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places and faces

THE WAYNE-WESTLAND school districts' teen development committee will meet at 9 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 9, in the administrative offices of United Care Inc., formerly the Peoples Community Hospital Authority, on Annapolis west of Venoy.

The session is open to school district residents. Interested persons may call 595-2110 for more information.

APRIL LINE of Westland won a Pontiac Grand Am car for her sales achievement as a Mary Kay Cosmetics consultant.

She has now joined an estimated 1,500 persons in the company's Very Important Performer club, the firm announced.

COLLEEN MCMUSKER of Westland won the Anita Fielder Scholarship as a freshman student at Eastern Michigan University.

The woman is majoring in fashion merchandising and hopes to become a buyer for a retail women's clothing store or a district manager for a chain of stores.

At John Glenn High School, she was named the 1987-88 marketing student of the year and given a scholarship from the school student-run store.

Requirements for the \$750 scholarship include academic excellence and leadership ability.

STANLEY RUTKOWSKI IV of Westland has completed the Army's warrant officer entry course at Fort Rucker, Ala.

He is the son of Stanley and Donna Rutkowski of Melvin Street, Westland, and the husband of Melissa, daughter of Doreen Smith of Westland.

Rutkowski is a 1988 graduate of Franklin High School.

The course covers training in leadership, ethics, communication arts, military history, land navigation and support functions.

Memories turn to ashes in fire



Customers and employees alike shared a fondness for the Wayne Road hangout that was reduced to ashes by last week's fire.

Employees, regulars miss local Big Boy

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

As investigators sifted through the ashes of Thursday's fire at the Big Boy on Wayne Road in Westland, employees and regulars sifted through their memories of a place that was more than just another restaurant.

It was, in the best sense of the word, a hangout. A place where employees would drop in on their day off, where the help got along with the patrons and each other, where jokes were served with the coffee and eggs in the morning and with the Slim Jims or fish dinners at night, where the retirees in the neighborhood would stop by once or twice a day to feed their bodies as well as their souls.

All that was left of the store after the fire early Thursday was the statue of Big Boy out front. He didn't have to rise from the ashes; the restaurant will, says co-owner George Ansara. In two, three or four months, he says, his employees and his regular customers will be sharing good times.

"I thought I was in a nightmare and I still do," said Sherry Morris, a waitress and assistant dining room manager. Like many employees, she has been assigned to another of the dozen Big Boy's owned by Ansara and his brother, Andrew.

She was working the noon rush Friday at the Garden City restaurant. It was work. But it wasn't her work; it wasn't her place.

"I don't know if I want to stay here," said Morris, fighting back tears. What was so special about the Westland Big Boy? "All my regular customers. All the help — we've been together a long time. We were like a family. It was a home away from home."

MORRIS, 42, of Westland, has been employed at three Big Boy's in 10 years, the last three in Westland. It was, she said, the kind of place where you didn't know many people by their full name, maybe not even by their first name. But you knew them by face, by personality, by their little quirks of ordering.

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Enhanced 9-1-1 phone service will start June 9

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Westland residents will have a new "Enhanced 9-1-1" police and fire telephone service by June 9.

The system is described as a major step toward speeding emergency response times and eliminating confusion over which departments should respond.

"Enhanced 9-1-1" automatically routes calls to the nearest police and fire departments.

Currently, the city is served by at least a half-dozen phone exchanges, making a 9-1-1 system impossible until the technology was available.

Under the new system, callers' names, addresses and telephone numbers will be displayed on dispatchers' computer terminals, allowing for fast, accurate routing of emergency vehicles.

The service is being established through the Conference of Western Wayne, an intergovernmental group representing 17 communities, including Garden City and Westland, and Michigan Bell.

Each community will pay for its own equipment with residents to pay a nominal increase in their monthly phone bills for the operating expenses.

Communities will begin testing the system March though May.

CWW executive director Ann Bolin will appear on television, cable and radio programs as the "switch-on" date approaches to discuss the system.

The date coincides with a CWW meeting date.

"WE'LL PROBABLY be popping champagne corks," said Joseph Benyo of Westland, who has helped

coordinate 9-1-1 services on the agency's behalf.

Benyo announced the start up date during Friday's CWW meeting at Northville Township offices.

Enhanced 9-1-1 services recently began throughout Oakland County. Among western Wayne County communities, the service is currently available in Northville Township and Dearborn Heights.

Full 9-1-1 service will begin June 9 in those communities plus Dearborn, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland, as well as Canton, Huron, Plymouth, Sumpter and Van Buren Townships.

Enhanced 9-1-1 equipment will be maintained in each community. CWW communities started 9-1-1 services more than three years ago.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Retail growth continues

Construction workers Monday put steel in place on the site of the new Meijer store, on the southeast corner of Newburgh and Warren Road. The 212,000-square-foot grocery/general merchandise superstore is scheduled to open in early 1990.

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New road brings new business to city

By Tedd Schneider
staff writer

A new road is apparently bringing new business to Westland.

The completion of Central City Parkway late last year has triggered interest from several developers for projects on sites adjacent to the new boulevard, said Tim Schroeder, the city's economic development director.

About 100 acres of available land are adjacent to the road, which runs north and south

between Ford and Warren Road and is adjacent to Carlson.

"The city's intent all along has been to develop that property and having the road physically there has certainly helped," Schroeder said last week.

AMONG THE projects being considered for the area are a low-rise office building or complex, a residential retirement community and a strip shopping center with an adjacent bank branch.

The JBC Group has bought a parcel of prop-

erty on the eastern side of the road, near the Landings apartment complex, for possible development as an office complex, Schroeder said.

But most of the various proposals are "still in the talking stage," the economic development director said.

WHILE THE property was vacant before, the road makes it more accessible and therefore more desirable, Schroeder said. Landscaping improvements and street lighting to be installed later this year should help even

more, he said.

"My concern is being able to balance out the city's retail core with some high-quality developments," Schroeder said.

Once developed, the Central City Parkway area will enhance the city's downtown commercial district, he said.

CENTRAL CITY Parkway was built in sections with state Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) money. The newest portion was financed with \$2.575 million in TIFA bonds sold last August.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Marie Leinonen has time to stop and smell the cupcakes with her son Jesse, 4, after her successful kidney transplant.

Woman gets holiday wish — transplant gives her gift of life

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

Marie Leinonen got her wish for Christmas — the gift of life, thanks to a kidney that was transplanted into her Dec. 28.

"I got the call at 7:30 in the morning. I had had a hard night that night and was sleeping. My boy (Brandon) answered the phone. 'Mom, mom!' he said. 'It's your kidney! It's the kidney lady!'"

She had gotten that call before, though. First you have to pass a test, and once before she had flunked it. Are you sick, now? Do you have a cold? Have you had a blood transfu-

sion lately? No, no, no, she answered. They told her to get to the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor as soon as possible, and by that afternoon, Leinonen could again think of such things as seeing her young boys grow and a life without pain.

Better yet, "I went to the bathroom," said Leinonen, laughing at the thought that something as basic and common as being able to urinate could become such a treasured capability.

"I felt better right away, as soon as I got over surgery. My hair grew two inches. My dry skin improved. I'm just so much better," said

Leinonen, who returned to her Westland home Wednesday.

"I'm happy. My personality has returned — (pause) — I can fight and argue with my husband, again," she said, laughing at the unexpected punch line.

LEINONEN WASN'T doing much laughing last summer when she won the Observer's Suite Relief contest, which awarded a free weekend at the Guest Quarters hotel in Troy for the best sad story. Leinonen, a former Garden City resident, won easily.

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other views

Police stop isn't always friendly driving reminder

I'M STOPPED at the turnaround on Telegraph just north of 12 Mile, waiting for the red light to change. There is a sudden gap in the traffic so I ease onto Telegraph. I barely reach the righthand lane when my rear window is filled with the flashing blue-and-red of Southfield's finest.



Rich Perlberg

new president who doesn't want to distance himself too greatly from his predecessor.

His predecessor favored an attorney general who had little use for the niceties of due process, constitutional rights and other protections that he felt handcuffed police and freed criminals.

Such rhetoric is attractive in an era when we so fear random crime that we arm our suburban police officers with semi-automatic killing machines.

Perhaps now is as good a time as any to remember that the color of your skin can determine whether you feel fear or irritation when a police cruiser pulls you over.

And that there have always been times when the semi-automatic killing machines were the ones wearing the badge.

Rich Perlberg is the assistant managing editor in charge of Oakland County editions at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

from our readers

Letters must be original copies and contain the signature and address of the sender. Limit letters to 300 words.

New weapons are a wise investment

To the editor: I challenge your statements and your logic regarding the proposed purchase of semiautomatic pistols by the Livonia Police Department.

On what premise do you base your statements, "Spray an area full of lead and spray 16 rounds in the general area?" Police officers spend many hours in firearms training.

This training is directed not only at marksmanship but on a fraction of a second decision on whether to shoot or not shoot. Officers are required to maintain a constant level of proficiency with all types of firearms, not just handguns. It is of little consequence to hit your target if the shot was not justified.

You are correct in your statement regarding why the police carry weapons, indeed to protect the public and themselves. Thereafter, however, your logic and assumptions are false. The police are trained to only use their weapon when necessary and only as a last result. This training has led to more than one officer getting shot while trying to "talk" an armed subject out of a volatile situation.

Speaking from the position of a private citizen, I would want the police who were trying to protect my

life to be better trained and equipped than the person whose trying to harm me.

It is not a waste of money for the police to be as well-armed as their adversary. Although David slew Goliath with a stone from a sling, it doesn't usually work that way.

Imagine trying to compete with other newspapers without your computers and auto-printers. Imagine having to type all copy on a manual typewriter, print your paper by hand and distribute it by horses and buggy. Get the idea?

Just for the record: there are many, many more innocent people injured by the bad guys guns than by the police. Cops don't shoot up car engines and Dirty Harry carried a .44 magnum, not a .357.

Fred Benson, Livonia

Carli family gives thanks

To the editor: We would like to thank everyone — friends, family and members of the community — for their condolences and assurances of love and support to our family over the last several weeks.

Jim Carli loved this community as an ideal place to live and raise his family. But, most of all, he loved the people of Livonia and Westland, whom he had the pleasure to deal

Seeking the formula for science schooling

DISSECTING A cat wasn't too appealing to this feline fanatic.

Watching those Biology II students carrying cat carcasses around high school didn't squelch all interest in science but certainly put a damper on biology.

So, after cutting apart worms and frogs and studying a few rocks, my formal science-education was over.

What is it about high school science that takes a curious student and turns them off, or allows them to head in another academic direction?

As a youngster, I used to look out the window at night with a small telescope, fascinated with the night sky. During summer vacation, collecting rocks held my interest as I tried to figure out where they came from.

When did the interest wane? Mine apparently went onto the garbage heap with the cats.

BUT FOR many people, the interest may never have been there. A national science study released



Casey Hans

More than 90 percent . . . didn't have the basic knowledge of what makes the world go around — literally.

by ABC this week showed that more than 90 percent of those surveyed didn't have the basic knowledge of what makes the world go around — literally.

