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Teen guilty of assault in death



Gregory Hister, 16, is the second defendant convicted of a reduced charge in the death of Everett Bowen, shot behind Adams Junior High School in November. The judge who presided over the jury trial reduced the charge against Hister.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A second Westland teen has been convicted in a Nov. 15 incident that resulted in the shooting death of a 19-year-old Westland man behind Adams Junior High School.

Gregory Hister, 16, was convicted Tuesday of two assault charges stemming from an incident in which 19-year-old Everett Earl Bowen Jr. was killed when he was shot in the face and back with a revolver.

In announcing her verdict, Detroit

Recorder's Court Judge Denise Page Hood rejected charges of murder and conspiracy to murder, sending a strong message that she didn't believe Hister had participated in a plan to kill Bowen.

"I think it's a great decision," Hister's attorney, Otis Culpepper, said Tuesday. "I think it was an honest and fair decision. I think it accurately reflected the role that Gregory Hister played in this case."

Hister fared better than Ian Bruce Cowen, 17, a friend convicted June 9 of second-degree murder and conspiring to

assault Bowen.

Hister could face a maximum of 10 years in prison, while Cowen could face a maximum sentence of life imprisonment. Hood has requested reports from the Michigan Department of Social Services and probation officials before sentencing the teens.

Prosecutors accused Hister, Cowen and two other teens — whose trials are pending — of plotting to murder Bowen in revenge for an earlier dispute between Bowen and Cowen. In the earlier fight, Bowen stabbed Cowen's legs several times with a screwdriver.

Prosecutors have accused the teens of arranging to kill Bowen by setting up a supposed drug deal behind Adams school. Bowen was a known crack cocaine dealer.

A companion of Bowen's, 20-year-old David Wayne Adkins, also was shot in

the head during the 10:30 p.m. incident, but he survived.

Patricia Bowen, the mother of the slain 19-year-old, had told the Observer even before Hister's conviction that she hoped he would receive lenient treatment by Hood. The mother has said she holds Cowen most responsible.

Hood found Hister guilty on two charges — assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, and conspiracy to assault.

Defense attorneys had argued during Hister's and Cowen's trial earlier this month that neither knew that a gun was being brought to Adams school. Two other Westland defendants — 18-year-olds Jermaine Stevenson and Jerome Omar Ingram — have been accused of bringing the gun as part of a "private

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School project



ART EMANUELE/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Saving the rain forests: Kettering School students decorated their classroom and gym for an educational project on rain forests. Heading the project to mark the "Earth's Birthday Project" was teacher Patricia Koenig.

Livonia school board calls time out on many sports, cuts rainy day fund

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

On the night school officials approved both the most massive budget cut in years and the smallest rainy day fund in years, hockey parents kept up their fight to reinstate athletic programs killed in Livonia Public School's 1992-93 budget.

Right now, due to a \$7.2 million chop in the district's \$101 million budget approved Monday, hockey, softball and a multitude of other sports and school activities won't be around when school starts in September.

The budget approved by the Livonia Board of Education, which represents the northern section of Westland, includes only \$107,278 in the rainy day fund, a far cry from the \$2 million origi-

nally proposed by Superintendent Joseph Marinelli and the \$10 million the district had in its coffers just three years ago.

Marinelli lamented the rainy day fund, calling it "extremely inadequate." The district, he said, won't have much of a financial reserve if something unexpected happens and the district's finances take a spin for the worse.

But, in approving the budget with its sparse reserve, school trustees said they were willing to take that risk.

"If we have the money, we have to spend it on the kids and not sit on it," said board president Richard McKnight. "We are taking a risk, trying to provide every program we can provide. We'll be spending what money we do have for the kids."

Cuts restored?

The budget — and the cuts — can be adjusted once the district knows for sure what school aid bill Michigan lawmakers pass this summer.

Some of the activities and sports cut could conceivably be restored in the year ahead if extra money materializes. In fact, the board Monday recalled 80 of the 115 teachers pinkslipped earlier this year.

In proposing a supplemental funding plan, hockey parents know they must save their sport soon or the hockey program could be lost for good, with little chance their children can play elsewhere.

See CUTS, 4A

Cable TV panel plan hits static

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Behind the scenes of Westland cable television, a political war has erupted.

The political static increased to a fierce level Monday, two weeks after the Westland City Council began considering a move to abolish the Westland Cable Commission because:

- Some council members believed some appointed members of the nine-member commission had overstepped

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their boundaries by trying to play boss to Diane Abbott, who heads the city's cable office and answers to the council and the city administration.

- The commission's role of overseeing cable grant money has diminished. Most of the money has been spent.

- The panel's duty of advising the council on a franchise agreement has been accomplished. The city has an agreement through 1999.

- Amid budget cuts, some officials saw an opportunity to trim spending. Cable commissioners earn about \$600 each a year — or \$5,400 for the entire commission.

Councilman Kenneth Mehl proposed abolishing the commission two weeks ago. But the council hedged amid concerns that the panel is still needed to field consumer complaints and advise the council on new legislation.

The stalemate prompted the council to ask Mehl and council member Terri Reighard-Johnson to study the issue and seek a solution. They offered a compromise Monday to reduce the nine-member commission to three people.

But some council members and Mayor Robert Thomas indicated they wanted a five-member commission. Thomas even threatened to appoint his own five-member cable advisory panel if the council approved a three-member commission.

A failure to reach an agreement left the nine-member cable commission intact — for now. But the dispute angered Reighard-Johnson and Mehl, who ques-

See CABLE, 2A

Residents call mobile home park 'Westland ghettos'

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Deteriorating living conditions at a Westland mobile home park could pose potentially life-threatening health risks and destroy property values, residents charged Monday.

Residents of the 722-home Westland Meadows neighborhood in the city's far southeast end pleaded for help Monday from the city council.

"It's not Westland Meadows. Part of it is 'Westland ghettos,'" resident Blanche Keen said.

Residents described a neighborhood where homes sink into the ground, walls and floors bend and buckle, electrical lines stretch across the ground and dead-end streets pose hurdles for emergency vehicles.

Steve Syer, a father of two, warned that children could "get hurt or be killed" by power lines that haven't been buried in the ground.

"The place is just diminishing. Nobody cares," he said.

'If there's a sewage problem, I guarantee you I am not aware of it.'

Rick Duhl
Westland Meadows manager

But Westland Meadows manager Rick Duhl, contacted Tuesday by the Observer, indicated residents have exaggerated the problems because they're angry about a \$15-a-month rent increase on their lots.

Residents buy their homes and rent their lots for \$310 to \$325 a month, though they pay \$10 more for each pet or each occupant beyond two.

Duhl labeled the neighborhood — northeast of Van Born and Merriman roads — as among the nicest mobile home parks around because it provides security guards, a swimming pool, tennis courts, a playground,

a picnic area and other amenities.

The power lines Syer referred to are Michigan Bell lines that the telephone company couldn't install underground during the winter, Duhl said. "I will call them again."

Patricia Clark, who said her mobile home is sinking, told the council that her son "could be dead" if an underground fuel line were to burst.

"My walls are coming down. My ceiling's coming down. I want it fixed," she said.

Duhl said some homes sink slightly because companies delivering mobile homes sometimes don't install them properly on their foundations.

"We have absolutely nothing to do with that," he said.

Duhl disputed claims that homes are sinking because of raw sewage, but agreed that a storm drain sometimes causes problems because it empties water

See GHETTOS, 4A

Churchill seniors now grads

Churchill High School awarded diplomas to seniors at the June 10 commencement. The seniors were:

Stacy L. Abraham, John M. Abughannam, Thomas S. Adams, Jennifer C. Tatiana, Lawrence R. Allen Jr., Jamie M. Allen, Robert T. Allen, Lorri L. Anderson, Afifah Azar, Thomas G. Bain Jr., Denise Balls, Nhu H. Baffi, Jeremy B. Banks, Matthew E. Baranowski, Amy L. Barnesky, Kristen M. Barton, Sarah E. Bayley, Holly M. Beaire, Kathryn L. Bennett, Kristine M. Benz, Carrie L. Berger, Nicole A. Bernard, Patricia A. Bertram, Kurt A. Beseker, Alicia M. Bewernitz, Ryan S. Bewersdorf, Hassan Beydoun, Gregory S. Bianchi, James D. Biebel, Jill L. Bielezyc, Rachel J. Birk, Amanda G. Bloomfield, Cheryl A. Bojanowski, Rebecca L. Boyer, Heather N. Brace, Bridget M. Bracken, Carolyn M. Brady, Hope Braverman, Matthew A. Breisch, Jason E. Brownfield, Mark D. Bryant, Scott D. Bugnell, Jim C. Buja, Andre P. Bussey, Jeffrey J. Butler.

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Line 'em up
School greetings: Larry Thomas (left), who takes the helm of the Wayne-Westland school district July 1, greets a large turnout of local residents who came to a recent reception at the Dyer Center to welcome to the community. Thomas, now with the West Bloomfield school district, was accompanied by his wife, Donna, and sons Shawn and Matt at the reception.

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tioned why they had spent hours on a compromise that other city officials ignored.

Mehl accused the council of bowing to pressure from pro-cable commission forces and called it "a slap in the face" to him and Reighard-Johnson.

Reighard-Johnson, in a highly unusual outburst, blasted her colleagues for making "a political battle" out of the issue and warned that council members should remove politics from the issue.

"This makes me sick," she said and warned them at one point, "Don't waste my time."

After the meeting, Reighard-Johnson said she had been made "a pawn." She questioned why the council asked her to spend time seeking a solution.

"This was a game to a lot of people, anyway," she said.

At one point, it had appeared the council would approve a five-member commission. Despite feeling betrayed, Reighard-Johnson agreed to support the measure.

But a sudden shift by council President Charles Pickering killed the measure.

Commission chairman Tony Rosati appeared pleased that the panel hasn't been abolished. He and other commissioners remain convinced that the public still needs a local outlet for complaints.

"I'm happy that the commission still is in force," he said. "But I don't know where this is all going to end. With politics in this town, who knows?"

The latest dispute followed a political furor in early 1991 that resulted in Dennis Fassett's failure to have the council renew his contract to run the cable and community relations department. Abbott stepped in to head the office on a temporary basis, but later received a multi-year contract.

Local Young Woman of Year program best again

The Wayne-Westland Young Woman of the Year scholarship program has been named the best in the country for the second time in four years.

To receive certificates as the co-

chairs will be Lisa Lehman and Tony Rosati who are leaders of the committee which produces the annual scholarship program, formerly known as the Junior Miss pageants.

The local committee, formally

known as Wayne-Westland Junior Miss, Inc., also won the national award in 1988.

Lehman and Rosati were also named the best Young Woman of

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Seeking a settlement

Kroger strikers still optimistic

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Strike-weary Kroger workers in Westland appeared hopeful this week amid rumors that a contract settlement could come late this week.

"Oh God! What a relief that would be!" cashier Norma Slaydon of Canton Township said. "We've worked so hard for this."

Slaydon, who earned \$10.37 an hour before the strike, and other strikers appeared optimistic Tuesday about rumors that the 10-week-old strike would end and they would be back on the job soon.

Kim Jorgensen, a cashier who lives in Inkster, had advice for what the supermarket giant could do with the "temporary workers" it hired to replace the strikers.

"Get them out and get us back in," said Jorgensen, who earned \$6.61 an hour before the strike.

She said the replacement workers are earning more than she did after five years. "I don't think that's right."

Even if the strike is settled, which was far from certain Tuesday, bitter feelings appeared destined to remain for some time. Especially painful to Jorgensen and other workers were memories of three co-workers who crossed the picket line.

Some strikers referred to two of

■ 'It's hard to deal with when a customer walks by and tells you that you don't have a job.'

Kim Jorgenson striking Kroger cashier

those co-workers Tuesday as "the king and queen of scabs."

Strikers also said they had received emotional wounds from some Kroger customers who don't support their cause for better wages and benefits.

"It's hard to deal with when a customer walks by and tells you that you don't have a job," Jorgensen said.

Striker Mary Kennedy of Allen Park indicated that, even if the strike's settled, she's far from ready to be friends with management.

"I'm going to pretend like they're not there," she said. "I'm not going to be mean to them. I'm just not going to talk to them."

"I think we were just out here for a just cause," Kennedy said. "You have to stand up for what you believe in."

Kennedy's 6-year-old granddaughter, Shayna, joined her on



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Still striking: Four-year-old Nicholas Long joins Dawn Baker (left), Sharon Way, Jodi Lowery and Elvera Konker on the Kroger strike line.

the picket line Tuesday.

Kennedy has been working at the Farmer Jack at Wildwood and Ford in Westland, earning \$8 an hour, so she at least has a paycheck coming in.

"I want this strike to be over," she said. "I just think that we should get a fair shake from Kroger."

Despite the 10th week of striking, the workers said their morale remains high. When the morale of some workers takes a dip, other workers try to boost their spirits, they said.



Norma Slaydon



Kim Jorgensen



Mary Kennedy

Turn it down: Council votes to tighten city's noise rules

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Beware all rappers, metal heads and alternative rock aficionados: Cranking up the jams could get expensive this summer.

The ruckus over loud music in Westland neighborhoods has the city council singing a new song. And it doesn't sound like Nirvana.

Concerned about noisy parties, blaring boom boxes and cranked-up car radios that rock the city's Richter scale, the council has cracked down.

Think twice about blowing that car horn, too.

To keep the peace, the council voted Monday to tighten the city's noise ordinance and make it easier for courts to slap fines on offenders.

"I know in my own neighborhood the houses vibrate because the radios are so loud," council member Sandra Cicirelli said.

The problem worsens on week-ends, police department reports show.

■ 'I know in my own neighborhood the houses vibrate because the radios are so loud.'

Sandra Cicirelli council member

Under the revised ordinance, police officers won't have to rely on neighborhood residents to file complaints about excessive noise. Police can do it themselves.

Typically, police have found city residents reluctant to file complaints against their neighbors, even though they want the noise stopped, city attorney C. Charles Bokos said.

"Now the police could become complainants," he said.

Offenders charged with misdemeanors for violating the noise ordinance could be fined up to \$500 or ordered to spend up to 90 days in jail.

However, it remains to be seen whether judges in Westland's 18th

District Court will aid in the crackdown or be leery of the more-restrictive ordinance.

"It's a much more expansive ordinance," Bokos said.

Among the sounds declared to be too loud:

- The blaring of vehicle horns that create "any loud or harsh sound" within 50 feet of residences. Emergency vehicles and motorists sounding their horns as a danger signal would be exempt.

- Radios, televisions, musical instruments and stereos that are "plainly audible" in a residence that's not the source of the sound.

- Radios, stereos and other sounds that are "plainly audible" 50 feet or more from a residence.

Officials say they have suspect in Adams Junior High arson

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland fire officials have a suspect in a fire that erupted last week inside Adams Junior High, the school's second arson incident in 14 months.

The fire, started with paper and matches, was contained to two lockers in the boys' locker room of the school on Palmer between Wildwood and Venoy, according to Fire Marshal Robert Perry.

A student saw the fire at 2:39 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, about the time school had let out for the day, Perry said. No injuries were reported.

The student discovered the fire when walking into the boys' locker room, which had become filled with smoke, Perry said.

Damage was limited to the two lockers, including a bottom locker and another directly above it, he said.

■ A student saw the fire at 2:39 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, about the time school had let out for the day.

Robert Perry fire marshal

A subsequent investigation revealed that the fire had been started with paper and matches discovered by fire officials on the scene.

Although fire officials have one suspect, Perry said it's possible that additional leads could implicate others, though he wasn't certain of that yet.

It's possible that investigators could seek a juvenile court petition charging the culprit with arson, Perry said.

Arson is a felony that carries a maximum penalty of 10 years for

adults. But it would be left to juvenile authorities to decide how to handle a juvenile case, Perry said.

If successfully charged, the culprit could face any penalty from probation to becoming a ward of the state, the fire marshal said.

The latest Adams blaze came 14 months after a much larger fire destroyed one classroom and damaged six others, in what school officials called the district's worst fire in memory.

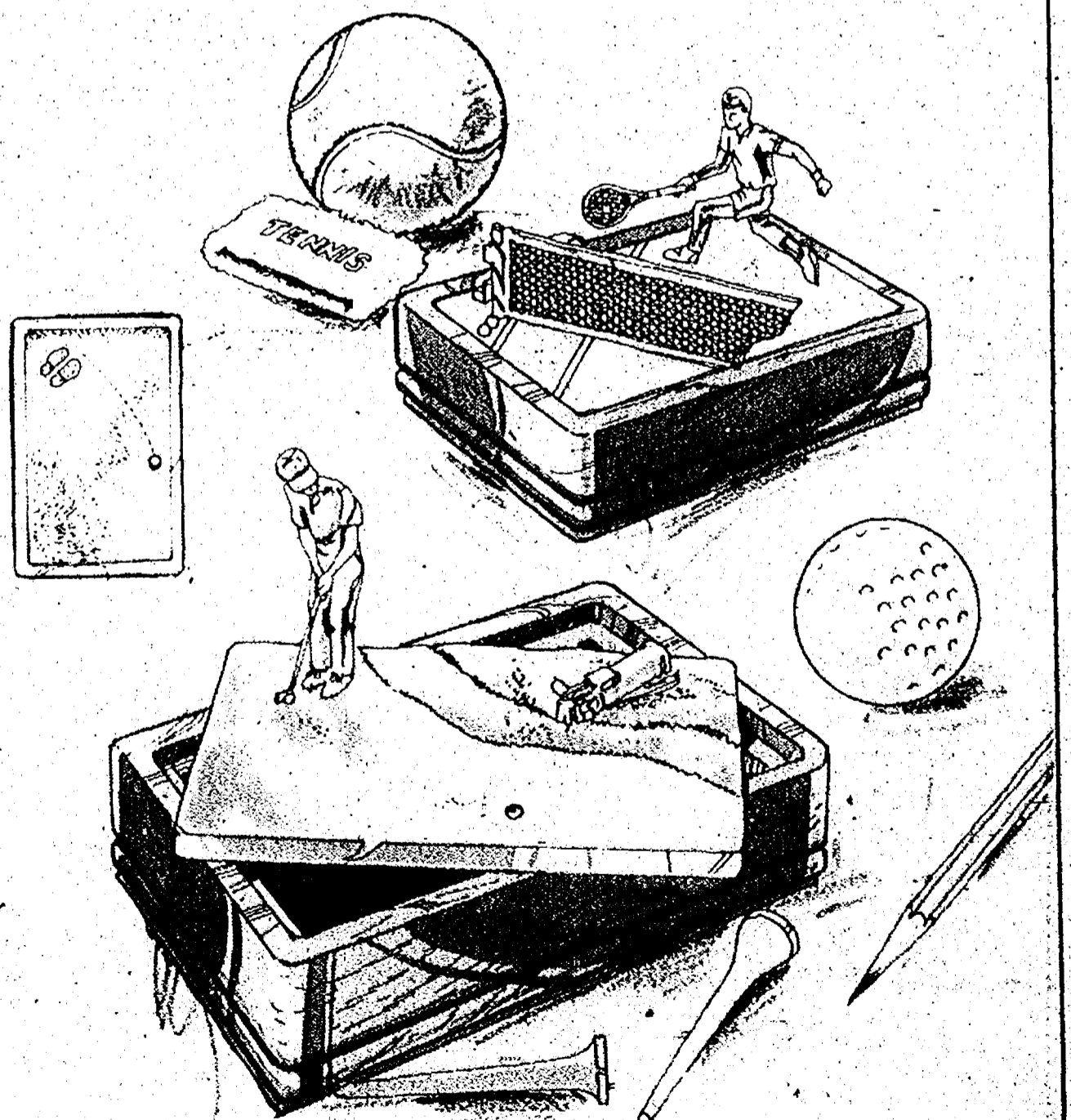
Authorities weren't able to bring charges in that fire, which also was blamed on arson.

"We know who did it, but we can't prosecute," Perry said. "No one has come forward to accuse two suspects, he said. "And no one would confess."

That fire left \$760,000 in damages and required extensive renovation in the worst-hit area. It occurred at 7:20 p.m. on April 6, 1991, and was noticed by a nearby resident.

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The board's finance committee Monday plans to discuss a plan proposed by Robert and Kathy Catanzarite.

The Catanzarites believe a fee paid by families plus revenues received from hockey games could support the program without any extra money from the district. They believe parents would gladly pay to support other eliminated sports as well.

The Catanzarites said the district's plan to save such sports as football and basketball and cut such sports as hockey and tennis made as much sense as Governor Engler's "detestable Robin Hood" plan.

"The fact remains that the over-

whelming majority of school systems have chosen a supplemental fee plan rather than elimination of the sports," they said.

Other sports cut

Besides hockey, other sports that were eliminated were synchronized swimming, varsity and JV baseball and softball, boys and girls tennis, JV boys soccer and JV girls soccer, ninth grade girls and boys basketball, ninth grade girls volleyball and boys and girls golf.

The trustees have said these sports, as well as such school activities as cheerleading and student newspapers, would be among the first programs restored when finances improve.

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slowly. "If there's a sewage problem, I guarantee you I am not aware of it," he said. "That would be a health hazard, and I would do something about it."

Duhl also said some mobile homes may buckle slightly because the ground heaves slightly with the change of seasons.

"People don't understand what's happening," he said.

But resident Kevin Shivnen, rais-

'The place is just diminishing. Nobody cares.'

Steve Syer resident

ing concerns about property values, said he can feel the floors of his home buckling.

"We can't sell these places," he said.

Shivnen, who's also angry about

rent increases, told the council, "I can only hope that if my place catches fire, the fire department doesn't get there in time."

Mayor Robert Thomas told residents Monday he would listen to

more concerns during a neighborhood walk that he had previously scheduled Tuesday evening in Westland Meadows. Some residents had accused the administration of ignoring their problems.

"We're there to help — not hinder," Thomas said.

"But he warned that some problems may come under the jurisdiction of the county or state — and would have to be handled accordingly."

Witness to accident sought

A motorist is looking for a witness to a three-car accident at 15870 Middlebelt near the Sterling Furniture Store at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 13.

The motorist especially needs to speak to anyone witnessing an older orange colored damaged pickup truck, probably a Ford, with a single white male leaving the scene north on Middlebelt after the accident.

Anyone with information should call 421-2141, ext. 305, and refer to case number 92022065.

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agenda" to rob Bowen.

Assistant Wayne County prosecutor Robert Hood said Tuesday he's "satisfied with the verdict that the court rendered" in Hister's case.

He cited a lack of credibility of some witnesses who testified about Hister, such as Hister's girlfriend,

Vicki Heaney.

Judge Hood is expected to decide next month whether to sentence Cowen and Hister as adults or juveniles. Both were 16 when Bowen was killed.

Culpepper predicted Tuesday

that Hister won't be sentenced to more than a year in jail. He would receive credit for seven months served to date.

All four defendants have remained jailed since Bowen's killing. Stevenson and Ingram, who are seeking to suppress statements they

made to police, haven't yet been scheduled for trial.

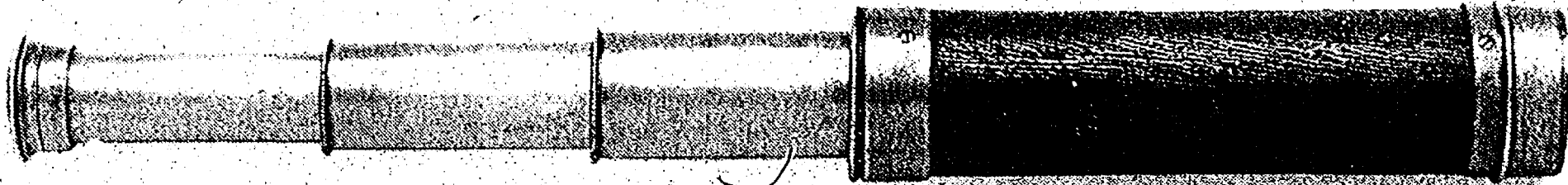
Judge Hood is expected to set their trial after she rules at a yet-to-be-determined date on whether their statements should be suppressed at trial.

