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Plymouth on ice



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Eager to see: Lillian Meister of Plymouth leads her granddaughters Erica, 2, left, and Andrea, 4, out of The Gathering after viewing some of the ice sculptures under construction Wednesday. The Ice Festival continues through Sunday in down-

Schedule of Events to noon in Central Parking ■ Celebrity Structure. Charity Carving Two-person professional Competition at team competi-5:30 p.m. in tion 2-8 p.m. in the Gathering Friday, Jan. 19 Kellogg Park. Dinner ■ Individual dance, *2001 college and high school an Ice competitions 1-Odyssey," fundraiser 6:30-11 5 p.m. in Central Parking p.m. at St. Structure. John's Conference and Goif Sunday, Jan. Center Individual professional M Amateur competition 10:30 a.m. to individual com-3:30 p.m. in petition 9 a.m. Central Parking Structure. Two-person college and high school team competitions 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Kellogg Park.

City, Teague iron out kinks



■ After working out the details of retirement and severance clauses, the city commission voted unanimously Tuesday on the contract that will make Calvin Teague the city's new top administrator,

BY BRAD KADRICH

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The applause was loud at Tuesday's sion meeting and no one was clapping harder than Paul Sin-

The Plymouth City Commission unanimously approved the contract the city will offer to Calvin Teague of Lawton, the former Van Buren County administrator who has agreed in principle to become the new city manager.

After compromising on retirement benefits and severance pay clauses, Teague accepted the offer and was introduced at Tuesday's meeting, prompting Sincock to bound out of his chair and offer it up to Teague. Sincock has been pulling double duty as the acting city manager since Dave Rich left in June.

Teague was expected to sign the con-

tract, which provides for a \$75,000 annual salary, Wednesday. He starts in his new capacity Monday.

"I'm feeling pretty good," about the contract, Teague said Tuesday. "The first thing I want to do is become familiar with the issues facing the city I gave the commission an agenda of the things I'd like to accomplish in the first six months.

City commissioners voted 4-3 at a meeting last week to offer the job to Teague, with the biggest opposition coming from Commissioner Michele Potter. There was no motion to make the vote unanimous, as had been the case with at least one previous candi-

The split vote, and some minor rumbling about eliminating the city manager form of government, caused some concern for Teague, who asked for and got — a severance clause he could

live with. The clause calls for Teague to receive three months' of pay if he is terminated in the first 12 months; and up to six

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months' pay should he last

in to six years. "I think anyone would be concerned about the split vote)," Teague said. "I'm confident if I'm given the opportunity to win the confidence of every commissioner, department head and resident, I'll be able to do that."

Teague wants to hit the ground running when he gets started Monday. He's already scheduled a staff meeting and asked Sincock to get him copies of the materials submitted for budget considerations. And he'll conference call with the city's labor attorney.

"I wouldn't say I'm an expert, but I'm pretty familiar with most of the issues," Teague said. "The key will be honest, being responsive and being inclusive.

Canton man dies in 2-car accident

BY TONY BRUSCATO

A rear-end crash involving two vans at a busy intersection in Plymouth Township resulted in the death of a 45-year-old Canton man Wednesday morning.

According to Plymouth Township police, Robert Williams was driving his 1992 Chevy Sport van southbound on Haggerty Road about 7:15 a.m. when he failed to brake, resulting in a collision at the intersection of Ann Arbor Road with a utility work van driven by Richard Karpinski, 55, also of Canton.

Police Sgt. Jim Jarvis said the impact of the crash caused both vehicles to travel across the intersection, where they came to rest on the curb lanes of eastbound Ann Arbor Road.

"It's amazing, considering the time of day, that no one else was involved

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Students get a chance to perform at in augural

By Tony Bruscato tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

The Plymouth and Canton communities will be well-represented in president-elect George Bush's inaugural parade this Saturday in Washington, D.C.

Eleven pompon students from the Canton High School Chiefettes and Salem High School Rockettes will be among the 87 members of the Mid American Pompon All Star Team to march in the parade.

"Because of the presidential recount, we weren't notified until Dec. 28 that we were selected, so we had to put together our plans quickly," said Karen Blazaitis, president of the Mid American Pompon in Farmington Hills. "We sent them pictures, a videotape of our routine, and it didn't hurt that we had been there the past two inaugurations."

The members of the all star team are selected during the Mid American Pompon summer camp at Central Michigan University. More

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New assistant fire chief 'ready'

BY SUE BUCK STAFF WRITER

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Mark Wendel thinks he's up to the challenge of being the new assistant fire chief for the Plymouth Community Fire Department.

He assumes his new position Feb. 5. After working years of 24-hour shifts, Wendel will work five days a

"It will be a challenge," Wendel said. "The guys I've worked with as a captain and shift officer have made my life a lot easier. I have a good group of guys who work for me. That's something that needs to be said that isn't said often enough. They do a terrific job out there. With the type of work we do it is absolutely imperative that we work as

Wendel replaces Al Matthews, who retired last April and now works for DisneyWorld in Florida. Matthews became assistant fire chief in 1995 when the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township Fire Departments merged.

Wendel's job description will include the additional supervision of paramedics who will perform advanced life support, known as ALS. Firefighters, who are emergency medical technicians, are training to become paramedics.

Wendel, who will be paid \$67,100, will also be responsible for training and fire inspections.

Firefighters are taking state exams



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMAN

Promoted: New assistant fire chief Mark Wendel discusses the Plymouth Community Fire Department Monday in Chief Larry Groth's office.

Jan. 24 to become paramedics. Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth hopes to begin advanced life support services in February with one

The department's 23 firefighters are divided into two ALS classes. The second group will complete their courses in August

Wendel was hired as a firefighter in July 1979. He was promoted to lieutenant in May 1994 and to captain in February 1995.

Though picking highlights from a long career can be difficult, some spe-

cific instances stand out in his mind. Fighting the 35th District courthouse fire in 1997 was his biggest challenge. "With a fire like that we used all of our skills," Wendel said.

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In 1981 he helped deliver a baby. "Walking in, a police officer was there," he said. "He scattered out of there real fast. There you go, he said.'

Finding out where firefighters' interests are and assisting them with their career interests is important to Wendel.

He finds the department's most recent purchase of infrared cameras, which detect heat, both useful and exciting.

"It's tremendous," Wendel said. "We use it constantly. You can have a light ballast that is overheating.

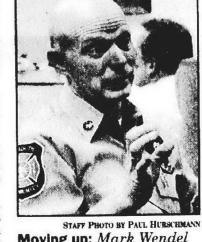
"Rather than go through an entire warehouse you can look at it through the infrared camera and get an idea which ballast is hotter than others.

"It helps pinpoint hot spots. It makes a world of difference. It's much safer for the guys going

Wendel will be married to his wife, Karen, 25 years this July. Green Oak Township residents, the couple have two children. Nicole, 22, who was recently Marines.

background. married, and Mark Jr., 20,

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Moving up: Mark Wendel is the new right-hand

man for Plymouth Fire Chief Larry Groth, who sits at his computer in the

whose goal is to join the

every Thursday and Sunday

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in the accident," said Jarvis. "There were no skid marks, so we're investigating the possibility that a medical emergency occurred before the crash.

The Plymouth Community Fire Department used the Jaws of Life to remove Williams from his

vehicle. He was transported to St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, where efforts to revive him were unsuccessful, according to police.

A St. Mary Mercy spokeswoman Karpinski was treated for minor injuries.



Morning crash: One Canton man was killed and another injured in this accident at the intersection of Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty Wednesday.

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Corrections

A story in the Jan. 14 Observer should have said the Kiwanis Club helped push the Salvation Army over its Red Kettle Campaign goal.

Our editorial in the Jan. 11 edition should have said hiring the police chief is the city manager's job, not the city commission's.

Shuttle service

Plymouth Baptist Church, located at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail (east of Lilley) wants to help make sure visitors get a chance to see the Plymouth International Ice Spectacular.

The church will provide free parking and shuttle service to the Ice Festival, and will serve hot chocolate and coffee from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat-

The Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars continues to provide all the fish you can eat on Fridays. The VFW Post sponsors its weekly fish

fries every Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. The all-you-can-eat meals cost \$7 for adults, \$5 for children under 12.

The post is located at 1426 S. Mill in Plymouth. For more information, call 459-

6700.

Bands battle

Youth Empowerment Source sponsors a Battle of the Bands Friday from 8 to 11 p.m. in the cafeteria at Plymouth Salem

Approximately a half-dozen bands will take part in the battle. Tickets cost \$3 and will be available at the door.

Symphony concert

Nan Washburn and the Plymouth Symphony principal players ring in the New Year with a chamber concert of miniature masterpieces at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road in Plymouth.

Washburn conducts a mini-orchestra of the PSO's 10 principal musicians performing smaller, intimate versions of works by Claude Debussy, Johannes Brahms and Bohuslav Martinu.

Guest artist and PSO principal bassist Andrew Lee Wolfgang Anderson adds a bit

of theater to the mix with a performance of American composer Tom Johnson's Failing: A Very Difficult Piece for Solo Bass.

Ticket holders are invited to attend an informal On-Stage "chat" with Washburn prior to the concert at 7:15 p.m. at the church.

Following the performance, audience members are welcome to attend an Afterglow reception hosted by E.G. Nick's at 500 Forest Avenue in downtown Plymouth.

Anderson's appearance is sponsored by the Plymouth Rotary Foundation.

This program is supported by a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

Admission is \$14 for adults and \$12 for seniors and college students. School age children (K-12) are admitted free of charge. Groups of 10 or more receive a 10-percent discount.

For tickets, season subscriptions or more information, contact the symphony office, 451-2112, e-mail plymouth symphony @aol.com or visit the symphony's Web site at www. plymouth symphony. org.



by Elizabeth Routson. D.V.M.



FELINE DIABETES

Diabetes mellitus is a common feline disorder. As in humans, the disease occurs when insulin is produced in insufficient amounts or when the body responds improperly to insulin. Diabetic cats will develop high blood sugar and sugar in the urine. Symptoms of diabetes may include excessive thirst, excessive urination, increased appetite, and weight loss. The disease can lead to serious complications, including liver disease, bacterial infections, or ketoacidosis – a potentially fatal including liver disease, bacterial infections, or ketoacidosis – a potentially fatal condition where fat cells break down to compensate for a lack of insulin, producing toxic substances that can make blood cells acidic. Ill or not, diabetic cats are treated insulin. Owner can help by managing the insulin treatment and monitoring the

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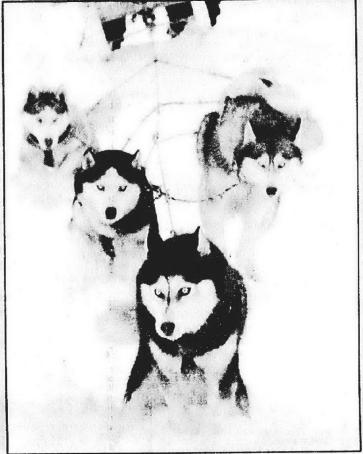
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iditared stars get a workout at West



Dog days: Whitney Bamrick of Salem Township, 13, gets a kiss from Yoda, 6, a Siberian Husky, during a presentation Thursday at West Middle School on Iditarod racing. In the photo at right, White Fang, 7, leads the pack. The dogs are owned by Dan Anderson of Tundra Outfitters in Nunica. Mich., near Grand Rapids. Anderson explained some of the history, culture and resources of Alaska, along with a show of Iditarod racing gear for eighth grade students at West. He then took the pupils outside to meet his team of racing dogs, and hooked the dogs up to a sled for a brief demonstration. Anderson said he hasn't personally participated in the famous race.





STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Bound for Washington: Pom squad members traveling to Washington, D.C., include Plymouth Salem student and Canton resident Carol Liu, left, Heather O'Malley of Livonia Stevenson, Christina Kjolhede of Farmington Harrison and Linda Karbo of Farmington Mercy.

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than 450 high school sophomores, juniors and seniors from Michigan, Illinois and Indiana competed to become part of the 200-member team.

Blazaitis said team members learn their routines from materials and a videotape sent to them, and when they get together each is expected to know what to do.

"We performed the inaugural parade routine at the Thanksgiving Day Parade in Detroit," said Blazaitis. "When we created the choreography in the summer, it was our intent to use the same routine for both so we would be ready.

For most of the all star team members, the opportunity to perform in front of the president is something they will remember

"I'm really excited," said Carol Liu, 17, a Salem High School senior from Canton, who is a **E** 'I'm really excited. It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to perform in front of the president and other dignitaries.'

Carol Liu -Salem High School senior

second-time all star. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to perform in front of the president

and other dignitaries. "It's awesome," said Lauren French, 16, a Canton High School sophomore from Plymouth Township. "Not everyone gets the opportunity to see the president. I've never done anything like this haden." thing like this b

While the Mid American Pompon All Star Team in front of President Bush,

nationally known Plymouth group will have to settle for watching on television.

"We tried to be part of the inaugural parade, but we didn't make inquiries until after Bush was declared the winner of the election," said Fred Hill about his efforts to get his famous Briefcase Drill Team in the festivities. "However, by then it was too late because they already had it put together."

Hill said he enlisted the help of several news organizations and Republican insiders, but to no avail. He finally reached the top parade organizer, but it was difficult getting him a tape in time. And besides, he'd never

heard of Hill or his troops. "We obviously weren't on his short list," said Hill. "But, he should have known we were blicans. What else would 16 white guys with blue suits and red ties be?"

■ 'A lot of people will be surprised. He will bring new ideas to Washington. Eight years of the same ideas can become stale.'

Abe Munfakh
-Plymouth Township Trustee



Trustee among group headed to inauguration

BY SUE BUCK STAFF WRITER

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First the father and now the son.

Plymouth Township resident and board member Abe Munfakh, will attend the presidential inauguration of George W. Bush Saturday.

It's a repeat visit for Munfakh, who also was invited to the inauguration of George H.W. Bush, the president-elect's father, 12 Munfakh's name was submitted to the office

of Congressman Joe Knollenberg (R-Bloomfield Hills, 11th District), who then submitted it to the inauguration committee. Munfakh and his wife, Darlene, expected to

"We received the invitation three weeks ago," Munfakh said. "We will be participating in other festivities, including the (inaugural) ball, which is a black tie affair.

take a flight to Washington, D.C., Wednesday

Munfakh predicts the Bush presidency will build coalitions between Republicans and Democrats. "A lot of people will be surprised," Munfakh. "He will bring new ideas to Washington. Eight years of the same ideas can become stale.

The Munfakhs also plan to attend receptions honoring Vice President Dick Cheney, First Lady Laura Bush and Secretary of Energy nominee Spencer Abraham.

Plymouth Township Trustee Ron Griffith,

who said he received several inaugural invitations, opted not to attend. Such invitations are typically forwarded to elected officials, Griffith said. He also serves as a precinct del-

"There will be a lot more important people there than me," he said. "Friends of the Republican Party are those who commit time and money."

Griffith will be doing his usual Saturday counseling for Crossroads, a local Episcopalian outreach program, in Detroit's Cass Corridor. Since 1979, Griffith has worked with the poor tackling a variety of needs, including medicine costs, glasses, filling out paperwork, and advocacy.

Paul Welday of Knollenberg's office in Washington, D.C., expects a contingent of about 3,200 from Michigan. "Teresa Folino is putting together a group," Welday said. There's a number of events Thursday and Friday.

Folino, a Republican, ran unsuccessfully in the 20th District state representative race and was defeated by John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township.) The district covers the Plymouths, the Northvilles and part of Livonia.

"A Celebration of Education" is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday at the Plymouth Historical Museum on Main Street. Special invitations were extended to all "Close Up" students, a government class. At noon, guests will watch the televised Presidential Swearing-in Ceremony which will be broadcast in the lower level of the museum.

Civitans set essay contest deadline

The Plymouth/Canton Civitan Citizenship Essay Contest celebrates its silver anniversary with the topic:

Holes in the System. Jerry Thompson, CEP chairman, indicates that student interest in the contest continues to grow. Participation in the competition offers students the opportunity to develop a theme concept or premise; express themselves

with originality and clarity. All high school students enrolled in any school, public or private, within the P/C School District are eligible to compete

Prizes offered are: First Place: \$300; Second Place: \$200; and Third Place: \$100. Entries are judged by a CEP panel of English and Social Studies teachers from both Canton and Salem High

Schools. Representatives of the local press will be invited to judge the essays as well. All essays must be submitted no later than 2:30 p.m. March 13 to Thompson. Additional information is available in the Canton and Salem general offices. Joe Henshaw is the Civitan coordinator (734)453-7569.



King's ideals a year-round course for park students

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER thruscato@oe.homecomm.net

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. taught us that race shouldn't deprive us of learning about each other. And, at the same time, we should strive for social justice.

For many communities, that message was brought to the forefront Monday, on the holiday commemorating King and his ideals.

However, at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, King's ideals not only have meaning on the third Monday in January, but during the course of

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the entire school year.

Students at P-CEP spent time watching a video clip Monday of King and his speeches, and had opportunities to read about hate crimes and view bulletin boards depicting different cultures. However, it's the work that is done the entire school year that brings about the true meaning in King's

According to Allie Suffety, an alternative education teacher at Canton High School, there are more than 50 languages spoken in the Plymouth-Canton community. At P-CEP, there are more than a dozen clubs, with many of them ethnic in

"The clubs aren't just for those individual groups, but for people who want to learn about those cultures," said Stephanie Chang, 17, of Canton, who is co-president of the Asian/Pacific American Association. "There are so many people here who are different and you can learn a lot about. If you can experience all the differences, you can learn to appreciate them."

"I see a definite interest in people wanting to learn about different cultures, because you can't help but be friends here with people of different cultures," said Lindsey Scalera, 17, of Canton ,who is a governing member of the Diversity Club. "It's not a question of being tolerant. It's about learning about our peers.

"At The Park, we have such a diverse student body compared to our friends in other school districts," added Scalera. "They don't have the same understanding we do, and we'll be more prepared to go out in the real world because we'll be more aware of the different cultures surrounding us. Both students have taken part in learning about

diversity, including activities sponsored by the National Conference for Community and Justice, as well as the school's own International Dinner, which brings hundreds of students, parents and community members together each year.

"I definitely see a difference they've made, and it does work," said Suffety. "Are we still dreaming the dream? Our students live the dream, and it's beautiful. "The clubs allow a large mass of students, who

are not athletically involved, or in the theater or marching band, to participate," he said. "It's such a positive way to participate and they feel attached."

Lynn Sandmann, also an alternative education teacher, said it's a fervor among the students who participate and the staff who sponsor the clubs. "It's a passion of increasing tolerance and diver-

sity," she said. "It helps make a very large campus become a little bit smaller, a little more intimate." Students and staff aren't naive enough to believe everyone at The Park, which numbers nearly 5,000 students, is tolerant of those who are differ-

"We can't make people who are prejudice understand," said Scalera. "What we can do is have the information out there and give them a way to accept all the different cultures.

David Raney of Ypsilanti, 7, from left, his sister Hallie, 9, and brother Harrison, 4, watch a group of dancers from New Liberty Baptist Church in Detroit perform an interpretive dance during a special Service of Racial Unity at Geneva Presbyterian in Canton Monday in celebration of the Martin Luther King

Jr. Holiday. The three are members of the Greater Faith Assembly of Ply-

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Fire department takes on responsibility for compliance with law on abandoning newborns

BY SUE BUCK STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community Fire Department has the additional duty of developing policy and compliance with the new Safe Delivery for Newborns law

which took effect Jan. 1, accord-

ing to Chief Larry Groth. The legislation was passed in response to a concern about the number of newborn infants being abandoned in unsafe places by their parents, according to information from Douglas Howard, director of the Family

Independence Agency. The law affects emergency service providers - those individuals who are uniformed or an otherwise identified employee of a fire department, hospital or police station who are inside the building and on duty.

These providers will be implementing standard operating guidelines.

"That's opposed to dumping the child in a Dumpster or somebody's front porch or leaving it in a car," said Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth. "We just put on another hat. It's probably not a bad law. It (child abandonment) has never happened out here and I hope it

Some young, unwed mothers feel they can't go home and tell their parents what happened, Groth said. Some may face a beating, he said.

"With the way society is today, there's so much of that going on," Groth said. "It happens to girls going to public schools, private schools, parochial schools.

If they drop the baby off here, we will take it to a medical facil-

The law stipulates a baby needs to be dropped off at a manned facility. "A volunteer fire department wouldn't work because there isn't anybody there to drop that baby off to," Groth said.

The current profile of a parent most likely to abandon a newborn is a teen or young adult who is in compete denial of the pregnancy and who reacts out of fear and panic, Howard said in FIA guidelines.

Some points to consider: ■ Either parent can drop off an unwanted newborn and remain anonymous. The surrendering parent has the choice to leave the infant without giving any identifying information about them to the emergency service provider.

■ The provider will give whatever care necessary upon accepting the infant.

■ The fire department cannot transfer temporary protective custody of the newborn to the ambulance crew, but must accompany the child to the hospital and transfer temporary protective custody to the hospital, according to the law.

■ Temporary physical custody will be given to a private adoption agency for placement with an approved adoptive family following an examination at a hos-

■ There's a voluntary medical background form for a newborn. Emergency personnel are

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Larry Groth
—Fire Chief

encouraged to obtain the child's family medical history for the future health of the child.

By surrendering the newborn, the parent is releasing the child for adoption. The childplacing agency can provide confidential services. The parent may remain completely anonymous but will be asked if he or she is willing to identify themselves.

The parent can remain anonymous and still provide family and medical background that the child may need in the future.

■ The parent has 28 days to petition the court to regain custody of the child. After the 28day period to petition for custody elapses, their will be a hearing to terminate parental rights. There will be a public notice of the hearing however the notice will not contain the parent's

Any information the parent is willing to provide to an emergency service provider will not be made public.

For information about resources for counseling, medical services and adoption options, parents can call the toll-free Safe Delivery Hotline at 1-866School hours change Beginning Monday, Jan. 22, there will be a five minut

the start and end times for all Plymouth-Canton middle schools. The new start time will be 8 a.m., with the new dismissal time

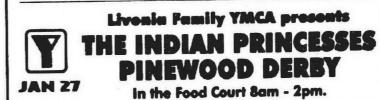
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While it's only five minutes, the new start times will give students more time at the end of the day to get to the buses," said Lon Rutkofske, director of secondary education services. "It will also address some of the supervision, safety and busing concerns that have arisen during the first semester.





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The Air Force is offering an additional bonus for people enlisting into select career fields, and reporting for active duty between now and Jan. 31.

The bonus is in addition to any standard enlistment bonus currently offered for those career fields. Six-year enlistment bonuses for the Combat Control and Pararescue career fields, currently at \$12,000, will also offer a \$5,000 "kicker". Other additional bonuses range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 depending on career field chosen and term of enlistment.

"This is a wonderful management tool for our recruiters out in the field," said Brigadier General Duane Deal, Air Force Recruiting Service commander. "It not only offers an additional monetary incentive for young people seeking an Air Force opportunity, but it also balances our training class seats available throughout the year."

The Air Force has opportunities in nearly 200 career fields, with special emphasis this year in mechanical and technical career fields, as well as officer

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POLICE BLOTTER

Plymouth Township Police arrested a Haggerty Road resident who said he unintentionally discharged a 12-gauge shotgun.

The arrest came shortly after midnight

Police are investigating the incident, which occurred near Ann Arbor Trail, following a call from a neighbor.

The man said he accidentally discharged the shotgun when he picked it up to move it from one room to another

He explained his cousin left the gun in his child's bedroom.

No further explanation was presented in the police report.

The blast went through a southside window, police said. His neighbor's gutter was damaged from flying buckshot.

When police arrived, the man was on his front porch talking on the phone to his wife.

Break-in

The manager of Victory Lane on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township said someone broke in sometime between 12:30 p.m. Jan. 13 and 8:30 p.m. Jan. 14 but took

He said he found the corner window shattered and broken out, though the building was intact before he left.

Footprints and glass were found in front of the building.

The alarm company told the manager the alarm was tripped about 3 a.m. The alarm company never notified the Plymouth Township police department.

The manager said he found all the doors locked when he arrived at the business. Police investigators found no glass inside

the building and determined the window was broken out from the inside.

Assault and battery

Police arrested a former Media One employee who slapped and hit his boss with a plastic cup at the Beck Road location around 3 p.m. Jan. 12. The arrest was made during a traffic stop on Beck south of Clip-

Described as MediaOne in the police report, the company was recently acquired by Comcast but continues to use the MediaOne name on buildings and trucks, according to a company official.

Police were called to the location on a report that a terminated employee hit his manager and left the building.

The former employee told police he was angry he was fired so he threw a plastic cup towards the wall, threw a punch, but did not

make contact with his supervisor

Witnesses observed the incident, the report said. They saw him throw and break a desk clock and window blinds. He also broke a computer monitor which he threw to the ground, they said.

Irate customer

An angry customer called MediaOne on Beck Jan. 5 and complained about cable ser-

He demanded service immediately. Though he was told a technician would be out the next day the customer said it wasn't

He threatened to take a hand grenade and blow up the MediaOne office on 11 Mile in Southfield.

A man complained someone took his son's hockey bag containing about \$900 in hockey equipment from the Compuware Sports Arena on Beck Road

They left the bag in the lobby while waiting to go into the inside restaurant. They periodically walked back into the lobby to check to see if it was still there while waiting in line.

The final check revealed the bag containing skates, pads, etc., was gone.

OBITUARIES

JOHN CLOSE

Services for John Close, 68, of Plymouth, were held Jan. 13 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Mr. Close was born Sept. 2, 1932 in Detroit and died Jan. 10 in Ann Arbor. He was a local school teacher before forming a successful manufacturer's representative firm that marketed vocational training equipment to high schools, colleges and technical training schools across the Midwest. In 1990 he received the American Vocational Association Award for outstanding achievement in the voca-

Mr. Close was affectionately known as the "Croakmaster" in local circles because of his creation of the National Frog Jumping Contest and his unique frog van that could be seen motoring through the Plymouth community. A fun-loving and enthusiastic individual, John once appeared on the Eli and Denny Sports Show with his famed frog jumping contest.

Mr. Close was a familiar personality in the community and was active in the Plymouth Optimist Club throughout the 1960's and served as its president at one point. He coached little league baseball and basketball for numerous years from the mid-1960s through the early '70s.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce; children, Gary, Sandra, Tom (Susan) and Laura (Steve) Tihanyi; and grandchildren, John, Joyce, Andrew, Maggie, Sarah, Joseph and Jacqueline.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Disease Association or Arbor Hospice.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

GEORGE JOHANNES KORBY, JR. George Johannes Korby, Jr., of Novi, was born June 19, 1926 in

Detroit and died Jan. 14 in Novi. Mr. Korby was a commercial artist for the advertising firm of Young and Rubincan in Detroit. He retired in 1990. He had been

married for 49 years. He came to the Northville/Novi area in 1972 from Livonia. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy (Seaman First Class) during World War II. He enjoyed hunting deer and skeet shooting. He also enjoyed traveling to Florida for vacations. He was preceded in death by his wife, Willie Joyce Korby

Survivors include his daughter, Cynthia Moss of North Las Vegas, Nev.; his son, George J. Korby III of Novi; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be given to the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

THERESE S. PATTWELL

Services for Therese S. Pattwell, 73, of Northville, were held Jan. 18 at Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville with the Rev. Steven Wertanen officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in

Mrs. Pattwell was born April 23, 1927 in Quebec, Canada, and died January 14 in Northville. She was a retired long distance operator with AT&T. She lived in the Northville area since 1968. She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church.

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Survivors include her husband, John Pattwell; son, Michael (Beth) Pattwell of Troy; son, Paul (Kim) Pattwell of Pinckney; and son, John (Laura) Pattwell of Whitmore Lake; brother, Charles Paradis of Lakeland; sister, Denise Kruszewski of Perrysburg, Ohio; and sister, Louise Richter of South Lyon; and four grandchildren.

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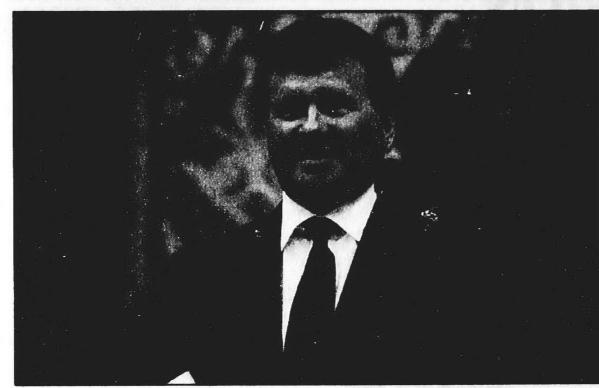
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Taking charge: Newly elected Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives Rick Johnson, R-Traverse City, addresses the 91st Congress Jan. 10 in Lansing.

Michigan legislators promise bipartisan approach this term

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

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House leaders promised a new spirit of bipartisan cooperation in Lansing as they presided over opening day ceremonies in the Legislature Jan. 10.

We say that every year, don't we," Rep. Laura Toy, R-Livonia, admitted. But there may indeed be some reason to think that it could actually come true this

Newly elected Speaker of the House Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy, has a reputation as a "consensus builder," Toy said. That is a label given him by many in Lansing.

Besides, this is the second time Republicans have been in the majority," Rep. Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, said. "It took a while for some on the other side of the aisle to get used to who was in the majority - it took us a while to get used to being in the majority - and to get over the friction that change is going to

Additionally, Johnson and newly elected House Minority Leader Kwame Kilpatrick, D-Detroit, have worked together in the past, as a result of their positions on the transportation committee in the last session, and get along quite well.

"I don't think it is healthy for us to conduct the people's business with an invisible partition between us," Johnson said in an acceptance speech following his official election as the new Speaker of the House Wednesday. "I pledge to be inclusive - in my thinking, in my appointments and in my willingness to listen. Those of you who sit on the other side of the aisle, while I won't always agree with you, I respect you and value of your input. Let me be clear: You can play a key role in passing laws that benefit the residents of Michigan.'

"Rick is a person that I think will change the focus of the House," said Kilpatrick in a speech seconding Johnson's nomination for the post. "A shift from the partisan politics and the partisan bickering that has fragmented this institution over the last two years to a place where we find common interests, common goals, common ideas.

If successful in creating a bipartisan atmosphere, lawmakers believe there will be a difference in the legislation coming out of Lansing. Kowall predicted that more Democratic proposals would be taken up and passed this year. "Not a lot from the Democratic side progressed last year," he said.

Kilpatrick would agree. He said a change would be needed to address the concerns of "the new electorate, it's not the same old electorate, it is much more suburban.

He predicted lawmakers would take up issues intended to "create more livable communities and dealing with smart growth."

At week's end, Republican lawmakers gathered in Holland for a two-day retreat, intended to let GOP members get to know the seven new members of their caucus, settle committee assignments, and set the party's agenda for the year. Democrats have already held such a gathering.

Quality of life issues and education are likely to top the agenda. Lawmakers have already been asked to submit their priorities to the leadership for consideration. And such issues

appeared on a number of law maker's lists.

Rep. Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills, also had education and taxes on his list. He also wants to make it easier for foster parents to adopt youngsters in Michigan. He said he is hoping to propose tax credits that would encourage venture capitalists to make more loans to startup businesses in Michigan.

Land use issues and urban sprawl were at the top of Kowall's list. Also among his priorities were education, tax cuts and redevelopment of brownfields.

Toy said she would like to revisit the issue of prescription coverage for senior citizens, giving them even more help that was enacted late last year. She said she wants to make state government more "user friendly" as well. Campaign finance reform is also on her list.

Toy further said she would like to address the issue of term limits, not altering the limits themselves, but considering whether representatives should have terms of only two years or if those terms should be length-

Kilpatrick said quality of life issues would top the Democratic

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Hurley Coleman appointed assistant county executive

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER rpear@oe.homecom

Hurley C. Coleman, former Wayne County parks system director, is a bit in awe of his new appointment as assistant county executive for strategic planning and program develop-

"I've been in parks my whole career, and for people to think you can do more than what they've seen you do is a real vote of confidence," said Coleman, whose appointment to the newly created position was announced recently by Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara.

The county CEO charged Coleman with the responsibility to provide "an intensified commitment to excellence in every area of county government."

Coleman, 47, who came to the county parks department from his native Saginaw in 1989, said he is looking forward to working with all county departments in developing and refining programs "to ensure that Wayne County services are being provided at the highest possible level.

McNamara said Coleman's new job includes overseeing the county parks' capital improvement program and working with local, state and national organizations to build "a better link between the communities and Wayne County.

Larry Fitch of Trenton, the parks department executive director under Coleman, has been named to succeed Coleman as director

Coleman's appointment, which



Hurley Coleman

began Jan. 2, is part of McNamara's effort to fill the void created by the departure of former Deputy CEO Michael E. Duggan, who was involved in "so many different areas," Coleman noted.

Former Assistant County CEO Mary Zuckerman earlier was named to succeed Duggan, who was elected county prosecuting attorney

Coleman said McNamara 'looked at the things considered to be my strengths" and created a role for them.

"You have to be able to look at things that aren't there and see them," said Coleman, "and it's exciting that Ed McNamara thinks I can do that on an executive level.

"It's an unbelievable opportunity to be offered from a person that I have as much respect for

as Ed McNamara," he added Coleman also thanked his "many great partners" in municipalities across the county "who really supported Wayne County

"I will continue those relation-, ships," Coleman vowed.

McNamara said Coleman has demonstrated "outstanding organizational skills and focus" as parks director.

"Hurley Coleman has been the driving force in restoring the luster to Wayne County Parkari including helping develop a new waterpark area at Chandler Park on Detroit's east side,' McNamara said.

Coleman will report to both Zuckerman and McNamara Chief of Staff Bernard Kilpatrick.

Zuckerman said Coleman "has worked closely with community leaders to develop programs that work for the communities and their residents. His expertise; will help other county departments bring improved services to our residents.

Coleman also serves as a Wayne County drain commissioner, is a member of the National Forum for Black Public : Administrators and is past-president of the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association.

He holds a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University in community recreation administration, with minors in business administration and speech and communication.

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Mann-made decision was right thing to do at time

Grand jury wouldn't be needed if

Michael Conway, director of external not questioning Conway's explanations,

airport contracts measured up

As the campaign season droned on through the spring and summer months, critics of former Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy decried her stagnant attitudes, dogged her for getting nothing accomplished.

Criticisms of her slow-moving style flowed like water, and not just from the camp of Steve Mann, the man who would eventually unseat the incumbent. People who supported Mann or simply wanted Keen McCarthy out were equally harsh.