Twenty-five percent of the people thought the sun revolved around the earth. Others believed the earth revolved around the sun, but did it in 24 hours. These people don't understand the difference between what makes a calendar year and what makes night and day.

Still others thought that milk with radiation contamination could be made drinkable by boiling.

The Observer & Eccentric also looked at science education this

month, trying to find out what is being done in our local school districts. What kind of an emphasis is being put on science education, especially at the high school level.

Many of today's science teachers have been in the classroom for 20 years or more. They've seen trends in science education come and go. They see computers and environmental issues playing a big role in the future.

They believe that emphasizing science at lower grade levels has got to help the interest levels at the high school. They realize teaching science to incoming teachers should be a priority.

WE BLAME science curriculum, and school districts should make every effort to upgrade this. But there could be other, additional reasons.

Maybe the social changes that occur when children move into high school also have an impact on their interest in science and other subjects. If one teacher becomes popular or effective, that may have an impact on how many students take a class. Students who get involved in extracurricular activities may develop different priorities. Science may not be one of them.

Because of this, more than a change in curriculum is needed.

It will take teachers applying new curriculum in an interesting way. It will take schools promoting science to students through all channels, including student counseling. It will take parental encouragement.

More general education through newspapers, magazines and television is needed to inform those not in our education system, and to enhance learning for those who are.

Like everything else in successful education, it will require a special emphasis, involving industry, business and community. The emphasis starts in our homes and local schools, and grows.

We need to encourage our students to look to the stars.

Thanks for MADD help

To the editor:

Our thanks to you and to the entire Observer & Eccentric staff for your support of MADD and our efforts. Just knowing that you have personally joined our Red Ribbon Campaign is a great endorsement of one of our programs.

But, it goes beyond that — with the generous support from Steve Barnaby and his acknowledgement of our Red Ribbon Campaign on the editorial page. Dick Brady and his staff have been very helpful for the ad space on a space available basis during the holidays. Plymouth reporter Mary Beth Dillon has written stories on our various events. Judith Berne has also understood our goals.

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Sandi Wolf, MADD, Wayne County chapter

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Communities react to county jail site news

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

One area leader is relieved his community probably won't be home to the new Wayne County Jail, while another isn't overly concerned the new jail might be placed in his community's back yard.

Hamtramck, Highland Park and Romulus have surfaced as potential sites for the new jail, county officials confirmed.

The number of potential sites was greeted with a sigh of relief from Westland Mayor Charles Griffin.

"IT'S DEFINITELY good news for us," Griffin said. "That many

sites means we've been bumped down the totem pole."

The new jail would be placed in Westland, county executive Edward McNamara said, unless another site could be found.

Though the two Romulus sites under consideration are in the Van Born/Hannan Road area, just south-east of the Canton Township border, township supervisor Thomas Yack said he wasn't especially concerned about the sites.

"We haven't heard too much about it, except through the newspapers," Yack said. "Personally, I don't think it would have a definite effect upon Canton. We wouldn't have offered a site for the jail, but I suppose we

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— Charles Griffin,
Westland mayor

should be glad someone did. It is something that's needed."

Romulus, however, appears to be the least likely site among the three communities.

The jail would go to the "community that expressed the most interest," McNamara said. Both Highland Park and Hamtramck have expressed more interest than has Romulus, at least at this point, he added. Of the three communities, McNamara said Highland Park has

expressed the most interest.

The Westland site, at Michigan and Merriman, once housed a state mental hospital. City officials have long sought commercial development on the site.

"We've always felt the site had more value that way than as a jail," Griffin said.

A JAIL site is expected to be announced before Saturday, April 1, McNamara said. The jail is expected

to open its doors within 18 months after that date.

The new jail will be built with the 1-mill jail tax approved by county voters last August. The new jail is intended for misdemeanor offenders, including drunk drivers, welfare and alimony cheats and other non-violent criminals.

Misdemeanor offenders currently aren't held at the downtown county jail due to a lack of space.

In related news, the county has entered into a one-year contract with Alpena County for additional jail space.

Ten misdemeanor offenders have already been sent to the Alpena jail, 250 miles north of Detroit, according to a spokeswoman for Sheriff Robert Ficano.

Wayne County prisoners will ultimately occupy 32 beds at the 68-bed Alpena jail. The county is paying \$40 per day for each prisoner.

The prisoners sent to Alpena were originally sentenced to perform community service projects, the spokeswoman said, but failed to show for work.

A special sheriff's unit has been assigned to arrest such no shows.

Entries sought in humane society photo contest

Photographers are encouraged to enter photos of their pets in the second annual Michigan Humane Society Photo Contest.

The contest benefits the humane society's emergency rescue division.

Photos may be entered in four categories: pets, pets and people, farm animals and wildlife. A \$3 entry fee must accompany each photo.

Only prints 5 by 7 inches to 11 by 14 inches may be entered. Entries must contain the name, address and telephone number of the photographer. All photos become humane society property and may be used in society promotions.

Photos will be judged on photo-

graphic quality, composition and ability to capture the animal's nature, beauty or relationship with other subjects.

There will be a grand prize and first, second, third and honorable mention prizes in each category.

Winning entries will be published in the "MHS News" this summer. They will also be exhibited at the Fisher Building, Detroit, from April 29 through May 15.

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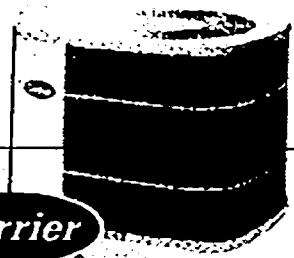
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Grapefruit won't make you skinny

I just came back from a short visit at Momma's. When I offered to take her and Dad out to dinner at their favorite restaurant (the Sign of the Beefcarver), I was interrupted with the classic New Year's phrase, "Sorry, we're on our diets."

When questioned about what type of a diet they were "on," I was told about this miracle diet that was passed along on a Xeroxed sheet of paper from Uncle Bill that had the follower eating grapefruit before every meal.

Momma couldn't believe the results — she had lost more than six pounds in just two days! (Sounds like they were weighing themselves on the carpet again.)

So, the thought came to me to do a little research and check out if grapefruit really was the dietetic panacea that Momma thinks.

Sorry, Momma.

SEEMS THAT the old grapefruit has an uncertain history that may have had its beginnings as a "bud sport" or mutation from some other type of citrus tree.

It was first noticed in Barbados in 1750 when it was called the "small shaddock" because it bore a resemblance to the pumello or shaddock, which was brought to Barbados from Indonesia by a Captain Shaddock of the English East India Company.

The name "grapefruit" was first used in Jamaica in 1814. It is thought the name arose because the trees bore large clusters of fruit that resembled clusters of grapes. It was first planted in Florida but didn't become a successful commercial crop until the 1880s.

NOW FOR the bad news . . .

There is no scientific documentation on record that shows the consumption of grapefruit prior, with or after meals will enhance weight reduction.

Yes, it is true that grapefruit is low in calories and is a good source of fiber. In its fresh state, grapefruit has excellent amounts of pectin, potassium, vitamin C and other vitamin-like substances.

But as the "magic potion" label that Momma has bestowed upon it to lose weight — well, that has yet to be proven. Granted, if you only eat grapefruit, you will experience weight loss. Same goes for Southern Comfort Manhattans.

As far as Momma's claim that eating grapefruit before meals will make her lose weight, that is a distinct possibility. Grapefruit, as with any other fruit (or juice), will serve to fill you up faster. Therefore, you eat lesser quantities of foods (presumably speaking, of course).

But that magical potion that "burns off the fat" even while you sleep?

Sorry, Momma.

WHATEVER YOU DO, please don't stop eating grapefruit. As quoted earlier, it is an excellent source of vitamins and nutrients and is especially loaded with vitamin C. Just don't expect two grapefruit per day to be the missing link in helping you shed those little love handles that mysteriously appeared during the holidays.

Sorry, Momma.

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DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Patti Ostach, wife of manager Phil Ostach, digs into one of the big, Cafe. She enjoys spinach and Swiss cheese omelette along with herbal three-egg omelettes that are a breakfast attraction at the Birmingham tea.

Breakfast — it's a biggie

By Charlene Mitchell
special writer

Calorie counters and cholesterol worriers may not want to face this fact, but the big, hearty breakfast is back in vogue.

This isn't to say that fresh fruit, yogurt and low-calorie health foods are losing ground, but for some hearty appetites only a filling breakfast will start the day off right.

Area eateries specializing in early-morning menus are conscious of the fact that a lot of us are concerned about not putting on extra pounds, and have adjusted their recipes accordingly.

Bode's in Plymouth has been serving 5 a.m. breakfast for nearly 18 years. Only in the last couple of years has the owner-chef, Richard Meacham, been asked to cut back on some of the butter and salt.

"Lately, they ask if we use real eggs," said Meacham, who took over the longtime restaurant in 1979.

"So far, they do want real eggs, not the imitation kind, but we do have six regular breakfast customers who eat just the whites."

Meacham said that scrambled egg whites or an omelette made without the yolk do look a little strange, but they're a lot lighter.

Let's get back to what this story is all about. The big tummy-warming breakfast that may be a bit heavy on the calorie count, but is mm-mm-good all the way to the last bite.

At Bode's it's the restaurant's famous corned beef hash served up in a heaping pile alongside two farm fresh eggs with toast and coffee.

At the popular Birmingham Cafe it's big bowls of Quaker oats topped with butter, raisins, fresh cream, cinnamon and brown sugar. A stack of toast on the side, and maybe even a side of bacon and eggs to go along with it.

If that sounds like a lot of food for a sunrise appetite, it is, but some early birds say it's the only way to go.

"Our customers are a real mix of different kinds of people," said Phil Ostach, owner-chef of the Birmingham Cafe. "Some just come in for coffee, but others like to eat a very full breakfast early in the morning before work, but they don't want to cook it themselves."

Running neck and neck with oatmeal, the gold medal of breakfasts at the Birmingham Cafe is what the chef calls "the ultimate omelette." At a glance this omelette looks more like it is made to feed a group rather than one individual, and often two people will split it.

"IT'S A big omelette, but it's full of all kinds of very healthy things," said Ostach, whose commanding physique tells you that he didn't grow up eating diet foods.

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Flavored pizza crusts have 'edge in taste'

By Arlene Funke
special writer

Bite into the crunchy pizza crust and savor the smooth, buttery flavor of fresh parmesan cheese.

You're tasting one of the flavored crusts available at the Hungry Howie's pizza chain, headquartered in Livonia.

"I think the flavored crust adds a nice touch," said Steven Jackson, 34, president of Hungry Howie's. "I don't know of anyone else who's doing it."

Hungry Howie's takes a basic pizza and fancies up the crust with the customer's choice of seven flavors, or seasonings: plain, sesame seed, buttered, buttered parmesan cheese, poppy seed, rye and garlic.