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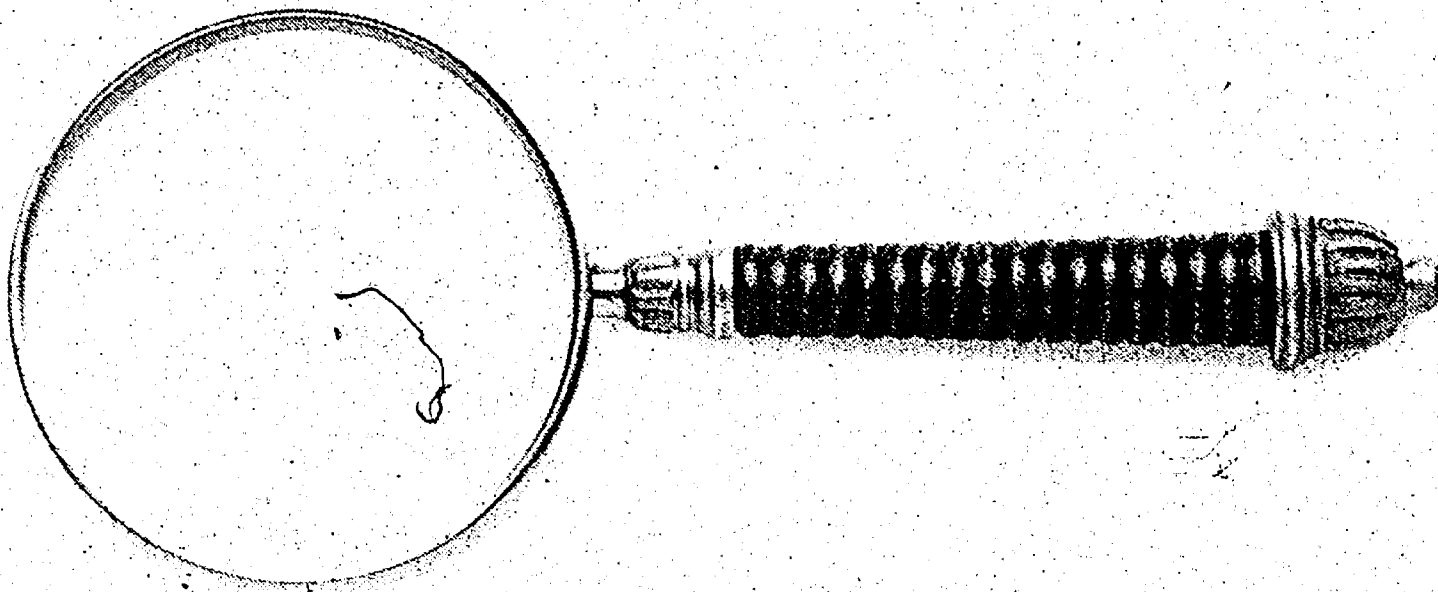
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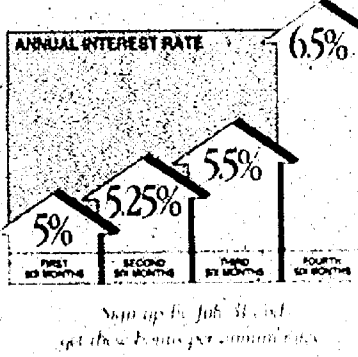
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Infant HIV testing puzzles some area health officials

BY WAYNE PEAL
STAFF WRITER

How secret are HIV tests on new born infants? So secret parents — and many health care professionals — aren't even aware they're conducted.

At least that's the word according to state Rep. John Jamian, R-Bloomfield Township, who has introduced a bill that would notify parents of HIV testing on their newborn children.

The bill received its first public hearing last week before the state House Public Health committee.

Some area health officials cheer the bill as a welcome, long overdue step.

"My feeling is this is a good thing," said Alan Breakie, president of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. "The parents should know. When they know they can do something."

But the bill appears to have left health professionals more confused than congratulatory.

"We don't test without the parents' approval," said Norma Thompson, director of maternal/child health at Crittenton Hospital, Rochester. "If we're doing anything else, I'm not aware of it."

St. Mary Hospital, Livonia, tests to protect its workers.

"The only way we'd test is if one

of our workers becomes exposed to the blood and then it's to protect the worker," said infectious control practitioner Barbara Johnston.

Officials at Botsford Hospital, Farmington, also said infants aren't tested without parental approval.

"To my knowledge, not all children are tested for HIV," said Gerald Blackburn, head of Botsford's infectious disease department.

Jamian said he isn't surprised by the hospitals' reaction.

"It could be that they're conducting the tests without even knowing it," he said.

He added he only became aware of the testing accidentally, during budget hearings for the state health department.

Adding to the confusion, hospital officials say the state health code mandates new mothers be tested for syphilis and hepatitis B but not HIV infection.

But Jamian said tests aren't conducted on the state's behalf.

"It's a federally mandated test," he said. "Statistics are kept for the Centers for Disease Control."

Atlanta-based CDC maintains health statistics for the federal government.

HIV is one of seven medical conditions for which blood sam-

ples are taken, Jamian said.

"Samples are placed on a card and by the time they conduct the HIV test, the parents' names are ripped off the card," he said.

CDC spokesman Kent Taylor confirmed testing is conducted, but couldn't confirm whether Michigan hospitals were included.

Jamian, however, said it was his information all Michigan hospitals participated except those in the Saginaw Valley.

"I think it was an error — a statistical blip," he said.

Complicating matters, HIV tests on newborns aren't universally accepted as reliable.

"With the tests currently available, there's a spill over effect," Blackburn said. "They could indicate the child is HIV-positive when, in fact, it's just the mother."

The HIV virus is considered the cause of AIDS, a fatal shutdown of the body's immune system. While it's believed all HIV-infected individuals will eventually develop AIDS, the link isn't necessarily immediate.

Jamian kept wording of the bill purposefully loose — potentially to add amendments. But an early proviso encourages the federal government to continue to finance CDC studies.



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DeMattia to bid again on county land

By WAYNE PEAL, STAFF WRITER

His dream vanished, but developer Robert DeMattia said he's still interested in developing at least a portion of a 930-acre Northville Township parcel he almost bought from Wayne County.

But to do so, he'll now have to outbid other developers.

A DeMattia-backed partnership was chosen as winning bidder — and introduced with much fanfare and grand plans — two years ago. This year, its option quietly expired.

DeMattia hasn't given up hope. "We're still very much interested in the property," the Plymouth-based developer said. "Though it depends on what we can work out

with the county."

County officials expect DeMattia to be among the bidders when the property again goes on the market.

"There's no residue of ill will," county business development director Bill Wild said. "He really was a victim of a changing economy."

DeMattia lost his option because he couldn't come up with the \$31.7 million purchase price, Wild said. The money was to have been paid to the county on the day of closing.

DeMattia agreed the slumping economy made the project "dead in the water for two years," DeMattia said.

Plans for the Five Mile and Beck site initially called for an estimated 1,200 new housing units — with homes in the \$300,000-\$400,000

range and condos starting at \$200,000. It also included offices, research and development sites and a light industrial park.

In addition it was also to have included such amenities as a Lee Trevino-designed golf course, riding stables, tennis courts and swimming pools, as well as restaurants and shops.

The county is now pushing for a scaled-down project.

"We could be developing it piece-by-piece," Wild said. "It's likely we'd be looking at residential first."

The \$300,000-\$400,000 homes may be a thing of the past.

"There's still a market for homes of that price in Northville, but I'd say that would probably be at the top range of the (new) scale," he

added. The offices and tech parks are on indefinite hold, as are the tennis courts, swimming pools and riding stables.

The golf course, is still on the drawing board, though the county itself may develop the course on its own.

Though no ground was broken, the brief agreement did see old power transformers removed from the property — once site of a state youth home. It also a series of agreements with Cconsumer's Power, ending utility company claims to portions of the site.

"We're ready for development," Wild said. By DeMattia or anyone else.

Area residents are elected to mental health board

Northwestern Community Services, a community mental health agency serving western Wayne County children, has elected a new board of directors.

Named to the board were Plym-

outh resident Mary Ann Dingeman-Staff, a residential loan officer with Republic Bancorp Mortgage; John Santomuro, director of public safety for Canton Township; and Joelyn T. Stokes, a partner in Hyatt Legal Services, Livonia.

Also elected were Detroit attorney Terry Darden and Charlotte Mahoney, a community affairs executive with Detroit Edison. She lives in Livonia.

Northwestern Community Ser-

vices provides treatment of mental and emotional problems at three separate locations in Garden City and Canton. The respite care program provides temporary care for developmentally disabled persons residing throughout Wayne County.

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Federal grant helps fund international project at Madonna

Madonna University will implement a two-year project to develop undergraduate studies and foreign languages with the help of more than \$80,000 from the U.S. Department of Education.

The grant, made available to Madonna under Title VI of the Higher Education Act, is part of a matching funds concept which requires the university to raise an additional \$82,733 over the next two years.

"Internationalizing the curriculum is a large part of the university's long-range plans," said Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, academic vice president.

"This is evidenced by the establishment of the Office of International Studies and the recent arrival of Madonna's first visiting professor from Poland's Jagiellonian University. Madonna offers both a comprehensive undergraduate degree and an MBA in international business."

A graduate studies program for Taiwanese students has continued to enjoy success over its four-year operation and a recently established English-as-a-second-language program at the university maintains steady enrollment.

Madonna also offers students several opportunities for work and study abroad.

Three major objectives are sought through the Title VI

money: to strengthen Madonna faculty in international concepts, to internationalize key general education courses, and to strengthen the university's Japanese studies program.

Faculty development opportunities include workshops, lectures, faculty round-table discussions and the organization of a faculty data base of international expertise. Many professors, who have taken part in the various business trade missions to Europe or who have taught in Asia and other regions of the world, will be poised to assist their colleagues in the process of gaining international awareness and proficiency.

Madonna will soon instill international concepts and content into six high-enrollment general education courses, each with several sections. These courses, which would not normally deal with international issues, will serve to maximize student exposure to global concerns and the importance of competency in this realm.

Building upon a recognized Japanese studies program, the university will expand the existing minor in this area, to a major concentration of study through the revision of existing courses and the addition of courses at the third- and fourth-year levels.

Rivertown skate will benefit MS research

On Saturday hundreds of in-line skating enthusiasts will take to the pavement in Detroit's premiere Rivertown location to participate in Rolling on the River.

While participating in America's fastest growing sport, these in-line skaters also have another purpose — raising money for Multiple Sclerosis (MS).

Rolling on the River will begin at Stroh River Place where a 5 kilometer race will kick off the morning, followed by a day of leisure skating when participants will raise funds for the number of miles they skate.

Participants can enjoy a safely secured route, checkpoints stocked with water and fruit, medical support, and lunch.

Family and friends are welcome to enjoy the on going courtyard entertainment including roller dancing exhibitions, childrens activities, karaoke, and skating lessons.

Funds raised will be split to provide research and services to persons with MS, and beautification projects for the Rivertown Community Trash Bash '93.

Multiple Sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling neurological disease of the central nervous system.

The Michigan chapter has one of the highest MS incidence rates in the country. MS usually strikes adults between the ages of 20 and 40. Pledge dollars will help fund research and provide services to the nearly 15,000 persons with MS and their families in Michigan.

Anyone interested in skating, making pledges or volunteering for Rolling on the River should call the Michigan chapter of the National

Multiple Sclerosis Society at (313) 350-0020 or 1-800-247-7382.

Rolling on the River sponsors include: MGM Bicycle and Fitness Equipment, River Place Apartments, Stroh Brewery Co., Wellness Plan, McMillan Bros., Andrews on the Corner, Dunleavy's, Coconut Jos, Borden Quality Snacks, Westborn Market, Harbortown, City Rollers, Chris Nordman and Associates, and Sundance Cafe.

Asthma?

Men and women with asthma are needed as volunteers for a research study at the Henry Ford Medical Center—Sterling Heights, to help determine the effectiveness of a new medication which may help asthma sufferers avoid asthma attacks.

Volunteers must be adult men or sterile/postmenopausal women who have asthma but are otherwise healthy. The study will take place at the Sterling Heights Medical Center, 3500 Fifteen Mile Road (at Ryan Road).

Participants will be paid up to \$225 for the six-week study (four visits). Also, study-related care and tests will be provided free to qualified participants.

To find out if you qualify, contact Dolores Sears-Ewald at 876-2670.

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Cost is \$3.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12. The aircraft display is free.

The local chapter has about 75 members many of whom will display their home-built aircraft.

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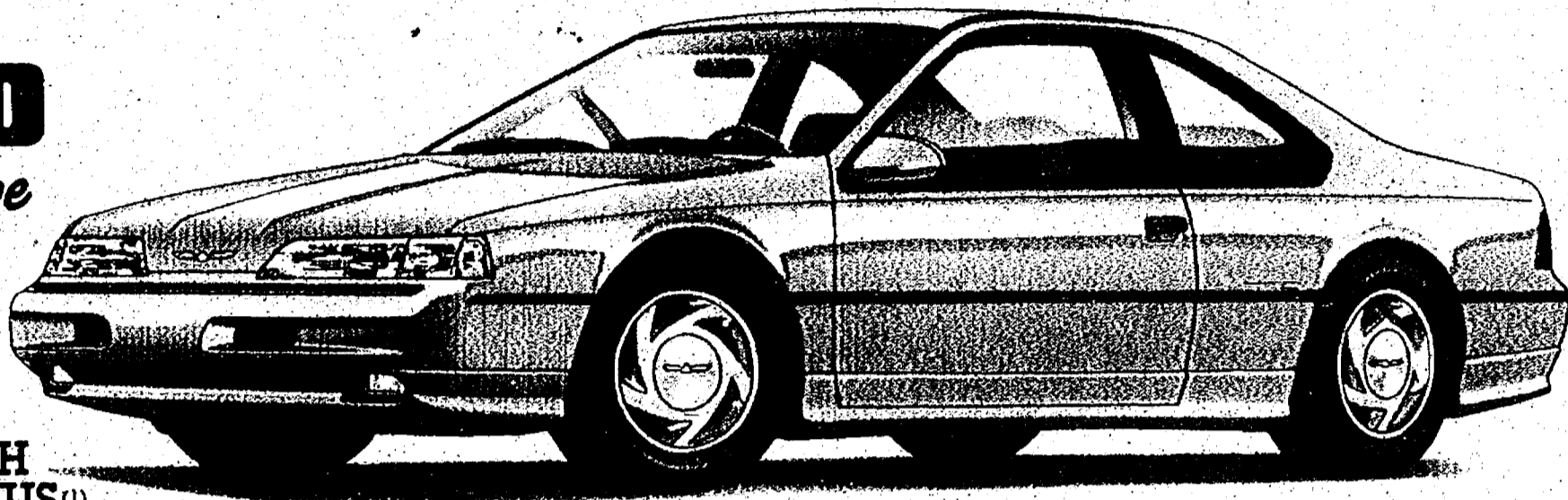
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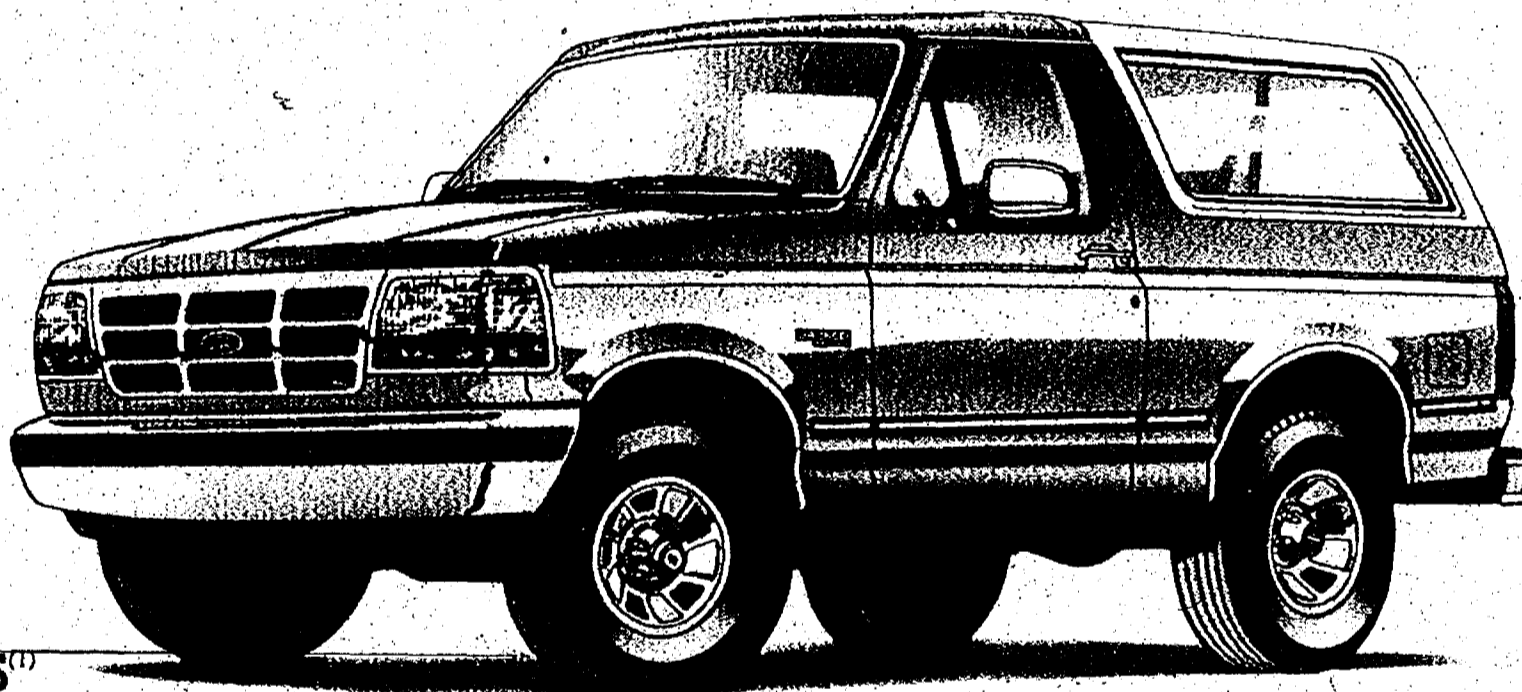
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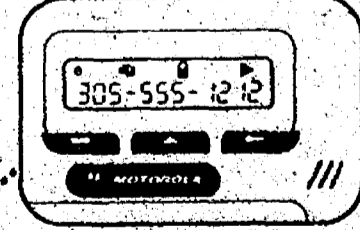
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THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1992

**AROUND
WESTLAND**

Benefit game

Paddy's Pub, a Westland restaurant and bar, and the Lakepointe Yacht Club, its Livonia counterpart, held a benefit softball Sunday to raise about \$3,000 for the March of Dimes. Paddy's waltperson Cathy Reracher said the idea for a game started with Lakepointe staffers challenging the Paddy's people to a fun softball game. Paddy's Dean Cady then suggested the game be played for a worthy cause. In about a week, customers at the two businesses were asked to donate — and they did. The original goal was \$1,500. The largest single donation of \$200, said Reracher. Players also distributed sponsor sheets for the charity. By the way, Paddy's team won the game 19-10. It was played behind Marshall Junior High School, Westland.

Gaiss moving north

Al Gaiss, former city of Westland personnel/labor relations director under former Mayor Charles Griffin, has been named the new superintendent in the Bessemer district, on the western side of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Gaiss informed the Observer in a phone call this week that he will start his new position July 1 and that he will miss the friends and contacts he made in Westland. He left the city administration 2½ years ago when Griffin was defeated by Robert Thomas. Since then, Gaiss served as a labor relations director for the Montclair, N.J., schools and a private labor relations consultant in the Detroit area.

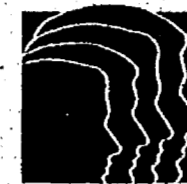
Perot petitions

Want to get involved in the presidential campaign of H. Ross Perot, still an announced candidate for the White House? Perot's Michigan campaign committee has scheduled a parade for 1 p.m. Saturday, featuring antique cars, marching bands and supporters dressed in a "Great Gatsby" theme. The parade will start at Five Mile and Henry Ruff in Livonia and proceed east to Harrison. For information on the fund-raiser garden party after the parade, call the Perot headquarters at 467-5444.



Where Am I?: With a mud-splattered face, Brandon Mayville, 7, of Westland staggers through a man-made mud pit at Hines Park. He was one of dozens kids who took part Tuesday in the annual county-sponsored mud fest.

Youngsters get dirt on slinging of mud



A county fire truck spewed a continual jet of water on a man-made mud hole while kids reveled in the cold wet muck for Mud Day '92.

BY MARY RODRIQUE
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County had a mud day, kids came from far and wide. They romped and splashed on Tuesday. Moms cringed and thought of Tide. Bathed in glop, kids wanted more, they slid, they jumped and fell. Mud glistened from every pore. It was a scene from laundry hell.

The weather was picture perfect Tuesday, but you couldn't tell by the dozens of children frolicking knee deep in wet gooey mud in Hines Park.

A county fire truck spewed a continual jet of water on the man-made mud hole while kids reveled in the cold wet muck for Mud Day '92.

"It's the one day of the year they're allowed to get this dirty," said Dawn King of Westland. "I'd kill 'em if they ever got this dirty at home."

She transported her seven children and three neighborhood kids to the site in the Nankin Mills picnic area in Westland.

"We're here every year. They look forward to it," said King, while her 9-year-old daughter, Sarah, played nearby — not even an inch of hair or skin visible under the mud.

"She's hoping to be crowned Ms. Mud this year. She was the runner-up last year," King said.

The titles of Mr. and Ms. Mud are bestowed on those who garner the greatest applause for their soiled appearance.

King's kids range in age from Shawn, 4, to 10-year-old twins Jeremy and Mary.

"I brought their bathing suits for the drive home. But they'll still need a

bath," King said. "Last year they had mud in their teeth when they got home."

Originally scheduled to be divided by age groups, parks director Tess Dafin-gas let all participants, regardless of age, begin wallowing in the freshly tilled topsoil before the 11 a.m. posted starting time.

"They were so eager," she said. Because this year marked the fifth annual event, parks crews didn't have to add new topsoil.

"We just had to till the area," Dafin-gas said. "We found some old shoes from last year."

Suzanne Kwarsich of Westland let her three children participate in the mudfest for the first time this year.

"My middle daughter has asthma and the mud day has always been held in April when it's too cold," she said. "I expected more people today but it's actually less crowded than when we used to come and just watch."

Meanwhile her three children, ages 8, 10 and 12 and three of their friends slogged around the pit dressed in their oldest, tackiest clothes.

"I'm throwing the clothes in the garbage," said Kwarsich, who brought an old plastic tablecloth to line the backseat of her car for the ride home.

Children emerged from the mud pit like swamp creatures on a late night horror movie, unrecognizable even to their own parents. A big tent was erected for kids to change clothes and parents came well armed with towels.

In addition to Wayne County, the event is co-sponsored by Tub and Tumblers Coin Laundry and 60 Minute Pro Clean.

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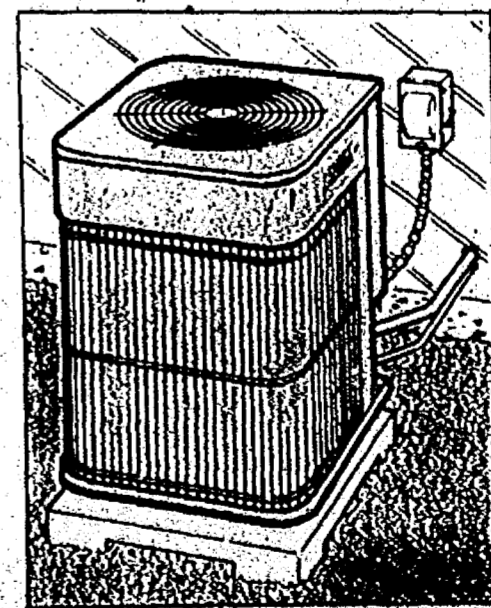
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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND WESTLAND

FUND-RAISERS

■ PANCAKE BREAKFAST

A Fathers' Day Pancake Breakfast will be 8 a.m. to noon on Sunday in the Masonic Temple, 1740 Middlebelt, Garden City. Admission is \$3 for adults, and \$1.50 for children under 12 years old.

■ GOLF OUTING

A golf outing will be sponsored by Garden City Hospital on Monday, June 22, in Meadowbrook Country Club, Northville. Tickets are \$215 which includes a brunch buffet at 11:30 a.m., a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m., cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and a dinner at 7:30 p.m. Prizes for the hole-in-one contest will include a 1992 Ford Escort GT and a Nassau cruise. 458-4330.

■ PIG ROAST

A Community Pig Roast will be 5-9 p.m. on Friday, June 26, at Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church, 33445 Warren Road, corner of Farmington Road, Westland. There will be a silent auction to benefit the Wayne County Family Center, games with prizes, Domino's Petting Farm animals, clowns, music and entertainment.

FESTIVALS

■ FESTIVAL IN THE PARK

The annual Community Festival in the Park will be held at City Park, Cherry Hill east of Merriman, Thursday through Sunday. There will be carnival rides, free entertainment, bingo games, food booths, flea market, and arts and crafts displays.

RECREATION

■ SOFTBALL

Westland Jaycees are looking for people 21-39 years old for softball teams now forming. Openings for men and women on the Jaycee Co-ed League and men on Westland Men's League. 729-5083 or 722-1630.

