — Stimulant. Helps with memory loss and depression.

- Tea tree — Medicinal, anti-fungal. Good for athletes foot, acne, toothache and sunburn.

- Citrus (orange, tangerine, lemon and grapefruit) — Improves children's moods. Keeps adult's energy levels up.

- Vanilla — Relaxing and calming. Men love it. "It evokes memories of mother. You go into the florals, and it starts to smell like a lover. Vanilla smells like the kitchen," said Murdoch.

Used topically and properly diluted, essential oils have endless applications for health, beauty and well-being, recommends the NAHA. Keep in mind, however, that no two people are affected by the same oil in the same way. And Murdoch stresses that essential oils don't cure everything that ails us, but they assist.

Contact Pene Murdoch at Healing Arts Massage Therapy, 383 Starkweather, Plymouth, (734) 542-1460.

MS oral drug study at Wayne State University

For people living with relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis, the only treatment options available today involve regular injections with a needle. The landmark Coral Study will investigate whether a new medication could change that.

The Coral Study is the first global clinical study for an oral MS therapy. It spans five continents, 18 countries and will involve 178 study sites. Researchers are seeking to recruit 1,300 participants worldwide, including 600-700 Americans.

Wayne State University, the only comprehensive research center for MS in Michigan, is one of 57 sites in the United States.

The study's purpose is to assess the efficacy, safety and tolerability of an oral formulation of COPAXONE® (glatiramer acetate for injection) in people with relapsing-remitting MS.

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Study's North American Clinical Steering Committee and director of the Multiple Sclerosis Research Group at The University of Texas-Houston Health Science Center.

Locally, the study is spearheaded by Dr. Omar Khan at the Wayne State University Health Center. He emphasized the significance of an oral MS medication in drawing into treatment many more MS patients.

"There are still thousands who are not interested in treatment because of the injections. Some people have needle phobia," he said.

The Coral Study is a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study. Participants will receive a daily dose of one of the following: 50 mg or oral glatiramer acetate, 5 mg of oral glatiramer acetate, or a matching placebo.

The Coral Study is a Phase III clinical study. Phase III studies follow years of extensive research and are often the final step before a request is made to the Food and Drug Administration for approval to market a drug.

The study will last 56 weeks, enrollment is expected to last at least six months. Teva Marion Partners along with Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., the marketers and manufacturer of COPAXONE respectively, are sponsoring the study.

People with a confirmed diagnosis of relapsing-remitting MS who are interested in participating in the Coral Study should call the Wayne State University Multiple Sclerosis Center at (313) 745-4220. They may also call toll-free 1-877-31CORAL (312-0725) for a pre-screening.

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AOL-Time Warner

Backlash is brewing about a possible merger



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There's a strong backlash brewing over the proposed deal that would have America Online buy the immense media world of Time Warner.

A growing number of consumer groups and technology firms are registering formal objections with the Federal Communications Commission, saying the planned AOL merger would harm consumers by concentrating an unprecedented amount of media power in the hands of one voice.

If the deal goes through, AOL

would dominate not just the online world through America Online, CompuServe and Netscape, but also the Cable News Network, the magazine industry, the recording industry and the broadband Internet market.

A Time Warner spokesman says the deal will be good for consumers, bringing them more convenience.

The critics say AOL is already trying to crush competitors through ruthless marketing techniques, and the proposed merger will make it all but impossible for anyone to stand in its way. Among the consumer groups objecting to the merger are the Consumers Union, the Media Access Project, the Consumer Federation of America and the Center for Media Educa-

tion.

Marketing manners

What kind of ruthless marketing does AOL do, you ask? Consider AOL's most recent software, Version 5.0.

There's hardly a day that goes by that I don't get an e-mail or telephone call from somebody complaining about the way the upgrade takes over the network settings of Windows-based PCs.

During the installation process, one of the AOL on-screen instruction boxes asks if the user wants AOL to be the user's primary Internet connection. "No" is the default choice. Clicking "Yes," however, invites AOL to move in and re-write the settings so that the computer connects to AOL whenever the user wants to browse the Web, send or receive e-mail or do any other

online activities.

At the same time, however, it disables the network configurations needed to gain access to the Internet through other service providers. Some users have 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.

Lawsuit

AOL is facing a class action lawsuit because of these and other problems. Then there's the mess at CompuServe, also owned by America Online.

CompuServe is also the object of a class action suit (www.web-access.net/~cscact/index.html) and is under investigation by officials in New York, California, and Florida for not delivering on promised \$100 to \$400 rebates promised to people who signed up for long-term CompuServe accounts when they bought new computers.

What's most amazing to me is how the Clinton Administration's Department of Justice is so seemingly indifferent to the AOL problems and the implications of the proposed merger with Time Warner.