Each bite of the warm and spicy crust is packed with flavor. There is no extra charge for the special crusts, which Hungry Howie's calls "the edge in taste."

The flavors have been available for around two years. In the fiercely competitive pizza market, it's a way of stepping away from the pack, according to Jackson, a 1972 graduate of Garden City East High School.

"WE WANTED to find the market areas that weren't overly developed and then utilize these opportunities to the fullest," Jackson said. "It's a nice niche for us. There was a time period when every customer said, 'What's a flavored crust?'"

Hungry Howie's was founded in the Detroit area in 1973 and currently has 142 stores in six states — Michigan, Florida, California, Colorado, Georgia and North Carolina. There are 45 stores in the metro Detroit area. Franchising began in 1982.

The chain has no sit-down restaurants. All are carry-out or delivery service. Pizzas are two-for-one price. A family of four can dine for around \$10.

"At first we were the typical mom and pop shops," specializing in pizza and submarine sandwiches, Jackson said.

COMPANY OFFICIALS are local people, many with several years' experience with other pizza companies or fast-food restaurants.

Jackson, a Farmington Hills resident, scrapped his plans to become an elementary school teacher when

he discovered the pizza business.

He dropped out of Eastern Michigan University in his senior year and teamed up with Jim Hearn, a former Dearborn Heights man who now oversees the Hungry Howie's operations in Florida.

The company's director of franchise is Al Abdou, 28, of Northville. He grew up in Redford and Farmington, graduating in 1978 from Farmington High School.

JIM SMITH, 26, of Westland trains new franchisees and employees. Much of the training takes place in the Hungry Howie's store in Redford.

"Most of the customers don't know about the flavored crust," said Smith, as he slathered tomato sauce on the unbaked pizza and tossed on onions, green pepper and Italian sausage.

"But it's making a big surge," Smith said.

Employees are trained to suggest the flavors when orders are taken, he said. Periodic taste tests also are aimed at increasing customer awareness.

According to Smith, the pizzas are "dressed" with the usual ingredients before flavors are added along the edge.

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THE SESAME seed flavor is one

of the more popular varieties, Smith said. First, water is sprin-

kled lightly onto the perimeter of the unbaked crust. Then the seeds are dusted on. The water holds them in place.

The pizza is whisked into a conveyor oven, set at 450 degrees. The baking rack moves along slowly. The pie emerges, six minutes later, golden-brown, deliciously fragrant and ready to eat.

The buttered and buttered parmesan cheese flavors are added after baking so they will melt into the warm crust.

"IT DEPENDS on location, but the buttered cheese and sesame seed are generally our most popular flavors," Smith said.

Hungry Howie's is just one of several locally based pizza chains. Little Caesars of Farmington Hills is moving to downtown Detroit, and Domino's is based near Ann Arbor.

Abdou calls the local market the "proving grounds" for acceptance. Jackson said metro Detroit is, "bar none, the most competitive in the country."

"Pizza is becoming more popular all over the country," he said. "It's a good food and it's a nutritious product."



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Employee Tom O'Hara shows one of the flavored-crust pizzas, fresh from the oven, at Hungry Howie's in Redford.

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Big breakfasts return to favor

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"People like good food and most of our breakfast customers go on blinges now and then. Even the health-conscious people love my omelettes — and, no, the mixture of cheeses is not the low-calorie kind."

Ostach and his wife, Patti, begin their day in the kitchen around 4 a.m. getting the tables set, putting the coffee on and preparing the mixture for the dozens of "ultimate omelettes," they will serve each morning.

One customer who confessed eating there at least four days a week called the cozy restaurant "The London Chop House" of Birmingham, only cheaper. His comments got a lot of laughs from the folks who were waiting in line that particular morning.

None seemed bothered with the

five-minute or so delay. They knew by the wonderful aroma coming from the kitchen that it was worth the wait.

"Their food is just so good," said Lillie Farmer of Southfield, who works at a nearby office building. "I usually stop in here a couple of mornings a week because I like to have a homemade breakfast and good conversation with people I meet in here."

LIKE BODE'S, the Birmingham Cafe is quickly developing into the "in" spot to eat, and meet. But other owners say it's the good food that keeps customers coming back.

Recently, World Wrestling Federation champ George "Animal" Steele had breakfast at Bode's.

"He ate a tremendous pile of sliced corned beef, perhaps a pound

of it, with several eggs," said the chef, who was disappointed that the muscle man didn't opt for the corned beef hash instead.

"We make our own hash and that's what we're famous for. People from all over come here for breakfast, and 80 percent of them are regular customers," Meacham said.

IN FARMINGTON HILLS, Andy's Cafe (formerly Sunrise Cafe) is a breakfast stop with a following of dedicated customers.

Attracting hungry folks from West Bloomfield, Farmington Hills and Southfield, owner-chef Andy Illich brags about his homemade oat bran muffins, which he says sell out each morning.

"The muffins are tasty and they're healthy," Illich said.

They go great with his Egg

Beaters omelette, he said.

"Around here, a lot of ladies come in for breakfast, and many of them are very slim and worried about their weight," he said.

Illich said he makes more omelettes from (artificial) Egg Beaters, or with only egg whites, than regular omelettes.

Also favored by the early risers are regular and Belgian waffles topped with homemade fruit sauce, which is cooked right on the premises.

"We have fresh hot apple topping, blueberry and cherry. Some people like a big scoop of ice cream to really make it a heavy meal," Illich said.

That's heavy, all right, but just the idea of having so many good things to choose from is enough to make even the strictest dieter's mouth water.

BODE'S CORNED BEEF HASH
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open 7 a.m. Sunday

(recipe is the same regardless of quantity — adjust to suit)
lean corned beef, chopped fine 1/4 part
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add onions if desired (Bode's serves them separately)

ANDY'S FAMOUS OAT BRAN MUFFIN
Andy's Cafe
29556 Orchard Lake Road

Farmington
phone 626-0804
open 7 days from 6:30 a.m.

(for one dozen muffins)
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup oat bran
1/2 cup sugar or equivalent of sugar substitute (may also use 1/4 cup honey in place of sugar)
2 eggs (or equivalent in Egg Beaters)
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 cup vegetable oil
approximately 1 cup water (add slowly, stirring in by hand)

When all ingredients have been thoroughly mixed, add one fresh whole apple that has been peeled and

put through the blender. Bake approximately 15-25 minutes at 350 degrees or until done to touch. Best served warm. Great for freezing.

BIRMINGHAM CAFE'S ULTIMATE OMELETTE
Birmingham Cafe
395 S. Woodward
phone 540-3334
open 7 a.m. Monday-Friday
open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday
closed Sunday

3 large eggs (whip at high speed in blender)
1 fistful chopped broccoli
heaping tablespoon chopped fresh mushrooms
2 heaping tablespoons chopped fresh onion

1 fistful chopped fresh tomatoes
Have omelette skillet hot. Melt 1 tablespoon butter, and let veggies cook for about 1 1/2 minutes, stirring continuously. Let soften, but keep slightly crunchy. Pour egg mixture over the omelette and let cook another 60 seconds or so. Add 1/2 cup of blended cheeses that have been melted in microwave for 20 seconds. Use combination of American, Swiss and cheddar. After cheese is melted, pour it onto eggs and fold in half, turnover style. Ready to serve.

The "Birmingham Omelette," also on menu, uses only broccoli, and customer selects from any combination of cheeses, which include American, Swiss, cheddar, feta, cream cheese or Monterey Jack.

Eating grapefruit won't make you thin

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If you insist on sticking to Uncle Bill's mimeographed grapefruit diet, at least enjoy it these different ways by following this great grapefruit recipe.

HOT BRANDIED GRAPEFRUIT
1 grapefruit, halved, sections loosened

2 tablespoons brown sugar
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This year can be as exciting or as dull, as romantic or as lonely, as you want to make it.

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Most Americans have become acquainted with fennel seeds. Their anise-seed-like flavor is commonly used to season Italian sausage, meatballs and other foods. But fewer cooks are familiar with the fennel bulb, and many don't even recognize it when they come across it in the produce department.

If you haven't tried using it as a vegetable, you've been missing out on a good thing. In Italy, fennel is the symbol of flattery and the emblem of heroism, and is believed to have an aphrodisiac effect on those who consume it.

Any plant claimed to make you brave, glib and sexy is certainly worth trying, wouldn't you say?

Almost all of the fennel plant is edible — the seeds, the stalk, the leaves and the bulb. The bulb is delicious sliced and served raw in salads, like celery, or cooked in any number of ways. Use the stems as you would asparagus, and the leaves to add flavor to soups and salads.

Here are a few fennel recipes you might like to try.

FENNEL AND GREEN BEAN SALAD

- 2 pounds fresh green beans
- 2 tablespoons mustard
- 3/4 cup good olive oil
- 3 tablespoons freshly chopped parsley
- 3 large fennel bulbs
- 6 tablespoons lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons basil or chives
- salt and pepper to taste

Trim the beans, and blanch for five to seven minutes in boiling salted water. Drain, and rinse with cold water.

Cut fennel bulbs in half, and remove the cores. Then slice thinly, crosswise.

Mix with green beans, and pile into a large bowl.

In another bowl, mix together the mustard, lemon juice and olive oil, and salt and pepper to taste. Pour over vegetables, add herbs and toss well.

Refrigerate to marinate, until ready to serve.

FENNEL AND CUCUMBER SALAD

- 1 cucumber, thinly sliced
- 2 fennel bulbs, (sliced, and cut into match-like strips)
- 1/2 teaspoons fresh or dried chopped mint
- 2-3 hard-boiled eggs, sliced or diced



- salt and pepper to taste
- 6 thinly sliced radishes
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 clove garlic (finely minced)
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice

Mix together vegetables, and chill until ready to use.

Combine lemon juice, olive oil, mint, garlic and salt and pepper. Blend well, and toss the dressing with the vegetables. Garnish with hard-boiled eggs.

SWISS FENNEL SALAD

- 2 medium fennel bulbs
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 5 tablespoons dry white wine
- 3/4 cup walnuts (chopped)
- 2 medium apples, one red, and one yellow or green
- 1/4 cup walnut oil (see note)
- salt and pepper to taste

Trim and core the fennel bulbs. Slice thin, and cut into julienne strips, two or three inches long. Core, but do not peel, the apples, and cut into julienne strips the same as the fennel.

Mix fennel and apples together in a bowl, and toss with lemon juice, wine, salt, pepper and walnut oil.

Place on salad plates, and sprinkle with chopped walnuts. Garnish with fennel sprigs, if desired.

Note: Most kitchen specialty shops and even some drugstores carry walnut oil. (Do not confuse it with the small, quarter-ounce, highly concentrated bottles used for candy making.) If you have not tried walnut oil before, I would suggest that you may want to use only 1/4 of a cup, blended with an equal amount of light vegetable oil, until you get used to its very assertive flavor. Keep walnut oil refrigerated, as it spoils easily.