■ SWIM LESSONS

Adult swim lessons will be held at the Garden City Community Pool, adjacent to the high school, 6500 Middlebelt, for \$1.50 for Garden City residents with a pass or \$3 for those without a pass and non-residents. Recreation passes are \$3 and available at the recreation department office in the Civic Arena, on Cherry Hill east of Merriman. 525-8857.

■ OPEN SWIM

The Wayne-Westland YMCA has daily open swim available 7-8 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 1-3 p.m. Saturday. Family swim is 8-8:45 p.m. Friday and 3-4 p.m. Saturday. The YMCA is at 827 S. Wayne Road, Westland. 721-7044.

CLUB CALL

■ DAR

The General Josiah Harmar Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday at the United States Coast Guard on Belle Isle.

■ VFW AUXILIARY

The VFW Garden City Ladies Auxiliary will hold its Card Party at noon on Tuesday in the VFW Hall, 33011 Ford Road, Garden City. Tickets are \$3.50 per person and includes lunch, cards, prizes. Diane Carroll 458-2197 or Jack Seal 422-5360.

■ FRIENDS OF HOMELESS

Active Friends of the Homeless will meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 27 in the First United Methodist Church of Northville, Eight Mile and Taft Road. Ronaele 427-9063 or Carolann 349-2325.

■ FUN-SEEKERS

Fun-Seekers, adults 21 years of age and older, meets the first and third Saturdays of each month for activities such as whirlyball, moonlight bowling, splatball, riverboat dinner cruise and theme parties, wallyball, volleyball, softball and pool league, camping trips, canoeing, rafting and Cedar Point. 522-2166.

■ HOST LIONS

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

■ CAMARO BUFFS

The new Eastern Michigan Camaro Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at Gordon Chevrolet, on Ford west of Merriman, and at 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at Ramchargers, on Plymouth Road just west of Levan, Livonia. 326-5658.

■ TOASTMASTERS

The Advocates Toastmasters Speakers Club provides advanced technology in the art of training of speakers. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, one block north of Ford. 728-4774 or 427-5585.

■ HOLY SMOKE MASTERS

Thursdays — The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meet on Thursday at 6 p.m. in Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road. 455-1635.

■ JAYCEES

Tuesdays — The Westland Jaycees are conducting their annual membership drive for new members ages 21-40. The Jaycees meet 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month in the Westland Sports Arena, Wildwood at Hunter. 729-5083 or 722-1630.

■ AMBASSADORS

Ambassador Junior Civitan is seeking young people ages 13-18 for community service activities. The club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House, 36993 Marquette, east of Newburgh. 729-5409.

■ SCHOOL GROUP

The Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee meets 7:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Meeting House (formerly the Rowe House), 37025 Marquette. The group informs citizens of important issues regarding the community schools. 729-1748.

■ PURPLE HEART

The Military Order of Purple Heart meets 8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the VFW Hall on Ford Road, west of Venoy. Meetings are open to combat-wounded vets.

HISTORY ON VIEW

■ MUSEUM OPEN

Now through June the West-

land Museum has a special wedding fashion display from 1889-1950. The museum is at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. Hours are Saturdays 1-4 p.m.

■ GC HISTORY

The Garden City Historical Museum is open from 1-4 p.m. Wednesdays in the Log Cabin, on Cherry Hill east of Merriman. Admission is free.

VOLUNTEERS

■ BLOOD DONATIONS

The American Red Cross is accepting blood donations from 2-8 p.m. on Monday, June 22, at St. Theodore Catholic Church, on Wayne Road, south of Joy. Coletta Flynn 422-7066.

■ VOLUNTEER WORK

Family and Neighborhood Services is looking for individuals, male and female, 18 years of age or older, who are interested in volunteering their time to work with youths, young adults, individuals and families. 782-0600 or 562-0800.

FOR KIDS

■ SUMMER READING

"Rock, Rap and Read" for children who have completed grades 1-6, 2-3 p.m. every Tuesday June 16 through July 21 at Garden City Library, 2012 Middlebelt, Garden City. Register at the library. 525-8855.

■ CUTEST BABY

A cutest baby contest will be held at the Garden City Festival June 18-21. Applications at Maplewood Center and you will need to provide a picture no larger than 8-by-10. Deadline is June 18. Babies must be 2 years old or younger. Winner announced Sunday. 421-7594.

■ BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School theme of "Climb Up Sunshine Mountain" will be observed from 9 a.m. to noon, June 22-26 in Garden City Presbyterian Church, on Middlebelt, two blocks south of Ford. 421-7620.

■ MING THE MAGNIFICENT

Ming the Magnificent, magician and master of illusion, will entertain children 2-2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24, for the summer reading program at Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 421-6600.

TEENS

■ POLICE CADETS

Young people interested in law enforcement may apply to the Garden City police explorers cadet program. Call Detective Sgt. David Harvey, 422-1122.

CO-OP NURSERIES, PRESCHOOLS

■ INSIDE

St. David's Episcopal Church, 27600 Marquette, Garden City, has openings for 3- and

4-year-olds in its preschool program. Classes are in the mornings. 427-5915 or 422-1462.

● Livonia Cooperative Nursery, West Chicago at Hubbard, is accepting applications for the 1992-93 school year for 3- and 4-year-olds in morning and afternoon sessions. 421-8168 or 422-5486.

● Garden City Co-op Nursery has openings for 4-year-olds. Sessions are 12:30-2:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. The nursery is housed in the Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, two blocks south of Ford. 425-6257.

● North Dearborn Heights Co-op Nursery, located in the Cherry Hill Baptist Church, corner of Gulley and Wilson, has opened enrollment for the 1992 fall term for children 2-, 3-, and 4-years-old. 561-7169.

● Day Care center: The YWCA of Western Wayne County Child Care Center is now enrolling children for current school year. Enrollment is for children 2½- to 5-years old. The center is at 26279 Michigan Ave., one mile west of Telegraph. 561-4110.

● St. Mel's Catholic School, 7506 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights is taking registrations for grades 1-8, and also for all day or half-day kindergarten. Register in person or call 274-6270.

SINGLES

■ BETHANY DANCE

The group is for divorced, widowed, separated and single people over age 21. Bethany Farmington also sponsors a support group for newly separated and divorced people. Meetings are Sunday afternoons at Our Lady of Sorrows School in Farmington. Call 471-2708.

■ VOYAGERS

Meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 12 in St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile. A former Mrs. Michigan will present "Packing for Pleasure or Business." The presentation covers packing, tipping, customs and money-saving travel tips. The program is designed for women and men. Refreshments follow. Cost is \$3.50 guest, \$260 members. Call 591-1350.

● The group is planning a golf outing at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 20 at Salem Hills Golf Course, 8810 W. Six Mile at Currie Road. Cost is \$45 for two with nine holes of golf and cart, dinner and prizes. Reservations, 421-3123. The public is welcome.

■ PWP

The Livonia-Redford Chapter 130 of PWP meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Ramada Inn, 30375 Plymouth Road. Orientation is 8 p.m., the general meeting 8:30 p.m., followed by dancing. Diane, 464-1969.

● Wayne-Westland Chapter 340 will host dances from 8 p.m. to midnight Fridays, June 12 and 26 in the Wayne Armvets Hall, 1217 Merriman Road. Admission is \$5. New members are welcome. For more information, call Sue at 525-6937.

■ DINNER AT RITZ

Wednesday, June 17 — The Widow's Organization will

sponsor a "Dinner at the Ritz" 6:30 p.m. in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Dearborn. Price is \$20 (tax and tip included) for members and their friends. Reservations must be made by June 12 by sending a check, payable to the Widow's Organization, to: 7129 Jonathon, Dearborn 48126. Tickets will be mailed to participating members. Also on the agenda is a weekend in Cincinnati (Aug. 21-23). Price is \$160, with a \$50 deposit due now and the remainder by July 21. Price includes round-trip coach fare and two nights (double occupancy) at the Westin Hotel. The 10th Widow's Conference will be at the Westin on Aug. 22, starting 10 a.m. 582-3792

■ GOLF LEAGUE

Single golfers are needed for a Single Duffers league that tees off 5:30 p.m. Fridays at the New Hawthorne Valley, on Merriman, east of Warren Road, Westland. Good, bad and beginning golfers are welcome. Call Jerry, 421-0849.

■ WESTSIDE

Westside Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays at Burton Manor, Schoolcraft, west of Inkster Road, Livonia. Admission is \$5, 562-3160.

■ SATURDAY WESTSIDE

Saturday Night Singles-Westside will have a '50s and '60s oldies dance with live bands 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, June 6 in Burton Manor, Schoolcraft, west of Inkster Road, Livonia. Call 277-4242. Admission is \$5.

■ SUNDAY NIGHT

Sunday Night Singles will have a dance 7:30 p.m. to midnight Sundays at Burton Manor, Schoolcraft, west of Inkster Road, Livonia. Call 562-3170.

■ WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Wednesday Night Singles will have a dance 7:30 p.m. to midnight Wednesday in Bonnie Brook Country Club, on Telegraph, south of Eight Mile. Admission is free. Call 277-4242.

■ WEDNESDAY SUBURBAN

Wednesday Suburban Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesdays in Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River, near Eight Mile, Farmington. Proper attire (no jeans) is required. Admission \$3. 842-0443.

■ SQUARE DANCE CLASS

New singles beginner class 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Burger Center, Beechwood and Dillon, Garden City. Admission \$3. Call 485-0918 or 422-6079.

■ SUNDAY NIGHT SINGLES

A dance/party is 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. every Sunday at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill, at Venoy. Admission \$4. Cash bar and DJ entertainment. Dances are for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn. Arrive early and receive hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. Call 427-0037.

■ STARLITERS

Starliters 40 and Older Club hold dances 9 p.m. to mid-

night Fridays in the Northwest YWCA, 25940 W. Grand River, near Beech Daly. Price is \$3.75, including a band and refreshments. 776-9360.

■ BRIDGE

Singles bridge group meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays in First Presbyterian Church, Northville. Lessons are offered 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Call 349-9104 or 420-3177.

■ TRI-COUNTY SINGLES

A dance is scheduled 8 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11 in Burton Manor (formerly Roma's of Livonia) on Schoolcraft Road, just west of Inkster Road off I-96. Admission is \$4 for men and \$2 for women. Cash bar available. For more information, call the hotline at 842-7422.

■ U.S. SINGLETONS

The group will host its Saturday, June 13 social/dinner at 6:30 p.m. in Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth, between I-275 and Lilly Road. All singles age 45 and older are invited. For more information on the group write: U.S. Singletons, P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn, Mich. 48123.

■ SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

A non-profit social group for singles ages 25 to 40 sponsors volleyball at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday at Heritage Park, Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads. The group will bike and walk at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 7 at Kensington Metro Park. Call 478-9181 for more information or a complimentary newsletter.

■ TRI-COUNTY SINGLES

A dance is scheduled for singles ages 21 and older from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, May 30 in Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph and Eight Mile Road. Admission is \$4; \$2 for women. Dress is casual, however, no jeans are allowed. Cash bar is offered. For more information, call the group's hotline at 842-7422.

■ NEWBURG SINGLES

The first Sunday brunch is set for 12:30 p.m. Sunday, June 7. The group meets in Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Non-members are welcome. For information, call (313) 663-0014. The group also offers golf at 4 p.m. every Saturday.

■ UPTOWN SINGLES

Birmingham Bloomfield Troy Singles Inc. host a dance party for those ages 21 and older every Friday night from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in Roma's of Bloomfield, 2101 S. Telegraph, north of Square Lake Road. Admission is \$4. Cash bar and Deejay entertainment are available. Dressy attire should be worn. Call 332-9237.

■ SINGLE PLACE

Single Place, based at the Northville Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main, meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the church. A divorce recovery workshop is at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in the church for a fee. 349-0911.

■ NEW SINGLES

A new singles' square dance class is from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Burger Center gym, on Dillon and Beechwood, Garden City. Admission is \$3. 485-0918 or 422-6079.

FOR YOUR HEALTH

■ TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

meets 10 a.m. Thursdays in the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. 422-2297 or 561-9205.

■ WEIGHT CONTROL

A support group meets at 11 a.m. every Saturday in Garden City Hospital Room 3, on Inkster Road at Maplewood. Focus is a holistic approach to weight control. 261-4048.

■ HYPERTENSION

Blood pressure tests are provided by Annapolis Hospital and Westland Medical Center 10 a.m. to noon Mondays and by Home Health Care 9-10 a.m. Thursdays at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh at Marquette.

■ FOOT CARE

Basic foot care will be available every other Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to noon (appointment only), in Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh at Marquette. Call 722-7632.

■ WEIGHT CLUB

The Buxom Bell Weight Club meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill east of Merriman. Call 522-9323.

■ HEALTH CARE

Education classes for breast and lung care offered 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays in the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. The 30-minute program focuses on a support group, and an educational breast and lung care seminar. Those with Medicare Blue Cross/Blue Shield coverage will have transportation provided to the diagnostic center where a light lunch will be served, after which mammograms and chest X-rays will be done, with return to the Friendship Center at 2 p.m.

■ RECOVERY

Recovery Inc. meets at 7:30 p.m. every Monday in the Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. It is a community mental health organization that offers a self-help method of will training. The recovery method is a system of techniques for controlling temperamental behavior and changing attitudes toward nervous systems and fears.

■ SCREENING

Blood pressure and cholesterol screening are provided noon to 2 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month in the front lobby of Garden City Hospital. Blood pressure screening is free and a \$5 fee is charged for the cholesterol test. No appointment necessary.

■ FITNESS GYM

The Wayne-Westland Family Y will sponsor a fitness gym 6 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. weekdays, and 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Saturdays. Daily guest pass is \$5 per visit. 721-7044.

■ MEDICAL SERVICE

Free medical service, provided by Stanley Sezczeniowski, M.D., 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, Sezczeniowski will refer you or recommend you go to your own doctor. 722-7632.

■ TOPS

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. Call Delores Grenke at 427-8824.

The Observer will print, without charge, announcements from non-profit community groups. If you have an event you would like listed on this page please send information typewritten or legibly written on a letter sized piece of paper to: The Calendar Dept., Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich. 48150 or by FAX to: 891-7979. Include date, time and complete address of location of event and a telephone number of someone who can be reached during business hours to clarify information. Items will appear at least once. Deadline is noon Monday.

Woman injured in car collision during chase

A Lincoln Park woman was injured after her car was struck by a car driven by a Westland man who was being pursued by Inkster police Monday morning.

Sharon Huth, 39, suffered a severely lacerated left arm and was listed in good condition at Garden City Hospital Tuesday. She was expected to undergo surgery on her arm for a second time later in the week.

Garden City police said Huth was driving westbound on Cherry Hill at Garden when she was struck by a northbound car driven by Robert Cobb, 35. The impact of the accident caused Huth's car to roll over.

Cobb continued north on Garden,

police said, where he hit a parked car. Huth, who was cited by Garden City police for reckless driving, was taken into custody by the pursuing Inkster officers.

"It could have been a lot worse. Our officers knew Inkster was chasing him from the radio," Commander Michael Bertha said of the 8:49 a.m. accident.

Inkster police chief Terry Colwell refused to comment on the incident while an investigation was pending.

"I have no information that there was any pursuit. Our investigation is not completed," Colwell said, noting Cobb was not in custody. "It would not be fair to comment any further."

Perot parade Saturday in Livonia

The state Perot Petition Campaign Committee will have a "Parade for Perot" beginning 1 p.m. Saturday in Livonia.

The parade will be along Five Mile from Henry Ruff east to Harrison.

There will be antique cars, marching bands and H. Ross Perot

supporters in "Great Gatsby" theme dress.

After the parade there will be a party in the Golden Mushroom. A fund-raising donation is requested for the garden party.

For garden party reservations, or information, call Perot headquarters at the Royce Hotel at 467-5444.

LUIGI G. PISTOR

Services for Mr. Pistor, 88, of Garden City were June 17 from St. Raphael Catholic Church with the Rev. Raymond Marshall officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Pistor died June 13 in Garden City Hospital.

Born Jan. 7, 1904, in Valvasone, Italy, he was a retired cement finisher. He was a member of the Venetian Club who enjoyed gardening and working with mosaic tiles and sea shell pottery.

Survivors include: sons, Wilber and Roy; daughter, Edala Biasutto; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the John Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City.

Memorials may be made to Children's Miracle Network, 380 N. Woodward, Suite 100, Birmingham 48009.

EDSEL C. KARINEN SR.

Services for Mr. Karinen, 65, of Westland were June 17 from the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland. The Rev. Leonard Partensky officiated. Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Karinen died June 14 in Garden City Hospital. Born July 7, 1926, in Detroit, was a truck driver.

Survivors include: wife, Beverly; children, Bonnie Oila, Mark, Edsel Jr., Tracey and Dale Cummings; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandchild and two sisters.

ROBERT ARNOLD NIEMI

Services for Mr. Niemi, 46, of Westland were June 3 from the Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Beynon officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Niemi died May 29 in Toronto. Born June 27, 1945, in Detroit, he was a machine builder.

Survivors include: wife, Jean; children, Derek, Lorne and Christopher, all of Westland, and mother, Hilja Niemi of Hancock, Mich.

ELIZABETH L. NICEWANDER

Services for Mrs. Nicewander, 60, of Westland were June 17 from the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland. The Rev. Roy Forsyth officiated.

She was a law office secretary.

Survivors include: daughter, Jean Coral; grandchildren, Jill, Jennie and Jeffrey; mother, Josephine Streeter; sisters, Dolores Altizer and Barbara McRoberts, and nieces and nephews, Tim, Kelly, Lori and Robert, and friend, William Bright.

RICHARD H. DIEM

A funeral Mass for Mr. Diem, 84, of Westland was to be held today at St. Theodore Catholic Church with the Rev. Michael Molnar officiating. Burial was to be in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Mr. Diem was a retired 20-year Detroit police officer and a Gordon Wilamson Realtors employee. He also lived in Curlew City, Fla., for 20 years.

Survivors include: wife, Alice; son, Richard; daughter Margaret Heilstedi; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two brothers and three sisters.

Memorials may be donated to the Hospice of Southeast Michigan.

Arrangements were by the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland.

St. Mel's functions, including bingo and festivals.

Survivors include: husband, Robert; daughter, Rebecca LeMay; sons, Brian and Army Pvt. Bradley; grandchildren, Krystina LeMay and Nicholas LeMay; father, Raymond Reckling; sisters, Judy Kielb and Sue Jacob and brothers, Raymond Reckling and James Reckling.

Arrangements were by the John Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City.

JAMES E. TENNANT

Services for Mr. Tennant, 62, formerly of Wayne, were to be held today from the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Westland, with the Rev. David Owen officiating. Burial was to be in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Tennant, a South Lyon resident at the time of his death, died June 15. Born Dec. 13, 1929, in Detroit, he was a member of the Plymouth Elks Lodge.

Survivors include: wife, Marion; daughters, Charlene Miller, Peggy Staeb and Janet Riddle; six grandchildren; stepmother, Helen Tennant; brother, Robert and stepbrothers, Robert and Donald Houvener.

Arrangements were by Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals at the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on WEDNESDAY, June 24, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of hearing and considering all comments of all persons interested in or concerned with the following requests:

Item 6-92-001 Mr. and Mrs. Olsen
6509 Golfview
Consideration of a Variance request from Section 161-218 and 161-213 (D) to install a swimming pool that would result in 34.9% total lot coverage for the site where 34% is the maximum permitted and would exceed the permitted rear yard coverage by 5 square feet. Legal Lot 536, Hawthorne Heights Subdivision. ZBA 92-8

Item 6-92-002 Mr. and Mrs. Wlecha
6555 Wulby
Consideration of a Variance request from Section 161-839 to construct a privacy fence that would have a zero (0) foot setback where a minimum of one (1) foot setback is required. Legal Lot 120, Maplewood Garden Subdivision. ZBA 92-9

The applicant's submittal materials are available for public review at the Garden City Planning Office, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48133, 48132.

All persons interested in any of the above are hereby invited to attend this Public Hearing and be heard.

RONALD D. SHOWALTER
City Clerk-Treasurer

Publish, June 18, 1992

CITY OF GARDEN CITY

ORDINANCE A-92-005

THE FOLLOWING PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION WAS SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBER WIACEK AND SUPPORTED BY COUNCILMEMBER SOBAS

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Garden City Council to authorize the 1992 Tax Millage Rate for all assessed property in the City of Garden City for the purpose of collecting sufficient funds to meet the needs of the services performed by the City; and

WHEREAS, the levy of said millage rate must be accomplished by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this specific enactment is not permanent in nature and need not be compiled in the City Code

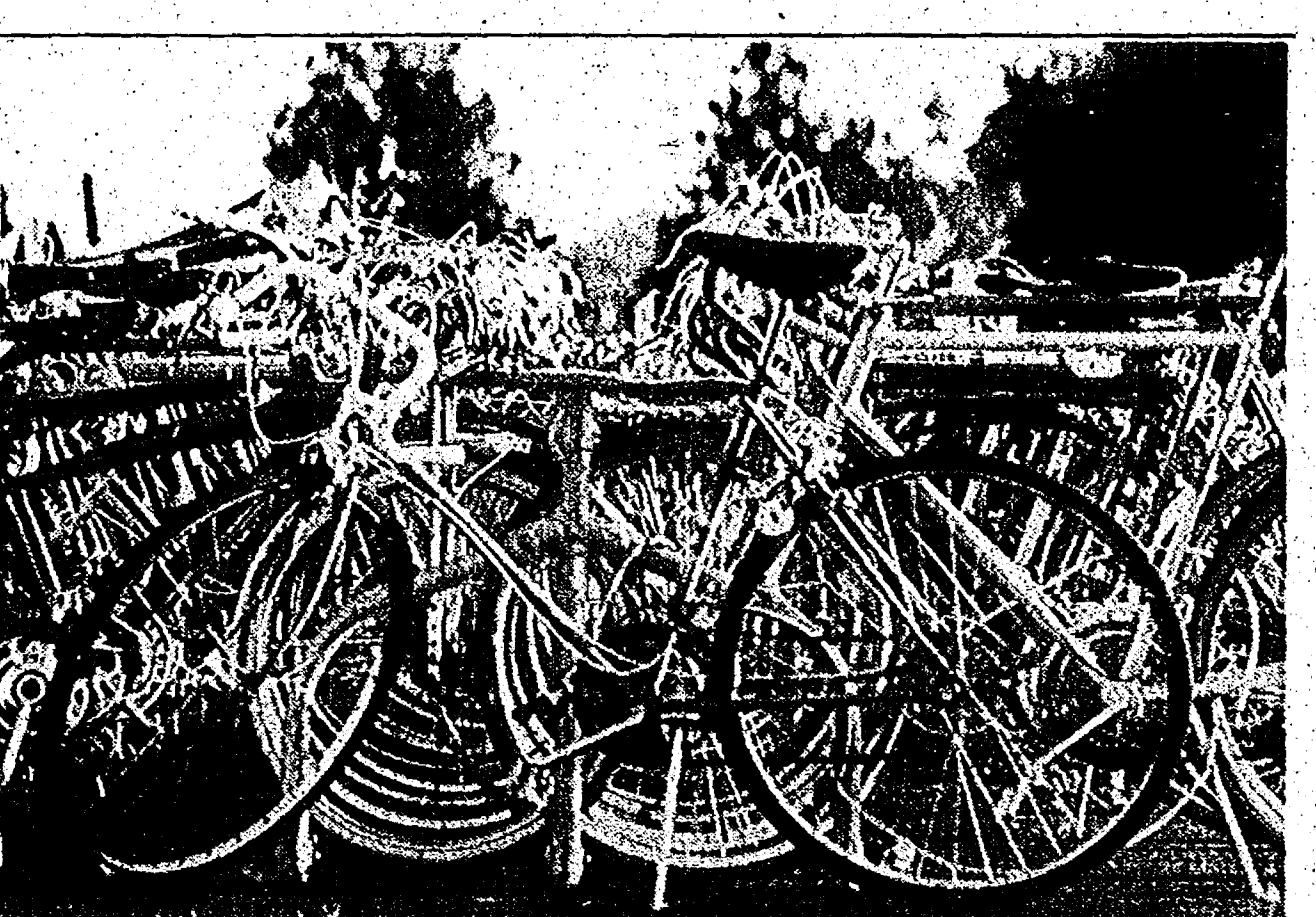
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Government and corporate insiders once were outsiders



DAN McCOSH

Now that Ross Perot is within putting distance of the White House lawn, it's predictable that we will be getting some re-examination of his short stint as an auto executive.

There are, in fact, some similarities to his brief tilting with the windmills at GM and his jousting with Messrs. Bush and Clinton. In both cases he

managed to articulate the obvious — that big institutions tend to be bloated bureaucracies, run by clubby management and often ignoring the purpose they were set up to serve.

