

Hayes School's first place winners were Rebecca Vinson (left) in the essay contest and Erin Gray in the picture category.



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The singing group Positive Energy sang Christmas carols with Girl Scouts and others at the annual ceremony.

Nankin Mill shines at event

THE LIGHTS are on at the mill. An estimated 200 people were on hand for the third

annual Christmas lighting ceremony at the Nankin Mill, a historic building that first opened in 1863.

Friends of the Mill, a private, non-profit organization which raises money for the mill's restoration, invited area Girl Scouts to take part in the ceremony and join in the sing-along of Christmas carols.

Students from nearby Hayes, Nankin Mills and St. Damian Schools took part in an essay and picture contests. Entrants wrote on the theme of "that's what friends are for," covering friendship generally and the mill in particular.

Denise Mehelich, decorating committee chairwoman, said:

"The Friends of Nankin Mill along with the Wayne County parks and recreation department (whose offices are in the mill, on Ann Arbor Trail at Farmington Road) have succeeded in financing the restoration of the building, because they cared about the mill as Friends care about each other."

Winners in the essay contest received trophies. All contestants went home with ribbons.

A NEWLY FORMED choral group, Positive Energy, helped in the caroling at the mill's entrance. It is a spinoff of the Sing Out Dearborn singing group.

Also taking part and welcoming Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus were Mayor Robert Thomas, City Council President Tom Brown, Amyre Makupson, Channel 50 TV anchorwoman, and Girl Scouts from Neighborhood unit 62.

After the lighting and caroling, Santa visited with children inside the mill.

In the contests, top picture entrants at Nankin Mills School were Heather Petres, first; Heather Wnuk, second; and Michael Galbraith, third. The winning essay writers were Kim Mach, first; Ashlee Mehl, second; and Kevin Wilson, third.

At Hayes School, the top picture honors went to Erin Gray, first; Bry-

an Sawyer, second; and Lisa Belko, third. In the essay contest, Rebecca Vinson was first, followed by Mary Mifsud, second; and Jessica Skrabut, third.

Mehelich said the mill support group appreciates the help of local businesses who supported the lighting ceremony. Those businesses are Clyde Smith & Sons Nursery, two Westland Dunkin' Donuts' locations, Frank's Nursery and Crafts, Danny's Foods, Forest City, Leright's, Vince's Christmas Trees, Westland Bakery, Hardee's Restaurant, Mejer's and Westland Bowling and Trophies.

County recreation employees helped decorate of the mill for the holiday.

Besides Mehelich, decorating committee members were Gary Stone, co-chair, Joseph Benyo, Margaret Harlow, Beverly and Kevin Melast, Jennifer Spier, Donald and Barbara Polich, Ethel Bollinger, Rhonda Forquer, Daniel Mehelich, Kathy Meyers, and Otto Stout.



The top winners of the essay and picture contests were Michael Galbraith (from left), Heather Wnuk, Heather Petres, Kim Mach, Ashlee Mehl and Kevin Wilson.



Amyre Makupson (left), TV anchorwoman, her daughter Amyre and Lindsay Bodiya throw the switch to turn on the lights at Nankin Mill. In the background are state Rep. Justine Barns and Beverly and Kevin Melasi.

Is a teachers' contract in district's stocking?

By Todd Schnelder
staff writer

A contract by Christmas. That's what Wayne-Westland school officials and negotiators for the district's 1,050 full- and part-time teachers are hoping for. Representatives from both sides Thursday cited progress in the months-long stalemate and said reaching an agreement before students break for the holiday recess is still possible. The two sides have been bargaining both with and without a state mediator since Oct. 29. Talks were held for four days last week and are scheduled to resume today. "We've made some progress," said William Reece, president of the Wayne-Westland Education Association which represents teachers in negotiations. "I think trying to get a settlement by Christmas is a reasonable goal to work for." Reece said a tentative agreement on four or five of the dozen outstanding issues was near, "but we still aren't close on major salary and benefit issues." He said the union's bargaining parameters on financial issues haven't changed from earlier talks. "We're expecting a contract that's economically competitive with what's out there in the tri-county area."

TOM SVITKOVICH, associate superintendent for administration, said the mood of recent talks was "posi-

itive" and an agreement on outstanding issues was "close." But Svitkovich said the district's financial situation remains largely unchanged. After implementing \$5 million in budget cuts, money for raises is scarce, he said. "But with the give-and-take typical in negotiations I think we may be able to reach a settlement on economic issues," Svitkovich said. Representatives from both sides have stated they would like to settle the teachers' contract and other outstanding pacts before a third millage election next spring. Reece said Thursday he had been aware of the district's request, approved by the Wayne County clerk's office, for a special election on March 13, but that it hasn't played a role in negotiations. An earlier demand for a tax increase proposal tied to a one-year pay freeze was rejected by the union. Teachers have been working without a contract since the Aug. 27 start of classes. Seven other employee unions are also negotiating with school officials. District voters rejected tax increase proposals by wide margins last February and June. Cuts approved by the school board last spring have eliminated two-thirds of the elementary expressive arts program; one class period at junior highs; and school-funded sports and extra-curricular activities for junior and senior high school students. The board also cut 19½ administrative jobs and more than 70 teachers remain on lay-off.

5-cent jump in gas tax fuels varying reactions

By Bill Caspor
staff writer

Customers pumping petrol into their cars and trucks Monday expressed a wide range of reactions from discontent to a grudging, helpless acceptance of the five-cent-a-gallon increase in gasoline prices. "It's outrageous and I don't like it," said Jim Claus of Garden City as he pumped gas into his car Monday afternoon at the Sunoco gas station at Five Mile and Inkster Road in Livonia. Gas prices, ranging from \$1.299 to \$1.499 a gallon, were increased Saturday morning, station owner Manuel J. Perchard said. "I don't understand the last-minute buying Friday," Perchard said. "People buy an average of eight gallons of gas when they refill, so they saved 40 cents. But they have to pay the higher prices sooner or later." "We ran out of low-grade gas Friday and people were buying the higher grades. I don't know how much people saved." ACROSS THE street at the Amoco gas station, prices range from \$1.339 to \$1.499 a gallon after the tax increase was implemented Saturday. "I don't have any complaint with the increase because it came from the government," W.A. O'Neal of Livonia said. "But I hear reports that U.S. gas companies are

selling gas to Europe at higher prices than here. "I say there's plenty of gas here and if we didn't sell it abroad, there would be a glut here and prices would go down." "I don't like the increase because it's too hard on the average person," Larry Combs of Garden City said. "It's making us sacrifice too much to pay for the government deficit." "We have to pay if the government increases taxes," said Steve Hunt of Redford Township. "But it's the middle man that pays." SOME MOTORISTS expressed relief that there is a sufficient fuel supply at gas stations in light of the Persian Gulf crisis. "It's a bargain as long as you can still get it," Jason Parker of Westland said. "But it's not worth a life is it? And it will take more than a nickel to ball out the federal deficit." "I figured the increase was coming but I'm glad we can still get gas," said Bob Briggs of Farmington Hills. "I was running on empty and I had to stop. I don't mind paying the increase as a part of my patriotic duty as long as the price doesn't increase any further." "I don't like it but there's not much you can do about it," Elizabeth Brady of Detroit said. "I'm just glad I have a little car."

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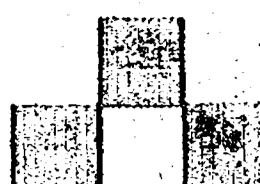
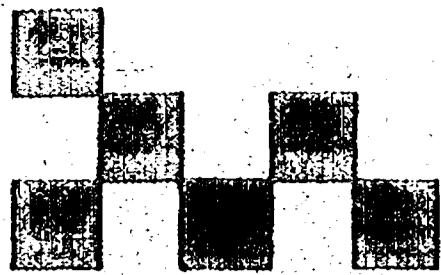
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'Tis the season for just about every kind of food.

Momma has started the semi-weekly brushing of her famed holiday fruitcakes with a clean cotton dish towel dipped in rum.

MaryLea, my twin sister, has had to remake her holiday cookies three times because the tin mysteriously ends up half empty during a midweek checking.

The gingerbread that filled the kitchen with holiday smells has been cut and is now "drying" for use in the Janes gang annual gingerbread house.

THE HOLIDAYS around my house always have the refrigerator, cupboards and cookie jars brimming with waist-expanding goodies.

But isn't it nice to know that there are recipes for non-edible holiday goodies?

These traditional recipes have the ability to transform plain flour, water and salt into a plethora of ornaments, table decorations and culinary gifts.

DID YOU ever make snowflake clay when you were a kid? It shimmers and shines and easily transforms basic kitchen cupboard ingredients into holiday treasures that will last for years.

Last year, the Janes gang got together to make non-edible holiday gifts, and ended up with a mini zoo full of dinosaurs, merry Santas and wreaths that will again find their way to the family tree after being safely packed away with the other ornaments.

We even have a door wreath bedecked in green flowers that unfortunately never made the ornament box because it fell and broke into smithereens while exiting with the Christmas tree.

Were we crushed? Hardly. We just spent the last 11 months occasionally dreaming on how to make this year's even more beautiful.

IF YOU'RE thinking that this process involves the purchase of \$18 worth of colored play-dough, think again.

Many "Taste Buds" readers remember when yours truly owned and operated a gourmet shop in beautiful downtown Plymouth.

Loretta Mirro, home economist and now president of Intro-Marketing in Birmingham, would wow class members during the holidays with her non-edible holiday decor creations using simple flour, cornstarch and salt.

IT WASN'T until a trek to the archived file cabinet in the basement that I once again discovered these treasured recipes that will surely bring a smile to avid foodies who enjoy "playing" in the kitchen.

And that's exactly what these recipes are for — playing.

After the measuring, there is little to do except spend an afternoon or evening creating holiday treasures that will keep even a 4-year-old busy for at least a couple of hours.

AND, THE best part about it, you're left with lasting creations and cutesy gifts that have that look, touch and feel of something made from the heart as well as the hands.

A simple prink of a fork tine and your creation can be an ornament.

Add a paper clip or ornament hanger or just a swatch of red ribbon and watch the smiles emerge. The recipient will hardly be able to wait to hang it on a Christmas tree.

So, if you find yourself with just a little holiday baking flour left over and want to enthrall the likes of any participant from 8 to 80, simply follow the directions and behold!

BAKERS CLAY

4 cups sifted flour
1 cup salt
1 1/2 cups water

Combine flour and salt together, add water until a soft dough forms. Shape the dough into free-form shapes and place gently on kitchen parchment-lined baking sheets. Bake at 225 degrees for 1 1/2-3 hours or until firm and dry. Creations can then be painted with food coloring, if desired.



DOUGLAS SUSALLA

(Left) Chef Elwin Greenwald shows how to make some different Hanukkah latkes, in classroom at Kitchen Glamor. He says its the method, not the specific ingredients, that provides "Yiddish Taam" (good Jewish taste). (Below) Carrots go into Carrot-Corn Latkes.

A twist on tradition

Variations of Hanukkah latkes

By Anne R. Lehmann
Special writer

ABOUT 50 men and women recently assembled at Kitchen Glamor in West Bloomfield to learn new ways of making an old traditional favorite — Hanukkah latkes.

The teacher, Elwin Greenwald, former chef at Van Dyke Place and currently chef-proprietor of Elwins Tu-Go, is a back-to-basics guy who believes that there are as many recipes for latkes as there are people you ask. "Tradition with a twist" is how this 32-year-old describes the recipes he has devised to help celebrate the Jewish holiday.

Hanukkah commemorates the victory of a small band of Jews over its religious oppressors. Wanting to rededicate the Holy Temple which had become the site for pagan rituals and cultic rites by its enemies, the group needed untainted oil to light the Temple's Menorah (a holy candelabra). A single untouched jar of oil was found, enough to last a day, but miraculously the Menorah remained aglow for eight days, the time needed to properly prepare more pure oil to keep the Menorah kindled. It is for this reason that foods fried in oil are a mainstay during this eight-day holiday.

THE KEY to a latke with "Yiddish Taam" (good Jewish taste), according to Greenwald, is method. "You can use virtually any combination of ingredi-

ents if you use proper cooking technique," he says.

Greenwald became interested in the fine art of cooking 10 years ago while working as the advertising director for Meyers Jewelry. Jimmy Schmidt suggested Greenwald train with Madelaine Kamman in France, which he did for a year, and returned to Detroit to work at Van Dyke Place as executive chef. Four months ago he opened the doors to Elwins Tu-Go, a casual walk-in eatery in Royal Oak which seconds as a catering business. Now that he has his own place, this upbeat, high-energy and friendly chef is always experimenting and developing new food sensations.

Potato, matzo meal and egg are basic to his latke recipes, which include potato-turmp, mushroom leek and carrot-corn, and offer a variety of colors, textures and tastes. For example, his carrot corn, or what he calls his Tex-Mex, latkes are great for a mixed crowd with Christmas-minded individuals, who will appreciate the red and green peppers coloring the latkes.

He prefers to leave all vegetables unpeeled. "Besides peeling away the vitamins," he says, "you eliminate color and texture." A good scrubbing with a soft brush is more than adequate to remove dirt and debris.

Greenwald favors hand grating his vegetables for the sake of uniformity. "When you hand grate, you have 100 percent control," he says. Whether a hash-brown or pudding-like latke is what you're after, the bottom line is in the coarseness of the grating.

STILL, GREENWALD acknowledges the virtues of a food processor when cooking for a large crowd, something he, as caterer, does often. He recommends using the pulse function, again in order to produce grated vegetables which are identical in size.

As for preparing latkes for a large crowd, Greenwald has several recommendations, including grating the potato and the onion last. By grating the potato close to frying time, discoloration is kept to a minimum and by grating the onion at the end, the vegetable's high liquid content serves as a wash between batches.

After frying and draining these savory morsels, Greenwald suggests layering them in baking pans lined with paper toweling and keeping them heated at 225 degrees for up to two hours.

"When I fry my latkes," he explains, "I sear them in hot oil, peanut oil preferably, on both sides, drain them on toweling and then put them on lined baking pans."

In this way they are partially cooked, crispy outside, and the remaining cooking time is spent in the oven. When dinner is served you have hot, well-cooked crispy latkes."

WITH THE GUESTS arriving and the smell of warming latkes in the oven, what does one serve besides the usual applesauce or sour cream on the side? How about a Sour Cream Chive or Horseradish Mustard Topping? And if latkes as a main or side dish aren't



what you had in mind, what about latkes for dessert? Cherry Walnut, Spiced Sweet Potato Raisin or Ricotta Orange Latkes, with side dipping sauces of Grand Marnier Applesauce or Cranberry and Pineapple, are a few more of Greenwald's creations.

The possibilities are endless. All you need is imagination, a grater and, of course, a good appetite.

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Joe Martinez of Trini & Carmen's with Mexican dishes including Chili Rellenos, Fiesta Sampler and Mexican Lasagna.



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No match for original



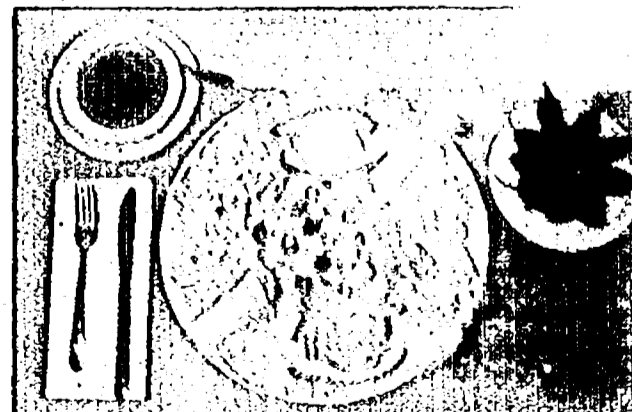
Thirteen years ago, Trini & Carmen's cantina in Pontiac was hit with the restaurant equivalent of a neutron bomb: as the result of a faulty canning process, its famous home-produced hot sauce gave a few of its customers — oh, say, 59 — a dose of botulism.

That upsetting run of bad luck might have closed a normal restaurant forever. Not Trini & Carmen's. Thanks to an immensely loyal following, Trini & Carmen's closed for a few days and then picked up where it had left off, as a landmark on Woodward Avenue. The restaurant changed its name to La Familia Martinez, but to its many, many fans that harmless coverup was unnecessary. The restaurant was always known as Trini & Carmen's.

The original Pontiac bar has been lost to progress, wiped out by the expansion of the adjacent St. Joseph's Hospital, forcing the Martinez family to move south to a new home in Clawson.

Unfortunately, it appears that a little more loyalty is going to be required from the Trini & Carmen's faithful, which includes us. On several recent visits, the Clawson reincarnation of Trini & Carmen's has been uneven.

THE NACHOS are still outstanding, but we found other entrees borderline — and even burned. The chicken enchiladas that we remember as stuffed with chicken and topped with plenty of melted cheese must have been microwaved — and a bit too



long at that. The cheese was singed, ruining a sad entree.

We can't say much more for the flautas, which were too crusty, had too little beef (especially when we had ordered chicken) and were blandly seasoned.

The enchilitos, on the other hand, were at least interesting. This entree features chorizo and beans baked in a tortilla and topped with cheese and black olives. The taste was strong — and a little strange, almost chocolatey. Still, with fewer beans and more sausage, we would give it another try.

The menu isn't extensive. It never has been. And it's the same for lunch as for dinner. A few specials are added weekly. We loved the black bean soup, featured recently. The seasoning was about medium strength and cooled a bit with a dollop of guacamole.

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Chef offers variations of Hanukkah latkes

CARROT-CORN LATKES
 1 large carrot
 1 package frozen corn, thawed and drained
 1 each red and green pepper, seeded and finely diced
 1 medium Idaho potato, peeled
 4 eggs, lightly beaten
 1/4 to 1/2 cup fine bread crumbs or matzo meal
 2 tablespoons kosher salt
 Freshly ground black pepper
 Oil for frying

Grate the potato and carrot, using the largest holes of the grater. Transfer grated mixture to the colander and press out the excess moisture. Transfer to the mixing bowl and combine with the corn and diced peppers. Add the beaten eggs to the vegetable mixture with the wooden spoon. Add just enough bread crumbs or matzo meal until a light batter is formed. Add salt and pepper to taste. Heat 1/4 inch of the oil in the saute pan until very hot. Drop the batter by tablespoonsful into the hot oil to fry. Flatten with metal spatula and fry until down

side is golden. Gently turn over and continue cooking until second side is golden. Remove each latke from the pan when it is cooked and keep warm on the towel-lined tray in a 200-degree oven while preparing the remaining latkes. Serve as soon as possible with either savory topping. Makes approximately 8 servings.

MUSHROOM-LEEK LATKES
 2 pounds assorted wild mushrooms, roughly chopped
 1 medium bunch leeks, thinly sliced and well washed
 1 medium Idaho potato, peeled
 4 eggs, lightly beaten
 1/4 to 1/2 cup fine bread crumbs or matzo meal
 2 tablespoons kosher salt
 Fresh ground black pepper
 Oil for frying

Grate the potato, using the largest holes of the grater. Transfer grated potato to the colander and press out the excess moisture. Transfer to the mixing bowl and combine with the mushrooms and leeks. Add the beaten eggs to the vegetable mixture

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SPICED SWEET POTATO-RAISIN LATKES
 1 cup cooked, mashed and sweetened sweet potatoes
 1/4 cup raisins (mix of light and dark)
 1/4 cup peeled, cored and diced apple
 1/4 cup milk
 3 eggs, separated (yolks beaten to a pale yellow)
 1 teaspoon grated nutmeg
 1 teaspoon ground ginger
 1/4 to 1/2 cup fine bread crumbs or

matzo meal
 Pinch of salt
 Oil for frying

In a large mixing bowl, combine the sweet potatoes, raisins, apple, milk, beaten egg yolks, nutmeg, ginger and bread crumbs or matzo meal until just combined. Beat the whites in another bowl with a pinch of salt until stiff but not overbeaten.

With rubber spatula, gently fold 1/4 of the whites to the yolk base. Fold in the remainder carefully, not to overmix. Heat 1/4 inch of the oil in the saute pan until very hot. Drop the batter by tablespoonsful into the hot oil to fry. Flatten with metal spatula and fry until down side is golden. Gently turn over and continue cooking until second side is golden. Remove each latke from the pan when it is cooked and keep warm on the towel-lined tray in a 200-degree oven while preparing the remaining latkes. Serve as soon as possible with either sweet topping. Makes approximately 8 servings.

ASSORTED TOPPINGS FOR HOLIDAY LATKES
 Savory:
SOUR CREAM-CHIVE
 1 cup sour cream
 1 bunch fresh chives, finely cut
 1 teaspoon dry mustard
 Zest of 1 lemon
 Combine all ingredients, mixing well. Cover and chill. Serve with savory latkes.