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Hospice helped him care for dying wife

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

Robert Tatalovich of Livonia is a man of his word. Which is why, when doctors told him in December that Wilma's 3½-year fight against cancer was nearly over, he brought his wife home from the hospital to die.

Because death wasn't imminent, Medicaid regulations prevented her from staying at the hospital, and Tatalovich wasn't about to put her in a nursing home. So, despite being 68 and hobbled by a recent hip replacement, which caused him to lose 50 pounds, Tatalovich decided to tend to his wife's constant needs, himself.

"I took her for better or worse," he said of their marriage 25 years ago.

Thanks to help from Angela Hospice, he stayed at her side during the last painful month. Wilma came home two days before Christmas. A week ago Sunday, she died in his arms. Wednesday, he buried her in her favorite quilt. (She'd made it, herself, and years ago someone had offered her \$200 for it. "I'll take it to my grave before I sell it," she'd said.)

"Hospice was great. You couldn't ask for a better group of people to come in and help," said Tatalovich, a Livonia resident who was a barber for 30 years at the Gentlemen's Barber Shop on Farmington Road.

"They helped from stem to stern. Without them, I don't know what I'd have done. I was desperate; I didn't know what to do. And that Sister Giovanni (director of Angela) — words wouldn't describe her. What a wonderful person."

WITH OR WITHOUT hospice



JIM JAGOFELD/staff photographer

Robert Tatalovich holds a photograph of him and his late wife, Wilma. Doctors told him in December that Wilma's 3½-year fight against cancer was nearly over and with the help of hospice he cared for her at home.

care, Tatalovich was by-God determined to keep his wife with him. Angela Hospice, a grandson who moved in, neighbors and volunteers from the Livonia Seniors made it bearable.

"She thought we were going to put her some place and get rid of her," said Tatalovich, talking through tears and occasional sobs. "I said, 'You're going to come home with me.' The doctor didn't think I could handle it, but I wasn't going to put her in no nursing home. I said, 'As much as I'm hurting with this hip, I'm not going to let you go.'"

"I had to do it. That's all there was to it. She was my wife. So, I dug in and went to it."

Even with visiting nurses and other hospice services, the final month was an ordeal. Wilma's cancer had gone from her kidney to her liver to her brain, and pain was constant. But it was an ordeal that Ta-

talovich was not going to let her face alone.

"Every night I'd go to bed crying, and pray a miracle would come. But we knew it wouldn't come. It was horrible, what she went through. I don't wish that on any husband. But I want to tell husbands out there: Don't hide your wife away, whatever you do. Walk away and say, 'I'll see you tomorrow?' That'll never work. If it was me, she would have been there. That's the kind of lady she was."

The hospice's doctor, William Conley, stopped by frequently to check on Wilma. "Make sure you put in there what a great job Dr. Conley did," said Tatalovich.

And when Wilma died, Sister Giovanni was there within moments to call police, clean up, console Tatalovich. "She just came in and ran things, just took over. What a wonderful bunch of workers."

More terminally ill trade hospitals for hospice care

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

Local experts agree with national studies that show more and more terminally ill patients are deciding to stop fight-it-to-the-bitter-end hospital treatment and are instead choosing hospice care and death at home.

"Absolutely," said Carolyn Fitzpatrick-Cassin, executive director of the Hospice of Southeastern Michigan in Southfield. "We're seeing a big increase in referrals, from physicians, hospitals and by word of mouth. Physicians are much more willing now to not treat cancer patients as aggressively, to let patients make more of their decisions."

"More and more, people are choosing home care. We're very much in a state of growth," said Nora Anderson, director of Hospice Services of Western Wayne County in Garden City. "People prefer dying at home to dying in a hospital, though it's not for everyone. It's an alternative."

"It's a way of having the patient die with dignity," said Sister Mary Giovanni, director of Madonna College's Angela Hospice in Livonia. "You really can manage the patient at home. You don't have to warehouse them in nursing homes."

Angela Hospice had 52 clients in 1988, a record. All but one died at home. Hospice Services of Western Wayne County helped about 60 patients in 1988, up from about 25 in 1987, according to Anderson. And the Hospice of Southeastern Michigan had a patient load of 1,174 in 1988, the biggest ever and up from 924 in 1987.

HOSPICE CARE has long been a regular part of the treatment of the terminally ill in much of the world.

After years of resistance by the medical establishment in this country, its supporters say it has finally caught on.

"We had to educate doctors that we weren't taking patients away," said Anderson. She said there used to be an adversarial relationship between many hospitals and hospices, "but it's changing. Our best asset is the physician who refers patients to us. We're part of the team."

"Hospitals in this area are very supportive," said Fitzpatrick-Cassin. "The biggest catalyst for that happening is physicians themselves becoming more educated of hospice care," said Sister Giovanni.

Hospice clients are those who are terminally ill and expected to live six months or less. The hospice has available on-call nurses, doctors, social workers and clergy, and helps coordinate volunteer help from senior-citizens and other groups. And all hospices are tied to one or more local hospitals so that acute in-patient treatment is available when needed.

A primary care giver at the home — usually the spouse — is one of the few requirements.

Recent Medicare/Medicaid legislation restricted the time terminally ill patients can stay in hospitals if death is not imminent. The option for care, say hospice supporters, usually is either a nursing home at great expense, or hospice care, much of which is usually covered by insurance.

Hospice supporters say that the hospice is not, despite certain perceptions, a form of passive euthanasia. "Dying with an IV pole in your arm is not a goal of what your final days should be like," said Fitzpatrick-Cassin.

"The reality is that the disease is winning, and the hospice can't change that," said Anderson. "It's not that we hasten death. It's that we

don't have the power to prevent it."

LAWRENCE ULRICH, chairman of the philosophy department at the University of Dayton, agrees that people are opting away from painful bouts of chemotherapy, radiation and other aggressive treatments in terminal cases.

"Many people don't want highly aggressive treatment," said Ulrich. "The hospice movement is populated by people who have said, 'No.'"

Ulrich said that over the past 10 to 15 years people have come to realize that some of the promises of modern technology fall short. "In other words, technology doesn't stop people from dying; it only stops them from dying at a particular time," he said.

Ulrich said that centuries ago, many people seemed to accept the inevitability of death more readily.

"There was a kind of rhythm in nature that occurred," he said. "Many times I think we've become so alienated from our bodies that we don't hear the sounds of the rhythm."

There are about 1,700 hospice groups in the United States, with an average of 20 patients per group. They save a total of \$5.2 billion a year by choosing hospices, Ulrich said.

In Michigan, there are about 80 hospice programs, said Anderson.

Hospices serving Wayne County are: Angela Hospice (591-5157), Hospice Services of Western Wayne County (522-4244) and Cottage Hospice (884-8600).

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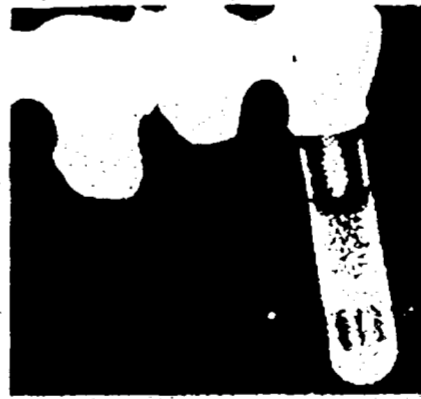
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Locals' design plans to help Metro airport beautification

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Metro Airport intends to become a more beautiful, less stressful place over the next few years.

And if it does, travelers will have a pair of western Wayne residents to thank.

Nancy Watkins and Steve Alman, both of Plymouth, are drafting landscape plans designed to not only beautify the county airport, but also to make it easier for travelers to reach their destinations.

"When you're driving through the airport now, your eye goes all over the place," said Watkins, chief of planning and design for the county parks and recreation department.

"YOUR SITE lines are diverted — you see oncoming traffic, parking lots and all kinds of signs. That makes it very confusing and very stressful," Watkins said. "What we hope to do is to reduce the number of signs and use berms and plantings to improve site lines."

Under the plan, oncoming traffic lanes and parking lots will be shielded behind trees and shrubs. But plantings won't be helter skelter.

"What we're trying to do is to create a flow, something that's appealing to the eye," said landscape archi-

tect Alman, who also works for the county's parks department. "We want something that takes you gracefully through the airport."

Airport beautification is part of a far-reaching plan to handle increased passenger traffic at the Romulus airport. Two additional runways and a new south access road are also on the drawing board.

Some landscaping projects have already been completed. This summer, more than \$100,000 of landscape work was completed along Rogell Drive, the airport's main access route.

Future projects include a new lighted display, including three flag poles and a new airport sign, at the airport's main entrance.

"WE WANT to give people a sense of presence," Watkins said.

And they don't intend to stop with airport roadways and entrances. Watkins, in particular, is especially keen on adding flower and plant boxes inside Metro terminals.

The idea, she said, came from a long layover in Newark Airport, while returning from an eastern trip.

"The Continental terminal there features boxed ficus trees. I got stranded there for five hours, so I had plenty of time to look around," she laughed.

The parks department became in-

involved because it is the only county department with landscape architects already on its payroll, Watkins said.

The beautification project includes master plans for outdoor and indoor landscaping, as well as a plan to eliminate unnecessary signs. Apple Design Co., a Maryland-based firm specializing in airport design has been hired to draft the sign elimination plan.

Plans also call for improved maintenance, keeping landscaped areas free of litter.

Beautification obstacles that need to be overcome include poor drainage and soil, and heavy sun, due to the airport's spacious, open design.

Early landscape plans were presented in a 1986 Michigan Department of Transportation report.

While indoor trees may have been inspired by Newark Airport, other ideas came from other airports, including Atlanta, New York's LaGuardia and Orlando (Fla.) International Airport.

The Orlando trip was a homecoming of sorts for Watkins, who helped develop Disney World properties there and in Japan, as an employee of the entertainment conglomerate.



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Steve Alman and Nancy Watkins, both of Plymouth, are involved with a major landscaping project taking place at Metro Airport. Wayne

County seeks to use new trees and shrubs to beautify the airport.

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Spartans ruin Franklin hopes

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Livonia Stevenson gave itself a boost Friday, while dealing city rival Franklin a severe blow in the Suburban Prep Hockey League race.

The Spartans outscored the Patriots 4-1 in the second period to score a 6-2 victory in a game played at Livonia's Edgar Arena.

Both teams are chasing first place Churchill, but the win virtually assures the Spartans of a chance to win the title outright when they meet the Chargers in a probable showdown on Wednesday, Feb. 22. (Churchill, 13-2 overall and 9-1 in the SHLP, beat Stevenson on Jan. 13 by a 4-1 count.)

"We finally won a big one," said Stevenson coach Matt Mulcahy, whose team is 8-5-1 overall and 7-1-1 in the SPHL. "But we're not going to look ahead to the Churchill game because if we do, we'll lose along the way."

Since 1985 the three Livonia schools have dominated the SPHL and this season has been no different.

IRONICALLY, Franklin arrived confident and ready, having beaten Churchill two out of three times this season, the most recent a stunning 11-3 victory over the Chargers only a week ago.