In view of the governmental attack on Microsoft's monopoly, you'd think that Clinton's Justice Department persecutors would be all over this.

I wonder. Do you suppose one

reason why the administration has turned its back on the AOL complaints is because one of the entities AOL will soon control will be CNN? After all, there are a lot of people who think CNN stands for Clinton News Network.

Just asking. Until next week... 73 everybody.

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BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Ilitch Holdings

Scott Fisher of Plymouth has been promoted to vice president of Finance/Administration for Ilitch Holdings, Inc. This is a new position within the company.

Fisher began his career with the Detroit Red Wings in 1986 and moved to the Detroit Tigers as the club's chief accountant and administrator in 1992. He joined the holding company in 1997. In his new position, Fisher will oversee all aspects of finance for all the companies under Ilitch Holdings, which includes Little Caesars, the Detroit Red Wings and



Fisher

Olympia Entertainment.

National City

Kimberly Goethe of Canton recently joined National City as vice president and relationship manager of treasury management. She will be responsible for managing customer municipality accounts in southeast Michigan.

Goethe previously held a vice president position in treasury management at Bank One, where she was employed for 20 years. Her business office is located at the National City Center in Birmingham.



Goethe

Financial rep

The financial services firm Edward Jones has hired Penny Pennington as the new investment representative for the company's Livonia branch office. Prior to joining Edward Jones, Pennington was managing director of corporate finance with Comerica Bank. She is a member of Livonia Rotary and is a vice president of Livonia Jaycees.



Pennington

Accountants Connection

L. Travis Furlow has been named senior personnel consultant for Accountants Connection

Inc., a Livonia-based staffing service that provides temporary and permanent placement of accounting and financial professionals. He can be reached at (734) 513-7800.

Grace & Wild

Chris Bickell has joined Grace & Wild Digital Studios in Farmington Hills as Avid editor. He previously worked as an associate editor at Griot Editorial. "Since joining us, Chris has handled rough cuts for several national and regional commercials and our clients have been very pleased with his work," said Paul DeMars, commercial post-production manager.

Bickell is a graduate of the Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts and a former freelance photographer.

MORPACE International, Inc.

Charles Haffey has been promoted to vice president of finance at MORPACE International, Inc. in Farmington Hills. He has been with the company for three years and is a member of the Executive Committee. Formerly, he was president of T.P.S. Inc., a chain of retail stores based in Livonia.

Louise Kier Zirretta has been named the company's group vice president. She previously worked in the behavioral health-care industry. She recently was named to the "Who's Who of International Business Professionals" and was the keynote speaker at the Chicago Health Care Disease Management Congress.

Real Estate president

Henry C. Moses is the new president of Barry M. Klein

Real Estate, Inc. in Farmington Hills. A 13-year veteran of the commercial real estate brokerage and development company, Moses previously served as executive vice president.

Johnston Controls

Michael F. Johnston has been elected president e-business for Johnston Controls, Inc. in most recently was president, North America and Asia/Pacific for the company's Automotive Systems Group. He joined the company in 1989.

"Mike has been a great contributor to the success of Johnston Controls, and we believe his experience, leadership and energy will enable Johnston controls to lead in the E-business arena as well," said James H. Keyes, chairman and CEO.

Michigan Chamber of Commerce gets wired

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce has launched itself into the business world of the 21st century, announcing today that it has signed on as a charter member of a new national Internet network called ChamberBiz, the ultimate small business resource on the Internet.

"We're bringing Main Street to e-Street," said Michigan Chamber President & CEO Jim Barrett. "To serve our members best, we want to stay on the cutting-edge - and that means that we need to move with the rest of the business world online and do whatever we can to help keep our members on top of technology."

ChamberBiz is a small business Internet "portal" that links Chambers of Commerce from across the country.

A joint venture between the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and Telcom Ventures, the Web site is designed to draw current and future small business owners with its information services, creating the ultimate resource for small business owners and giving them greater ability to network,

find tools to meet their daily problems, and use the Internet to grow their businesses.

With more than half of all U.S. small businesses connected to the Internet, and the rest looking to do so, the Internet has fast become the most dominant, defining force in business today.

"We're excited to get this project going," said Barrett, who will lead the Michigan Chamber in the nationwide dialogue facilitated by ChamberBiz.

ChamberBiz can be accessed through the Michigan Chamber's Web site at www.michamber.com.

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce is a statewide business organization representing approximately 7,000 employers, trade associations and local chambers of commerce.

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce was established in 1959 to be an advocate for Michigan's job providers in the legislative, political and legal process.

County helps you spring into fitness

Grab your blades and bikes to celebrate National Fitness Month and "Saturday in the Park" at Wayne County's Family Fun and Fitness Day 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at Hines Park-Nankin Mills Area in Westland. Admission is free.