HORSERADISH-MUSTARD
 2 tablespoons horseradish
 1/4 cup each of smooth and coarse mustards
 1/4 cup heavy cream
 1 teaspoon chopped fresh parsley
 Combine all ingredients, mixing well. Cover and chill. Serve with savory latkes.

Sweet:

GRAND MARNIER-APPLESAUCE
 1 teaspoon Grand Marnier
 1 cup chunky applesauce
 1 teaspoon ground cloves
 Zest and juice of 1 orange
 1 tablespoon brown sugar
 Combine all ingredients, mixing well. Cover and chill. Serve with sweet latkes.

CRANBERRY-PINEAPPLE
 1 jar cranberry jelly or other preserves
 1 can crushed unsweetened pineapple (reserve juice)
 Juice and zest of 1 orange
 Pinch of kosher salt and fresh ground black pepper
 Combine all ingredients, mixing well. Add enough reserved juice to form a smooth sauce. Cover and chill. Serve with sweet latkes.

No match for original restaurant

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Baby back ribs also offered that evening were very good, and very meaty. In contrast to what we expected, the barbecue sauce served on the side was sweet and mild. This entire should have been served with rice — or anything other than the tasteless fries that were suspiciously like the kind we buy in the freezer section.

BUT BACK TO THE nachos. They are great, especially with margaritas. Because they come in three sizes (micro to super) and five varieties (cheese, chicken, beef, beans and chicken; or beans and beef), there's enough here for any occasion and appetite.

This is a warm friendly place, like it always was. The service is good and the decor is interesting. Its

warm Southwest theme is carried out with striking fabric-and-copper-trimmed light fixtures and a terrific array of Mexican baskets, framed posters and colorful ceramics.

We just hope the brothers Martinez can bring this restaurant back up to the quality of the restaurant founded by their parents. While some entrees are good, the quality just isn't consistent.

Trini and Carmen probably burned entrees now and then — but they didn't serve them.

Details: Trini & Carmen's, 1019 W. Maple east of Crooks Road, Clawson, 280-2626. Also at 50 N. Territorial in Ann Arbor and 1715 N. Telegraph in Pontiac.
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Chicken dish is perfect for the Christmas rush

I must admit, there are moments during this busy month when the expression, "Bah, Humbug," comes babbling out of my mouth without warning. When that occurs, I mentally rein myself in and try to take a more positive tack by substituting "Better Hurry, Better Hurry" in lieu of Scrooge's infamous expression. Besides, "Better Hurry" is precisely how I feel every day in December, as there is always so much to do and never enough time in which to do it all.

If you can relate to the above, then this week's Winner Dinner will surely make your day, since it is easy to prepare and is a perfect choice for dinner on those nights when you have been out hurrying and scurrying around town. Submitted by Jan Schlaybaugh of Birmingham, these recipes for hearty-tasting Chicken and Dumplings and Gooey Pears are guaranteed to become instant family favorites.

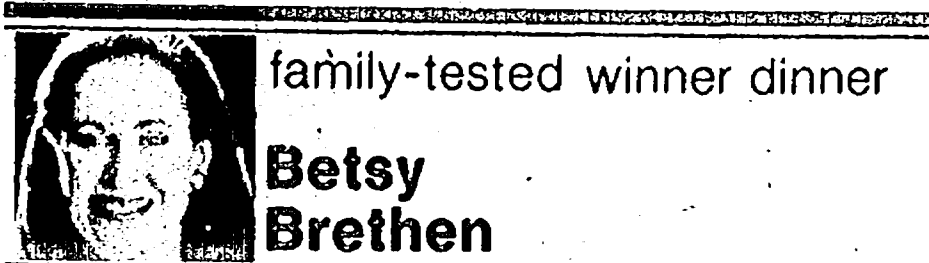
Schlaybaugh has lived in Birmingham with her husband and daughter for five years. A member of the Cranbrook Kingswood Middle School Mothers' Council, she also regularly volunteers her time at the school library. She is an avid reader and enjoys taking riding lessons with her daughter. Nicknamed by her husband the "Queen of the One Course Meal."

Schlaybaugh readily admits that she likes to get in and out of the kitchen as quickly as possible. She's surely not alone in that!

THANK YOU, Jan Schlaybaugh, for sharing your delicious recipes with us and congratulations on being this week's Winner Dinner Queen of the Week.

As the days of December continue to click by, hang in there and remember . . . better hurry, better hurry, and please, keep those Winner Dinners coming in!

Submit your recipes, to be considered for publication in this column or elsewhere, to: Winner Dinner, P.O. Box 3503, Birmingham, MI 48012. All submissions become the property of the pub-



family-tested winner dinner

Betsy Brethen



Jan Schlaybaugh of Birmingham and her daughter Casey, 11, are shown with this week's Winner Dinner: Easy Chicken and Dumplings, Cranberry Sauce, Green Vegetable, Tossed Green Salad and Gooey Pears.

DAN DEAN/staff photographer

lisher. Each week's winner receives an apron with the words Winner Dinner Winner on it.

Recipes are printed the same size so that you may clip and save them in a three-ring binder. Use a

paper punch to make holes in the clipping or paste the clipping on a blank sheet of three-ring notebook paper. Another option is to simply file the clippings in a folder with pockets that will hold them.

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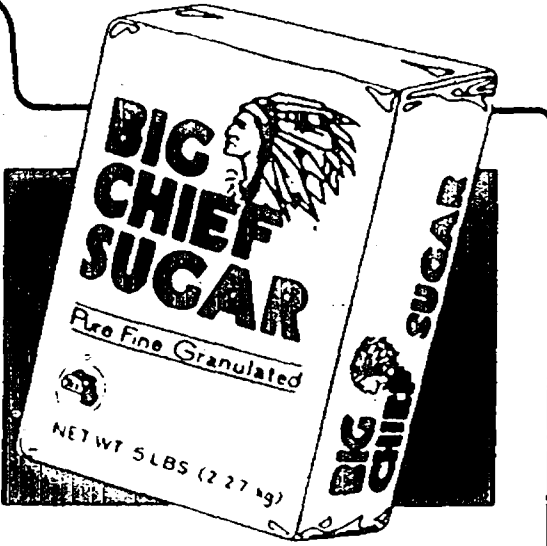
CONTEST WINNERS
Deborah Dudek of Livonia took first prize in a contest to make gingerbread houses, held recently at

Williams-Sonoma at Laurel Park Place in Livonia.
Second prize went to Paula Rahal of Plymouth, and third prize to Sue

Wilcox of Dearborn. The gingerbread houses are on display in the store window at Williams-Sonoma.
Contest judges were Michael

Marbled Brownie Bar A Healthy Heart Recipe

- Non-stick cooking spray
- 1/4 c. plus 2 Tbsp. reduced-calorie margarine, softened
- 1/3 c. neufchatel cheese, softened
- 2/3 c. **BIG CHIEF SUGAR**
- 4 egg whites, beaten
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 3/4 c. flour
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 3 Tbsp. unsweetened cocoa



Preheat oven to 350°. Spray 8-inch square baking pan with non-stick spray. Cream together margarine and cheese; gradually add **BIG CHIEF SUGAR**, beating with an electric mixer at medium speed until light and fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla, and mix well. Combine flour, baking powder, and salt; add to creamed mixture, beating well. Divide batter in half. Sift cocoa over half of batter, and fold in gently. Spoon cocoa mixture into prepared baking pan. Drizzle remaining batter on top of cocoa mixture. Cut through the mixture in the pan with a knife to create a marbled effect. Bake for 25 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool brownies in pan on a wire rack. Cut brownies into 2 x 1 1/2 inch bars. Yield: 2 dozen brownie bars.
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- EASY CHICKEN AND DUMPLINGS**
- CRANBERRY SAUCE**
- YOUR CHOICE OF GREEN VEGETABLE**
- TOSSED GREEN SALAD**
- GOOEY PEARS**

Recipes

EASY CHICKEN AND DUMPLINGS

This recipe for chicken is as delicious as it is easy to prepare.
4 whole split chicken breasts
2 cans Campbell's reduced-salt cream of chicken soup
1 tube buttermilk biscuits

Place breasts in a prepared casserole or baking dish and completely cover them with the two cans of undiluted soup. Cover the dish and bake for 1 hour at 350 degrees. Remove and turn oven up to 425 degrees. Dip both sides of the biscuits in the gravy and lay them on top of the chicken breasts. Return the uncovered casserole dish to the oven and bake for 15 minutes more. Serve with cranberry sauce and your choice of green vegetable.

TOSSED GREEN SALAD

Chop up some romaine lettuce

and carrots. Toss lightly with a dressing made of olive oil and freshly squeezed lemon juice. Garnish with Parmesan cheese.

GOOEY PEARS

It is hard to believe that such a simple recipe can yield such a delicious dessert. Trust me, this is one recipe you must try.

4 large, ripe pears — peeled, cored and cut in half
Lemon juice
Brown sugar
1 cup heavy cream, warmed

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Rub the pears with lemon juice and place in a shallow dish. Put one heaping spoonful of brown sugar in each pear half. Bake for 20-25 minutes. Pour the cream in the bottom of the dish and let the pears sit in the turned off oven for 20 minutes. Put the pears in serving bowls and spoon sauce over each pear. Enjoy.

Shopping List

- 4 whole split chicken breasts
- 2 cans of Campbell's reduced-salt cream of chicken soup
- 1 tube buttermilk biscuits
- 1 can cranberry sauce
- Your choice of green vegetable
- Romaine lettuce
- Carrots
- Parmesan cheese
- Olive oil
- 2-3 fresh lemons
- 4 large, ripe pears
- Brown sugar
- 1/2 pint heavy whipping cream

Notes

Buescher, marketing director of Laurel Park Place; Diana Dimitroff, manager of the Coffee Beanery at Laurel Park Place, and Ethel Simmons, food editor of the Observer & Eccentric.

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Champagnes have own styles

There are so many excellent champagnes that it is impossible to say one is better than another.

However, champagnes can be distinguished by their style and personality. Champagne Veuve Clicquot and Champagne Roederer are two houses with easily recognizable styles.

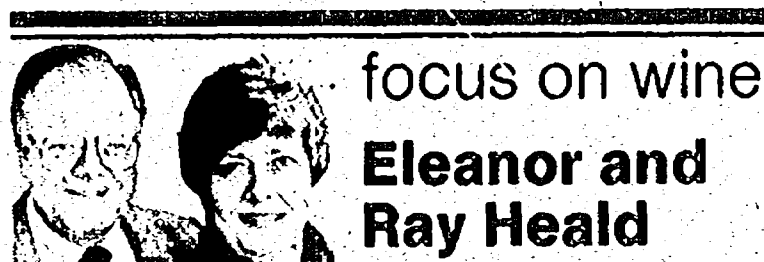
Veuve (widow in French) Clicquot was the first woman to rise to power in Champagne and is often regarded as the first businesswoman of the modern era.

Widowed at 28, Nicole-Barbe Ponsardin-Clicquot was determined to carry out her husband's champagne business plans.

THOUGH INEXPERIENCED in commercial affairs, and in an age (early 19th century) when commerce was considered socially improper for women, the young widow was undaunted in her efforts to capture foreign markets.

Veuve Clicquot was an early master of marketing stogans. With her motto, "One quality only... the finest," she sent her sales agents worldwide.

In 1814, a secret shipment of her champagne to Russia was her greatest coup. She triumphed where others did not dream to venture.



focus on wine
Eleanor and Ray Heald

UNTIL MADAME Clicquot's time, champagne was a cloudy wine with dead yeast sediment. No one dared drink the last drop.

Convinced that a crystal clear product would enhance champagne's reputation, she concentrated with the help of her cellarmaster on achieving this.

Together they developed the process known as remuage or riddling.

According to legend, bottles were positioned with the necks lodged in holes cut in the widow's wooden kitchen table. By shaking and rotating each bottle daily, she forced the unwanted deposit into the neck, settled against the cork.

Today, riddling is an essential part of champagne production.

WHILE CHAMPAGNE toasts have long been used to celebrate spe-

WINE SELECTION OF THE WEEK

Veuve Clicquot Brut (\$35) is distinguished by its full, toasty aromas and palate depth with generous mouthfeel. It's crisp and elegantly styled.

Louis Roederer Champagne Brut Premier (\$35) is a traditional blend of 1/2 pinot noir and 1/2 chardonnay that highlights finesseful aromas and full, rich, toasty flavors. The emphasis on black-skinned grapes puts Roederer champagnes near the full-bodied end of the champagne spectrum.

cial events and good health, several superstitions have also become associated with champagne.

Afraid the devil would enter their bodies with the wine, and believing the noise would scare him away, superstitious people clinked glasses.

Today, French lovers often intertwine forearms while sipping champagne after a toast.

IN 1776, the same year the United States declared its independence, a small champagne producer began

the company that became known as "the house of Cristal."

In 1833, Louis Roederer, an Alsatian by birth, inherited the company, gave it his name, and began to develop the reputation of Louis Roederer Champagne, which now boasts 214 years of continuous family ownership.

By 1876, annual production reached 1.5 million bottles, 80 percent of which was sold to the Russian market, and Cristal, the first prestige cuvee, was created for the court of Czar Alexander II.

ROEDERER CHAMPAGNE became such a favorite of the czar that he asked Roederer to reserve the best of each harvest to produce a special wine for him.

The czar's court cellarmaster visited Roederer annually to approve the selection. Alexander II also requested that Roederer design a special bottle for his exclusive use.

He desired two things from the select bottle.

First, he wanted it to be recognizable one of a kind, even when it was wrapped with a table napkin, and second, it was to be a stylish addition to his dining table. The result was Cristal.

Recipes for making holiday decorations

See Larry Janes' Taste Buds column, Page 1B.

BAKER'S CLAY

- 4 cups sifted flour
- 1 cup salt
- 1 1/4 cups water

Combine flour and salt together, add water 'til a soft dough forms. Shape the dough into free-form shapes and place gently on kitchen-parchment lined baking sheets. Bake at 225 degrees for 1 1/2-2 hours or until firm and dry. Creations can then be painted with food coloring, if desired.

SNOWFLAKE CLAY

- 1 cup salt
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 1/2 cup plus 2 teaspoons water

Mix cornstarch and salt together. Bring water to a boil and slowly add to mix stirring until mixture begins forming a ball. Keep in air-tight containers until ready to roll out. Roll out small batches of the dough at a time and use small cookie cutters to

make star shapes or other creations. Bake at 250 degrees for 15 minutes to dry.

Curry accents exotic spices

AP — In Indian cookery, individual use of exotic spices varies from cook to cook, and the differences are often subtle and quite personal.

The following recipe for Vegetarian Curry with Indian Spices uses a mixture of spices that are first cooked in a little oil to release and blend their flavors. Fresh or frozen vegetables are then added and coated well with the spices before they are cooked.

For a hearty entree, add chick peas and serve with steamed rice. Top with a dollop of plain yogurt.

VEGETARIAN CURRY WITH INDIAN SPICES

- 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- Pinch ground red pepper
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 12 ounces fresh green beans, trimmed and cut in 1-inch lengths (about 2 1/2 cups)
- 12 ounces potatoes, peeled and cut in 1-inch cubes (about 2 cups)
- 1 cup carrot slices, cut 1/4-inch thick
- 1 cup cauliflowerettes
- 2 cups water

- 1 teaspoon salt
- One 19-ounce-can chick peas, drained and rinsed

In a cup combine coriander, cumin, turmeric, cinnamon, ginger, black pepper and red pepper. In a large skillet heat oil until hot. Add spice mixture; cook until spices are fragrant, about 1 minute.

Add green beans, potatoes, carrots and cauliflowerettes; mix well. Add water and salt. Bring mixture to a boil; reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 15 minutes. Add chick peas. Simmer, uncovered, over high heat until vegetables are tender and liquid is reduced by half, about 5 minutes. Serve with rice and plain yogurt, if desired. Makes 3 to 6 servings.

Note: You can replace fresh vegetables with two 16-ounce packages of frozen mixed vegetables cut in large chunks; reduce cooking time to 7 minutes.

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Ocelots bounced 94-86

By Darrin A. Nichols
staff writer

Schoolcraft College lost in four different categories Wednesday night — three-point shooting, free-throw shooting, rebounding and the most important, the game, as the Siena Heights JV squad beat the host Ocelots, 94-86.

Both teams are now 5-2 overall.

Siena Heights shot 10-for-17 from three-point land, while Schoolcraft hit only five for the game.

The Ocelots, who led 44-43 at the half, increased their lead to seven points with seven minutes left in the game before free-throw shooting took over. Schoolcraft attempted only nine free throws for the game, while the Saints made 18-of-23.

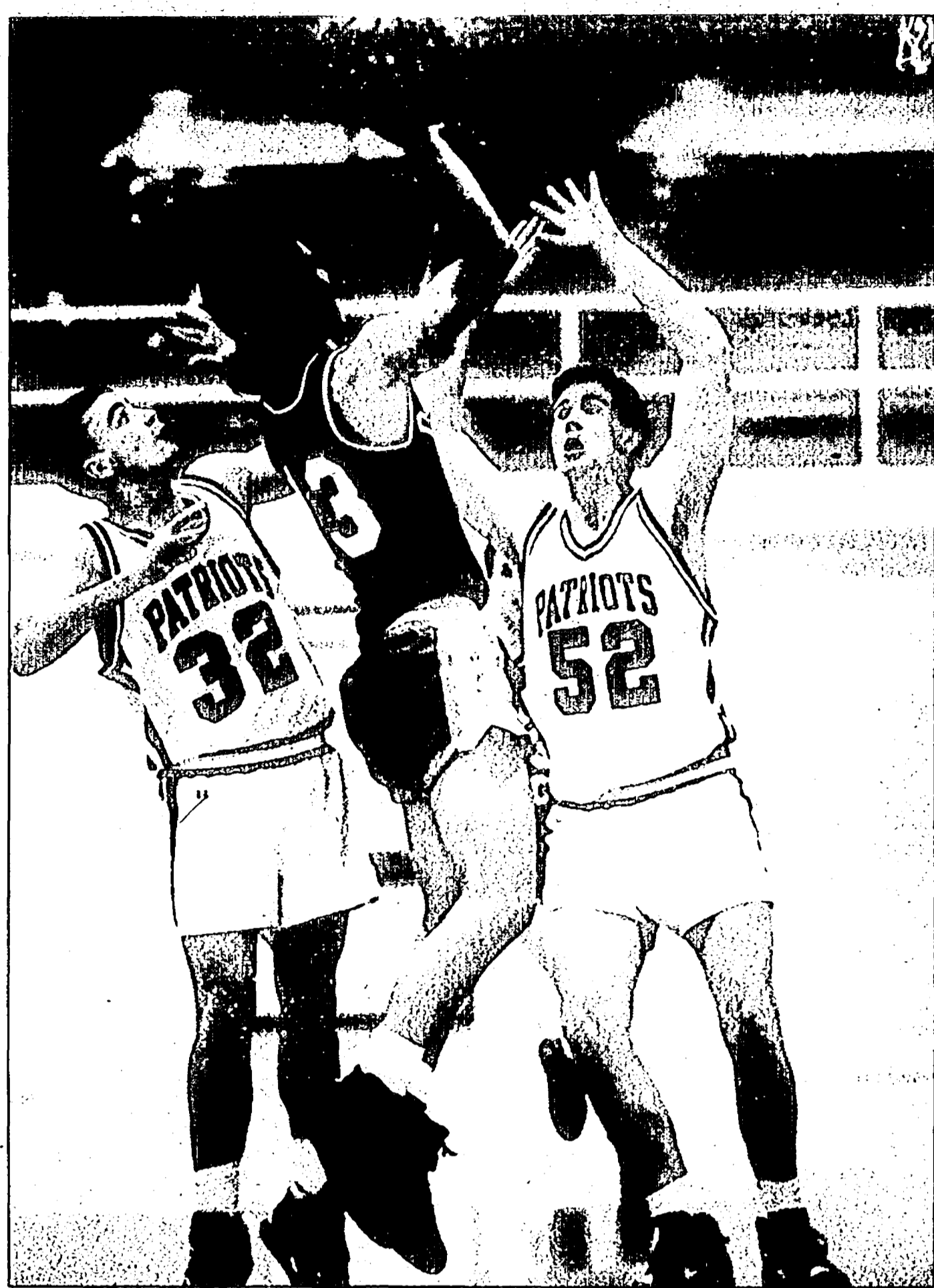
"They came out on us and shot the ball real well," Schoolcraft coach Dave Bogataj said. "They did an excellent job of rebounding, especially on the offensive boards. They had 13 offensive rebounds. You can't do that and win."

Schoolcraft was led by sophomore center Barry Quayle (Dearborn Fordson), who had 19 points and 14 rebounds.

OTHERS IN double figures included sophomore forward Dave Hamilton who had 17 points and 12 rebounds; Lynell Collins (Southfield), a freshman guard, who had 16 points and six assists; freshman guard Kwesi McGill (Detroit St. Hedwig) who contributed 14 points, and sophomore forward Randy Watters, who chipped in 11 points and six rebounds.