But for some reason, the Patriots (now 12-2-1 and 6-2-1 in the SPHL), cannot find the winning formula against Stevenson.

They have only one victory and one tie (this season) against the Spartans in eight years.

"The Franklin team that came out today was not the team of Patriots I know," said coach Terry Jobbitt. "I still believe were a better team than Stevenson. It's not that they're a bad team, but I think we're better. We

hockey

had a letdown mentally. We came out totally flat and in the process we were beat to the puck all night long."

Stevenson set the tone early, out-checking and out-hustling the Patriots.

At 5:39 of the first period, John Brodhun's high slap shot from the point beat Franklin goalie Dan Murray. Brian O'Meara and John Labodie drew the assists on the power-play effort.

LABODIE WAS a particular thorn in Franklin's side, assisting on four of the Spartans' six goals.

"We played three lines and three different sets of defensemen and we really skated well the first three shifts," Mulcahy said. "The only way we can win is that everybody covers a man. We have to be a blue-collar type of team. I thought everybody contributed tonight."

Stevenson made it 2-0 at the 9:05 mark of the first period when Josh Clark knocked in his own rebound. (Kris Johnson assisted.)

Franklin then cut the margin to 2-1 at 10:48 when Charlie Olschanski got credit for the goal that deflected off the skate of a Stevenson defender on a shot by defenseman Mike Zajdel, who drew an assist along with teammate Bryan Harris.

But the second period belonged to the Spartans as Craig Altken, Nick Sata, O'Meara and Johnson each scored goals.

Brian Stover, who has been on a tear of late, countered with a goal for the Patriots (from Matt Sharkey), but it was not nearly enough as

both teams skated to a scoreless third period.

"I THOUGHT WE got a lot of mileage out of a lot of kids tonight," said Mulcahy. "And (Paul) Strauch played well in goal."

Strauch turned back 25 shots, while Murray was busy in the Franklin's nets, stopping 29 of 35.

"If Murray doesn't come up strong like he did, it could have been like our Churchill (3)-Franklin game (11)," said Jobbitt.

Stevenson's record (8-5-1) is very deceiving. The Spartans have picked up two new players from the AAA sandlot ranks (O'Meara and Mike Morrison) and have played one of the toughest non-league schedules among SPHL teams.

"When you play teams like Southgate — No. 1 ranked — (Birmingham) Brother Rice and (Redford) Catholic Central twice, you use that experience from those games to play at a higher level," said the Stevenson coach. "The key is the non-league games. You've got to make them as tough as they can be."

Jobbitt agreed that the Spartans are "much-improved."

"If you pick up a couple AAA players you can't help but get better," said the Franklin coach. "I'd like to have a couple myself."

MORRISON'S PRESENCE has been felt immediately. The senior center had only one assist, but he drew plenty of attention.

"He and O'Meara have certainly helped," said Mulcahy. "Mike brings up the level of play for everybody. They (Franklin) were keying on him, but they forgot about the other players."

And those who forgot about Stevenson being in the SPHL race now have to sit up and take notice, most notably Churchill.

1st-place Chargers triumph

Mike Kneiding scored the hat trick Wednesday, leading Suburban Prep Hockey League leader Livonia Churchill to a lopsided 9-1 victory over Southfield-Lathrup in the first game of a doubleheader at Edgar Arena.

Franklin pounded Bloomfield Hills Andover in the second game, 16-0 (see below).

Jeff Pendell and Joe Ahmet added two goals each for Churchill, now 13-2 overall and 9-1 in the SPHL.

Jeff Rheume and Jeff King also scored goals for the Chargers.

Bill Durham, Russ MacDonald and Pendell each collected two assists.

Lathrup's Tony Skoures ruined goalie Jason Devlin's shutout bid, scoring a power-play goal with 4:19 remaining in the final period.

Lathrup is 6-9 overall and 4-6 in the league.

FRANKLIN 16, ANDOVER 0: Brian Stover tied the school scoring record, tallying five goals and adding five assists as the Patriots cruised to victory.

Stover, a junior, equalled the 10-point mark set in 1986 by Tim Olschanski.

Ironically, Olschanski's younger brother Charlie added four goals and one assist.

Other point producers for the Patriots included: Matt Sharkey, three goals and six assists; Bob Hayes, one goal and three assists; Mike Zajdel, one goal (the game-winner 17 seconds into the game) and three assists; Rob Burr, one goal, Jim Bushey, one goal and one assist; Dan McKay, four assists; Rob Ingersoll, three assists.

Dan Murray posted the shutout, kicking away 22 shots. Andover is 6-6-1 overall and 3-5-1 in the league.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Rocketing to stardom

Wendy Minch of Westland John Glenn works off the balance beam in a meet last week against North Farmington. The Rocket gym-

nast won all four events, but North took the dual meet. For more details, turn to Page 2C.

Domanski sparks Blazers

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

Presumably, Karl Domanski didn't drive the Livonia Ladywood bus home Thursday night.

But the junior setter, who won't turn 16 until later this summer, did everything else for the Blazers in their 8-15, 15-7, 15-10 volleyball victory over Catholic League Central Division rival Farmington Hills Mercy.

Domanski, who will graduate a year ahead of her class, delivered nine assists for kills in the last two games. She also showed her own ability at the net, collecting eight kills.

She capped the evening by serving the final two points for Ladywood, the defending Class A champions.

"So far, she's holding up to the pressure I put on her," Ladywood coach Tom Teeters said. "I ask her to do a lot. She just needs a little confidence."

THE BLAZERS remained atop the Central Division at 6-1, 13-2 overall. Mercy has all but fallen out of the regular-season race at 4-3, 16-6 overall. Still, the Marlins likely will be among the top four teams invited to the Catholic League post-season tournament, and that's all coach Tim DeBello can ask for.

"The unfortunate thing about tonight is if we'd have won, we could have controlled our own destiny," DeBello said. "Now we're two games behind and a lot of things have got to happen. We let a great opportunity slip through our fingers." Karl Domanski wasn't the only standout for

volleyball

Ladywood. Senior hitters Sarah Adzlma and Stacey Glirard turned in strong performances, recording 12 and 13 kills, respectively. Dana Domanski, the older sister of Karl, had five digs in the second game and nine more in Game 3.

Adzlma also performed well in the back row, registering seven digs in the third game. Teeters needed strong all-around performances from the Blazers to overcome poor serving and the absence of hitter Rebecca Willey, who was sick.

The Blazers made 13 service errors, and Teeters said the Blazers normally average only about five bad serves for a three-game match. Ouch.

"IN AN EMOTIONAL game like this there's not a whole lot you can do about serving," Teeters said. "We did not play well and we had trouble serving. But we got a lot of use out of Sarah and Stacey. And Janice Konczal was amazing off the bench. She had some great digs. The key to the third game was digging. It sure wasn't serving."

After winning the first game handily, the Marlins scored the first two points of the second game before Ladywood rallied. Kalle Farcas gave Ladywood a boost off the bench, serving 11 times with only two errors. She had one service

ace in Game No. 2 when the Blazers slowly took command of the game, scoring eight straight points to lead 13-5.

Ladywood fell behind 7-3 in the final game, but scored six straight points and never again trailed.

The Marlins also were shorthanded with middle hitter Lee Albrecht out because of a twisted ankle, and they weren't able to respond to the Blazers' surge in Games Nos. 2 and 3.

Junior Betsy Poe filled in for Albrecht and totaled 14 blocks, but she didn't get enough help up front, DeBello said. Jennifer Goff finished the match with seven kills and Andrea Velthoven had six. Setter Nikki Burns recorded 16 assists, but the Marlins had trouble converting her passes, DeBello said.

"I THOUGHT we passed the ball well, but we had a stretch there in the second game where we gave them too many free balls," DeBello said. "Our two outside hitters, Jennifer and Andrea, played well tonight but we need them to play better and they know that."

"We're still missing the ingredient to get the ball down. We lack the killer instinct and all that is attitude."

DeBello praised the play of Poe, who until Thursday saw limited action on the varsity.

"That's probably the most blocks we've had by anyone all year," he said. "I'm proud of her. She did a great job out there. She blocked and reacted real well and that's hard for a kid to do who's never really played before."

Olympians ready for freestyle mat tourney at Glenn

The 30th annual Michigan Wrestling Club Invitational will be held Sunday, Feb. 5 at Westland John Glenn High School.

The freestyle tourney, which is expected to attract several former Olympians, begins at 10 a.m. with the opening ceremonies. The tournament is open to amateur wrestlers 17 years and older, and it is part of the USA Wrestling Championship Series.

John Wood, one of the tournament directors, said as many as 20 club teams from the U.S. and Canada will send wrestlers. He already has received commitments from Doug Cox and Gary Holmes, both of whom wrestled on the 1988 Canadian Olympic team.

Wood also hopes to get a commitment from Randy Lewis, a 1984 gold medalist for the U.S. Olympic team, who has competed two of the last three years at the Michigan tourney. The U.S. Marine Corps team headlines the list of clubs expected to show.

"THIS IS not a backyard tourna-

wrestling

ment," Wood said. "It's got some high-caliber people that have entered and that's why we get teams from Canada — because they know the competition is so good. It's not like a golf tournament, where we get guys who haven't wrestled for 10 years."

"We just finished an Olympic year, so I thought our turnout would be down. But that's not the indication I'm getting from the amount of phone calls I've gotten."

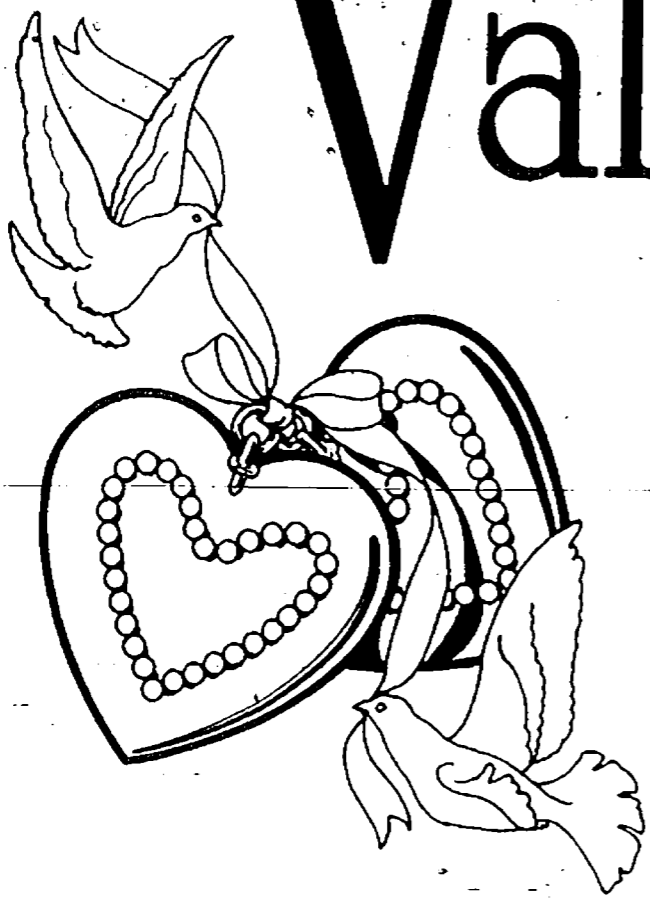
International freestyle rules will be applied with the latest FILA interpretations. Registration costs \$10 and weigh-in will be from 8 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. Weight classes begin at 105.5, followed in order by 114.5, 125.5, 136.5, 149.5, 163, 180.5, 198, 220 and heavyweight.