If also wouldn't surprise me if Perot fell from grace in national politics as abruptly as he left Detroit — although I suspect he will leave Washington a lot poorer. Regardless, Perot's Detroit days are part of the legend, almost as big a part as getting those prisoners out of an Iranian prison.

Perot already has managed to panic Solidarity House, another bloated bureaucracy that is worried

that it spent its member's political slush fund on an unelectable candidate.

Perot also has managed to panic Big Business for more or less the same reason. It brings to mind the time he threatened to make GM executives go out and buy their own car at a dealer and try to get it fixed under warranty.

You have to love a guy like that. This, of course, is the view of Perot as the indefatigable iconoclast, the kind of take-charge guy who is going to straighten everything out overnight.

Unfortunately, there also was the

Perot who led his EDS shock troops into battle to fix up the GM computer system and managed to cut off the phones at Buick for two straight days.

There also was the Perot audited for allegedly setting up an elaborate scheme of transfer payments that funneled cash from GM stockholders to EDS stockholders, the largest of which was Perot himself.

This may be what Perot means when he says he likes to try something, then if it doesn't work, try something else.

Still, Perot gets some surprising support from those closely tied to

the auto business. A UAW member makes the comment after being questioned about whether Perot would be good for unions. "He would be good for business, and that means jobs."

At this point, formal endorsements from higher-ups in the auto business are non-existent. GM has troubles of its own, and has brought in yet another guy to help straighten out that bureaucracy. Ford types appear to be laying low, and Chairman Lee has been through this before.

There are, in fact, many similarities between running GM or any big auto company and running the

United States, although the last guy who said that publicly did not get elected president, at least of the United States.

Of course, one of the greatest similarities is that to run an auto company, first you have to get the job, and by the time that happens, something changes in your personality.

What once seemed like a mindless bureaucracy becomes a circle of close friends, and even the company car begins to look good.

Dan McCosh is automotive editor of Popular Science magazine.

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START A BUSINESS
"Starting Your Own Business"

seminar will be offered 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 20, at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Fee: \$24. Information: 462-4463. Sponsor: Schoolcraft College.

INTERMEDIATE WORDPERFECT

"Intermediate WordPerfect" will be offered 7:30-10:10 p.m. for three weeks on Tuesday and Thursdays beginning Tuesday, June 23. The course will be offered at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Fee: \$128. Information: 462-4463. Sponsor: Schoolcraft College.

CASH SEMINAR

"What to Do with Cash in 1992" presented free from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at Embassy Suites Hotel (E-275 and Seven Mile). Reservations: Patti Thompson, 336-4500. Sponsor: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc.

LOTUS 1-2-3

All-day seminar, "Lotus 1-2-3 Skills," offered Friday, July 17, at the Westin Hotel in Detroit. Fee: \$145. Information: 1-800-255-4141. Sponsor: Patgett-Thompson Co.

Unemployment compensation could stop with little warning

The federal program that provides additional jobless benefits to unemployed workers across Michigan and the country is beginning to phase out as the program approaches its final day for accepting new claims.

"Workers who are currently receiving or who file for Emergency Unemployment Compensation by July 2 can draw all of their benefits,

even after the program ends, as long as they meet the program's eligibility requirements," said F. Robert Edwards, director of the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

Edwards reported that MESCC has paid out approximately \$412 million in federal EUC since the program began last November. More than 115,000 unemployed Michigan workers are receiving or

have received these federal benefits.

The emergency unemployment compensation program began on Nov. 17, 1991, and originally allowed up to 20 weeks of benefits to Michigan workers who had exhausted their state unemployment insurance. In February, the program was changed to allow for an additional 13 weeks of benefits, increasing the maximum entitlement to 33 weeks.

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BUSINESS

SUBURBAN BUSINESS LEADERS

Sarah Chiaramonte of Livonia was appointed branch manager/assistant vice president of Ross Mortgage Corp.'s Livonia office. She will supervise the branch office staff, promote new business and re-financing as well as assist customers. Chiaramonte had been an assistant vice president at Sears Mortgage Corp. in Southfield since 1989.



Chiaramonte

Joseph F. Mercurio was honored Tuesday as the Engineering Society of Detroit's outstanding young engineer of the year. Mercurio is a senior project engineer at General Motors' electric vehicles program. He joined GM in 1989 after receiving his doctorate in mechanical engineering from Cornell University.



Mercurio

Maurice R. Collins was appointed general director of the new Market Data Center with General Motors Corp. Collins had been general director of the worldwide Marketing Information Center on the GM product planning and economics staff.



Collins

Steven A. Doyle was appointed director of manufacturing with Michigan Metal Coatings Co. Doyle is working toward a degree in quality assurance technology.



Doyle

To submit materials to this column please send a brief biographical summary along with a black-and-white photo, if possible, to: Business Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Cooling repairs costlier

Amendments to federal environmental law which take effect this summer will mean more expensive service calls on home and business cooling problems.

Expect to pay more for servicing central air conditioning systems, window air conditioners and refrigerators in residences and commercial establishments starting July 1 — if you haven't been socked already.

That's when amendments to the federal Clean Air Act take effect, making it illegal to knowingly vent refrigerants into the air. The idea is to prevent damage to the earth's protective ozone layer.

While the scientific community continues to debate the effects of chlorofluorocarbons and hydrochlorofluorocarbons — cooling agents — on the atmosphere, service contractors are bound by the law.

And, some contractors say, the law will require more time on the job, plus more equipment and training to do the job. Those business expenses will be passed on to consumers.

Up until now when anyone serviced an air conditioning unit in a car or home, refrigeration units in homes, manufacturing plants, commercial property, they cut a line or opened a valve and allowed refrigerants to escape into the atmosphere," said Michael Flesher.

Flesher, a Southfield resident, is president of Arctic Air, a commercial air conditioning and refrigeration contracting firm.



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Collecting coolants: Tim Nickell, a service technician at Blackwell Ford in Plymouth, attaches a reclamation system to an automobile air conditioner.

"If they follow the law properly, they must recover refrigerant, make repairs and put refrigerant back in," he said of service contractors. "That will add an additional hour or two to residential service calls. That could mean as much as \$80-90 tacked on to a bill, plus use of the recovery system."

Recovery systems, depending on what you want them to do, can cost several thousand dollars each.

"We have to reclaim it (freon), put it into a container, bring it back to the manufacturer who would recycle it or store it until they decide what to do with it," said Kim Legato, owner of Bill & Rod's Appliance in Livonia.

"It costs me 50 cents a pound to recycle refrigerant," he said. "New freon has escalated in price. I had been able to buy it for \$1 per pound in December of 1990. Now it's \$4. We can expect it to continue to rise. I would say they

(wholesalers) are taking advantage of something we don't fully understand yet."

Steve Carlitz, general manager of A&S Unlimited Heating & Cooling in Rochester Hills, said his firm has spent nearly \$40,000 on CFC recovery systems.

"The three key words are 'recover' from the unit, 'recycle' and clean up and 'reclamation,' if contaminated, bring back to new standards," he said. "The whole goal of recovery/recycling is to stop venting and reverse it."

"Auto dealers have had to vent during air conditioning repairs since the first of the year.

"We have not raised our prices," said Ron Robertson, service manager for Blackwell Ford in Plymouth. "To do the job properly, you have to evacuate the system anyway. It doesn't take that much longer."

Blackwell purchased recovery equipment through Ford well in advance of the legislation's effective date. Many of his colleagues did the same with their suppliers, Robertson said.

"We're trying to keep dealers as enlightened as we can on environmental matters," said Charles LePevre, a lawyer for the Detroit Auto Dealers Association.

Jim Brown, president of the metro Detroit chapter of the Air Conditioning Contractors Association, said he and his membership are aware of the ozone controversy in the scientific community.

Their concerns — what happens to venting equipment and training expenses down the line when CFCs and HCFCs are banned totally in 1995 and subsequent years.

New medical career raises questions about spending

BY DANIEL BOYCE and ALAN FERRARA
SPECIAL WRITERS

Local financial planning experts reviewed the data of the family profiled here and made general recommendations based on the participants' resources and goals. The information is for educational purposes only; references are not intended as discrimination or endorsements by this newspaper or the advisers.

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This month's couple, Tom and Terry Weiss, has asked us to review their financial situation, make sure they're on the right track and moving in the direction of their goals.

Tom, 38, is a physician completing his residency at a major local hospital. Terry, 32, has recently left her job to be at home with their two children, a son, 13, and a daughter, 10. Terry was able to quit her job because of Tom's recent increase in income.

Tom and Terry currently rent a townhouse in Southfield after selling their home last year for \$150,000 and a profit of \$17,000. Tom's plans are to work at a Detroit area hospital for two more years before moving to the South, where he is committed to taking a research and teaching position at a major university.

Although Tom's income recently has more than doubled to \$70,000, the substantial medical school costs required that Tom and Terry borrow \$30,000 from their credit union.

Terry says, "Our most urgent question at this time is whether to purchase a home here for the next two years. If we bought something,

it would be a townhouse for about \$70,000."

They are also concerned about savings for their children's future college costs, replacing worn out automobiles and establishing some retirement savings.

If Tom and Terry really think that they will be here only for two more years, we would argue against buying a home. The cost of buying and selling a home can be substantial, and it is difficult to predict what price they could receive if they needed to sell in two years.

Tom has said, "Although we feel it is too late to start saving for our 13-year-old son's college education, we would like to start saving for our second child's educational costs." We suggest that it isn't too late to start saving for their son's educational costs.

Although it will be difficult to fully fund these expenses to his entering college, whatever they can save now will be helpful when he starts. We do agree strongly that the Weisses should begin saving for their 10-year-old daughter's educational costs, also.

Any money saved for their son's educational costs should be placed in stable investments.

Money saved for expenses for their daughter can accumulate over more years and they can, therefore, invest in mutual funds.

Tom was planning on replacing his 1983 automobile with a new car this fall. We would encourage Tom to look at a later model used car to save money.

Tom and Terry were also thinking of replacing their 1986 model car sometime during 1993. If possible, it might make sense to wait on this second car purchase for two years until they move South.

Tom's new position with the hospital provides him with good health insurance benefits. However, Tom has no disability coverage. If he wouldn't get at least 60 percent of income, he should consider buying

a personal disability income policy.

Tom currently has life insurance coverage of \$250,000. Again, he should check to see what additional life insurance coverage his new employer will provide. Because of the significant debt outstanding for medical school expenses, and their concerns for education expenses for the children, Tom may want to consider buying additional term insurance to protect Terry and the children in the event of an untimely death.

Because Tom and Terry are also concerned about their retirement needs, Tom should establish some retirement savings as soon as possible. With the hospital, he will be eligible for a tax sheltered annuity (TSA), and we would suggest that he use this savings vehicle immediately. A TSA is an arrangement that allows a person to defer income for retirement on a pre-tax basis. This tax deferred savings can form the foundation of their nest egg to be used for retirement.

Tom and Terry admit that they have been putting off discussing estate planning with an attorney, although they realize that it is important. At this time, little or no estate or inheritance taxes will be owed on their respective deaths, but plans should be made for the children. It's important to name guardians to care for the children in the event both Tom and Terry die.

Tom and Terry should also decide who will be responsible for maintaining and investing assets which pass to the children. Again, as we have indicated in the past, they may want to consider a living or revocable trust in order to set the terms and ages for distribution of assets to the children.

Many of Tom and Terry's financial goals were put on hold to allow him to satisfy a career goal. That new career now gives Tom and Terry the ability to get back on track to satisfy their financial goals and needs.



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Major turnover Board has chance for new start

The Wayne-Westland school system has an excellent chance in two weeks to start anew in improving educational opportunities for the district's 16,000 students as well as the morale of employees.

The reason is the board of education, squabbling on and off for the past year, has gone through a massive turnover in the past 12 months. In that period, five of seven board members will have been replaced, as of July 1. The only veteran board members are Andrew Spisak, whose term expires next year, and Leonard Posey, appointed to a vacancy in late 1989.

Newcomers elected last June were Vicki Welty, Laurel Raisanen and Fred Warmbier, who defeated three incumbents who were seeking new terms.

The turnover continued in last week's election when school board president Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek, seeking a third term, finished fourth in a field of eight candidates campaigning for two four-year terms.

Adding to the turnover is the retirement of Kathy Chorbagan whose term expires June 30.

The new faces on the board and the arrival of Larry Thomas as the new school superintendent will offer all segments of the school community — students, residents and employees — a chance to start with a clean slate.

While several board members are still upset about the departure of former Superintendent Dennis O'Neill and the way his retirement was

handled last fall, it's time to put the political fights behind, call them history and start over.

Newly elected board members Francis "Bud" Winter and Richard Leblanc, winners in last week's election, promise to offer creative ideas for problem solving and should work together with the new superintendent, whose visits to local schools in recent weeks signal his intention to breathe fresh air into the district.

While there are still major problems outside the board's control, such as declining state support of public schools, the new board and administration must focus on the factors that they can control.

In past years, there was too much whining about Lansing and the state Legislature turning a deaf ear to the needs of public schools. But the board still created its own problems by giving the teachers' union a 11.9 per cent salary raise over a two-year period while it was pleading poverty.

The mood in the Legislature and the governor's office is obviously not one of giving more money to local schools. The reality is just the opposite. School boards are being told that generally there will be no new dollars and possibly cutbacks in announced state spending for education.

Now is the time to stop the complaining about what everyone is failing to do for education and concentrate on local responsibilities with available dollars.

It's never too late to start anew.

Core cities reborn with models

Thanks, developers. Detroit needs that, and so do the development-weary residents of Oakland and western Wayne counties.

We're talking about Homearama Detroit, the home show that displays the fabulous (and fabulously expensive) palaces.

Homearama Detroit is taking place through June 21 in a reborn neighborhood on the lower east side of the city. More than 20 model homes, by 13 builders, are on display. Prices range from \$80,000 to \$135,000.

In our opinion, Victoria Park, the first new single-family subdivision in Detroit in 30 years and the site of a current Homearama, is one small step in the right direction — away from the undeveloped woods and meadowlands to the north and west.

Builders and developers, in a very small way, are finally doing what we've advised for years and years: Go back and rebuild the core cities before you pave over everything from Redford to Ann Arbor and from Ferndale to Flint.

Anyone who thinks that's farfetched should have listened to the radio commercials that a few years ago touted southern Genesee County (county seat, Flint) as a wonderful residence for people who worked in Oakland County.

It may be difficult for a dedicated suburbanite to understand, but there are plenty of urban homesteaders who want to live in the city. The sales success (the first phase is a near sellout!) of Homearama Detroit proves that.

Over the past quarter century, many thousands of people have left an ailing Detroit for the suburbs. Not all have wanted to go, many preferring the urban lifestyle with its racial and ethnic diversity.

If builders provide suitable housing in an acceptable setting, many refugees from the blight will return. Hopefully, as the people return, so will the retail businesses that serve them. This is how Detroit will be brought back to social and economic health.

Now, we've heard some developers, suburban planners and others say it just won't work. Development, they'll tell us, will continue to spread to the north and west, and Detroit will continue to deteriorate. To them, it's some sort of manifest destiny.

We'd have to disagree with those sentiments. To be sure, it took a hefty Detroit subsidy to ensure the success of Victoria Park. The city sold the lots to the builders for \$1 each and paid for things like the house foundations, security fencing and sewer and water line work. The city has invested almost \$20 million in the project.

Such commitment by the city — and by lending institutions like Standard Federal, which is heavily involved — should be praised, not ridiculed. Finally, in a small way, development is being put where it's needed.

Ah, but the next Homearama will be held in Sterling Heights. It's back to the suburbs, at least for now.

ARKIE HUDKINS



LETTERS

Support was encouraging

When it was discovered that Deanna Seifert, a 10-year-old Warren girl, was missing, there was an immediate flock of public support. People from all over, including total strangers, came together to console the parents and to help in the search for Deanna.

It's nice to see that even with the recent cruelty of the L. A. violence, there are still selfless people willing to help out others in their community and stick by them. It's been two weeks, and yet people are still there to lend their support to the Seifert parents. If this was the case everytime tragedy struck, think of what a wonderful world it would be.

Kiran Chaudhri, Livonia

daughter's Dalmation dog. You definitely had to know you struck the dog. Though this was not your fault, but the fault of the dog, you did not stop and inquire if you could help in any way. You just continued driving. Would you have done the same if you struck a child?

My daughter is going to do whatever is possible for the dog, Bailey. The dog has multiple injuries. Surgery will be extensive, expensive and rehabilitation will be very long. But Bailey is family and everything possible will be done for her.

It really saddens me to know that we have uncaring and irresponsible citizens in our community who will not stop to see if they can be of help in any way.

Shirley Keller-Hurst, Westland

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Dog owner upset

This letter is addressed to the driver of an older model black Dodge van who, while driving east on Ann Arbor Trail between Middlebelt and Merriman at about 7 p.m., Saturday, June 13, struck and critically injured my

Cost, results kill choice plans

The issue on last week's ballot was enough to make political sloganeers drool: schools of choice.

The phrase conjures up the currently popular notion that all it takes to fix the workings of government is one easy-to-enact "fundamental" policy change: the silver bullet — a miracle cure — simple, popular, low in cost, quick to work.

The idea behind choice is simple: Public schools are incompetent because they are monopolies, curable by the rigors of competition when parents are allowed to choose which school their kids attend.

The Legislature duly enacted schools of choice as state policy. It also required, however, that school districts provide free transportation to kids who want to switch schools.

Figuring that the Legislature never would pay for the busing it required, a number of school districts got an item on the ballot requesting voter approval to ignore the state rule.

Results were unanimous and overwhelming. District after district — Livonia, Rochester, Howell, Brighton, Plymouth-Canton — voted against being forced to pay to bus kids to schools of choice. Results were overwhelmingly against.

Why?
 • Cost. Howell figured it would cost \$80,000 a year to pay for extra busing. Plymouth-Canton estimated a new bus fleet would be required at a \$700,000 cost. In that budget-squeezed district where 58 teaching jobs have been eliminated, "if you have excess funds, it might be fun to try as an experiment," said spokesman Richard Egli.

• Redundancy. Plymouth-Canton, for example, already allows kids to change schools, but only for educational reasons. Parents must provide the transit, though, and that may put off some use. The district estimates fewer than 20 of its 15,000 students actually go to schools of choice.

• Uncertain results. In Brighton, which has had schools of choice for nearly 20 years, district spokeswoman Marilyn Goodman said,



PHILIP POWER

"They were changing because the baby sitter lived nearby. For the most part, people are very loyal to their home schools."

That last part about home schools is important.

Originally, American schools grew up serving kids in the neighborhood. Kids could walk to school and back home. The school served as a kind of community center for the neighborhood, triggering all kind of services and activities which went well beyond education.

The neighborhood schools is much more than a historic myth. It is a functioning, practical reality to countless kids, a building block to communities, a part of local reality. As last week's vote indicated, sacrificing the neighborhood school on the altar of school reform choice ideology is something most people don't want to do.

What they do want is schools that work better, that prepare kids for the world of work and a life of responsibility, where kids perform at the level of our international competitors.

By breaking monopolies, the schools of choice theory may be a good one. But the way it was actually presented to folks in Michigan — a weak, unfunded pretense at reform — was little more than another attempt by politicians to find the silver bullet.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Are you planning a summer vacation. Where are you going?

We asked this question at the Westland Post Office.



'Yes. Las Vegas.'
Rosemary Roalin
Westland



'Yes. Probably a couple of weeks in Florida.'
Charles King
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'Yes. Rafting in West Virginia.'
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'No.'
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LETTERS

Beware of proposal

Most residents are aware that the AAA Insurance Company is circulating petitions in this area to reportedly rollback insurance rates by 20 percent. The company started this initiative, so it said, because the Legislature and governor could not agree on auto insurance reform.

While, in my judgment, the initiative does have some merit, in actuality it is similar to all other proposals which the insurance industry has made before the Legislature. In a nutshell, it requires consumers to make most of the sacrifices so that premiums may be reduced. The insurance industry's contribution to rate reductions is, at best, minimal. AAA and the rest of the industry do not want to assume any of the burden in making Michigan's auto insurance system more affordable to consumers.

The AAA initiative says, in effect, that by April 1, 1993 rates would have to be reduced an average of 20 percent from those rates in effect on Nov. 1, 1992. This would allow insurance companies sufficient time to raise their

rates, prior to Nov. 1 to cover the amount, if not more than the amount of the rollback. Further, the rollback would not be a certainty. The companies would be able to petition the Insurance Commissioner for a waiver of the rollback. Furthermore, the amount of the rollback any one person receives would also be dependent on their willingness to give up substantial medical and legal rights which they receive under the current no-fault law.

This initiative and other proposals of the insurance industry claim that there may be a rate reduction if consumers give up their medical benefits and liability coverage and agree to further restrictions on their ability to sue for death or serious injury. The AAA proposal and other insurance industry proposals do not guarantee any savings.

At the same time, insurance companies oppose efforts to make them operate in a more efficient and accountable fashion. A good example of this is the industry's recent criticisms of provisions in a bill that passed the Legislature with a bipartisan majority and was vetoed by the governor. This bill

required them to report claims, medical cost and fraud statistics to the Insurance Bureau. The bureau cannot collect this important information now because the insurers either do not have the information or they refuse to disclose it. Even though these statistics are necessary for developing effective ways of containing cost in these areas, the insurance industry continues to oppose efforts to make them participate in this cost savings process. They also criticize proposals to create competition and to protect people from discriminatory and excessive rates.

While our constitution guarantees anyone the right to petition their government, including AAA, residents should be fully aware of the contents of the petition. Any time any industry, be it General Motors or AAA or any other firm, wants to write a specific law, one must suspect the law is self-serving.

State Sen. William Faust, D-Westland

Single mom mad

On May 13, I took time out of my hectic day to attend a PTA meeting at a (Livonia school

district) elementary.

I am a single mother who is very active in my children's lives, I have two girls. They are involved in many activities in school and out and we belong to the Girl Scouts.

This year I was chosen to be the cookie mom, which is quite an undertaking. I really enjoyed this event.

On May 12, a tea was given at Tyler to thank the parents who have given their time to help when needed. I was there Wednesday night as I sat and listened to the different speakers at the PTA. I found it to be quite interesting — until principal Tim Daniel got up to give his little speech. A very discriminating remark was made — he said "Let's not forget it takes two parents to raise a child." Then he added "and it takes 25 years." Everyone seemed amused and laughed, I did not.

This is the '90s and we have more single parent families than ever before. I feel that this was a very insensitive and callous remark. It shot like a knife through my heart. I have had this kind of remark made before but never in front of so many other parents and students. I left the PTA meeting in tears.

I think it's about time the principal woke up and smelled the coffee. Take a good look at what parent or parents are always there. Don't be so quick to judge. Yes, a two parent family is ideal, but this is a real world.

In years to come when we're all older and our children are grown and walking across that stage at graduation, you can look at your husband or wife and smile with pride. But I will be beaming from inside out because I will be able to look back and know that I did it all myself.

Terri Peirod, Livonia

Stickers are harmful

I am concerned with the condition of the Livonia Public Library books. Although due date stickers are convenient, they are harmful to the cover of a book.

These date stickers are applied time and time again to the cover of a book.

A safe substitute is to have a permanent plastic sticker applied to the corner of the cover of a book. The surface of this sticker would allow for the easy and safe removal of the date stickers.

Anne Cooper, Livonia

Voyeurs won't settle for school 'success stories'

Walled Lake Western High School assistant principal Bill Calhoun didn't come out and say it in so many words. But he was sending plenty of signals for someone to know what was on his mind.

Why weren't the media all over Western like a blanket to ask about some of the success stories that had begun there, he surely thought. Instead they wondered whether people remembered Leslie Allen Williams, now probably the most famous student ever to attend Western.

Heck, Calhoun spotted a few of the good ones just by looking at the 1971 class picture. That's the one with Williams pictured in the top row, which was accompanied by a not-so-flattering, but accurate, description of the man who has confessed to killing four teen-age girls.

Calhoun would love to talk instead about this doctor or that minister. Or about Walled Lake City Council member Linda Ackley. Perhaps about that Snook Kid, Ron, now working in the computer programming department at Oakland County's Pontiac complex.

But, he must have been thinking, please close the book on Williams.

"There have been a lot of very successful people who graduated from this high school and nobody has paid a damn bit of attention to them," Calhoun said.

Well, that's not entirely true. To name just one, 1985 graduate Dan Gabriele was. He also wound up getting signed to a professional contract by the Boston Red Sox but had to quit a couple years later — still deep in the Boston minor-league chain — due to arm trouble. Seems to me there wasn't much in the papers about Dan Gabriele when



Tim Smith

teen-age lefty could throw a baseball.