"Quayle and Hamilton did a good job on the boards, but the others struggled and disappointed me," Bogataj said.

Freshman Rob Burger paced Siena Heights with 26 points.



JIM JAGDFELO/staff photographer

Garden City's Nick Mutafis (dark jersey) goes up for the shot between Livonia Franklin defenders Keith Roberts (left) and Steve McCool (right) during Friday's non-league basketball clash. Franklin rolled to a 76-45 win.

Pats romp past GC

Roberts nets 21 in win

By Ray Setlock
staff writer

As snow flurries fell outside the Livonia Franklin gymnasium Friday, three-pointers dropped inside, most of which came off the hands of Patriot guard Keith Roberts.

Roberts connected on five three-pointers in Franklin's 76-45 win over visiting Garden City.

A 5-foot-9 junior, Roberts finished the game with 21 points. He tallied 13 of those in the second half.

"My three-point shot has felt real good so far this season," Roberts said. "They were giving it to me out there tonight and almost daring me to shoot it early in the game."

Roberts scored 24 points and connected on four three-pointers in Franklin's only other game of the season, a 71-56 victory over Novi.

"We give Keith the green light to shoot the ball when he wants to," Franklin coach Rod Hanna said. "The only thing we ask is that he read the defense before shooting the ball, and he has done a good job of that. We don't want any bad shots."

FRANKLIN set the tone early in the game, jumping to a quick 13-0 advantage.

Garden City closed the margin in the second quarter, but still trailed by 10 at halftime, 37-27.

"We didn't play with the same kind of intensity in the first half as we did in the second half," Hanna said. "I am glad we picked up the intensity in the second half."

The Patriots picked up the pace, and thanks to a pair of triples from

basketball

Roberts, took a commanding 59-35 lead after three quarters.

"We came out real aggressive in the third quarter and took it to them," Hanna said. "Our aggressiveness caused some important turnovers."

Franklin maintained its lead in the final quarter, outscoring the Cougars 17-10.

"We did not play well in any phase of our game tonight," Garden City rookie coach Mark Cramton said. "We are a better team than we showed in this game."

Roberts wasn't the only Patriot player to contribute on offense. Senior forward Steve McCool chipped in a quiet 19 points and five rebounds, while guard Dave Roman added 13 points.

"**STEVE IS** one of our leaders on the court," Hanna said. "He has done a lot to make himself a better player in the off-season. Steve McCool has dedicated himself to being a complete basketball player for us every game."

Scott Marhugh paced the Cougars with 13 points. Jeff Williams scored 11 points, including a dramatic three-pointer from half court to close out the first half.

"We did a good job of pressuring them on defense," Hanna said. "That is our game. We like to put pressure on the opposition."

Franklin improves to 2-0, while the Cougars fall to 0-2.

New Tiger Stadium in western Wayne?

IT'S TIME TO GET a few things off my chest and pose a few questions.

The new Tiger Stadium in western Wayne County? My money is still on a site closer to downtown. I just hope that if the Tigers do decide to head west, that they make the ballpark accessible off the freeways. From a practical standpoint, they should consider a few more exits and entrances so it doesn't become like the madcap scenes we all hate to see at the Palace.

Is Jud Heathcote serious when he says MSU will never play in a Mid-American Conference gym again because of the way game was officiated recently at Bowling Green? As I recall, Jenison Fieldhouse was no Taj Mahal for visiting teams. For goodness sakes, Jud! Even George Perles wouldn't make those kind of excuses.

Go see Dwayne Kelley play down at Cobo Arena sometime. The University of Detroit guard, a Bishop Borgess grad, is just getting better and better.

The new expanded eight-class format for the state high school football playoffs may have lost the casual fan. The Silverdome seemed too vacant for the featured Class AA championship game (Saturday, Nov. 24) between Redford Catholic Central and Detroit King. The casual fan may have decided to go to Friday's session instead, just to see All-State running back Tyrone Wheatley from Dearborn Heights Robichaud. The atmosphere is just not the same with eight games in two days.

I HOPE the MHSAA keeps girls swimming and girls basketball in the fall.

Mike Donnelly (Livonia Franklin grad and Michigan State product) got an assist the other night with the L.A. Kings. With expansion coming up (three new teams), it's a good bet he'll stick in the National Hockey League.

Happy holidays to Tony Boles, wherever you are. Same goes for Dan Boles.

If I had a vote for the Heisman, I'd have gone with Chris Zorich of Notre



Brad Emons

Dame.

It's a great matchup, but I think the Detroit Country Day-Detroit Southwestern game Dec. 22 at Cobo Arena is going a bit overboard. Thousands of dollars are going to be made at the players' expense.

I'm curious about why officials at Detroit Cooley didn't respond to the charges the MHSAA made regarding coach Ben Kelso?

Jim Karoub is succeeding Gerry Cullin as varsity baseball coach at Livonia Franklin. Karoub has been the JV coach for quite some time and should fit in nicely. He has also coached summer baseball in the Conne Mack circuit. Cullin, by the way, is retiring from coaching, but not from teaching. I appreciate all

the cooperation he gave us over the years. Good luck, Gerry.

UNSUNG PLAYERS to watch during the winter boys basketball season: Mike Thomas (Livonia Churchill), Keith Roberts (Livonia Franklin), Chris Habitz (Lutheran Westland), Cliff Lee (Plymouth Salem), Phil Woods (Livonia Stevenson), Greg Hartman and Rick Barnes (Wayne), Gamal Ahmed (Westland John Glenn), Jeremy MacNichol (St. Agatha), Justin McEwen and Danny Perittola (Redford Thurston), Kevin Riser (Bishop Borgess), Brett Howell (Plymouth Canton), Manish Nandanl (Plymouth Christian) and Bill Chwalk (North Farmington).

Wonder how 6-foot-9 Glenn Szeman (Livonia Stevenson) is doing

down at Vincennes (Ind.) JC?

Speaking of hoop players, John McIntyre (Catholic Central and Missouri) is playing for the Columbus Horizon of the Continental Basketball Association.

Most animated boys basketball coaches on the sidelines: Jim McIntyre (Stevenson), Tom Negoshian (North Farmington), Mike Fusco (Borgess) and Mike Schuette (Thurston).

Cool as cucumbers: Bob Brodie (Plymouth Salem), Mike Teachman (Harrison), Dave Van Wagoner (Canton) and Tip Smathers (Redford Union).

By the way, Chuck Henry, formerly of Wayne High, won his first game as coach at Walled Lake Western.

I'VE LEARNED THAT if you don't have anything good to say about referees, don't say it.

I still wish U-D was still playing at Calihan instead of Cobo.

An all-weather track is long overdue at Redford Union.

When are Livonia administrators

going to turn Bentley's old football field into a soccer complex?

Pay-to-play is really going to kill athletic programs in Wayne-Westland two and three years down the road.

Can't wait to see that brand new gymnasium at Garden City High.

Local cable TV sportscaster of the year: Dan York of MacLean-Hunter.

I liked the combined rendition of the National Anthem sung by the Franklin and Garden City girls basketball players at the district final.

Is Bo Jackson worth the price of admission? No, Barry Sanders is if it's a \$7 bleacher seat at the Silverdome.

Wonder what Bob Dropp does during the winters.

Whatever happened to Dave Jackson and Billy Joe Young?

Wonder who is recruiting Churchill football player Mike Brooks?

If the Lions are having trouble with their defense, maybe they should call CC's Rick Coratti.

Can somebody tell me where this column is all leading?

Chargers ice Franklin

By Steve Kowaleki
staff writer

Livonia Churchill coach Rudy Varvari has a fine hockey team and a pair of assistants any coach would want by his side: Ron Griffin and Russ Lynch.

Griffin is a former Churchill standout who went on to star at the University of Wisconsin.

"We're the three 'R's' (Rudy, Ron and Russ)," said Varvari, "it sounds like a production line."

What they've produced is a solid team, one that could make a run later on this winter for the Class A title. The Chargers stayed undefeated Friday, taking care of city rival Franklin, 7-0 in a Suburban Prep Hockey League game played at Eddie Edgar Arena.

Churchill, which led 3-0 after one period, got three goals from junior center Jamie Allen and three assists from senior defenseman Colin Gallagher. The Chargers dominated from beginning to end and bombarded Franklin goalie Joe Huber with 60 shots.

Sophomore goalie David Watson earned the

hockey

shutout for the Chargers, stopping six Franklin shots on goal. Churchill improved to 5-0 overall and is in first place in the SPIHL at 4-0.

FRANKLIN IS 1-4 overall and winless in two SPIHL games.

"Churchill is the best team in the league and they'll give the 'states' a run," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said. "They're well coached, well disciplined and are real, real smooth. Rudy does a good job with them and I wish them the best of luck."

"In my team's defense, we have only three seniors and four kids on the team who ever played travel hockey. The rest are house-league players. We plan to improve. That's our goal."

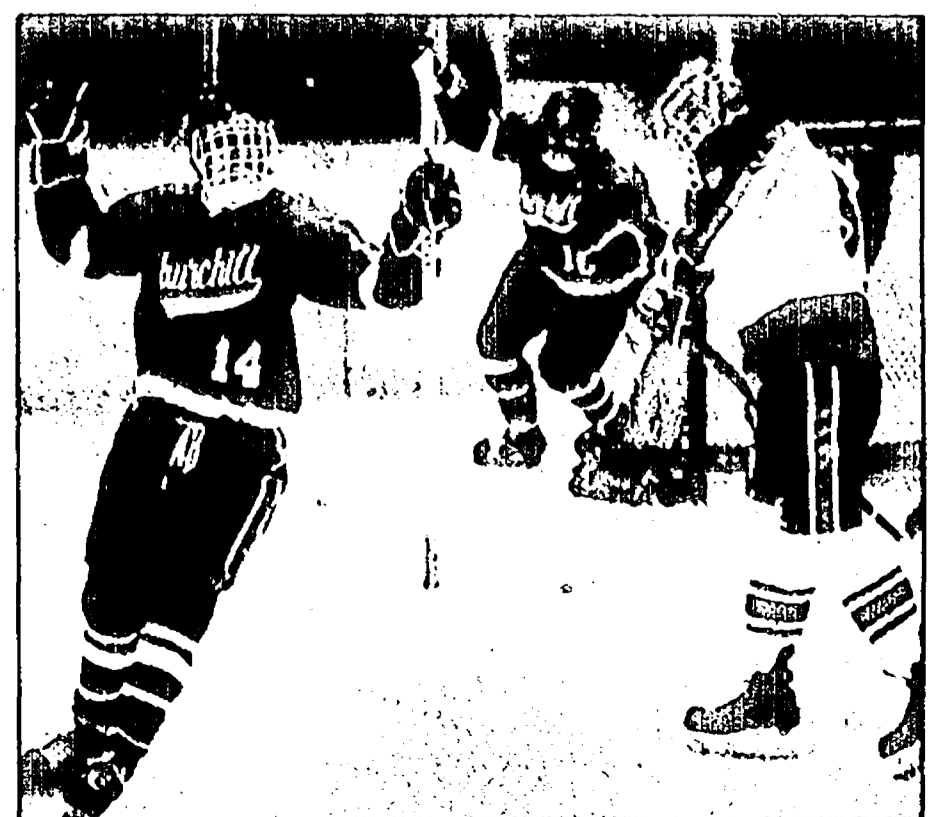
It didn't help that four Patriots had to watch from the sideline, including senior defenseman

Bob Baffy. Baffy will miss at least eight more weeks with a broken hand; transfers Dan Schemanske and Justing Osman are ineligible until January; and junior winger Craig Averill missed the game because of a suspension.

Churchill received single goals by Mark Mycek, Jeff King, Mark Michels and Mike Johnson. Back-checking played a big role in Churchill's success, Varvari said, and the Chargers also capitalized with a pair of power play goals.

"We came ready to play," said Varvari, in his ninth year. "We have three or four (top) guys and each night it's someone different (that stars). I can't single out one kid. It's a team game. Like the other night against (Bloomfield Hills) Andover (a 5-2 win). The big guys didn't come through, but the other guys did."

"**IN HIGH SCHOOL** hockey, you've got six defensemen and 12 forwards. You want to have four consistent lines and this is what I have. Right now this team is better than some of my years."



JIM JAGDFELO/staff photographer

Mark Mycek (left) of Livonia Churchill celebrates a goal during Friday's 7-0 win over city rival Franklin.

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Southfield crushed by Rock avalanche

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Plymouth Salem looked like a team in mid-season form while Southfield looked like a team playing its first basketball game Friday night.

The unbeaten Rocks got key contributions from an assortment of players and gave an impressive demonstration of their power by downing visiting Southfield 69-55. Salem is 2-0, the Blue Jays 0-1.

Jake Baker was the focus of Southfield's defense early, but Mike Mulder and John Hoffmeyer also had big games for the Rocks, taking some pressure off Baker and enabling Salem to establish a first-half lead.

"It's good to see a lot of different people contribute in a lot of different ways," Salem coach Bob Brodie said. "Six-foot-5 Cliff Lee and (6-4) Hoffmeyer did the job on the boards, (guard Chris) Tebben ran the floor and delivered passes on time, Mulder shot the ball well and (6-5 freshman James) Head came off the bench and got some defensive rebounds."

Baker finished with a game-high 21 points after struggling early. Hoffmeyer picked up the slack inside in the first quarter and finished with 14 points. Mulder scored his 13 points in the first half, shooting 4-of-4 from three-point range.

"MIKE MULDER was the key to starting us off," said Baker, who has signed with Central Michigan. "They were keying on me and I wasn't producing. Mike stepped up and ignited us. They knew I wasn't the only one on our team then."

"I think Hoffmeyer is underrated," he added. "If he gets the ball underneath, he scores almost every time." Southfield was the victim of cold shooting — compared to what Salem was doing — and was trying to work out the bugs, according to coach Harry Vanden Brink, against a quality opponent.

Through three quarters, after which Salem had a 62-36 lead, the Rocks shot 49 percent (21-43) and the Blue Jays 30 percent (14-46). Salem was 23-of-53 overall, Southfield 22-of-62.

"First-game inconsistencies showed up in the first half," Vanden Brink said. "We went into the season not knowing how good we were or what we had to work on. We know now."

"We have to work on shooting and defense. I don't think we've given up 44 points in one half in three years."

In most of our games last year, we held teams to 44 points, so that's unusual and unacceptable when you pride yourselves on defense."

HOFFMEYER SCORED eight first-quarter points as Salem took a 20-12 lead. With the Rocks leading 23-18, they outscored Southfield 21-8 to build a 44-24 halftime lead.

Mulder made three second-quarter triples, and Baker, who had 12 points by halftime, converted a four-point play late in the half.

"I feel more confident (shooting the ball) than last year, because I'm going to get more opportunities," Mulder said. "With the guys we've got inside, I feel I can go ahead and shoot because they're going to rebound."

Southfield's Marvin Reynolds had nine of his team-high 11 points in the first half. Tajuan Pickett and Terry Low finished with eight apiece and Hasani Gardner seven.

The Blue Jays were 4-of-13 from the floor in the second quarter and 10-of-30 for the half. Salem was 7-of-10 and 14-of-28, respectively.

"WE HAVE TO work on defense and force people to take shots they don't want to take," Vanden Brink said, "and we let them do what they wanted around the basket."

Salem maintained its first-half

pace in the third quarter. The Rocks were able to circumvent Southfield's attempt to press, and Baker scored another eight points (including his second triple) before sitting out the entire fourth quarter. The Blue Jays scored the last 10 points of the game to lessen a 69-45 difference.

"Jake is going to have a lot of work to do this year," Brodie said. "People will be gunning for him and putting a body on him. But he'll still get his points. He won't always have spectacular nights, but he'll contribute in other ways besides points."

The Rocks accomplished the victory with one of their best players on the bench. K.C. Kirkpatrick, a 6-5 senior, sat out his second straight game with a pulled hamstring, but he should be ready to play this week.

Still, the Rocks were a force inside with Hoffmeyer, Lee and Head complementing Baker, who was 7-of-15 from the floor and had seven rebounds. Hoffmeyer, who replaced Kirkpatrick in the starting lineup, also had seven rebounds and Head six. Tebben and Lee had four assists each.

"The players who were playing are stepping forward and getting valuable time," Brodie said. "Sometimes players reach down that much deeper when a player is not in the lineup."

THE FAST START was a key, according to Brodie, who agreed with Vanden Brink in regards to the difference in field-goal shooting.

"We came out of the blocks quickly and that's important for this basketball team, because teams will be gunning for them," Brodie said.

Eagle cagers squeak by

Redford Thurston improved to 2-0 overall and 1-0 in the Tri-River League Friday with a 40-37 boys basketball win over defending league co-champion Taylor Kennedy.

Senior guard Danny Pertulla led Thurston with 16 points and senior guard Justin McEwen added 11. Jamal Merida's two free throws with 20 seconds left helped clinch the game.

The Eagles jumped out to a 12-7 lead after one quarter and led 27-20 at halftime.

Kennedy rallied to lead, 33-32, after three quarters, but the Eagles outscored the home team by four in the fourth quarter to win.

Senior guard Scott Martinez led Kennedy with 15 points.

"Both our games now we seemed like we were asleep in the third quarter," Thurston coach Mike Schuette said.

REDFORD CC 67, DIVINE CHILD 57 (OT): Senior guard Steve Whitlow tipped-in an intentionally missed free throw at the buzzer Friday to send the game to overtime, and the Shamrocks dominated the rest of the way.

Whitlow and junior Bob Kummer led CC, 2-0 overall, with 18 points each. Paul Kuhn made his first free throw to put CC down, 55-53, with only seconds left in regulation. He missed the second on purpose and Whitlow was there to tip in the ball and tie the game at 55-55 after four quarters.

CC outscored Divine Child, 12-2, in overtime. Senior Jon Barbara, playing his first game, contributed 11 points for the Shamrocks.

CC trailed, 15-8 after one quarter and 29-17 at halftime. The Shamrocks rallied by outscoring the Falcons, 21-14, in the third quarter and reduce the deficit to 43-38.

HOLY REDEEMER 69, ST. AGATHA 67: Poor free throw shooting doomed Redford St. Agatha Friday, as the Aggies lost their season-opener at Detroit Holy Redeemer.

Agatha had four players score in double figures, but made only 10-of-28 free throws. The Aggies trailed, 52-43, after three quarters before outscoring the home team, 24-17 in the fourth quarter to pull close.

Senior forward Jeremy MacNicol led St. Agatha with 26 points. Senior Derwin Henderson had 15 points, while Jerad Kresnak and Todd Reamer contributed 10 apiece.

Redeemer is 1-0.

YPSILANTI 83, JOHN GLENN 52: Ypsilanti outscored Westland John Glenn, 28-7, in the fourth quarter Friday to win the non-conference game convincingly.

Glenn trailed only 55-45, after three quarters. The Rockets, 1-1 overall, made only 18-of-30 free throws and were stung by Ypsilanti's 11 three-point shots.

Chris Slater led the Braves with 22 points, including five

three-pointers. Wayne Miner and Wendell Rodgers had 13 points each.

Senior forward Gamal Ahmed led Glenn with 13 points. Teammates Kevin Champion and Kevin Tomaszewski scored eight points apiece.

DEARBORN 55, CHURCHILL 49: Randy Calettra had 19 points, six blocks and nine rebounds, but it wasn't enough to keep Livonia Churchill from puffering its first defeat at Dearborn.

The Chargers, 1-1 overall, trailed 18-8 after one quarter and 29-31 at halftime. This was the season-opener for Dearborn, which was led by forward Mohammed Abdrabboh's 26 points. "It was a tough loss," Churchill coach Fred Price said. "They came at us in the first quarter. We didn't play defense in the first quarter."

Mike Thomas contributed 17 points and six rebounds to the Churchill attack.

WAYNE MEMORIAL 64, TRENTON 60 (2OTs): Wayne Memorial overcame its own deficiencies Friday to win its Wolverine A League opener in double overtime over visiting Trenton.

The Zebras, 1-1 overall, made only 10-of-28 free throws. The two teams were tied at 75-75 after one overtime, but Wayne outscored Trenton, 9-5, in the second overtime.

Trenton, winless in two games, missed a last second shot at the end of regulation that would have won the game. Wayne missed one at the end of the first overtime.

Greg Hartman led three players in double figures for Wayne with 22 points. Hartman's steal and basket with 20 seconds left in the second overtime gave the Rockets the lead for good.

Rick Barnes had 18 points and Lee Williams contributed 12. "They out-played us, out-hustled us and nothing bounced our way," Wayne coach Dan Henry said. "It was the exact opposite of Tuesday's game against (Redford) Catholic Central."

LUTHERAN WEST 68, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 48: Detroit Lutheran West outscored Lutheran Westland, 18-9, in the first quarter, and 18-12, in the fourth quarter Friday to go away victorious.