Tickets to attend the tournament cost \$2 for adults and \$1 for students high school age and below.

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'Paradise Lost'

For Paul and Betsy Marti, the dream of circumnavigating the world came to a sudden end on a reef in the Fiji Islands. More than seven months after the demise of Keema, Marti recounts the final days of his voyage and takes a look at the future on Page 6D.

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STREET SCENE

Monday, January 30, 1989 O&E

ARE YOU HIP?

Are you hip? That's the question of life, darlings. Hipness is a style, an attitude encompassing all that's really important in life.

It's the way one fits in with one's surroundings and has nothing at all to do with the usual ways we are sliced, diced and hung up to dry by those around us.

Short, balding, portly Jack Nicholson is, was and will forever be hip. He's the virtual godhead of hipness. Tall, handsome Tom Selleck, on the other hand, always seems a bit clunky, a bit out-of-step — in other words, monumentally unhip.

But high-octane hipness has always been a bit too much for most people to handle. Therefore comes the mainstream variants. Still potent, with a gentler kick.

As for unhipness, it's a double-edged sword. Some things — galoshes spring to mind — will never, ever be hip. Other things — utopian liberalism, for instance — used to be hip, but are no longer.

Got it? Good. Now, here's a guide to what is and what isn't hip.

COMIC STRIPS:

Comic strips are tres hip these days. Given the dim-witted commentators clogging up print and the airwaves, they're probably the only place where one can find the truth about humankind and its role in this vast universe.

Cutting edge: Life in Hell.

Mainstream variant: Calvin and Hobbes.

Unhip: Doonesbury. (Makes you almost wish Nixon would return — as target, not president.)

POLITICS:

Let's face it, politics has never been less hip. Look at those two snoozeroos who ran for president (by the way, who won?). But, as we said, hipness is about attitude and politics is dripping with attitude.

Cutting edge: Well-meaning, but inept, moderates. (Read our lips.)

Mainstream variant: Cynical, disillusioned liberals.

Unhip: Crusty, I've-got-mine conservatives. (Best served with California ranch dressing.)

TELEVISION FAMILIES:

Of course, television is hip, so are families. In fact, 1988 was the year we all stayed home with our families to watch "Unsolved Mysteries" and "America's Most Wanted" because we were too scared to go out at night and do something more meaningful.

Cutting edge: Married with Children. (Real life, only scarier.)

Mainstream variant: Roseanne. (Real life is scarier, but not by much.)

Unhip: Family Ties.

SUBURBS: (O&E communities excepted — we're no fools.)

Suburban lifestyles are hip as we indeed are becoming our mothers and fathers.

Cutting edge: Ann Arbor.

Mainstream variant: Royal Oak. (Commendable: Formerly unhip burb bounces back.)

Unhip: Warren. (Unless you're into chain link fences.)

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Warp Factor

Karlos Barney



Prehistoric but playful, saber-tooth poodles stalk their dim-witted prey with a sense of frolic.

Winter escape?

Fantasy camp and board game offer a 'getaway'

By Iris Sanderson Jones
contributing travel editor

Q: HELP! I've made it through January, but I'll never make it through another month until they start broadcasting baseball from the spring training camps in Florida! I don't ski, I don't like winter, not even warm winters, and I don't have enough money to go away for more than a cheap weekend.

Harry,
Canton

A: If I could round up \$3,000, I would send you to a Baseball Fantasy Camp run by The Sox Exchange in Chain O'Lakes, Fla. It's in full swing this week, and you would be a perfect candidate.

You get to pretend you are a major league baseball player, and a field full of old Boston Red Sox players are there to help the fantasy along. The Tigers have a fantasy camp, too. Maybe next year, when we win the lottery.

Since that is just a fantasy, let's



MICKY JONES

For Lake Superior Cribbage, the game board is an aerial shot of Lake Superior, taken from 600 miles up, surrounded by the names of familiar places like Pictured Rocks, Tahquamenon Falls and the National Ski Hall of Fame.

find something closer to home. For buy a game called Lake Superior \$12 you can go to a book store and Cribbage, created by Karl Grube of

Ann Arbor and his daughter Kathryn.

The board is an aerial shot of Lake Superior, taken from 600 miles up, surrounded by the names of all those places we love to go in summer — Pictured Rocks, Tahquamenon Falls, the National Ski Hall of Fame. Sorry, that one slipped in when I wasn't looking. Delete the ski hall of fame. You don't like winter.

There's a Boat Show Feb. 4-12 and an International Fishing Expo Feb. 9-12 at Cobo Hall, some small comfort for those who like to play in and around the summer lakes.

If you feel like murdering somebody, try this: An organization called Trip Teasers, 1911 W. Ten Mile Road, Suite A3, Southfield 48078, is planning crazy tours for anybody who can get a small group together. Call Bob Bricker at 352-6510 for rates and some of his ideas.

Some examples — a murder mystery trip, an overnight in Windsor, a tour of Detroit's Roaring '20s speak-

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STREET CRACKS

Myers: Humor ala Bavaria

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Fresh off the autobahn comes Klaus Myers, who calls himself Germany's No. 1 comedian. Yes, the rigors, the pressure. Undoubtedly, the weight of being the Deutschland's numero uno jokester must make Myers' shoulders ache.

Right, Klaus? "It's not tough being the number one comedian in Germany," said Myers, who will bring his Bavarian brand of laughter Wednesday through Friday to Joey's Comedy Club in Livonia. "I'm the only comedian in Germany. Those people are not big on stand-up comedy."

Myers has made a name for himself by billing himself as Germany's No. 1 comedian, although neither West nor East Germany claims him.

Myers said his comedic crusade involves more than making people laugh. As an ambassador of good will, he seeks to knock down the stereotypes that Americans might have about Germans.

For instance, he said this thing about people from Germany being totally into this thing about mathematical uniformity is unfounded. So

what if Myers starts his act by stating, "This is joke No. 1."

MYERS HAS numbered his jokes at a number of clubs across the country, including the Tropicana, Dangerfields, Comic Strip and the Improvisational. He's appeared on the Fox Network and will be featured in a comedy show this month on HBO.

Also, Myers has been signed as a national radio advice columnist, "Hey, Mel," as part of the Rock Comedy Library Service. Segments can be heard on WLLZ-FM's "JJ and the Morning Crew" 6-10 a.m.

Myers is performing at Joey's Comedy Club in Livonia as part of its first anniversary.

Myers' notoriety is swelling faster than a bratwurst over a blow furnace. The differences between performing at Joey's Comedy Club, and say, a basement in Bonn are many, according to Myers. The obvious one is that, well, American audiences don't speak German.

"West Berlin is a happening town," Myers said. "There's nothing like doing a set and then hanging out in the red light district."

"I did a show for the people of East Berlin," he added without missing a beat. "Talk about a captive audience."

Myers' background is sketchy. He said he is a graduate of Kaiser High, where he excelled in baseball. "I excelled because I was the only one who played it," he said.

WHEN HE wasn't supposedly chucking fastballs, he was pitching one liners. His role as a class clown often got him into trouble.

"If you fool around in the classroom in Germany, you receive corporal punishment," he said. "They take a leather strip to your behind. Having received that punishment once, I decided I had to have some more of that."

Klaus Myers will perform Wednesday through Saturday,



Klaus Myers bills himself as Deutschland's numero uno jokester.

Feb. 1-4, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth, Livonia. For reservations or information, call 261-0555.

Chaplin's adds 2nd location

There's a new comedy club coming to town.

The owners of Chaplin's Comedy Club in Fraser will open a second location in Redford Township Tuesday.

The new club, appropriately named Chaplin's West, is at Six Mile and Telegraph in a building that formerly housed Cagney's nightclub.

Kenny Rogerson will be the headliner for the 300-seat club's grand opening.

Comedy headliners like Rogerson, Stephanie Hodge (Feb. 7, 11) and Ed

Fjala (Feb. 14-16) will be on tap Tuesday through Saturday nights, with the possibility of an added Sunday night attraction.

"We're shooting for a Sunday 'open mike' night by the end of February," said owner Bob Hargis.

Unlike Chaplin's East, which features a restaurant, the new club will probably have a limited food menu, Hargis said.

Though Mark Ridley's unsuccessful attempts to expand his Berkley Comedy Castle to Warren and Detroit still fresh in the minds of many, Hargis appears undaunted and confident in the opening of Chaplin's West.

"The outlook is promising," he said. "Now we can draw from everywhere in Detroit demographically. The location also is accessible from all the major thoroughfares."

For more information, or show reservations at Chaplin's West, call 533-8866.

On the Town

DINING & ENTERTAINMENT

COMEDY CLUBS

Here are some listings of comedy clubs in our area. To let us know who is appearing at your club, send us the information: *Comedy Listings, Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.*

BEA'S KITCHEN
Hank MacCally, Downtown Tony Brown and Tim Lilly will appear Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3-4, at Bea's Comedy Kitchen, 541 Larned, Detroit. Showtimes are at 8:30 p.m. 10:45 p.m. For reservations, 981-2581.

CHAPLIN'S
Carrie Snow will appear on Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 1-4, at Chaplin's Comedy Club, 34244 Groesbeck, Fraser. For information, call 792-1902.

COMEDY SPORTZ
Comedy Sportz at the Heidelberg will have improvisational comedy at 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The club is at 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. For reservations, call 995-8888.

JOEY'S
Klaus Myers will appear on

Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 1-4, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. No smoking night is Thursday (also at 8 p.m. Friday).

MAINSTREET
Jeff Foxworthy will appear at 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Friday through Sunday, Feb. 3-5, at Main Street Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. For reservations, call 998-9080.

COMEDY CASTLE
Willie Tyler & Lester will appear Tuesday through Saturday, Jan. 31-Feb. 4, at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 2593 Woodward, Berkley. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For reservations, call 542-9900.

PROCK'S
Bob Posche will appear on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3-4, at Prock's Comedy Show Room, 1019 W. Maple, Clawson. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. For reservations, call 280-2628.