Front page stuff in all the dailies, this Gabriele was. He also wound up getting signed to a professional contract by the Boston Red Sox but had to quit a couple years later — still deep in the Boston minor-league chain — due to arm trouble.

Seems to me there wasn't much in the papers about Dan Gabriele when

his career ended. But that's another story. Or is it?

The general public that many media people try to reach just isn't all that interested in how the A student or A anything of yesteryear is doing, no matter how impressive the achievements. But put a baseball or football in that student's hand and it's "up-on-a-pedestal" time.

That's society. High school athletes make any number of all-star teams, from various publications, then possibly draw more interest from a big college — where heaps of additional adulation await.

But when's the last time you can remember major coverage in newspapers or on TV for the local high school academic awards ceremony?

Such "good news" rarely makes the headlines even though it's out there.

Like it or not, most people these days want to be entertained, shocked, uplifted and even disgusted.

They want stories about the young local baseball star who might make it big — or about the one-time student whose terrible deeds have sickened everyone.

Bill Calhoun, by the way, is absolutely right. In a perfect world, all we'd be giving you would be happy updates about former students. Perhaps, for example, one would be a feature on how well a graduate who now teaches in one of the district's elementary schools is doing.

In a perfect world, however, there wouldn't be monsters such as Leslie Allen Williams.

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Bridge toll bill splits suburban lawmakers

Building a new State Police post is one thing. Paying for it with bridge-tolls is another. The state Senate last week gave 26-7 approval to a bill to use \$95,000 in Mackinac Bridge tolls to pay for a new police post in the Attala area. The bill is now on Gov. John Engler's desk for signing. It shouldn't have been controversial, said Deb Brown of the Michigan Department of Transportation. "The State Police will pay (rent) for

it. They're now leasing a building from the city of St. Ignace," she said. But Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, objected. "We are in effect using the source of revenue that's generated by the bridge as a vehicle to maintain a continuous obligation upon the users." "It's true, users in our state do pay. They pay in highway taxes. But we have a reputation in Michi-

gan as a state of freeways, and those freeways are by all the people as a part of making Michigan a very popular tourist attraction, and one that doesn't put on tolls." "The bridge is a toll. Once that bridge has been paid off, I feel we should have stuck to our original commitment" to let the tolls expire. Supporting the bill were Sens. William Faust, D-Westland, Robert Geake, R-Northville, George Hart,

D-Dearborn, and David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield. Opposed were Faxon, Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, and Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion. Drivers of passenger cars and motorcyclists pay \$1.50 to cross the bridge. Rates are higher for trailers, trucks and buses. Tolls actually were higher when the bridge was opened in the late 1950s — \$3.50 for a passenger car.

Elephant's artwork to raise money for zoo

With luck, Winky and Ruth, the Detroit Zoo's two Asian elephants, will have it made in the shade after this year's Sunset at the Zoo on Tuesday, June 23. The annual Detroit Zoological Society event will raise funds for the purchase of a shade canopy to protect the elephants from sunburn during the summer months. "An elephant's skin is very sensitive to the sun," said Dr. Robyn Barbieri, veterinarian. "The canopy is essential for their continued good health." Sunset at the Zoo is open to Society members and costs \$40 per person. Tickets are available by calling

(313) 541-5717. The Detroit Zoo is at Woodward Avenue and I-696 in Royal Oak. Actor Dave Coulier, a Detroit native known for his roles in television shows "Full House" and "America's Funniest People," will be honorary chairman. Sunset at the Zoo will be held from 6-9 p.m. at the zoo and is expected to draw thousands of society members. The event includes a champagne reception, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dessert, cash bar, auction and raffle. Included in the auction will be artwork by Winky, who uses a paint brush to sweep

colors across poster board and receives a food award. The Donald Warten Quartet and J.C. Heard Nonet will entertain.

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Crusaders finish 2nd

The Crusader Volleyball Association's 18-and-under squad, coached by Laura Melvin, took second in the state AAU tournament, falling to the Kalamazoo Juniors Jade in the finals Sunday at Western Michigan University, 15-11, 15-10.

The Crusaders reached the championship round after taking first in pool play. They defeated AIM of Grand Rapids in the semifinals, 11-15, 15-3, 15-3.

Members of the 18-and-under team include: Patty Diamond, Kristen Drabicki, Heather Taylor, Kelly Schafer and Julie Martin, all of Livonia Stevenson High; Laura Fisher, Wayne Memorial; Daune Koester, Redford Thurston; Anita and Larisa Grinbergs, West Bloomfield; Sarah Lungren, North Farmington; Maureen Paulin, Madonna University (and Farmington Hills Mercy); and Michelle Brundage, Ferris State.

The Crusaders' 16-and-under team, coached by former Westland John Glenn standouts Carol Hall (Auburn University) and Laura Grazulis (Tulane), reached the contender bracket before being ousted.

The 14-and-under squad, coached by ex-Bishop Borgess standout Stephanie Kielb, finished second in the contender bracket.

Both the Crusaders' 18- and 16-and-under squads, advance to the AAU Nationals beginning Saturday at Illinois Benedictine College near Chicago.

Henry Stevenson coach

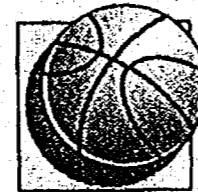
Wayne Henry has been hired to coach the Livonia Stevenson High varsity girls basketball team, replacing Chuck Hebestreit, who resigned after six seasons.

Henry, a math teacher at Stevenson, embarks on his second stint at the Spartans' head coach. He was Stevenson JV coach under Hebestreit.

"Wayne is very good in teaching fundamentals and is a good strategist," Stevenson athletic director Wayne Henry said. "He's worked very hard in our program the last four years. He's done the extra things to make his teams good."

Henry was 31-32 during his three years previously (1983-85) with the Spartans.

Rockets coach loses job



The Westland John Glenn varsity boys basketball job changed hands Monday when Thurston coach Mike Schuette was given a contract, replacing Pat Bennett who plans to remain as girls coach.

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The coaching carousel continued to whirl Monday for area cage coaches when Redford Thurston's Mike Schuette was given a contract to replace Pat Bennett as Westland John Glenn's varsity boys' basketball coach. See Schuette story.

Schuette's departure now leaves a void at Thurston. Other varsity vacancies created because of recent resignations, firings or retirements in basketball include Livonia Franklin (boys and girls) and Garden City (boys).

Schuette, a teacher in the Wayne-Westland School District (Marshall Junior High), applied and bumped Bennett, a non-bargaining unit employee, out of his position under contractual rules. Under union policy, Schuette also had the option of filing a grievance to obtain the position had he not been selected.

"After every school year all rider contracts, whether it be coaches, lunchroom attendants, or whatever, are ter-

minated," Glenn first-year athletic director Larry Wood explained. "Then, anyone can apply the following year. It usually depends on the situation."

It hasn't been a good spring for Bennett, who not only lost the boys basketball job, but has also been on strike as an employee for Kroger's. He is currently working toward a teaching degree at Wayne State University.

"I understand what the situation is... a teacher in the district has preference, but in most cases this has never happened at our building or at Wayne Memorial High where somebody has bumped someone else," said Bennett, who posted records of 4-16 and 12-10 in two seasons.

Bennett replaced Bob Killingbeck, a member of the teachers union, after Killingbeck resigned in 1990. Bennett was hired by then Glenn A.D. Jerry Szukaitis and former Glenn principal Dr. James Myers after the job was posted outside the district.

"There really wasn't a legitimate

opening now and ethically whether it was right, I don't know," Bennett said. "If the contract states it, so be it."

Wood called the situation "awkward."

"Pat took it extremely well and he knew it was a possibility when he was hired," said the Glenn A.D. "Pat is an intelligent young man and an excellent coach. We hope he's coming back as girls coach."

"We have two excellent coaches, one in the bargaining unit and one who is not. We're not getting rid of him (Bennett) because he did a bad job."

"Mike has coached over 20 years in boys basketball and he'll bring a lot of experience to our program."

Bennett said he talked with the players following Monday's meeting with Glenn administrators.

"The kids have a lot of reasons for feeling concerned," Bennett said. "They had a lot of questions about how it will affect the season."

"From my standpoint, a lot of hard work and organization, as far building a program, has all the sudden come to a halt. It's been taken away from me. Personally I'd rather been fired for something I did wrong, or for a reason, than being bumped out. But I'm thankful for



Bumped out: Pat Bennett (above) was the boys coach at Glenn for two seasons before being replaced by Mike Schuette.

the experience and the opportunity." Bennett said he may send out feelers for other basketball openings. "As of now I'm the girls basketball coach," he said, "but things could change between now and August 10th (first day of practice)."

Thurston's Schuette bumps Bennett out of Glenn post

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Mike Schuette's duties at Redford Thurston have been cut in half.

Schuette, who coached both the boys and girls varsity basketball teams at Redford Thurston, was named Monday as Westland John Glenn's new boys' varsity basketball coach. Schuette said he will remain as Thurston's girls varsity basketball coach but is leaving the

boys team after spending the past eight years in that capacity.

Schuette's boys teams at Thurston finished above .500 five times, winning one Tri-River League championship and having four second-place finishes. Schuette teaches math in the Wayne-Westland school system at Marshall Junior High, which was one of his motivating factors to apply at Glenn. Schuette said he already informed

the Thurston players of the move.

"They took it pretty good, most of them are older and understand the situation, realizing it's getting harder and harder to coach out of the district," Schuette said. "It's hard to leave the Wayne-Westland school district every day and drive 25 minutes to south Redford. I've been very happy at Thurston, it's a first-class operation. They've treated me well there, the faculty, ad-

ministration, parents and students.

"My junior high feeds Glenn and for 23 years I've been working there. I work with them as seventh and eighth graders, the opportunity presented itself, and I was fortunate to get the job."

Schuette replaces Pat Bennett, who does not teach in the Wayne-Westland school district and whose contract was

See SCHUETTE, 4B

Big weekend puts Delwal in top spot

Delwal capped off a five-game weekend sweep Sunday by defeating Hines Park Lincoln/Mercury, 5-4 and 7-4, in a doubleheader at Plymouth Canton High School.

The wins improve Delwal to 7-2, giving the Farmington Hills-based club sole possession of first place in the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League.

In the opener, Delwal rallied for five runs in the seventh inning, sparked by a Mike Schwartzberger RBI single.

Hines Park (5-4), which led 4-0 after six innings, outhit Delwal 12-5.

Todd Boike was the winning pitcher, tossing three innings in relief and striking out one. Brian Feldman was the starter.

Jeff Paluk and Chris Newton combined on the loss for Hines Park.

In the second game, Mark Temple (North Farmington High) pitched solid, allowing just two earned runs in 6 1/2 innings. He fanned six.

Each team had 10 hits. Jason Valente paced the winners with two triples, while Billy Hardy added three hits.

On Friday, Delwal pounded 15 hits to defeat Wendy's, 13-9, at Eastern Michigan's Oestrike Stadium.

Chris Munson, Chad Chapman and Mike Pesci (Farmington Harrison) each contributed three hits Delwal. Valente added a three-run homer.

Southern Cal's Andy Margolick (North Farmington) was the winning pitcher, despite a less than impressive outing. He allowed six earned runs in four innings.

On Saturday, Delwal played a pair of make-up games with the

host Tecumseh Green Giants of Ontario, winning 9-6 and 11-1.

In the first game, Derek Wirebaugh went the distance for the win, striking out seven.

Delwal belted 11 hits including five home runs. Tom Kretschmer hit a 3-run and 2-run homer, while Hardy, Boike and Bill McCaig hit solo shots.

In the nightcap, Delwal got solid pitching from Gary Morris (OLSM), who went the distance and struck out six.

Delwal outhit Tecumseh 15-5.

Walter's two-for-three

Walter's Appliance beat Little Caesars 4-1 in the opening game of its doubleheader Sunday at Ford Field, but errors cost them the nightcap, 7-5.

Mike Coleman hurled five solid innings in the opener for Walter's. He struck out two and allowed just one run.

Steve Ross (Henry Ford CC and Redford Catholic Central) came on and closed the door in relief, going two innings and giving up just one hit.

Walter's (5-4) scored two runs in the sixth when Ross singled with the bases loaded.

In the second game, Little Caesars scored two runs in the eighth innings to defeat Walter's.

Brent Tapp (Wayne Memorial) knocked in the runs with a two-run single.

Sean Henkel (Livonia Stevenson) suffered the loss, hurling the final three innings, giving up two runs, one of which was earned. Walter's was plagued by three errors.

Each team had five hits. Jim So-

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lak tallied two hits for Caesars (5-4).

On Friday, Walter's defeated Hines Park, 4-2, at Ford Field thanks to a combined five-hitter from Dave Wood and Ross.

Wood went the first five innings, allowing two runs and five hits. Ross finished with two perfect innings of relief.

Toronto Blue Jays signee Scott Kennedy (Plymouth Canton) suffered the loss for Hines Park, giving up four runs and walking five.

Wendy's splits

Despite a two-hitter from Lance Sparks, Wendy's dropped a 1-0 ballgame to Tecumseh in the opener of a twin bill Sunday at Ford Field. Wendy's rebounded to win the nightcap 6-4.

In the first game, Sparks went the distance and struck out eight. The lone run came in the first inning when a Tecumseh player singled and stole three consecutive bases.

Wendy's collected at three hits, two of which came from Ted Meadows. Dave McWhinnie added a double.

In the second game, Wendy's went on an offensive surge, belting 11 hits, including a two-run homer from Joe Kaley.

Bill McCann added a solo homer, while McWhinnie and Meadows chipped in two hits apiece.

Rob Kangas tossed five innings and struck out one. He allowed seven hits.

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Schoolcraft women's steam gains quality, not quantity

By C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

In summing up the recruiting for Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team, the quality is there but not the quantity.

So what else is new? Every year, it seems, the Lady Ocelots — NJCAA champions in 1987 — come up a player or two short in their hunt for another national title. Lady Ocelot coach Nick O'Shea usually gets a fine nucleus to build around, but numbers are lacking. In each of the last two seasons, there weren't enough able bodies for him to field a full team at the NJCAA Tournament.

Still, it should be noted that, even if they were short-handed, the Ocelots managed to finish third in the country in 1990 and fourth in 1991.

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Of last year's players, four completed their eligibility; five others decided not to return, including stopper Lori Place, who will attend Michigan State in the fall.

"That's going to leave a big hole in our team," said O'Shea. "And it's going to be hard to fill."

Others not returning include Carol Pietila, who injured her knee last fall and had reconstructive surgery. She is still rehabilitating it. Three others — Beth Hebestreit, Colleen O'Connor and Becky Divero — were only expected to play one year.

Not much left

The losses to graduation are heavy. Gone are Nikki Johnson, Sarah Hayes, Shannon Meath and Jennifer Whitfield. Together with Place and returnee Kim Owczarzak and Amy Krajewski, they formed the heart of last season's squad.

At least Owczarzak, the Ocelots' keeper, and Krajewski, the sweeper, give O'Shea something to construct his defense around. "With Amy in the back and Kim a proven goalie, it should help get the team going," said O'Shea.

And he has some solid players coming in. But there are only eight for certain, which means there are positions to fill.

Offense, it appears, will be the team's strength. Five of the newcomers were top-notch forwards in high school.

"They were goal-scorers in their leagues," noted O'Shea. "The question is, can they come in and do it at this level?"

Among the "newcomers" is a player who isn't so new — Jennifer Flowers, a Livonia Churchill graduate who played for O'Shea's '87 NJCAA title team. Flowers hasn't played collegiately since, and has decided to return for her final season of eligibility.

She is a proven scorer. "She's scored a lot of goals at this level," the SC coach said. Of course, the obvious question is, can she duplicate her freshman performance now, five years later?

What about midfielders?

Other forwards signed by O'Shea

are Kelly Greaves, from Milford Lakeland; Dea Lorenz, from Milford; Nikki Cross, from Northville; and Shelly Archibald, a 1991 Class B-C-D all-stater from St. Clair Shores Lakeview.

The rest of the recruits includes defenders Becca Raymor, a standout from Plymouth Canton, and Cindy Wolstead, from Northville. O'Shea is particularly impressed with Raymor. "She was a solid defender at Canton and she'll be a solid defender at this level."

He's also signed another keeper, Julie Brake from Dearborn Fordson.

Now the obvious question — there are keepers, defenders and forwards, but who's going to play midfield?

O'Shea hasn't an answer yet, ex-

cept that he's still busy recruiting. "I'm sending out letters to first team, second team and honorable mention all-state players to see if they're interested in playing," he said. "Hopefully, we can pick up a couple of midfielders."

A strong midfield is essential to a team's success. But O'Shea remains encouraged by the players he's signed so far. "The thing I like about this team is, these girls want to play," he said. "Last year, I was calling people and begging them to come and play."

"All of the recruits are solid players. Not superstars, but good players."

Still, unless he finds a few more of the same caliber to patrol the midfield, it will be another short-handed year for the Ocelots.

Ocelot volleyball team replaces height with some might

By C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

For Schoolcraft College's volleyball team, success is dependent solely on talent, and how hard the players work to improve it.

Coaching can't be questioned. After all, in Tom Teeters' seven years at SC, the Ocelots have finished first in the Eastern Conference seven times. They have won one NJCAA championship (1988) and four consecutive Region 12 titles. Last season, they placed fifth at the NJCAA Tournament and had a 42-13 record.

So his record — Teeters has won elsewhere, too, including winning two Class A state titles at Livonia Ladywood — speaks for itself. Teeters knows how to win; he knows how to construct a championship team.

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That doesn't mean he recruits players to fit a certain style. In junior college, no such luxury is possible.

"I like to mold what I have, take what they do best and make them do it better," he said.

So what does he look for when he recruits? "The tallest, best athletes I can get," he answered.

Talented, but not as big

He has some of both in this year's class, but admits he can't match the size of last season's team, which featured 6-foot-1½ Kari Van Deusen, 5-11 Renea Bonser and 5-8 Stephanie Jandasek. All three have

completed their eligibility and must be replaced.

That's not to say the Ocelots will be lacking come fall. Hardly.

"This is a good attitude team," said Teeters. "They're already asking about coming up to school to work out. A lot of them are staying in shape on their own."

It isn't easy to impress Teeters with physical conditioning. He works his players hard, often sending them to the weight room after a match.

If emphasizing size, the biggest recruit signed for the fall is 6-foot Erica Edwards from Muskegon HS. A superb student (4.0 grade point), Edwards came to a camp run by Teeters. She was impressed, and had a relative in Troy to live with, so she decided to come to SC.

"She's a good defensive player

and a very fast learner," said Teeters. "I would say that at this time, blocking is her greatest strength."

Edwards has only a medium jump, he added, but her court intelligence could help her develop like Van Deusen and Bonser. "It's a matter of time, but I think she could match their standards. But, at the same time, we may ask different things of her."

A one-school bonanza

Teeters has also worked the namesake angle to bring in a second promising recruit: Janine Sproul, a 5-7 1991 Livonia Churchill graduate who helped the Chargers capture the Class A title. She's the sister of former SC standout Jennifer Sproul, now playing at Central

Michigan.

Janine is "a different kind of player," said Teeters. "She has great defensive skills. I envision her as a specialist in passing and defense."

How much the year away from the game — she attended Michigan State this past year — remains to be seen.

In a different perspective, Teeters' "biggest" recruiting coup comes from Walled Lake Central. Four former Vikings are committed to SC: Shannon Capstick, a 5-5 outside hitter; Tracia Clendenen, a 5-7 setter; Sharla Yaklin, a 5-7 defensive specialist and setter; and Sarah Washka, a 5-7 outside hitter.

This was recruiting by the domino theory, as one told another, who spoke to a third, and then a fourth decided to join up.

Teeters is happy. Capstick "has great speed and leaping ability. She has lots of potential because of those abilities. I look at her as an all-around player, at middle-blocker or outside hitter."

Clendenen, who played middle-blocker and outside hitter for Central as a senior, could crack SC's starting lineup as a setter, a position she played as a junior. Teeters is impressed with her hands and work ethic.

In the same vein, he likes Yaklin for her defensive ability, but adds "She plays a good front row, too." And Washka, like her three Viking teammates, is versatile as well. "She's equally good as a hitter, passer and digger. She has a good, strong hit, but we have to work on getting her off the ground a bit higher."

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Getting serious

Payne eyes pay-per-view event

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

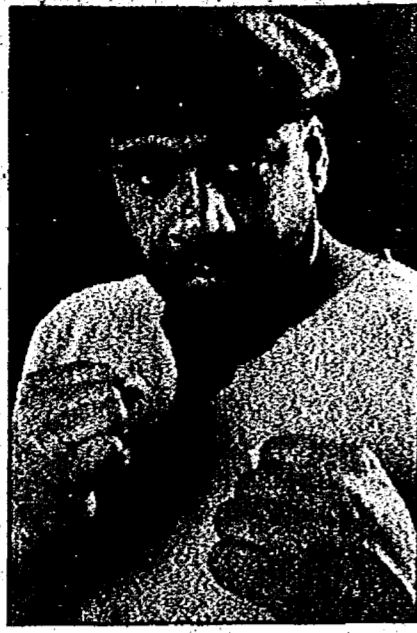
Craig Payne wasn't thrilled about turning 30 last month, but that's only one reason he chose not to celebrate the birthday.

Partying is no longer a priority for Payne, a Livonia resident trying to make a successful comeback as a professional heavyweight boxer.

"I'd have had a party at my house (for my birthday) but this time I just slept, got up and ran the next morning and kept the same routine," said Payne, 30. "Before I used to go out and party — I was the life of the party — but I forgot one thing: You can't party all night and fight all day. If I would have known then what I know now, I'd have been a millionaire a lot sooner."

Payne isn't close to being a millionaire but he has a chance to make a good living after signing a contract recently to fight in a Pay Per View television tournament. If Payne wins all four of the tournament's bouts between now and November he'll be guaranteed another contract to fight three times in 1993 for a total of \$250,000, according to trainer Paul Soucy of the Livonia Boxing Club.

Payne's first fight in the tournament will be July 15 against an undetermined opponent, Soucy said. Payne is 5-1-1 overall as a professional, losing for the first time last



Craig Payne

month by decision to Chicago boxer Ty Evans.

"Some of the promoters I've talked to say Craig's one of the favorites (to win the Pay Per View tournament)," Soucy said.

Payne said his mother was hospitalized the week of his fight against Evans and it had an effect on his mind and training methods the week of the fight.

"It hurts that I lost but I know why I lost," Payne said. "Mentally I wasn't prepared. My mom was in the hospital, there was a lot of pressure on me. Craig Payne hates to back down and I had to pay the

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consequences. But I'm happy. Paul's happy. This is the just the beginning."

When he's been healthy Payne said he runs seven miles and spars up to 10 rounds a day either at the LBC or against former professional heavyweights Willie Edwards and Bill Lee at the Coleman Young Recreation Center in Detroit's.

He missed three days of training last week because of a 103-degree fever and there have been about six other bouts with colds he can remember this year.

"I had tonsillitis a while back and ever since then it doesn't take a lot to get sick," Payne said. "But the last 45 days I've been giving it hell (training). I've been running seven miles a day, sparring six, eight, 10 rounds, depending on how many opponents I have. I do a ton of sit-ups, a ton of exercises."

Payne was scheduled to fight Canadian Conroy Nelson on Friday for the World Championship Boxing Canadian heavyweight title in London, Ontario. But the fight will not go off, Soucy said, because the Canadian Boxing Commission won't sanction a title fight for Payne — since not of Payne's pro fights have been scheduled longer than four rounds.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Items for the Sports Roundup should be submitted by noon Tuesday (for Thursday edition) and noon Friday (for Monday edition). Items run one edition only.

PEE WEE SKATE

The Livonia Pee Wee A state hockey champs are seeking AA players for Saturday morning skating sessions. For more information, call Ron Tyranski (261-4926) or Ken Beal (464-2523).

SOCCER TRYOUTS

The Livonia Family YMCA Premier Soccer Club will conduct open tryouts for its Hawks under-16½ girls team (coach Paul Scicluna) at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1 at Jaycee Park (entrance east of Farmington Road on the south side of Eight Mile). (All players must wear shin guards, bring water and a clearly marked soccer ball.)

For more information, call Tom Coyne at 427-3336.

Tryouts for the Michigan Lazars '75 spring 1993 Little Caesars League premier soccer team (boys born Aug. 1, 1974 through July 31, 1975) will be 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, and Thursday, July 9, at Warrendale Park in Dearborn Heights. (All players

must bring water, a size-five soccer ball, a white shirt, a dark shirt, shin guards and socks to cover shin guards.)

For more information, call Bill Emery (274-5832) or Ron Corney (464-2397).

Tryouts for the Dearborn Heights Force (boys born Aug. 1, 1980 through July 31, 1981) will be 6:30-8 p.m. Friday, June 26 and from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 27 at Warrendale Park in Dearborn Heights.