Westland, 1-1 overall, got 12 points from sophomore Kevin Nelson and 10 points from senior forward Dave Glelow. Chris Habitz, one of Westland's offensive threats, played only two minutes before leaving the game with an ankle sprain.

Patrick Van Horn led Lutheran West with 16 points.

GC UNITED 66, SALINE CHRIST. 62: Garden City United outscored Saline Christian, 38-24, in the second half to improve its overall record to 5-1.

Saline is winless in five games.

United had a balanced attack, led by junior guard Brian Johnson's 21 points. Junior forward Jason Cavin had 20, while senior forward Ragnar poured in 18 points and had a team-high 18 rebounds.

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Second team: Lisa Wilmoth, junior center, Dearborn; Jenny Horosko, junior forward, Garden City; Jeni Shore, freshman guard, Edsel Ford; Karla Matesic senior center, Garden City; Ali Cooper, junior guard, Woodhaven; Danielle Soret, senior forward, Redford Union and Rachel Clor, freshman forward, Redford Union.

Honorable Mention: Jenny Wilson, junior forward, Woodhaven; Tracy Thompson, senior guard, Garden City; Stacy Stonefish, senior forward, Edsel Ford; Nicole Liepel, junior center, Woodhaven; Sherry Harper, junior forward, Garden City and Debbie Knezovich, junior guard, Woodhaven.

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BOWLING SOURCES SEEM to agree, the most effective way to throw strikes is to toss the ball in such a manner that it will hit the pocket at an angle. The greater the angle, the more likely it is you're going to roll a strike.

All coaches and instructors agree on this point: the greater the angle of entry at the target, the less deflection of the ball when it hits.

In addition to everything else, bowling is pretty much a game of angles. Even when throwing at certain spares, the proper angle can make the difference between making or missing a shot.

I am amazed at how many good bowlers still shoot spares without considering the most advantageous angle to the target. An example of this is the 3-10 baby split, where the ball should deflect off the three-pin and take out the 10. Your chances of making this split are much better if you shoot across the alley with as much angle as possible.

SPARE-SHOOTING at the corner pins also requires good cross-lane skills since the target area is actually smaller because of the channel. The proper angle increases your chances of hitting the corner pins.

Another common problem is the chopped or cherry picker on a combination spare. You can actually cut down your chances of making the spare by using the wrong angle.

The pins appear to be very one-dimensional when viewed from the foul line. Actually, each row of pins is one foot back of each row, leaving a lot of room to pick the cherry or leave the back pin just when you think you have it!

Of all the thousands of bowlers out there, everybody does it differently. Whether you have a different arm-swing, release, speed and ball action or whether you throw a hook, straight ball or back up, the same rules regarding angles apply to you.

Get the best angle you can to carry the strikes and use the angles to your advantage when shooting spares.

• **YOU CAN** bowl with the stars at the **Celebrity Pro-Am** on Saturday, Dec. 15, at **Satellite Bowl** on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn Heights. First prize is \$750.

Among the stars will be professional bowlers Cheryl Daniels and Lisa Wagner, U.S. Open Champion Dana Miller-Mackie, former Detroit Tiger Darrell Evans and many other local celebrities and guests.

Bowl three games with three different celebrities and win cash. This is a no-tap event.

• Reservations are now being taken at **Bel Aire Lanes** for the **New Years Eve No-Tap Doubles Party**. It all begins at 9:30 p.m. and costs \$30 per couple. Entry includes prize money, party favors and a champagne toast at midnight. Jackpots are optional.

• Enter the **Jingle Bell Bow Ladies No-Tap Singles** at 9:30 a.m., Monday, Dec. 17, at **Merri Bowl** in Livonia.

A \$10 entry fee includes salad bar luncheon, three games of no-tap, two high game jackpots (handi-

10-pin alley AI Harrison

capped), two mystery games, trophies for first, second and third place, pick-a-bell for your tree, position pay-offs and Santa Claus will visit your children in the playroom.

For further details call 427-2900.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Bel Aire Lanes (Farmington): Bel Aire West Side Men's League — Bob Duran, 263/652; John Wegand, 211/602; Jeff Nabozny, 225; Jim McPhail Jr., 220/649; James Anderson, 246; John Vadas, 226/625; Ken Ginter, 226/611; John Falera, 212; Ray Fr. 214/605; Jim Paul Sr., 211; Mark Pargo, 217.
Bel Aire Kiddy Alternates: Larry Lynn, 266/714; Steve McKay, 219; Terry Patterson, 234/620; Dale Bohannon, 225/634.
Bel Aire Friday Night Mixed: Kate Hildinger, 211; Candy Brakley, 224/566; Jim Pappas, 212/628; Steve Woodward, 232/623; Bob Latham, 209.
Lanes Night Out: Karen Donohoe, 202; Cheryl Palmer, 202; Connie Voosen, 233/666; Marilyn Duman, 212.
Probowlers: Bob Traker Jr., 266.
Senior House League: John Robertson, 248/666; Darryl Roford, 246/646; Glenn Libow, 235/673; B.B. Dyer, 231; Mel Pantovich, 245/657; Al Harrison, 246/632; Neil Beckman, 226/629; B.J. Caram, 257/661; Ken Hooper, 232/632; John Gundrod, 234; Ron Enders, 236/657; Bud Grogan, 232/627; Mark Abo, 234; Tom Jenkins, 228/643; Tony Van Meter, 233; Paul Koeng, 247; Dave Halstead, 252/628; Jeff Esenberg, 253/633; Ken Ginter, 243/644.
Drabshire Lanes (Farmington Hills): Sunday Youth Classic Travel League — Butch Clark, 258-218-300/716; J.J. Ushom, 219/669; Marc Absta, 268/712; Keith McDonald, 257/710; Mark Alexander, 216/696; Chris Emmitt, 275.
Country Lanes (Farmington Hills): Greenfield Mixed League — Lee Snow, 219/729; Phil Stony, 257/718; Vern Gooding, 266/654; Jim Waldrop, 235/634; Tom Gow, 238/661; Tom Letman, 243/591; Paul LaBar, 232; Sherry Pettie, 221/624; Sue Addy, 216; Chuck O'Rourke, 237; John Stancho, 236; Tony Van Meter, 240; Ron Turner, 236; Ed Wright, 224; Ed Osceaski, 213/595.
Brotherhood-Eddie Jacobson B Bar Birch: Mark Kingler, 266/666; Stu Goldstein, 244/632; Barry Farkun, 234/620; Stan Farkelstein, 229/604; Ron Matich, 243; Larry Horn, 235; Mark Rowe, 234.
Fiesta Lanes (Westland): Garden City Hospital League — Ron Lazenby and Kathy Janski, made the 7-10 split; Marty Straty, 226/663; Dan O'Connor, 225/583; Dolores Kennedy, 209/517; Janet Smith, 205.
Wednesday All Coffee: Linda Shapiro, 246/597; Eva Reynolds, 214/550.
Fiesta Lanes: C. Bryan, 220; L. Eby, 217/568; B. Heaska, 212/555.
Merri Bowl (Livonia): Parks and Recreation Youth League Preps — Matthew Ann, 168/331; Michael Addison, 142/269; David Nay, 149/242; Tracy Hendrick, 847/158.
East Lutheran League: Rusty Belanger, 259/713.
Right Approach Trio League: Charlie Rife, 701; Mike Luch, 599.
St. Gene's Men's League: Dave Rowe, 700; Brian Puckett, 654.
Youth League: Josh Sanders, 183/448.
Saturday YABA Juniors Division Prep/Bantam: Amber Cori, 94; Ange Garrow, 94.
Oak Lanes (Westland): Tuesday Men's League — Jim Parker, 245/618.
Tuesday Night Rollers Mixed: Sandra White, 202.
Tuesday Night Men's League: Richard Dorems, 234; Chris Soux, 253/629.
Larry Belmont, 236/633; Larry Greeno, 235; Gary Bird, 232.
Old Couples Mixed League: Mark McCusker, 216.
Sunday Funsters Mixed League: Ted Herbot, 233.
Wednesday High Men's League: Ransom Post, 254; Robert Terberg, 245; James Kozar, 236.
Wednesday Dancers Ladies: Sande Powell, 239; Karen Ness, 212; Linda Kestor, 210; Barb Scriber, 212.
Woodland Lanes (Livonia): Saturday Youth League — Gill Bracey, 198; Monica Knudson, 213.
Men's Trip League: M.J. Albrite, 225/671; Oak Wood, 257/697; John Wozniak, 265/691; Jim Stetson, 209/728; Dave Norwick, 258/718.
Senior House League: Glenn Libow, 266/706; Nick Witoszka, 245/697; Scott Linder, 666; Pat Charrand, 682; Jerry Tomczak, 257/727; Jeff Adamczyk, 242/652; Ken Smutz, 669.
Morning Groves: Helen Haney, 222.
Lyndon Meadows League: Kathy Daniels, 222; Lyn Bisharski, 220.
Herc's: Ed Kovinsky, 278.
Afternoon Druggists: Meg Sader, 242.
Mayflower Lanes (Plymouth): JAMES PIERCE, 60 of Garden City, noted a 300 GAME on Dec. 6. He also shot 187 and 212 for a 693 series. Pierce has been bowling 33 years.
Redford Lanes (Redford): West Side Lutheran League — Randy Kohn, 230/657; Walter Moritz, 243/646; Ken Ruth, 233/640; Don Johnson, 235/628; Dan Zenne, 238/622.

hockey Churchill romps, 7-0

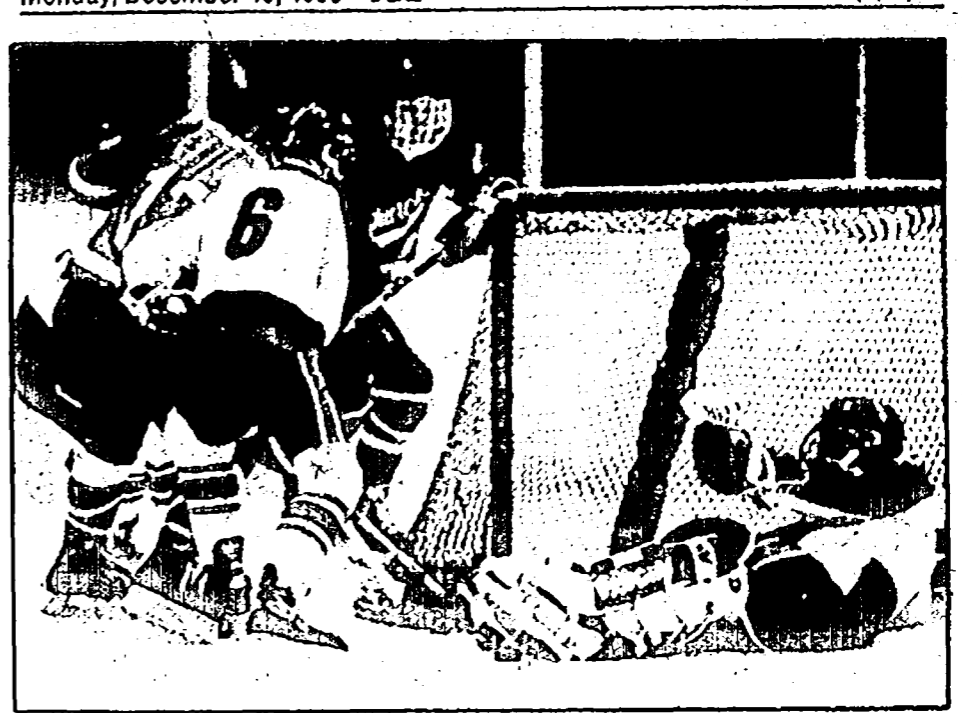
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Churchill opened the scoring 3:29 into the first period when Allen scored his first goal from the slot off a nifty pass from King. The Chargers increased the lead to two as Mycek took a pass from Paul Pagnani and drilled the puck into the upper right-hand corner past Huber.

Churchill took a 3-0 lead after one period on Allen's second goal, assisted by Gallagher.

King scored 1:35 into the second period for a 4-0 lead, and Allen finished his hat trick with 8:56 gone in the period to make it 5-0.

The Chargers fought off a four-man to three-man disadvantage midway through the second period and got goals from Michels and Johnson in the final period to put the Patriots



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Franklin goalie Joe Huber (right) slides down on the puck as defenseman Larry Harrigan (left) covers up.

away. Despite the outcome, Jobbitt praised the play of Huber, along with defenseman Bryan Berger and centers Rick Bernard and Shane Hastings.

"Huber gave us fabulous goaltending, without him in net it could have been a lot worse," Jobbitt said. "All four played a real good game. We had several others step forward but not that consistently."

Schloss spurs Redford CC icers; Lathrup ties Livonia Stevenson, 4-4

After trailing 1-0 in the first intermission Wednesday, the Redford Catholic Central hockey team tallied three goals in the final two periods, defeating host Ann Arbor Pioneer 3-1 at Yost Arena.

CC (2-2) got two goals from Paul

Schloss and one from Dave Gallagher. Jesse Hubenschmidt and Bill Baaki each added two assists.

Freshman Mike Brusseau earned the win in goal for the Shamrocks, making 22 saves.

STEVENSON 4, LATHRUP 4: Nick Sata scored with 2:35 remaining in the game Wednesday to help Livonia Stevenson earn a tie with visiting Southfield Lathrup (0-2-1) at Edgar Arena.

Mark Peterson's opening period goal gave the Spartans a 1-0 lead. Sata and Ryan Gussick drew the assists.

Lathrup scored three times in the second period, thanks to two goals from Aaron Titus and one goal from Nathan Titus. Frank Eupizi added a goal for Stevenson in the second period. Bush recorded the assist, making the score 3-2 in favor of Lathrup.

Mike Schmidt scored early in the third period for the Spartans, evening the score at three.

Lathrup then took a 4-3 lead when Aaron Titus completed his hat trick midway through the third period. That lead was maintained until Sata's goal tied the score.

The Spartans (1-2-1) outshot Lathrup 24-18.

CHURCHILL 5, ANDOVER 2: Livonia Churchill improved its record to 4-0 with Wednesday's win over visiting Bloomfield Hills Andover at Edgar Arena.

Mark Mycek, Dan Imperati, Jamie Allen, Mark Michels and Mike Johnson all scored goals for the Chargers.

Sophomore David Watson recorded the shutout in goal.

"We are keeping the ball rolling," Churchill coach Rudy Varvari said of his team's perfect start. "We beat a good team."

WYANDOTTE 10, FRANKLIN 1: Livonia Franklin fell to 1-3 following Wednesday's loss to host Wyandotte at Yack Arena.

sports roundup

SOCCER TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Michigan Elite (boys under-19) Soccer Club, coached by Schoolcraft College men's coach Van Dimitriou, have been changed to 4 p.m. Tuesday (Dec. 11) at the Canton Soccer Dome (off Michigan Avenue, west of I-275).

Premier players (born 1972-73) are invited.

For more information, call Wayne Wozarz at 455-4011.

the week ahead

BOYS BASKETBALL
Tuesday, Dec. 11
Liv. Churchill at Trenton, 7:30 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Belleville, 7:30 p.m.
Southgate at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Redford Union, 7:30 p.m.
Farmington at Waterford Mott, 7:30 p.m.
Birm. Seaholm at N. Farmington, 7:30 p.m.
Taylor Center at Red. Thurston, 7:30 p.m.
Wayne Memorial at Ply. Canton, 7:30 p.m.
Monroe at Ply. Salem, 7:30 p.m.
Brighton at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.
Bish. Borgess at Dbn. Divine Child, 7:30 p.m.
St. Agatha at Allen Pk. Cabrin, 7:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at B.H. Roeper, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 13
Huron Valley at Mich. School of Deaf, 7 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Harper Woods, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
Ply. Christian at Liv. Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.
Liv. Churchill at Liv. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at Dearborn, 7:30 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Dbn. Edsel Ford, 7:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Redford Union, 7:30 p.m.
A.A. Huron at Ply. Salem, 7:30 p.m.
D.H. Annapolis at Red. Thurston, 7:30 p.m.
Wayne Memorial at Wyandotte, 7:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 15
Liv. Churchill at S.C.S. Lakeview, 4:30 p.m.
Redford CC vs. East Kentwood at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 12
Oakland CC at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
Schoolcraft at Flint Mott, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit Jordan at Oakland CC, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 12
Schoolcraft at Grand Rapids, J.C. 7 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
Flint Mott at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Wednesday, Dec. 12
Schoolcraft at Grand Rapids, J.C. 7 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
Flint Mott at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.

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Hoop scoop

Claar, Warner lead area's top cagers

By Brad Emons and Dan O'Moara staff writers

FRED THOMANN was an imposing figure at 6 feet, 8 inches when he served as captain of Michigan State's basketball squad during the mid-1960s.

And his Plymouth Salem girls basketball teams are no different, particularly during the past fall as the Rocks advanced all the way to the

state Class A semifinals before losing to eventual champion Detroit King.

Salem finished the year with a 22-4 overall record, winning the 12-school Western Lakes Activities Association championship, along with district and regional crowns.

Thomann now has an overall record of 162-35 with the Salem girls.

Because of his efforts, coupled with the success of the Salem squad, Thomann was named Coach of the Year by the Observer sports staff.

This year's All-Area squad has a little bit of everything: prolific scorers and team-oriented players

who were very instrumental in their team's success.

North Farmington's Eve Claar and Livonia Franklin's Dawn Warner both repeat as first-team performers.

Introducing the 1990 All-Area Girls Basketball Team:

FIRST TEAM PICKS

Eve Claar, senior, N. Farmington: The area's leading scorer at 25 points per game, Claar also averaged eight rebounds and three steals.

The 5-foot-6 senior guard also shot 42 percent from three-point range and was responsible for 70 percent of the Raiders'

points. She may be best remembered for scoring 32 of her team's 37 points in an upset victory over Plymouth Salem.

Bound for Central Michigan University, Claar holds the North career scoring mark with 1,262 points.

"Whenever we needed a basket or three-point shot, we could get one from Eve," North coach Lance Davis said. "And I don't think I'll ever have that luxury again."

"She's a very good shooter — I would think the best in the state — off the dribble or pick."

"She's an outstanding student-athlete (3.5 GPA). Very quiet and nice off the court. Gully and hard-hosed at times on the court. She's very intense."

Dawn Warner, junior, Franklin: The 5-7 junior, a three-year varsity stand-out at guard, led the 19-4 Patriots in seven categories including points per game (18.9), rebounds per game (8.5), steals, blocked shots, field goal percentage (37.7), free throw percentage (80.7) and three-pointers (38).

Warner scored a team-high 454 points during 1990 to raise her career total to 1,216.

"Her biggest trait is her rebounding, number one as a guard, and the other thing is that she is unselfish, she passes well," Franklin coach Dan Freeman said. "She's also the kind of player who brings her game up a level when she's playing tough competition. When it's crunch time, she wants that pressure."

Warner also holds the school single-game scoring record with 40 points.

Carrie Walton, senior, Mercy: Walton was a unanimous choice as Mercy's most valuable player. Playing small forward, she averaged 11 points, five rebounds, 2½ assists and 4½ steals per game.

Walton scored in double figures in 14 of the first 18 games. She had severe case of tonsillitis during the tournament, which sapped her strength, according to coach Larry Baker.

Walton also set a single-season school record, formerly held by Jenny Clinton, with 102 steals.