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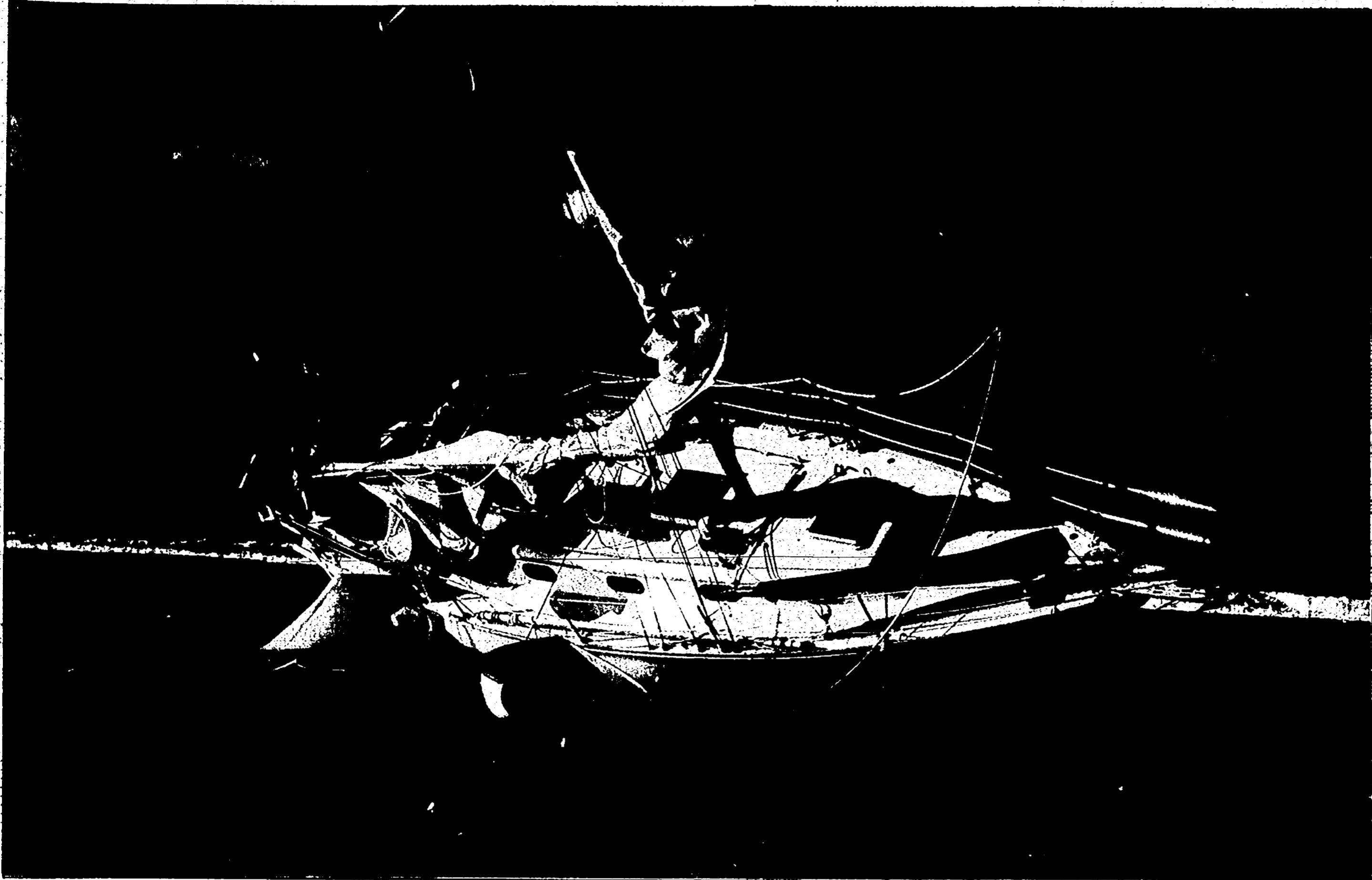
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PAUL MARTI

Paul and Betsy Marti found the dinghy Sancho and a life raft were still tethered to the Keema, after a night of pounding surf pushed the yacht on to a coral reef in Suva

harbor in the Fiji Islands. The grounding brought an end to the Martis' dream of sailing around the world.

Editor's note: In 1987, Paul Marti set off on an adventure of a lifetime — sailing around the world. His dream was shattered July 23, 1988, when his yacht, the "Keema," ran aground on a coral reef in the Fiji Islands. It took several months to adjust to life away from the sea, but now Marti is able to look back on the loss of the Keema and see the future.

Dec. 23, 1987, a tropical storm passed over the central Bahamas. Securely anchored, Betsy and I rode out the blow aboard our yacht, Keema. "Quest," a 38-foot ketch, wasn't as fortunate. During the night, her anchor rope parted and she was swept up on the rocks of Great Exuma Island.

Christmas Eve morning, I awoke to see Quest helplessly impaled on the rocky shore. I felt a great deal of compassion for the retired couple who lived aboard and was grateful that good fortune had been with us on our journey thus far.

Today, months after the loss of Keema, I fully understand the pain and sense of loss the crew of Quest endured.

It has taken some time before I could force myself to write this, the last chapter, of our cruising adventure. But now, with our lives ashore re-established and a better sense of perspective on our loss, it is time to finish our talk.

In early June of last year, Betsy and I completed our idyllic three-month stay in French Polynesia. Well-rested, we resumed our passage across the South Pacific. The next leg of our journey would take us to Brisbane, Australia, 3,600 nautical miles west and past the halfway mark of our circumnavigation.

OUR PLAN was to make four stops — Rarotonga, American Samoa, Fiji, New Caladonia and then on to Brisbane. Each passage would be about 750 miles in length, or roughly a week's time.

The first two segments — Rarotonga and American Samoa — were completed without incident. Both passages were rough, but fast.

American Samoa is a major provisioning port. Goods from the States are readily available and reasonably priced for the islands. Consequently, when Keema departed on her last passage, she was fully stocked.

Our first 24 hours passed with these same conditions. Occasionally, we motored, when the winds died. By the evening of July 17, the trade winds filled in and our pace quickened. The conditions weren't the most comfortable, but fast passages are adequate compensation for rough rides.

The Fiji Islands stretch over 300 miles from east to west. Our destination, Suva, was in the southwestern portion. July 20, we entered Fijian waters, when we sailed through the Nanuku Passage, the northeastern entrance to the Koro Sea.

FOR THE next 220 miles, reefs and islands were a constant danger. Once inside the Koro Sea, the seas subsided and our enthusiasm heightened. We were excited because our good friends, Dave and Judy McWhirter of Rochester, were meeting us in Suva.

Just after midnight July 22, we crossed 180 degrees longitude. July 23 became a 10-minute day as we jumped forward to July 24 and into the Eastern Hemisphere.

We were into the final day of our journey, we had one last obstacle to pass, the southern tip of Viti Levu and its protective reefs. At 8:10 p.m., we sighted the southeastern tip of the island. Our course would now take us due west until we passed the southern reef lighthouse.

For the next 2½ hours, we sailed on with only a double-reefed main, making 8½ knots with a following sea. At 7:40 p.m., we were abreast of the lighthouse and could see the lights of Suva.

According to my calculations, we had about 12 miles to go. My plan was to remain about five or six miles offshore until I picked up the range lights leading into Suva harbor. I thought five or six miles would keep us well clear of all dangers. I was wrong.

AT 8:25 P.M., I went down below for our last look at my charts. The harbor entrance was another three

'Paradise lost': Suva reef ends great adventure

miles ahead. To our right were the protective reefs.

Betsy was down below, reading, and I was inspecting my charts when I felt a strange motion in the boat. Immediately, I was back on deck. Keema was in the surf line.

I turned the wheel hard to port. As I did, a wave picked us up and, with a sickening crunch, threw us up on the reef. After the wave passed, we floated for a few seconds. With the engine engaged, I gave her full throttle and tried to fight our way back through the surf to deep water.

The attempt was futile. The next breaker picked us up again and like a child's toy hurtled us farther onto the reef. We didn't float again.

Both waves completely engulfed the boat. I held on with all my strength and stayed on board. Betsy, who was coming up the companionway, was washed back down into the cabin.

Less than a minute had elapsed from the time I was reading my charts until we were hard upon the reef. After the second wave put us aground, Betsy reappeared in the companionway. We were both relieved to see each other apparently unharmed.

I WAS well aware that we had no chance of saving Keema on our own. However, with the lights of Suva teasingly close, we hoped for help. Betsy started sending out a mayday call on the radio and I sent up flares.

While we tried to get help, each new wave would crash down on Keema's port side and drive her farther onto the reef. About an hour into our ordeal, the running lights of another boat appeared. A good-sized work boat came to within a half mile of us. Unfortunately, with the sea conditions, they could not assist us. After a short while, they left.

My main concern was for our safety. Until the seas subsided, we couldn't count on anyone helping us. Although we were hard aground in a few feet of water, we had not been holed yet. Our best bet was to stay inside Keema and wait it out.

During the long night, the pounding of the waves continued and with each one, we were driven farther onto the reef. Just before midnight, one exceptionally hard wave hit us. We were picked up and body slammed down on the coral. When we hit, a bulkhead gave way. We were holed and started taking on water.

WE HAD to prepare for the possibility of abandoning her, if she continued to come apart. I told Betsy to take one duffie bag and to pack what was most important to her. I did the same; my log, my sextant and a few personal items went into my bag.

Although the water was shallow, we couldn't abandon her on foot. The waves would toss us like rag dolls on to the coral and we would be dead in minutes. Our only hope was to prepare the life raft and dinghy.

I put my harness on and went topside. First I threw the life raft overboard and pulled the cord to inflate it. To my relief, she popped to life and in seconds was bobbing on the protected side of the boat.

Next I cut the dinghy free and secured "Sancho" next to the life raft. Betsy passed up our two duffie bags, and I lowered them into the raft. Now, if Keema

should totally break up, we could quickly be into the raft and make our way from there.

Fortunately, we never had to take to the raft. Although each wave would push us in and do more damage, we were getting farther from the surf line and the waves were diminishing in size.

IT WAS cold and wet as we braced ourselves and tried to remain as comfortable as possible. I was most concerned about Betsy. She was deep in thought. I tried to read her mind. I was sure she was thinking never again, no more great adventures.

Eventually, I asked for her thoughts. "Well," she said, "I was just thinking that our next boat, it will definitely have refrigeration." "Next boat!" I exclaimed. "And steel, definitely steel." We both laughed.

The tension was broken and we started to talk about our future plans. We were both quite hungry and while we talked, a couple of Baby Ruth bars floated by. We grabbed them and dined, our last meal on the Keema.

As the sun rose, the tide was reaching its lowest point. Keema was now completely exposed, resting on the coral. I crawled overboard and surveyed the situation. To my surprise, she looked good. There was no visible damage. Apparently, the only hole in the hull was on the side where she rested.

With the immediate danger past, I started to think of ways to salvage her. We would need help. We decided to make our way to shore to seek assistance.

THE REEF was about a mile wide. Inside the reef was a lagoon about five miles in width separating us from the shores of Suva. We decided to carry our life raft and dinghy across the reef and then row to shore. It took two hours of walking, wading and bobbing to cross the razor-sharp reef.

Our ankles were cut up and stinging from the salt water when we finally reached the edge of the lagoon. We tied the life raft, with our gear in it, to the dinghy and boarded Sancho.