"Let's get someone in there who will get things done," critics cried.

"Nothing has gotten done the last four years; let's change all that," they

screamed.

"This township needs someone in the office who can make a decision," they bellyached.

Mann wins the election in a much-easier race than anyone would have anticipated. He's got a plan, things he knows he wants to do. He wants to be a man of

Fast forward to the first significant action he has to take, during the December snow storm that dropped nearly a foot of snow on the area. The township is flooded with calls from residents wanting to know when their streets are going to be plowed.

Wayne County is actually responsible for that, a fact of which many residents

affairs for Wayne County Airports, said

last week that the county would wel-

come a grand jury investigation into the

handling of construction contracts at

He said charges leveled by John

Wyke, a Southgate subcontractor, that

the county paid an extra \$9 million to a

contractor for lights and signage even

though the project came in two years

late are based on a misunderstanding of

the facts. Wyke's call for a grand jury

investigation is the latest in a number

of complaints about how the county

handles contracts for the airport. The

complaints have led to an investigation

of airport operations by the state Legis-

saying the extra payment, over the orig-

inal \$11 million bid, was to meet a Fed-

eral Aviation Administration deadline

and to satisfy an FAA change in stan-

dards for signage. He also questions

Wyke's contention that the extra costs

were paid by taxpayers. He said airport

construction is paid by funds raised

from airlines and passengers. He also

argues that there were no "irregulari-

ties" in the handling of the contract

since it didn't require approval by the

Falling as it does after the other com-

plaints about airport contracts and

financing, Wyke's charges raise serious

county commission.

Conway counters Wyke's charges by

the airport.

are not aware. But the county, if you'll pardon the pun, got snowed under and didn't get to local streets right away. So Mann, with a foot of snow making travel difficult not only for residents, but for cop cars, fire trucks and the like, makes a decision: He contracts for snow removal on the township's residential

The action costs the township a little more than \$13,000, and probably bought much more in the currency of good will. Yet trustees at the Jan. 9 meeting found a reason to question the decision.

There are things that are true. It's true the county is responsible, and that township residents pay taxes for the right to have their roads plowed. It's also true that most residents who've lost confidence in the county's ability to plow snow already pay to have it done privately. And it's true the county should have had the streets cleared.

But it's also true the county didn't get it done, for whatever reason. While we agree Plymouth Township shouldn't get into the snow removal business as a regular service, this was not an ordinary situation. Mann recognized that, stepped up to the plate and made a decision, one he felt was in the best interests of his residents.

Isn't that exactly what the Keen McCarthy bashers wanted?

we do question why it will take a grand

jury hearing to explain what should be

If contracts involving millions of dol-

lars of public money (whether raised

through taxes or through fees which are

quasi-taxes) are regularly engaged

without legislative oversight, then

maybe it's well past time that the coun-

ty commission take action to bring

these contracts under their authority.

(The commission last week reorganized

to create a committee that will deal

Executive action has the advantage of

speed, especially when dealing with

building projects. But no government

executive should be allowed to operate

outside of legislative and public scruti-

ny. The company that formerly operat-

ed the airport parking lots subcontract-

ed to Executive Ed McNamara's broth-

er-in-law, raising the bright red flag of

nepotism and creating an all-too-easy

target for McNamara's critics. Legisla-

tive oversight might have prevented

Contracts involving more than rou-

tine funds should be publicly bid.

Bonuses and large overruns should be

approved by the county commission. All

contracts should be open for public

We wouldn't need a grand jury if

such an embarrassing situation.

inspection.

with the airports exclusively.)

public information.



LETTERS

■ Excellent eatery

While visiting Michigan, I had the pleasure of dinning at a little quaint restaurant called Plymouth Fish & Seafood market at 578 Starkweather in Plymouth.

The first thing I noticed when I walked in was the large selection of fresh fish in the deli-style case, and the Big Mouth Billy Bass that sang "Take me to the river" and "Don't worry be happy."

I thought the best seafood restaurants were in California where I live, but Plymouth Fish is far better then any of the "Red Lobster" style chain restaurants here.

The owners Vincent and Lori Toia made me feel right at home serving me with tender love and warmth. I had the lake perch with the lightly breaded batter. I was amazed at the amount of take-out business this restaurant did on a Friday night. The tables inside were packed, too.

This is just one man's opinion, but I think this little restaurant deserves a lot of recognition. If I ever go to Michigan, I will definitely go and eat there

Jeff Bonafede Satisfied visitor

■ Reverse CCW law

Mike Malott was absolutely correct with his Jan. 4, 2001 (column) on the new concealed weapon law, which makes it much easier for nearly anyone to obtain a permit to carry a concealed weapon (CCW law). He made some excellent points including:

Proponents of the recently enacted bill presented data that was very incomplete, nearly indecipherable and not verifiable. Malott noted that such a lack of good data was "surprising in a state capital where the problem is usually just the opposite, where typically the difficulty is making sense of the overload." It would seem that if there was significant positive data from the 30 states that have passed relaxed gun ownership laws over the past 15 years, the proponents would present the data completely, concisely, and with sources clearly identified! Since that data has NOT been responsibly presented, we can only presume that a neutral or positive (deterrent)

affect has not been experienced.

The proponents of the new law indicated, at one time, that as many as 200,000 additional people might obtain concealed weapons, if the law was passed. They recently changed their mind, stating that "no one knew what the real numbers would be and the only way to find out for sure would be to pass the bill and see what happens." Malott noted that passing legislation without good data to see what happens is an odd and unnecessary approach, considering 30 other states have "shall issue" laws.

Malott noted that a coalition of police and prosecutors are planning a petition drive to put the law to a referendum on the election ballot in November 2002. About 150,000 signatures are required for the referendum. In 1999, 1,097 Michigan residents were killed by guns. We are all aware of increased frustration and anger, as a result of our hectic and stressful society. Some of this anger is vented with violent acts, i.e. fights at sporting events, road rage altercations, etc. Now, with the relaxed CCW law, the

acting out may be much more lethal.

If anywhere near 200,000 additional

people are able to carry concealed weapons as a result of this law, it is conceivable there will be additional gun-related violence and deaths. As a result, we all should be willing to sign this petition to obtain the referendum opportunity to be counted and reverse this special interest-motivated law.

The Observer & Eccentric newspapers, through columnists like Mike Malott, are doing a great job of examining issues in their newspaper to enable their readers to make more fully informed decisions on the issues. Keep up the good work!

Ron McCaffery Livonia

■ Kennel concerns

I am writing in response to an article by your staff writer Sue Buck, entitled "Owner, Township at odds over need for kennel license" published Dec. 17, 2000. First, I'm very disappointed in Sue that she did not try to get the true facts and the editor for allowing a story to be published without a proper investigation by his staff of the facts from all sides involved.

This issue started because Terri Bennett allowed her employees to walk the dogs in her care through our neighborhood for the purpose of going to the pot in our ditches and front yards. I witnessed a young boy and a young girl allowing the dogs to go potty in the ditch on Marlin and not picking it up.

On different occasions I angrily confronted both and had the police called on me by the store for yelling at the kids. After this incident, older women walked the dogs and I have them on videotape using the ditches on Marlin, although they now pick up the feces. I also have the employees on tape using the property of the Plymouth Pub and I have witnessed them on the property of the Pizza Hut and the field behind the State Farm Agency.

I have counted up to 10 dogs brought out of the store five and six times a day. This equates to 50 or 60 dogs and since the article states they have the capacity for 20 dogs it could equate to 100 or 120 dogs doing their business on the so-called Public Right of Way. For the most part, Ms. Bennett did keep the dogs on her own Public Right of Way after a neighbor and I went to the Township.

If this situation is to continue, there will be a health hazard and the Public Health Department will be called. Also the township has an obligation to enforce the ordinance and should they not do so, are leaving themselves open to a lawsuit.

Anyone who boards dogs for a fee, whether for a day or a month, comes under the definition of a kennel and should be required to have a license and a dog run that can be sanitized after the dogs use it. They should not be allowed to use the Public Right of Way to pot their dogs.

The article also states that only one neighbor has complained, which is another lie, as two of us went to the Township and there are several more that have expressed to us that they also have a problem with this.

Let the Bennetts have their dog day care, but make them also have a kennel license and a proper dog run contained on their own property and not the Public Right of Way.

Robert Heard Plymouth resident

■ County no help

I have debated whether or not to write this letter. In the Jan. 4, 2001, issue of the Observer, Westland/Canton Postmaster Charles Quinn made the statement that people who were "snowed in" should call Wayne County. I have learned after living at my address for over 30 years, that to call the county gets little or NO results. Fourteen days after the snow started, the county finally made a sloppy attempt to clear our dirt street - less than 1/4 mile from Michigan Avenue. The only way we could eventually get out was after my husband had nearly frozen himself trying to clear the road with a garden tractor and a blade on the front. We missed garbage pickup. We had NO mail for one week. Now that the thaw has set in, the county has been here two times to spread sand that we don't even need. So ... does it really do any good to call the county? Thank you for reading this. Milder D. Mason

. Mason Canton

■ Remember their votes

I concur with your analysis of the proposed pay raises for our state legislators. While legislators might deserve raises, the amounts currently proposed are obscene. I would add to your analysis that in an era when we are losing representation in Washington based on population, we probably shouldn't have the third or fourth highest paid state representatives in the country. I sure wish I could get a 30 percent raise in one year. Our employees, the state legislators, ought to reject this increase and vote to adopt the legislation proposed by Messer's McCotter and Bisbee.

Your newspaper could do us all a favor by following up on your editorial and publish a list of how each and everyone of our representatives voted (or abstained) on both the pay raise and the McCotter/Bisbee legislation.

We taxpayers could then really let these people know how we feel with our votes next election time.

> K. Hewitt Livonia

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questions about the transparency of what should be public business. While these processes had been followed all along.

■ Celebrating King

On behalf of the many who supported the recognition of Dr. King's birthday and whose passions have transcended any attempt on making this merely a day specifically designed as an African-American holiday, I commend the city council of Westland for making the celebration of this day a city holiday. Someone once said, "It's difficult to speak truth to power." Your sensitivity to this important issue has demonstrated there are those who are in positions of power who will hear truth.

As this country seeks to become more unified in its diversity, your actions have demonstrated a unity that is not ethnically motivated but rather ethically proper. For any to view Dr. King's day as a day for African-Americans is to severely miss his message of peace and hope for a nation that has been blessed more than other nations in the world. Dr. King did not die for African-Americans. Dr. King was in Memphis for

trash collectors. Therefore his death was, in part, for garbage workers and not just African-Americans. His appeal was far more reaching than ethnicity. The recognition of this day appreciates his labor of love and conviction. A man whose passions are not politically poised but rather purpose driven can never be locked up into something as insignificant as color when the stakes are so high.

Perhaps the leadership in Canton
Township would re-evaluate its position
on this day and view it as more than just
another day off but rather a day where
the leadership of this Township would
no longer hide behind the philosophy of
this being exclusively an African-American holiday.

God bless your efforts.

Rev. Joe Stevenson

Pastor of New Liberty Baptist

Church

Charter school experiment inspires little confidence

Well, well. Just in time for the new year, the charter school folks have unveiled a new wrinkle to get around existing state law.

Although the number of charter schools in Michigan operating under university oversight is capped at 150 and that limit was reached in 1999, there's no cap on the number of charters that can be authorized by community colleges. So

the Michigan Association of Public School Academies (that's the lobbying group representing charter schools; nifty name, eh?) is urging community colleges to hire universities to help set up and manage charter schools. Charter schools

in Michigan get

\$6,000 in taxpayer

money per student

annually. They've

been the subject of hot debate since they were authorized by state law in 1993. There were eight charter schools in 1994; 79 in 1996; 139 in 1998; 173 in 1999.

The legislature capped that number after complaints arose that universities - mainly Central Michigan University, which runs what looks a lot like a charter school mill and makes a big profit thereby - were authorizing charters too quickly and without serious oversight. Gov. Engler tried last year to get the cap lifted, but the legislature refused on grounds charter schools need to demonstrate more accountability before more are

Supporters claim charter schools offer alternatives to deficient public schools and offer a competitive spur to improvement in the "monopolistic" public schools. Some also say charters respond more to parental preferences than public schools.

So far, the evidence of the great charter school experiment does not inspire much confidence.

A Michigan State University study found charters are in fact neither more innovative nor more successful in student achievement than public

A Western Michigan University study, released last October, raised doubts about the basic purposes of charter schools. More than 70 percent of Michigan's charter schools last year were operated by management companies, compared with only 10 percent nationwide. The vast majority of these companies run schools as a profit-making enterprise.

Moreover, the WMU study found charter schools are selecting only the easy (and cheap) students; the practice is called "creaming." Admission is usually by interview, rather than by district-wide recruitment, which appears to be required by federal law. Charters don't provide transportation and tend to offer only elementary grade classes, which are less expensive than upper grades.

In particular, students getting special education services accounted for only 3.7 percent of Michigan charter school enrollment, compared to 12.5 percent of public school kids. As public schools know full well, special education is expensive. Those charters run by for-profit companies have an obvious motive for making sure kids

needing special ed services are kept out. Until his retirement, Tim Richard ran the statewide news service for this newspaper. In a note to me last week, he expounded on this sub-

"Clearly, one-third (my figure) of charter schools are excellent, and two-thirds are below the neighboring public schools. We should be closing many of the latter before we think of taking over Benton Harbor, Inkster and Oak Park," says

"Charter schools were started in New York City and most other places to be specialized quality schools - e.g. performance arts, science, whatever. In Michigan, the charter association says charter operators never intended to be innovative. That's dead wrong. We're wasting a ton of money on mediocre academies to satisfy authoritative parents' whims for control. Michigan's charter schools are largely a failed experiment, a lost opportunity," Richard concludes.

Remember the old definition of government? "A large pot of money, surrounded by people who want some of it.

The charter school lobby is one of the best examples to date of the phenomenon. Their latest attempt to end-run state law offers a perfect example of the point.

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Name change means bidding farewell to the memories

Say it ain't so, Target! First Berry Gordy moved Motown to California

so he could make movies.

Vernor's is now made in Texas. Stroh's stopped making beer on the Detroit River and then stopped making beer altogether. Sanders, where we all went as children for hot fudge sundae cream puffs, closed its stores.

Chrysler got taken over by (sorry, merged with) a German company, and DaimlerChrysler headquarters is now in Stuttgart.

And, now, Hudson's will take on the name of a Chicago department store and become Marshall

Bit by bit, piece by piece, all those things that have been distinctively Detroit are being worn away in the general homogenization of America.

I have nothing against Marshall Field's. It's a fine, upscale department store and, unlike its corporate cousin Hudson's, it still has a wonderful store in the heart of Chicago's booming downtown. It has been a fine institution in the city of Chicago for decades, just as Hudson's has been an important part of metro Detroit.

I believe Target Corp. (formerly Dayton-Hudson) when they say shoppers won't notice a difference, that the stores will continue to offer the same quality of merchandise and high level of service

that Detroit shoppers have come to expect. But it isn't "just a name." Obviously, Target believes they will prosper more on having one name for all their upscale stores and that Marshall Field's is the brand they want to use.

But in Detroit, the name J. L. Hudson's has always meant something special, from its beginning in 1881.

When I was a student at Wayne State University in the late 1960s, I worked for a couple of years as a walking messenger for the Detroit Free Press. It was my job to go to stores and ad agencies in the city and collect ad copy and art work. I became well acquainted with the downtown and its many stores and fell in love with the fantasy called Hud-

Woodward was still humming along in those years before and just after the devastating riot of 1967. Detroit's main street was still a thriving commercial area with Grinnell's, Himmelhoch's, B. Siegel's and other stores, from Hughes & Hatcher's on the north (where Hockeytown is now) to the Spirit of Detroit in front of the still new City-County building. The heart and soul of that business district was the block dominated by Hud-

Kern's was gone, an unsightly vacant lot that

behind Hudson's in a far less attractive building with a rickety antique escalator.

But Hudson's was a constantly changing showcase, a reminder of times past when life moved more slowly and more elegantly. Elevator operators with gloved hands took shoppers to the many floors, stocked with the best the world had to offer. An elevator captain assigned passengers to different elevators with polite efficiency.

Each month a different theme was featured, played out in window displays, in store specials and appropriate entertainment. One month, usually May, a mariachi band would play to promote fashions and folk art from Mexico. In March, Irish music would lead shoppers to linens and wools. In June, beach fashions would be showcased to the music of jangly surf guitars.

And, of course, best of all, during Christmas, the 7th Floor would become a child's dream come magically to life. Everyone knew that the real Santa Claus was at the downtown Hudson's.

Hudson's had been one of the first stores to go suburban when it opened its Northland store in Southfield, but the downtown store was still a destination, a special trip well worth taking.

My parents would shop other places but they, and it seemed everyone else, always said that Hudson's was different. Hudson's offered quality products and stood behind those products. Hudson's meant quality, service, something special.

That seemed to be the theme in Hudson's public events as well. The Thanksgiving Day parade was a Hudson's event, and every year we all agreed that Macy's put on a good show, but Hudson's put on a better parade. Every Fourth of July, Hudson's would spread out the world's largest American flag across its mighty face and join hands across the water to celebrate freedom with our Canadian neighbors.

That once-fine building was allowed to deteriorate until it could be imploded. Even that wasn't done very well, as the cascading bricks put the train to nowhere (the People Mover) out of opera-

Now it's a ghostly, empty spot. The ghosts of Kern's and Hudson's are now together.

And soon, the name J. L. Hudson will be a lost, . distant memory of another century.

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With Rep. Stewart, politics may indeed make strange bedfellows

The swearing-in had been complete, and the new session of the Michigan House of Representa tives was about to undertake its most important vote of the day.

John Stewart, R-Plymouth, huddled with his closest advisors to consider the question. Examination from all sides took long, agonizing minutes. When it was his turn to vote, the freshman

representative, elected the August primary

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by a scant 81 votes in and a comfortable margin in the November general election, spoke his first words as the 20th District representative:

"Seat No. 2, please." It's amazing how different things look from the outside compared to the bird's-eye view. For instance, television shows like The Practice or Law and Order give

courtroom trials the appearance of a thrill-aminute adventure ride.

Truth of the matter is they are, for the most part, tedious and time-consuming affairs fraught with paralyzing delays and endless motions. To get the degree and volume of testimony you see in an hourlong television drama, you'd have to sit through about a month worth of trial. Some of my

best naps have come while covering a trial. For my first experience watching the state government in action, I expected something more. I didn't get it.

First came the roll call which with 110 representatives took a good deal of time. After Michigan Supreme Court Justice Elizabeth Weaver finished plugging her website

(www.justiceweaver.com) and performed the swearing in, the House proceeded to the day's biggest business: seat selection. Imagine the negotiations that must have been going on, aides scurrying about with their seating charts, making sure their bosses got the prime deaks. This conversation was actually overheard (sort

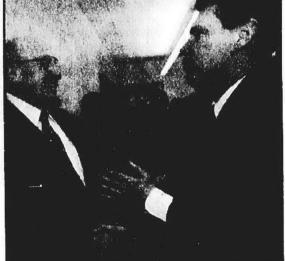
mintives "Josy, make sure I'm not next to that guy from Sturgie. He burpe his wine."

Aide: "Yes, sir, but that probably means you'll

be next to, dare I say, a Democrat."

Representative (after careful consideration): "Never mind. The guy from Sturgie isn't so bad after all.

Stewart was kind enough to let us in on the heated discussions within his political circle. He said he wanted to be up front, and his seat would be within about 12 feet of the press box, where the presence of media members would estensibly help op his purpose in mind, remind him of his



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Odd couple: Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, the county's top Democrat, showed up for the post-ceremony party of Republican Rep. John Stewart of Plymouth.

art picked Seat No. 2: "Our daughter told him, 'Dad, you always tell me to sit in the front of the class.

It's an interesting irony because Stewart may draw as much or more attention than your average freshman legislator. He already raised some eyebrows by bringing a contingent of 180 or so people from within his district — the Plymouths, the Northvilles and part of Livonia - to witness the swearing in. Several Lansing veterans told us how abnormal that is; most request just a few passes for their families.

And if that wasn't enough, think about the reaction from staunch Republicans who found out Stewart had invited Ed McNamara and Jennifer Granholm to his post-ceremony party.

That would be McNamara, the Democratic Wayne County executive, and Granholm, perhaps the next Democratic gubernatorial candidate.

Republican legislator. But he looked slightly amused by his own answer. "Politics makes strange bedfellows."

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"Hey, he's my legislator, too," McNamara said when asked about his unusual appearance for a With his desire to revisit Proposal A and his disdain for school vouchers, it'll be interesting to see how long it takes the Republican establishment to decide whether they can live with the sleeping arrangements.



Dedicated volunteers realize Nankin Mills Center dream

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecom

Wayne County's newest educational attraction is already piquing the public's curiosity.

'It's sparking lots of questions about history and wildlife," said naturalist Carol Clements regarding the first weekend of operation of the \$1-million-plus Nankin-Mills Interpretive Center in Westland.

Some 100 - including county CEO Edward H. McNamara attended last Thursday evening's invitation-only premiere and nearly 80 more were on hand Friday and Saturday, the center's first two public viewing days

All visited the three floors of exhibits, interactive computers and realistic historical dioramas that bring to life the history of the Rouge River and the Nankin Mill area from the glaciers to Henry Ford (who used to own the mill) and their significance to metropolitan Detroit's development.

The premiere was of special importance to Denise Johnson, president of the hosting Friends of Nankin Mills, and to Tom Brown, former state legislator and Westland mayor.

Johnson, a Westland resident and Livonia kindergarten teacher, has had a nearly lifelong fascination with the old mill.

It took a dozen years of Friends' wine and cheese fundraisers plus the efforts of City of Westland grant writers and parks personnel, she said, to first save the mill from the wrecking ball, to restore and refurbish it and to re-create it as an interpretive center.

"Nankin Mills has a history that is important to understanding the evolution of our county and our region," Johnson said. 'It is very rewarding to see the mill's full potential finally real-

Brown, now in his 80s, was among the few with the vision to see that potential and the influence to make things happen. He was its first "resident agent" liaison between governmental bodies and the non-profit Friends to secure the necessary funding, according to Johnson.

McNamara said the building "might not even be standing today if not for the hard work and dedication of this group, singling out the Friends and Johnson and also county com-

Schoolcraft offers trade seminars

International trade is the topic of a comprehensive series of classes featuring real-world training from global trade experts. Participants in Schoolcraft College's International Trade Certificate Program may choose the entire series, which begins Feb. 13, or may choose specific sessions.

Each session meets either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 2 to 5 p.m.

The series includes: ■ Feb. 13 and 15, International Marketing: assessing product and company export readiness..

■ Feb. 20 and 22, International Finance: letters of credit; methods of payment; currency exchange; choosing a bank;

financing options. ■ Feb. 27 and March 1, International Logistics: risk management, export procedures and documentation.

■ March 6, Cross Cultural Communication: the role of cul-

ture in business. ■ March 13, Foreign Government Sales: doing business with developing nations; the role of multinational development banks; USAID.

■ March 20, Trade Agreements/Legal Aspects of Foreign Trade: the role of the World Trade Organization.

Two country-specific seminars feature Canada and Mexico on March 8 and the European

Union on March 15. Participants can earn a certificate of achievement by attending all core seminars and one country-specific seminar for a \$500 fee. Individual seminars are \$90 each. For more information or to register, call 734-462-4448, ext.

mission Vice Chair Kay Beard,

Basic financing for the new

center came from the county's half-mill parks millage, which voters renewed last year. Other financial help came from the Rouge River Project office, the Ford Motor Co. and employees of Ford's Visteon Sheldon Road

"This beautiful new facility is on par with anything you could find at Greenfield Village," said McNamara. "Our parks staff has

done a spectacular job of recreating thousands of years of our local history.

He noted that Nankin Mill was deeded to the county in 1948 by Henry Ford's widow.

Others present Thursday included former county Parks Director Hurley Coleman, who brought the new center to fruition and is now an assistant county executive, and Assistant Parks Director Larry Fitch, who is expected to succeed Coleman.



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Industrial glant: A lifesize Henry Ford is part of the Nankin Mills exhibit showing industry along the Rouge River.



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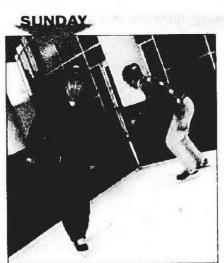
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Jazz guitarist John Pizzarelli brings his trio to Orchestra Hall at 8 p.m. in a concert that will also feature his father, jazz guitarist Bucky Pizzarelli. Tickets \$17-\$65, 9313) 576-5111.



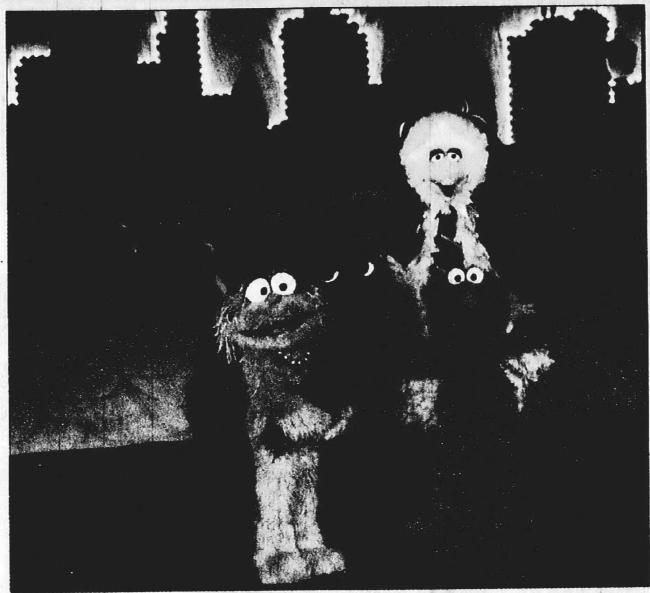
The Livonia Symphony Orchestra spotlights the talent of 16-year-old pianist Joshua Cullen 7:30 p.m. at Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy Road, Livonia. Tickets \$15, \$10 students, (734) 425-4855 or (248) 645-6666.



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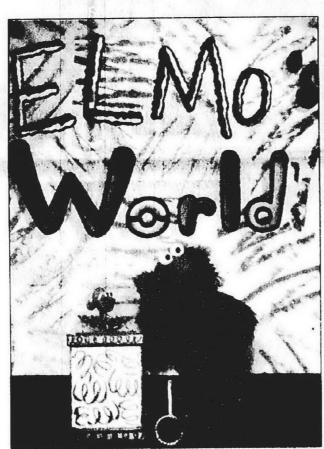


There is still time to see the Buick LaCrosse concept car and other vehicles on display at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in Detroit. Show Hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Saturday, Jan. 20, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21. No charge for children up to age 12 (when accompanied by a parent), \$10 for people ages 13-64, and \$5 for those age 65 and up.



Fuzzy friends: Elmo, Zoe, Snuffy and the rest of the Sesame Street gang are ready for Big Bird's Sunny Day Camp Out from Jan 24-Feb. 4 at the Fox Theatre in Detroit.

Sesame Street brings all new production to town



Monster mania: Sesame Street Live features the fuzzy red monster, Elmo, in a special 15-minute segment with his neighborhood friends, his pet fish, Dorothy, and Mr. Noo-

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BY ALICE RHEIN STAFF WRITER arhein@oe.homecomm.net

ith so many weeks of cold, cold weather and snowfall upon snowfall, who wouldn't be ready for a Sunny Day

Certainly the Sesame Street gang is, and that motley mob of monsters is set to bring its musical camping trip to the Fox Theatre in Detroit for 24 performances from Wednesday, Jan. 24 to Sunday, Feb. 4.

Sesame Street Live rolled into town last year at this time, but that was with When I Grow

Sunny Day Camp Out, an all-new production for the Detroit area, features Big Bird, Elmo, Cookie Monster and the rest of the happy campers preparing for the perfect camp-

ing excursion. But oh, the agony they must also endure to

find a cozy place to rest. Big Bird's nest is too small, Snuffy's cave is dripping water, Ernie's house is filled with dancing sheep, bats are boogying in the Count's place and Elmo has fish. And with all that music, dancing and singing, when are our weary campers to rest?

Now in its 21st year, Sesame Street Live is the longest running Broadway-style tour for children. In fact, when the Emmy Award winning public television show decided to take its Muppets on the road, Christine Giuliari, who

plays Elmo, was barely a year old. Now the 22-year-old Rochester, New York native is in her second year with the touring company. Last year, she played Prairie Dawn in Detroit. But with seniority under her belt, this year she chose to be the undisputed

favorite among the youngest Sesame Street viewers - Elmo.

Mhat: Sesame Street

Day Camp Out

Live's Big Bird's Sunny

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"Actually, I started out as Zoe on this tour, but the Elmo got hurt and I took over the role in October." said Giuliari.

to Sunday, Feb. 4 Where: Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit Injuries like swayback are not uncom-\$25. For information call the Fox Theatre at (313) 963-6611. mon when you consider the costumes can easily weigh 25 pounds. Giuliari, a trained dancer, said

Elmo's red furry costume weighs 15 pounds, and it's all in the head and feet.

On stage, the characters dance, but the voices are pre-recorded, so you hear the actual voices of the characters on the television pro-

Sunny Day Camp Out also features a 15minute segment of Elmo's World with Dorothy the Fish and Mr. Noodle, Elmo's next door neighbor.

"All the kids sing along with me, and I get my energy back from the kids," said Giuliari. Indeed, to her 5- and 6-year-old nieces, Giuliari is right up there with Brittney.

"They take my pictures to school and just think that this is the best thing ever," she said. Giuliari isn't looking to make a career out of the production, but does plan to stay on for another year of the tour. "It's been a great way

to see the country," she said. And she's also been able to be close to her fiancé who works concession for the show. The two plan a July wedding, but until then Giuliari will have to forgo white silk taffeta in favor of Elmo's tangled red fur.

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U-M conductor to lead bands in 'Two for One' concert

BY KEELY WYGONIK

STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

January is a good month to shop for bargains, and if you're shopping around for something fun to do on Sunday, consider attending the Two for One concert at Harrison High School in Farmington

The Farmington Community Band and The Birm-

ingham Con-What: Two-for-One cert Band will features the perform sepa-Birmingham Concert rately Band with The together on the Farmington Community same stage in a Band performing separately and together. program that When: 3 p.m. Sunday, features some Amazing Grace, Where: Harrison High American Fan-School Auditorium. fare, and rous-29995 W. 12 Mile ing marches. Road, (between Middlebelt and Orchard Paul Barber Lake Roads, Farmington will lead the Farmington Tickets: No charge for

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bined performance. The Birmingham band will play first. H. Robert Reynolds, director of Bands at the University of Michigan, will conduct the combined band. Reynolds also conducts The Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings, an ensemble made up of members of the

> Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and has been a featured conductor and lecturer at international conferences. The idea of a joint band concert evolved from a Festival of Bands that was held at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi for 18 years. After the festival, which showcased the Farmington, Birmingham and other local bands was discontinued two years ago, Hoemke called

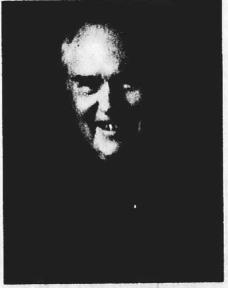
played a variety of selected pieces, they

will join together on stage for a com-

cert with a guest conductor. Last year's concert at Birmingham Groves High School, which featured guest conductor Douglas Bianchi, director of Bands at Wayne State University, was a success, so this year Barber offered to host it at Harrison High School in Farmington Hills.

Barber to suggest hosting a joint con-

"It's interesting to see folks meet for the first time and make music togeth-



Guest conductor: H. Robert Reynolds, Director of Bands at the University of Michigan, will conduct the Birmingham Concert Band and Farmington Community Band in a joint concert performance on Jan.

er," said Barber. "The audience gets to see two different groups perform a variety of music led by a renowned conductor. In band circles Mr. Reynolds is one of the biggies, and he's in our back

Each band will play for 30 minutes. The Farmington Community Band will open with American Fanfare by John Wasson, which Barber describes as being a rousing, festive piece. Followed by Petty Harbour Bait Skiff, "a pretty little Newfoundland folk song, arranged by Jim Duff, the contemporary sounding Divertimento for Band by Vincent Persichetti, Dixiland Clambake, a light, fun piece arranged by John Warrington that includes solos by band members, and close with the classic and powerful Marche Militaire Francaise: Finale from Algerian Suite by C. Saint Saëns.

"We were looking for contrast and interest," said Barber. "The sound of the band changes as you go through the concert.

Birmingham Concert Band's program includes Winds of Freedom from the "Winds of Change" suite by James Curnow, Chorale and Fugue by J.S.

Please see BANDS, B2

Band from page B1

Bach/Johann Abert, translated by Mark Hindsley, Pentland Hills Concert March by Major J. W. Howe, and Basque Rhapsody by Melvin Shelton.

Hoemke described the first work as being "a very rhythmic piece that's kind of contempoorary." Chorale and Fugue is your "basic Bach," Pentland Hills Concert March is based on Scottish aires and Basque Rhapsody "is very tuneful with a lot of variety and a wonderful ending."

In a grand finale, the bands, under the direction of Reynolds, will play two marches with European flavor, Marche Des Parachutistes Belges by Pierre Leemans/Charles Wiley and First Suite in Eb for Military Band by Gustav Holst, and Amazing Grace by William Himes/Luis Maldonado.

Hoemke, like Barber, is looking forward to the concert and Reynolds conducting.

"It's exciting," said Hoemke. "He's one of the finest conductors in the country.

"He has a commanding presence, but a very soft-spoken way

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The people are trying to enjoy the skills that they have. It's going to affect their families, children and friends. Music, it's an important issue.'

H. Robert Reynolds Featured conductor

about him," said clarinetist Jan Dinner dance DeOrio of Farmington during Monday's joint rehearsal.

Reynolds also enjoyed the experience and teased band members that their performance wasn't being graded.

"The people are trying to enjoy the skills that they have," said Reynolds. "It's going to affect their families, children and friends. Music, it's an important

There is no charge for the concert, but donations will be accepted.

"You don't get a better deal than that," said Barber.

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Four Tops and enjoy an evening

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Ever wonder what the atmosphere of Motown was really like

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ing conversation.

The Farmington Community Band will host a Valentine Dinner Dance Friday, Feb. 9, at Glen Oaks Country Club on 13 Mile Road (between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake Roads) in Farmington Hills. Cash bar cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m., buffet dinner served 7:30 p.m. followed by dancing until midnight to the big band sound of the Farmington Community Band Dance Band.