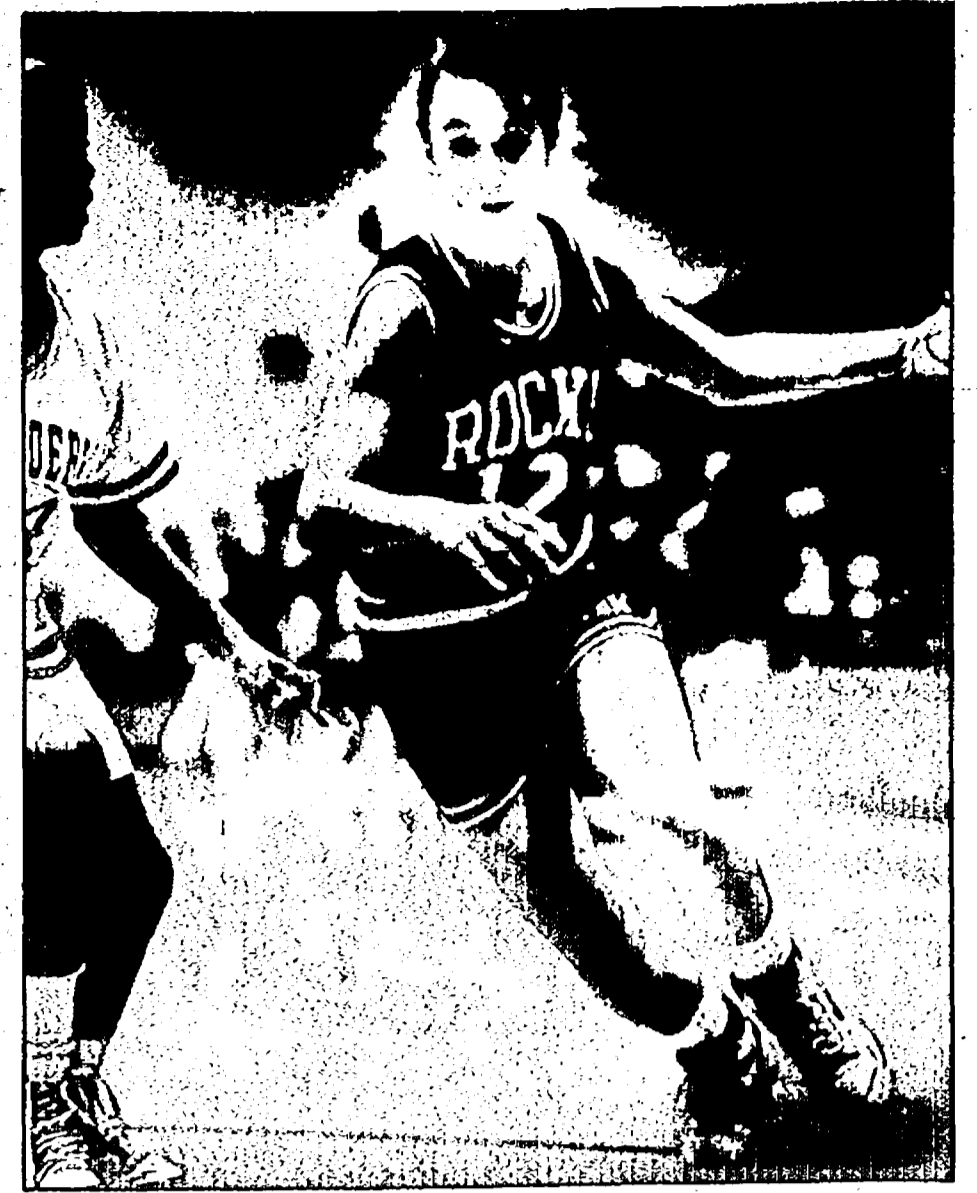
"It was a standing joke in practice you were a fool if you tried to pass over Carrie," Baker said. "She has long, long arms and good hands. If she stole 4.4 passes per game, she touched another 4.4 and someone else got the steal."

"Since her sophomore year, she's been a good defensive player, but this year she became an offensive force, too."

Sarah Ruete, senior, Salem: Ruete was the leading scorer on a well-rounded team, helping Salem win the Western Lakes Activities Association title for the fourth time in six years. The Rocks also got to the quarterfinals of the state tournament for the third time in five years.

The 5-foot-7 Ruete was a three-year starter, averaging 13 points, 5½ rebounds, more than two assists and 3½ steals this year.

"Her strength is her ability to put points on the board," coach Fred Thomann



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Sarah Ruete made first team All-Area after leading Plymouth Salem to the state Class A semifinals.

said, "and the rest of her game was solid. She had range, she could shoot the three, she could drive to the basket and she was a pretty good rebounder when she went. She also made a lot of clutch free throws during the year."

Kyra Woodard, senior, Borgess: The 5-6 senior averaged 23.9 points per game for the Spartans.

She was voted first-team All-State (Class B) by the Michigan High School Basketball Coaches Association. Woodard was also a unanimous choice in the AA Division of the Catholic League.

Woodard scored a career-high 40 points against Saline.

"I wish more people knew about her," Borgess coach Dave Mann said. "I will not live long enough to coach somebody as physically gifted as she is."

"If she gets her work habits up to her ability in college, she'll be an exceptional player."

Woodard, who possesses good ball-handling and passing skills, has signed with Duquesne (Pa.) University, a Division I school.

Carolyn Shanks, senior, Garden City: A three-year starter, the 5-5 point-guard averaged 12.9 points per game while averaging only 14 shots per contest.

She led the Northwest Suburban League champs and 19-2 Cougars in steals (5.9) and assists per game (4.9). The senior holds career and season marks in both categories.

Shanks also set the GC record for free throw percentage (66.1) and is the

school's second all-time leading scorer with 650 points.

"Carolyn was important to our team because of the fact that she distributed the ball," Garden City coach Marshall Henry said. "She didn't have to score for us to win basketball games. Her value was at the defensive end. She has the quickest hands I've seen along with quick feet."

"She's just a good all-around floor player, very unselfish."

Shanks is also a first-team All-Area softball player (shortstop).

Stephanie Locke, senior, Lutheran Westland: A virtual unknown, except by area coaches who have seen her abilities in AAU games.

The 5-8 guard-forward, a four-year varsity performer, averaged 22 points, eight rebounds, four assists and five steals for the Class C Warriors, who finished 15-6 overall.

"Overall she improved her game and her mental approach," coach Kim Melton said. "She's a leader on the court, and off the court, she'll help anybody. She's well-liked by her teammates and classmates."

"Stephanie was satisfied with her season, but she knows she still has a lot to learn. That's what is unique about her. She's a gifted athlete, but wants to learn more. She does score a lot of steals and rebounds. Also a great defensive player."

Locke erased any doubts about her ability when she went head-to-head against All-Catholic performer Kathy Offer of Royal Oak Shrine, scoring 25 points in the district opener.

all-area girls basketball

1990 ALL-AREA GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM

FIRST TEAM

Eve Claar North Farmington
Dawn Warner Livonia Franklin
Carrie Walton Farmington Mercy
Sarah Ruete Plymouth Salem
Kyra Woodard Bishop Borgess
Carolyn Shanks Garden City
Stephanie Locke Lutheran Westland

SECOND TEAM

Mary Barna Plymouth Canton
Holly Miller Walled Lake Western
Shannon Morris Redford Union
Rebecca Wisley Livonia Ladywood
Julianne Steslak Livonia Franklin
Yolanda Jackson Plymouth Salem
Stephanie Gray Plymouth Canton

THIRD TEAM

Karyn Koslowski Walled Lake Central
Darcie Miller Plymouth Salem
Heather Hopkins Farmington Harrison
Laure DeMattia Farmington Mercy
Carolyn Nagel Redford Thurston
Chrissy Daly Livonia Churchill
Teresa Sarino Livonia Stevenson

HONORABLE MENTION

Plymouth Salem: Betsy McAlister, Christy Parmucha, Emily Gylbank, Livonia Franklin: Patty Shea, Jenny Mayer, Farmington Hills: Macy Kathleen Bergan, Maureen Paffen, Kathleen Gerigk, Susie Atchison, Garden City: Krystal Matesic, Karla Matesic, Jenny Horosko, Plymouth Canton: Julia Nossari, Livonia Stevenson: Jenny Rudel, Leora Zalorski, Redford Thurston: Patty Hanes, Dawn Kocster, Walled Lake Central: Cindy Muha, Jenny Czach, North Farmington: Dana Boywick, Redford Union: Wendy Malecki, Rachel Olor, Walled Lake Western: Dawn Godfrey, Jami Aless, Livonia Ladywood: Lesly Catanzarite, Mary Jo Kelly, Livonia Churchill: Alyssa Betare, Christina Garry, Westland John Glenn: Cathy Mink, Carrie Rachwal, Farmington: Shea Gal, Kerri Owczarzak, Kim Owczarzak, Farmington Harrison: Andrea Nilsson, Redford Bishop Borgess: Angie Kendrick, Wayne Memorial: Mitchell Ernst, Lotte Homgren, Livonia Clarenceville: Rhonda Saunders, Lutheran Westland: Christy Prydn, Redford St. Agatha: Laura Williams, Rachel Tymczak, Huron Valley Lutheran: Brenda Mayrow, Plymouth Christian: Jenny Moore.



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Dinner theater show set Tuesday at Maplewood

BLOOD PRESSURE
Saturday, Dec. 8, 22 — Free blood pressure screenings will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Wonderland Mall main court, east entrance by Montgomery Ward, Plymouth Road and Middlebelt. Volunteer nurses will be on hand to provide counseling for medication.

DINNER THEATER
Tuesday, Dec. 11 — Family Dinner Theater presents "Prince Featherhead" by Ann Arbor Goodtime Players at 6 p.m. in Maplewood Community Center, 3175 Maplewood Boulevard. Tickets, sold only in advance at the center, are \$5. For information, call Maplewood Center Supervisor Val O'Rourke at 525-8846.

SANTA LUNCH
Saturday, Dec. 15 — The Wayne-Westland Family Y will host a luncheon with Santa Claus at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. at St. John Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Pictures will be available. There will be songs and festivities.

SCOUT ANNIVERSARY
Monday, Dec. 17 — Boy Scout Troop 745 from Westland will celebrate its 20th anniversary at 6 p.m. in St. Theodore Church, on Wayne Road, just south of Joy. There will be a potluck dinner and court of honor ceremony. Any scout who has participated in the troop's activities over the 20 years of its charter is invited. For information, call Tom Hicks at 581-3869.

GED TESTS
Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 17-18 — Livonia Public Schools will offer GED tests 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia. For more information, call 523-9294.

CARIBBEAN CRUISE
Tuesday, Dec. 18 — A free slide show presentation on an Eastern Caribbean Cruise aboard the "S.S. Seabreeze" will be 10 a.m. in the Cambridge Adult and Community Education Center, 28901 Cambridge, east of Middlebelt. For information, call 422-7198.

DINNER DANCE
Friday, Dec. 21 — Westland Therapeutic Recreation Program will hold a "Jingle Bells Dinner Dance" in the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford, between Wayne Road and Newburgh. This party is for all people with disabilities, their

families and friends. There will be a lasagna dinner, followed by a deejay-hosted dance. Cost is \$5 for Westland residents and \$7 for non-residents. For more information and tickets, call 722-7620.

TOPS
Thursdays — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 10 a.m. Thursdays in the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. For information, call 422-2297 or 581-9205.

FITNESS GYM
Monday-Saturday — The Wayne-Westland Family Y will sponsor a fitness gym open 6 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Daily guest pass is \$5 per visit. For information, call 721-7044.

PLAY/LEARN
The Wayne-Westland YMCA is accepting registrations for children ages 2½ through 6 years of age for its Play and Learn Program. For more information, call 721-7044.

DANCERS WANTED
The Polish Centennial Dancers are accepting registrations for fall. Students ages 3 through adults can learn Polish folk dancing, American polkas, along with a touch of jazz and various routines. For information, call 427-2636 or 464-1263.

CARDIAC GROUP
Mondays — A cardiac support group meets the second and fourth Monday of every month 7-8:30 p.m. in Garden City Osteopathic Hospital classroom No. 1, 6245 N. Inkster Road at Maplewood. The group will offer educational and emotional support of cardiac patients and their families.

TRAVEL GROUP
Fridays — The Travel Group meets every Friday at 12:45 p.m. in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or special program is planned. Program includes speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents; \$12.50 for non-residents. For more information, call 722-7632.

SCHOOL GROUP
Fridays — The Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Meeting House

community calendar

Non-profit groups should mail items for the calendar to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. The date, time and place of the event should be included, along with the name and phone number of someone who can be reached during business hours to clarify information.

(formerly The Rowe House), 37025 Marquette. The group informs citizens of important issues regarding the community schools. For information, call Dave Moranty at 729-1748.

CLASSES OPEN
St. David's Nursery School, 27500 Marquette, Garden City is accepting applications for the 1990-91 school year. Classes are available for 3- and 4-year-olds. For information or an appointment to visit, call Greta Kenen at 422-3187 or Jenny Schlarer at 295-7790.

MEDICAL SERVICE
Fridays — Free medical service,

provided by Dr. Stanley Sczeczelski, is available every Friday beginning 9 a.m. (appointments only), at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Service will include consultation, blood pressure readings, heart and lung check, and ear, nose and throat examination. If a potentially serious problem is found, Dr. Sczeczelski will refer you or recommend you to your own doctor. For information, call 722-7632.

EXERCISE
Monday-Friday — A daily exercise program for retirees 50 and over meets 9:30-10:30 a.m. with an instructor at Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. The pro-

gram will be inside and outside on the walking course. The Exercise Room is also open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with commercial exercise equipment geared to the retiree's needs. Membership cards are \$5 per year for residents and \$10 for non-members. For more information, call 722-7628.

HAIRCUTS
Wednesdays — Haircuts are available 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Cost is \$5 for men and \$6 for women. Perms are also available. For information, call 722-7632.

HYPERTENSION
Hypertension screening will be provided by United Care and Westland Medical Center 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, except for the fifth Monday of the month. A nurse from Home Health Care will provide blood pressure screenings 9-10 a.m. every Thursday. Screenings also will be, by appointment with Dr. Sczeczelski at 9 a.m. Fridays.

TOASTMASTERS
Thursdays — Toastmasters will have a public speaking seminar at 6:30 p.m. in Denny's Restaurant, 7742 N. Wayne Road at Cowan. For

more information or reservations, call 455-1635.

JOBS
Part-time jobs are available for low-income men and women 55 and older through the Senior Community Service Employment Program. For more information, call Lynne at 722-2830.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT
Wednesdays — Members of a support group for Alzheimer's Disease meet at 2 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the Westland Convalescent Center, 36137 Warren Road. For information, call 728-6100.

HOST LIONS
Thursdays — The Westland Host Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, in the Red Lobster Restaurant on Wayne Road, north of Ford.

TOPS
Thursdays — TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in the Garden City Education Center (the former Harrison School), on Harrison, north of Maplewood. For information, call Delores Grenke at 427-8824.

**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
ORDINANCE NO. A-90-017**

The City Council of the City of Garden City, in accordance with the City Charter and Labor Negotiations between it and the Police Officers Association of Michigan (Dispatch Unit) hereby adopts and establishes the following salaries for its Dispatch Unit employees for the period of October 1, 1990 through September 30, 1993.

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:

SALARY ORDINANCE: POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN (DISPATCH UNIT) EMPLOYEES

| Section 1 | EMPLOYEES HIRED PRIOR TO JANUARY 17, 1983 | | | | |
|------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | Effective 10-01-90 | Effective 10-01-91 | Effective 10-01-92 | Effective 10-01-93 | Effective 10-01-93 |
| Senior Secretary | \$25,192 | \$25,829 | \$26,471 | \$27,119 | \$27,779 |
| Secretary | \$23,504 | \$24,164 | \$24,829 | \$25,499 | \$26,174 |
| Ordinance Officer | \$22,682 | \$23,374 | \$24,071 | \$24,774 | \$25,482 |
| Bailiff | \$22,371 | \$23,074 | \$23,781 | \$24,494 | \$25,212 |
| Animal Control Officer | \$22,474 | \$23,196 | \$23,924 | \$24,657 | \$25,395 |
| Clerk Leader/Secretary | \$20,978 | \$21,724 | \$22,474 | \$23,229 | \$23,989 |
| Senior Clerk | \$19,279 | \$19,996 | \$20,719 | \$21,447 | \$22,180 |
| Dispatcher | \$20,155 | \$20,891 | \$21,632 | \$22,378 | \$23,127 |
| Clerk | \$18,272 | \$19,024 | \$19,781 | \$20,543 | \$21,310 |
| Assistant Clerk | \$15,743 | \$16,511 | \$17,284 | \$18,062 | \$18,845 |

| Section 2 | EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 17, 1983 | | | | |
|------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D | E |
| Senior Secretary | \$19,854 | \$19,979 | \$20,107 | \$20,239 | \$20,374 |
| Secretary | \$18,472 | \$18,611 | \$18,752 | \$18,896 | \$19,042 |
| Ordinance Officer | \$18,350 | \$18,504 | \$18,661 | \$18,821 | \$18,982 |
| Animal Control Officer | \$18,350 | \$18,504 | \$18,661 | \$18,821 | \$18,982 |
| Clerk Leader/Secretary | \$18,288 | \$18,453 | \$18,621 | \$18,791 | \$18,962 |
| Senior Clerk | \$18,196 | \$18,375 | \$18,557 | \$18,742 | \$18,929 |
| Dispatcher | \$18,985 | \$19,175 | \$19,367 | \$19,561 | \$19,757 |
| Clerk | \$18,104 | \$18,297 | \$18,491 | \$18,687 | \$18,884 |
| Assistant Clerk | \$15,912 | \$16,111 | \$16,311 | \$16,512 | \$16,715 |

| Section 3 | EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 17, 1983 | | | | |
|------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D | E |
| Senior Secretary | \$19,928 | \$19,979 | \$20,079 | \$20,182 | \$20,289 |
| Secretary | \$17,959 | \$18,025 | \$18,095 | \$18,167 | \$18,241 |
| Ordinance Officer | \$17,959 | \$18,025 | \$18,095 | \$18,167 | \$18,241 |
| Animal Control Officer | \$17,959 | \$18,025 | \$18,095 | \$18,167 | \$18,241 |
| Clerk Leader/Secretary | \$18,670 | \$18,743 | \$18,817 | \$18,892 | \$18,968 |
| Senior Clerk | \$18,551 | \$18,627 | \$18,704 | \$18,782 | \$18,861 |
| Dispatcher | \$18,386 | \$18,465 | \$18,545 | \$18,626 | \$18,708 |
| Clerk | \$18,432 | \$18,513 | \$18,595 | \$18,678 | \$18,762 |
| Assistant Clerk | \$17,212 | \$17,297 | \$17,382 | \$17,467 | \$17,552 |

| Section 4 | EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 17, 1983 | | | | |
|------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D | E |
| Senior Secretary | \$19,504 | \$19,478 | \$19,453 | \$19,428 | \$19,403 |
| Secretary | \$18,357 | \$18,375 | \$18,393 | \$18,411 | \$18,429 |
| Ordinance Officer | \$18,357 | \$18,375 | \$18,393 | \$18,411 | \$18,429 |
| Animal Control Officer | \$18,357 | \$18,375 | \$18,393 | \$18,411 | \$18,429 |
| Clerk Leader/Secretary | \$18,662 | \$18,684 | \$18,707 | \$18,730 | \$18,753 |
| Senior Clerk | \$18,615 | \$18,640 | \$18,665 | \$18,690 | \$18,715 |
| Dispatcher | \$18,950 | \$19,007 | \$19,064 | \$19,121 | \$19,178 |
| Clerk | \$18,748 | \$18,784 | \$18,820 | \$18,856 | \$18,892 |
| Assistant Clerk | \$17,610 | \$17,650 | \$17,690 | \$17,730 | \$17,770 |

| Section 5 | EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 17, 1983 | | | | |
|------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D | E |
| Senior Secretary | \$20,479 | \$20,502 | \$20,526 | \$20,550 | \$20,574 |
| Secretary | \$19,275 | \$19,309 | \$19,343 | \$19,377 | \$19,411 |
| Ordinance Officer | \$19,275 | \$19,309 | \$19,343 | \$19,377 | \$19,411 |
| Animal Control Officer | \$19,275 | \$19,309 | \$19,343 | \$19,377 | \$19,411 |
| Clerk Leader/Secretary | \$19,665 | \$19,707 | \$19,749 | \$19,791 | \$19,833 |
| Senior Clerk | \$19,661 | \$19,704 | \$19,747 | \$19,790 | \$19,833 |
| Dispatcher | \$19,430 | \$19,477 | \$19,524 | \$19,571 | \$19,618 |
| Clerk | \$19,430 | \$19,477 | \$19,524 | \$19,571 | \$19,618 |
| Assistant Clerk | \$18,351 | \$18,393 | \$18,435 | \$18,477 | \$18,519 |

| Section 6 | EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER JANUARY 17, 1983 | | | | |
|------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | A | B | C | D | E |
| Dispatcher | \$17,356 | \$17,381 | \$17,406 | \$17,431 | \$17,456 |

In addition to the above salaries established herein, fringe benefits agreed to at the bargaining table and made a part of the contract are affirmed and established as if set out in full.

JIM A. PLAKAS, Mayor
RONALD D. SHOWALTER, City Clerk

Adopted: December 3, 1990
Resolution No. 12-90-352
Published: December 10, 1990

***SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
November 19, 1990**

*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of November 19, 1990; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the Superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Sari convened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Richard McKnight, Patricia Sari, Carol Strom, Pat Tancill, Richard Thorderson. Absent: Joseph Laura, Marjorie Roach Golden Apple Awards: Golden Apple Awards of appreciation were presented to Sara Ryan, secretary at Adams School and Monte Shettler, welding and maintenance and technology teacher at the Livonia Career Center.

Audience Communications: The following individuals addressed the Board: Nancy Sandulowich and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Aldridge.

Minutes: The minutes and synopsis of the regular meeting of November 5, 1990 were approved as written.

Presentation: Elaine Koons, parent outreach coordinator, presented an overview of the program she directs. She highlighted for the Board activities planned for the 1990-91 school year which include: larger parent group seminars, small group presentations, ongoing support groups, family nights and learning activities, newsletters, parent lending libraries, TV Tips to Parents Cable shows, staff inservices, and PTA partnerships.