For more information, call Steve Nesovski at 277-0507.

The Livonia Youth Soccer Club will hold under-15 girls Premier League tryouts (birthdate on or between Aug. 1, 1977 and July 31, 1978) 6-8:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at Bicentennial Park.

For more information, call John Hynes at 471-0218.

GOALKEEPING CLINIC

Soccer goalkeepers of all ages are invited to attend a clinic instructed by the Detroit Rockers' Brian O'Shea.

The beginners session will be from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday, July 6-10 (cost \$50); followed by the advanced session, 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 6-10 (cost \$75), both at Emerson Middle School in

Livonia.

For more information, call O'Shea (533-7415) or Soccer Store and More (421-7533).

NEW ORLEANS BOUND

The state AAU champion Michigan West Oakland Chargers, a 12-and-under girls basketball team, will compete in the National Championships July 10-18 in New Orleans, La.

Members of the team include Jenna Bak and Katie Nelson, both of Livonia; Mary Jane Valade, Farmington Hills; Shawntika Farr, West Bloomfield; Adrienne Gabriel, Troy; Kelly O'Reilly, Lyndsay Huot and Gina Chiasson, all of Northville; Anne Yoches and Aubri Marchetti, both of Dearborn Heights; Amy Edwards and Alicia Jones, both of Novi.

The head coach is Ed Hayden (Northville). He is assisted by Mark Chiasson (Northville) and Chuck Edwards (Novi).

To help defray expenses for the Nationals, the Chargers are soliciting donations from local businesses and community groups. Checks, made payable to AAU Michigan West Oakland Chargers/12-and-under division, should be mailed to: Mark Nelson, Fundraising Chairman, 32160 Camborne Lane, Livonia, Mi. 48154.

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Schuette

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not renewed. Schuette was one of three teacher-union members who applied for the position, according to Glenn athletic director Larry Wood.

Any of the three teacher applicants could have filed a grievance if Bennett was chosen to return for a third year, said the Glenn A.D.

Bennett, who also coaches the Glenn girls basketball team, was 16-26 in two years as boys coach. Glenn, a Class A school, plays in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Thurston athletic director Jim Urick said on Tuesday night no replacement has been named.



GUY WARREN/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

New Glenn coach: Mike Schuette will coach the varsity boys after a successful stint at Redford Thurston High.

Westland duo 2nd in bass field

GREAT OUTDOORS



BILL PARKER

Paul Soma learned a lesson last year in the Bass Blastoff fishing tournament held annually on West Bloomfield's Cass Lake. The Farmington Hills resident and his partner Bill Olson, of Lake Orion, won the top prize with a 10-fish limit that tipped the scale at 12-pounds. Soma also earned "Big Fish" honors for a 3.7-pound largemouth.

"We went to the same spots we were going to go last year," said Soma, who, along with Olson, are members of the Bass'n Stars bass club of Oakland County. "Cass is a great bass lake. It's an excellent lake and the reason it's so good is because the people around here practice catch-n-release. They have a lot of tournaments (on Cass Lake), and they release all the fish they catch. There are lakes up north that don't get half the traffic Cass gets, but there are more (bass) in there because people release them."

The Soma/Olson team caught six smallmouth and four largemouth. Most of the smallmouth were caught over sand drop-offs while the largemouth came out of weeds in six to 10 feet of water. Top water lures and jigs with twister tails were served up to eight of the fish while two were caught on jerk baits.

Mike Lohn and Rob Kochan, of Westland, took second-place honors with nine fish that weighed in at 11.5 pounds.

"I fish this tournament every year," Lohn said. "We were third last year, fourth the year before that, and fifth the year before that. Every year we seem to move up one spot so next year should be our year."

Lohn said white and chartreuse spinner bait and white "Scum Frogs" produced most of the fish in his boat.

"I fish this tournament every year," he added. "It's a tough lake to fish. We caught most of our fish in the shallows. The deep water is not as consistent."

Dallas and Dennis Maybee, of Grand Blanc placed third with 10 fish that totaled 9.9 pounds. Jessie Nutt, of Rochester Hills, and Tim Weber, of Lake Orion, placed fourth with 10 fish that checked in at 9.6 pounds.

Twenty five boats were registered for the tournament and anglers landed 110 fish that exceeded the 12-inch state minimum size limit.

The tournament is co-sponsored by the Metro Bass Anglers and Walled Lake Community Education.

(Anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also welcomed. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, Mi., 48009 or call Bill Parker Monday evenings at 644-1101, ext. 241.)

Heartbreaker

Jenison nips Chiefs for state title, 1-0

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

SOFTBALL

Coach Jim Arnold will get a haircut this week, but it will be just a "light trim" and not the complete buzz job he would have received had Plymouth Canton won the state softball title.

Arnold had agreed to let his players shave his head (and mustache) if Canton was successful; thus, the Chiefs were twice disappointed despite a fine performance at Battle Creek.

The Chiefs battled top-ranked Jenison for nine innings Saturday as pitchers Kelly Holmes of Canton and Betsy Morse engaged in a suspenseful duel before the Wildcats prevailed 1-0.

Jenison (36-5) won its fourth title in six seasons, while sixth-ranked Canton (32-4) is the third straight Observerland team to finish as runner-up in Class A. Garden City lost to Waterford Kettering last year and Livonia Franklin to Jenison in 1990.

"We played them tough — and it could have gone either way," Arnold said. "We can play with any team in the state of Michigan, and we proved it today."

Unfortunately for the Chiefs, the game ended with an error, which Jenison used to score the only run in the bottom of the ninth.

With runners at first and second, Jenison's Tracy Taylor hit a grounder to shortstop Dani Mor-

tiere, who looked to third and saw she had no play, turned and threw to second. But nobody was covering the bag, allowing Kelly Reagan to score.

"I told the girls 'You're too serious; you gotta have some fun; you gotta create something,'" Jenison coach Jerry Hoag said. "It was a matter of creating something to get a break."

Such breaks were otherwise non-existent, as Holmes and Morse showed why they are two of the best pitchers in the state.

Holmes (23-3) gave up six hits, four in the last three innings. She struck out 12 and walked one in 8 1/2 official innings. Morse allowed just three hits in nine full frames, struck out 13 and issued one walk.

Every one of the nine hits was a single. Mortiere, Renee Dory and Holly Miller had the Canton hits, while Reagan had two for the Wildcats.

"I didn't like the 3-0 counts I sometimes had to come back on," Holmes said, "but I like to pitch in tight games."

With neither team able to string together a series of solid hits, both tried bunting to move base runners. That resulted in more frustration when they were unsuccessful at that, too.

"If I had it to do all over again,

I wouldn't have called so many bunts," Arnold said. "I made some mistakes and that was one of them. I took the bat away from them."

"(Holmes) was throwing it high and we were bunting high," Hoag said. "If someone wants to bunt, put it up in their eyes and make them pop it up. It became such a mental thing. I told them to stay off the high one, just put the ball in play."

Morse walked Mortiere to start the game but retired the next 15 in a row before Miller began the sixth with a hit. Lisa Nicastro, running for Miller, gave Canton its best scoring chance by reaching third on a wild pitch and a strikeout/dropped ball, but was stranded there.

Holmes pitched 3 1/2 innings before Jenison got a hit, but the Wildcats didn't get a runner past second until the eighth.

Keri Hess led with a single, stole second and took third when the play led to an error. Holmes retired the next two and Mortiere kept the Chiefs alive with a just-in-time throw from short for the third out.

While unhappy with the outcome, the Canton players were pleased to be in the final — and with their performance.

"We took them to nine innings, so we don't feel too bad because we played a good game," Holmes said.

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

- June 19 — Free entry day at the Huron-Clinton Metroparks.
- June 20-21 — NSCA Michigan State Sporting Clays Championship will be held at the Detroit Gun Club in Walled Lake. Participation is open to the first 200 classified shooters. 624-9647.
- June 20 — Romulus Metro Archery Club is offering free indoor instruction for youths under age 16 beginning 9 a.m. each Saturday, 941-9486.
- June 20-21 — Tawas Bay Lake Trout Super Tournament will be held in Tawas City. 1-800-55-TAWAS.
- June 20-21 — Tri-State Bass Go for the Gold will be held in Grand Haven; (517) 238-5228.
- June 27 — Ladies Day Fishing Derby will be held in Oscoda, (517) 739-7322.
- Through June 21 — Bayrama Fish Fly Festival will be held in New Baltimore, 725-2151.
- June 26-28 — Michigan U.S. Open Sporting Clays shoot will be held at the Hunters Ridge Sporting Club's course in Oxford, 628-HUNT.
- June 27-28 — 1992 American Airgun Field Target Association National Championships will be held at

the Western Wayne County Conservation Association in Plymouth Township, 532-0285.

• June 28 — Western Wayne County Conservation Association will hold a 3D archery shoot on its walk-through range in Plymouth Township, 453-9843.

• July 1 — Monthly meeting of the family-oriented Four Seasons Fishing Club will be held at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. New members are welcome, 477-3816.

• July 7 — Romeo B.A.S.S. Busters will hold its monthly meeting 7 p.m. at the Romeo Community Youth and Civic Center. New members are welcome, 286-6469.

• July 8 — A 12-week broadhead archery league begins at 5 p.m. on the Royal Oak Archers walk-through range in Lake Orion, 693-1369 or 693-9799.

• July 12 — Detroit Archers will hold a broadhead and 3D shoot on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield, 624-8140. Call the Detroit Archers 24-hour hotline for upcoming events at 661-2550.

• July 12 — Royal Oak Archers will hold a Safari Round beginning at 8 a.m. on its walk-through range in Lake Orion, 693-1369 or 693-9799.

• July 16-28 — Basic firearm ed-

ucation class on modern shotguns begins at the Western Wayne County Conservation Association in Plymouth Twp. The class will be taught by certified NRA instructors under the direction of WWCCA member Bill Scherer, a NRA training counselor. Classes are open to the public, 535-0436. Additional classes will be offered on modern rifle (July 30 to Aug. 11).

• July 18-19 — Arrowfest Weekend will be held at the Western Wayne County Conservation Association in Plymouth Twp., 453-9843.

METROPARKS

• Pedal with Pop, a naturalist-led bike ride to celebrate Father's Day weekend, begins at 7 p.m. Friday at Stony Creek. Participants will receive a "Pedal With Pop" button and should bring their own bike.

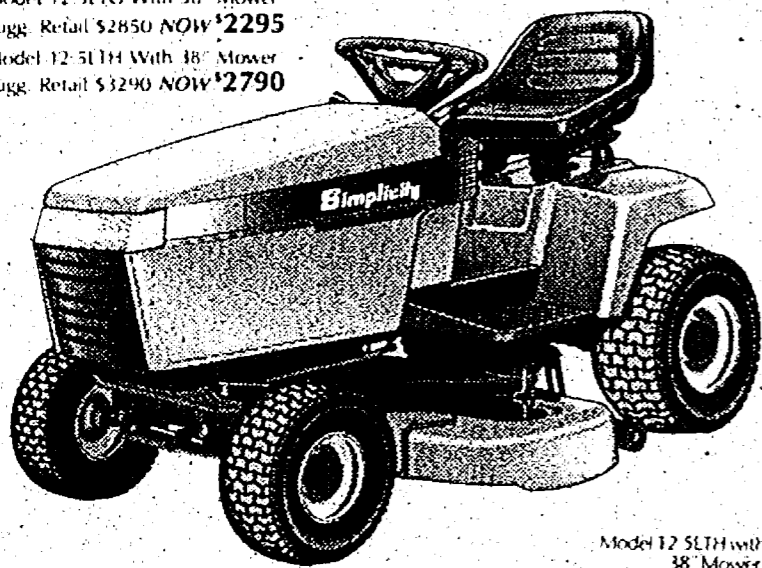
• Incredible Insects, an introduction to the fascinating world of insects, including an indoor discussion followed by outdoor observation and identification, begins at 12 p.m. Saturday at Indian Springs.

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The Lark

An Argentine Dinner will be presented at the Lark restaurant, 6430 Farmington Road, West Bloomfield, 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, June 29 and 30. Menu features outdoor-grilled two-pound porterhouse steak, sliced for two. Cost \$65 per person. For information, reservations, call 661-8891. Last day to cancel without charge is June 19.

Men's chorus

The Great Lakes Men's Chorus will perform a wide variety of jazz, pop and several original works, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20, at Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills.

Cabaret concert

Oakland Community College Chorus presents "Be Our Guest" — a cabaret concert 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at the Orchard Ridge Campus on Orchard Lake Road north of I-696 in Farmington Hills, Building J-306. The Orchard Ridge Singers and Renaissance Voices will present toe-tapping, head-bopping arrangements. The OCC Community Chorus will present the "Beauty and the Beast" medley plus California Dreamin' smoothies and Freddie Mercury's zany "Bohemian Rhapsody." A guest instrumental ensemble will provide accompaniment with keyboard, bass, drums and guitar. Punch and popcorn will be served. Admission is \$3.

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Golden Mushroom

Cloverleaf Market presents An Italian Wine Dinner 7 p.m. Thursday, June 25, at the Golden Mushroom, 18100 West Ten Mile, Southfield. Cost is \$75 per person and includes tax and gratuity. \$65 per person exclusive of beverage. Call 559-4230 for information.

Three zany guys launch theater, concert company



After five of their works were published, brothers Gerry and Dan Castle, and Mike Vigilant formed, "Three Guys Productions." Their first show, "Foiled Again! Two (Somewhat Bawdy) Musical Melodramas," opens July 10 at the Magic Bag Theatre Cafe in Ferndale.

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Gerry Castle, Mike Vigilant and Dan Castle are three zany guys who ignored skeptics that said "you have a better chance of being hit by lightning than having your plays published."

During the last five years, Gerry Castle (composer); Vigilant (playwright-lyricist) and Dan Castle (director) have developed six full length, and one act musicals which have been published by three of the country's largest houses — Samuel French, Pioneer Drama Service and Contemporary Drama Service.

On March 16, they formed Three Guys Productions, and have three more works in development, two of which are being prepared for the 1992-93 season.

Gerry Castle who lives in Warren, is also a song writer, and award-winning guitar player. His brother, Dan lives in Birmingham and has been active in community theater since 1976. He recently performed with the Birmingham Village Players in "Rumors." Vigilant also writes songs, and played in a band in high school.

All three are in their 30s, married with children, and have day jobs. Dan Castle is a vice president at Seed-Roberts Agency Inc. in Birmingham. Gerry

Castle is a technical analyst at Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and Vigilant works for his family's land development business.

"We believe in world peace, and men who aren't afraid to cry," said Dan Castle, who directs the shows. "Dan has a good feel for the work we do," said Gerry Castle, an award-winning guitarist and songwriter. Vigilant also has a flair for songwriting, and played in bands in high school.

They found a niche turning straight plays into musicals, and hope to fill a growing demand for community and regional theater scripts. "Basically, our primary focus as writers and producers is to create new works here and export them through national distributors," said Vigilant.

Dan Castle describes the work Three Guys Productions does as a cross between Mel Brooks, Monte Python, the Three Stooges and William Shakespeare. Their first production, "Foiled Again! Two (Somewhat Bawdy) Musical Melodramas" opens 8 p.m. Friday, July 10 at the Magic Bag Theatre Cafe on Woodward north of Nine Mile Road in Ferndale. Tickets are \$10 and \$12.50. Call 644-2531 or 544-3030 for information. Shows will run 8 p.m. Thursday-



CRAIG M. JULEFF

Three guys: Gerry Castle (left), Mike Vigilant and Dan Castle formed Three Guys Productions in March. They are rehearsing their first show, a musical melodrama that will open July 10 at the Magic Bag Theatre Cafe in Ferndale.

Saturday, and 7 p.m. Sunday through Aug. 1.

Another musical melodrama, "Phantom of the Opera" opens 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7 and runs Thursday-Saturday, and 7 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 5. "Both shows are offbeat, a bit risqué and lots of fun, sort of a Dudley Do Right meets Naked Gun," said Vigilant.

"You can boo and hiss, there's a hero and villain, great songs, funny stuff. If you have to drag your spouse to the theater and they fall asleep, bring them to this, they will love it," said Dan Castle. "You could bring someone who hates the theater, or someone who loves it.

These shows are funny, and very fast moving."

Dan Castle rates the first show as PG. "You can bring the family to the second show," he said.

In addition to theater, Three Guys Productions is also presenting the Michigan Grown Concert Series 8 p.m. Tuesdays beginning July 14 at the Magic Bag Theatre Cafe.

Peter Madcat Ruth and Shari Kane perform July 14. The Mike Berst Ensemble, July 28. The North Country Opera, Aug. 11 and Mr. B., a boogie-woogie pianist on Aug. 25. Tickets are \$12.50 and \$10. You can see all four concerts and both shows for \$48. Call 644-2531 or 544-3030 for information.

Something for everyone at summer festival

Folk, jazz, comedy, big band, there's something for everyone at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival Friday, June 19 through Sunday, July 12.

Events are scheduled at the Power Center, Power Center Rehearsal hall, First Congregational Church, U-M School of Music, Burton Tower, the Alumni Center, and Top of the Park.

Top of the Park is open 6 p.m. to midnight each night during the festival. A complete menu of food and beverages is available. All outdoor concerts and films at the park are free.

A Three Cheers for Kids concert series will feature four Sunday afternoon matinees for young people, preceded by free outdoor events beginning at 11 a.m.

Matinee performances will include Wild Swan Theatre's presentation of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin" on June 21, and a special family performance by Pilobolus on June 28. All ticketed performances will take place at 1 p.m. in the Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street, Ann Arbor.

Tickets for main stage festival events at the Power Center are available at any TicketMaster outlet, to order by phone, call 763-TKTS. Tickets are also available at Hudson's.

Bobby McFerrin, described as "the most extraordinary vocalist in pop music today," opens the ninth annual festival, with two shows, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20 in the Power

Center. In 1988, McFerrin won the hearts of millions with his hit "Don't Worry, Be Happy." Tickets are \$25, \$22, and \$19. For more festival information, call 747-2278.

Chet Atkins, with a career spanning more than 40 years, performs at the Power Center on Father's Day, 8 p.m. Sunday, June 21. Atkins left home at 17 to begin an odyssey of small radio station jobs. He became known as one of the architects of the Nashville Sound, characterized by smooth rhythm guitar, a backup choral group, and heavy dose of echo.

The Royal Canadian Air Farce, Canadian comedy institution takes the stage at the Power Center, 8 p.m. Mon-

day, June 22. The Ann Arbor Symphony will present a free concert 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 23 at the Power Center.

Enjoy a remarkable night of jazz piano festival with Jay McShann, Olive Jones, and Mark "Mr. B" Braun at the Power Center 8 p.m. Thursday, June 25.

The Lettermen who climbed the music charts with their first hit "The Way You Look Tonight," will perform at the Power Center, 8 p.m. Friday, June 26.

Other main stage performances at the Power Center include, Capital Steps in a special 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4 show, The Kingston Trio, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Manhattan Transfer, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 11, and the Song Sisters, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 12.

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BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER



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For the past 16 years, Rina Tonon and her husband Adriano have been giving guests a taste of Italy. "We want to do a good job, we offer very personalized service," said Rina. "We try to get to know the customers by name, and make all our own breads. Everything we serve is made fresh daily."

During the summer, chances are pretty good that the lettuce in your salad, and tomatoes tossed in your pasta were grown in the garden bordering the restaurant parking lot. At the far end of the parking lot, is another garden lovingly tended by Adriano's uncle Vittorio. Herbs, eggplant, peppers, and other home-grown vegetables add fresh flavor to the classic Italian dishes served at Cafe Cortina.

"My husband's family were farmers in Italy," said Rina. "Adriano was a baker. I grew up in the business. My parents had an Italian restaurant in Detroit."

Guests are treated like family at Cafe Cortina. "We love having young people here, it's a treat," said Rina.

When they opened, the restaurant seated 90 people, they've added a garden room, and can now accommodate 150-160 people. During the summer, guests can reserve a table in the outdoor courtyard.

Chef Paul Tootikian of Livonia, who has worked at the restaurant for 12 years, has been busy preparing for "An elegant Tuscan summer dinner," 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 15.



Summer dining: Wait staff serve classic Italian cuisine in the courtyard at Cafe Cortina in Farmington Hills during the summer months.

The six course regional Italian menu will feature fresh figs, imported prosciutto, focaccia, an Italian flat bread brushed with olive oil, and sprinkled with fresh rosemary, fish soup with garlic crostini bread, salad with radicchio, grilled veal chop with your choice of olive oil, herbs or sundried tomatoes, or rabbit with wild mushrooms, artichokes, buttered greens sauteed with olive oil and garlic, fresh seasonal fruit, and Baccio ice cream with almond cookies.

The cost is \$42 per person. Call 474-3033 for reservations before July 12. Music will be provided by Pino Marelli & Lisa Agazzi. They will be singing the latest songs from Italy, and there will be dancing. Cafe Cortina is open 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Fridays, 5-11 p.m. Saturdays, and 12:30-9 p.m. Sundays. Lunch is 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Prices range from \$5.95 for sandwiches to \$14.95 for veal entrees served during lunch. Luncheon pasta dishes start at \$8.95.

Dinner prices range from \$11.95 for pasta dishes to \$23.95 for some veal and seafood dishes. Entrees are served with pasta, salad, fresh homemade bread, and focaccia. American Express, Diner's Club, Visa and Master Charge are accepted. What's your favorite restaurant? Call Keely Wygonik, Taste-Entertainment editor at 953-2105. Every week we will feature an area restaurant in Thursday's Entertainment section. When you eat out, where do you like to go? Call and tell us.

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Experience the boom of Detroit's revitalized Theatre District with the fourth annual Spotlight Tour 5:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, June 22. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$7.50 for students, 17 and under, \$20 the day of the tour. Preschool children admitted free. Tickets available at all TicketMaster locations, call 645-6066. For information, call 596-3248.

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Lots of laughs in 'Rumors'

Look for Sandra Hart Amyx of Plymouth and Nora West of Canton in the Eastern Michigan University Theatre production of Neil Simon's comedy "Rumors," July 19 and 20 in the Quirk Theatre on campus in Ypsilanti.

"Rumors" is a wham-bam, doors slam, thank you ma'am, roller coaster ride of hilarity.

It is the third show of EMU Theatre's Spring Fest of comedy and music, which also includes the musical "Tintypes."

The curtain rises on "Rumors" to reveal a prosperous house belonging to a deputy mayor of New York City and his wife.

The couple has invited a few rich friends over to their mansion to celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary. The first couple arrives to find the deputy mayor upstairs, he is "sedated beyond communication, with a gunshot wound in his earlobe."

The wife is missing as are the servants. "The first couple tries to hide what they fear is a scandal from the second couple, who tries to hide it from the third, and so on, until all the guests are caught



Hilarity sweepstakes: Nora West of Canton, playing a police officer, tries to get some straight talk from Michael McCafferty in the Eastern Michigan University production of Neil Simon's "Rumors."

in a mad melee of rumors."

The audience is caught in an evening of laughs. The cast includes Amyx, a senior and West a sophomore.

"Rumors" will be presented 8 p.m. Friday, June 19, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20. Tickets are \$8. EMU students pay only \$6

and Mainstage members pay only \$5.

"Tintypes" is playing 8 p.m. Thursday, June 18, and 5 p.m. Saturday, June 20. Tickets for the Thursday show are \$5, tickets for the Saturday show are \$8. Reservations can be made by calling the Arts and Entertainment box office, weekdays, 1-5 p.m., 487-1221.

Prince look-alikes sought

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra will hold a Prince look-alike contest at the Fox Theatre in Detroit, 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 24. Contestants will be "given the stage" for one minute and asked to either lip sync to the music of Prince or simply strut their stuff. The event is open to the public. Contestants should plan to arrive at 9 a.m. for

the first round of judging. They will be asked to fill out a form explaining in 50 words or less why they look like Prince. For information, call 833-3700.

Music from two of Prince's recordings, "Graffiti Bridge," and "Sign the Times," will be provided for contestants on the day of the contest. Contestants are invited to bring their own Prince CD's.

The winner will receive round-trip airfare to Minneapolis, overnight stay and meals at the Radisson Hotel and Conference center, a tour of Prince's recording studio, a complete set of Prince CD's, and a pair of tickets to the opening night performance and reception of the Joffrey Ballet on Thursday, June 25, at the Fox Theatre.

Chorales seek new members

Two area chorales are auditioning new members. The Bel Canto Choral Society is looking for women who read music and enjoy singing. Call Freda Mendelson at 352-8037, or Marcy Tanzman at 542-5540.

The Madrigal Choral Society of Southfield is holding auditions for new members, Sept. 5, 9, and 12, 7-9 p.m. at Southfield Lathrup High School. Call Patricia, 253-0072.