Tickets \$42 per person, tables of eight may also be reserved. Last year's dance was a sell-out, early reservations suggested. Call (734) 261-2202 or (248) 489-3412 or visit the Farmington Community Band Web site,

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Classical music makes comeback



bringing up a sore subject for many devoted listeners of classical music, it

WQRS-FM several years ago marked the end of the classical format in local commercial radio.

appears that the

demise

Efforts to resurrect the format here have been valiant, but the result generally has been special programming on a less-thanideal AM frequency. It is surprising how many former WQRS listeners still feel the void. Not just for the music, but for the lineup of air personalities that included Paul Russell, Dick Wallace and Dave Wagner.

I, for one, don't miss seeing Dave because he serves as a classical music host on Detroit Public TV's Backstage Pass. He found a musical home base at Madonna University, and can

attending or hyping classical concerts around town.

There is a suggestion I can offer those who are still discouraged by the absence of classical music on commercial radio. Put simply, be more like Dave. Although we may not be able to perform or teach like him, we can at least attend.

To get you started, this week's edition of Backstage Pass, airing Thursday at 5:30 p.m. and Friday night at 1 a.m., previews a Dave-endorsed classical concert.

In celebration of Detroit's Tricentennial, The Tuesday Musicale and Music at Memorial are presenting a concert of works by four distinguished Detroit area composers. The performance, set for 3 p.m., Sunday, January 21, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, showcases Mark Gottleib of Royal Oak, Detroit native James Lentini, Lettie Beckon Alston of Troy, and James Hartway, Professor of Music at Wayne State University. A sampling of the program may be

At the risk of often be found performing, heard on this week's Backstage Pass as pianist Jacqueline Csurgai-Schmidt performs a piece from Hartway's Three Myths for Piano.

It isn't just the music of WQRS-FM that many listeners miss, but the non-stuffy style of its air personalities. If it is any consolation, this approach seems to have been adopted by many classical music artists and institutions. Consider the program staged by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra last week. Composer in residence Michael Daugherty's Dead Elvis was featured. along with a four-bassoon concerto, Hell's Angels. Violin virtuoso Joshua Bell, one of People Magazine's "Most Beautiful People," was on hand to perform and sign autographs at intermission.

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These contemporary twists serve to expand the classical audience, much the way a radio station can. And, while classical lovers may still miss WQRS-FM, it is a relief to know that the appreciation (and fun) of the music is still very accessible.

Slide into '70s soul





Flash back: Check out the '70s Soul Jam, featuring The Stylistics (right), Dramatics (left), Chi-Lites, Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes and The Delfonics perform 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Fox Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$30, \$37.50 and \$50. Charge by phone at (248) 645-6666.



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Slumber Party doesn't ask for much.

Detroit's premier women of pop just want to meet Eminem. That's all. Maybe tour as his opening band. Whether rapper

would agree to juxtaposing his no-holds-barred hip hop stylings with the sounds of such genteel guitar work and downright lilting harmonies, that I don't know.

But I do know it would be a mistake to decline any invitation from this Slumber Party. Three of the band's founding members - Aliccia Berg, Gretchen Gonzales and Leigh Sabo - met me at Detroit's Cass Cafe on Jan. 11 to talk about the real Slim Shady, a penchant for pink frosty beverages and of course, the future. First, here's a bit of the past.

The band met and formed through mutual friends within the Detroit music scene around 1998. And despite a general boys-club atmosphere existing around the city today, this girlsonly band is creating a buzz. "We never really thought about it," said Gonzales. "We're friends with a lot of the other bands."

Sabo agreed: "There's a lot of camaraderie.'

Pet Sounds to the Party

As a young girl, guitarist and Ferndale resident Gretchen Gonzales remembers making dance routines and prancing around to the pet sounds of the Beach Boys no doubt a musical influence on the sub-dued sugary harmonies offered by Slumber Party today. Backed by the gently sweeping beats of drummer Leigh Sabo and bassist Marcie Bolen and brushed with the delicate hushed vocals of singer Aliccia Berg, the sounds of Slumber Party call for attention. If you haven't already heard the band, it's time to wake up and take

Slumber Party got its name from a telephone conversation Berg had with Kim Fowley a few years back. Fowley is best known as manager extraordinaire for The Runaways - an allgirl band that spawned the careers of Joan Jett and Lita Ford. "I couldn't believe it wasn't taken," said Berg of the moniker. "It was so ideal for us."

Growing up listening to public radio, Berg never dreamed of becoming a singer. "As a kid, I wanted to be a novelist." Choosing to write three-minute pop songs rather than 300-page books, she now fills her days with recording and touring.

Simply put

"The reason I started playing guitar was because I could pick up boys better," admitted Berg with a smile. Guess it worked. When she moved from her hometown in Minnesota to attend Michigan State University, she met her boyfriend Matthew Smith - a well-known local music producer (The Go) who also worked on the band's

If not behind the drums, Leigh Sabo said she'd still be teaching kindergarten. Luckily, her bandmates agreed they can sometimes act like kindergartners, so she's remained on familiar ground. "I played guitar before I played drums," said Sabo. "There were two guitarists when we started." It was decided early on she would lay down the beats.

"I just wanted it to sound good," said Berg of her early vision for the band. "When I started to play with folks, before (Leigh) came by, before the idea of a band, I played with other drummer types. It never sounded right. There was just sort of an understanding."

That simplistic sense of sound translated into a record on Kill Rock Stars. "They're really easy," said Gonzales of the indie label. "They don't tell us what to do. We give them what we have.

They're happy with it."

"They" aren't the only ones happy with the band's latest release. Slumber Party recorded it in one week: "There was no stress," said Gonzales. "It was fun. There were no surprises. We knew what we wanted. That's what we got."

With songs like the engaging Why Do I Care? and I Don't Mind, which is featured in video format on the band's Web site, www. slumberparty. 50megs. com, it's the sort of record that captures your attention from the moment you press play. The dreamy quality that pervades Slumber Party's music drifts far from a musical landscape otherwise permeated by taunting rock riffs, hip hop posturing and political sentiment.

Engineered by Michael Nehra (Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise) at Detroit's White Room Studio, the record evokes a sleepy, sometimes shiny '60s pop

This year, Slumber Party looks forward to a European release of the album. It's been picked up by Poptones, a new label launched by British music mogul Alan McGee (Oasis, Primal Scream). A European tour will likely follow this summer.

For now, though, the band is practicing, writing new material and planning to record in early March. This time the Party moves to Ghetto Recorders to work with another well-known Detroit producer, Jim Diamond. "We'll maintain the vibe," promised Gonzales. "We're moving forward."

Join Slumber Party when the band performs with openers Ansonia, 10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at Gold Dollar, Detroit. Call (313) 833-6873.

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The Party: Slumber Party is Marcie Bolen, Aliccia Berg, Leigh Sabo and Gretchen Gonzales.



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Protest seeks radio attention

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

Detroit Hip Hop's got a new catch phrase - "Don't say it. Play

As a founder of the Detroit Hip Hop Coalition, Rob Gill hopes to get the word out that local artists deserve more radio time in the Motor City. With help from fellow coalition founders Brandon Wilkens and Lee Martin, he has organized a protest and boycott of one urban station, Detroit's WJLB FM.

from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, in Suite 633 of the Penobscot Building on Fort Street in Detroit. The boycott of station listeners is planned for the same time period, said Gill, and will continue each Friday

The Detroit Hip Hop Coalition, a conglomeration of Michigan hip-hop artists, promoters, disc jockeys, magazines, designers, entrepreneurs, and supporters, formed in late 2000 to bring together the hip hop scene in the

"The true answer to this problem is a Hip Hop station.

Paradime Livonia native

Midwestern United States. Gill, a Sterling Heights resident and publisher of the weekly music newsletter Scriptures Hip-Hop, hopes the protest will open some eyes and ears and bring about support for local artists.

"For several years now, WJLB Supporters plan to protest has neglected artists from the metro area," said Gill. "WJLB claims to be the 'voice of the community' and 'the place where hip-hop lives,' and they continue to ignore requests for area

Representatives for WJLB radio did not return phone calls or answer e-mail messages in response to the matter.

One hip hop artist, Paradime (Freddie Beauregard), said the issue goes beyond more exposure for local music and beyond just

one radio station.

"I see this from both sides," said Paradime, a Livonia native "I know people in radio, and I know people who make music. As an artist, I would love to see more support from local urban radio, and that's what this protest is about. However, cats need to realize that radio will play music that sells. If your product isn't making noise, radio isn't going to touch it. In that case you need to focus on college radio and clubs.

"The true answer to this problem is a Hip Hop station, period," said Paradime. "And until we get that in Detroit, we need to work on street promotion, club play and making quality music. WJLB should play more hip hop, yes. I agree, but us Detroit emcees need to create a more acceptable product too.'

For more information, call WJLB at (313) 965-2000. For more information on the protest and boycott or the Detroit Hip-Hop Coalition, call (248) 797-

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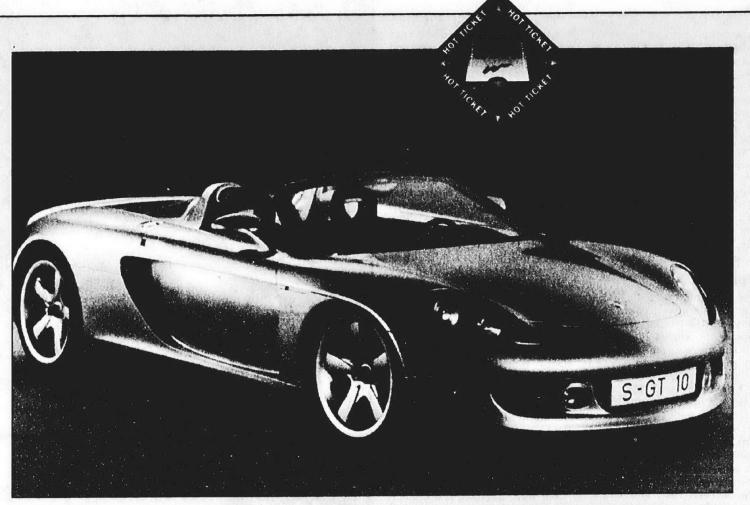
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BONSTELLE THEATRE: Dancing at Lughnasa Friday-Sunday, Jan. 26-28 and Feb. 2-4, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2960 HILBERRY THEATRE: Antigone by Jean Anouilh opens 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12 and runs in rotating repertory through March 29. Performances 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, and 8 p.m. Wednesday & Thursday, Jan. 18-19. Luigi Pirandello's Six Characters in Search of an Author runs in rotating repertory until Feb. 22, performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313)

YOUTH



Cool cars: You'll see the Porsche Carrera GT and other concept cars on display at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in Detroit. The show features 50 manufacturers displaying more than 700 vehicles, including more than 50 concept vehicles. Show Hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Saturday, Jan. 20, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21. No charge for children up to age 12 (when accompanied by a parent), \$10 for people ages 13-64, and \$5 for those age 65 and up.

PRODUCTIONS

AVON PLAYERS YOUTH THEATRE: School House Rock Live! Jr. 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, at the playhouse, Rochester Hills. \$8. (248) 608-9077

PUPPETART: Kolobok, a Russian version of The Gingerbread Man 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20 and 2^T, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777 TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Wizard of Oz 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 3-4 and 10-11, and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 and 10, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple, Detroit. \$10 reserved, \$5 general admission. (313) 535-8962

SPECIAL

COLLECTIBLE TOY SHOW: Vendors and collectors will sell new, used, antique and collectible toys of kinds from the '50s to this year's "hottest collectibles," 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21. Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St. \$5 adults, no charge kids under 10. (734) 455-2110

Over 60 dealers from around the world will sell new and antique historical figures and toy soldiers 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 at the Livonia Holiday Inn, Six Mile at the I-275 Freeway. \$5, (248) 586-1022.

p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 26-27, Palace of Auburn Hills. \$20. \$12 children 12 and under. Superfan seating also available. (248) 645-6666

original toughman contest: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 2-3, Cobo Arena, Detroit. \$12-20 on sale Friday, Jan. 5. (248) 645-6666 PLYMOUTH INTERNATIONAL ICE SCULPTURE FESTIVAL: The free family ovent that features carving

family event that features carving competitions for professionals, amateurs, high school and college students, and displays 24 hours a day Wednesday-Sunday, Jan. 17-21, in Kellogg Park, The Gathering and Central Parking Structure, Plymouth. Dinner dance featuring the music of the Tom Loncaric Dance Orchestra 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19 at St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth Township. The event benefits the non-profit festival. Tickets are \$100 and available by calling (734) 459-6969. For information about the festival, call (734) 459-9157 or visit the Web site at www.oeon-

line.com/plymouthice
REDFORD THEATRE: The Odd
Couple starring Walter Matthau
and Jack Lemmon 8 p.m. FridaySaturday, Jan. 12-13, and 2 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 13, organ overtures
begin 30-minutes earlier, at the
theater. \$3. (313) 531-4407

SPIRIT OF ART: Celebrate the creative spirit during an evening of art

and a concert by Assumption Grotto Church's Rev. Perrone, his 14-piece orchestra, and soprano Gina D'Alessio, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, following the performance, artist Daniel Cascardo will describe the images and inspiration for his murals on the side altars of St. Barbara's church. A reception follows the lecture and a musical interlude with vocalist Anna Maria Mastostefano, at St. Barbara's Church, 13524 Colson at Schaefer, between Ford and Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. \$15. For reservations, call (313) 886-3224/(248) 594-4594/(313) 884-

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL: Canton Project Arts will hold its third annual Storytelling Festival featuring Syd Lieberman, Craig Roney and Corinne Stavish Saturday, Jan. 27, a family performance, recommended for ages 4 and up takes place at 1 p.m. (\$3), and an adult performance at 7:30 p.m. (\$5), at Summit on the Park, Canton. Advance tickets are recommended. (734) 397-6450

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VALENTINE'S DANCE: The 20th annual 50's Valentine's Dance, presents Reflections, with Deuce Coupe Band, 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at Stiletto's, at the PRCU Civic Center, 1430 Oak Street, Wyandotte. Tickets \$22. 21 and older welcome. Includes food, bar, door prizes. Call Chooch at (734) 229-0678 or Chuck at (734) 425-2363 for details.

BENEFITS

EMPTY BOWLS OPEN HOUSE: 3:30-5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, Yad Ezra, 26641 Harding, one block east of Greenfield, south of 11 Mile. \$18 donation includes a hand-made bowl and simple meal of Cholent (a simple kosher stew) and bread. To benefit the Food Band of Oakland County.

SWINGTIME 2001: Dine on treats from 30 of Detroit's restaurant, dance to the music of three bands, visit the art gallery, or bid on a silent auction 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Fisher Building, Detroit. \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door. Benefits the Fanclub Foundation for the Arts. (248) 584-4150.

VISIONS OF THE SACRED: More than 40 photojournalists from around the world have donated their work of the online auction Visions of the Sacred. Proceeds from the auction benefit the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Photographs can be viewed online at www.visionsacred.org and at the Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn through Sunday, Jan. 21. Bids can be placed anytime online or at

at www.visionsacred.org and at the Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn through Sunday, Jan. 21. Bids can be placed anytime online or at Fairlane 4-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Each photographer has donated two matched prints: one for the auction and a second to be hung in the soup kitchen. Photographs will be on display at Fairlane during mall hours. Images will rotate during the

exhibit with 40 prints being shown each day. Founded in 1929, the Capuchin Soup Kitchen serves the disadvantaged people of the metro Detroit area by providing emergency services including food, clothing, furniture, and appliances. (313) 579-2100, ext. 201

CLASSICAL

ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Mozart Birthday Bash pays tribute to Mozart on his 245th birthday 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Michigan Theater, Detroit. \$17-\$30. (734) 994-4801 CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF **DETROIT:** Brentano String Quartet 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, in the Seligman Performing Arts Center at Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills. \$18-\$67, \$15 students. (248) 645-6666 **DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Violinist Carolyn Huebl joins the orchestra for Prokofiev Violin Concerto No. 1 in D 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at Edsel Ford High School, Dearborn. \$18, \$2 students. (313) 565-2424 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Tchakovsky's Manfred Symphony 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$52. (313) 576-5111 LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Spotlights the talent of 16-year-old pianist Joshua Cullen 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, at Churchill High School, Livonia. \$15, \$10 students. (734) 425-4855/(248) 645-6666 **MICHIGAN CHAMBER PLAYERS: 4** p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, at Rackham Auditorium, Ann Arbor. No admission charge. (734) 764-2538 **MUSIC AT MEMORIAL:** Featuring the music of Detroit composers James Lentini, James Hartway, Lettie Alston and Mark Gottlieb 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. \$15, \$10

AUDITIONS/
OPPORTUNITIES
SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE: Auditions

students/seniors. (313) 882-5330

for On Golden Pond, 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Jan. 23-24 in the Liberal Arts Building Theatre, 18600 Haggerty. The play will be presented March 23-24 and March 30-31 in a dinner theater setting and April 6-7 in a theater performance. (734) 462-4596. FIRST THEATER GUILD OF BIRMINGHAM: Auditions for Charlie and the Chocolate Factory 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23, Knox Auditorium at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 Maple (between Southfield and Cranbrooks). Be prepared to read. Rehearsals Tuesday & Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons at the church. Show opens Friday, March 30 and closes Sunday, April 8. (248) 644-2087.

JAZZ/SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE:
Holds auditions Tuesday through
the month of January, dancers
should be age 18 and up with

expertise in modern and jazz, at the Jazz & Spirit Dance Theatre of Detroit. (313) 534-0301 NORTHVILLE CONCERT CHORALE: Auditions for its performance of

Mozart's Requiem 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 20 at First Presbyterian Church, Northville. The 50-member chorale will perform the Requiem with soloists and the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra of Ann Arbor 7 p.m. Sunday, March 18. To schedule an audition, call (248) 349-0911

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS:
Began rehearsals on Tuesday, Jan.
9 for its spring concert April 28-29,
auditions will be held by appointment 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23 and
30, first sopranos, tenors and basses are especially needed but there
are some openings for second
sopranos and altos, at First United
Methodist Church, Plymouth.

(734) 455-4080

SESAME STREET LIVE: Auditions for professional dancers who can act and actors who can dance, age 18 and up 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. Enter stage door on north side of Montcalm which intersects

Woodward. (612) 375-9670, ext.

ROPRODUCTIONS: Auditions for Woman in Mind, a comedy about a woman married to a boring cleric, 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, at The Burgh, Southfield's historic church. For March 9-11, 16-18 and 23-25 performances. (248) 827-0710 SWING BAND: The OPC Senior Band invites musicians to dust off their instruments and join the band 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays, or just drop by to listen, at the Rochester Older Persons Commission. (248) 646-2864

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA-REDFORD: Auditions for *The Fantastiks* 7 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Jan. 21-22, roles available for 6 men, one young girl and a mime, at the theater, Redford. Performance dates are March 23-24 and 30-31, and April 1 and 6-8. (313) 531-0554

VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN: Is looking for entries for its 7th annual Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan High School Students. The competition helps develop young amateur vocal talent and promotes appreciation for Italian music and language. Deadline for submitting tapes is Saturday, Feb. 17. Ten finalists will be chosen from cassette audiotape auditions submitted through their respective high schools. Each finalist will receive a cash prize ranging from \$50 to \$1,000 in addition to the opportunity to perform before a live audience at the final concert 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6 at the Italian American Cultural Center in Warren. (734) 455-8895

POPS/SWING
BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9

p.m. Monday, at the Bird of

Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, bop)

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8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday through February, at Excalibur, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

TWO FOR ONE: The Farmington

COMMUNITY BAND/CHOIR

Community Band joins the Birmingham Concert Band in a special concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 at Harrison High School, 12 Mile (between Middlebelt and Orchard Lakes) Farmington Hills. After each band has performed a variety of selected pieces, the two bands will join together for a combined performance. No charge, (734) 261-2202 or visit www.fcbmusic.org VALENTINE DINNER DANCE: Sponsored by the Farmington Community Band, Friday, Feb. 9 at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills. Event features the Farmington Community Band Dance Band playing music for your dancing and listening pleasure. Cash bar cocktail hour 6:30 p.m., buffet dinner 7:30 p.m. Dancing until midnight. Tickets \$42 per person for dinner and dancing, special pricing available for tickets purchased before Jan. 19. Tables of eight may also be reserved. (734) 261-2202 or (248) 489-3412 or visit www.fcbmusic.org

COMMUNITY CONCERT
ASSOCIATION OF TROY: Presents
the Troy High School Concert Choir
and Stardust Vocal Ensemble, 8
p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24 at Troy
High School, 4777 Northfield
Parkway. \$15, (810) 979-8406 or
(248) 335-5307.

JAZZ

RON BROOKS TRIO: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

FREDDIE COLE TRIO: Will perform A Tribute to Louis Armstrong, 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, Museum of African American History, Detroit. \$25, (313) 494-5870

DAVE DOUGLAS: With Guy Klucevesek, Mark Feldman, Greg Cohen, 8 and 10 p.m. shows, Friday, Jan. 26, Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-25. (734) 769-2999

PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAM SESSION: 9 p.m. Sunday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$2 cover. (734) 662-8310 DALE GRISA TRIO: 5-7 p.m.

Tuesday, at Sweet Lorraine's in the Livonia Marriott Hotel. (734) 953-7480

JAZZ LEGACY SERIES: A tribute to Louis Armstrong featuring Freddie Cole (Nat King Cole's younger brother) and his quartet, Jerry Byrd (guitar), Herman Burney (bass) and Curtis Boyd (drums) 7 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 18, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. Tickets \$25. (313) 494-5870 or (313) 494-

SHEILA LANDIS TRIO: 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, Lily's Seafood, Royal Oak. (248) 591-5459LOS GATOS: 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310 TONY POPE'S N'ORLEANS SIX: Saturday, Jan. 20, Steak and Ale, Madison Heights. (248) 588-4450 BIRMINGHAM VESPERS: Barbara Ware and The Kevin Grenier Trio with Steve Wood on saxophone 6

p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21. (248) 644-0550.

JOHN PIZZARELLI TRIO: Jazz guitarist John Pizzarelli brings his trio to Orchestra Hall in Detroit 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19. \$17 to \$65, (313) 576-5111.

RON'S FIRESIDE INN: Matt Michaels Trio with guest vocalist April Tini, 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, 28937 Warren (east of Middlebelt), Garden City. (734) 762-7756.

DETROIT BLUES PIANO SUMMIT

IV: Features Joe Hunter, Dr. Teddy
Harris, Kenny Cox, 2-4:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 20. The Scarab Club,
217 Farnsworth, Detroit. No
charge. (313) 831-1250.

FOLK/ BLUEGRASS

ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL: Matt Watroba, David Wilcox and others 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. Tickets (734) 763-TKTS/information (734) 761-1451

ALEX DE GRASSI: 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, at The Ark, Ann Arbor.

Jan. 18, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 763-TKTS CONOR O'NEILL'S TRADITIONAL IRIGH PUB: Mogue Doyle, 9 p.m. uays a week

Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279. Items must include the date, time, venue, admission price and a telephone number.

Thursday, Jan. 18, traditional Irish session 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 22, open Mike 9 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23, Bill Long 9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, 318 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2968.

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THE ARK: Fred Eaglesmith 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, \$13.50. Sons of the Never Wrong 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, (734) 761-1800.

DANCE

MIDDLE EASTERN DANCE: Cedena Boukraa demonstrates the fine points of sword dance as well as other Middle Eastern dances 2-3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland. (734) 326-6123

MOON-DUSTERS: Ballroom dancing to live bands 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington, Livonia. \$5. (248) 967-1428

U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB: Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984

COMEDY

JD'S KEY CLUB: Jimmy Dore, Steve Ebling, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23; Kevin Burke, Bill Barr, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30; Jef Brannan, Brett Alan, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6; Barry Neal, Kevin Kramis, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13; Jim McHugh, Dan Greuter, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the club, Pontiac. \$6 admission. (248) 338-7337

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Robert Hawkins, Jan. 17-20, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. (734) 261-0555. PENN THEATRE: Mike Lucas 7 p.m.

and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 19-20, at the theater, Plymouth. (734) 453-6530 or visit the Web site at www.PennTheatre.com SECOND CITY: Here Comes My 19th Nervous Breakdown, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; 1001 Improv Jammers 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 and 27, and March 6, at the club in Detroit. \$15 and \$20. (313)

www.secondcity.com 7TH HOUSE: Bingo! An audience participation comedy romp, presented 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday, at the theatre, Pontiac. \$20. (248) 335-8100 or

MUSEUMS AND

interactive exhibits intended to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$6, \$4 children/seniors/students. (734)

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: The First Ladies of Fashion exhibit featuring 14 reproduction Inaugural Ball Gowns continues to Feb. 1, at the museum, Plymouth. \$3, \$1 students, \$7 family. (734) 455-8940

Thursday, Jan. 25, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873. LORI AMEY: 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Borders Books and Music, Troy. All ages. Free. (248) 585-6029 AN EVENING WITH RICHARD ASHCROFT: Rescheduled, 6 p.m. All ages. (313) 961-8961. A PERFECT CIRCLE: With Snake 29, on the campus of Eastern Michigan University, Yspilanti. Details to come. CHUCK BERRY AND JERRY LEE LEWIS: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19. Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$35-\$75. (248) 645-6666. BETTER DAYS: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Coyote Club, Pontiac. Free. (248) 332-HOWL. BLACK MAGIC CROSSING: 10 p.m. BLOWTOP: Friday, Jan. 19, Tap

SARAH BRIGHTMAN: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, Masonic Temple, Detroit. \$35-\$65. (248)

645-6666 BROTHERS GROOVE: Friday, Jan. 19, Hunter House, Detroit. (313) 965-0265; Saturday, Jan. 20, TC's Speakeasy, Ypsilanti. (734) 483-4470; 10 p.m. Mondays, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922; Friday, Jan. 26, Foran's Irish Pub. Detroit. (313) 961-3043; Noon, Wednesday, Jan. 31, Wayne State University Student Center; Wednesday, Jan. 31, Cadiuex Cafe, Detroit. (313) 882-8560 AARON CARTER: 10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, State Theatre, Detroit.

\$23. All ages. (313) 961-5451 MIKE CLARK'S PRESCRIPTION **RENEWAL:** Featuring Charlie Hunter, DJ Logic and Robert Walter, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 11, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15 advance.

(248) 544-3030 CLASHBACK: A Clash Cover Band, 10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5.

THE CODEPENDENTS: 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$3 over 21 and \$5 under 21. (734) 996-8555. CONNIPTION: With Liquid #9,

Crackjaw, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030 **CONSOLATION PRIZE: With**

Wristrocket, Blindshot, Nowadays, 10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067 CORNDADDY: With The Drapes, Thursday, Jan. 18, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873 THE CRUMBS: With Proteins, 7

Shelter, Detroit. \$6. (313) 961-DEAD HEROES: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, The

DELL AND THE ROUGHCUTS: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theatre members. (734) 464-

DELTA 88: With Audra Kubat, 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067; With Kevin Meisel, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3. Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734)

464-6302 JASON DENNIE: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Trinity House Theatre. Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302 **DOMESTIC PROBLEMS: With 19** Wheels, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2,

Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$7. (248) 544-3030. STEVE EARLE: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, Michigan Theatre, Ann

Arbor, All ages. \$23. (734) 668-EASY ACTION: With the Paybacks. Saturday, Jan. 27, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873 **EKOOSTIK HOOKAH:** Performing for Hash Bash celebration, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$16.75. All

ages. (734) 668-8397 ESHAM: With Natas, 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 and 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27. St. Andrews Hall, Detroit, All ages. \$25. (313) 961-8961 EVERLAST: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Feb. 2. St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. Tickets \$20. All ages. (313) 961-

8961 MIKE GEORGIN: With Jason Dennie, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia, \$10 or \$8 for theater members. Master class for bass players begins 6 p.m. and costs additional \$5. (734) 464-

GHETTOBILLIES: With Metropoix, Mike Farley Band, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$5 over 21 and \$6 under 21. (734) 996-8555.

GYPSY DOG: 9 p.m. Saturday, Wintergarden Tavern, Livonia. Free. (248) 474-7159 HAPPENSTANCE: Friday-Saturday.

Jan. 19-20, 26-27, Feb. 16-17, 23-24, Shantie Bar, Warren. (810) 755-5055; Friday-Saturday, Feb 3-10, Stan's Dugout, Auburn Hills. (248) 852-6433 **HEMIGOD:** With Braillehouse, 8

p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030 AL HILL: 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, Mac's Acadian Seafood, Saline. 7340 944-6227

AL HILL: 6:30 pm. Tuesday-Saturday, Jan. 23-27, Jan. 30-Feb. 3, Zydeco's, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600; With the Love Butlers, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, Cavern Club,

Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900 AL HILL TRIO: 9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Jan. 23-25, Weber's, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-3636. HOWLING DIABLOS: 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$7. (248) 544-3030 **IMMIGRANT SUNS BIG BAND: 8** p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030 IMMUNITY: 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, The Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. Cover charge. (734) 332-9900. ALAN JACKSON: With Sara Evans, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$27.50-\$34.50. (248) 645-6666.

LEMON JAMES: 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Scalici's Underground Lounge, Allen Park. (313) 382-JAZZHEAD: 10 p.m. Monday, Fifth

Avenue, Royal Oak, (248) 542-

9922.

JELLY'S PIERCED TATTOO: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2. Borders Books and Music, Rochester Hills, Free, All ages. (248) 652-0558 BB KING: With Bobby Blue Bland,

The Manhattans, featuring Gerald Aiston and Blue Lovett, 8 p.m.

or www.alvins.xtcom.com

Saturday, Jan. 20, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$30, \$37.50, \$75. (248) 645-6666

KNEE DEEP SHAG: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$7. (248) 544-3030

BOBBY LEWIS AND THE CRACKERJACK BAND: Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 18-20, 25-27, Feb. 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, March 1-3, 8-10, Major Tooley's Irish Pub, Northville. (248) 465-1680 LINKIN PARK: With Taproot, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. \$13.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

LOLLYPOP LUST KILL: With Diety, Forge, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 996-8555. LOW: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, St.

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Remember the rock you grew up on? The hard-hitting power chords, the stuff you'd shake a fist at? Happenstance does, and the band is determined to bring it all back, an R&B-grounded sound as raw and in-your-face as ever, with its second release, Get There. The album is a follow-up to the band's debut, Anytime, Anywhere, released in January 1999. If the name sounds familiar, it might have something to do with the support the band's received from WRIF radio. Listen for an interview with Happenstance 10 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 14, on 101.1 FM WRIF.

The trio, which formed by chance in Canton in 1994, features Livonia native Robert Navarre on vocals and guitar, drummer Jay Woolsey and bassist Jay Mitchell. Navarre's smooth, strong vocals lend power to songs like Know Solution, the title track and the floating ballad Come to Me.

With influences like Rush, Kansas and AC/DC, Happenstance can't help but feed the flames of rock in the metro area. And isn't it about time? Learn more at http://listen.to/happenstance.

- Review by S.A. Casola

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'Antitrust' is a modern-day thriller worth seeing

Maybe it's not the meek but the geek who shall inherit the earth. If so, it can't hurt them to inhabit a bit of James Bond before they do. That seems to be the message in Antitrust, a surprisingly pleasing thriller for the Z-generation, or whatever they're calling themselves this week.

Young computer programming genius Milo (Ryan Phillipe of Cruel Intentions) is recruited and seduced by the perceived idealism of Gary Winston (Tim Robbins), the Bill Gates-like head of giant software company N.U.R.V. (Never Underestimate Radical Vision). Gary gives a

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motivational speech right out of Patton, cautioning that in life, as in binary code, "You're either a 1

Abandoning his friends and garage-based startup company, Milo joins N.U.R.V. to make history by perfecting digital convergence, the linking of all communications devices. He's assigned to a think tank with snowboards on the wall and people named Stinky. We can tell how dazzled Milo is with Gary and his breakthrough technology; when shown a new program, he gushes, "The compression is awesome!"

But outside the N.U.R.V. campus, programmers are dropping like last year's game formats. When Milo's best friend is killed, he turns into Tom Cruise to go undercover and expose Gary and his cohorts, which eventually

include everyone but the film's projectionist. There's a terrific line when one of the bad guys corners Milo and laughs, "What's with the Mission Impossible stuff? You're just a geek."

Cynicism aside, Antitrust is a well thought-out piece that promotes the cause of free access to the codes for all computer programs (open-source) as opposed to the corporate monopoly currently before the courts. Along the way, you get a taut story with classic (some would say trite) movie twists.

Ryan Phillipe is both the leading man and the leading problem with Antitrust.

Too teen idolish to be a geek and too frail to be a super-sleuth, he's likeable but unconvincing. Milo has two women in his life; four if you figure that neither woman is who she pretends to be. Claire Forlani (Meet Joe Black) is Alice the artsy girlfriend whose past is a lot more colorful than her paintings. Rachael Leigh Cook (She's All That) is programming assistant Lisa, the only other person at N.U.R.V. who looks like she's had a date and the only one Milo can trust.

Veteran Tim Robbins is the class of the field. The fact that we know from the get-go that he's out to conquer the world at all costs lets him have fun with being a slimeball billionaire.

Antitrust is a logical successor to 1983's War Games. If you can handle the geek speak and know your way around a mouse, you should make it through without



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MOVIES START AT DUSK

Film fails to capture story of Cuban Missile Crisis

By Victoria Diaz

October 1962. An American U-2 spy plane sends some disturbing photos back to Washington authorities. In Castro's Cuba, more than 32 medium-range missile sites have been discovered. Behind the scheme (not surprisingly) lurks America's

arch-enemy, the Soviet Union As President John F. Kennedy and his administration wrestle with the situation, one thing soon becomes clear: the presence of these missiles (which, if deployed, could reach as far as Washington) cannot be tolerated. On the other hand, just exactly what to do about them proves to be a rather murky and contro-

versial puzzle. This hair-trigger episode, which threatened to set off an earth-shattering world war, came to be known as the Cuban Missile Crisis. It was, to say the least, a tense and excruciatingly dramatic time, and those of us old enough to remember Kennedy's live television announcement of his decision to blockade Cuba will probably never forget it. But, in Thirteen Days, neither director Roger Donaldson (The Bounty) or screenwriter David Self (The Haunting) has managed to capture the excitement or the high drama. Instead, we end up with a mishmash of words, talking heads, clenching jaws, enough meaningful glances for the frothiest of soap operas, and a pace that is not only slow, but down-

right ponderous at times. Told from the viewpoint of presidential aide, Kenneth O'Donnell, this version of events shows military brass like Gen. Curtis LeMay (Kevin Conway) and Gen. Maxwell Taylor (Bill Smitrovich) at almost constant odds with the cooler heads of those gathered in the Oval Office: JFK (Bruce Greenwood), his brother, Bobby (Steven Culp, in one of the film's strongest performances), and O'Donnell (Kevin Costner, challenged considerably by his character's Boston-Irish-Harvard speech).