Livonia Cable Commission Grant: Motion by Strom and Tancill that the Board of Education accept the grant from the Livonia Cable Television Commission in the amount of \$2990 for the purchase of a wave form monitor for the editing suite located in Central Office. Ayes: McKnight, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Bills for Payment: Motion by Thorderson and McKnight that General Fund check Nos. 175393 - 176060 in the amount of \$4,588,478.58 be approved for payment except for check No. 175542 which is void.

Also moved that Building and Site check No. 11139 - 11143 in the amount of \$30,274.00 be approved for payment. Ayes: McKnight, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Legal Action: Motion by McKnight and Strom that the Board of Education support the filing of a complaint for acceleration and foreclosure against Rural Housing Corporation d/b/a Centrum Development Company for default on the Harrison school property land contract. Ayes: McKnight, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Teacher Tenure: Motion by Thorderson and Strom that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and grant tenure status to the following teacher on the respective date: Christina King - 2/1/91. Ayes: McKnight, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Teacher for Approval: Motion by Strom and Tancill that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment as a teacher for the 1990-91 school year to Sandra Solomon. Ayes: McKnight, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Marinelli reported on the following topics: secondary curriculum day; strategic planning; "Perceptions - Livonia"; MAISL meetings; Rotary Club; Franklin High School fall music concert; associate teachers' meeting; Livonia symphony benefit; Optimist Student Community Awards Dinner; career prep; Congressman Pursell meeting; and MOFDA general membership meeting.

Board Committee Reports: Reports were heard from the following Board committees: Curriculum, Livonia Liaison, Building & Site, and Finance.

Hearing from Board Members: Board members reported on the following topics: "Read to Me" Program at Grant; OSEP Report; MASH Legislative Network Liaison; and Livonia Optimist Student Community Awards Dinner.

Adjournment: Motion by Tancill and Thorderson that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: McKnight, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

President Sari adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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obituaries

MARY THERESE SMITH
Services for Mrs. Smith, 78, of Westland were held Dec. 3 from the Leonard A. Turowski and Son Funeral Home, Livonia, and St. Raphael Catholic Church, Garden City. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Ceme-

tery, Southfield.
Mrs. Smith died Nov. 28 in St. Joseph Hospital, Ann Arbor.
Survivors are four daughters, Mary Mitter, Diane Downey, Geraldine Adams and Joan LeDuc; one son, Thomas; 19 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

**CITY OF WAYNE
INVITATION FOR DEMOLITION BID**

The City of Wayne will accept bids for the following projects:

Demolition of building and foundation at Tax I.D. 017-01-0629-000, located 350' south of Michigan Avenue on Howe Road, 3355 South Wayne Road, Wayne, Michigan 48184, at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 13, 1990, 4001 South Wayne Road, Wayne, Michigan 48184 (728-9100).

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**GARDEN CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
November 19, 1990**

Present were Mayor Plakas, Councilmembers Schildberg, Nunzeley, Majka, Breen, McDonnell and Keith. Also present were City Manager Austin, City Clerk-Treasurer Showalter, City Attorney Mack, Assistant to the City Manager Myers, Deputy Treasurer Holmes and Civic Arena Supervisor Willson.

Moved by Majka, supported by Keith. RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 3, 1990, as corrected. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by McDonnell, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of November 15, 1990, as presented. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Breen, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable, as listed. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Keith, supported by Nunzeley. RESOLVED: To approve the following Consent Agenda: a. To confirm the Mayor's appointment of Gary Oliver to the Entertainment and Arts Commission, term to expire August 1, 1993. b. To confirm the Mayor's appointment of Betty Smith to the Historical Commission, term to expire March 31, 1993, replacing Max Hessegrave.

Moved by Schildberg, supported by McDonnell. RESOLVED: To remove item 11-90-317 from the table. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by McDonnell, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To approve the on-street solicitation by the Goodfellows for November 23 and 24, 1990, contingent upon the receipt of adequate liability insurance coverage and signed, notarized Hold Harmless Agreements, as recommended by the Administration. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Breen, supported by McDonnell. RESOLVED: To accept the report submitted by the Recreation Study Committee. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Nunzeley, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To approve the new City Manager employee appraisal form for FY 1990-91, as recommended by the Committee.

Moved by Keith, supported by McDonnell. RESOLVED: To call for the question. YEAS: Mayor Plakas, Councilmembers Nunzeley, Majka, Breen, McDonnell and Keith. NAYS: Councilmembers Schildberg, Mayor Plakas, Councilmembers Schildberg, Nunzeley, Majka, McDonnell, and Keith. NAYS: Councilmember Breen.

Moved by Schildberg, supported by Breen. RESOLVED: To approve the resolution indicating the City's compliance with the approved Wayne County Solid Waste Management Plan Update. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Nunzeley, supported by Breen. RESOLVED: To amend the proposed amendment to Section 161.011 of the City Code on walls and screening requirements back to the Planning Commission to incorporate into the Zoning Ordinance revisions. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by McDonnell, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To call a Public Hearing on Monday, December 3, 1990, at 7:35 P.M. to solicit public comments on amending the Salary Ordinance concerning the Police Officers Association of Michigan Clerk Dispatch Unit. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Majka, supported by McDonnell. RESOLVED: To schedule a Special Council Workshop on Wednesday, December 12, 1990, to discuss the City's Annual Financial Report for FY 1989-90 and to discuss municipal borrowing. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Nunzeley, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To schedule two Special Workshops for November 18, 1990 and December 18, 1990, respectively, to discuss Goal Setting for 1991. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by McDonnell, supported by Keith. RESOLVED: To award the bid for the printing and design of the 1991 Community Calendar to the lowest responsible bidder, Spectrum Printing Company, in the amount of \$14,006, plus \$10 per half-tone photo, as recommended by the Administration. YEAS: Mayor Plakas, Councilmembers Schildberg, Nunzeley, Majka, McDonnell, and Keith. NAYS: Councilmember Breen.

Moved by McDonnell, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To award the bid for Super VHS Video Playback Deck to Thayer Electric Laboratories, Incorporated, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$1,106, as supported by the Cable Commission and recommended by the Administration. YEAS: Mayor Plakas, Councilmember Schildberg, Nunzeley, Majka, McDonnell, and Keith. NAYS: Councilmember Breen.

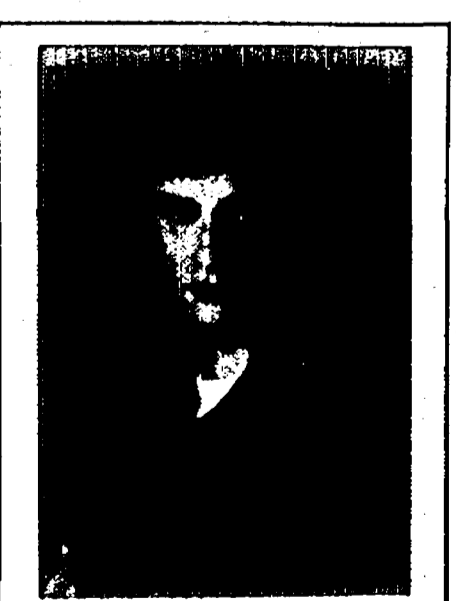
Moved by Breen, supported by Schildberg. RESOLVED: To authorize Wayne County to relocate Traffic and Pedestrian Signals to the intersection of Inkster and Bock, for an amount not to exceed \$14,000, as recommended by the City Engineer and the Administration. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by McDonnell, supported by Majka. RESOLVED: To confirm the action taken in Closed Session on Tuesday, November 18, 1990, concerning labor negotiations with the Command Officers Association of Michigan. YEAS: Unanimous.

Moved by Majka, supported by McDonnell. RESOLVED: To go into Closed Session to discuss labor negotiations. YEAS: Unanimous.

RONALD D. SHOWALTER,
City Clerk-Treasurer

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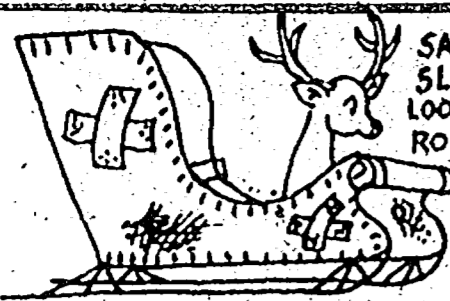
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Detroit Piston John Salley wore his own now defunct brand of shoes by Osaka during the pre-season, but now sports Nikes after signing a contract with company.

Putting the best sneakers forward

By Charlene Mitchell
special writer

The battle of the high tops is gaining momentum.

Air Jordan, The Pump, British Knights, Avia Spiders and a host of other high profile athletic shoes have hit the classroom and basketball courts in what can best be described as the "sneakers war."

With the leather, ankle-high, rubber-soled footwear being in vogue for the fashion conscious elementary-through college age folks, companies like Reebok, Nike and Converse are spending millions of dollars promoting their brands.

Sports stars like Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls can be seen in television commercials jumping to heights that appear to be limitless. And a glance at members of the world champion Detroit Pistons, lets you know just how competitive of a business it is.

Most NBA stars wear basketball shoes of their own preference. In short, it's the shoes that give them the best fit and playing comfort. Figured into that is which company pays them to endorse their product. Some players receive up to 50 pairs of shoes a season along with a hefty endorsement fee from the companies.

ACCORDING TO Dave Wieme, the Pistons' public relations assistant, a check of the team's footwear shows seven different brands among the 12 players on the roster.

Contrary to the heavy advertising campaigns of its competitors, Converse supplies the shoes for three Pistons — Bill Lambier, Mark Aguire and Tree Rollins — more than any other company.

"Basically, the players can wear any brand name they want," said Wieme, pointing out that it was only 10 years ago that the NBA required all players to wear the same shoes as part of their uniform.

"It's just the way things are today," Wieme said. "The shoes the players wear has such a tremendous influence on what everyday people buy at the stores."

Want to emulate Vinnie Johnson or James Edwards? Buy Nike. Joe Dumars? Adidas.

Dennis Rodman prefers the popular Reebok Pump, a change from the shoe by New Balance he wore in previous seasons. Scott Hastings prefers L.A. Gear and William Bedford is alternating between Pony and Nike.

During part of the pre-season

John Salley was wearing his own now defunct brand of shoes by Osaka. After the company folded, he signed a contract with Nike.

"If the shoe fits wear it," said Salley, hinting that his decision to go with Nike was based in part on the handsome fee he's being paid for doing so.

As for Pistons' captain Isiah Thomas... Well, Zeke is sporting a relatively obscure brand of shoes popular with NBA players on the West Coast, called Asics.

AND, LISTEN, for you star watchers, word has it Michael Jackson likes L.A. Gear, M.C. Hammer is into British Knights, and the Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin, has a penchant for Tre-torn.

Major sporting goods retailers like Dunham's, Herman's and Foot Locker all depend heavily on sales of athletic shoes.

At Dunham's in West Bloomfield, the sample of Reebok's Pump is on the top shelf of the wall display "to keep all customers from playing with it," joked one salesman.

It seems adults and kids alike enjoy trying on the shoe, which retails for \$170, to see how the orange basketball-shaped device on the shoe's tongue inflates the inner workings of the shoes, making them tighten around the ankle.

While the sneaker craze may be good for business, most kids' parents aren't going for the exorbitant prices of the popular shoe brands.

"I'm not going to pay \$100 or even \$80 for one pair of shoes... It's ridiculous," griped a Southfield mother of two pre-teenage boys who were nearly in tears when she gave an emphatic no to their request to buy the shoes.

In Detroit, school officials have implemented a new dress code which forbids students to wear expensive sneakers to school, citing theft and other problems that seem to arise between students who own the shoes and others who don't.

"IT'S A STATUS thing that we just want to get rid of," said a teacher at Denby High School.

In the northern suburbs, many teens say they prefer the worn look of beat-up Keds in the slip-on style, boat shoes or well-worn penny loafers.

For now the sneakers war continues, but hopefully for the parents under pressure to buy, someone will wave a white flag, indicating an end to the fashion frenzy.

Mr. Positive fills the airwaves with good talk

By Sue Mason
staff writer

When Gregory Balteff speaks, a lot of people listen... People in the Detroit area... in Chicago... in Cleveland... in Texas... in California.

It's not that he has a voice that carries. Quite the opposite is true. Balteff is soft-spoken, but he has the "power" as he calls it, the power of positive thinking.

Meet Mr. Positive.
"I am a mirror to people's souls. I am what I am and what I say. If I believe I will be successful, I will be successful. If they believe they will be successful, they will be successful."

Sound positive? Well, how about this.

"I am who they are. If I can become positive, they can become positive."

Yes, he's for real. And, yes, people

listen to him. And, no, he isn't on one of the lesser known radio stations. Mr. Positive is a Friday night fixture on WLLZ.

At the age of 27, Balteff wants to corner the market on positive thinking. He admits his aspiration sounds vain, but he believes that today's society really does need doses of positive thinking.

He got started in 1988, doing positive pieces on Tower Radio 96.3-FM. Because the station had a lot of "power and influence," he felt it could be used to improve people's lives.

HIS IDEA was to get people to "take a dream and believe in it." Balteff kept his messages short and to the point. One message lasted two-three minutes. And playing off the stations power theme, he ended his messages — and still does — with "And you have the power."

He eventually left for WLLZ and in between did cable TV shows,

made 22 appearances on "Kelly & Co." and is tentatively scheduled to appear on "Arsenio Hall" in the coming months.

Balteff has refined his format over the years. Today, his messages are more esoteric and "use poetry to articulate his positiveness." He gets help with the poetry — "Like Dr. Jeckyl and Mr. Hyde, crack will take you for a ride." — from his boss, Paul Tepatli.

"I have to make sure I catch the hard rockers' attention," Balteff said. "I have to come to the radio and shake you. I want to represent to people that they don't need drugs."

"I want to personally positivity along the lines of religion, but not in the religious sense. I want people to put out positive vibes."

Balteff's positive inspirations and influences have come from an odd collection of people and experiences.

ELVIS IS his main motivator, the result of seeing a concert "The

King" did in Hawaii and was transmitted via satellite throughout the country. He reached millions of people and the concert brought home the point of how much influence the rock star had on people, Balteff said.

Another inspiration was a young girl he saw while working at Farmer Jack years ago. The youngster, sick with leukemia, was trying to catch up with her parents while in the store.

"They were ahead of her and she reached for her parents' hand; I saw it as her reaching out for her Mom and Dad and they weren't there. I heard she died three months later. That really rocked my world."

And a seven-year struggle with a speech impediment also contributed to his positive nature. Experts told him he "wouldn't amount to a hill of beans, if you can't articulate." It taught him to "never say never," he said.



JIM JAGDFELD/AT&T photographer

Gregory Balteff wants to corner the market on positive thinking and has gotten a start with his Mr. Positive radio shorts that air on WLLZ-FM Friday evenings.

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MOVING PICTURES



Clint Eastwood is Nick Pulovski and Charlie Sheen is David Ackerman, and veteran cop and his novice partner assigned to break up a vicious auto theft ring in "The Rookie."

'The Rookie' takes genre beyond realm of credibility

"The Rookie" (D, R, 115 minutes) takes the super-macho film genre beyond the realm of credibility with sequences that are completely unconvincing.

Despite a great deal of fast-paced bashing and smashing — people as well as automobiles — the film is overly predictable and full of clichés.

How many times must audiences suffer through the old story about a rookie cop, David Ackerman (Charlie Sheen), with something to prove? Here's the usual pattern. He is assigned to work with a tough, older veteran, Nick Pulovski (Clint Eastwood), hot to trot on a vengeance trip.

Nick has just lost his partner in a reckless investigation of an auto-theft ring. One expects more caution from a couple of street-wise veterans. The sequence only exists to provide the pairing of two stars, the rookie and veteran, Sheen and Eastwood, and to introduce the arch-villain, a German named Strom (Raul Julia).

There's absolutely no reason for that ethnic choice, which confuses while failing to add anything. But that's characteristic of "The Rookie," a film fatally flawed by the ridiculous insistence that — no matter how far-fetched — anything goes in the name of style and excitement.

Apparently, six-shooters have been replaced by 76-shooters. While macho heroes always fire endlessly without reloading, there is an upper limit to what audiences will accept.

THE CAR-TRUCK chase sequence after Nick's partner is killed also lacks authenticity. Why he didn't call for back-up and how he was able to overtake the truck after waiting to mourn his dead partner are but two questions this sequence raises. Contemporary audiences may appreciate car chases but this one is so exaggerated that it's silly not to still.

Another attempt at high-style that turns preposterous hits the screen in the person of Strom's girlfriend/hit-person Liesel (Sonia Braga). Looking like something out of "The Machete Maidens of Manila" or reprising her early sleaze film, "The Girl on the Bus," this Brazilian bombshell fizzes with a wet fuse.

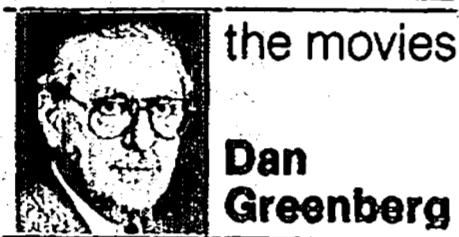
Apparently conceived as a macho-feminist character, if such a type exists, Braga is neither appealing nor sexy. She just shoots a lot of people in a performance as tedious as her work in "Kiss of the Spider Woman" was inspired.

Audiences may well remark on how strong David's live-in girlfriend, Sarah (Lara Flynn Boyle), turns out to be. Such a sweet, little thing takes a lot of choking before David predictably drives a motorcycle through the front door to save her from one of the film's villains.

OF COURSE, that was more credible than the ease with which he roused a bar full of motorcycle heavies; the way he survived three bullets in the back and the way Nick fell down an elevator shaft without damaging his body.

Does the endless repetition of the obvious — Laura getting choked — indicate that audiences are so stupid that it takes them three reels to figure out the poor girl was being strangled?

This film's dialogue isn't anything to brag about either: "He's got a gun," "This is my life," "You were never there for me, Dad," "It's time for me to stop being scared and time for others to start."



Grading the movies

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| A+ | Top marks - sure to please |
| A | Closed behind - excellent |
| A- | Still in running for top honors |
| B+ | Pretty good stuff, not perfect |
| B | Good |
| B- | Good but notable deficiencies |
| C+ | Just a cut above average |
| C | Mediocre |
| C- | Not so hot and slipping fast |
| D+ | The very best of the poor stuff |
| D | Poor |
| D- | It doesn't get much worse |
| F | Truly awful |
| Z | Reserved for the colossally bad |
| * | No advanced screening |

Clint Eastwood directed as well as starred in this script by Boris Yakin and former area resident, Scott Spiegel, a Groves High School and Oakland Community College student. Spiegel went west and with a few more films like this, Eastwood will be going south.

STILL PLAYING:

- "Avalon" (A+, PG, 126 minutes). Excellent film chronicles an immigrant family's successes and failures in America.
- "Child's Play 2" (*, R).
- "Chuckie" returns.
- "Dances With Wolves" (A, PG-13, 180 minutes). Kevin Costner's magnificent ode to brotherhood and brutality on America's western frontier during and after the Civil War.
- "Ghost" (A, PG-13, 116 minutes). Banker's ghost (Patrick Swayze) hangs around after life to protect loved one (Demi Moore). Spiritualist (Whoopi Goldberg) helps him in this romantic-comedy/thriller.
- "GoodFellas" (B+, R, 145 minutes). Martin Scorsese's intense, compelling saga of three mobsters. Fine production techniques and excellent performances by Robert DeNiro, Joe Pesci and Ray Liotta, notwithstanding, they are bad guys.
- "Graftiti Bridge" (*, PG-13). Written and directed by Prince, who also stars in another production for his fans and his pocketbook.
- "Heary and June" (C-, NC-17, 135 minutes). Boring, repetitious discussions of sexuality complemented by darkly lit sexual scenes.
- "Home Alone" (B-, PG, 100 minutes). Engaging comedy about a young boy (Macaulay Culkin) left at home by accident.
- "Jacob's Ladder" (A, R, 115 minutes). Sensational, riveting film experience redemptive and rewards with its story of Jacob Singer's (Tim Robbins) re-entry to civilian life after Vietnam trauma.
- "The King of New York" (R, 103 minutes). Violent return of recently paroled drug lord.
- "The Krays" (*, R). Twins run vicious underworld empire in London.
- "Memphis Belle" (D+, PG-13, 100 minutes).

Boring, trite World War II bomber film with Matthew Modine sleeping behind the joystick.

"Misery" (D+, PG-13, 100 minutes). Story of writer and obsessed fan waffles back and forth from psychotic thriller to slasher epic.

"The Nightcracker Prince" (G). Animated fantasy based on Tchaikovsky's classical ballet.

"Predator 2" (C+, R, 98 minutes). The hunt continues, this time in the urban jungle of 1997 Los Angeles.

"Quigley Down Under" (D, PG-13). Humorous, trite western with Tom Selleck in Australia.