Families from across the county will have the opportunity to take part in various activities promoting physical fitness and good health, including: fitness walking, in-line skating lessons, bicycle inspections and new safe-

ty gear; exhibits featuring health, fitness and safety-related organizations; and lots of information about parks and recreation departments in Wayne County.

In addition, there will be live entertainment, inflatable rides for children, and a free T-shirt to the first 1,000 people.

"May is National Fitness Month, and this event was designed to offer an opportunity for our residents to learn more about the importance of how

physical fitness, health and recreation can positively impact their families," said Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara.

The event is sponsored by Wayne County Parks and Recreation, The Groove 105.1-FM, Detroit In-line Skate/Rollerblade School, Westland Parks and Recreation, Livonia Parks and Recreation, Get Active Detroit, and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Team in Training.

The Saturday in the Park pro-

gram begins May 6 and runs through Sept. 30. The program closes six miles of Hines Drive for the public of all ages to run, walk, skate or cycle safely.

The Hines Park-Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. Parking is available off of Hines Drive and can be reached even if the road is barricaded for flooding. For more information, call Wayne County Parks and Recreation at (734) 261-1990.

Valassis has plans to offer online coupon service soon

Valassis Communications, Inc. recently announced it has formed a strategic alliance with Coupons.com. Valassis will market the Coupons.com service to its packaged goods and franchise customers, offering cus-

tomers another Internet marketing tool and providing Coupons.com with expanded content. In addition, Valassis has acquired a minority interest in Coupons.com, with an option to increase the investment during

the company's next round of financing. Valassis will also utilize its proprietary two-dimensional barcode (Aztec Code) with Coupons.com to create secure,

web-based, home printed coupons.

Valassis plans to begin providing content for Coupons.com as of the third quarter of 2000.

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DISTINGUISHING ARTHRITIS FROM IT STRAIN

Physicians face a problem when treating you for a long term arthritis such as rheumatoid or osteoarthritis. Medicines abound, if one doesn't work, another beckons.

In rheumatoid arthritis, the physician's incentive for change is great as the medical literature supports bringing on medicines to therapies not presently working. It is appropriate to add Eubiel, Arava, or possibly Remicade to a maximum dose of Methotrexate if that drug alone does not suffice to control joint pain and swelling.

However, choosing a new medicine and adding more medicines brings you both expense and risk. Before your physician decides the present regimen is not enough, he must be sure that your present pain and disability comes from uncontrolled inflammation. He must ascertain that what you experience in your hands, knees or shoulders is not the residual of past arthritis.

If, as if your car engine is not performing properly, if the cause is bad gas, then you should bear the expense and upgrade your fuel. If the cause is worn out spark plugs, then the money you put into higher-octane gas is wasted.

Your physician makes his determination by asking when the joint pain is worse, what brings on the pain, and by examining the joints for the presence of fluid or x-rayable deformities.

Doctors realize that you come to the appointment with the expectation that other medicines you have heard about will now come to your aid. Often the most difficult decision he makes is how to break the news to you that these drugs will not help you.

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"My PMS is so bad,
I can't get through the day"

Do you experience
Severe PMS symptoms, such as:

- Anxiety
- Irritability
- Sadness
- Moodiness
- Bloating

It may be PMDD
(Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder)

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 MON - SAT 8 TO 11, SUNDAY 8 TO 9**

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**425 CENTER STREET, NORTHVILLE
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Hiller's reserves the right to limit all quantities of merchandise in our stores. No sales to dealers.

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U.S.D.A. CHOICE - GRAIN FED BEEF
**BLADE CUT
 CHUCK ROAST**
\$1.28
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U.S.D.A. CHOICE - GRAIN FED BEEF
**ROUND BONE, ENGLISH CUT OR
 BONELESS CENTER CUT CHUCK ROAST**
\$1.78
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**SPLIT CHICKEN
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 PER POUND
 SAVE 91¢ PER LB

STRICTLY FRESH!

**DRUMSTICKS
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88¢
 PER POUND
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 RED SOCKEYE
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STEAKS
\$5.98
 PER POUND

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SAVE \$1.00 PER LB. WITH YOUR ADVANTAGE CARD

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Idaho Potatoes
99¢
 5-LB BAG

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69¢
 16-OZ

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**Dutch Twin Fudge Sticks
 Or Assorted Sugar Wafers**
 1-LB QUARTERS OR TUBS
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2/\$5
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ONLY 1 GRAM OF FAT PER SERVING
Healthy Choice
 97% Fat Free
 10-OZ PACKAGE
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\$1.19
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20-OZ CHUNK, SLICED OR
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 YOUR CHOICE!
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