Another cool head belongs to the aging UN ambassador, Adlai Stevenson (played admirably by that unsung actor, Michael Fairman). Dean Rusk (Henry Strozier), Robert McNamara (Dylan Baker), McGeorge Bundy (Frank Wood), Ted Sorenson (Tim Kelleher), and Dean Acheson (Len Cariou) also illustrate that another kind of "war" existed around the President's conference tables. Lyndon B. Johnson (Walter Adrian) is, according to this picture, kept out of the fray entirely, which seems rather unlikely for an officeholder who is "only a heartbeat away" from the presidency, and more than a little disturbing if true. The shutting-out of the vice-president is not hashed-over here, though; he seems to have been merely invisible during the cri-

For film trivia buffs: Christopher Lawford, an actor who is a blood relative of the late President, portrays a pilot eager to do his part on a hazardous mission over Cuba.

Washington conference room scenarios are occasionally intercut with shots of the U.S. Navy enforcing the American blockade of Cuba, or surveillance flyovers, or some domestic scenes in the O'Donnell household. Though these provide variety and relief from the vaguely claustrophobic Washington deliberations, they simply seem like scenes in a



Drama: Kevin Costner stars in "Thirteen Days."

movie, with little "you-are-there" feel to them at all. In addition, a strongly manipulative background score doesn't improve matters. Some scenes, shot in black-and-white, apparently aim for a kind of nostalgic-docudrama touch, but often come off as just another intrusive cinematic gimmick.

We all know how this story ends, of course. Still, it seems that filmgoers these days have a right to expect moviemaking that is fresher and more arresting than this. If you're looking for a dry-as-chalk history lesson, you may have found it in this movie. But if you're looking for memorable filmmaking, this isn't it. Thirteen Days runs just over two hours, and sometimes feels almost as if it's taking place

Scheduled to open Friday, Jan. 26

SHADOW OF THE VAMPIRE

Fictionalized look at the making of Murnau's horror classic Nosferatu where Murnau (John Malkovich) hires a real vampire (Willem Dafoe) to star in the movie. Also stars Cary Elwes. Catherine McCormack, Udo Kier, Eddie izzard and John Aden Gillet.

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day of the 1989 hunting season. Stars Jeff Daniels and Harve Presnett.

A thriller about four women who find

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, Feb. 2

themselves being stalked by a killer over Valentine's Day weekend and find reason to believe that the killer is someone from their childhood past. Stars David Boreanaz, Denise Richards.

'The Last Night of Ballyhoo' warm and funny

The Players Guild of Dearborn resents Alfred Uhry's, "The Last Night of Ballyhoo" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 19-20 and Jan. 26-27 and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21. The theater is at 21730 Madison, (south of the intersection of Madison and Monroe) in Dearborn. For tickets and more information, call (313) 561-

BY SUE SUCHYTA SPECIAL WRITER

The Players Guild of Dearborn has taken a story, both funny and touching, and blended the colorful characters into a tale of family and friends who rediscover the value of their common ancestry.

The Last Night of Ballyhoo is also a portrait of a family on the cusp of charge. Though Jewish by ancestry, they have become mainstream Americans to the point where they even have a Christmas tree. However, as Hitler invades Poland and dark news from Europe surfaces, their plans for the biggest social event of the season begin to be influenced by the Jewishness they have tried to outdistance.

Director Michael Falzon has taken a dialogue intensive script and brought together characters who give it life and a lively pace. From the frenetic energy of Julie Yolles' Lala Levy, a young woman desperate for a date, to the warm naiveté of her widowed aunt, played by Jeanine Matlow of Farmington Hills, the

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show weaves a rich tapestry of characters and insights.

Julie Yolles of Birmingham plays Lala Levy with nervous energy and irascible Southern charm. After dropping her freshman semester at the University of Michigan, a homesick Lala returned to Atlanta with dreams of writing a screenplay or a novel, but has only opening lines and unfocused dreams to propel her plans. She is, however, intent on getting a date to Ballyhoo, the biggest Atlanta Jewish social event of the season. Yolles effectively captures Lala's unique mixture of insecurity and moxie and blends them into a young woman desperate to please her overbearing mama yet determined to be her own

Yolles uses Lala's brashness as an effective shield, yet lets us see the hurt girl behind the bravado. We see the awkward, insecure swan dressed up in overpriced outfits, trying to outshine her serene, sophisticated cousin

Sunny, Lala's Wellsley bred cousin, is everything Lala is not: Elegant and educated, calm and composed. She doesn't, as Lala dryly notes, even look Jewish, apparently a point in her favor. Yet Sunny, played with warmth and insight by Maria Kovac, is lonely and unsure of herself, despite the brave, polished facade she shows the world. She has held herself apart from romance through her college years, and is still unsure of who she is and what she wants to

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Joe Farkas, played by Ron Williams Jr. of Redford, begins the interesting process of revealing the real Sunny as they fall in

Williams plays Joe Farkas, the son of New York Jewish immigrants, with candor and forthrightness. Unlike the Freitag family, who try to overlook their Jewish ancestry, he is proud of his, despite the prejudice he's encountered. He's amazed and puzzled by the Freitag's Christmas tree and lack of Sabbath customs. He even has to explain Yiddish expression to them, and makes them realize the folly of ignoring prejudice or perpetuating it amongst Jews of different backgrounds. Williams captures the contrary moods of a young man in love with realism and the right blend of humor. Both Ron Williams Jr. and Maria Kovac create a strong chemistry as a stage couple, which lends strength to the

Robin Blesener as Boo Levy is the busybody mother you love to hate. She says whatever pops into her head, be it compliment or criticism, and she's equally

holidays without her much needed household help. She drives her daughter Lala to distraction, but the others have learned to live with her. Blesener carries her character's idiosyncrasies far enough to be funny but not gratingly annoying.

Matlow is pleasant as Reba, the Freitag's widowed sister-inlaw, and serves as a calm contrast to Boo's frenetic outbursts. Dennis Decker of Dearborn is droll and patient as Adolph Freitag, the bachelor brother who runs the family business and supports the entire family. He patiently witnesses the flurry over Ballyhoo, but because increasingly concerned with the dark storm clouds gathering in Europe. Brian Townsend of Plymouth provides comic relief as Peachy Weil, Lala's beau and an a young man from a long established Georgia Jewish family. Despite the comic relief he provides, he serves the more important role of revealing the insidious anti-Semitism even within the different classes of Jews in

Mary and Matt Calder's costumes are very much in keeping let O'Hara's Gone With The Wind gowns, a movie premiering in Atlanta as the play opens. The gown mirrors Lala's desperate hope to emulate Scarlet's pluck and romantic daring, qualities Lala desperately wants. Sunny's outfits are elegantly tai-

lored, lending her an aura of cool

sophistication.

Westland resident Mark Ripper and his prop crew deserve kudos for their attention to detail, including Brian Townsend's newspapers that herald the debut of Gone With the Wind in Atlanta and Hitler's invasion of Poland. The set was suitable, but could have been more elegant for a family supposedly wealthy. The living room

looked more like a comfortable

family room than an elegant

"THE COOLEST MOVIE OF THE YEAR."

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The play, carried by the dialogue of its characters, ends abruptly with a surprising and silent scene. Although we are pleased to see it, we are surprised to see some of the characters there. We are unsure how some of the supporting characters came to this point in the journey, though we are pleased to see the family coalesce.

The Last Night of Ballyhoo is the story of a family, both funny and touching, that will warm up your post holiday blues with some laughter and genuine entertainment.

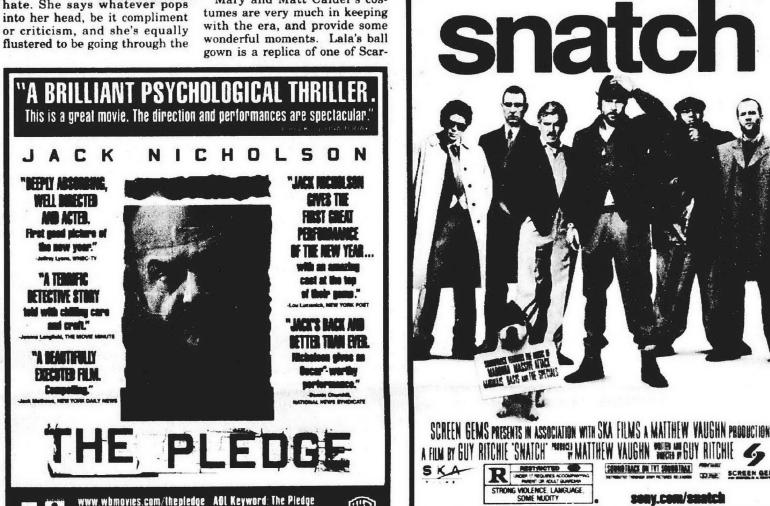
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Restaurants offer warm welcome during ice festival

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net

ome this weekend, restaurants in downtown Plymouth will go into high gear for the 19th annual Ice Sculpture Spectacular. Coffee will perk, beer foam, soup simmer and burgers sizzle. Once again, restaurants owners will extend a warm welcome to all who brave cold feet and noses during the five-day festival, which runs January 17-21.

"We make good friends at that time, and we're ready," said Tiina Ristich, owner of the Cozy Cafe, one of Plymouth's oldest eateries.

Here's a list of the town's best tummy-warming places:

Street, (734) 416-0100, hours (festival): 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday; noon to 1 a.m. Saturday; 2-9 p.m. Sunday. Authentic Italian cuisine. Try the Capellini Amoré, a house favorite pasta, and the Chicken Pastina soup, made fresh every day. During ice festival, Compari's will sell pizza by the slice, chili, coffee and hot cocoa from their "back window."

E. G. Nick's, 500 Forest Ave., (734) 414-6400, hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. (bar open to 11 p.m.) Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. (bar open to midnight) Friday and Saturday; noon to 8 p.m. Sunday. Casual, classic American menu includes gourmet pizzas, sandwiches, ribs, pasta, fish and entree salads. Their planked whited fish with Duchess potatoes is a house specialty, and their chicken gumbo is a must.

Cozy Cafe, 15 Forest Place, (734) 455-3310, hours: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Famous for their homemade desserts (their menu lists 18!), the Cozy Cafe also makes tasty quiches, chicken pot pies and soups. Their walnut-raisin sweet

What: The 19th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Festival is a free family event that features carving competitions for professionals, amateurs, high school and college students.

When: Open 24 hours a day Thursday-Sunday, Jan. 18-21. For information, call (734) 459-9157 or visit the Web site at www.oeonline.com/plymouthice

Where: Kellogg Park, The Gathering and Central Parking Structure in downtown Plymouth

roll - almost a meal for two - is legendary. "If they've heard about the Cozy, they've heard about the walnut-raisin sweet roll," said Ristich.

■ Station 885, 855 Stark-weather, (734) 459-0885, hours: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. lunch and 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. dinner Monday-Saturday; 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday brunch. All-American menu includes prime rib, pizzas, coconut shrimp, lots of sandwiches and meal-size salads. "Our Sunday brunch (\$10.95) is absolutely fabulous," said manager Kim Buerkle.

Lower Town Grill, 195 E. Ann Arbor, (734) 453-8080, hours: 11:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. Monday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Sunday. Great saloon food, says owner Kim Guenther, especially the Calamari in a white butter sauce with sun-dried tomatoes. Also live music of the blues-rock 'n roll variety on Friday and Saturday nights.

Dynersty, 447 Forest, (734) 459-3332, hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 10 p.m. Sunday. Tasty variety of Chinese cuisine. Try the hot and sour soup and General Tsao's Chicken, both big sellers.

■ Little Bancock, 545 Forest Avenue, (734) 414-8696, hours: 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday-

Thursday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; noon to 10 p.m. Saturday; 4-9:30 p.m. Sunday. Customers praise the Pad Thai and the spring rolls. Don't forget to order the Tom Yum, the most famous of all Thai soups.

Trail (across from Kellogg Park), (734) 459-7390, hours: 11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday; noon to 10 p.m. Sunday. Who in Wayne County has not had a cold beer and a juicy burger at the Box? The place has expanded and so has the menu, which now includes appetizers like calamari and mussels. Their chilis are tops, both the white chicken and the beef brisket.

■ Uncle Frank's, 550 Forest (inside the Forest Place Mall), (734) 455-4141, hours: 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday (regular hours: 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday). Owner David Kaplan serves his Chicago- and New York-style all-beef Vienna franks heaped high with condiments and flavor. Full ice-cream bar and vegetarian menu, including tofu hot dogs and tempeh burgers. Try the cream of tomato soup sprinkled with cheddar cheese - delicious.

Penniman Delicatessen, 820 Penniman, (734) 453-3570, hours (festival): 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Great place for thick corned beef or turkey sandwiches and soups like Southwest Chicken, cabbage and chicken noodle. "All homemade," says owner and soupmaker Russ Webster. Lots of hot coffee and cocoa during festaval.

Harvey's Old Village Deli, 696 N. Mill, (734) 453-3705, hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Not exactly on the ice sculpture trail, but worth the hike to Old Village. Greek-style grilled pitas with homemade redskin

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

At your service: Executive Chef Frank Agostini (left to right), and restaurant owners Tony Belli and Elia Nicholas welcome customers to E.G. Nick's in Plymouth. Agostini presents the restaurant's specialty dish, Fresh Lake Superior Whitefish, Belli displays the menu, and Nicholas presents the House Greek Salad.

potato salad or french fries. Homemade soups. Old-fashioned daily specials – hot turkey sandwiches or veal cutlets on Thursday and the baked macaroni and cheese (the real stuff, no shortcuts!) on Friday. "No matter how much macaroni I make, it's gone," said owner Dan Sarb.

■ Plymouth Fish Seafood Market and Restaurant, 578 Starkweather, (734) 455-2630, hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday. If you crave deepfried fresh cod, served with cole slaw, french fries and a roll – all for \$7.95 – head to Old Village. "We go through about 200

pounds a week," says owner item. Off the ice trail, but the Vince Toia of his best-selling fish & chips are great.







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WALLS OF SOUND

Technology blends sight and sound

Home theatrics: Kris Paulson relaxes and activates a home theater projection system. Consumers have a variety of choices today when it comes to choosing sound or video equipment, from the new DVD-Audio systems, home projection systems to surround sound systems.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

ome entertainment centers are becoming as important to homeowners as kitchens and bathrooms. Consumers are riding the crest of this technology wave, particularly with DVD-Audio systems. The International Recording Media Association predicts worldwide sales will reach 40 million units this year, including 12 million in North America. That's up significantly from last year's worldwide sales of 12 million and four million in North America.

"If you have one, you understand why people want one," said John Emke, owner and president of Mark Electronics in Canton. "They're calling for recessions in a lot of industries, but home theater is not one of them."

It's all part of the latest trend in home entertainment - the ogy today. Walk into any appliance store and the large projection screens will catch your eye, even though they're in separate

rooms at the rear of the store. But it is the sound that sells the DVD-Audio. "DVD-Audio is new, and it's up and coming," said Kris Paulson, general manager of Paulson's Audio & Video in Farmington Hills.



Getting technical: Paulson shows the input and output components on a receiver used to obtain video and audio on a projection screen.

What is DVD-Audio?

DVD-Audio is a format designed to create the best picture and sound, better than the popular videocassette recorder and a step up from the quality of sound on conventional CDs and DVD-Videos. DVD-Audio uses a multi-channel, high resolution format, using data solely for high quality sound.

DVD-Audio houses a 5.1-channel system, which adds a center channel speaker for a center image and two rear speakers for a bass channel and optional subwoofer, with what the traditional 2channel systems include, that is the left and right

All DVD-Audio players designed as universal players will be able to play DVD-Video disks and

cial effects," Paulson said.

Paulson then pops in a CD and plays Emerson, Lake & Palmer's Lucky Man. The room is immersed in Keith Emerson's keyboards and Greg Lake's voca tars. The separation and depth is unmistakable and distinctive. Each note and nuance by the recording artists is expanded into a

multi-dimensional soundscape. It's as close to a live performance as you'll hear.

"Surround sound is a major focus," said Paulson. "Folks already own bigger TVs and they want the sound to go with it. They're going away from the big box to the sub-satellite systems."

Home theater systems

Front projection systems also are popular choices for people who want to create their own home theater. The projector is attached to the ceiling.

"This is installed in the lower levels, typically, because it is a light sensitive system," Paulson said.

Those systems run \$6,000 or \$7,000. Why spend so much on DVDs or front projection systems? Customers are more affluent and can afford it, Paulson said. They have large homes and they want to enjoy it with their relatives and friends, and they want to have luxuries for friends and

family," Paulson said. Customers also want sound systems installed throughout the entire house. In-ceiling systems can be flush-mounted into the "The woofer and tweeter can pivot around for surround

sound," said Paulson. "A lot of these were straight out of the wall, so there was no flexibility."

That helps listeners who want to move around the room or move chair locations without losing sound quality.

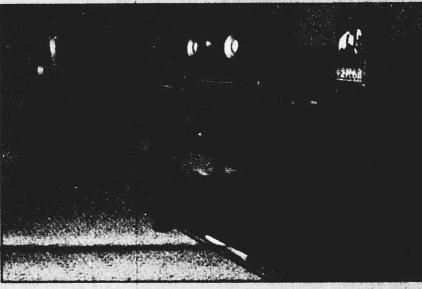
Cheap alternative

CD players remain a less expensive alternative for those who can't afford a DVD-Audio but need a new sound system. When shopping for an audio system, customers should consider their needs and room size.

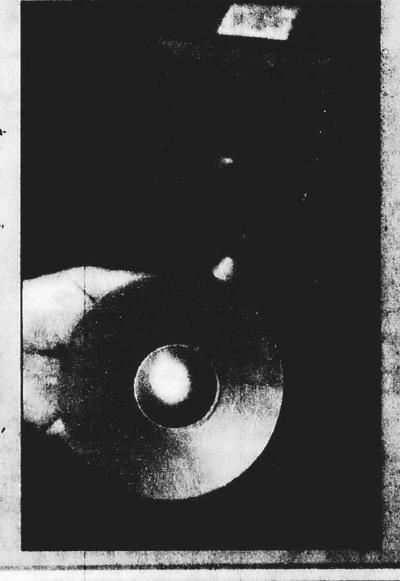
A smaller 35-watt CD player unit takes up less space, but if you have a 20- by 18-foot room with a vaulted ceiling, "it doesn't have the comph," Paulson said. "The little cube isn't going to cut it." You can get the smaller size, but "you won't get the perfor-

Larger in-wall speakers generally work better for a larger, more-open room. In-wall speakers are space-savers, said Emke. "Most people are going with more things in the wall," said Emke, including televisions in the wall and CD units stored in a closet, operated with a touch-pad. "If you have a 12-by-12 room with a 28-inch TV plus a cabinet, that can come into the room

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Turn It on: Homeowners want more entertainment in their homes, and they are willing to dish out the extra cash needed to purchase DVD systems like the one shown above. Gone are the days of corrugated cardboard in speakers. Today's speaker cones (below) are made from aluminum to create a lighter component.





MARTY FIGLEY

Grasses for masses

Ornamental grasses still play an important part in landscaping and are easy to grow and maintain.

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quite a bit," Emke said.

JOE GAGNON

More trouble

Winter's cold weather can cause more trouble than just creating ice dams on rooftops, according to the Appliance Doctor.

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HOMETOWN LIFE:

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INTERIOR DESIGN

Hearth items make a difference

Just as accessories can help liven up an outfit, they can do just the same for the hearth.

Whether it be a set of fireplace tools in a lustrous chrome finish, or a delicate hand-finished fireplace frame, accessories turn an otherwise ordinary-looking fireplace into one full of character. Firetools, and irons, firescreens, and wood carriers today come in new and exciting finishes and styles which can help 'dress' up the hearth area.

"As we begin this next century, we're looking forward to offering a complete package for fabulous fireplaces," said Carter Keithley, Hearth Products Association president and CEO. "With the wealth of items available in the hearth accessories market today, consumers can find a never-ending assortment of items that reflect both their decorating

style and personality.

"Just like accessories can makeover an otherwise plainlooking outfit, style-conscious hearth accessories can totally transform and give added flair to the fireplace. Accessories make the design difference and are as essential to the hearth today as the fire itself."

Accessories even reflect the up-to-the-minute styles seen on fashion's runways such as chrome, pewter, silver-polished accessories, and leather.

The most popular accessoriesandirons, firesets, screens, mantels/surrounds, and woodcarriers-come in a plethora of finishes, styles, colors, shapes and textures. Some examples include:

Andirons-Fires can be built on shapes ranging from the traditional clawfoot style to the more contemporary geometrical

figures available in finishes such as brass, rustic wrought iron for that antique 'weather-worn' look, or the ever-exciting chrome, and topped off with such exquisite details as polished marble

Firesets or tools-Fireplace tools today serve not only a functional, but a decorative purpose. Styles run the gamut from Arts and Crafts influence to Southwestern style which reflects the warmth and beauty of the desert. Tools also come in such exciting finishes as natural iron, black or brushed steel, and beautiful white bronze and platinum finishes.

Firescreens-There is an enormous amount of choice when it comes to firescreensfrom colorful hand-painted screens portraying a garden full of flowers, gothic-looking arches. traditional mesh, to playful scrollwork design. Finishes include delicate pewter to burnished copper to innovative cast aluminum.

■ Glass Fireplace Doors-In addition to all-around safety and value, glass fireplace doors are now making a design statement for the hearth. Steel-frames are available in plated and painted finishes, beautiful anodized aluComputer gear should not be a burden

More than half of all American households own a computer. Most of these households would rather trade in their dishwasher than live without their personal computer.

But, while the computer has proved its importance as a household necessity, most computers and high-tech peripherals still have no place to call their own on the homefront.

In fact, once inside the door, the technology is routinely treated like an unexpected guest, relegated to makeshift quarters. The result? A disorganized workspace, decreased productivity and possible back and wrist pain.

However, there's no longer any need to put up with computer furniture that doesn't provide for peak performance.

"Today there is a piece of furniture designed for every item of high-tech equipment and for every room in the home," says Mike Short, design director for Woodworking. Sauder "Whether the hold-up has been space, styling or budget concerns, it's easy to find a unit, or

And even if you're among the nearly 75 percent of computer

solves the problem."

combination of units, that

owners who, according to findings by Equifax, don't operate out of a designated home office, the right furniture can help set up a highly efficient satellite workstation.

With today's homes commonly equipped with more than one personal computer, every room has the potential to be wired into a hardworking, convenient satellite workstation. Sauder offers these suggestions for designing successful satellite workstations:

Lively and crowded at night and empty during the day, the family room is a perfect candidate for a workstation. A nifty computer desk with a hutch provides the necessary storage space to organize everything from file folders to CDs, while also providing access for multiple users.

These unobtrusive units also enable computer users to effortlessly interact with others in the family room or with other media such as the television. Handsome glass-doored bookshelves and vertical file cabinets add extra storage as well as plenty of display space for personal accessories and photographs.

Outfitting a bedroom with

a computer armoire creates an ideal set-up for a private work oasis, perhaps on evenings when the television is blaring in another room. These cleverly designed units allow the user to bring the computer in and out of sight at will and offer a place for everything, including printer and CPU shelves, mouse pad and keyboard trays.

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Receivers haven't changed much in 25 years. They can be tucked snugly into cabinets in living rooms, great rooms and family rooms. CD players range from \$150 -\$350 for the 400 disc holder. Listeners can keyboard in titles of CDs.

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where space may be more of a premium, "microsystems" are available. These systems have smaller units and speakers, but offer an excellent alternative.

Paulson wonders about the future of CDs, but believes that market and musical format is safe for now "I don't know if the DVDs will

replace the CDs," Paulson said. There was a lot of talk about digital systems, but that didn't come through."

Emke believes the DVD-Audio technology will improve the industry. "It's only going to make it better," he said. "You will buy CDs which will have video with it.

"The only thing that will jeopardize CDs is if they come out with something smaller." Once computers began housing software and receivers allowed users to "burn" (record) on CDs, cassette deck sales plummeted.

New technology is changing speakers, too. Paulson picks up a small cone and hands it to a reporter. The cone - a speaker component - is incredibly light. You wouldn't know this thing bangs out music with clarity and distinction and separation that would make Phil Spector, the producer who expanded instrumentation in pop music in the tional vinyl fans." 1960s, blush.

"It's different technology," Paulson said. "They are using ceramic and aluminum to make these cones in the speakers.' Gone are the days of corrugated cardboard inside audio speakers in surround-sound systems.

It's a world that is constantly changing, but the traditionalists still want to play their music, regardless of the new technolo-

"Occasionally we'll get someone who wants a cassette deck or they'll even walk in and want a phonograph," Paulson said. "We keep a couple on hand because a lot of folks are tradi-



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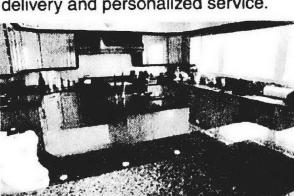
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GARDENING

Masses of grasses have attractive features

GARDEN SPOT



still play an important part in the landscape and the cultivar "Karl Foerster" of feather reed grass, Calamagrostis acutifolia, has been

tal grasses

chosen as **MARTY FIGLEY** 2001 perennial plant of the year by the Perenni-

al Plant Association As with many grasses, very little maintenance is required; it's handsome throughout the year and is easy to grow and propa-

in sun or part shade. It does very well in humus-rich soils, but also has adapted to other conditions.

The arching foliage reaches 2 to 3 feet tall, and flower stems to 5 or 6 feet tower above the foliage, making a very attractive display. Panicles of pinkish bronze flowers arrive in mid to late summer and then fade to pale brown. Winter interest is guaranteed.

The PPA suggests growing this grass with herbaceous perennials, such as asters, Aster spp.; coneflowers, Echinacea spp.; gayfeathers, Liatris spp.; and black-eyed Susans, Rudbeckia spp., which bloom in late summer and fall.

When I last wrote about grasses, several of you wanted more information. With that in mind, "Karl Foerster" is a tall, I'd like to share a list of the most

Ornamen- clump-forming grass that thrives desirable ornamental grasses according to Art Cameron. Department of Horticulture, Michigan State University.

I had the pleasure of attending his lecture and I'm sure he won't mind if I share his thoughts with you. "Karl Foerster" is included in his selection and he calls it a "great plant."

There are several Miscanthus species. They are:

■ M. sinensis zebrimus (zebra grass), 6 to 8 feet with a weeping habit; M. sinensis strictus (porcupine grass), more upright, same height. These big, bold grasses have horizontal stripes and are excellent specimens. Plant in masses.

M. sinensis gracillimus (maiden grass) and "Sarabande," both 5 to 8 feet. Known for their fine-textured leaves, excellent for massing - particularly in

rows or arcs to accentuate the August blooms. effect of the texture.

M. sinensis variegatus (variegated Japanese silver grass), 5 to 7 feet; and M. sinensis "Morning Light" (silver variegated silver grass), 4 to 5 feet. Stripes run up the leaves. Both are good as specimen plants. Variegated form has wider leaves; "Morning Light," thin leaves. Interesting specimens. Bloom late with dark

inflorescence. ■ M. sinensis purpurascens (purple maiden grass), 3 to 5 feet; especially good-looking when it blooms in July-August, as specimen or massed.

■ Pennisetum alopecuroides (fountain grass), 3 to 4 feet; and P. alopecuroides "Hameln," (dwarf fountain grass), 1 to 2 feet. Indispensable in garden settings, complement colorful annuals, good texture. Attractive

■ Deschampsia caespitosa "Goldstaub" (tufted hair grass), 2 to 3 feet. Early blooming, grown more for foliage and backdrop for more colorful flowers. Very interesting foliage - show stopper in the MSU display garden.

Erianthus ravennae (ravenna grass), 9 to 12 feet. Tops 12 feet when the very showy blooms appear in late summer, carries well into winter.

■ Molinia caerulea arundinacea "Skyracer" (tall purple moor grass), 7 to 8 feet. Great specimen with big, airy flower heads over dramatic foliage. Combines well with other perennials. The straight species M.

caerulea tend to be shorter. Cameron suggests that no fertilizers be used, and to cut the grass back the last part of April to a short stubble. It is best to

buy named cultivars when possi

Three outstanding Michigan gardeners will be featured on A Gardeners Diary on cable's HGTV, when host Erica Glasener visits them and their gardens. Each program will begin 4:30 p.m. on these Saturdays:

Jan. 20 - Don Crow, head gardener at the governor's mansion in Lansing.

March 3 - Betty Sturley of Beverly Hills, artist and extraor-

dinary gardener. March 17 - Larry Mackle of Bloomfield Hills, daylily

hybridizer plus. Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111. then 3445. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

GARDENING CALENDAR

Does your garden club have an upcoming event or meeting you want publicized? Send items to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@ oe. homecomm. net. To send a fax, call (734) 591-7279.

GARDEN CLUBS

FARMINGTON

Caroline Dana Lewis, founder of the Ann Arbor chapter of the Great Lakes Rhododendron Society, has more than 300 specimens in her yard. She will give a slide presentation and lecture at noon Monday, Feb. 5, at the Longacre House, located on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. For information, call 476-3017.

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Flower arranging, with an emphasis on petite designs, will be discussed at the next meeting of the Livonia Garden Club at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, at St. Andrew's Church. The speaker is Gretchen Pugsley, a flower show judge, who is also a member of the Hill and Dale Garden Club of Farmington Hills. Visitors are wel-

FLORAL DESIGN

ARRANGEMENTS

Several workshops are scheduled at Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, 42158 Michigan in Canton, Reservations are needed for the workshops. Each workshop costs \$10 per person, and is non-refundable. Classes are scheduled at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The classes include: poodle arrangement workshop, Saturday, Jan. 20; silk spring flower arrangement workshop, Saturday, Feb. 24, and herbal workshop, Saturday, March 17. Call (734) 397-0800.

BACK TO SCHOOL

MORE GARDENING

The Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile, in Livonia offers a variety of subjects. Register in advance. Classes are limited in size. Here is a list of some of the class-

Lawn Pest Management, 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Jan. 29. Identify and diagnose common diseases and pests of lawns Learn management techniques and control strategies and lawn care without pesticides

Other scheduled classes requiring prerequisite classes or experience include: Shade gardens, 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. sessions. Thursdays, Feb. 8 and 15; Landscape Design, six morning . sessions starting Tuesday, Feb. 20, and includes one Saturday, or seven evening sessions; Growing Vegetables, scheduled for three

Feb. 21. Cail (248) 4-GARDEN for information on fall and winter classes, or click on www. michigangardening. com

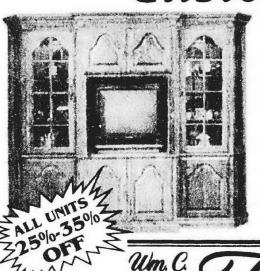
Wednesdays in mornings or

evenings, starting Wednesday.

NEW PERSPECTIVES

Bodil Drescher Anaya, a horticultural therapist master, will discuss "Starting a Program in Horticultural Therapy" at the 23rd annual conference of the Michigan Horticultural Therapy Association Friday, March 9, at the Plant and Soil Sciences Building at Michigan State University. Registration is \$30 for MHTA members and \$40 for nonmembers if received before March 1. After that date, fees are \$45 for members and \$55 for others. Annual membership is \$15. A box lunch is available for \$6. For information, call Patrick Lewis at (616) 337-3300 or Cathy Leavey at (517) 655-4969.

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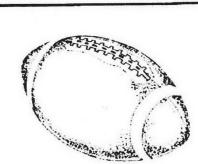


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It's been a while since we've talked so much about the winter weather. Snow on roofs has melted, then frozen, to create ice dams

The winter weather brings other problems that are less obvious. Consumers call for service on their washing machines because the machines won't agitate the clothes after filling with water. Sometimes the cause is nothing more than a cold wall that the washer is located against. An outside wall - which gets very cold during 0° nights can cause the oil in the washer's transmission to congeal, resulting in a very slow agitation speed. It can also cause the belt to burn up which you may smell

and many homeowners are suf-

fering through roof damages.

■ Place a small space heater near the back of the washer and activate it for only an hour or so before laundry time. It may take care of your problem of congealed oil.

when operating the washer.

For anyone who might have this problem I suggest you place a small space heater near the back of the washer and activate it for only an hour or so before laundry time. It may take care of your problem.

Check humidifier

We live in a winter wonderland. During these four months we spend "hibernating' inside our homes, we may feel the effects of remaining indoors dry skin, plugged nasal passages or burning eyes, which can originate from the very air inside a

The humidifier, whether it is located on your furnace or it is portable, is critical to keeping your health on an even keel. Is it working, is it clean and is it set on the correct setting to match the temperature drops?

Today's consumer is a much smarter person because they are more aware and educated about homes. Take the case of the per-

son who suffers water damage because of the gutter problems. Water will run between the inner and outer walls, and may show some stains on the carpet or other areas. Some homeowners will repair the damage, while others live with it. They should know that wet insulation between walls will grow bacteria and multiply greatly during the months of spring and summer. These are not problems that you forget about or ignore, because they can affect your health and you should be cognizant of that

fact. Do you know the origin of the 200 cubic feet of air per minute used to dry clothes when you operate your dryer? It's coming from inside the house. For almost an hour, it is recycling the same old air and you are breathing this very same air. Why not open a window when you run the dryer and make the inside environment a cleaner one? You won't forget to do so if you put a little note on the front of the dryer door.

Don't vent with foil

I was recently involved with a television story on the safety of dormitory living for college students. I learned that the old system of tinfoil used to vent clothes dryers was still in use. Even today, students are at risk because of the use of a product which is known to cause fires. I hope you or your college-aged children are not using tinfoil or plastic to vent your clothes

Footnote: I would like to thank the hundreds of people who recently traveled with me to California. I met many who read this newspaper and I had great discussions with everyone. Not wanting to anger those people from California who now live in the state of Michigan, I can only say that my preference is to stay right here in the winter wonder-

In the bus ride from Los Angeles to Las Vegas we viewed beautiful mountain scenery and a lot of desert. No birds, no insects, no trees, no flowers and guess what, no snow. Pardon me folks, but I'll stick to Michigan, just the way it is. Have a good New Year my dear readers, and keep your chin up. Stay tuned.