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ALTERNATIVE VIEWING

Japanese animation stars at the Detroit Film Theatre

By John Monaghan special writer

A monster airship roars in and out of cloud banks as tiny dragonfly-like air cycles dart around. They're searching for a girl, but she jumps ship and, aided by the levitation crystal around her neck, floats gently to earth.

This sequence, from the animated "Laputa: Castle in the Sky," comes even before the opening credits. For

the next two hours, the action unreeled in what ranks among the most exciting animated films ever created.

"Laputa" joins two other animated features this weekend at the Detroit Film Theatre. They prove how seriously Japanese filmmakers take their cartoons.

The Friday night feature, "Akira," is the latest and most highly acclaimed. Set in a post-apocalyptic "neo-Tokyo" of 2019, the film pits a

motorcycle gang against a military government cover-up.

"Akira" is based on a popular series of comic books and has already gained a cult following. Veteran animator Katsuhiro Otomo spared no expense (about \$7 million) in realistically creating a city that has risen from the ashes.

WHILE THE ultra-violent

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SCREEN SCENE

DETROIT FILM THEATRE, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call 833-2323 for information.

"Akira" (Japan — 1989), 7 and 9:30 p.m. Dec. 14. Set in a post-apocalyptic Tokyo of 2019, this Japanese animated feature has already attained a cult following among comic book devotees. Loaded with graphic violence, definitely not for children. (4\$/auditorium)

"Laputa: Castle in the Sky" (USA — 1986), 7 and 9:30 p.m. Dec. 15. A truly epic animated adventure about a young boy and girl's search for a legendary floating city. Along the way, they battle pirates, government agents and flying robots. Full of imagination, color and humor for both kids and adults. (4\$/auditorium)

"Twilight of the Cockroaches" (Japan — 1987), 5 and 7 p.m. Dec. 16. This oddball fantasy blends animation with live action. A lonely bachelor's sloppy house breeds a number of unsightly creatures whose lives are revealed via cartoon. (4\$/auditorium)

"Gertrud" (Denmark — 1954), 1 p.m. Dec. 13-16. At the age of 75, director Carl Dreyer adapted the play "Gertrud," about a woman who is forced to abandon the men in her life to be faithful to inner demands. Concluding an excellent tribute to the great director. (\$2.50/recital hall)

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER, 5020 John R, Detroit. Call 577-8400 for information. (\$5 museum admis-

sion includes ticket, \$2-4 children under 12)

"To the Limit" (USA — 1990), through April 1991. The latest Omnimax spectacular intercuts amazing athletic feats with an analysis of how muscles and blood meet the challenge. Not intended for people with claustrophobia, the movie becomes a first-person "Fantastic Voyage" into the human body.

HENRY FORD CENTENNIAL LIBRARY, 13671 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. Call 943-2330 for information. (Free)

"March of the Wooden Soldiers," (Babes in Toyland) (USA — 1934), 7

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VIDEO VIEWING

By Dan Greenberg special writer

Endless miles of videotape continue to unroll as distributors gear up for the holiday gift season. If all the videotape released each week was stretched out, traffic would snarl, tempers would flare and there would be nothing to watch.

Such is not the case and a great many established favorites long available at premium prices are now on the shelves at considerably re-

duced cost. As well, many films — both new and old — are appearing for the first time on video cassette just in time for Christmas and Hanukkah gift-giving.

"Memories of Hollywood" (1990, black and white and color, not rated, 47 minutes) is a tape to avoid amidst the welter of new releases. Despite an attractive brochure with notes on more than "100 stars and 50 films" — including "Music of Academy Award-Winning Composers," it's a messy hodge-podge of film clips not

clearly identified. While some old-time film buffs may recognize all these stars, it would have been a lot more fun if sub-titles identified everybody as the program unfolds.

The show also needs some rationale. Hollywood's good ole days may be of great interest today but the glamour and glitz needs some structure, some clear principle of organization. "Memories of Hollywood" is

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How to win at the numbers game.

The game is newspaper advertising — and the rules are changing. Rates are up in the Detroit News and Free Press. Suburban circulation is down. And all around town, advertisers are wondering what numbers to trust — and where to place their media dollars. What should you do?

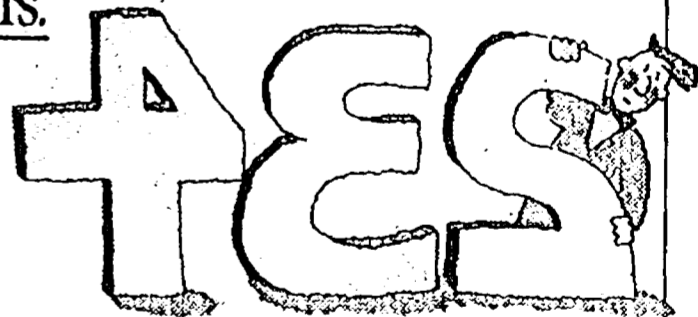


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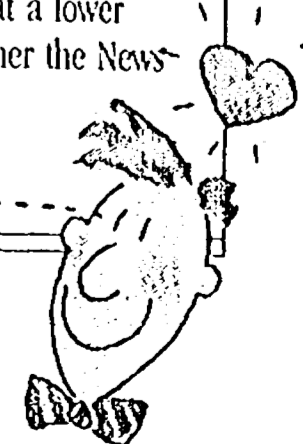
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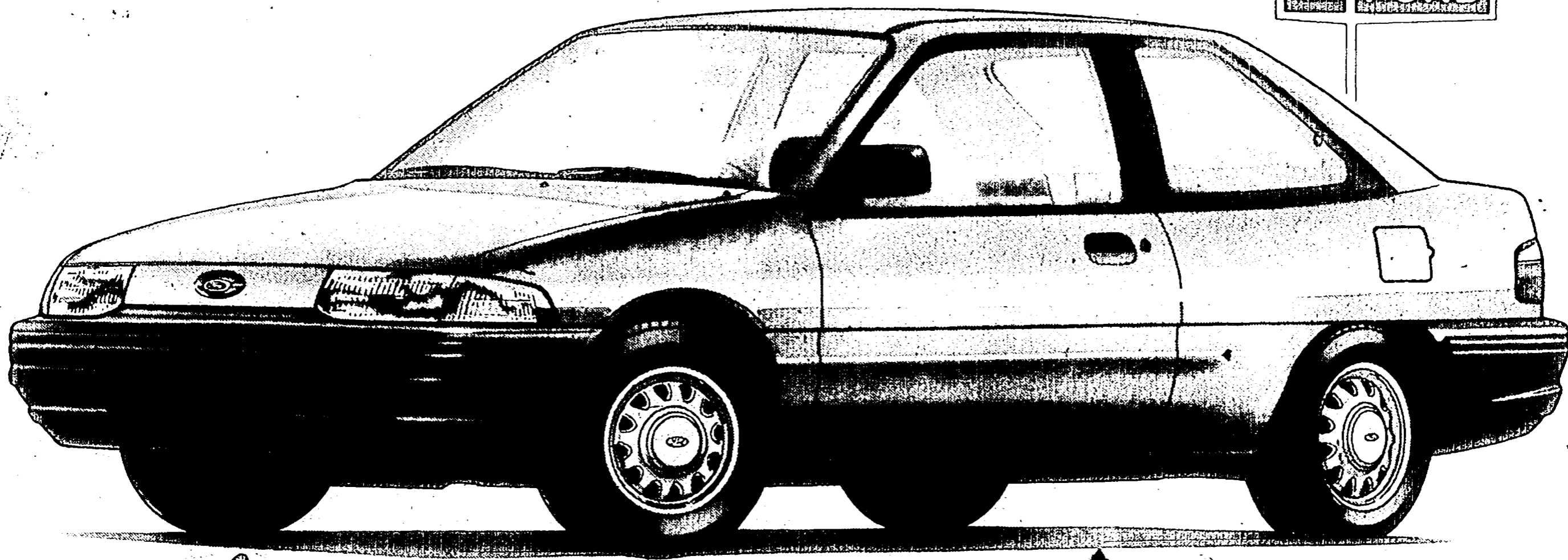
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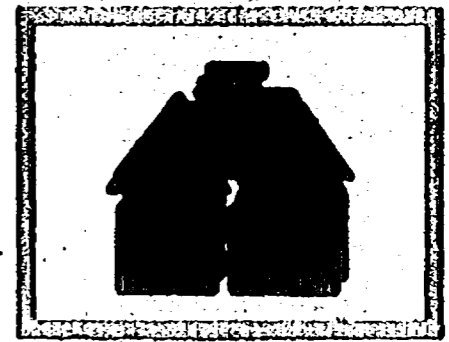
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Storybook nursery is a work of art

By Janice Tigor-Kramer
special writer

WHEN GARY and Suzanne Lichtman began making plans to decorate a nursery for their first child due in January, they decided to look for something out of the ordinary.

The Farmington Hills couple pored through dozens of wallpaper books, but nothing seemed special enough.

A bit frustrated with the search, Suzanne was ready to settle for one of the wallcoverings, but Gary wasn't sold on anything they'd found.

So they returned about 40 pounds of sample books and headed for the bookstore to look up nursery decorating. During the search, Gary found the answer: a painted mural.

"We'd looked through all of the wallpaper books and couldn't agree but we both liked this idea right away. It was different," Suzanne said.

HOPING TO find an idea for the mural, they stopped at the children's book section to look over classics such as "Alice in Wonderland" and "Wind in the Willow."

But when they rediscovered the stories of Beatrix Potter, they knew that Peter Rabbit, Squirrel Nutkin and the other charming, whimsical characters were perfect for the walls of the nursery.

"The illustrations weren't just pictures of children's characters," Gary said. "They were a piece of artwork."

A FRIEND told the Lichtmans about Julie Giordano, an artist from Northville who mostly paints portraits from photographs in oil, watercolor or pencil.

To select characters and colors for the room, Giordano and the Lichtmans looked over the illustrations and other Beatrix Potter material that the couple had collected. Giordano couldn't wait to begin.

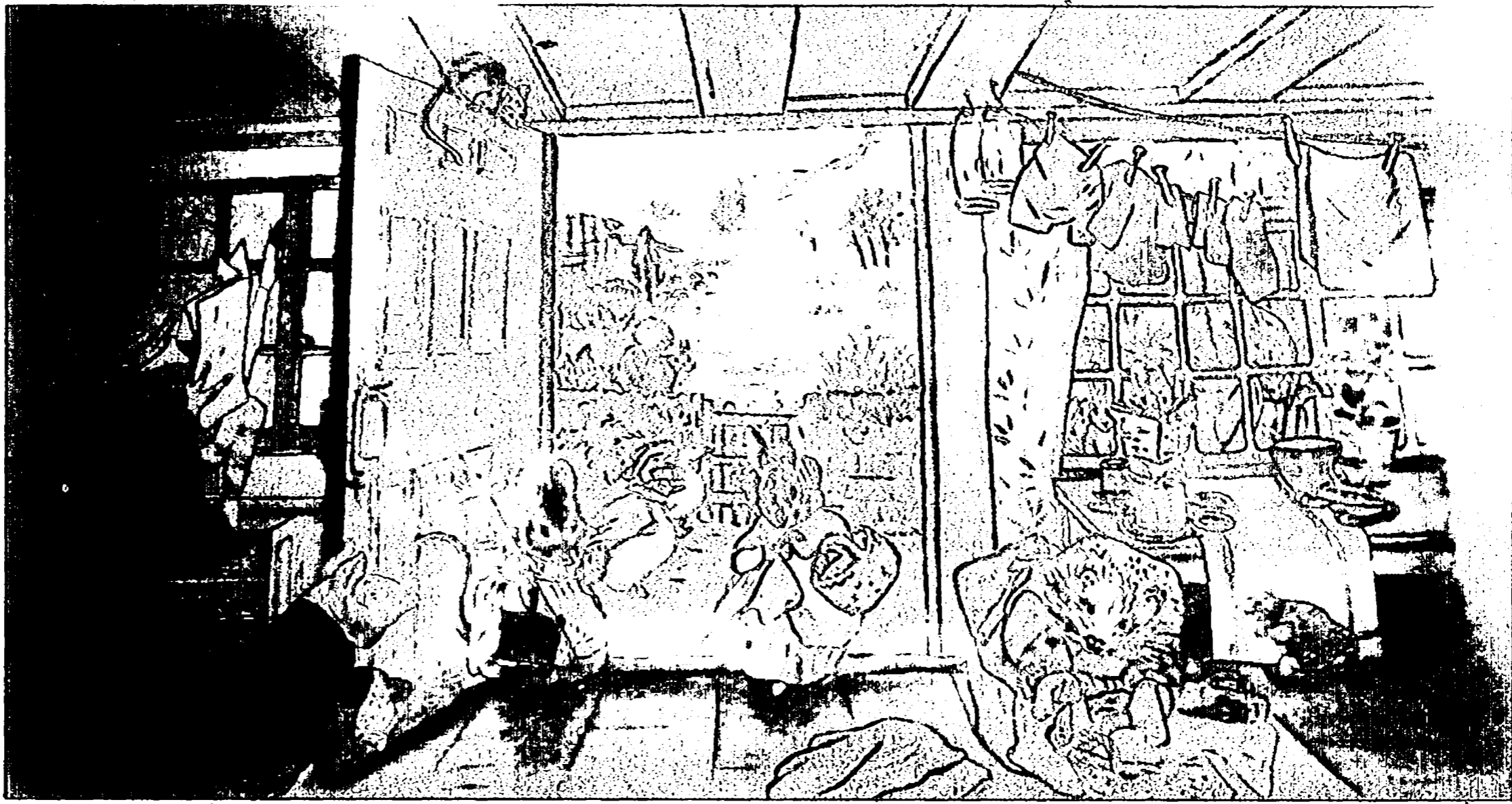
"Murals create an environment. People don't become emotionally involved with wallpaper, but they do with a mural. They'll always remember the time it was painted," said Giordano, owner of the Giordano Gallery in Northville.

Besides creating a lighthearted atmosphere in the Lichtmans' nursery, the 7 1/2-foot by 4-foot mural done in perspective gives the small room an illusion of depth.

"I wanted to push out the space and open up the room," Giordano said. "It looks as if you can walk right into the mural."

GIORDANO, WHO started to draw creatively as soon as she could hold a pencil, began the mural by dividing the picture to be duplicated in half.

To create balance, she also split the wall space in half and began to



The whimsical, charming characters created by Beatrix Potter highlight the Lichtmans' nursery. The colorful mural was created by Northville artist Julie Giordano.

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— Gary Lichtman

sketch the picture in pencil, first the left side, then the right. Even value changes were planned and marked in the sketch.

She then mixed and watered down latex paints and began to paint her favorite character, Peter's mother, old Mrs. Rabbit.

"Doing mural art isn't like painting in private," Giordano said.

"You start with one space and work outward. That way (the customer) sees progress and is hopeful right away. Their reaction charges me up, too."

WORKING THREE evenings after her studio closed, Giordano finished the mural in about 13 hours.

The painting of the inside of a colorful cottage includes about a dozen of Beatrix Potter's most endearing characters doing their chores.

A separate drawing of Peter Rabbit was placed over the light

switch and a group of resting bunnies was painted over the changing table.

SINCE THE price of Giordano's mural art is figured by square feet covered plus labor, the work generally is more costly than wallpaper plus installation.

But there is no comparison between a wallcovering and original artwork, the artist said.

Thrilled with the result, the Lichtmans often walk into the nursery simply to admire the original, signed work of art on their walls.

They're already concerned about moving one day, worried that new owners might repaint the wall.

"When it was finished we made excuses to go in the nursery just to look at the detail," Gary said. "If the house is ever sold, we'll have to make sure the mural stays."

BEING PLANNERS and list makers by nature, it wasn't unusual for Gary, the media relations director for United Way, Southeastern Michigan, and Suzanne, a systems analyst for AAA-Michigan, to put such thought and energy into a decorating project.

"Gary even wrote an itinerary for our wedding reception," Suzanne said, laughing. "So, I knew the nursery wouldn't be a simple project."

Staff photos by Sharon LeMieux



Gary and Suzanne Lichtman spent weeks planning the mural art for their nursery.

Holocaust Memorial Center presenting children's opera

"Brundibar," a charming children's opera originally performed by Jewish youths imprisoned in a concentration camp during the Holocaust, is part of a yearlong project of the Holocaust Memorial Center of West Bloomfield.

Phase I of the project will begin at 8 p.m. Thursday with a concert "In Remembrance of the Innocents" in the Community Arts Auditorium at Wayne State University.

A preview performance of the opera will take place for school children at 11 a.m. Friday, also in the Community Arts Auditorium.

Phillip Fox of the Hilberry Theatre is "Brundibar's" director. Deborah Smith, Wayne State University music department professor, will conduct the interdenominational and interracial cast, featuring the Civic Youth Chorus of Detroit.

THURSDAY'S CONCERT will feature Sister Veronika, O.S.B., a German nun, rediscoverer of the work and director of the first revival of the opera; Cantor Harold Orbach of Temple Israel, West Bloomfield; and pianist Flavio Varani. Admission is free.

Friday's preview performance, also free, of "Brundibar" will be for students of middle and high school age.

"Brundibar" is a story of children's hope, courage and perseverance, even during the most desolate of times.'

—Rabbi Charles

Rosenzweig
Holocaust Memorial Center

Educators from public, independent and parochial schools and members of the public may apply to the Hilberry box office, 577-2972, for tickets.

AFTER THE opera, a panel of young people will discuss the significance of the Holocaust and Armenian massacre to young people today.

This contemporary significance will also be highlighted by a prologue and epilogue written by WSU Professor Guy Stern.

The premiere performance of "Brundibar" will be at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Community Arts Auditorium.

Tickets are a minimum donation of \$8. They can be obtained from the Holocaust Memorial Center,

661-0840, or the Hilberry box office.

At 2 p.m. Sunday, a performance of the opera organized by Orbach will be performed for families under the sponsorship of the Kelly Orbach Family Concert Fund in cooperation with the Holocaust Memorial Center at Temple Israel.

Phase II will include expanding performances in the metro area and outstate. Phase III will be the production of a videotape of the opera with accompanying curriculum materials.

"BRUNDIRAR" IS a story of children's hope, courage and perseverance, even during the most desolate of times," said Rabbi Charles Rosenzweig, Holocaust Memorial Center founder and director.

The opera, a morality tale, tells of a group of children trying to buy milk for their ailing mother. They encounter a series of obstacles provided by a hurdy-gurdy man named Brundibar.

In its literal sense, "Brundibar" reflects the universal lesson of goodness triumphing over evil.

For information, call the Holocaust Memorial Center, 661-0840, or Wayne State University's music department, 577-1785.

Holiday season: It's a time to reach out to help others

Today's column is excerpted from "A Christmas Wish" by Dr. Twyman Towery and is reprinted here with his permission:

John was burned out on his job, marriage and life in general. He was quickly heading toward the hopeless feelings of failure and depression that have become epidemic in America. Then John was spared.

He happened to see a video that motivated him to spearhead a drive to repair needy people's houses. He and several church youth lived in concrete block huts for a week that summer, working by day and discussing their experiences at night.

As John continued to give time and energy to others, his life assumed dramatic new meaning. The more he reached out to help others, the more his self-esteem grew.

John found he could make a difference without being CEO of a Fortune 500 company, and probably a more meaningful one at that. During this Christmas season, when depression can literally be a killer, I challenge you to make a difference, too.

Interact with those you suspect are estranged, hurt or lonely. Remember who lost his job, had a heart attack, is struggling to start a business on his own, or whose wife dumped him.

MILLIONS OF men in our divorce-prone society are painfully separated from their children because of failed marriages. Sadly,

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Dorothy Lehmkuhl

men down on their luck are often treated by other men as if they are lepers.

The male obsession with the idea that "real men" should always be winners often causes them to avoid asking for, or giving, the unique brand of strength and wisdom men possess.

Know that the man who flashes the \$64,000 smile during the day may be desperately struggling to survive the night. Talk about feelings instead of ball games for a change, even though it may be uncomfortable at first. If it's your own situation, share your feelings with others.

Don't judge who was right or wrong, who should or shouldn't have done what when. It's irrelevant. Just know that any man who is unemployed, part of a wounded family, or in any number of other of life's double binds needs friendship. Give it. Caring about others is an ongoing process.

The Christmas season is not the time to seek out the currently successful business executives who can

refer you business or become a lucrative client. You can do that any time.

Set aside some specific times to go after the tough cases. Those who can't help your practice, business or social standing one iota. Those who aren't as articulate, friendly and sociable as they once were.

AS A start, make a minimum of three "reach out" calls a day from now through Jan. 31. After connecting on the first phone call, make another and another. Get them, and yourself, out of the house for lunch or a walk.

Visit with at least one "revived acquaintance" every day. Who knows: maybe this will replace the Marlboro cowboy myth to become the symbol we identify with being a "real man."