After 2½ hours of rowing, two small boats appeared. It was the Fijian Navy. The boats were two 16-foot, dilapidated, wooden runabouts with outboard motors. We were elated to see them. They took us aboard, along with our gear, and we headed for the naval base.

When we arrived at the yard, all the naval personnel were extremely courteous and helpful. The officer in charge took the report of our wreck, cleared us into the country and helped us contact a salvage company.

The salvage team came down to the yard to meet us and agreed to go have a look at Keema to assess the situation.

AFTER completing the necessary formalities, the naval commander drove us to our hotel. We enjoyed the luxury of a long, hot shower before sleeping the afternoon away.

Several hours later, I was awakened by the phone. Charles, the salvage operator, was in the hotel lobby. Charles was quite optimistic. The damage appeared to be repairable and he was confident he could refloat her at high tide the next day. His charge would be \$5,000 Fijian, or about \$3,600 U.S.

Our spirits were rising; we had hopes of getting her off the reef and repairing the damage for less than \$5,000. It would be a financial setback, but our trip would continue.

We contacted our friends from the other yachts in town. The cruising yachtsmen rallied around us, volunteering their expertise. The worst was behind us now; it was time to repair the Keema and begin again.

The next morning I went with Charles and his father to have one last look at Keema and to discuss the details of the salvage.

FOR INSURANCE reasons, we were not allowed to go out with the salvage team. High tide was at 2:58 p.m.; we waited at the Suva Yacht Club. If all went well, Keema would be in by 5:30 p.m.

Slightly before 6, the salvage boat came back, but Keema was nowhere in sight. We rushed out to meet the crew as the boat docked. I could tell by their expressions all was not well.

"We lost her," Charles said. "She came off the reef and immediately went down." Although they were vague, it was apparent to me that either their pumps failed to keep her afloat or they underestimated the damage.

Either way, she sank. Fortunately, the tug driver continued to pull Keema a short ways to a sand ledge, where he let her come to rest in about 200 feet of water, considerably better than the 2,000 feet just off the reef.

Because Keema was in Fijian waters, she was still technically ours. Had she sank in international waters, anyone who hauled her up could claim her. If we abandoned her and left the country, she became the property of the Fijian government. Our option was to sell our salvage rights to a third party.

THERE IS one yacht broker in Suva, an Australian named Jeff Norton. Jeff had been negotiating with us to buy her from the time he heard of our misfortune. After she sank, he was still interested.

The costs for having her hauled up and repaired skyrocketed. The salvage itself would cost \$12,000. An additional \$25,000 or more would be needed to repair or replace everything damaged by salt water immersion. Like virtually all other long-distance cruisers, we had no insurance. Consequently, we could not afford to repair her and continue on. We had to make our best deal with Jeff.

He knew our situation and saw the opportunity to make a hefty profit. We were forced to settle for approximately five percent of our total investment in Keema. Three days after Keema went down, we signed over the title.

During our short stay in Suva, we were showered with kindness by our cruising friends. When we went to check out of our hotel, we found a note waiting for us. It read, in part, "Your bill has been paid. Have a safe passage home. . . The Yachies of Suva."

WE WERE immensely grateful. The next day Betsy and I boarded a Qantas flight home.

Since our return, good fortune has smiled upon us. With a little help from my principal, Dick Ickles, a position was made available for me at Rochester High School. Betsy was welcomed back to the intensive care unit at St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac. We found a home and have quickly adjusted to life ashore.

Many friends have asked us if it was worth it, will we do it again? The answer to both questions is an emphatic yes. The 13 months we had was an adventure of a lifetime. Losing Keema was a setback, but it has not detracted from the many warm memories of people and places we experienced.

The adventure started out as my dream and Betsy coming along. That has changed. Today, we dream together of our next boat, our next adventure. It will take some time to recoup, but the planning is half the pleasure.

Oh, yes, we already have the name for our next boat. We decided it that night on the reef. . . "Comeback."

P.S. Since returning, we have found out that Keema was successfully raised. Her mast was broken during the recovery, and she is currently being re-outfitted in Suva.

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Art advisers help build collections

AP — The combination of more corporate and private art collectors and a greater pool of museum studies graduates is leading to a new resource for appreciators of art — art advisers for hire.

These are individuals who help collectors make informed choices, show them how to shape, document and display their collections and do the detective work often necessary to find the best objects. They may also catalog a collection, provide appraisals and condition reports and bid at auction.

According to New York art consultant David Hanks, the number of professional art advisers has grown primarily in response to the needs of corporations for art advice. But private collectors also have been hiring advisers. In many instances, he pointed out, corporate collections are really the creation of a individual with access to power and corporate funds.

FOR THE TRAINED CURATOR, being a private consultant has more appeal than one outside the art field might imagine. Hanks, for example, worked at a number of museums — aside from the low salaries — was the politics and bureaucracy.

"Nowadays it's not enough for a curator to have wonderful ideas for projects. The curator has to be a fund-raiser for his own ideas if he wants a project to get off the ground," he said.

An advantage to being an independent — his occupation since 1979 — is that "when people come to us they usually have the funds in hand."

Several collectors who have hired consultants say they are well worth the fees. Ardis and Robert James, collectors of modern and antique quilts who live in a New York suburb, hired Penny Morris of Bowling Green, Ohio, to provide advice on lighting, conservation, record keeping and display for their collection of pieced quilts. Her most appreciated role was to guide them in making the right buying decisions.

"We had no knowledge of quilt his-

tory when we started buying quilts in 1979 and needed good advice. We were lucky to get it," they said. "Penny knows what we have and guides our purchases very gently." If they ever decide to sell some quilts, they will ask her advice on which ones, for how much and to whom.

Wistar and Martha Morris of Philadelphia hired Hanks about eight years ago to put together a collection of 19th-century American furniture and silver for them.

"He came to our house and got to know our tastes. We gave him a budget and asked him to find interesting, important, American decorative pieces. He photographs everything and writes up an accurate description of each item including its place and importance in history," said Morris. The fee for the service is a percentage of the amount spent on purchases.

BESIDES PROVIDING buying guidance and access to excellent pieces, Hanks helped the Morrises decide what to collect. By making them aware of 19th century items before they were in such great demand, he helped them get there ahead of the crowd.

For those who don't live near a large city, a consultant provides an entire to the many good art galleries that aren't necessarily known to novice collectors.

"When you are removed from a real art center you have a hard time just finding things," said Morris. "A consultant can sift through a lot of drack quickly."

Perhaps as a sign of the growing development of the field, the Association of Professional Art Advisers — a group of about 45 individuals who have professional credentials and advise corporations and individuals on art acquisitions — was formed in 1980.

According to Lynne Sowder, president and director of visual arts at First Banks in Minneapolis, the group's bylaws don't permit members to take commissions from art sellers or artists. They are obligated to pass on any commissions paid by

art sellers, a rule designed to eliminate bias in favor of artwork that produces larger commissions.

Typical fees might range \$50-75 an hour, up to \$125 for a highly skilled professional. According to Beatrix Medinger, a New York City art consultant and former president of the association, the services of an art adviser need not be confined to those with a large art-buying budget. "In practice, a budget of about \$5,000 would be realistic," she said.

The art adviser's real stock-in-trade is knowledge, according to

Sowder. "The better advisers have long-term relationships with dealers across the world. They know of resources in small, out-of-the-way places. People who have worked in the field a long time know a lot of tricks you can't learn except through time," she said. One of their greatest services is helping people pick out something to collect that they can afford.

For a list of members, write the Association of Professional Art Advisers, P.O. Box 2485, New York, N.Y. 10163.

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condo queries
Robert M. Melsner

Q. One of the units in our condominium is being foreclosed by the mortgage company. The co-owner owes the association back-due assessments. We have a lien on the property. Are we protected?

A. This is an extremely complex question and cannot be answered within the limitations of this column, other than to indicate that generally the first mortgage lien is prior the interest of the association and that if the mortgagee forecloses on the unit, the secured interest of the association in the condominium unit will be wiped out. There are, of course, various options available to the association in the event of a mortgage foreclosure.

Depending upon whether there is equity in the unit and other circumstances, the association may wish to consider taking various options regarding the mortgage sale. Obviously, it is imperative that the association retain competent legal advice to determine what the alternatives are and what is the best remedy to follow.

Q. My ex-wife is running a business out of our former marital home and has a "boarder" who seems to be helping her in her business. I have read the deed restrictions and am wondering whether or not any action can be taken against her.

A. You should look into the question of whether or not her activities constitute the running of a business in the deed restrictions of the subdivision and/or the ordinances of the municipality in which the home is located. Her activities may be "commercial" and may be a violation of both the deed restriction and the local ordinances.

The homeowners association and/or the municipality may have jurisdiction to pursue your ex-wife. To the extent that your ex-wife is apparently rooming with someone, that may conceivably be a violation of other provisions of the ordinance and/or deed restrictions regarding the fact that she must operate a single family residence.

For example, if she is receiving compensation from the person, that may be deemed a "rooming house" under certain ordinances. Again, it depends upon the particular deed restrictions and/or ordinances of the municipality in which you are located.



organizing
Dorothy Lehmkuhl

Write it down

Q. My wife keeps telling me to make To Do Lists, but it's depressing when I see so many things that need doing. How important is it to write things down?

A. Some people function very well without writing out their To Do's because they can clearly see and remember many details in their mind. Indeed, they enjoy the challenge of keeping things straight in their head, which is fine so long as it works.

For others without such talent, however, it is imperative to put your tasks in black and white for many reasons. Since it is impossible to write without thinking, putting things on paper helps you clarify your ideas. As I discuss in my performance planning workshops, it also relieves you of the burden of not forgetting your assignments. Remember the ditty: "On paper, off your mind."

Once written, it is easier to delineate which items are high priority. You can then focus on your most important tasks and schedule them for your high energy time of day.

When other chores come up, instead of stopping one thing to do another (before you forget), add it to your list. Your time becomes better utilized and you can accomplish more because distractions are reduced. Also, things are more easily maintained because there are actually fewer things left to do.

What are some other advantages of planning on paper? For one thing, it helps prevent (convenient) amnesia. "Oh darn!" you lament, "I keep forgetting to write that thank you note!" (In fact, you don't want to do it.)

WRITING ALSO REDUCES procrastination, "dropped balls," and a constant crisis mode of putting out fires. Perpetual crises indicates your life is out of control and the best way to recover from that fate is to write out a plan.

Some people claim they are so busy they "don't have time" to plan on paper. In fact, the busier you are, the more important it is to record your chores. Remember that no business succeeds without a plan and our lives have become almost as complicated as businesses.

Still other writing benefits include gaining control over your life, realizing how much you do, and feeling good about yourself — as well as gaining respect from others. An added plus comes from having more time left over for personal enjoyment.

One final note: It is imperative to establish one single place to keep your list(s) in an organized manner. A professional appointments calendar on your desk provides a perfect spot.

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