Readers want information on microwaves, washers and ovens

Here are letters from readers and responses from the "Appliance Doctor" Joe Gagnon.

Q: I have a Tappan microwave that is about five or six years old. When food is put in it and it is turned on, it will heat up the food only one out of 20 times. (In other words it only works intermittently.) Is there something that I can check out first or should I take it to the repair shop? (Chuck Holowecky)

A: It sounds like an adjustment is needed on the interlock switches. Take it in.

Q: I have a Whirlpool washing machine that is about eight years old. It's located in the basement, is fed by the basement water pines and drains directly into the laundry tub. The problem I'm having is a foul odor

(like stagnant water?) is coming from the machine.

I have made sure that the machine is level, confirmed that the drain is properly functioning so that no water is forced back into the machine during spin cycles and placed a lint filter over the drain (and change it regularly). I also checked that water tubing connections are secure at the back of the machine

The machine seems to be functioning normally other than the foul odor. The smell is most obvious when the machine is filling and a day or so after the last wash load. Any thoughts? (Jennifer Grodsky)

A: It sounds like the vent stack pipe on the roof is plugged.

■ Check for any loose wires to the burner switches behind the knobs. If there aren't any, you could have a defective module.

Q: I have a Kitchen Aid Gas Sealed Burner Glass Cooktop (model no. KGCT30). With all the knobs off the igniter is "ticking" and arcing to ground. It is not as fast as it would normally be when lighting but it is as though there is a voltage leak across the burner switch. I have pulled the plug on the igniter and am lighting it with a match. Do you have any suggestions? (Jack Sharp)

A: Check for any loose wires to the burner switches behind the knobs. If there aren't any, you could have a defective module.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Newstalk 760, WJR-AM, every Saturday and Sunday mornings. He is a past president of The Society of Consumer Professionals. His second book, "The Words and Wisdom of The Appliance Doctor" is available in book stores. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Do you have a question for the Appliance Doctor? Contact him care of Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk @oe. homecomm. net. Look for Gagnon's suggestions in a future Appliance Doctor column.

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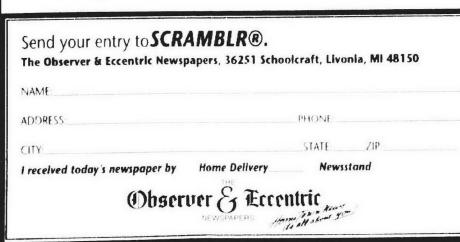
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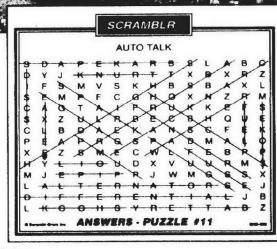
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Mona G. Prevatte of Canton announces the engagement of her daughter Lisa Nicole to Scott Allen Hadde of Canton.

The bride to be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and Wayne State University. She works for Visteon Corporation in Ypsilanti.

Her fiancé, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hadde, Jr. on Canton, is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. He works for Ford Motor Company in Dear-

The couple will wed Oct. 27 at St. Thomas a'Becket in Canton.

Poglits

Robert and Ellen Poglits of West Bloomfield announce the engagement of their daughter. Anne Elizabeth, to Joseph Franklin Vondracek II of Novi.

The bride-to-be is a University of Michigan graduate with a degree in computer engineering. She works as a software engineer at General Motors.

Her fiancé, son of Joseph and Bonnie Vondracek of Livonia, is a Central Michigan University graduate with a degree in computer science. He is a software engineer at Blue Cross/Blue

An April wedding is planned

Creehan-Hanshaw

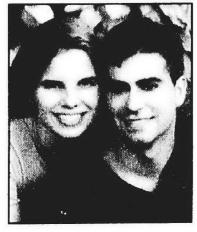
James and Roselyn Creehan of Brighton announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie, to Jamie Hanshaw of Garden

The bride-to-be is a Livonia Stevenson High School graduate attending University of Michi-

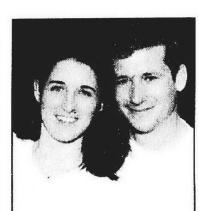
Her fiancé, son of Charles Hanshaw of Westland and Barbara Hanshaw of Novi, is a Garden City High School graduate and attends University of Michi-

A February wedding is planned at Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn.





at the Academy of the Sacred Heart Chapel.



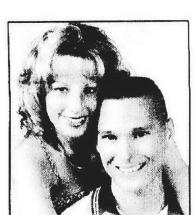
Kocsis-Kenyon

David and Kathy Kocsis of larden City announce the ngagement of their daughter, Vicole Marie, to Robert Shawn Kenyon of Westland.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 Garden City High School graduate e at Jack Demmer Ford in Wayne.

Her fiancé, son of Robert L. Kenyon of Ormond Beach, Fla. and Doris Kenyon of Wayne, is a 1989 John Glenn High School graduate and works for the Westland police department.

An April wedding is planned at First United Methodist Church of Garden City.



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WEDDINGS & ANNIVERSARIES

McIntyre

Robert B. and Mary T (Sanchez) McIntyre of Garden City celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this month. The couple wed Jan. 20, 1951 in Detroit. They have lived in Garden City for more than 31 years.

The McIntyre's have five children, all of whom are married. Those children include Linda (Tom) Palermo of Brownstown Township, Susan (Jim) Morrow of Wixom, Michael (Robin) McIntyre of Brighton, Deborah (Gary) Heard of Brownstown Township and Kathleen (Richard) Kasperek of Brownstown Township. The McIntyre's have five grandchildren and one more expected soon. They have one great-grandchild.

Robert McIntyre retired from his work at General Motors Willow Run Assembly Plant seven years ago. Mary is a homemak-

Vaguera

Manuel and Anita (Gonzales) Vaquera of Livonia celebrate their 50th anniversary this month. The couple wed Jan. 26, 1951 at St. Bridget's Church in Detroit. They have lived in the Western Wayne County area for 40 years.

The Vaquera's have three children: Suzanne Lamontagne, of South Lyon; Diane DePoy of The Woodlands, Texas; and Dale Eric Vaquera, of Redford. They also have four grandchildren: Jason, Kristopher and Brian Lamontagne and Danielle DePoy.

The Vaquera's have been retired for 8 years. They enjoy spending time with family and traveling.

To celebrate the occasion, the couple will host a mid summer family reunion.

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Storck-Murchison Norma and Donald Storck of Hemlock, Mich. announce the marriage of their daughter Carolyn to Michael Murchison. The bride, received a bachelor degree in nursing in 1994 from



er. The couple enjoys thoroughbred racing and traveling.

To celebrate the occasion, the couple will renew their wedding vows at Our Lady of the Woods in Woodhaven, Mich. A dinner celebration will follow.

Ochoa-Montroy

Ruth Ochoa of Redford announces the marriage of her daughter, Angela Lynn, to Joseph Montroy of Redford.

dria, Virginia in 1999. She is

employed as a nurse practitioner

in emergency medicine at

Potomac Hospital in Virginia

and is a lieutenant in the Naval

the Marine Corps and serves as

an instructor in The Basic

Carolyn and Michael married

School in Quantico, Virginia.

Reserve.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Redford High School. She works as an AMA certified manager for CVS Pharmacy. Her husband, son of Daniel

and Gail Ryder of Hollywood and Donald Montroy of Dearborn, is a 1994 graduate of Redford High School. He works as a carpenter. The couple wed Jan. 26 at

Aldersgate Methodist Church. The bride was attended by matron of honor, Olga Montroy and bridesmaids Janeen Mazaris and Carrie Elliot. The groom was attended by

best man Ted Mazaris and groomsmen Bill Montroy, Don

the University of Michigan and a master's degree in nursing from Mary Mount College in Alexan-

Oct. 7, 2000 at Chateau Her husband, the son of Carol LeMoyne in New Orleans, and Richard Murchison of Red-Louisiana. The bridal party ford, is a 1990 graduate of included Gail Storck, Stephanie Thurston High School. He Peters, Ellen McCarthy, Christoreceived a bachelor's degree in pher O'Connell, Coby Moran and history from the University of Brandon Marsowicz. Michigan in 1994. Michael is in

The couple received guests at the Chateau LeMoyne and will be taking a trip to Thailand this year. They are making their home in Stafford, Virginia.

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Montroy and James Montroy. Sammy Hageb was ring bearer.

The couple received guests at Crystal Park in Allen Park. They will take a wedding trip to a bed and breakfast and are making their home in Redford.

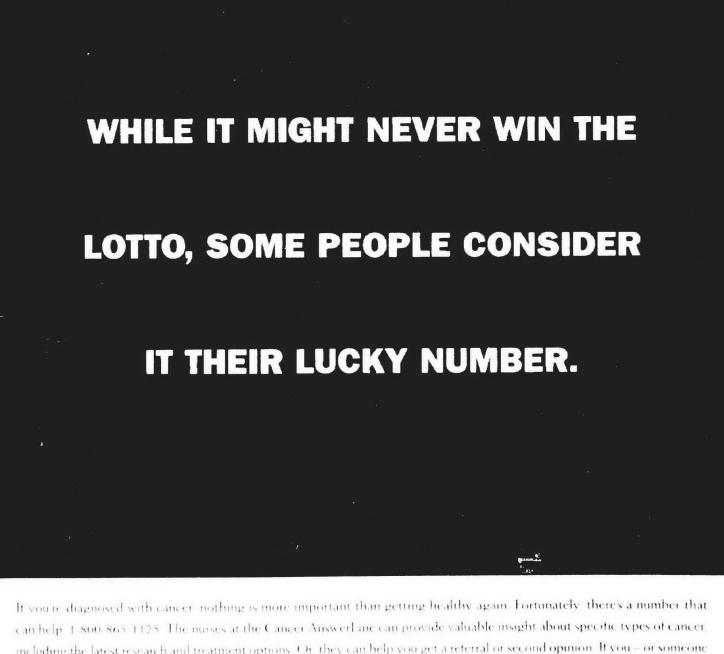
NEW ARRIVALS

■ John Wioncek Jr. and Dr. Kristal Greniuk-Wioncek of Livonia announce the birth of their daughter, Elena Terese Wioncek, born Jan. 9 at Botsford Hospital. Elena joins sister Katrina Louise Wioncek, 6 1/2. Grandparents are Judy and Al Greniuk of Standish and Jean Wioncek of Dearborn. Scott and Elena (Pappas)

Schils of Canton announce the birth of their son Grant Harrison Schils born Nov. 30 at St.

Joseph Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are James and Marilyn Pappas of Canton and Lloyd and Mary Ann Schils of Livonia.

■ Kevin and Karen Wallon of Canton announce the birth of their daughter Megan Marie, born Jan. 8 at Providence Hospital. Grandparents are Roman and Helen Supron of Farmington Hills and Pete and Pat Wallon of Livonia.



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KIMBERLY A. MORTSON

Barbie makes a comeback

e celebrated my daughter's second birthday this week. Almost simultaneously she observed another right of passage an introduction to Barbie.

I didn't even know she knew who the infamous blonde was until I picked her up from day care and found her, and two of her little friends, sitting on the floor among a sea of Barbies, Barbie clothing and a few Ken dolls to round out the mix.

She could hardly contain her excitement -- Mommy arrived just in time

"Mommy sit. Sit," she said as she

patted the carpeting next to her. I sat down and was immediately handed a naked Barbie to clothe. It reminded me of the countless hours I spent during my childhood playing with Barbies. One of my friends had the Barbie town house so my dolls shared in the good life thanks to their other Barbie friends, but for the most part I was perfectly happy with a couple of Barbies and a few accessories.

If the shoe fits

My daughter brought me out of my trip down memory lane by plunking another unclothed doll on my lap in exchange for the one I had just dressed in a powder blue evening gown, orange knee high boots and a winter hat with fur ear flaps. Not

Yes, I had a lot of shoes for just two dolls, but too many shoes isn't a sentence you'll ever hear a girl utter you're 8 or 80 - a real woman or a plastic doll.

French runway fashion but suitable for a Monday in Michigan. We played for another 15 min-

utes then headed home. All the while I started wondering whatever happened to the pair of Barbies I layed with and housed in a pink, soft-sided carrying case that could serve as a closet in a pinch.

After hanging up our coats my daughter and I headed for the basement in search of that case. What a task. Even though we have lived in our home for 3' years, our basement is packed from one end to the other with boxes of stuff.

While some remain taped, there are numerous ones that I've ripped open during other "search and rescue" missions. Undaunted at the number of boxes I'd have to look through, I started near the hot water heater and hoped I'd find it before I got back to the same place.

Not as lucky as I had hoped I found it in the last two boxes I came across. It was dusty but in perfect shape. We darted upstairs leaving the mess in the basement for another day (and another column).

Treasured

The Barbies were just as I remember them. The box contained five outfits, five coat hangers, a small plastic cat, two Barbies, a plastic blue sink and bathtub, a brush and about 15 pairs of shoes. Yes, I had a lot of shoes for just two dolls, but too many shoes isn't a sentence you'll ever hear a girl utter whether you're 8 or 80 a real woman or a plastic doll.

One thing that was missing were half-a-dozen, 4-by-4 squares of parquet flooring I used to create ... houses, a floating raft on a lake ... whatever my imagination could come up with. My dad had a box of the wood flooring left over when he replaced our carpeted stairs and I recycled it for my own version of a Barbie dream house.

I truly enjoyed watching my young daughter spend the rest of the evening playing with "Mommy's Bar-

My husband, who happens to be a few years younger than me, wondered if we should even be letting our daughter play with them?

"Why not," I asked defensively. "Because if those are the Barbies you played with, then they're practically antiques," he joked.

Not a funny joke if you ask me! Kimberly A. Mortson is the Home-Town Life Editor of the Observer Newspaper. She resides in Milan.

WOW 'em

Fashion show supports crisis nursery

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON STAFF WRITER kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

he Women of Westland organization hasn't wasted any time planning its first fund-raising effort with the much anticipated debut of the "Sweetheart Charity Fashion Show,"

"This is our first ever fund-raiser," said Robin Kay Cooke W.O.W. member and Starfish Family Services business development officer. "We're really putting our all ■ Christ said

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audience members can look forward to men's and women's resale clothing from designers such as Chanel, Coach, Louis **Vuitton, Giorgio** Armani, J. Crew, St. John, Prada, Banana Republic parents need and more.

to resolve personal issues or take time for themselves, Safe Stay can provide 24hour care to their children on a shortterm basis. At any given time a maximum of 16 children can be cared for at

Safe Stay. Fashion sense

The fashion show, coordinated by Westland business owner and W.O.W. member Nicole Christ, will feature designer resale fashions for men and women from her store, Nicole's Revival, as well as children's clothing from The Bottom Drawer in Garden City: Hudson's will provide footwear for the show and models from Lover's Lane will stroll the catwalk in swim, cruise and

casual loungewear. Christ said audience members can look forward to men's and women's resale clothing from designers such as Chanel, Coach, Louis Vuitton, Giorgio Armani, J. Crew. St. John, Prada, Banana Republic and more.

Cooperation

Cooke credited many local businesses for making the planning of the event such a success.

"The Hellenic Cultural Center has been wonderful," said Cooke. "They're going above and beyond to provide us with decorations, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, balloon arches and setting up and breaking down the night of the

With the purchase of tickets you are qualified to win the grand prize of a



Super models: Nicole Christ (above left) takes a look at the outfit that Joy Ebel (right) is trying on at Nicole's Revival. Joy is owner of "Visions of Joy" and a member of the Women of Westland who are sponsoring the upcoming fashion show. Dominique Battle, 12, a seventh-grader at Stevenson Middle School in Westland is wearing jeans and a sweater at Nicole's Revival. She will be a model at the Feb. 6 fashion show.

"Jazz Weekend for Two" package courtesy of the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. The winner will enjoy deluxe overnight accommodations for two, dinner and breakfast. The second prize winner will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Hud-

According to Cooke you must be present to win any of the prizes.

As part of the silent auction approximately 10-12 themed gift baskets will be up for bid such as a Northern Lights (bath products) or Harvest Bread Company basket. Depending on the number of tickets you purchase, you may choose to place all of the tickets on one basket or spread them out amongst any number of choices.

Other prizes to be awarded from the ticket drawing include restaurant gift certificates and a Mystery Tree where the winner will be able to choose one of 10 envelopes containing prizes.

The event coincides with the Westland Chamber of Commerce Afterhours Networking event from 5-7 p.m. The Sweetheart Charity Fashion Show is open to the public and begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Hellenic Cultural Center.

Sweetheart Charity Fashion Show

Who: The Women of Westland What: Sweetheart Charity Fashion Show Where: Hellenic Cultural Center

(36375 Joy Road, Westland) When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6 Why: Partial proceeds to benefit "Safe Stay," — a 24-hour crisis and respite childcare program in Westland.

Featuring: Designer resale fash ions from Nicole's Revival of Westland. Hors d'oeuvres, wine and desserts by Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe

Tickets: \$15 advance, \$20 at the door. Call the Westland Chamber of Commerce (734) 326-7222.



Tickets are \$15 advance; \$20 at the door. Cooke said Sam's Club has offered to match proceeds from the event up to \$2,000.

"That's really great," said Cooke. Following the fashion show national competitors from Miss Helen's Westland Dance studio will perform.

Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe in Westland is providing hors d'oeuvres. wine and desserts.

world," she said. But she acknowl-

edged that it's a small percentage of

the population that have been blessed

SECRET TO SUCCESS

Olympic medalist aims to teach, motivate

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA

STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

While training for the 1996 Olympics, Livonia's Sheila Taormina didn't realize she might also be learning lessons that would lead her to a second career.

Taormina won a gold medal as part of a swim relay team that year, and became a sixth place winner in the first-ever women's Olympic Triathlon team in Sydney last year. She knows what it feels like to be a success. She's chosen to teach others the life lessons she's encountered and to help them discover the meaning of success in their own lives.

"Preparing for athletic events is not much different than what a business person (might do to succeed)," she said during a phone interview from her Livonia home. "What it leads up to is, 'What is your definition of success?"

Inspiration

Taormina will share that lesson at the Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County's fifth anniversary luncheon of the Circle of Friends, 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31 at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills.

Dr. Judith Hoeffler, executive director of the Child Abuse and Neglect Council, said Taormina will teach others what it takes to be a winner - which is something the Child Abuse and Neglect Council attempts to teach all of the children it serves

"Children need to have hope to go for the Olympics in their lives," said Hoeffler. "Whatever that is." Elyse Essick Foltyn, a Birmingham

resident and event chair, first heard

Taormina speak on the subject of teamwork at her daughter's school. She felt the message was both appropriate and inspiring for the luncheon. Rather than follow suit and invite a keynote speaker to talk specifically about child abuse, Taormina could offer uplifting advice and encourage the audience to

make an impact. Every person can positively affect and change the world in which we live and the community in which we live and make it a better place for children to grow," said Foltyn.

with the opportunities necessary to help them reach the Olympics. "The human spirit has so much capacity to love," she said. "That's what I see in this organization. It makes me thankful in my life. For Taormina, motivational speaking

evolved from her athletic endeavors. After winning the gold medal, she returned to her job as a quality representative for an auto industry supply firm in the metro area. Around the same time, she began taking offers to speak about her experiences as an Olympic athlete. It started out on a volunteer basis. She would visit schools and Kiwanis club meetings on her lunch hour to tell her story.

Realizing soon enough that her vaca? tion time was filled with such engages ments, Taormina took some good advice. "My boss gave me his blessing. He said 'Go for it ... If you fall flat ord your face, you can always have your jot back

With little risk involved, she started her own company, Taormina & Associates. Inc., and has taken her motival tional speaking talents around the world. She often books speeches and guest appearances to coincide with her athletic events and swimming clinics.

While Taormina wouldn't offer any of her secrets to success beforehand, she will talk about fear of failure and the quest to truly enjoy every day of life at the upcoming luncheon.

For more information, contact the Child Abuse and Neglect Council a (248) 332-7173.



STAFF PROTO BY TOM HAWLEY

As a mother, the battle against child

abuse is one she's willing to fight.

Through her work with the Circle of

Friends, Foltyn hopes to inspire others

to get involved. Projects like the Care

House in Pontiac is just one example of

Speaking before the Child Abuse and

Neglect Council means a lot to Taormi-

na. She said she realizes how fortunate

she has been to grow up with loving

parents. "So many times, Olympic ath-

letes think 'I'm number one in the

Talk: Sheila Taormina appears Jan. 31 at Glen Oaks Country Club.

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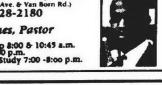
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New Beginnings, a grief support group meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (30900 Six Mile Road) in Livonia. The group welcomes a guest speaker the first Thursday of every month and group support will be offered the third Thursday of the month. Call (734) 422-6038. Upcoming speakers include:

■ Feb. 1, The Grief Process, Rev. Chuck Sonquist

GOSPEL MEETINGS Stark Road Gospel Hall (9280 Stark Road, Livonia) will host special gospel meetings from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday through Friday evenings through November. Speakers include Daniel Shutt and Norman Crawford.

Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) offers free tutoring for children in grades first through sixth every Wednesday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Tutoring is offered for math, reading, spelling or whatever classes are needed. Pre-enrollment is required. Call (734) 421-0472.

UPCOMING

LET'S TALK WORKSHOPS

A workshop, 'Let's Talk' will be held on Wednesday evenings beginning in January. It is designed for pre-marital or married couples or adults in interfaith relationships where one of the partners is Jewish. The fivepart workshop includes individual religions; personal identity; helpful communication skills; resolving interfaith issues; and a panel discussion with individual interfaith couples at different

Honored



Special: Recently four women ranging in age from 90 to 97, were honored at the Christmas luncheon sponsored by Women's Ministry of Christ Our Savior Church. Sally Gold, Ila Schalow and Suann Dibble during the planning of the luncheon came upon the idea to recognize women in the parish who were 90 years or older. Those who were acknowledge included (above left to right) Margaret Arndt of Westland, 90; Hazel Socall of Plymouth, 92; Adelia Erhardt of Livonia, 97; and Ruth Williamson of Plymouth, 91. Ironically, their birthdays all occur between April 4 and May 1. The honorees received poinsettias from Decker's Florist, corsages and a heartfelt round of applause from the more than 100 women who attended the annual luncheon. Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church is located at 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia and 46001 Warren Road, Canton.

stages in life. Dates are Jan. 18: and Feb. 1 and 8. All sessions begin at 7 p.m. at the Max M. Fisher Federation Building, Bloomfield Hills hosted by the Interfaith Connection. Call (800) 397-4876 or e-mail connection@ajedetroit.org

WORKSHOPS ■ Newburg United Methodist

Church will host Stages of Grief,

a workshop presentation by Ann Marie Jackson of Arbor Hospice. It begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 at the church, Livonia. Free. Call (734) 422-0149 to reg-

ALPHA CLASS Timothy Lutheran Church is offering a new Alpha course, a practical introduction into the Christian faith. Classes are 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturdays, beginning Jan. 20, at the church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. Call (734) 427-2290.

DEAF FELLOWS

Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) invites you to come and participate in a fellowship for people who are deaf or hearing impaired. This fellowship, Jan. 20, is at 6 p.m. and it involves people from various churches in the state. All of the church services are interpreted. Call (734) 421-0472.

RADIO BROADCASTS

Hear Rev. Wallace Schulz's "Lutheran Hour" message "Getting Straight with God" next Sunday, January 21 on radio dials WOMC (104.3) at 6:05 a.m. or WMUZ (560) at 10:00 a.m. On "Woman to Woman" join host Phyllis Wallace and guest Gregory Jantz will provide guidance in regaining physical, emotional, and spiritual health for woman who experience burnout. "Burnout Recovery" is set for broadcast next Sunday, Jan. 21 on WKYO (1360) at noon. "On Main Street" join Dale Meyer on the topic of domestic violence is a leading cause of injury to women between the ages of 15-44. "Living in Fear" is set for broadcast next Monday, Jan. 22 on Livonia cable ch. 12 at 4 p.m. or Redford cable, channel 18 on Wednesday, Jan. 24 11:30 a.m. WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP

Have you promised yourself you'll lose weight after the holidays? Join us at Weigh Down Workshop and learn to enjoy all foods without overeating. Give yourself a New Years gift - the beginning of permanent weight loss with God as your guide. Free orientation Monday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. — classes begin

Monday, Jan. 29, 7-9 p.m. Call Diane Gaubatz (784) 397-1966 or (734) 459-0013.

Bring a friend, a game, an a tizer and a beverage to the Middle Singles Group "Game Night 7-11 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 at Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, Call Joanne at (734) 454-4737 or Marilyn (734) 459-8966.

WOMEN'S PESTIVAL

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will host a "Women's Festival" from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 27 (39020 Five Mile, Livonia). \$20 advance; \$25 at the door. Price includes lunch and a Christian motivational speaker as well as drawings for various prizes; and a choice of seminars (financial advisor, Schoolcraft College director/chef, massage therapist, and Arbonne International -skin care representative). Call (734) 464-0211.

JAM TUBBS FAMILY

The Jim Tubbs Family In Concert at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 28 at First United Methodist Church (6443 Merriman Road, Garden City). They travel with their three daughters around the country performing. They pray the message in their music will minister to both mind and heart and that you will hear a harmony that goes far beyond their singing.

BLOOD DRIVE

Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) is having a blood drive Monday, Jan. 29. Appointments are available from 2-7:30 p.m. There is currently a severe shortage of blood. To schedule an appointment call Pam Dauzy (734) 844-7099.

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New book offers parental advice taken from the bible



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have you, as a parent, tried to resolve things by yelling or threatening? Have you noticed

to hear me. More often than not, however, it just escalated from my yelling, to his further defiance, to my exasperation, and so

Then I received a wonderful book from my parents at Christ-

gain control? In fact, usually our

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ety and misbehavior. When we

get so frustrated that the only

way to release that energy is to

yell and scream (or so I think).

Somewhere along the way, I got

the mistaken impression that

raising my voice helped my child

lose control, they lose control. I must admit that at times, I

that it doesn't help your children mas called "Creative Correction: Extraordinary Ideas for Everyday Discipline." It is written by Lisa Whelchel, best-known for her role as Blair Warner on the TV sitcom "Facts of Life.

Whelchel, now married with three children, offers some incredible biblically based ideas on discipline, with a helpful topical index for specific concerns such as lying, bad language, arguing, stealing, etc.

Resource

Although I am a pastor, I do not have the entire Bible memorized, so her biblical explanations refocused my heart. While

reading her book, I was reminded that, "Those who are hot-tempered stir up strife, but those who are slow to anger calm contention" (Proverbs 15:18).

Whelchel also gives plenty of practical suggestions on other ways to provide correction and discipline, which are easily implemented by any parent at any time. She gives ideas for incorporating prayer into everyday family life. Most importantly, Whelchel gives the biblical reasoning behind most of her discipline suggestions.

God's word has volumes of advice about raising children,

many of which are referenced in her book. For example, Proverbs 19:18 says, "Discipline your children while there is hope; do'not set your heart on their destruction." The sooner you gain control of yourself and implement wise and reasonable discipline, the sooner you will help your child gain control of his or her behavior.

One of the most well-known scripture verses on parenting says, "Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray" (Proverbs 22:6).

God has offered us instruction through the holy word, the Bible.

counsel by studying scripture and by actually reading the Word of God. The Bible will encourage us, and we will find guidance to help us as parents

The Rev. Carla Thompson Powell has served as pastor of Timothy Lutheran Church in Livonia since September of 1996. You may reach her by e-mail at pastor@timothylivonia.com. Creative Correction: Extraordinary Ideas for Everyday Discipline is a "Focus on the Family" book published by Tyndale House Publishers.

Superintendent addresses parish

The numerous teachers among the membership of the Mt. Hope Congregational Church enjoyed, along with the rest of the congregation, a visit from Kenneth Watson, superintendent of schools for the city of Livonia, to a recent Sunday ser-

Mt. Hope has an ongoing "God in the Community" series in which community leaders are invited to share a few minutes at the pulpit watson



with the Rev. Steven Schafer. The purpose of the program is to introduce community leadership to the people of the congregation and to listen to those leaders' perspective on the workings of God in the larg-

er community. Watson has served in the position of superintendent for the past seven years. He has worked as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, and most recently superintendent in Livonia for the past 37 years. In addition he is involved in numerous community groups, including board leadership at the Livonia YMCA and St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

During his discussion Watson said that character development seems to be one of the new roles of the schools. Consequently, teachers, secretaries, custodians and each of the support staff become role models for the students and need to act and speak in appropriate ways.

The "Golden Rule" is a universal basic for all religions and cultures and is certainly one that the learning profession needs to reinforce in the lives of children.

Watson went on to say that one of the challenges for schools today is making sure that the testing of students is appropriate to developmental levels. He suggested that some of the assessment testing the schools are required to give are causing undue stress on children and teachers and are not accomplishing their desired goals. True education goes far beyond academics to the ability to socialize and think creatively. Tests can't show ability in these

When Mt. Hope Pastor Steve Schafer asked about the place of spirituality in the lives of students and carrying that into the schools, Watson agreed that certainly God is in the schools in the lives of young people who bring it with them and that faith influences others in their classes. What the church teaches in terms of relationships and hope is an important element in any setting.

Mt. Hope Congregational Church is located at 30330 Schoolcraft in Livonia.

KINDERMUSIK

The Continuing Education Office at Schoolcraft College is expanding their Kindermusik program to include "Growing with Kindermusik" for ages 3-5.

This 45-minute class will include singing, dancing, instrument exploration along with a full array of learning experiences. The program encourages individual expression, both physically and vocally.

Kindermusik 12-week classes at Schoolcraft College start the week of Feb. 6th. Classes are available on Tuesday, Thursday,

and Friday mornings. "Growing with Kindermusik" begins on Tuesday, Feb. 7th, at 11:00 a.m. "Kindermusik children and their families develop a special musical bond and learn fun ways to incorporate music into their lives at home," Mary Melonio said.

Call Mary (734) 464-1412.

WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE

Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Upcoming dances are Jan. 19 and 26. Must be over 21, and dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. Call (734) 981-0909. A special Valentine Dance will be held from 7 p.m. to midnight Wednesday, Feb. 14. Admission is \$4 before 7 p.m. and \$6 before 8:30

QAME NIGHT

Bring a friend, a game, an appetizer and a beverage to the Middle Singles Group "Game Night" 7-11 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 at Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth. Call Joanne at (734) 454-4737 or Marilyn (734) 459-8966.

THURSDAY METRO SINGLES

Metro Singles Dance begins at 8 p.m. every Thursday and concludes at 11:30 p.m. Cost is \$6. Free swing dance lessons offered from 8-9 p.m. DJ, budget bar, refreshments, 21 and over, dress attire please. Crystal Park Banquet Center, 7099 Champaign, Allen Park. Call (313) 388-9001 or the hotline (313) 438-6852.

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West is a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced or separated Christians. Call Diane at 981-4553.

■ Speaker Deacon Bob Ovies, at 8 p.m. Jan. 20 at St. Kenneth's on Haggerty Road, Plymouth. Card Nights, Jan. 26. Call

SINGLES MINGLE

Rose (734) 464-3325. ■ Hike/and or dinner Jan. 21. Two mile hike through Heritage Park on Farmington Road between Ten and Eleven Mile. Dinner at 4:15 p.m. at Brass Point Restaurant, Call Tom (734) 464-7899.

■ Divorce Recovery begins Jan. 26. Eight consecutive weeks from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at St. Kenneth's. Cost is \$40 and includes workbook.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center has a Divorce Support Group that meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the McDowell Center (Room 225) from 7-9 p.m. No fee is required. Call (734)

462-4443. Jan. 23, The Legal Aspects of Divorce. Theodore Johnson, Attorney at Law. Learn about the process of filing for divorce and what to expect.

DIVORCE RECOVERY

Single Place Ministries presents a Divorce Recovery Workshop at First Presbyterian Church (200 E. Main Street, Northville) Jan. 11-Feb. 22 at a cost of \$30. Topics include networking, stages of grief, legal aspect of divorce. helping children through divorce, etc. The group meets from 7-9 p.m. at the church. The cost includes Jim Smoke's book "Growing Through Divorce."

SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES Talk It Over meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Cost \$6. Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road Northville. Call (248) 374-5920. Movie night is Jan. 19. It includes popcorn, soda, candy and fellowship. Call (248) 374-5920 for details.

SPIRITUAL WEEKEND

A Spiritual Weekend Retreat titled "Living and Growing Spiritually and Emotionally," is planned for March 23-25 at the St. John Center in Plymouth. The weekend will focus on the "Six Basic Needs and How to Get Them Met." Cost is \$100 and \$115 all private rooms (standard bed w/bath or sofa bed w/bath; all meals included). Hosted by Bethany Support Group Chapters. Pre-registration must be made by March 15. Call Barb S. (248) 652-9589 or Barb D. (734) 453-0222.

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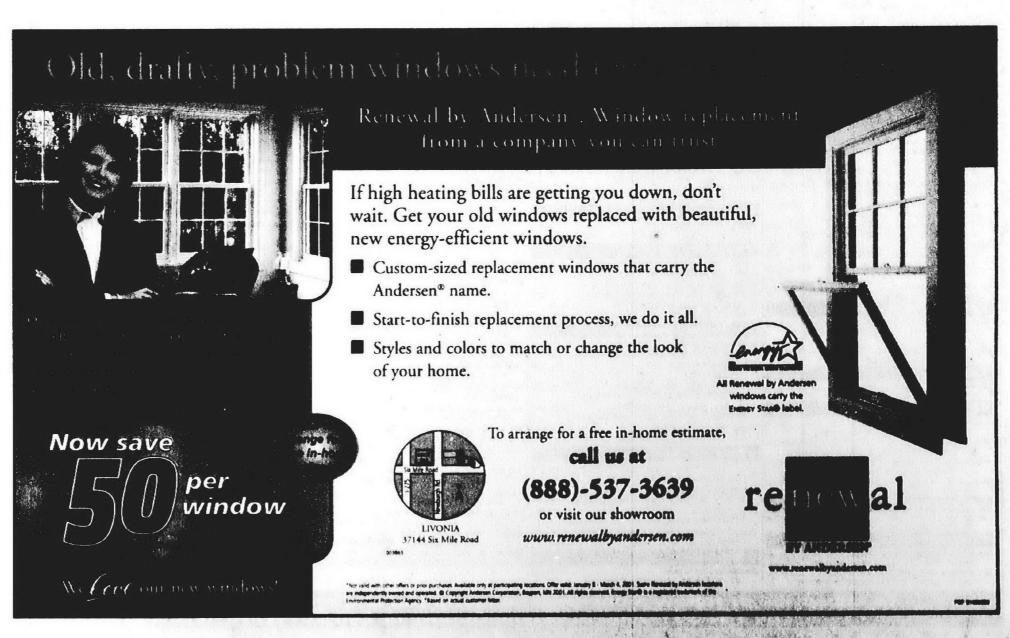
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Rocks run away with Western Lakes win

Block stuff: Plymouth Salem's Jill Dombrowski (left) controls the ball at the net in Monday's Western Lakes Activities Association match against Plymouth Canton.