What's in it for you? One of the greatest opportunities you will ever have to help yourself. You may find your reward far exceeds your effort.

Twyman L. Towery, Ph.D., is a Memphis psychologist, management consultant and professional speaker who writes "Malecall," a syndicated newspaper column. Dorothy Lehmkuhl is a Birmingham-based time management consultant.

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D&M STUDIO AND GALLERY Saturdays, Dec. 8, 15 - Christmas Kids Only workshop to make giftable art.

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE Tuesday, Dec. 11 - Charcoal drawings by Detroit artist Marla Freedman.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION Thursday, Dec. 13 - Pottery sale will continue through Sunday.

CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART MUSEUM Friday, Dec. 14 - Mexican Masks from the Collection of Rafael Coronel.

NATIVE WEST Friday, Dec. 14 - Authentic Southwestern jewelry by Bing Crosby, silver trader.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS Saturday, Dec. 15 - Large ceramic sculpture by Graham Marks.

Center for Creative Studies, are on display through Feb. 10. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY Sculptures and drawings by Artis Lane are on display through Jan. 12.

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE Paintings by Pat Mayhew of Bloomfield Hills are hung through the expanded, refurbished facility.

KYLA'S RESTAURANT Original art by Diane Plaskon Koory of Troy and Warren Vincent Wells is on display through Jan. 5.

ROUTE 10 GALLERY "All that Glitters," jewelry by more than 20 artists, will be at the gallery through Dec. 31.

SISSON GALLERY Examples of figurative painting by the very capable Bertha Cohen, Holly Branster and Grace Serra will be in the gallery through Jan. 11.

D & J BITTKER GALLERY An exhibit of early Chinese furniture marks the re-opening of this gallery to the public.

TROY ART GALLERY Moving/holiday sale will continue through the month. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

FORD GALLERY Art by Maggie Citrin, Susan Gold and Ann

Mikolowski is on display through Dec. 21. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

DUKE GALLERY "Visions of a Shadow Catcher," photographs from "The North American Indian, 1906-1928" by Edward S. Curtis.

T'MARRA GALLERY Photographs by Tony Spina and paintings by Donald Mendelson are on display through Jan. 25.

RUBINER GALLERY "Fran Larsen/Hal Larsen, New Works from the Southwest" continues through Jan. 5.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS "Gari Melchers: A Retrospective" (paintings by Detroit-born artist Gari Melchers, 1880-1932) is on display through Feb. 17.

DOS MANOS Traditional Colombian "pesebre," or village creche scene, will be on display through Jan. 5.

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY Paintings by Leonard Lubin for his children's book, "The Elegant Beast," are on display through Jan. 5.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY "Toys Created by Artists" continues through Dec. 23. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.

ARIANA GALLERY Among the artists featured in the doll and

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ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM More than 100 dolls, made between 1860 and 1949, are on display through the month.

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MADONNA COLLEGE "Artist-Collector," pottery and watercolor exhibit by John Loree, EMU professor.

MESA ARTS Holiday show of jewelry, pottery, clothing and fine art of the Southwest continues through Dec. 31.

SUMMIT PLACE MALL "Holiday Gallery" features fine arts and crafts by members of the Pontiac Oakland Society of Artists.

BELIAN-ART CENTER "Gifts of Lasting Value" includes two- and three-dimensional art, along with Oriental rugs and pottery.

XOCHIPILLI GALLERY Photorealistic gouache and oil paintings by Detroit artist Don Jacot will be on display through Dec. 29.

O.K. HARRIS GALLERY Paintings by Mariano Del Rosario of New

York and sculpture by David Furman of California, are on display through Dec. 22. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

HABATAT GALLERIES Three-person exhibition features works of glass artists Stephen Hodder, Kreg Kallenberger and Albert Young.

D&M STUDIO AND GALLERY Christmas Kids Only Workshop to make gift art, 10 a.m. to noon, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15.

HALSTED GALLERY Photographs by Michael Kenna are on display through Jan. 12. Kenna will be autographing a publication of his most recent images.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION "The Beautiful Beasts," limited-edition bronzes by Sharon Sommers of Pontiac.

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS "Objects of Wonder and Delight," the holiday show, continues through Dec. 31.

THE ARTISTS' GALLERY Juried holiday show continues through Dec. 24. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

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Affordable housing goal of builders' president

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

A new governor. A new state builder association president. New avenues. New opportunities. At least that's the way Don Pratt, the newly elected president of the Michigan Association of Home Builders and owner of Wake-Pratt Inc. in Troy, looks at the coming year.

Pratt, a residential builder since 1965 and an owner of Wake-Pratt since 1978, was elected as president by the association's board of directors last month.

He has been a member of the state association board of directors since 1974, has served as MAHB secretary (1980), treasurer (1989) and first vice president (1990). Pratt was also president of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan — one of the 38 local trade associations affiliated with MAHB — in 1988.

"Our primary goal is to work with our new governor," Pratt said. "For most of the past decade, we've had a state government that was totally unresponsive to (the building industry's) needs."

"We're hoping the new administration will be more receptive," he said, adding that in preliminary discussions with governor-elect John Engler, MAHB has found him to be open to new ideas and challenges.

"And yet, communication and action are two different things. We have to set objec-

tives that are — and here's the key — reasonable to the government.

"Let's say we want to eliminate the Department of Natural Resources — we can't do it," he said. "But if we get talking, we can determine what can be done to streamline (those activities that involve the department)."



Don Pratt
fresh start in Lansing

According to Pratt, working with state agencies like the departments of natural resources, labor and commerce creates a tremendous drain on the building industry.

"We need to know what we can do to facilitate the process. What once took four to six months at the most now takes at least six years," Pratt said.

PRATT SAID builders share some of Engler's priorities, key among them are property tax reduction and education finance reform — both of which have potential to help the building industry, he said.

Lowering taxes and reducing the reliance of schools on local property assessments will not only free up money for large capital purchases, but will make home buying more attractive.

"If I only do one thing this year, I want to focus (attention on the issue) of affordable housing for the state of Michigan," Pratt said.

Affordable housing is not housing for a fixed price — for example housing under \$100,000 — but a price that people in an area can afford, Pratt said. "It could be \$50,000, it could be \$200,000."

When a builder constructs a home, he has fixed costs he must pay, Pratt explained. "Then he adds a reasonable profit on top of that — if costs rise, he's not going to swallow it but pass it on (to the consumer)."

"Builders don't arbitrarily set housing costs," he said.

THE KEY TO affordable housing is to control costs, he said. Some costs, like materials and labor, are market driven and are beyond the builder's control.

It is incumbent upon builders, communities and the state to work together to control those costs that can be controlled, Pratt said. Many factors that drive up costs are closely integrated with the no-growth/slow-growth movement.

"There are thousands of acres of green, blue water, swamps and wetlands — we're blessed with all that green that we will never be able to build on," Pratt said. "We've got areas that we can't build on, so we shouldn't say there are areas that we shouldn't build on."

The way things are heading, Pratt said, some communities are setting themselves up as conclaves for the more fortunate. Pratt said he believes every community should have every kind (of housing).

"Now even I don't want to see the apartment complex next to a four-acre farm," he said. "But we should keep our eyes wide open and see there's a need for all kinds of housing."

"I'm looking at a controlled situation where a person can live in a \$500,000 home if he wants to, but I also don't want to see a situation where a young couple can't afford the two-bedroom bungalow on a 40-foot lot."

NO-GROWTH low-growth pressures drive

up the price of land by reducing the amount — by restricting lot size and numbers or restricting the development through wetland and tree preservation through local ordinances — of buildable space.

Some more progressive communities address this situation by allowing builders to condense development on a portion of the property in exchange for leaving other portions undeveloped, Pratt said. "That's the kind of thing we're talking about — reasonable solutions (to difficult problems)."

Solutions need to be found for other problems too, he said.

Overly restrictive building codes that have an unequal cost for benefit tradeoff, high workers' compensation claims that drive up insurance and labor costs — all of these drive up housing costs, Pratt said.

The real problem behind regulations and restrictions imposed by the state and local communities is that state and municipal authorities — as well as the various interest groups that support the measures — rarely consider the costs of their actions.

"Will there be a gain in livability or a loss? We're really opposed to anyone — be it local state or federal — that dictates regulations without regard to affordability."

"What does not having a neighbor within 200 feet mean? An extra \$30,000? An extra \$40,000?" he asked. "We need to educate the people about things like this."

Duty ends at property line

Can you tell me whether ownership alone creates liability as it relates to an adjacent property owner concerning a condition or defect of the land or of activity conducted on the land that causes damage to the adjacent landowner?

I believe your factual scenario is offered under the principle of premises liability indicating that the right to recover for a condition or defect of land or for an activity conducted on the land requires that the defendant have legal possession and control of the premises. The defendant's duty ends at the boundary of his premises.

To the extent that the owner of land is delegated the responsibility for the maintenance of the land or premises to a tenant and does not have legal possession or control of the premises, he may be immune under certain circumstances from liability.

I would have to know the exact details of your situation in greater depth to be able to respond to your question precisely.

We have an open area of our condominium project. Some of the kids in the condominium are playing football there after school. Some of the residents are very disturbed about it.

The kids tear up the grass and otherwise make a lot of noise and commotion. In addition, they invite "undesirables" from other areas to play on the premises. I am not on the board but am wondering what,

if anything, can be done about it.

It of course depends upon the rules and regulations of your condominium.

The board may consider the prospect of limiting ball playing to certain areas of the condominium project.

On the other hand, the rule-making power that restricts the use of an area for children may be deemed discriminatory as a violation of the familial status provisions in the Fair Housing Act.

In addition, there must be some reasonable place for the residents of the condominium to have recreational activities.

While you may have a basis to complain about excessive noise, violence or other improper conduct, the fact that others are allowed to come on the premises for football playing may make it a very difficult activity to prohibit.

I would write a letter to the board requesting its input as to what, if anything, can be done to ameliorate this situation.

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Hammering home his point Yankee Carpenter darling of public TV

(AP) — "Do you ever make mistakes?" a man asked Norm Abram.

"Whenever I bend a nail, cut something too short or hit my finger, my wife says she never sees Norm do that on television."

Norm Abram, star carpenter of "This Old House" and "The New Yankee Workshop," repeated the question into the hand-held microphone at the recent Southern Ideal Home Show.

"This man wants me to reassure his wife that I make mistakes and you just don't get to see them," he said.

"Well, they really don't happen," he said in a distinctive New England accent. After a few seconds of silence, he laughed and said, "But actually I do make mistakes occasionally."

"In fact, last season when I was building a butler table, the template slipped on camera and the hole for the handle turned out to be a big question mark. So I took the board and wrote on it, 'I make mistakes — spelled mistakes — too,' and hung it on the workshop wall."

Seated on a deck-like stage set at the state fairgrounds, Abram signed the pleased-looking man's shop apron and took the next question from the long line of fans.

EACH QUESTION was fielded with the same slow, down-to-earth manner that has made him the darling of public television.

"Norm, what do you do about squeaky wooden floors?" asked a woman leaning over the rail.

"I don't think anyone who lives in a house with wooden flooring should expect to have a squeak-proof floor," he said. "Some people put talcum powder between boards to act as a lubricant. Others glue boards down but they eventually come loose."

"One manufacturer advertises silent floors, but I think it's sort of a waste. If you have squeaky floors, there's not a heck of a lot you can do about them."

"At my house, I always found it was an advantage because when the kids were teenagers, I knew when they were going up the stairs," he said.

One couple drove from Fayetteville to ask questions about the house they were renovating in Haymount. The man held a camera ready to snap a picture of his wife with Abram. She held a "This Old House" coffee mug to be signed by the man she referred to as "my pot-bellied sex symbol."

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strength, the folks star was dressed in his trademark plaid shirt. His jeans were loosely fit and he wore comfortable athletic shoes.

Thick, brown hair folded over his forehead and his beard was neatly trimmed. Large, chocolate-brown eyes seemed magnified by his thin gold-rimmed glasses.

The 40-year-old Abram is the father of four and a grandfather and lives with his wife, Laura, in Hudson, Mass.

If he looks like an ordinary carpenter, it's probably because he once was just that. He was discovered building a barn in producer Russ Morash's back yard.

IN 1978, the originator, director and producer of Julia Child's "French Chef" and "The Victory Garden" hired him to build a barn. During the process, Morash asked him to do a new show called "This Old House."

At first Abram declined because he liked being self-employed. A month later he changed his mind when the New England job market became soft.

Now in its 12th season, "This Old House," which Abram co-hosts with Steve Thomas, is the most-watched public television show in the country.

Carried on all 39 Public Broadcasting Stations in the country, it is seen by up to 15 million people a week.

THE POPULARITY of the show, he said, comes from the fact that it is entirely unrehearsed and unscripted.

"The show," he said, "is based on real people doing their everyday jobs. The only makeup we use is sawdust and sweat."

The value of the show, he said, is that it has upgraded the image of those in trades.

"We showcase the skills of electricians, plasterers, painters and plumbers and show that they are willing to share their considerable knowledge. Hopefully, we have attracted a lot of young people to get into the trades. We need them."

Best of all, Abram likes to hear people say that without the program they would never have owned a house, built a deck, improved their kitchen or had the confidence to paint or wallpaper.

"THE New Yankee Workshop," a spinoff from "House," starts its third season next January. That show features Abram building power-tool projects such as benches and cabinets.

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42 MPG

WAS \$7091 IS \$5757*

\$500 REBATE

NEW 1991 TEMPO GL 4 DOOR



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air conditioning, rear window defroster, tilt steering wheel, light group, dual electric controlled mirrors, door lock, luggage rack, console illumination, side window demister, body side molding, interval wipers, AM/FM stereo. Stock No. 5976.

29 MPG

WAS \$11,417 IS \$8811*

\$500 REBATE

NEW 1991 MUSTANG LX 2 DOOR HATCHBACK




Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, power equipment group, power door locks, power windows, dual electronic remote mirrors, speed control, AM/FM stereo with cassette, air conditioning, overdrive transmission, cast aluminum wheels, rear window defroster, spoiler, cargo area cover, light group, console, body side molding. Stock No. 6016.

28 MPG

WAS \$13,559 IS \$10,575*

\$750 REBATE

NEW 1991 TAURUS L 4 DOOR SEDAN



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, rear window defroster, power door locks, speed control, exterior security group courtesy lights, AM/FM stereo, dual electronic control mirrors, body side moldings, instrumentation, interval wipers, CHILD SAFETY LOCKS. Stock No. 6024.

29 MPG

WAS \$15,878 IS \$11,797

\$1000 REBATE

NEW 1990 PROBE GT 2 DOOR HATCHBACK



Automatic transmission, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, console, fog lamps, spoilers, body side moldings, 15" aluminum wheels, AM/FM stereo, rear window defroster, tilt steering wheel, cargo cover, overhead console light group. Stock No. 7819.

25 MPG

WAS \$15,768 IS \$13,066*

\$750 REBATE

NEW 1991 THUNDERBIRD



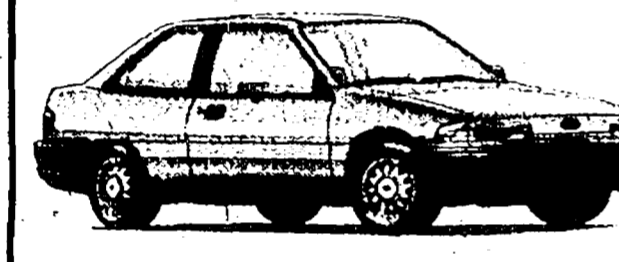
Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic, air conditioning, power windows, power door locks, power driver seat, AM/FM stereo cassette, rear window defroster, luxury group, cast aluminum wheels, console courtesy lights, reclining bucket seats, instrumentation, interval wipers. Stock No. 5864.

27 MPG

WAS \$17,527 IS \$13,575*

NEW 1991 ESCORT LX 2 DOOR

\$500 REBATE



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air conditioning, rear window defroster, light group, convenience group, AM/FM stereo cassette, luxury convenience group, console, reclining bucket seats, cargo area cover, body side moldings. Stock No. 5775.

36 MPG

WAS \$10,437 IS \$8262*

NEW 1991 ESCORT LX 4 DOOR

\$500 REBATE




Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, rear window defroster, light group, convenience group, clear coat paint, tilt steering column, speed control, power door locks, tachometer, AM/FM stereo, console, cargo area cover, reclining bucket seats, body side moldings, CHILD SAFETY LOCKS. Stock No. 6103.

33 MPG

WAS \$12,046 IS \$9662*

NEW 1991 ESCORT LX 4 DOOR WAGON

\$500 REBATE



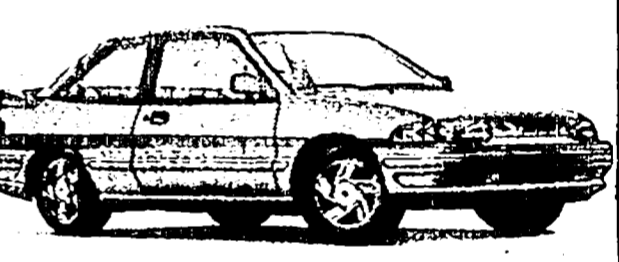
Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, rear window defroster, light group and convenience group, AM/FM stereo cassette, wagon group, cargo area cover, console, reclining bucket seats, body side moldings. Stock No. 5524.

33 MPG

WAS \$12,171 IS \$9770*

NEW 1991 ESCORT GT

\$500 REBATE



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, AM/FM stereo cassette, rear window defroster, air conditioning, luxury convenience group, clear coat paint, tilt steering and speed control tachometer, fog lamps, rear spoiler, aluminum wheels, console light group, sport performance bucket seats. Stock No. 5848.

31 MPG

WAS \$12,749 IS \$10,131*

50 EXPLORERS IN STOCK

NEW 1991 EXPLORER XL



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, overdrive transmission, XL trim, interval wipers, dome lights, instrumentation, scuff plates, front & rear stabilizers. Stock No. 5117.

20 MPG

WAS \$14,204 IS \$11,864*

\$1000 REBATE

NEW 1991 RANGER 4x4 STYLESIDE PICKUP



XLT trim, cast aluminum wheels, AM/FM stereo cassette, sliding rear window, chrome rear step bumper, overdrive transmission, limited slip rear axle, air conditioning, clear coat paint, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, tachometer, instrumentation, touch drive electronic shift. Stock No. 6007.

21 MPG

WAS \$16,650 IS \$12,222*

\$1100 REBATE

NEW 1990 F-150 STYLESIDE PICKUP



Automatic transmission, air conditioning, speed control, tilt wheel, spring-apply mirrors, AM/FM stereo cassette, argent rear step bumper, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, courtesy lights, dome light, instrumentation, vent wipers. Stock No. 7877.

20 MPG

WAS \$14,535 IS \$11,171*

\$1100 REBATE

NEW 1990 F-250 STYLESIDE PICKUP



XLT trim, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, split group, convenience group, AM/FM stereo, sliding rear window, tachometer, 5.8 liter engine, overdrive transmission, limited slip rear axle, speed control, tilt wheel, chrome step bumper, courtesy lights, dome light, cargo box light, instrumentation, convenience group, vent windows. Stock No. 7507.

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WAS \$16,908 IS \$11,024*

\$1000 REBATE

NEW 1991 AEROSTAR XL WAGON



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air conditioning, automatic transmission, privacy glass, speed control, tilt steering wheel, XL trim, electric rear window defroster, clear coat paint, dual captain chairs, AM/FM stereo, speed cooling spoiler, convenience group. Stock No. 58127.

23 MPG

WAS \$17,217 IS \$13,242*

\$2000 REBATE

NEW 1990 BRONCO 4x4 EDDIE BAUER EDITION



Power steering, power brakes, privacy glass, rear window defroster, vent windows, tilt steering, speed control, 32 gallon fuel tank, light group, convenience group, power door locks, power windows, automatic transmission, air conditioning, captain chairs, stereo cassette, electric shift 4th lock drive, trailer towing package. Stock No. 16337.

WAS \$23,546 IS \$16,824

SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

\$1000 REBATE



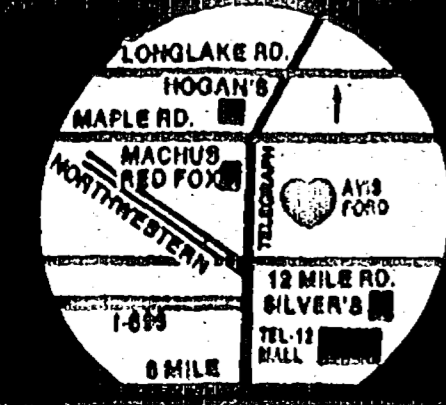
NEW 1991 RANGER

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Tinted glass, power brakes, custom trim, overdrive transmission, clear coat paint, rear anti-lock brakes, dome light, spoiler, fold-away mirrors, instrumentation, scuff plates, interval wipers. Stock No. 6066T.

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