Canton flattened, 15-3, 15-5

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

The end result was pretty much what was expected, but neither volleyball coach seemed truly happy with the way their teams got there.

Plymouth Salem stormed past archrival Plymouth Canton on Monday, 15-3, 15-5 in the Western Lakes Activities Association opener for both schools.

And with the Rocks improving to 11-4 and Canton dropping to 6-5-1, the result went true to form.

"(The team's) not where I want them to be," said Salem coach Tom Teeters. "We've got some things to work

through." Even though his team has drastically improved over a year ago, Canton coach Steve Anderson thought the Chiefs would play better.

"Our game never showed up," said Anderson. "People who served, didn't serve. People who passed, passed poorly. Our game didn't show up tonight.

"Our best performances came off the bench. The reserve players who came off the bench - particularly Jenny Wagner, Cindy Rotramel and Michelle Ly - played with greater consistency than our starters."

The Rocks never trailed in either game. After trading sideouts in the opener, Salem jumped out to a 4-0 lead before Canton got its first point.

Then the Rocks methodically pulled away before Katie Good's kill capped the 15-3 win.

In the second game, Jill Dombrowski served Salem to a 4-0 lead, but a pair of aces pulled the Chiefs back to 4-2. Salem slowly worked that back to 11-2, before Canton came back two two quick points to cut it to 11-4.

Again, the Rocks slowly pulled away and a kill by Dombrowski ended the match.

Dombrowski wound up with eight kills and 12 assists to go with two aces and four digs. Jordan Falcusan had 12 assists, while MaryLou Liebau had five kills and 10 digs, Good came up with eight kills and Kelly Jaskot had four kills and eight digs.

"For us in the long term, this didn't mean much because it wasn't a division game," said Anderson. "We're not contending for the league, but the (Western) division. I think for Salem, this was much more emotional."



Setting the table: Plymouth Canton captain Mary Kryska bumps the ball during Monday's match against Plymouth Salem.

Salem ends 8-game slide with victory vs. Western

Haydon's layup fuels 57-55 win

Ten months between snow storms is nice but going that long between basketball victories just doesn't make it for Bob Brodie.

Brodie's Plymouth Salem team broke an eightgame slide Tuesday night with a 57-55 victory over visiting Walled Lake Western in a Western Lakes Activities Association game.

Thank you Ryan Haydon, who scored on a layup with six seconds to go, and thank you Dave Hoskins, who scored the other 10 points the Rocks had in the final eight minutes of their first victory this season.

"This feels good," Brodie said. "We just needed a victory bad. To go that long in the season without

"We didn't play that bad all the time. But this is a game where we played pretty well for four quar-

ters. And we did a nice job on the glass.' The Rocks had the ball with 30 seconds to play with the score tied. They called timeout and, when play resumed, ran the clock down before getting the ball inside to senior forward Haydon for the

Walled Lake Western (4-4, 1-1) held a 21-19 lead after the first period but Salem (1-7, 1-1) outscored the Warriors by six in the second quarter to take a 31-27 halftime lead.

Western shaved three points off that lead in the third period and Salem led only 45-44 entering the final quarter.

Haydon came off the bench to score five points in the game but Brodie was especially pleased with his six rebounds, "which were pretty critical."

Sophomore forward Hoskins led all scorers with 25 points and also had 10 rebounds. He was espe-

BOYS BASKETBALL

cially tough in the fourth quarter.

Jeff Haar scored nine points for the Rocks while Nick Tochman also had 10 rebounds, scored nine points "and played a steady game for us," Brodie said. "We got good support from our bench.

"We outrebounded Western, which was one of the keys. We limited them to one shot most of the time, than came down and had 2-3 shots our-

The Warriors were led by Chris Eagle, who had 15 points, and David Zeitlin, who added 13.

Salem was nine of 16 from the line, while Western made seven of 12. "We had a nice lead," Brodie said, "about 10

points in the third quarter. Then they came back and went ahead.

"But we came back, regrouped, got the lead and won the game.' After losing the lead, Salem didn't get it back

until Haydon's game-winning shot. The Rocks trailed by as many as five in the final quarter. Salem lost its last game of last season, of course,

in the state tournament and dropped its first seven

Salem's last win was March 11, 62-58, over Plymouth Canton in the district championship game. The Rocks lost to Detroit Pershing in its regional opener, 84-68, March 14.

But now the drought is over. And Brodie and the Rocks don't have to go back 10 months to remember what winning a varsity game feels like.

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Roeper cagers turn back PCA

itself in Tuesday night; it was more like a trench.

Still, the Eagles were unable to get out of it and absorbed their second loss two games into the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference season.

Host Bloomfield Hills Roeper hit three straight shots - all triples - to put Plymouth Christian behind, 9-0, at the start and maintained that margin to the end of its 58-49 victo-

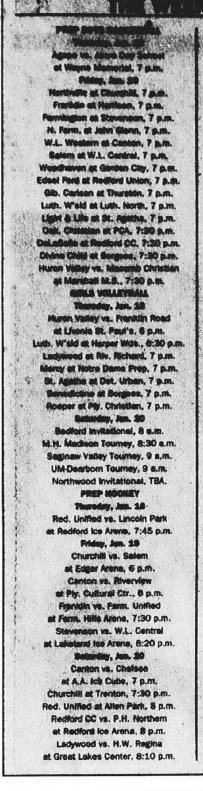
"We played them even the rest of the game,"

It wasn't a hole Plymouth Christian found Coach Doug Taylor said. "We just weren't able to catch up.

It was 20-12 after one period and 36-26 at the intermission. PCA held a 23-22 edge over the final two quarters.

Plymouth Christian (1-5, 0-2) got 12 points from sophomore forward Clay Welton, who also had eight rebounds and seven assists. P. J. Woodman scored 11 points.

For Roeper (1-1), senior center Laddie Andahazy scored 23 and Matt Kohlenberg added 15; all on three-pointers.



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SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

Plymouth Canton leads the way with three finalists, while Plymouth Salem and North Farmington have two each for the 2000-01 Michigan High School Athletic Association Awards, to be presented in February

Angie Nue is a finalist in softball, Oliver Wolcott in baseball and Christina Slupek in girls

SPORTS ROUNDUP

golf for the Chiefs, while Salem's

Anna Moniodis and Kurt Sars-

field are finalists in girls and

boys cross country. In girls ten-

Every school is allowed to

nominate one student-athlete in

each sport and students must

have a cumulative grade point

average of 3.5. Salem had 17

applicants and Canton had 16 -

Applications were judged by a

75-member committee last week.

Of the 114 finalists, 24 winners

will be announced —fall sports

on Feb. 6, winter sports on Feb.

13, and spring sports on Feb. 20.

soccer player Emilie Meier (Ply-

mouth Canton) was named to

the NSCAA/adidas College

Scholar Central Region third

carrying a 3.54 grade point aver-

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was named to the 1999 All-MAC

Meier, a senior defender, is

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CANTON GRAD HONORED

team for 2000.

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placing them in the top nine.

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ROCKERS FALL TO WAVE

With leading scorer Sean Bowers sidelined with a groin injury, the Detroit Rockers simply ran out of gas in the fourth quarter Sunday against the Milwaukee Wave, losing 22-14 in an NPSL game played at the Bradley Cen-

The loss left the Rockers with finalist in wrestling, while Catholic Central's John Goebel a 2-16 record. Milwaukee is 8-11. is a finalist in boys skiing. The Wave collected four one-

point shoot-out goals and two three-pointers, and Joe Reininger had a hand in all but one of them. Reininger scored three of the shoot-out goals, collected a three-pointer and assisted on another triple; he finished with eight points.

Detroit never led in the game, but a shoot-out goal and a threepointer by Matt Knowles to start the fourth quarter narrowed the Wave's 14-8 lead to 14-12 just 1:50 into the period.

But Milwaukee's Brian Loftin made certain the Rockers would get no closer, scoring one-, twoand three-point goals in the final 10 minutes of the match to solidify his team's victory.

Knowles enjoyed his best game as a Rocker, finishing with three goals and seven points. Joel Shanker also had two goals and an assist for five points; Shawn Boney collected a goal and an assist for three points; and Droo Callahan had a goal and an

Dan Ilie Diac made nine saves in goal for the Rockers. Victor Nogueira had 14 stops for the

AGE-GROUP SWIM CORRECTION

For the record, Catherine Joss of the Clarenceville Swim Club won the Girls 6-and-under 25yard freestyle and backstroke at the Sheila Taormina Gold Medal B-C Classic age-group meet Dec. 9-10 at Livonia Clarenceville High School.

FASTPITCH SOFTBALL CLINICS

Performance Fastpitch will be conducting four different softball clinics from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20 (defense), Feb. 3 (offense), Feb. 17 (hitting) and March 3 (positions) at Hartland Middle School, located at Ore Creek (near M-59 and U.S.-23).

The cost is \$15 per clinic or \$50 for all four sessions. Pre-registration is recommended since space is limited.

For more information, call nis, Joyce Chung of North Farm-Greg Milosek at (810) 227-6295 ington is a finalist as in the or Randy Hazzard at (248) 684-Raiders' Brian Doughty in boys 5640. Thurston's Chris Litvin is a

BALLPLAYERS WANTED

Westland Federation's 14year-old baseball travel team is seeking 14-year-old players for the upcoming season.

For more information, call (734) 216-7708.

BENEFIT HOCKEY QAME

The Garden City Youth Athletic Association coaches will play coaches from Westland in a hockey game at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 21 at Garden City Ice Arena.

There is a \$1 donation at the door and all proceeds will go to benefit GCYAA Youth Sports.

WOMEN'S OFFICIALS CLINIC

The Michigan High School Athletic Association will hold a one-day clinic for women interested in becoming officials from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.m Saturday, Feb. 3 at DeWitt High

The program title Two-Dae. Trained Women Officials: Dedicated, Accomplished, Educated, will provided insight, encouragement and training to become a entry-level candidate to launch a career as an MHSAA official. All 12 MHSAA sports are offered.

The \$30 registration fee includes continental breakfast, lunch and a gift The clinic is being held in conjunction with the MHSAA's annual Women in Sports Leadership Conference, Sunday-Monday, Feb. 4-5 at the Sheraton Lansing Hotel.

For more information, call the MHSAA at (517) 332-5046.

SOCCER PLAYERS WANTED

Livonia Waza Soccer Club is seeking players for its under-15 Little Caesars League team.

For more information, call teám manager Alan Helisek at (248) 471-4475 or coach Ryo Takahaski (313) 937-9292.

COACHING VACANCIES

The Livonia Ladywood High School is seeking coaches for the spring season for junior varsity golf, freshman softball, JV softhall assistant and freshman soccer; and for the fall season a JV cheerleading coach.

For more information, Ladywood athletic director Sal Malek at (734) 591-2323.

The Livonia Clarenceville High School is seeking a junior varsity baseball coach and an assistant track coach for the spring season.

For more information, call Clarenceville athletic director Tim Wilson at (248) 473-8926.

NBA 2BALL COMPETITION

The Livonia Parks and Recreation will stage its NBA 2Ball competition from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 20 at Livonia Churchill High School. Registration is the day of the event.

To be eligible for the competition, co-sponsored by the Livonia Junior Athletic League, players must be at least 8 years-old and no older than 11 on Jan. 1, 2001.

Separate age divisions for boys and girls include ages 8-9 and 10-11. Winners advance to area competition. Game rules are available through Parks and Recreation.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

HOOP SHOOT 2001

The Livonia Parks and Recreation and Livonia Junior Athletic League hoop shoot competition for boys and girls in grades 3-9 will be Tuesday, Feb. 6 at the Frost Middle School main gymnasium.

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Starting times include 6:30 p.m., grades 3-4; 7 p.m., grades 5-6; and 7:30 p.m., grades 7-9.

Each participant will have two minutes to make as many baskets as possible from five positions.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

MADONNA SOFTBALL CLINIC

Madonna University will be stage a girls fastpitch softball clinic four consecutive weeks -10 a.m. until noon Saturday, Jan. 20, 27; Feb. 3 and 10; also, 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, 28; Feb. 4 and 11.

The cost is \$80 for four weeks or \$25 per session.

The camp consists of hitting, bunting, infield/outfield, base running, pitching, catching and defensive position. Pitchers and catchers will be required to stay an extra half-hour.

Pre-registration is require. The maximum is 30 per session.

For more information, call MU coach Al White at (734) 432-5783 or (734) 495-3719; also assistant Curt White at (734) 728-3074. YOUTH HOOP TOURNEYS

Tournaments USA will hold a

youth basketball tournament at Allen Park High School and Middle School. The YBOA Billy Joe Young

Classic will take place Jan. 27-28, for girls 12-14.

The tourney costs \$275 per team and is a round-robin format with a three-game guaran-

For information, call (734) 522-8872, e-mail basketball@tournamentsusa.com or check out the websites at www.tournamentsusa.com or www.vboa.org.

BOAT, FISHING SHOW AT DOME

The 18th annual Michigan Boat. Sport and Fishing show at the Pontiac Silverdome is scheduled for Jan. 31-Feb. 4. Show hours are 3-9:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Admission is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children 6-14. Kids under-6 get in free.

Included will be a helium balloon ride to the top of the dome.

UD-MERCY HOOP LEGENDS

The University of Detroit Mercy will help celebrate the city of Detroit's Tricentennial by presenting area fans with the opportunity to select the Detroit Titans' all-century teams in men's and women's basketball.

Winners will be announced prior to the Titans' game against Butler Feb. 8.

Ballots are available in Calihan Hall at all Titan home games through the end of January. Also, fans may vote on the UDM Athletic web site: www.DetroitTitans.com.

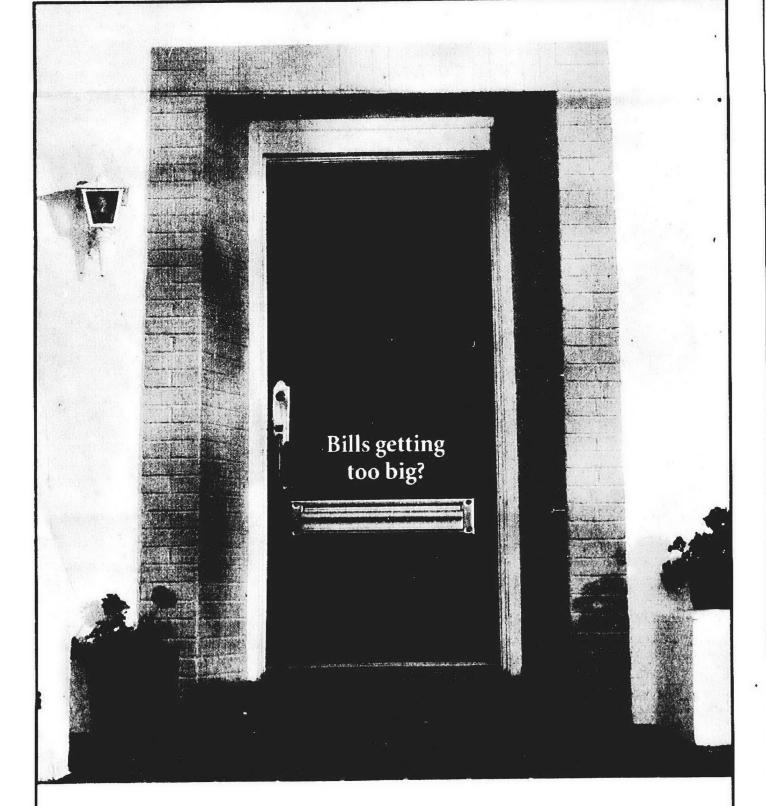
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Canton rules Lincoln dual

Plymouth Canton defended its Ypsilanti Lincoln Invitational wrestling title in fine fashion on Saturday as the Chiefs went 5-0 on the day in dual meets to hold onto their crown.

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"Though we are stronger as a whole than most of the teams there, each of the teams had some strong wrestlers," said Chiefs coach John Demsick. "Every one of our wrestlers had one or two really close matches to fight through. Most of our wrestlers averaged a 4-1 record, which is a great record, but short of topping all their opponents."

The Chiefs stopped Ida, 47-21, and avenged a loss to the Bluestreaks from last season. Canton also beat New Boston-Huron (52-21), host Lincoln (67-9), blanked Ypsilanti (83-0) and topped Carleton Airport (44-33) as it improved to 11-3 on the

Canton did have three wrestlers come through on the PREP WRESTLING

day undefeated with Doy Demsick at 125 pounds, Greg Musser at 140 and Phil Rothwell at 189 all going 5-0.

"However, it takes a wellrounded team to win tournaments like this," said Demsick. This is our fourth of five tournaments where our guys have worked together to win first place this year. We still have plenty of challenges ahead, but they are quite a team."

2 CC grapplers win

Jay Abshire and Ryan Rogowski both won their flights and helped Redford Catholic Central to a third-place finish at its own invitational on Saturday.

Holt won the invitational with 187.5 points, followed by Warren Lincoln with 168 points and CC with 134.5. Livonia Stevenson was ninth with 94 and Westland

John Glenn was 10th with 76 points.

Abshire captured the 145pound division by pinning Romeo's Clint Randell in 5:16, while Stevenson's Chris Cooprider came in fourth and Glenn's Brad Gregory finished sixth.

Rogowski clinched the 171 class with a 12-2 major decision over Holt's Chad Cleevos in the

Stevenson's Imad Kharbush came in second at 160, losing a tough 3-2 decision to R.J. Boudro of Armada. For the Stanford University-bound grappler it was his first defeat of the sesaon. He was third in his weight class at the state meet a year ago. CC's Jason Hilliker , meanwhile, added a fifth.

The Spartans also got a second from Billy Bullock at 125, as he was pinned by Holt's Jack Scott in 0:46 in the final. CC's Tom Buddenborg took a 12-3 major decision over Glenn's Shawn

Parker for fifth- and sixth-place, respectively.

At 119 pounds, CC's Tim Mulroy was second, losing to Warren Lincoln's Cainan Munsell, 15-0, in the final, while Glenn's Kenfentse Mandisa of Glenn was third and fifth went to Stevenson's Jason Fischer.

At 140 pounds, Stevenson's Matt Radley was fourth, while CC's Mike Werner was fifth,

At 152, Glenn's Chris Wolfgang, CC's Chris Cracchiolo and Stevenson's Joe Jamieson went fourth, fifth and sixth, respectively.

The Shamrocks had three other placers as Aaron Parr and Blaic Naysmith were fifth at heavyweight and 189 pounds, while Matt Markowicz was sixth

John Glenn's Chris Smith was third at 112. Teammate Nick Naber was sixth at 103.

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MENT Jan. 13 at Garden City FRESHMEN DIVISION TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Monroe,

152 points; 2. Walled Lake Western. 145; 3. Westland John Glenn, 128; 4. Belleville, 119; 5. Novi and Fordson, 92; 7. Wayne, 86; 8. Divine Child, 75; 9. Livonia Stevenson, 68; 10, Edsel Ford, 67; 11. Wyandotte, 64; 12. Walled Lake Central, 61. 13. Melvindale, 59; 14. Livonia Churchill, 53; 15. Allen Park, Redford Union and Rochester Adams, 50; 18. Farmington, 48; 19. Southgate, 45; 20. Riverview, Lutheran West and Plymouth Salem, 44; 23. Monroe Jefferson, 39; 24. Thurston, 36.5; 25. Grosse He and Ann Arbor Huron, 36; 27. Brother Rice, 28; 28. Flat Rock, 27; 29. Livonia Franklin, 18: 20. Clawson and Plymouth Canton, 18; 32. Annapolis, 17; 33. Trenton, 15; 34. Northville, 14; 35. Garden City, 12; 36. Lincoln Park, 11; 37. Farmington Harrison, 9; 38. North Farmington, 5; 39. Crestwood, 4; 40. Dearborn, 1.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS HVY: Pete (Mon) p. Boucher (WLC), 1:10; consolation: Byrum

(BV) p. Howell (BR), 2:10. 103 pounds (A): Mike Szor (AP) pinned Dan Clement (LC), 2:23; consolation: Greg Wacker (JG) maj. dec. Dan McAuliffe (LS), 11-

103 (B): Murphy (WLW) d. Dendrinos (PS), 5-2; consolation: Vaughn (PS) S. Bergeson (Nov), 4-

112 (A): Craig Lebaron (RT) won by forfeit: consolation: Yasbak (WLW) p. Johair (Frd), 1:36.

112 (B): Serrano (Mel) p. Cavanaugh (WM), :50; consolation: Davis (EF) p. Spencer (Riv),

119 (A): John Gourlay (RU) d. Mayes (Mon), 6-0; consolation: Fuller (MJ) d. Schwartz (Farm), 7-

119 (B): Claire (WLW) d. Ball (FRD), 12-7; consolation: Rex Fugaban (WM) tech. fall Barbour (EF) 4:22.

125: Ericsin (BV) d. Chris Fougere (WM), 9-5; consolation: Mike Buchanan (RU) d. McIntyre (Mon), 2-1 OT. 130 (A): Cantu (JG) p. Raymo

(Mon), 1:50; consolation: Reid (WLW) p. Ottewell (BV), 2:45. 130 (B): Fedewa (EF) d. McLean (WM), 8-4; consolation: Schultz

(PS) won by forfeit. 135: Sunisloe (Nov) maj. dec. Beste (WLC), 9-0; consolation:

Malone (JG) won by forfeit. 140: Cruickshank (JG) won by forfeit; censelation: O'Dell (RA)

won by forfeit over Keesey (PC). 145: Baskin (LS) maj. dec. jacons (Mei), 11-1; consolation:

Kemp (LW) d. Buuder (WM), 5-2. 152: Perez (DC) p. Haller (LW), 5:23; consolation: Belsky (Farm) p. Schamber (JG), 2:17.

(WY), 2:39; consolation: Hammoud (FRD) maj. dec. Dulco (SA), 23-15. 171: Fairchild (JG) p. Gosuami

(RA), 4:10; consolation: Jones (WLW) p. Gibson (DC), :47.

189: Halleck (Mon) d. Selonke (DC), 5-2; consolation: Eichhorn (AAH) d. Gonzales (WLW), 1:19.

215: Shaunia (WLW) p. Smock 2:55; consolation: Catopodis (Nov) p. Smith (LC),

SOPHOMORE DIVISION

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Belleville, 183.5; 2. Edsel Ford, 136; 3. Lincoln Park, 98; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 97; 5. Southgate, 89; 6. Trenton, 84; 7. Plymouth Salem, 75.5; 8. Redford Union, 74; 9. Wyandotte, 63: 10. Garden City, 58; 11. Allen Park, 56.5; 12. Novi, 53; 13. Thurston, 49; 14. Divine Child, 45; 15. Fordson, 40; 16. Riverview, 29; 17. John Glenn, 28; 18. Rochester Adams, 27; 19. Annapolis, 22; 20. Brother Rice. 21; 21. Plymouth Canton, 20; 22. Monroe, 16; 23. Monroe Jefferson, 15; 24. Farmington Harrison and Livonia Franklin, 13; 26. Dearborn, Lutheran West and Walled Lake Western, 11; 29. Northville, 10; 30. Farmington, 9; 31. North Farmington, 8; 32. Livonia Churchill and

Walled Lake Central, 7; 34. Grosse lie and Flat Rock, 3; 36. Melvindale, Wayne, Clawson and Crestwood, 0.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS HVY: Nick Cooper (GC) p. Jason Leduc (RU), 1:50; consolation: Phil Sabourin (LS) p. Herbert

> Reedus (JG), 1:00. 103: Jacob Davis (GC) p. Mark Bakas (SA), 2:00; consolation: C. Golena (WY) p. Jerry Bondy (RIV), 2:00.

> > Tomasic (EF); consolation: Drew Connor (JG) d. Brian Frey (Nov), 1-119: Chris Wickman (BV) d.

112: Adam Benard (TR) d. Mark

Alan Mlynek (PS), 8-6; consciation: Sean Chernick (LP) won by forfeit over Chad Bennett (LF). 125: Nick Moniodis (PS) d. Tom Webber (BV), 8-7; consolation:

(WLW), 3-1. 130: Sean O'Halloran (LS) d. Chris Usher (RT), 5-2; consolation: Putek (RIV) p. Josh MacDonald (BV), 2:15.

Mark McCourt (TR) d. Wisener

135: Nick Loose (BV) maj. dec. Matt Brightman (LP), 12-4; conso-(SA), 1:40.

lation: Esdori (SA) p. Josh Hodg 140: Brandon Sinnott (AP) tech.

fall Nathan Ferrell (LP), 4:00; con-

solation: Yaseen Faroog (EF) p. Daroci (BV), 2:03.

145: Cristian Sinnott (AP) d. Pat Adamson (LP), 3-1; consolation: Matt Gantner (BV) p. Chris Hopkins (RU), :50.

152: Dave Chudzinski (BV) p. Chris Hansen (PS); consolation: Dwarzski (WY) d. Myers (RA), 13-

160: James Southard (AAH) d. Nick Westercap (RU), 7-2; consolation: Charlie Biessel (TR) p. Evan Szarenski (BR), :41. 171: Josh Harrington (RT) p.

Matt Jezior (Nov), 4:10; consolation: Chris Deckert (EF) d. Jake Bongero (RU), 6-5. 189: Jesse Cummings (SA) d. Mike Tackett (BV), 5-2; consola-

tion: Chris Zdravosk (Nov) maj. dec. Moussa Kadira (FRD), 16-6. 215: Paul Bargerstock (LS) p. Jeff Rochon (BV), 1:10; consolation: Bryan Norburn (EF) maj. dec.

Doug Newsom (MJ), 10-0. MVPs: Freshmen: Craig Lebaron (RT); Sophomores: Paul Bargerstock: Livonia Stevenson.



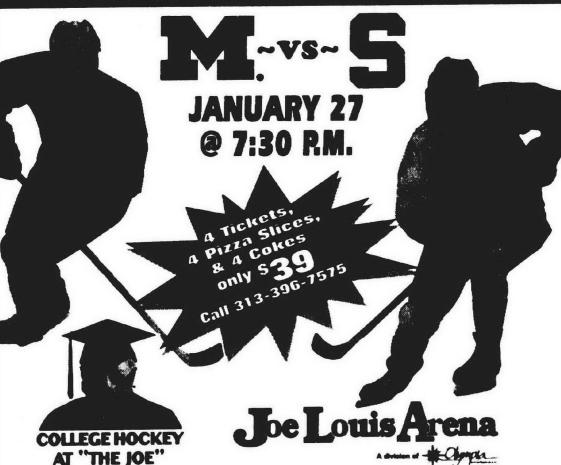


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HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIMMING

Pioneer, Rockford 1-2 at Kilgore Invitational

Ann Arbor Pioneer and Rockford battled for first, but host Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton had some outstanding swims at the annual Plymouth Salem Rock/Kilgore Invitational on Saturday.

The Pioneers won with 311 points, while Rockford had 300, Salem had 204.5, Canton had 158.5, Livonia Stevenson had 101 and Dearborn came in with 89 in the meet. The format was a bit different with every event split into at least three heats and each heat winner received credit for a win, regardless of time.

Salem came through with four heat wins on the day as Mike Horgan and Ben Dzialo both finished first in the 500 freestyle in 5:24.01 and 4:59.46, respectively. Aaron Shelton took one of the 100 freestyle wins (50.35), while Canton's Joe Le (51.68) took another. The Rocks' Eric Lynn also posted a win in the 100 backstroke (54.71)

The Rocks also took seconds from the 200 medley relay (1:53.58), Mike Johnson in the 50 freestyle (22.93) and the 100 freestyle (50.22), Lynn in the 100 butterfly (53.72), Jim Ross in the 500 freestyle (5:14.75), Ben Mellis in the 100 backstroke (1:06.04) and Matt Vivian in the 100 breaststroke (1:14.01).

Canton had seconds from Eddie Lindow (1:09.19) and Dennis Speck (1:11.13) in the 100 backstroke.

Salem thirds came in the 200 medley relay (1:42.63), the 200 freestyle (Ross, 1:54.75), the 200 IM (Matt Showalter, 2:24.98; Dzialo, 3:07.21), 50 freestyle (Dave Carson, 24.30) the 50 freestyle (Shelton, 22.54), diving (Greg Kubitski, 308.85), 100 butterfly (Nick Yee, 1:08.86), 100 freestyle (Dave Woodard, 57.74), 500 freestyle (Brian Mertens, 5:07.23), all three heats of the 200 freestyle (1:42.21, 1:40.27 and 1:33.70), 100 backstroke (Yee, 1:03.33; Kevin Schopieray, 1:04.27) and the A and C heats of the 400 freestyle relay (3:53.96 and 3:20.32).

The Chiefs claimed thirds in the 200 medley relay (1:50.36), the 200 freestyle (Steve Rice, state-cut time of 1:30.87.

ROUNDUP

2:03.74; Matt Wisniewski, 1:53.19), 50 freestyle (24.30), diving (Steve Kilyanczyk, 144.40; Ryan Henry, 255.65), 100 freestyle (Shawn Bernard, 57.30; Brad Nilson, 51.70), 100 backstroke (Trey Gercak, 1:04.27); Nilson, 58.04) and the 400 freestyle relay (3:38.05).

Shamrocks 1st at Cranbrook

Redford Catholic Central took 12 firsts as the Shamrocks handily won the six-team Cranbrook Invitational on Saturday.

Scoring for the meet was a bit different, as each event was divided into three heats and points were given out based on position in the heat, instead of an overall winner.

Still, CC had 211 points, followed by defending Class A champion Brother Rice with 178 and Toledo St. Francis with 176.

"It was a wonderful meet," said CC coach Jeff Baker. "Out of 27 indvidual swims, we had 24 season or lifetime bests. With a performance like that, you can upset the state champion. We had great perfomances by everyone."

CC won all three heats of the 50 freestyle with Mike Greis (23.62), Kevin Ryan (23.29) and Ed Lesnau (22.04) and won two heats of the 200 freestyle with Nick Markou (1:49.46) and Brett Meconis (1:48.84) as well as the 100 breast-stroke with Jeff Andonian (1:08.70) and Mike

Kruszewski (1:06.99).

Catholic Central also got individual firsts from Bryant Steele in the 100 butterfly (55.81) and Lesnau in the 100 free (48.97).

The Shamrocks also won two heats of the 400 freestyle relay with Dan Jones, Greis, Andrew Carlin and Steele winning in 3:30.18 and Meconis, Markou, Ryan and Lesnau making the state cut in 3:20.86.

CC also captured the 200 free relay with Meconis, Andonian, Ryan and Lesnau in a state-cut time of 1:30.87.

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Plymouth Salem 1:42.63
Redford Catholic Central 1:44.09
Liveria Stavenson 1:45.46
North Farmington 1:45.26

North Fermington 1:46.26
Phymouth Centen 1:46.79
200-MARD FREMINYLE
(state enter A — 2:40.20, 8 — 2:86.99)
Eric Lynn (Selem) 1:46.19
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 1:46.84
Nick Mertou (Redford CC) 1:49.46
Nett Wisniewski (Centon) 1:53.19
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:54.69
Jim Ross (Beilim) 1:54.75
Joe Le (Centon) 1:56.48
Brian Mertens (Selem) 1:57.02
Ryan Aheam (Ganton) 1:57.11

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Ryan Ansam (Canton) 1:57.11
Kevin Ryan (Redferd CC) 2:00.04
200-YARO MONYONIAL MEDILEY
(etate exist A — 2:03.08, B — 2:13.00)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:59.32
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 2:06.55
Ben Działo (Salem) 2:07.21
Brad Nilson (Canton) 2:09.00
Milte Nemer (Stevenson) 2:09.04
Milte Kruszewski (Redford CC) 2:11.46
Eric Dobkowski (Stevenson) 2:16.05
Tim Ryan (Redford CC) 2:16.05
Jeff Andonian (Redford CC) 2:17.50
Garrett Stone (John Glenn) 2:18.72
80-YARD FREESTYLE

(state sets: A — 22.66, B — 25.60)
Ed Lesnau (Redford CG) 22.04
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 22.54
Mike Johnson (Salem) 22.93
Kevin Ryan (Redford CC) 23.29
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 23.54
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 23.67
Mike Greis (Redford CC) 23.62
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 23.65
Jeff Andonian (Redford CC) 23.65
Sermet Alver (N. Farmington) 24.24

Grag Kubitski (Selem) 352:10 Blake Brunner (Canton) 291:20 Chris McFarland (John Glenn) 254:00 Andrew Brissette (Stevenson) 184:75 Mark Morette (Redford Union) 182:95

(state cuts: A — 56.56, B — 56.99)
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 53.51.
Eric Lynn (Salem) 53.72
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 53.89
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 54.18
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 55.81
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 56.35
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 56.40
Robert Cambridge (Stevenson) 58.99
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 59.07

Nick Markov (Radford CC) 50.97
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 51.03
Brett Maconis (Redford CC) 51.06
Joe Le (Canton) 51.68
Brad Nilson (Canton) 51.70
Kevin Ryan (Redford CC) 51.96
900-YARD FREESTYLE
(shale outs: A — 4:87.89, B — 8:15.99)

(state cute: A — 4:87.89, B — 5:15.

Ben Dzielo (Salem) 4:59.46

Mick Merkeu (Redford CC) 5:03.18

Brian Mertena (Salem) 5:07.23

Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 5:10.03

Jim Ross (Salem) 5:14.75

Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 5:15.05

Ryan Ahearn (Centon) 5:19.00

Mike Nemer (Stevensen) 5:22.62

Mille:Hergan (Salem) 5:24.01

Tim Ryan (Redford CC) 5:25.84

200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY

200-YARD PREESTYLE RELAY (state eats: A -- 1:31.99, B -- 1:30.49) Redford Catholic Central 1:30.87 Plymouth Salem 1:39.70 Livonia Stevenson 1:39.38 Plymouth Canton 1:39.74 Westland John Glenn 1:44.74 100-YARD BACKSTROKE

(state eute: A — \$6.89, B — \$9.96)
Eric Lynn (Salem) 54.71
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 57.76
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 58.31
Bred Nilson (Centon) 58.04
Brian Clayson (N. Farmington) 59.50
Zech Felirath (Redford CC) 59.51
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:00.10
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 1:00.34
Garrett Stone (John Glenn) 1:00.82
Robert Cambridge (Stevenson) 1:01.98

100-YARD BREASTSTROKE
(state cuts: A — 1:02.99, B — 1:07.89)
Adam Ferber (N. Fermington) 1:00.55
Dan Dziekan (Redford CC) 1:05.44
Milke Nemer (Stevenson) 1:05.51
Milke Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:06.77
Matt Showelter (Selem) 1:07.75
Jon Heiss (Canton) 1:08.15
Jeff Andonian (Redford CC) 1:08.70
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 1:08.79
Eddie Lindow (Canton) 1:08.95
Tim Ryan (Redford CC) 1:09.98

400-YAND FREESTYLE RELAY
(etate ests: A — 3:23.39, 8 — 3:35.99)
Redford Catholic Central 3:20.86
Plymouth Salem 3:20.32
Livonia Stevenson 3:31.74
North Farmington 3:35.42
Plymouth Canton 3:37.16

Mercy girls gain victory

Farmington Mercy continues

to excel on the ski slopes.

The Marlins came out of Tuesday's girls giant slalom at Mt. Brighton with a 36-40 victory over Brighton. Okemos was third, another 10 points back.

Redford Catholic Central was edged out, 36-42, by Okemos, in the boys giant slalom. Brighton was third with 71 points.

Both the Mercy and Catholic Central squads are coached by Tom Gable.

Mercy's top four skiers all finished in the top 14 with freshman Liz Mujala and Nikki Anderson finishing 4-5.

Kujala made her first run in 15.95 and the second in 14.87 for a 30.82 combined time. Anderson's runs were 16.53 and 14.49. Laura Burek was 13th with a

time of 32.90 on runs of 17.37 and 15.53 while Nicole Zaleski was 14th, turning in times of 17.58 and 15.50.

Marcy Godlew took 21st with a 35.24 combined time. Melissa Desautel was disqualified on her second run.

Matt Gable took first place overall to lead three Catholic Central skiers in the top ten. His combined time of 25.87 was achieved on runs of 11.86 and 14.01. He was almost a full second faster on his first run than the runnerup.

Eric Sullivan recorded runs of 13.10 and 15.16 to finish eighth with a combined clocking of 28.26. John Goebel was 10th, turning in runs of 13.12 and 15.36, while Ryan Boudreau finished 23rd at 30.78 on runs of 13.92 and 16.86.

Joe Murray was 29th with a combined time of 31.45 and Che Martinez rounded out the Shamrock squad with a 50th-place finish at 35.56.

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Plymouth Whalers shoot down Spitfires, complete sweep

Three games. Three days. Not the best scenario for success.

It turned out well for the Plymouth Whalers, though. Following Friday's 9-2 thrashing of Mississauga, the Whalers played a home-and-away series against Windsor, second in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division to Plymouth.

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The results weren't good for the Spitfires, who followed a 4-2 loss on Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena with a 4-1 defeat to the Whalers Sunday in Windsor.

Plymouth raised its overall record to 28-7-4-2; its 62 points in 41 games is

second in the OHL to the Erie Otters who have 63 points in 43 games.

The Whalers new additions again provided a major difference in both games' outcome. On Saturday at Compuware, in front of a crowd of 4,100 fans, Plymouth followed a scoreless first period by scoring twice in the first eight minutes of the second.

Damian Surma got the Whalers' first goal, a short-handed marker just 16 seconds into the period, assisted by Preston Mizzi, acquired last week from Sarnia. Tomas Kurka made it 2-0 at the 7:55 mark with a power-play goal,

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assisted by Cole Jarrett and Stephen Weiss.

Windsor trimmed the lead to 2-1 with just 1:58 remaining in the period on a goal by Rob Hennigar. But Plymouth restored its two-goal lead when Chad LaRose - signed as a free agent -

brand at 9:54 again brought the Spits to within a goal, but they could get no closer. Mizzi clinched it with an empty-net marker with 27 seconds to play.

Rob Zepp made 17 saves to earn the win for the Whalers. Mike Leighton had 20 saves in net for Windsor.

On Sunday at Windsor Arena, in front of 4,033 fans, the Whalers again never trailed. Once again, it was Surma that got them going, scoring his 18th goal of the season at 7:06 of the first period,

seconds into the second period; Wiseman assisted. Windsor narrowed the deficit to 2-1 with a power-play goal by Steve Ott two minutes into the second.

But goals by Stacey Britstone, his 19th, unassisted at 9:57 of the second and by Mizzi, his 17th this season and fifth in three games as a Whaler, on the power play at 6:26 of the final stanza clinched it for Plymouth.

Zepp stopped 30 shots in improving his won/loss record to 24-8-2 with a .913 save percentage and a 2.33 goalsagainst average. Leighton made 21

CC disarms No. 2 team Trenton, 2-0 No. 1 victorious

PREP HOCKEY

It was a game befitting the top

two teams in the state. And while No. 1 came out on top, it wasn't easy as Redford Catholic Central scored two goals in the final three minutes to tame Division I's No. 2 team, Trenton, at a jam-packed Redford Ice Arena on Saturday.

"It was the most packed I've ever seen that arena," said CC co-coach Todd Johnson as the Shamrocks improved to 11-0-2. "It was a great environment and a great game. There were no penalties the whole game and it was a clean, physical game. It was a nice win, especially coming off a real tough, grinding game (a 2-2 tie against Cranbrook — No. 1 in Division 3) the night before. We were fortunate to win, coming off a high pressure game like that."

Jared Ross got the game winner in the third, scoring against Tony Dreyer on a 2-on-1 with Brett John and Jeff Davis getting assists. Ricky Buttery put icing on the cake 45 seconds later for the 2-0 lead with John Perkovich getting the assist.

Andrew McCoy made 15 saves in goal, while Dreyer had 23 saves for Trenton.

On Friday, Ross got the tying goal with 1:40 left, from John and Eric Giosa, to spoil a brilliant game by Cranbrook goalie Dave Goodley, who stopped 56 of 58 shots.

"It might have been the best single performance I've ever seen in high school hockey," said Johnson. "He was unbelieve-

Jim Spiewak had the other goal for CC, from Ross and John.

.CHURCHILL 7, W.L. WESTERN 1: Brandon Thom tallied a pair of goals Saturday as Livonia Churchill (8-2-3, 5-1-2) drilled host Walled Lake Western (6-6-1, 2-4-2) in a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division game at the Lakeland Ice Arena.

Churchill is 3-0-2 in the division, while Western is 1-4.

It was 1-1 after one period.

Churchill's Sean Szostak opened the scoring with 8:12 left in the opening period on an assist from Aaron lakubowski.

Western's Paul Price tied it at 1-1 with 4:33 left in the period from Brian Hartman

Churchill then scored six unanswered goals - three each in the second and third periods. Jim Krygowski tallied the game-win-

ner at 4:38 from Brian Grant and Tom McKee. Thom tailled the next two at 7:13 and 12:30, the first from Adam Jakubowski, and the second, from Rory Cesarz and Adam Jakubowski. In the third period, Kevin Gessler

scored at 4:53 from Mike and Jeff Andes followed by Cesarz from Adam

and Aaron Jakubowski at 8:16. Matt Krug completed the scoring from Aaron Jakubowski and Cesarz with 4:48 left. Churchill has given up only three

power-play goals and outshot the Warriors, 46-14. Ryan McBroom was in goal for

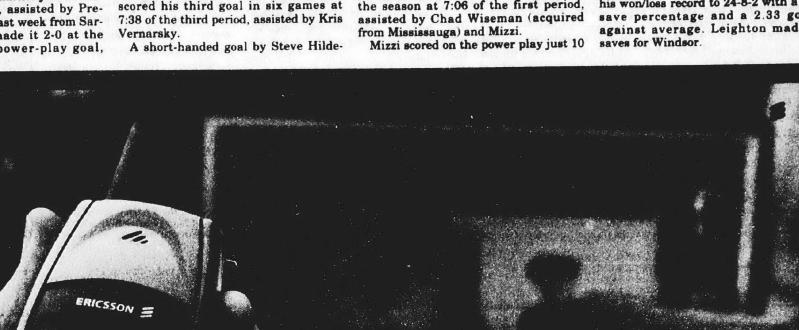
Churchill. "We've given up only two goels in the last four games and that's a credit to everybody playing defense and taking

care of business in their own end," Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said. .STEVENSON 1, TROY 1: Stateranked Livonia Stevenson (12-0-2) was frustrated Saturday in a non-leaguer against the host Colts at the Troy

Sports Center Stevenson outshot Troy, 34-13, but Brian Shekell tailled the only gool in the opening period from Bret Vessey and

"We're evereging over four goals per game and this ironically was our largest output, but we couldn't get it in the net," Stevenson costs Ed Shepter said. 'We just didn't capitalize on our oppos

Kevin Marlowe was in goal



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Lady Ocelots roll past OCC

A combination of factors carried Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team to an easy 77-52 triumph over Oakland CC Saturday at OCC.

SC improved to 11-2 overall, 4-0 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. OCC is 5-8 overall, 1-3 in the conference.

Certainly the Lady Ocelots' defense was a main part of the plot - they limited the Lady Raiders to 16 first-half points in building a 38-16 lead.

But it wasn't just SC's defense. "They shot terrible," said Ocelot coach Karen Lafata, noting OCC's 3-for-30 first-half shooting **WOMEN'S HOOPS**

from the floor (10 percent). For the game, the Raiders made just 28 percent of their shots.

"It was both (our defense and their shooting)," Lafata acknowledged. "We came out with a lot of defensive intensity, then we pulled back the pressure."

Everyone played in this game for SC, with Ra'Sheida Edwards and Carla Saxton leading the scoring with 11 points apiece. Rachel Eley contributed nine points, six assists and five steals, and Erinn Torrence had three points and 10 rebounds.

with 20 points and 16 boards. Kate Reed had 11 points.

SC faced Delta College, ranked fifth in the NJCAA and tied with the Ocelots for first in the conference, last night.

·MADONNA 92. INDIANA TECH 67: Four players scored in double figures Saturday as host Madonna University (8-9, 3-1) rolled to a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference victory over visiting Indiana Tech (6-10,

Kathy Panganis led a balanced MU scoring attack with 12 points. Kristi Fiorenzi (Plymouth Canton)

Debbie Wesa led the Raiders added 11 points, while Melissa Poma (Livonia Ladywood) and Mahogany Fletcher (Farmington Hills Harrison) each added 10.

Freshman Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin) and Nikki Blaszak each had eight for the Crusaders, who led 41-24 at intermission. Loriann Tschirhart had five assists

Madonna outrebounded the Lady Warriors 49-31. MU shot 48.5 percent from the field (33 of 68).

LaShonda Conwell, Thyoshi Chambers and Heather Anderson each tallied 12 points for Indiana Tech.

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the second in 27.80 for a total of 87.98 seconds.

Gable left Wednesday for the four-day Central Mid-America

Series, which is by solution only, in Lutsen, Minn.

The Central Region includes Minnesota, Wisconsin, all of

Michigan, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Iowa.

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David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 397-5435

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m., February 1, 2001 for the following: PRINTING OF THREE SPECIAL EDITION DISCOVER CANTON

LEISURE SERVICES BROCHURES Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the

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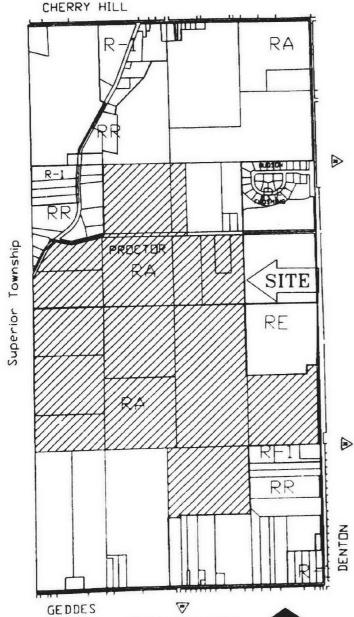
provision of services.

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 19, 2001* in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

LEWISTON SUMMER/CANTON TOWNSHIP FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT ASSOCIATES TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM AGRICULTURAL (1 dwelling unit/40 acres) TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (2 dwelling units/acre) FOR PARCEL NOS. 075 99 0011 000, 075 99 0012 000, 075 99 0014 000, 076 99 0006 000, 076 99 0007 001, 117 99 0003 000, 118 99 0001 000, 118 99 0002 000, 118 99 0003 000, 118 99 0004 000, 118 99 0005 000, AND 120 99 0001 000; AND FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL (1 dwelling unit/2 acres) TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NOS. 075 99 0013 000, 076 99 0001 000, AND 117 99 0002 702; AND ALSO TO CONSIDER TOWNSHIP-INITIATED AMENDMENT FROM AGRICULTURAL TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NO. 076 99 0007 002 IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN CONSISTENCY IN THE AREA. Property is located north and south of Proctor Road between Denton Road and the Superior Township boundary. *Note: This hearing is rescheduled from January 8, 2001.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, February 15, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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ZONING MAP

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **BOARD PROCEEDINGS JANUARY 9, 2001**

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to move from closed to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, January 9, 2001 at 1150 Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: None Staff Present:

Director Conklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Minghine, Director Santomauro, Debbie Zevalkink

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Supervisor Yack amended the agenda to remove Consent Calendar Item No. 5 Second Reading of the Electric Utility Franchise and Retail License Ordinance No. 148 and General Calendar Item No. 1 Approval of Lease Agreement with Arctic Pond for an Ice Arena at Canton Softball Center. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the regular board meeting minutes of December 12, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Shefferly to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 227,862.38 General Fund 27,574.49 Fire Fund 206 46,700.05 Police Fund Summit Operating 51,840.52 Golf Fund 5,612.03 Cable TV Fund 4.761.16 246 84,843.50 Twp (Community) Improvement 3,397.71 E-911 Utility Auto Forfeiture (WWATEE) 820.93 1,967.15 Federal Grants Fund Auto Theft Grant 876.10 147,812.28 Downtown Dev Authority 294 451.96 Post Employment Benefits 409,506.99 469 Building Auth Construction 340,366.61 Water & Sewer Fund 6.741.00 Trust & Agency Fund \$1,361,134,86 Total - All Funds

CONSENT CALENDAR Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt a resolution to approve the final plat for Central park South Subdivision #1. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to appoint the Township Clerk as the designated officer, to execute the 2001 annual permit and other permits for underground utility operations within the Michigan Department of

Transportation right-of-way. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the Township Clerk and Supervisor to execute the Warranty Deeds and Waivers for (part of) parcels 071-78-99-0010-000, 071-073-99-0001-001, 071-073-99-0001-002, 071-073-99--000, 071-117-99-0002-000, 071-120-99-0013-000 and 071-120-99-0018-000 granting the right-of-way to the County of Wayne, a Home Rule Charter County. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to remove from the table for second reading and second publication the amendments to the Mechanical/Electronic Amusement Devices and Arcades Ordinance No. 88(B). Motion carried

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 88(B)

AMENDMENT TO THE MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT **DEVICES AND ARCADES ORDINANCE NO. 88** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE OF ORDINANCES AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 88, MECHANICAL/

ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES AND ARCADES
ORDINANCE: PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION, PERMITTING, ESTABLISHMENT, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES AND MECHANICAL ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES ARCADES; PROVIDING FOR THE DEFINITIONS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE PERMIT AND INSPECTION PROCESS; PROVIDING FOR THE HOURS OF OPERATION: PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND

THE LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF REPLAYS AND THE PROHIBITION ON PRIZES AND GAMBLING' PROVIDING FOR THE CONFISCATION OF UNLAWFUL DEVICES' SPECIFYING UNLAWFUL ACTS' PROVIDING FOR MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICE ARCADES; PROVIDING FOR THE HEARING

CONTROL OF CONDUCT ON THE PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR

REQUIREMENTS AND PERMIT REVOCATION; PROVIDING FOR APPEALS AND CONSTRUCTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND THE SEVERABILITY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING ACTIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE;

AND FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. This section provides for definitions of terms used in the ordinance.

RESERVED **SECTION 2**

SECTION 3 PERMIT REQUIRED, APPLICATION AND

INVESTIGATION

This section provides that a person must obtain a permit from the Township prior to operating a mechanical amusement device or arcade; it further provides for the application process and for investigation of the applicant.

PERMIT FEES, EXPIRATION AND CHANGES This section provides that permit fees shall be set by the Township Board; that permits shall expire each December 31st; and that if a device is

replaced by a different device, the new device must be permitted. INSPECTION AND AREA REQUIRED This section provides that Township Inspectors shall be permitted to investigate premises where devices are operated; and provides for floor space

HOURS OF OPERATION This section provides for the hours of the day a place that houses a device

may be open for business

SECTION 7 RESERVED

CONDUCT ON PREMISES SECTION 8 This section provides that disorderly persons, gambling, alcoholic beverages, unlawful conduct, controlled substances, intoxicated person, indecent conduct, disturbing noises, and/or payment other than cash shall not be permitted

where devices are kept. NUMBER OF REPLAYS ALLOWED BY ANY SECTION 9 DEVICE This section provides that the number of free replays of a device shall not

lawfully within the ordinance, no gambling is permitted CONFISCATION OF UNLAWFUL DEVICES SECTION 10 This section provides that devices used contrary to this ordinance may be

exceed fifteen (15) at one time; and that except for crane devices operated

confiscated. SECTION 11 UNLAWFUL ACTS

This section provides that it is unlawful to operate devices contrary to the Ordinance; that it is unlawful to attempt to evade this Ordinance; and that it is unlawful to interfere with the enforcement of this Ordinance

MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT SECTION 12 **DEVICE "ARCADES"** This section sets forth additional requirements for operators of arcades, i.e.

places where four or more devices are kept; provides for notice to residents and businesses surrounding the proposed location for the arcade; and

PERMIT REFUSAL SECTION 13 This section provides for criteria for permit refusal. SECTION 14 PERMIT REVOCATION

This section provides for criteria and procedure for permit revocation. CONSTRUCTION, NON-APPLICABILITY SECTION 15 This section provides that the Ordinance shall be construed to effectuate its purpose and to be consistent with current and future ordinances.

provides for the requirement of a public hearing prior to issuing an arcade

APPEALS This section provides that an applicant denied a permit and a revoked permitee shall have a right to appeal the denial or revocation.

SECTION 17 PENALTIES This Section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred

(\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court. SECTION 18 REPEAL

This Section provides that all Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such

SECTION 19 SEVERABILITY

This Section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance. SAVINGS CLAUSE **SECTION 20**

This Section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

PUBLICATION This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall

cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. EFFECTIVE DATE **SECTION 22**

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours. This item was removed from the agenda.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution authorizing the execution the contract pledging the full faith and credit and taxing power of the Charter Township of Canton and the Notice of the Right to Petition for Referendum upon the new contract to all electors and taxpayers of Canton Township and other interested persons. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the Koppernick Corporate Park Special Assessment Debt Fund to correct the FY 2000 budget: Motion carried unanimously. Increase Revenues

\$21.683.00 #852-000-666-0000 Interest on Special Assessment Increase Appropriations: #852-905-991-0000 \$45,259.00 Bond Principal **Bond Interest** 23.576.00 \$21,683.00 **Total Appropriations** This budget amendment increases the FY 2000 Koppernick Corporate Park

Special Assessment Debt Fund budget from \$175,290.00 to \$196,973.00. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to concur with the Merit Commission's amendment to the Personnel Policy Manual Rule 4.310 (4) to provide, in pertinent part, that "For employees hired on or after 1/1/1999, there will be no cash out of PTO time unless approved by the employee's department director with the concurrence of the Township Supervisor." Motion carried unanimously.

This item was removed from the agenda.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to authorize to create and fill a Laborer's position for the Grounds Division of the Leisure Services Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly the authorization to create and fill a Golf Superintendent position for Pheasant Run Golf Club. Motion carried Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the issuance of an

emergency purchase order in the amount of \$9,945.50 to McDowell and Associates to complete the construction material testings for the expansion of the Summit on the Park with funds taken from the expansion contingency fund. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the expenditure of \$16,517.92 to Pulte Land Development for the extension of the water main

lead and the sanitary sewer extension for a comfort station on hole #6 of the new nine expansion at Pheasant Run Golf Club and to authorize the clerk to a letter of agreement on behalf of the township. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the temporary transportation contract with Huron Valley Ambulance in an amount not to exceed \$21,000.00 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the recommendation of the Merit Commission to increase the salaries of the non-union classified employees by 3.5% across-the-board and to increase the salary grade ranges for the non-union classified employees by 3.5%. These increases shall become effective and retroactive to 1/1/2001. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the installation of

carpeting in the Public Safety facility and awards the contract to Commercial Carpet Corporation, Novi, Michigan for the amount of \$20,484.00, plus a \$2,000.00 contingency. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award a contract to Dynamic Consultants, Inc. for Professional Services to design the Public Safety Parking Lot Expansion located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road with costs not to exceed \$6,200.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to award a contract to TMP Associates, Inc. for architectural design services for the renovation and expansion of the Canton Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center road. The costs shall not exceed 7.5% of the construction costs plus furniture and equipment survey and condition analysis as well as reimbursable expenses. The funds to pay for the Administration building renovation and expansion design will come from the Capital Improvement Fund #246-270-970-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award a contract to Siegal/Tuomaala Associates for Architecture Design Services for renovation and expansion of the Department of Pubic Works facility located at 4867 Sheldon Road. The Phase 1 design service cost shall not exceed \$11,000.00 and the Phase 2 design service cost shall not exceed 5.8% of the construction costs plus reimbursable expenses. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award a contract to Boss

Engineering for topographic survey for the Canton Center Softball Complex for a cost not to exceed \$9,975.00 from account #246-750-970-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of 80 Dell brand computers on the State contract for a cost not to exceed \$223,500.00. Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.. Motion

The above is synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting of January 9, 2001. The full text of the approved minutes will be available after approval following the next regular board meeting of January 23, 2001.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Massey propels MU to 92-90 WHAC win

Madonna University evened its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference men's basketball record at 2-2 with a 92-90 victory Saturday at Indiana Tech in Fort Wayne.

Guard Mike Massey (Walled Lake Western) led the victorious Crusaders (6-13, 2-2) with a game-high 33 points on 11 of 20 shooting from the floor. He was also eight of eight from the free throw line.

Trailing 44-33 at halftime by as many as 16 in the second half, MU stormed back to take the lead on three-pointer by John Bennett (Livonia Churchill) with 4:19 to go.

Chad Nadolni and Massey each hit a pair of free throws in the final minute and Bennett's foul shot with 13 seconds remaining sealed the victory.

Narvin Russaw added 17 points and 11 rebounds for MU, while Bennett came off the bench to score 15, including four of seven from three-point range. Aaron Cox contributed 14 points and six assists. MU hit 33 of 60 shots from the floor (55 percent) and 17 of 21 from

the free throw line (81 percent). Indiana Tech (9-11, 1-3) was led by guard Tyrus Smith's 27 points. Reserve forward James Patrick contributed 13.

•SCHOOLCRAFT 126, OAKLAND CC 79: Schoolcraft College (13-2, 3-1) scored 82 points in the paint Saturday en route to a lopside victory at Oakland

Community College (6-9, 2-2). Five Ocelots scored in double figures as 6-foot-8 Sam Hoskin led the way with 29 points (on 13 of 17 shooting) and eight rebounds.

North Farmington's Emir Medunjanin contributed 19 points off the bench on eight of 10 shooting. Mike Peek (18), Derrick Bird (16) and Nick Evola (15) also scored in double figures.

Point-guard Dave McGlown had a team-high 12 assists, while Dwight Windom added eight points and 10 rebounds. Keanan Weir came off the bench to score nine.

Schoolcraft shot 61.7 percent from the field (50 of 81), while Oakland was 26 of 70 (37.1 percent)

Damon Allison scored a team-high 20 points for Oakland, which trailed 59-31 at the half. Others in double figures included Kevin Williams, Jr. (14), Cornelius Stanford (12), James Woodworth (11) and William Motley (10).

The Raiders had 30 turnovers to Schoolcraft's 19.

Wayne Memorial handles Monroe

A fast start by Wayne Memorial put a quick finish on Monroe's chances of winning their Michigan Mega Conference Red. Division boys basketball game.

The Zebrae began with a 17-8 lead after the first period Tuesday night, maintained it through halftime and added nine more points to the margin after the third quarter en route to a 61-44 victory.

"We got off to a better start than we have been," Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said, "and they never really caught us."

Wayne (5-3, 2-3 Mega Red) got 17 points and nine assists from guard Gary Johnson while Shannon Jeffries scored 11 points and added nine rebounds. Sophomore guard T. J. McClain added eight points.

Visiting Monroe (3-4, 0-4) got a 10-point ne from junior guard Jake Loop.

The Zebras missed (8) more free throws than they made (6) while the Trojans went 12-fo-18 from the line.

MILFORD 70, CHURCHILL 67: A 21-footer by Jeff LeClaur with two seconds to play Tuesday night was the margin of victory.

The visiting Chargers called timeout after the basket, but were unable to get a shot off before time expired. Livonia Churchill (1-7) stumbled badly in the

second half from a 41-27 halftime lead and was done in by a 27-16 Milford fourth quarter. Will Pendergrass scored 31 points to lead all scorers and drew praise from coach Rick

Austin for his fine all-around play. Both Kevin Zlelinski and Derek Dodd scored seven points for Churchill. Milford (6-4) got 17 points from Ryan Mehal.

LeClaur ended with seven points. Churchill made 13-of-23 free throws while

Milford sank 20-of-31.

"We played good defense," Austin said,

"But they battled back, so give them cred-

Milford took advantage of three Churchill turnovers in the final three minutes of the game and accred on each one.

·HOWIELL 03, JOHN GLENN 46: On Tuesday the host Highlanders (3-4) jumped out to a 33-23 halftime en route to a non-league victory over Westland John Glenn (2-8).

Nell Carl and David Hoy tailled 15 and 13.

respectively, for Howell.

Ten of 11 Glenn players scored, but nobody hit double figures as Jeff Brantley and Anthony Harrell each tailled seven.

Howell was 16 of 28 from the free throw line, while Glant tilt seven of 12.

The Warriors overcame a slow start to win their Metro Conference opener. Lutheren High Westland was tied with

Grosse Points Woods University-Liggett, 9-9, after one quarter but scored 47 over the next two Tuesday night to wrap the game up. You could tell we'd been off for a week and a half," Lutheren Westland coach Dan

Ramthun said. One thing the host Warriors will work on before their next game is free throws. They were 6-for-16 from the line while the Knights were 11-for-15

Nate Meckes led Lutheran Westland (6-1, 1-0) with 17 points, while Nick Doherty scored 14 and Luke Kasten added 13.

Josh Greet led Liggett (1-8, Il-1) with 13

ram east 88. Slaw The Trojans fell gradually behind and wi unable to make up the deficit in their Metro Conference opener.

"We get behind and can't catch up." Clarenceville coach Kevin Murphy said. "That's been the story of our season letely."

The host Eagles and Trojans were dead locked at 10 following the first period but Lutheran East led. 25-21, at the half and 42-33 after three periods.

Tim Shaw scored 20 points and got 10 rebounds, while Scott Wion scored 12 and had 18 rebounds plus nine blocked shots.

Kendrick Moseley led Lutheran Fast (6-1, 1-0) with 21 points, 10 in the first half. Livonia Clarenceville (3-4, 0-1) made e run when Moseley sat down late in the game with foul

Clarenceville made just 6-of-16 free throws while Harper Woods Lutheran East was 12-for-

-FRANKLIN ROAD 81, NURON VALLEY 44: Novi Franklin Road Christian used a 25-5 firstquarter run Tuesday to pound host Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (1-4, 0-2) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division

Adam Rattal and Brandon Edwards each scored 15 points for the Warriors, while Mike Palmer and Josh Angel chipped in with 14 and 12. respectively.

Huron Valley sophomore guard Dan Schultz netted a game-high 16 points, while junior guard Steve Davidson added 10.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON. WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT PLEDGING THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REFERENDUM UPON THE NEW CONTRACT

TO ALL ELECTORS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AND OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on September 26, 2000, the township Board of the Charter Township of Canton adopted a resolution approving and authorizing the execution and delivery of a new contract between the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth and the Western Townships Utilities Authority (together the "parties") pursuant to the provisions of Act 233, Public Acts of Michigan, 1955, as amended, relative to the long-term lease, expansion and financing of wastewater treatment facilities of the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority to serve the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth.

PURPOSE OF NEW CONTRACT

The new contract, when it becomes effective, will replace the parties' Construction, Finance and Service Agreement dated September 28, 1988 and provide among other things for the long-term lease and expansion of wastewater treatment facilities of the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority ("YCUA") by the Western Townships Utilities Authority for the purpose of providing cost effective transportation and treatment of wastewater for the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville, and Plymouth and for the issuance of new bonds by the Western Townships Utilities Authority (the "Authority") in principal amount sufficient with other available moneys, if any, to defray the cost of expanding said wastewater treatment facilities. The new contract as approved estimates the Authority's share of the total cost of expanding the wastewater treatment facilities of YCUA to be \$91,250,000 and also provides that the Authority may increase the cost of the acquisition and construction of such facilities in order to complete the same in accordance with the plans approved in the new contract and issue additional bonds therefor without further approval by the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth. The new contract also provides that the cost may be increased by variations or changes in the plans and paid for by the issuance of additional Authority bonds or in any other way agreed to with the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth. The new bonds to be issued will be secured by the obligation of the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds when due. This new bond obligation is in addition to existing bond obligations of the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth to pay the principal of and interest on existing bonds when due.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP'S CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION AND SOURCE

OF PAYMENT The new bonds to be issued by the Authority will bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed ten percent (10%) per annum or the applicable rate allowed by State law and will mature over a period of not exceeding 33 years. The full faith and credit of the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth have been pledged in the contract for the making of payments to the Authority in amounts sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the new bonds as the same shall become due and for the payment of bond service charges incurred by the Authority. The shares of the Charter Township are based on these percentages of capacity in the expanded YCUA wastewater treatment plant: Canton - 51.28 percent, Northville - 22.17 percent and Plymouth - 26.55 percent. Taxes levied by the Charter Townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth for the payment of their obligations to the Authority will be subject to applicable constitutional and statutory limitations and the charters of the townships.

RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REFERENDUM ON NEW CONTRACT This notice is given by order of the Township Board to and for the benefit of the electors and taxpayers of the Charter Township of Canton and any other interested persons in order to inform them of their right to petition for a referendum upon the new contract. The new contract will not become effective until the expiration of 45 days after the publication of this notice. If, within said 45-day period, a petition signed by 10% or 15,000, whichever is the lesser, of the registered electors residing within the Charter Township of Canton is filed with the Township Clerk requesting a referendum upon the contract, then such new contract will not become effective until approved by a majority of the electors of the Charter Township of Canton

qualified to vote and voting thereon at a general or special election. FURTHER INFORMATION

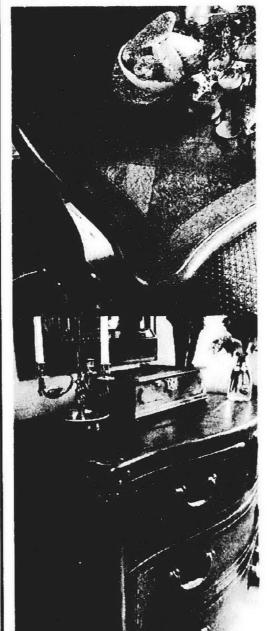
Further information relative to the subject matter of the new contract and this notice, including description and location of the facilities, may be secured at the office of the Township Clerk where a copy of the new contract

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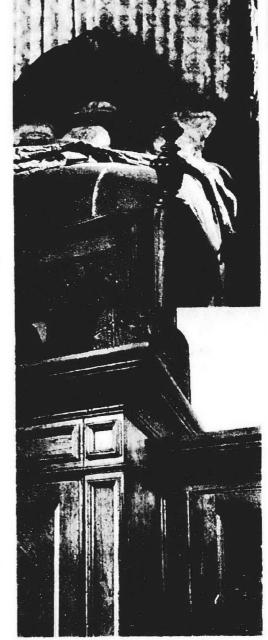


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JUNIOR OLYMPICS

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 Ban-

bury at (810) 598-0310. 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 (248) 478-1494

for more information. FOUR SEASONS

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

FISHING BUDDIES

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

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS The Huron Valley Steelheaders

meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, 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.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

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

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.

ICE FISHING FOR SCOUTS

Ice fishing for Scouts will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 20 at the Nature Center of Kensington Metropark. This is a chance for scouts to learn about ice fishing. Bring ice fishing poles and dress for the weather. Pre-registration is required. Call (248) 685-0603 or 1-800-477-3178 for registra-

tion information MAKE AND TAKE BIRD FEEDERS

Make a bird feeder at the Nature Center of Kensington Metropark on Saturday, Jan. 27 at 1 p.m. There is a \$1 participation fee and pre-registration is required. Call 1-800-477-3178 for more

information.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

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

more information.

The 2001 Oakland County parks motor vehicle permits are now

on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is \$20 through April 30, 2001. After May 1, 2001, the permit cost will be \$25. All senior citizens (ages 62 and older) can purchase the permit for \$15 at all times. Call (248) 858-0906 or TTY (248) 858-1684

ICE FISHING CONTESTS An upcoming ice fishing contest

is scheduled for Independence Oaks County Park near Clarkston. "Cabin Fever Cure" will be conducted Saturday, Jan. 27

from 8 a.m.-noon. In addition to an ice fishing contest, cross country skiing is planned for 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Thirty minute ski lessons will also be given. Cost is \$3 per person with skis or \$9 per person with a ski rental. To register, call (248) 858-4647. Independence Oaks County Park is located of Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75. All events will take place conditions permitting. For ice and ski trail conditions, call (248) 625-0877. For more information or to inquire about other winter activities, call

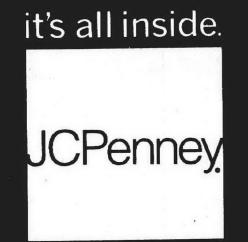
1-888-OCPARKS or (248) 858-

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area. Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation

areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury çall (248) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

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I would like to fire him but

would appreciate your assistance. Obviously, it is difficult for me to give you a definitive opinion without reviewing and analyzing the management agreement itself.

But, normally a managing agent is a fiduciary for its principal, namely you as the landlord. He normally has a responsibility to account to you for money being collected and spent.

Even if that provision is not in the management agreement, the law may well presume that obligation and undertaking. It may also justify a basis by which you can terminate your contract, particularly if you can determine that the management agreement is not being honored as specifically provided for in the agree-

You may wish to seek an accounting of the money, should you have to initiate legal proceedings, but you are best advised to have an attorney write the management company a letter demanding an accounting of all money forthwith.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics that you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 467, Bingham Farms MI 48025. His e-mail address is bmeisner@ mich. com, and his Web site is www. meisner-law. com This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

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Home building continues: Expect to see fewer new homes going up this year and expect to pay more

Homes will cost more this year, builders say

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER dfunke@oe.homecomm.net

Consumers here can expect price increases upwards of 7 percent - perhaps more for luxury, upper-end product - for new homes and remodeling work this year, builders sav.

Residential construction activity probably will decrease slightly again this year as the economy cools, the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan forecasts.

However, Stephen Taglione, president of the BIA, projects that it still will be a good year with 16,700 permits pulled for houses and condos in the seven-county area including Oakland and Wayne.

All of that came out of the annual forecast meeting hosted last week by

"This will be a good year. It won't be a record year," Taglione said. "We were down about 1,200 permits last year. It could be another 3 percent this year.

"Those reductions are off record years. In relative terms, we'll still have more permits than we pulled in 1994 (15,747) and 1995 (16,208)."

Individual builders surveyed expect their business to run the gamut from down to stable to up. They agree, though, that prices are on the rise.

"Home sales in our market seem to have dropped off," said Dan MacLeish Sr., a Troy builder. "We have larger homes starting at \$850,000.

"Our customers tell us their stock portfolios have been hit 40-50 percent. If you have a bank account cut in two,

would you go out and purchase a "We'll probably start seven or eight for the year. Normally we do a dozen,"

MacLeish said he intends to hold

construction costs but rising land prices - upwards of 15 percent - will be passed on to buyers.

Fred Capaldi, a Birmingham builder/ remodeler, expects to match his business pace of last year.

"We'll do about 20 jobs between major remodeling and new," he said. "All of my jobs are between \$300,000 and \$1 million. I see prices probably at what we do every year overall maybe 5-7 percent (increase.)"

Scott Jacobson, a Bingham Farms builder, and Bernard Glieberman, based in Novi, both expect to do better this year.

\$450,000 range) and we have 15 locations," Jacobson added. "Assuming the economy holds and interest rates hold." He's projecting a 3-5 percent price

increase Alan Strickstein, vice president of National Lumber in Warren, doesn't see a steep decline in activity here

based on orders. "I'd say 10 percent max, a slight downturn from our perspective," he

Prices are good now because supply has caught up with demand, Strick-

stein added. Dave Seiders, chief economist and vice president of the National Associa-

tion of Home Builders, told the BIA that a 10-year economic expansion was due to fizzle. His advice to builders here?

"For the moment, I would be cautious about inventory and spec building Probably be ready to offer some incentives - temporary interest rate buydowns, help customers pay some clos-

ing costs, points up front.' And what can builders tell potentialbut-hesitant buyers to alleviate fears

"Financing conditions are excellent," Seiders said. "Tell them 'If you need a little enticement, I may be able to help you. Look at the stock market. Look at the how the housing market has been performing."

Then there's always the tax benefits of home ownership, he added.

"We're definitely in a slowdown phase," Seiders said in a private interview. "Consumer confidence is off to a certain degree. It's the stock market that's getting people rattled.

"The new- and existing-home markets operate like a hand in a glove," he said. "It's a dynamic that goes together. The same factors affect both - job market, consumer confidence mostly. Interest rates are very important."

Seiders told the builders he expects the economy to return to an up cycle next year.

The national association is considering promoting federal legislation as a temporary spur to residential building activity, Seiders said.

"The proposal is to give first-time new home buyers a (tax) credit," he said. "It would go to the builder, who would pass on the value of the credit to

the buyer immediately in price.'

Further study of the issue lies ahead, Seiders said.

Take the shot at home ownership



Many of the things I have learned from my careers both as a loan officer and previously as an Air Force pilot spill over into being a parent. I hear myself telling my two boys, "You miss 100 percent of the shots you don't take," and my older daughter, "If you really believe you can do something, you are almost there." Such words of encourage-

ment help the children build belief in themselves because they realize that we believe in them.

My goal today is to build a degree of confidence in potential mortgage borrowers who may be living with a relative, or still renting because of a fear they may not be able to afford - or do not deserve - a home of their own. As Americans, we are all heirs to the dream of home ownership. Now is a great time to make that a reality.

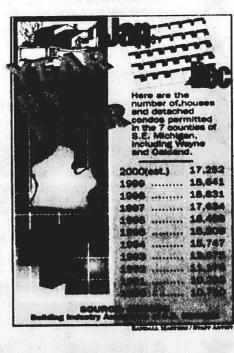
The new year brought remarkable changes in one of the best mortgage programs around - the FHA mortgage. The FHA will now loan home buyers up to \$165,000 for a home in the Detroit area and let them do so with as little as 3 percent of the loan amount out-of-pocket. The entire amount may be a gift.

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The FHA allows for some pretty ruised credit, and some non-F lenders have even made provisions for young buyers who have no credit at all. With today's lower interest rates, it's time to "take the shot." Do it, and you may score big.

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a loc n officer for Commonwealth National Mortgage Corp. in Livonia. You may contact him at PhillipsHQ@ yahoo. com or at (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.



Open up: Prospective home owners will find new houses at a price

Glieberman anticipates 600 starts compared to 470-480 last year, while Jacobson expects 300 sales compared to

"We're going to have more (building) sites this year," Glieberman said. "By

June, we'll be operating 12 sites. "We have two types of product ... two different markets. One is detached (condo), one attached. One is the firsttime buyer and first move-up,

\$110,000-\$180,000, and then the urban buyer, \$150,000-\$300,000. "Prices - we're going to do the best we can," Glieberman said. "We're going to try to hold. We'll only increase at (the same rate as) our costs. It's too

Multiple kinds of housing stock and building sites also will work to Jacobson's advantage.

"We're projecting a better year based on the product we have (\$200,000-

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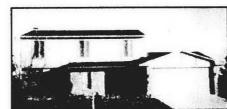
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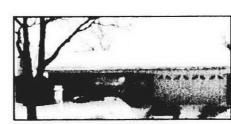


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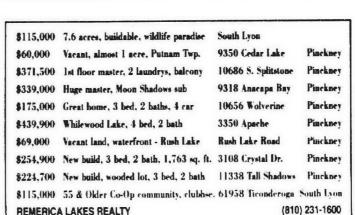
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Snowthrower savvy

real estate classes It's not that difficult to pick right model rear-engine riding mower or construction, welds and weight (NAPSA) - It's cold. It's wet. duty snowthrower or snow blade

You'd rather be inside under a blanket, but someone has to clear the snow from the driveway and the walk. At last technology has made the back-breaking work of shoveling a thing of the past, with such tools as snowthrowers and snow blades to match just about every need.

Billy Lowe of Snapper, a manufacturer of lawn and snowremoval products, recommends that you ask yourself two important questions before you buy:

How often and how much does it snow in my neigh-

borhood? How large an area do I need to clear?

If you rarely receive more than several inches of snow at a time, a single-stage snowthrower should take care of your needs easily. If heavy, deep, regular snows fill your sidewalk and drive, a two-stage snowthrower will probably do the job. If you are clearing a long, wide drive-

way or parking area, a heavy-

is your best bet.

What's the difference? A single-stage snowthrower has a small engine-usually anywhere from three to five horsepower and clearing widths that range from 17 to 20 inches. They can throw snow up to 20 feet away from the path being cleared. The rubber-lined auger in the singlestage unit not only pushes the snow into the chute and blows it to the side, the auger also helps to propel the unit down the

Two-stage snowthrowers have larger engines, usually five to 10 horsepower and 22- to 30-inch clearing paths. They can throw snow 25-35 feet away. Two-stage snowthrowers churn snow with an auger that forces the snow into the blower fan and then through a chute and off to the side of the area being cleared.

A snow blade pushes snow away at an angle rather than throwing snow to the side. The blade attaches to an existing

tractor and is built more like a typical snow shovel. Additional attachments, such as weights, tire chains and snow cabs can be added to stabilize these machines so they can be used to push heavy, wet snow.

What should you look for? Lowe offers these suggestions:

■ Check the auger and its fit in the frame. Especially in a single-stage machine that relies on the auger for moving snow and moving the unit forward, look for a rubber-tipped auger that fits tightly in the frame. A rubbertipped auger can make the difference between a clean sweep of your sidewalk or drive and an icy residue. Extra snow can pile up between the auger and the frame if there is too much space, causing the auger to block or freeze up, stopping you cold in your

■ Check frame construction and welds. Unlike lawnmowers, which cut grass, snowthrowers move heavy, wet snow so frame

of the steel used, especially in the auger and the frame, is critical. This is especially important in a two-stage unit that will be moving lots of heavy snow. An inexpensive machine with thin steel won't last long even with a good engine.

Take your coat and gloves. Snow removal equipment is used in cold weather. Take your coat and gloves along with you and start the engine and work the controls with your winter gear on. You risk frostbite if you can't operate your snowthrower safely with your cold weather clothes in

All but the largest machines are available with manual start. If you are concerned with the amount of exertion, go for an electric start - cold gasoline in a cold machine can mean lots of pulls on a manual-start machine.

For more snow equipment tips or for a list of nearby independent dealers, visit www. snapper.

Avoiding vegetation damage from deicers

(NAPSA) - Homeowners and maintenance professionals can avoid creating a new problem while solving an old one. They need to consider the importance of the effect on vegetation when selecting and using a chemical

Any deicer can harm plant life if it's over-applied. Deicers are not intended to melt snow and ice completely. Experts at the Dow Chemical Co. point out that the correct way to use a deicer is to spread it at the rate recommended by the manufacturer, wait for it to break the bond between the snow or ice and the pavement, and then shovel away what is left.

A test conducted by Iowa State

University suggests that calcium chloride poses less risk to vegetation than other common deicers.

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LOOKING FOR THE BEST Perfection describes this lovely 3 bedroom, 1% bath ranch with large living room, newer remodeled kitchen w/oak cabinets and all appliances. New roof, siding, trin and gutters. Large 2% car garage & freshly and gutters. Large 27 vo landscaped yard—won't last long! \$131,000



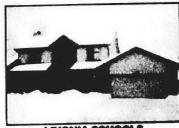
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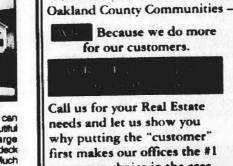


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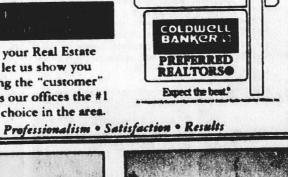
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Free introductory sessions also are offered 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, and 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, at the Holiday Inn Select, 16000 Opdyke, Auburn Hills.

For information or reservations, call (800) 462-0899.

BUY HOME CLASS

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi, and her financial services team sponsor a free, no-obligation class for home buyers 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23, at First Michigan Title, 38777 Six Mile, Suite 100, just west of I-275, Livonia.

Participants include Tom Daigle, Flagstar Bank; Jeff Mifsud, Allied Mortgage; Craig Lee, Home Team Inspection; David Rieman, Farm Bureau Insurance; Michael Rich, attorney; April Wolters, financial planner; and Firestone.

For reservations, call (734) 420-9600.

REMODELERS COURSE

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents a Certified Graduate Remodelers course, "Scheduling for Remodelers," 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern, Farmington Hills.

Participants will learn to improve planning and scheduling skills to increase efficiency and simplify site management.

Presenters: Ken Bertolini and Chuck Breidstein of NCI Associates.

Cost, which includes breakfast, lunch and course materials, is \$125. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

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Deborah Johnson of RE/MAX Great Lakes and Mary Jo Wilson of Shore Mortgage host a free seminar for home buyers 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, at the RE/MAX Great Lakes office, 33966 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. To register, call (313) 387-4561.

HOME IMPROVEMENT

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents its ninth annual Home Improvement Show Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 1-4, at Novi Expo Center, I-96 at Novi Road.

Hours are 2-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

More than 300 exhibitors are expect-

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens, \$4 for children 6-12 and free for kids under 6.

Ample parking is available for a fee. Contact the BIA at (248) 862-1019 or at www. builders. org with questions.

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The Building Owners and Managers

Association hosts a commercial property products and services show 2-6 p.m. hursday, Feb. 1, at the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen. Admission is free with registration

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Schoolcraft College offers Real Estate Sales License class 6-10 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 1 - April 12, at the college in Livonia.

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Oakland Builders Institute and Livonia Community Education present a 16-hour class to help participants pass the state builder's licensing exam 6-10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Feb. 5-14, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Cost is \$199, plus \$20 for the course textbook and sample questions. To register, call (734) 523-9277.

CONSTRUCTION EXPO

Design & Construction Expo 2001 runs 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 7-8, at the Pontiac Silverdome. Some 300 companies are expected to exhibit.

The show is sponsored by the Construction Association of Michigan, the American Institute of Architects Michigan and the Metropolitan Detroit Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute.

Admission is free. Call CAM to register at (248) 972-1000.

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Schoolcraft College offers Builder's

Licensing Exam Preparation course 6-10 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 7 - Feb. 28, at the college in Livonia. This course is also offered as a self-study.

For more information, call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education (734) 462-4448.

PROPERTY INVESTORS

The Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland presents a panel of experts on how to buy foreclosed houses from banks and mortgage companies Thursday, Feb. 8, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main, Clawson.

Dinner, at 6:30 p.m., is \$14 for everyone. The program is free for members, \$10 for nonmembers. For reservations, call (800) 747-6742.

BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail.

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details.

CONTAMINATION SITES

VISTAinfo, a publicly-owned company based in San Diego, has a Web site that offers a free overview of environmental conditions - contaminated waste sites, hazardous waste locations and landfills - by ZIP code.

The Internet address is www. NearMyHome. com

More specific reports are available

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as pos-

Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing

an effective maintenance plan. "Playgrounds for Young Children" is available for \$40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or ordering through www. caion-

PAY REPORT

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A 2000 Compensation Survey Study compiled by the Building Owners & Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit and the Institute for Real Estate Management is now available for purchase.

Cost is \$45 for survey participants, \$90 for BOMA and IREM members and \$150 for nonmembers.

To order, call (248) 848-3714 or send = a check to BOMA, 38800 Country Club" Drive, Farmington Hills, 48331.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit continues a membership drive. Categories include individual membership (\$10), family (\$20), organizational (\$35), supporting (\$50) and sustaining (\$100).

For information, call (313) 963-1274.

SALES WEB SITE

Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood?

Steve Wiese of Southeastern Appraisal Corp. in Farmington Hills has updated maps on a community-bycommunity basis with that information on the Internet. And it's free.

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Weekly mortgage rates decline to lowest in 21 months

Mortgage rates declined this week ny. with rates for 30-year and 15-year mortgages hitting their lowest levels in 21 months.

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages fell to 6.89 percent, down from 7.07 percent last week, according to a survey released by Freddie Mac, the mortgage compa-

A year ago, the rate on 30-year mortgages stood at 8.18 percent and was rising. In mid-May, rates on 30-year mortgages hit a five-year high of 8.64 percent.

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, declined to 6.49 percent last week, down from 6.74 per-

cent the previous week. A year ago, 15year mortgages averaged 7.78 percent.

This week's 30-year mortgage rates were the lowest since April 23, 1999, when they averaged 6.88 percent. The 15-year rates were the lowest since April 16, 1999, when they averaged 6.47 percent.

On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 6.65 percent, down from 6.86 percent the week before. Last year, one-year ARMs averaged 6.61

The rates do not include add-on fees known as points, which averaged 1 at the end of this month.

percent of the loan amount for all three types of mortgages.

Freddie Mac's chief economist, Robert Van Order, said rates slipped this week mainly in response to additional signs that the economy is slowing and in anticipation that the Federal Reserve will cut interest rates again

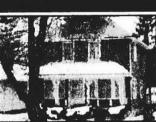
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Brendan George joins CB Richard Ellis, a commercial real



estate firm in Southfield, as a senior associate. He will repre-

sent landlords and tenants. George has seven years of brokerage experience and has earned the professional designation of Certified Commercial Investment Member.

He's a University of Michigan graduate and lives in Royal Oak.

Bill Clark, manager of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate in Clarkston, has acquired the professional designation of Accredited Buyer Representative Manager.

Clark also holds the designa-

Certified Residential Specialist, Certified Residential Broker Manager and Leadership Training Graduate.

Clark lives in Waterford.

Thomas P. Rosman, PE, will serve as president of the International Facility Management Association, Southeastern Michigan Chapter this year.

Rozman is manager of facility services at Soils and Materials Engineers, Plymouth. He has 25 tions Graduate Realtor Institute, years experience in facility plan-

ning, management, design and construction and is a past presi-dent of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers.

Rozman holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Detroit and a master of science degree in civil engineering from Wayne State University.

Kim Sulek, senior property manager for Grubb & Ellis Management Services in Southfield, received the first President's

Award from the Building Owners and Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit.

The award goes to the BOMA member who significantly contributes to furthering the organization's mission.

Sulek has 15 years experience in real estate. He's been a BOMA director since 1987, is a past president and recently was appointed to represent BOMA on the international level as gover-

Sulek holds the designation of Real Property Administrator and lives in Northville.

Consumers benefit from high-tech home construction

Ever drive by a housing construction site and do a double take? New housing goes up so fast that a pile of dirt seems to sprout new homes in the blink of

Maybe not that fast, but modern technology has cut construction time by one-third to one-half compared to just 10 to 15 years

"Home builders are struggling to keep up with demand for new homes, so faster construction times can only benefit homebuyers," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Associ-

Wood floors of the Victorian era, with

plain, unfinished planks, have given way to

parquet designs. Restoring these floors goes

a long way to creating an authentic period

look. Unlike unfinished planks that got their

charm from natural wear patterns, shiny

strip and parquet floors benefited from new

finishing products such as oil, varnishes and

shellacs, that added a special look to the

If you're restoring a home of this period,

opting for a varnish or shellac is a good way

to give your floor an authentic, period look.

Like painting, preparation is more important

than application when you're refinishing an

Many times, if a floor has been properly

maintained, it's possible to coat over the

existing surface with the same finish. First

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Faster is not necessarily inferior. Just because homes can be erected quickly doesn't mean

they're slapped together. New materials and pre-fabri-

beforehand.)

Refinishing the floor of an old house

caution if you go with shellac: This historical

finish won't tolerate alcohol or water spills,

so be sure to consider the room's usage

You can add a coat of wax over either, if

you choose, to preserve and protect the finish

while adding a bit of luster to the floor. Keep

the surface free of dust and dirt with regular

dust mopping. Expect to rewax periodically

as this protective coating wears away. It's a

small price to pay for retaining a piece of his-

If a previous owner refinished your old

house floor with a coat of polyurethane, you

might decide to strip it off and bring the floor

back in a more authentic manner. Although

this newer finish is extremely durable and

offers a longevity most historical finishes

don't, many restorers find it looks plastic and

If the floor is badly stained and scratched,

doesn't mesh well in restored homes.

cated building components can save time and improve quality.

The scarcity of quality lumber. for example, can cause delays as builders wait for shipments. And warped timbers can cause nails to pop out and framing to go

Some builders are turning to pre-cut laminated joists, modularized panels with electrical wiring already installed, and even steel beams to save time and enhance their product.

Generally speaking, the factory is a better environment than the construction site to control

Would you rather have your wall panels made on a rainy day by water logged workers, or inside a dry factory under the watchful eye of a shift supervi-

Another boon to homebuilders and consumers is the CAD software used for designing and drafting home plans. Computeraided design has cut drafting time substantially and lets builders respond to customer changes quickly and easily.

For more information on any

reached. As a result, many restorers will rec-

ommend stripping the floor by hand, either

with a hand scraper or chemicals if the finish

Although this obviously can be a very

labor-intensive job, it might be the only way

to refinish some old parquet without ruining

the floor. Since an old strip floor is thicker

Flooring spans structural members. And

the construction techniques common to many

old homes are different from those we likely

are an inch thick. This is adequate. But

when the board is sanded down to seven-

eighths of an inch, you're apt to get some

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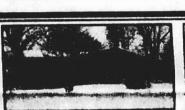
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FARMINGTON HILLS. Southwest arch-Rectural design used in the remodeling of this 3 bedroom, 4 bath Ranch with fourth bedroom or ??? in 720 square foot studio apartment over attached garage. Enclosed front court, with stream \$389,000 (L46Wes)



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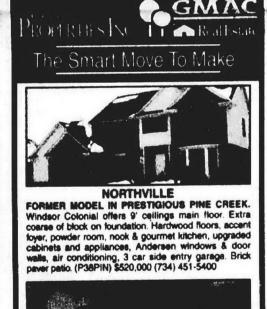


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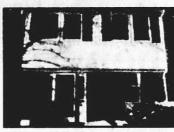
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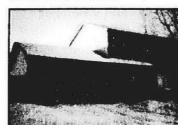
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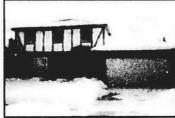
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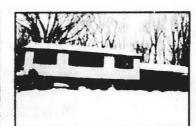
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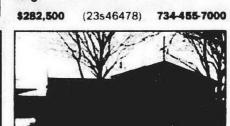


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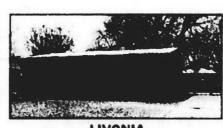
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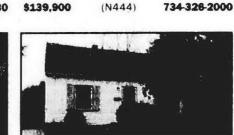
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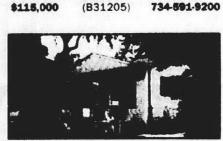
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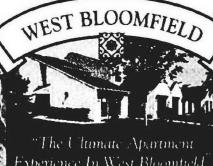
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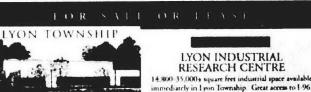
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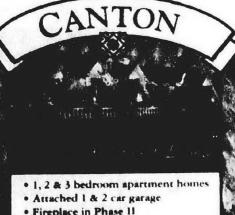
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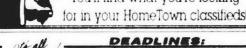
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Pretty, petite, passionate, divorced white female, 40tch. Seeks non-smoking, single white male, over 35, for dating, mating, relating. Let's create sparks and watch them fly! BOX 25332 HELLO FRIEND

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5'6", 140 lbs, long brownish red hair, independent, romantic, who enjoys dancing, shooting pool, quiet evening at home watching movies. Looking for a man, 35 to 45, who's romantic and enjoys some of the same interests, Down River Area. BOX 33514 OREAMS

51 yr old, single female, believes in ance, enjoys simple pleasures Seeking a kind, sincere, single of divorced male, 46 to 60, non-smok er, with similar interests, for a long term monogamous relationship Down River area BOX 14471 DOCTOR WANTED

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fun loving, adventurous, romantic Comfortable in leans to evening gourmet cooking, (for that special an) Seeks tall white gentleman inancially/emotionally secure, 49 to 60, who is romantic, kind, has a nterests Oakland County BOX

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Cute, divorced white female, 55, who likes dancing, travel, theaters, Seeking white male, 50 to 62, ally and emotionally secure with similar interest. Give me a call you won't be sorry. Macomb County. BOX 25327 HONEST & TRUE

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Single female, who is physically, ready for friendship, and possible enjoy fina dining, home cooking, golf, the outdoors, dancing and a warm fire. Must be a non smoker. Social drinker okay. 52 to 62. North Oakland area. BOX

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Seeks single white male, 27 to 45. and morals, enjoys going to movies, dining out, hanging out and is a romantic. For friendship 25090 LOOKING FOR A FRIEND

Giving, loving, compassionate, petite, attractive lady, 63, 5'2" Likes to dance, travel and have fun. Looking to enjoy life with a financially secure gentleman, 60 to 70. Wayne County, BOX 25331 PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR

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44 yr old, 5'5", 190 lbs, single white male with brown hair and blue eyes, social drinker, smoker, pro fessional, is seeking a single ship and dating BOX 10851 DINNER FOR TWO! Outgoing, fit, single white male, is seeking a single female, of any race or age, for dating and friendship, BOX 13750

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Single white male, 43, 611, brown

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seeking someone to go to

58 yr old, 5'8", 170 lbs, white male with brown hair and eyes, retired enjoys movies, reading, the out doors, country rides, good conve sations, is seeking petite to medi-um build, single female, with similar interests, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 14272

SHARING AND CARING! 35 yr old, 5'11". Christian, single te male, non smoker, enjoy-vies, reading, the outdoors, hik ing, bilting and much more, is seek ing, is seeking a sincere, caring, single female, to develop a long

LOOKING FOR YOU! Youthful looking, 46 yr old, 5'7", 170 lbs, medium build, Afro cooking, biking, movies, reading music, and much more. Seeking a single/divorced white female, to share good times, and maybe more BOX 27488

LOOKING 4 A GOOD GUY Look no morel Outgoing, 5'5", 160 lbs, divorced white father of two with brown hair and blue eyes, pro fessional, home owner, non smok er, enjoys movies, reading, the outdoors, hiking, biking and much more, is seeking a single female, to share good times and maybe more BOX 27492 CATCH OF THE DAY!

er, independent professional, car ing seeking someone for good times, female who is caring and nice and shares similar interests. I dining out, traveling, BOX 32590 INTERESTED?

lbs, dark hair, eyes, mustache lives down river, smoker, light drinker, easy going, cat owner. Enjoys dining, golf, movies and more. Seeking a single female height/weight proportionate. BOX

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5'8", 175 lbs, caring, loving, light hearted, gentle, honest, good look ing man, who doesn't sit at the bar, call me. Looking for an attractive, light hearted, slim lady, 50 to 60, to BOX 33429 SEE WHAT HAPPENS Single black male, 46, 5'7", 170

be, easy going, enjoys biking, cooking, dining out, gardening, movies, music, walks and more. Seeking a single white female. 35 to 55, with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 10897 I AM YOUR MAN

Hardworking divorced white male, 49, 5/81, 175 lbs. Is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, pret-ty, and nice shaped white female, for companionahip. Prefer lady, in her middle 40's, for companionship Redford area. Wayne county

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Attractive, single white male, 40, medium build, no dependents, creative, humorous, romantic and very easy going, tooking for single white female, petite, must have sense of humor for long term relationship. Wayne County BOX 33675

JUST A NICE GUY Handsome, single black male, 40, ing, independent, no dep friendship, maybe more. Serious 25399 JUST ME AND YOU

out dancing, movies, dining out evenings at home. Wayne county. WHY BE ALONE? Caring, affectionate, loving, hard working, divorced white male, 54, 5'7", silver fox hair, 176 lbs. Loves

24 yr old Hispanic male seeking 19

to 25 yr old lemale who loves to go

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Professional, single white male, 45 yr old, 5'8', fit, Catholic, no dependents. humorous, flexible, introspective and more. Seeking trim, educated emotionally available, single white female, to share a happy and healthy relationship. Wayne County BOX 33681 BRIGHT EYES

dark blue eves fun loving non smoker, who likes walking, swim ming and camping. Seeking a petite white female, for possible long term relationship. BOX 36096 VERY ACTIVE White male, 41, 61", never mar ried, very long hair, told to be good looking, smoker, social drinker,

Enjoys snowmobiling, bowling, going up North. Seeking attractive female, slender build, who is tired of games, 25 to 45, with similar interests BOX 25993 LONESOME

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interests, for a long term relation ship BOX 14255 white female, for dining, dancing and romancing Age open. Wayne County BOX 33633 Divorced white male in search ideal mate, 38 plus, for fun DOWN TO EARTH GUY! friendship, dating or possible long term relationship. Non-smoker, BOX single white male, 33, recently Divorced white professional male financially secure, self employed business owner, 5'10", 185 lbs

Loves movies, theater, dining out, dancing, working out, and having fun. Seeks an attractive women who enjoys life! BOX 33641 SWEET STUFF know you're out there. Family ented man, seeking the love of a

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Single white male, 44 yr old, asks Saturn cars, gardening, reading, tive white female, with similar pas COMPATIABLE?

Catholic no dependents, 45, 5'8". the outdoors, bicycling, music emotionally available, single white professional female, to share happy, healthy relationship. Wayne

boating, bowling, beaches, camp ing cuddling, commitment. Don't forget the F's, family, friendship, tun fires fitness, fine dining, fulfill ment. This downriver homeow and daddy is 41, 5'10", brown hair/eyes, height/weight propotionate. Seeks a perky, petite. divorced white professional Wayne County. BOX 33861 HANDSOME & UNIQUE

lbs, tall and slender, dark hair and eyes. Interests include dinner ing, casinos. Seeking a white ale. 40 to 52, average to sien der, for possible long term relationship. Wayne county. BOX 33663 DOWN RIVER AREA

5'10", 200 lbs, brown hair, blue white male seeks single white ferrale, height/weight proportion ate, 45 to 55, must be honest, to possible relationship. CHAD CHAD CHAD

I'm dimpled and want to be count gle, white female, 35 to 50, with a nse of humor, BOX 33667 SEEKS TRUE LOVE If you feel that you are a very spe

cial lady, 40 to 55, height/weight proportionate and want an exciting life call this very special white pro good shape, looking for a true con ection Dearborn area Wayne TRAVELIN' MAN

White male, 52, 5'11", 225 lbs. average looking, fun loving, outgo ing Catholic, speaks Polish, Seeks ed non-smoker, medium build who motor home. Registered nurse Florida bound on January 26th Want to go along? Call soon!

Wayne county, BOX 33673 NO GAMES

Single young looking, 53 yr old looking, tall, weight appropriate to height, many interests, enjoys going out to dinner, movies, weekend drives and travelling, also enjoy quiet times at home. Seeking 50. BOX 33516

BEST FRIEND WANTED Mid 60's, 5'8", financially secure, finer things in life Likes sailing classical music and traveling. Been to the Atlantic and Pacific recently and in between. Like to take you with me the next time I go. Looking for a decent loval woman and best

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6', 215 fbs. seeking female, 35 to 55, blonde preferred. Looking for that special attentive, passionate romantic honest person to share in my enjoyment of candles, movies music and dinners, BOX 33500 HANDYMAN & MECHANIC Single white male, 40, someone to

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MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE 45 yr old, attractive, single white eyes, athletic, muscular build, Sensitive, caring, witty, humorous Enjoy hugs, cuddling and romance

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CALL ME SOON Hardworking, divorced, white male, 49 yr old, 5'8", 175 lb is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, panionship and long term relation ship Redford Area BOX 36092 LET'S HOOK UP!

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40 vr old. 6". 160 lbs. professional single white male who enjoys din ng out, down hill skiing, biking, golf female with a loving heart, to devel op a long term relationship. BOX

AS GOOD AS IT GETS Very kind, respectful, considerate ingle white male, 39, 6'5", 246 lbs with brown hair and green eyes if enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, any thing outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest loyal

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49 vr old divorced white male, 5'6" 160 lbs, no dependent, affectionate and full of love. Enjoys fishing. boating. evenings, travel, movies and mak-

tionship BOX 31950 THINKING LONG TERMI 36 yr old, good looking, athletic, single professional male, college educated, enjoys sports, arts cated, caring, loving, classy single long term relationship BOX 32682 JUST THE TWO OF US!

Very handsome, 35 yr old, 6' 190 lbs, divorced white male with brown hair and eyes, is seeking an attrac tive, single female, with a good friendship and maybe more. BOX RUGGED JOCK TYPE

male, 41, 6'2", 235 lbs, brown hai and blue eyes, clean cut, degreed, no dependents, outgoing personality. Enjoys outdoors, working out, reading. Las Vegas, quiet nights

READY FOR YOU! 28 yr old, 6', 160 lbs, single male with dark hair and eyes, financially secure self-employed is seeking a

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Single Asian foreigner, 39 looks 26, seeking woman, same age, honnon-smoker, w novies on weekends. Oakland County, BOX 25359 NICE, GOOD LOOKING

est, seeks white petite female 30 to tionship Cakland County BOX Talli, divorced white male, 6'4" good physical condition, 55, non

who is easy going with good val ble long term relationship. BOX SEEKING LADY 40 - 52 s unique, appealing, white male 45, is financially sound and a good

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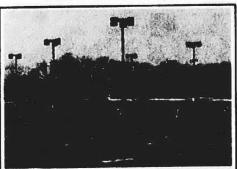
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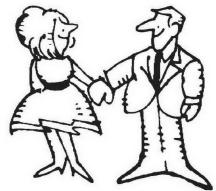
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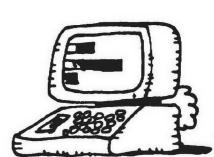
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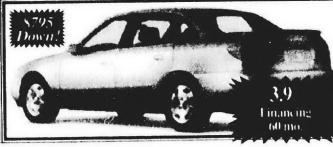
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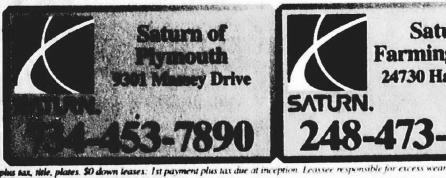
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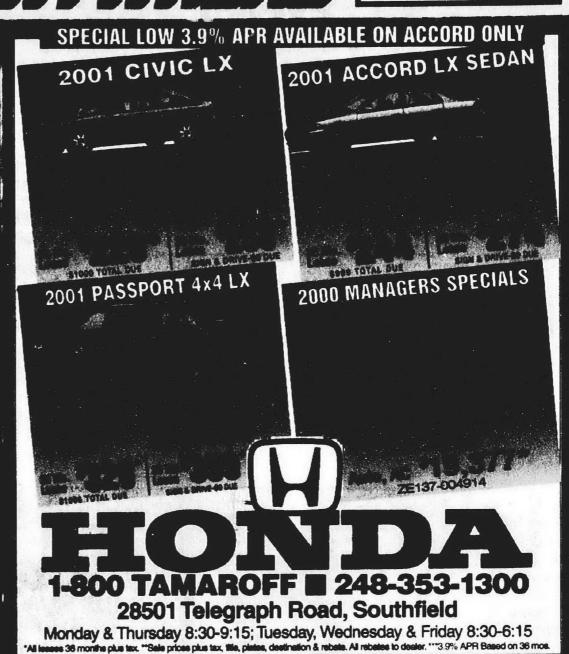
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