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Choral Society: Bel Canto Choral Society members (left to right) Eugene Braustram, (director), Laurie Kimmel, Ann Kutnick, Doris August, and accompanist, Rochelle Barr, rehearse music for their next show.

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Dancing spider: Charlie Smith, David Ramsey and Marvin J. Wardlow appear in Wayne State University's Summer Theatre production of "The Dancing Spider."

WSU presents children's play

The Rackham Auditorium, 80 Farnsworth, Detroit, will be the home of this summer's Wayne State University production for children, "The Dancing Spider," as both the Hilberly and Bonstelle theaters are closed for renovation.

The play will be performed weekdays, June 25 through July 10, except July 3, at 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Saturday, July 11. Tickets are \$2.50, call 577-2972.

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The Theater Guild of Livonia, Redford is presenting "Albertine in Five Times," a story of one woman, at five different times in her lifetime, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, June 19, 20, 26, 27, July 10, 11 and 12 and 2 p.m. Sunday, July 12 at 15138 Beech Daly, one block south of Five Mile Road in Redford. Tickets are \$7. For information, call 538-5678.

PIANO CONCERT
Pianist Gloria McBeth will perform favorites from Broadway and the movies, 2 p.m. Friday, June 19, in the North court of Laurel Park Place Mall on West Six Mile east of the I-275 Expressway in Livonia.

AUDITIONS
The Greenfield Village Theatre Company will be holding auditions for "So This is London," a 1922 comedy, 7-10 p.m. Monday, June 22. Theater doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Actors should "bring a really

good monologue, memorized and prepared, of one to two minutes." The auditions will be conducted privately, and no appointment is necessary. Production dates are Aug. 14 through Sept. 13, Friday and Saturday evenings. Bring a current photo and resume. For information, call 271-1620, Ext. 405, weekdays.

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Renaissance Chorus is seeking men who enjoy singing barbershop harmony. The only requirement is the ability to carry a tune. Practices are held 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, between Wayne and Newburgh. Call Ken Casey, 591-1362, Ed Wojtan, 425-2727 or Walter Wolosiewicz, 421-6935 for information.

JOFFREY BALLET
The Joffrey Ballet will give the world premiere of the "Pas de Deux" from a new ballet by choreographer Peter Pucci with a new score composed by popular rock superstar Prince Rogers Nelson (generally known as Prince) as part of its series of performances with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra 8 p.m.

Thursday, June 25, Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27; 2 p.m. Friday, June 26 and 2 Saturday, June 27; 1 p.m. Sunday, June 28 at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Call 833-3700 or Ticketmaster, 645-6666.

LIVONIA SYMPHONY
The Livonia Cultural League and Livonia Symphony Orchestra will present a golf benefit, "Chip in the for the Arts," noon Wednesday, July 1 at Whispering Willows Golf Course, Newburgh at Eight Mile in Livonia. Cost \$50 per golfer includes greens fee, golf cart rental, lunch and refreshments. Hole sponsorships available for \$100 per hole. Proceeds will help support the Livonia Cultural League and Livonia Symphony Orchestra. For tickets, send check payable to LCL/LSO Golf Benefit, to: 15592 Hit Court, Livonia, MI 48154. For information, call 464-3460.

To get your announcements in the Upcoming entertainment calendar send items to be considered for publication to: Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, the

Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150.

BIRMINGHAM THEATRE
"Damn Yankees" through Sunday, June 21, 2 and 8 p.m. shows at the Birmingham Theatre, 211 S. Woodward, Birmingham, 644-3533.

LA CASA
Singer Iris DeMent performs at the La Casa Music Series, 8:30 p.m. Friday, June 19, at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward (at Lone Pine). Advance tickets are \$10, at the door price is \$12. For information, call 646-4950.

SUMMER CONCERTS
South Oakland Concert Band performs 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 24, at the historic Burgh Site at Civic Center Drive and Berg Road in Southfield. The concert stage is a gazebo. In addition to entertainment, the Southfield historic museum will be open 6-8 p.m. on the night of the concert. For information, call 354-4717.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1992

Summer fun can be found near and far

You might not be able to "pack up all your cares and woes" like the song says, but you can pack up the kids and head out for some good old-fashioned fun this summer, not to mention packing the kids off for some fun on their own.

Popular family spots are the Detroit Zoological Park at 10 Mile Road and Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak, and the Belle Isle Zoo on Belle Isle, East Jefferson at East Grand Boulevard, in Detroit.

The fun starts Saturday, June 20, with a Teddy Bear Rally at the Belle Isle Zoo, Children 12 and under, accompanied by a paying adult and a teddy bear, will be admitted free of charge. There will be plenty of fun-filled activities, including a teddy bear contest.

If that doesn't entice you, try the free hot dog day at both the Detroit and Belle Isle Zoos June 27. Leave your picnic basket at home and enjoy a free hot dog at the concession stands. Both zoos also will offer free children's days — on Mondays, beginning July 6, at the Detroit Zoo and on Tuesdays, beginning July 7, at the Belle Isle Zoo.

The Detroit Zoo is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, but will have extended hours — until 8:30 p.m. — July 15 and Aug. 13.

You can make a day of it on Belle Isle. In addition to the zoo (also is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week), there's the Belle Isle Aquarium, the nation's largest freshwater aquarium, the Belle Isle Nature Center, Dossin Great Lakes Museum and the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory, filled with tropical flowers, ferns, palms, lily pond and formal and perennial gardens.

For more information, call the zoo information line at 398-0900.

Village life

Weekends at Greenfield Village in Dearborn also offer a variety of activities for families, starting with the Celebration of Emancipation Saturday and Sunday, June 20-21. The weekend will focus on the rich traditions of African-American music, dance, crafts and storytelling.

Other special weekends are the Pageant of Power, July 4-5, featuring the machines that revolutionized industry; the Colonial Life Festival, July 11-12, recreating the domestic and recreational life of the first colonists; Taste of History, July 25-26, demonstrating two centuries of culinary artistry; and Labor Day Sept. 7, honoring working men and women in stories and songs.

In addition to its collection of historic homes, the village also offers carriage tours and rides of the steamboat *Suyawnee*, vintage carousel and steam-powered train and 1931 bus.

Over at Henry Ford Museum, there are several special exhibits about America's enthusiasm for technology and things made in America as well as a pilot program, the Innovation Station, a people-powered learning game that gives participants a hands-on encounter with defining and solving problems.

Admission to Greenfield Village, as well as Henry Ford Museum, is \$11.50 for adults, \$5.75 for children 5-12 years of age and children under five free. A combined ticket good for two days of unlimited admission to the village and museum costs \$20 for adults and \$10 for youths.

Back to nature

You can also introduce your brood to Mother Nature. Maybury State Park in Northville has paved trails for hiking, riding and even roller skating, as well as picnic areas with tables and grills.

There's a farm, complete with barnyard animals, and a riding stable, where you can horseback ride starting at 9:30 a.m. (last ride goes out at 5 p.m.) The riding costs are \$12 an hour on weekdays and \$14 an hour on weekends.

A state park permit (daily or annual) is necessary to get into the park which is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week.

Likewise, outdoor activities are in abundance at the Nature Center and Farm Center of Kensington-Metropark in Milford this summer.

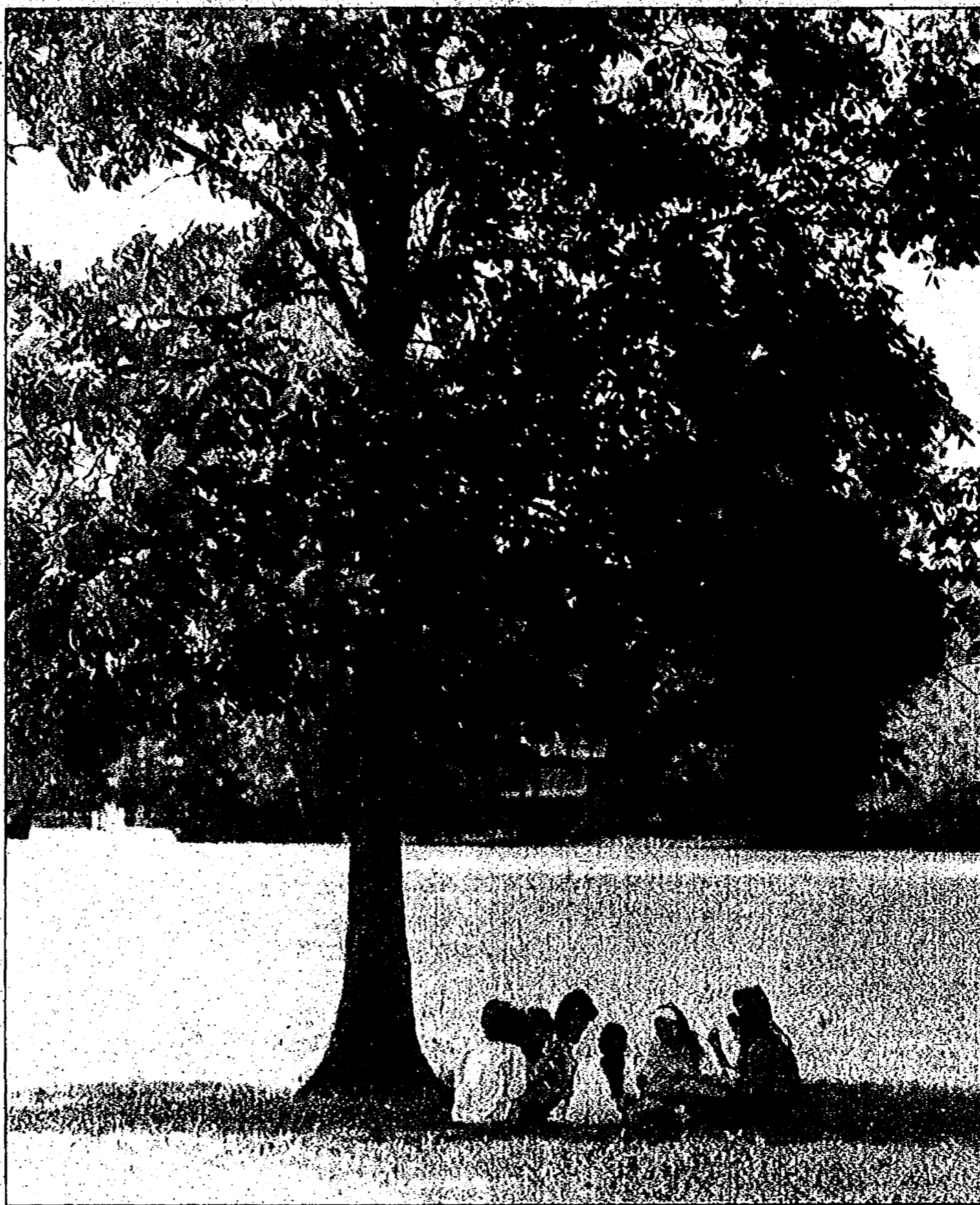
Families can gather at the Nature Center at 1 p.m. July 4 for nature songs and stories or take in a country fair, complete with old-fashioned games, at the nature and farm centers July 11-12.

Other Nature Center programs include "Underwater Wonders," a look at pond life, at 2 p.m. July 19 and Dinosaur Day, a look at the prehistoric creatures through slides, fossils and models, at 2 p.m. Aug. 2.

Wednesday in July are "Just for Kids" with the very popular programs at 10 a.m. for 7-9-year-olds and 1 p.m. for 10-12-year-olds. Youngsters will learn about pond life, pioneer chores, Indian ways and environmental awareness through activities and games.

For the younger set — 5-6-year-olds — there's Nature Discovery at 10 a.m. July 9 and 16 and Aug. 4 and 11. And preschoolers 3-4 years of age can enjoy Nature Storytime, at 1:30 p.m. those same days.

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Cool spot: On a hot summer afternoon, the shade of tree provides the perfect gathering spot for children.

School's out; what's a kid to do?



Hey, Mom and Dad, do you know what kids will be doing this summer vacation? If you haven't a clue, then this is for you. Some folks have crammed a lot of activities into the next three months to quell the summer lament of "there's nothing to do."

"School's out; school's out. Teacher let the students out."

Many a youngster is chanting that jingle in celebration of the start of summer vacation. Three months of glorified fun in the sun. So much time, so what's a kid to do?

Well, try one of these:

SUMMER READING

Children can register — in person — until Saturday, June 20, for the summer reading program at the Wayne-Westland Public Library, 34808 Sims, at Wayne Road, Wayne. The six-week session is on Fridays, June 26 to July 31 except for July 2.

There's a 10-11:30 a.m. session, "Read to Me," for children 3-6 years of age in which members of the Wayne Civitans in costume will tell stories to participants. The program for 7-12-year-olds will be 10-11 a.m. Fridays and have special guests each week. Topics will include barnyard animals (with real animals), animal biology, China

(the country), 19th century toys, a fighter pilot and a music program as the grand finale. Youngsters will receive a lottery ticket for each book they read and will have a chance to win a variety of prizes in a drawing at the grand finale.

For more information, call the library at 721-7832.

DAY CAMPS

The YWCA of Western Wayne County will have a free six-week summer day camp for kids 6-18 years of age at the Y, 26279 Michigan Ave., west of Beech Daly, Inkster. The session will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 30 through Aug. 6. Activities will include arts and crafts, field trips and guest speakers. Lunch will be provided. Enrollment is limited, so call the Y at 561-4110 for more information.

The Wayne-Westland Family YMCA will offer weeklong summer day camps for kids 6-16 years of age through Aug. 28. The camp will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with child care available before,

starting at 6:30 a.m. and after until 6:30 p.m.

The weekly camps will have themes like "Back to the '50s," "Happy Birthday America" and "Carnival Daze."

The camp will be at the YMCA, Bayview at Wayne Road, Westland. The program is designed to give children new experiences and develop new skills. Children will bring their lunches each day.

Registration must be completed noon Friday for the following week and fees paid in advance. The camp costs \$65 a week or \$13 a day for full YMCA members and \$75 per week or \$15 a day for program members. For more information, call 721-7044.

SWIMMING

The swimming pool at the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road, will be in the splash with swim instruction sessions — July 6-17 and 20-31, Aug. 3-14 and 17-28. The 50-minute classes will be 9 a.m. for 5-10-year-olds and 10 a.m. for 11-year-olds through adults. Half-hour classes at 11 a.m. will be for 3-5-year-olds and at 11:30 a.m. for 6 months-3-year-olds. A parent must accompany the child in the pool for those two classes.

The cost is \$25 for residents, \$30 for non-residents, and \$15 for infant/pre-school resident, \$20 for non-resident. There also be plenty of open swim-

ming noon-4 p.m. 5-8 p.m. each day. Cost is \$1.50 per session resident children, \$2 for non-resident children, and \$2.25 for resident adults, \$2.75 for non-resident adults. Swim passes are available at \$50 for resident, (\$35 for each additional pass) and \$70 for non-resident (\$55 for extra passes).

The Bailey Pool also started its swim team and diving this week. Members practice 4-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday at the pool, working on techniques for the back, butterfly, breast and freestyle strokes as well as flip turns and starts. The team will do some distance and sprints during the summer as well as compete in two swim meets. Diving instruction on the techniques, approach and different dives will be at the same time. Registration can be completed at the Bailey Center. For more information, call 722-7620.

The Wayne-Westland Family YMCA has a variety of swimming classes for parents and children during the summer. Half-hour parent-tot (6 months-3 years) classes are available at a cost of \$15 for Y members and \$30 for program members.

Skipper classes (for children 3-5 years without parents) are available at four levels — Pike (water adjustment), Eels (able to swim 30 feet unassisted), Rays (can tread water and do some dives) and Starfish (able to swim

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... And, parents, when all else fails

Haven't tuckered the kids out yet? Hmmmmmmm.

Just holler "Fore." Yep, summer's a perfect time to hit the links — the miniature ones, that is. No roughs, no sand traps, just windmills and waterfalls to challenge your putting technique.

At the Canton Fun Center, 18 holes of golf can be had for \$2.50 before 6 p.m. and \$3.50 after 6 p.m. You can also buzz around the go-cart track at six laps for \$2.50 before 6 p.m. and \$3 afterward. And if you can rustle up a group of 10 or more, the cost drops to \$1.50 per person.

The fun center is at 46211 Michigan Ave., Canton. Call 397-3344 for the summer hours.

You won't see Yogi or Bobo, but Oasis Miniature Golf in Plymouth bills its layout as a 36-hole Yogi Bear course, maybe because it's for "the better than average bear." Anyway, kids under age 7 and under can tee off at \$1.50 per person, while it's \$3 for adults, \$3.50 after 5 p.m.

Oasis is at 39500 Five Mile Road. It's open 7 a.m.

to 10:30 p.m. seven days a week. For more information, call 420-4653. (Oh, if your kids would rather practice their swing, there's also a driving range at Oasis.)

You can threaten to give your kids to pirates and keep that promise at Sportway of Westland. The miniature golf course is played over the deck and dock area of a pseudo pirate ship. Eighteen holes of golf costs \$2.50 before 6 p.m. and \$3.50 afterward.

Sportway also has a go-cart track for your young Mario Andretti and batting cages for the budding Cecil Fielder. Six laps around the track will cost \$2.50 before 6 p.m. and \$3 afterward. And it's 75 cents for 15 balls at the batting cages.

Sportway is at 38520 Ford Road, Westland. Hours are 10 a.m. to midnight Sunday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For more information, call 728-7222.

Down the road a ways is Ford Road Miniature Golf in Garden City. It's been around for as long as most people can remember and offers golf — just

golf — for \$2.50 per game before 6 p.m. and \$3.50 after 6 p.m.

Ford Road Miniature Golf is at 29060 Ford Road, east of Middlebelt, Garden City. Hours are 10 a.m. to midnight seven days a week. For more information, call 425-9816.

Another place that's been around for as long as most people can remember, Riverside Arena, can serve up some indoor fun, especially when it's raining.

The Livonia roller rink has matinee skating 1-3 p.m. Wednesday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Cost is \$2.50 for the Wednesday session and \$3.50 for Saturday and Sunday matinee. Skate rental is \$1.50. Evening skating is 8 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday (\$4.75) and 8-11 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday (\$4.50). For parents who need some time to themselves, the 9-11:30 p.m. session (\$4.50) is for adults only.

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75 feet. And there's youth swimming instruction at six levels — Polliwog (beginner), Guppy (intermediate beginner), Minnow (advanced beginner), Fis (intermediate), Flying Fish (advanced intermediate) and Shark. Fees range from \$15-17 for Y members and \$28-35 for program members. Private swim lessons also are available at \$45 for five half-hour lessons.

The Y also has open swimming 3:30-4:30 and 7-8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-3 p.m. Saturday, with family swimming 8-8:45 p.m. Friday and 3-3:45 p.m. Saturday.

For more information on the YMCA programs, call 721-7044.

■ PARKS PROGRAM

The Westland Parks and Recreation Department has tentatively scheduled a summer parks program at Central City Park, Ford Road and Carlson, Sam Corrado Park, Joy Road and Flamingo, Cayley East Park, Grand Traverse and

Darwin, and Stottmeyer Park, Dancy and Hanover, July 6-Aug. 14. (If proposed cuts in the department's budget become a reality, the program could be cancelled, so it's best to call in advance.)

The program is not to be confused with day care. It will run 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and provide supervised activities — sports, arts and crafts, games, field trips and swimming — for children. Call 722-7620 for more information.

■ SOCCER CAMP

The Wayne-Westland Soccer League will hold two Total Soccer/Detroit Rockers Soccer Day Camps 1:30-4 p.m. July 13-17 and 9:30 a.m. to noon July 27-31 at Venoy-Dorsey Park. The camp will feature members of the Detroit Rockers professional soccer team like Rockers assistant coach Andy Chapman.

National Professional Soccer League Rookie of the Year, Bryan "Goose" Finnerty will teach kids 8-18 years the fine points of goaltend-

ing as part of the Top Gun Goalkeeping Academy. In addition to professional coaching, each participant will receive an official camp T-shirt and a ticket to the 1992 Detroit Rockers home opener.

The cost is \$65 per participant and there's a few options — \$15 for a framed photograph of the camper with his or her favorite Rocker and \$18 for a NPSL replica ball. Registration forms can be picked up at the Bailey Center. For more information, call 288-2110.

■ THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

The Westland Parks and Recreation Department's Therapeutic Program has a variety of activities for disabled residents. Back by popular demand is the exercise and cooking program 6:30-8 p.m. July 13 to Aug. 17 at the Bailey Center, 36651 Ford Road. Participants will go outside for exercise and then prepare a healthy meal. Cost is \$35 for program members, \$38 for resident non-members and \$40 for non-resi-

dent non-members. Registration is on a first come-first served basis.

Teen Night with music, dancing, board games and old-fashioned fun will be 7-10 p.m. July 10 and Aug. 14 at the center for those 14 years and older. Cost is \$3 for program members, \$3.50 for resident non-members and \$4 for non-resident non-members. Pre-registration is necessary.

There also is indoor swimming at the Dyer Orthopedic Pool on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads, 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday evenings. It's a drop-in program so pre-registration isn't necessary. Cost is 50 cents for members, 75 cents for resident non-members and \$1 for non-resident non-members.

Other activities include a Tiger baseball game July 12, a trip to the Red Oaks Water Park in Madison Heights July 11, and the Michigan Renaissance Festival Aug. 23.

For more information about the activities and program, call 722-7620.

ANNIVERSARIES

Thomas and Anastasia Trygier

Thomas and Anastasia Trygier of Livonia recently celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary June 1.

The couple exchanged wedding vows at St. John the Baptist Church in Dearborn Heights. She is the former Anastasia Koch.

The celebration was hosted by their five children — John and wife Jill of West Chester, Ohio; Lisa Smigielski and husband Ken of Chelsea; Victoria of Livonia; Thomas Jr. and wife Patricia of Novi, and Christine Smith and husband David of Livonia. They also have a granddaughter, Alexandria Smith.



Joseph and Dorothy Primak

Friends and family members will gather in Livonia June 21 to help Joseph and Dorothy Primak in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The Primaks exchanged vows on June 20, 1942, in Georgia. She is the former Dorothy King. They have five children — Arnold, Dr. Carol Flevoris, David, Mark and Marilyn Mastrienne — and seven grandchildren.

He is a veteran of World War II and a recipient of the Purple Heart.

Owner of J & A Wholesale Meats in Detroit, he is a delegate to the Michigan Republican Party and St. Cecilia Church in Livonia.

She is a member of Brightmoor Tabernacle Church and the Livonia Family YMCA. She also is a delegate for the Michigan Republican Party and member of the Livonia Republican Party. She also attended Schoolcraft College and is active in senior citizens activities in Livonia.

Gus and Elizabeth Phillips

Gus and Elizabeth Phillips of Plymouth were the guests of honor for a family celebration marking their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows on May 20, 1942, where he was stationed as an officer in the U.S.

Army Air Corps. Following the end of World War II, the Phillips returned to Michigan and settled in Plymouth in 1950. They have two daughters — Sally of Plymouth and Suzy of Atlanta, Ga.

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And there's also a Wednesday morning tiny tot class. It costs \$2 for children (including skating instruction) and parents can skate for \$3.

Riverside Arena is at 36635 Plymouth Road, Livonia. For more information, call \$21-3540 (taped message) or 421-3541.

At the Skatin' Station in Canton, Tuesdays are reserved for birthday and private parties, but grab the family and head out on Wednesday for family night. Skating is 6:30-9 p.m. at \$7 per family or \$3.25 per person. Skating 9-10:30

p.m. is \$3, including skates.

Thursday morning is the new Animal Crackers and Strollers Skate 9-10:30 a.m. It's for preschoolers on skates or in strollers and their parents. Cost is \$3 including skates and instructions.

And there's the popular double session on Friday evenings 6:30-9 p.m. (\$4) and 8-11 p.m. (\$4.50). You can stay over for an additional \$2. Skate rentals are \$1.50, \$4 for speed skates (\$5 on Friday evenings).

Skatin' Station is at 8611 Ronda Drive, off Joy Road, Canton. For

information, call 459-6400 (taped message) or 459-6401.

And lastly, there's Skateland West in Westland. Wednesdays are special days for students. Bring in a report card — any report card — and skate for half price, \$1.50 at all sessions — 1:30-4, 4-6, 6-8 and 8-10 p.m. Regular admission is \$3; skate rental \$1.

Thursday hours are 1:30-4 p.m. (admission \$3) and 9-11:30 p.m. for adults only (admission \$4).

Friday skating is 1:30-4 p.m. (\$3) and 6:45-8:45 p.m. (\$3.50). There

also will be Battles of the Bands 9 p.m. to midnight Fridays (admission \$6) throughout the summer.

Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to noon for kids 12 and under accompanied by a parent (admission \$2.5), 1:30-4 p.m. (\$3), 6:45-8:45 p.m. (\$3.50) and 9 p.m. to midnight (\$5). The arena is closed on Sundays and Mondays during the summer.

Skateland is at 37550 Cherry Hill Road, west of Newburgh Road, Westland. For more information call 326-2800 (taped message) or 326-2801.

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Handwriting shows she's busy, productive woman

GRAPHOLOGY PROFILES



LORENE GREEN

Lorene Green — I'm not a regular reader, I happened to be in the Livonia area and picked up a copy of the Observer & Eccentric and read your column.

Per your directional paragraph, I'm soon to be 59 years old and am right handed. I don't mind having my handwriting scrutinized by a certified graphologist and I will be happy to provide objective feedback "after the fact." In fact, it would be fun!

Handwriting of any sorts is not one of my strong suits but it has been proven I can write legibly

when it's necessary, but most of ten I use the typewriter. Thanks for considering my handwriting.

D.C. Ferndale

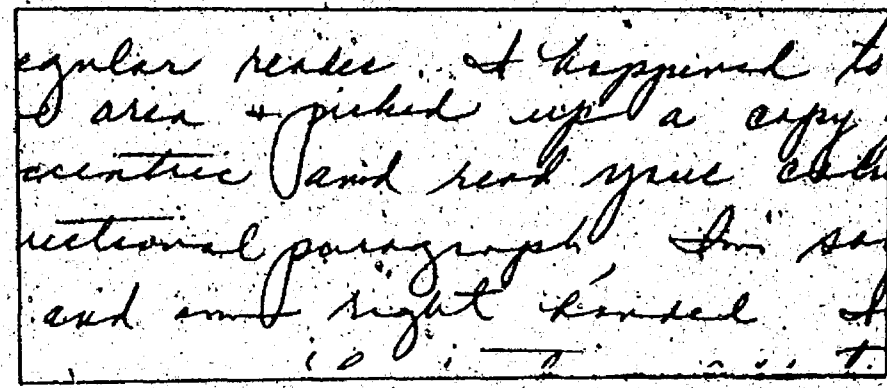
When observing the handwriting for today, one's eye is attracted to the enlarged letters of the lower zone. This dominant zone tells us we are analyzing the handwriting of a woman who is busy, active and productive. She is no couch potato! A high degree of restlessness keeps her on the move. She is probably happiest when her calendar is replete with activities or projects.

Much of her energy appears to be centered in the area of physical activity. She plans her work as she goes along and feels involved with it. Once a goal is achieved she begins to seek another challenge. At

the time she wrote this letter, she may have had too many irons in the fire. She can become impatient with details.

Often she commences a new project somewhat cautiously and aware of her need for feelings of security before relaxing and going ahead comfortably. As soon as this initial caution is overcome or when she sees the project will work out well, she then becomes engrossed to the point of enthusiasm! On occasion, however, her need for security causes her to re-examine the goal and then she must deal with second thoughts.

Our writer is a bright woman, but is not always open to new ideas. She is inclined to adhere to accepted and traditional ideas, values and methods. She feels more secure with the familiar, often without the realization that others' ideas or



suggestions might prove to be better. In matters of significance to her, she can take a firm stand.

This woman is somewhat complex and cannot be read like an open book.

Seemingly, she has a need to make a favorable first impression on others, and may come on a little strong to accomplish it. She also wants to be perceived as more so-

phisticated than she sometimes feels. Her self-esteem seems to fluctuate.

There is a little self-consciousness here. In emotionally charged situations, she can be unsure or uninhibited. However, she is quite resourceful and can flow with the tide, especially when it is to her benefit.

Some hurt feelings have not been overcome and she continues to harbor resentment. This tends to make her somewhat suspect of other people's motives.

People are important to her, but her need to interrelate on a personal social level may be minimal. At times she will act more friendly than she inwardly feels. She also has a talent for wiggling out of difficult situations. The humor here can be an endearing quality.

If you would like your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and full signature are helpful. And objective feedback is always welcome.

Summer fun from page 1C

There also will be family nature cruises at 8 p.m. July 23 and Aug. 18. The Kent Lake cruise will last 1 1/2 hours with naturalists on board to explain what can be seen around and in the lake.

The Nature Center is also open to visitors 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays.

The Farm Center, visitors can get involved in slopping the hogs July 25 and Aug. 15. The farm is also open for visits 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekends.

Advanced registration is necessary for the programs, especially the "Just for Kids" activities and nature cruises. Most are free of charge (there is a \$2 per person charge for the cruises) except for the \$2 park entry fee. For more information, call 685-1561 or the nature center at 685-0603.

to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 20-24, and air and space I program for kids 7-12 years of age Aug. 10-14, both through Plymouth-Canton Community Education. For more information, call Debbie Falerios at 451-6660.

A science sampler for kids 5-12 years of age will be held 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 3-7, and a safari camp for kids 5-12 years of age 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 17-21, both at the Farmington Mercy Center. For information, call Driska McCullough at 473-1815.

Camp costs range from \$115 to \$185 per week or \$30 per session for some camps. Cost, however, may vary with location. For more information, call 478-1999.

Hands-on fun

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum also has a summer science camp for children 5-14 years of age. Week-long (Monday through Friday) morning and afternoon classes are available June 24-Aug. 16. The classes will be held at Mack School, 920 Miller Ave. in Ann Arbor.

Youngsters will get a chance to explore the skies, visit the desert and understand those things that go bump in the night in classes with names like "The Stars: Your Destination," "The Touch Me Detective" and "Out on a Limb."

The science camp costs \$45 for morning (10 a.m. to noon) or afternoon (1:30-3:30 p.m.) classes or \$100 for the all-day program. There's also a lunch/outdoor program noon-1:30 p.m. for a cost of \$15 per week.

There's also Adventures in Science for preschoolers 4-5 years of age on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The sky, recycling and dinosaurs will be among the subjects covered. The cost is \$30 per class.

And for the entire family, there's the Family Math Workshop, an evening of creative math experiences designed for families with children age 5 and up, Monday, Aug. 17. The activities will help develop problem solving strategies. The cost is \$15 per family.

And, of course, there's always a visit to the museum itself at 219 E. Huron St. It's open 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2.50 for students, children and senior citizens and \$10 for families. For more information, call 995-5439.

Science camp

And for children interested in a learning experience this summer, the Living Science Foundation is offering a residential camp July 19-25 at Camp Ebersole Environmental Center between Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo.

Campers will be able to do sand dune ecology studies near Saugatuck, roll in the waves of Lake Michigan, hike through the Yankee Springs Recreation area and explore the rich topography left behind by receding glaciers.

The camp fee is \$350 and enrollment is limited to 36 youngsters 8-15 years of age. Transportation to and from the Living Science Foundation in Novi is available for an additional charge. For more information or to register, call 478-1999.

LSF also offers a variety of science day camps covering such topics as marine biology, animal safari, gross anatomy, air and space, science sampler and preschool discovery. The camps are held in different locations in Wayne and Oakland counties.

An air and space II camp will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 29-July 3 with a campout on July 2, at the Living Science Foundation, 40400 Grand River, Novi. Youngsters will be home by noon July 3. The camp is for those 8-13 years of age. For information, call 478-1999.

A discovery camp will be held 9 a.m. to noon (for preschoolers and parents) and 1-4 p.m. (5-12-year-olds) Monday through Friday, July 6-10, July 27-31, Aug. 17-21 and Aug. 24-28, at LSF in Novi.

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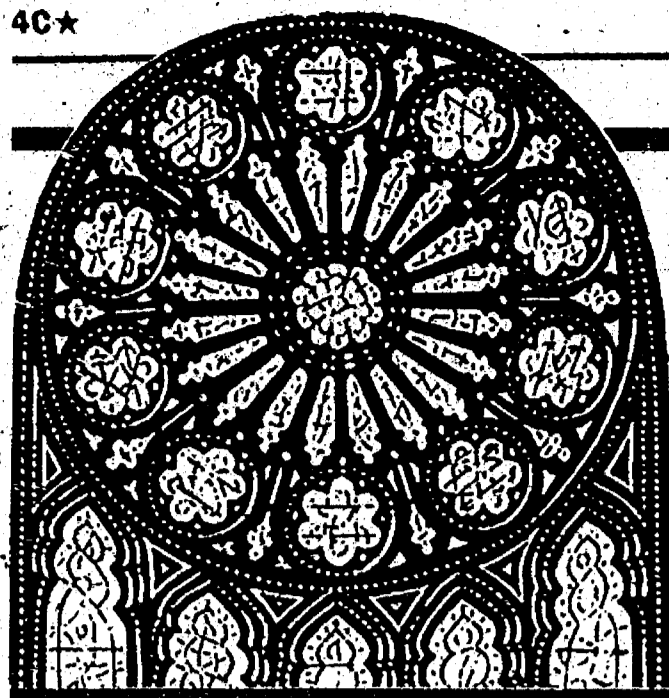
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Habitat needs westside volunteers

BY MARY RODRIGUE
STAFF WRITER

Habitat for Humanity operates on a simple premise: decent housing for every human being.

On Saturday the volunteer organization that renovates old homes in core cities will unveil its latest project, a house at 12010 Kilbourne near Detroit City Airport.

"It was donated to us. It had a good foundation," said Dr. Deborah Livingston-White, a Habitat volunteer.

"There had been an electrical fire between the basement and the first floor. We don't back-off from anything. When we get blessed with volunteers from the skilled trades, it makes the work go faster."

Livingston-White, director of special education for Oak Park Schools, lives in West Bloomfield. But most Saturdays she's working on Detroit's east side, helping resurrect old homes.

"I'm just a tomboy at heart. I love it," she said.

Habitat for Humanity is still a small network in Detroit. About 100

metro area churches participate, with financial contributions and manpower.

With involvement of the Salvation Army and a shift of focus to rehabilitating homes on Detroit's west side, in the Brightmoor district, Habitat hopes to attract more west siders to its cause.

Habitat for Humanity works by committee. A site selection committee scouts available housing, making choices based on the skills and availability of volunteers.

"We have teens, we have grandmas, we have ladies and men who have never done this before," Livingston-White said.

Lack of technical expertise is never shunned. All are welcome.

"They can scrape paint, mix cement, remove garbage. To the best of our ability we place volunteers and the work gets done."

A family selection committee gleans applicants for the renovated homes from Habitat's orientation program, which draws prospective homeowners who don't earn enough income to qualify for a traditional mortgage.

Those on the prospective homebuyer list must donate "sweat equity," 400 hours of work on various renovation projects. Lucky buyers can purchase the home simply for the cost of renovation, on average \$20,000. They pay no interest.

"We've completed eight homes and two others are near completion," said Livingston-White. "An 11th home has been purchased, but the work hasn't started yet. All the homes are on the east side of Detroit."

With help from the Salvation Army, homes will be purchased and renovated in Detroit's Brightmoor neighborhood, near Schoolcraft and Outer Drive.

Habitat for Humanity was founded in the late 1960s in Americus, Ga., by Millard Fuller. A former commune dweller, Fuller adapted his idea to the general population. The organization got a major publicity boost when former president Jimmy Carter volunteered to help.

In Detroit, workers are on the job every Thursday and Saturday of the year. They are asked to bring a mask (a \$2 hardware store pur-

chase), a tool and a bag lunch to the job site.

"We have faithful individuals who have worked every Saturday for the past six years," Livingston-White said.

"Volunteers are of all races, all religions, all economic levels."

Labor is a voluntary effort, but Habitat also depends on discounts from building suppliers and corporate sponsorship. Local sponsors of the Detroit work camp include the Stroh Brewery Co., F&M drugstores and Ford Motor Co.

"We wish we could work with the city of Detroit, but we have not been able to establish communications yet," Livingston-White said. "If we could get the homes before they're vandalized, we could do more and at less cost."

One trend Livingston-White noted is that when Habitat workers complete a project, other neighbors tend to spruce up their own homes.

Habitat for Humanity is looking for more volunteers. Those interested should call Mickey Pepera at 521-6691.

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"Recent SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) and MEAP (Michigan Education Assessment Program) test scores show many students not performing well in mathematics," said Sister Kathleen Marie Wlo-

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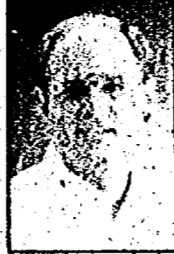
Watching animal behavior leads to interesting discovery



ILLUSTRATION BY TIM NOWICKI

Atypical behavior: Squirrels usually eat seeds, nuts and insects but given an opportunity to supplement their diet they may take advantage of frogs, snakes, birds and other mammals.

NATURE TRAILS



TIMOTHY NOWICKI

The natural world is full of discoveries. Its endless variety of species could keep an individual searching for years. In fact, in order to see all the animals on Earth, one would have to see 48 species per day (based on a life span of 75 years). And that does not include plants.

But most people see the same species over and over again, rather than seeing new species each day. In order to keep that thrill of discovery, look for new behaviors of familiar species.

Behavior watching can lead to

some interesting discoveries. For instance, just the other day the staff at the Independence Oaks Nature Center watched a gray squirrel eat a female house finch. Yes, a bird. It found the bird dead at the base of the wall by the window. Probably a window kill. Then without hesitation, it picked it up and carried it to a branch of the nearest tree and proceeded to eat it. Only feathers were left.

Typically we think of squirrels as eating seeds, nuts and an occasional insect. This was indeed atypical behavior, but maybe it happens more frequently than we think. If given an opportunity to supplement

their diet, squirrels may take advantage of the situation. Thirteen-lined ground squirrels are a typical seed-eating rodent, but their diet is supplemented with frogs, snakes, birds and mammals.

One of the larger birds of prey found in Michigan is the osprey. People fishing the rivers and lakes of northeast Michigan see them fly overhead as they look for fish too. Their diet was once thought to be solely fish. But one observer saw a bird walking on the ground and chasing after rodents. It must have been very awkward for the bird to run with its long talons designed for catching fish.

There is also an atypical situation that is often mentioned in ornithology books of a cardinal feeding goldfish at a small backyard pond. It is believed the bird's nest had recently been destroyed and it still had the urge to feed something. When it saw the goldfish gaping at the pond it stimulated the bird to feed.

So if anyone ever asks if squirrels only eat seed, or if osprey only eat fish, or if adult birds only feed their young, never say always.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.

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Earth's tilt determines exact moment summer arrives



RAYMOND E. BULLOCK

SKY WATCH
Summer officially arrives on Saturday, June 20, at 11:14 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. On this day the sun will be rising at its farthest point north of east, have its highest altitude in the sky, and set at its farthest point north of west for the entire year.

The sun appears in different parts of the sky at different times of the year. Remember where the sun was rising back in December? It was rising far south of east and set-

ting south of west. The days were short and cold and we had winter. The difference in the sun's position is not due to any movement on the part of the sun. Instead it's due to the tilt of Earth's axis of rotation.

We orbit around the sun, but our axis is tilted 23.5 degrees. It just happens to be pointing toward a star named Polaris, the North Star. In summer, when the North Pole of the earth is pointed toward Polaris, it is tilted 23.5 degrees toward the sun as well. Six months later the earth is on the opposite side of the sun. The North Pole is still aimed toward Polaris, but now it tilts 23.5 degrees away from the sun. Therefore the sun appears in a different part of the sky.

The moment when the earth reaches the point in its orbit, where the North Pole is at the greatest tilt toward the sun, is the exact moment of summer. At least it is for the Northern Hemisphere. When the North Pole is tilted toward the sun, the South Pole is tilted away from it. We may be enjoying the start of summer, but for people south of the equator the days are short and cold and it's the start of winter.

If it were not for the tilt of earth, there would be no change of seasons. If the earth's axis was straight up and down, everyone would have March-type weather year-round. That may not be bad if you live in

the tropics, but it's not so great in Michigan!

Last Quarter Moon is at 4:11 a.m. on June 23. The moon is beginning the last quarter of its orbit around the earth.

Try spotting Mercury on the evening of the 24th. It is now six degrees above the west northwest horizon. Six degrees to the right of Mercury is Pollux; four degrees to the right of Pollux is Castor. These three objects form a nearly straight line.

The moon, in Aries on the morning of the 25th, is approaching the red planet Mars. On the following morning the moon has passed Mars and on the 27th is nearing the Pleiades (PLEE a dees) star cluster

in Taurus. On the 28th the moon is six degrees above and to the left of Aldebaran (al DEB a ran), the "eye" of Taurus. Compare Aldebaran with Mars; they are very similar in color and brightness.

New moon is at 8:18 a.m. on June 30. The moon is located between the earth and the sun and is not visible. In fact, the moon is located EXACTLY between the two and there will be a total eclipse of the sun. That's the good news; the bad news is you have to be in the south Atlantic Ocean to see the eclipse.

Yet another opportunity to spot Mercury presents itself on the evening of the 30th. Locate bright Jupiter, high in the west. Eleven degrees to the right of Jupiter is Re-

gulus. If you draw a line from Jupiter through Regulus, and extend it toward the horizon, you'll come to Mercury.

An excellent aid for learning constellations and keeping up to date with the sky is the monthly "Sky Calendar". A one-year subscription is \$8 and is available from the Abrams Planetarium, Michigan State University, East Lansing, 48824.

Raymond Bullock is former coordinator of the planetarium and observatory at the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills. He now works for a Troy-based firm which creates laser displays and effects.

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BOB SKLAR

Artists share their creative experience

Scanning the art show scene:

Watercolor showcase

As critics go, he's toughest on himself. "Approval of my peers is a nice ego trip. And awards are reassuring. But I get a real sense of satisfaction through a finished painting I'm pleased with," says Al Weber, an award-winning Livonia watercolorist.

A retired Ford Motor Co. clay modeler and frequent exhibitor in juried shows, Weber often leads Livonia Artists Club group critiques. His goal as an artist is simple: "Expressing what I set out to express."

Forty of Weber's watercolors continue on exhibit through June at The Coach House Art Gallery, 7828 Van Dyke Place, in Detroit's West Village. Representational themes include costumed figures, landscapes and animals.

His watercolor, "Princess Dark Cloud," a character study of a Native American, is on exhibit through June in the all-media, all-member show at the Scarab Club in Detroit.

Weber also works in acrylic and pen and ink. Other popular themes for him include automobiles and abstracts.

Fine art became a vocation for Weber when he retired in 1982, after 20 years with Ford Motor Co., where he helped design proposals for new models.

"That was creative work. But it was more decision by committee beyond the initial stages," said Weber, who studied industrial design at the Art Center College of Design in Los Angeles before moving on to Studebaker and Ford. "With painting, it's all mine, for better or worse."

Weber likens brushwork to sculpting. "Design is an important element of each because something can always go wrong," said Weber, also a member of the Visual Art Association of Livonia and the Michigan Watercolor Society. "One of the biggest struggles is developing a design that works well."

Cultural collage

"Not everyone can relate to what I am saying in each and every one of my works," V. Janus Benda of Farmington Hills writes in her artist's statement, "but the satisfaction derived from stirring the soul of the onlooker and involving that person in a dialogue of the minds is a real fun happening."

"What separates us in our likes and dislikes is knowing why we like what we like. Assuming all the elements of good technique are in a particular piece, that ability of the artist to cause you to see beyond the obvious is now, and will always be, my goal."

Janus Benda's work is showcased in a 35-piece, mixed-media exhibition running to July 3 in the Livonia Public Library's new art gallery, a very inviting backdrop to view fine art.

The weather's ferociousness permeates "Storm II," a watercolor and rice paper collage. White, blue, yellow and darker tones in the sky reach down to lap at the rocks along the shore of turbulent waters. The eerie foreground dwarfs a distant lighthouse. "The shininess of the rocks came from painting the color of the rock on rice paper, then coating it with acrylic medium — a variation of a collage," said Janus Benda, who teaches watercolor for Livonia Public Schools' community education program.

The large watercolor, "Ketchikan," evokes summer lakeside serenity, Alaskan style. Wood walks snake through a brightly colored village of frame homes on stilts. Evergreens and mountains frame the tranquil setting. The tree tops and roof lines lead the eye to a little red house, reflected in the quiet waters.

"In all my paintings, design is most important," said Janus Benda, who has a bachelor's of architectural engineering degree from the University of Detroit. "The focal point in 'Ketchikan' is the red house. All the shadows and directional treatments are arranged in a manner that focuses on it."

"Street Scene," a watercolor, provokes a haunting yet pensive street scene in a small French quarter. Shades of purple, red, green, yellow and blue in the shops lining the street steer the eye to the darker central archway topped by a big clock.

"The technique I used in 'Street Scene,' ink and dye on rice paper, is unique to me," Janus Benda said. "You lose about 20 percent of the painting because rice paper is very unpredictable. But paintings that make it through the process, make it through well."

Janus Benda studied fine art at Center for Creative Studies in Detroit and Madonna University in Livonia.

She relishes experimenting: "I try to find a way to make a picture work for me. If it requires something I haven't done before, I find a way to do it. I don't like technique to override the picture, but when it enhances a subject, I find it really a lot of fun."

Bob Sklar is assistant managing editor for special projects.

'She has the ability to create wonders'

A fighter from birth, Kathleen Trybus overcame a heart defect to create tranquil oil paintings on canvas. A letter written to the Observer by her daughter, Jennifer, led to our discovery of her spiritually inspired landscapes and florals.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER



Livonia artist Kathleen Trybus is a lucky woman, blessed with a talent for painting and four children who think "she is worth a million."

If it hadn't been for a letter sent to the Creative Living editor of the Observer by her daughter, Jennifer, neither may have been recognized for years.

Just before Mother's Day, Jennifer wrote, "I have the name of an exciting, vibrant woman who is, in fact, an awesome artist. Her name is Kathleen Trybus. She is 49 years young and has the ability to create wonders."

Jennifer was writing about her mother.

A phone call to Jennifer and a trip to see her mother's oil paintings confirmed what the letter said: "These pictures will show you I am not all talk and that her work is vibrant."

A burst of orange lights a dawn sky behind a trio of sea gulls in flight, leading the viewer to a far-away land of peace and quiet in a 1989 painting by Trybus.

"God just gave me that talent," Trybus said, "and my mother encouraged me to go into art."

One glance at a landscape or floral painted by Trybus provides the viewer with a burst of serenity on days when schedules seem harried and clients or children, cranky.

"A Winter Scene," an oil on canvas, features light playing with shadows on snow-colored gray and blue. A clump of skeleton-like trees loom upwards into a cold, barren landscape.

"I like shadows and the light," Trybus said. "I like photography so I get a beautiful photograph, then sketch it directly on the canvas."

Trybus began to paint as a teenager in the late 1950s. By the time she finished grade school at Our Lady Queen of Heaven and senior high at Dominican High School in Detroit, she had painted at least four portraits of St. Theresa as the Little Flower.



STAFF PHOTOS BY ART EMANUELE

Serenity in oil: Livonia artist Kathleen Trybus paints tranquil landscapes and florals on canvas. "God just gave me that talent," she said. She seeks the tranquility and peacefulness portrayed in her artwork.

"I do a lot of spiritual paintings, a lot of religious paintings," Trybus said.

In the early sixties, Trybus studied at the Society of Arts and Crafts, now known as Center for Creative Studies in Detroit.

Shortly after she became a technical illustrator for Emmet J. McNamara, where she took first place in an engineering show for a still life of a vase of daisies. In 1968, she was asked to paint a mural at St. Joseph's Church in Pontiac. In 1971, she gave up her painting to marry and raise four children.

From the time she first picked up a paintbrush, Trybus sought the tranquility and peacefulness portrayed in her artwork. She was born with a hole in her heart. By her 13th birthday, she had undergone heart surgery to temporarily repair it. At 18, open heart surgery made the repair permanent.

"I was one of the pioneers in heart surgery and one of the first to use the heart pump," Trybus said.

See TRYBUS, 6D



Artist creates colorful portraits on porcelain

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

Ladies in Victorian dress and Native American children, their skin translucent and glowing, softly grace porcelain painted by artist Beatrice Roderick, owner of Les Bebe de Bea, a porcelain doll and Victorian shop in Plymouth.

Livonia Arts Commission spotlights the painter's work on porcelain plates and tiles through June 29 in two showcases on the second floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, Farmington Road and Five Mile.

"I love doing portraits. That's my favorite, that's what I love," Roderick said. "There's a new face, a new challenge, with each portrait."

Roderick begins a portrait on a plain piece of china. "First I sketch it out on paper, then transfer it onto the plate. Each time I paint on it, it has to be fired. You have to paint all over. You work to bring it up with the color."

Roderick builds up the color a layer at a time with china paint to ensure the portrait has depth. "Becky," a porcelain portrait of her granddaughter, was painted and fired a total of eight times.

Roderick painted Becky in Victorian clothing because she loves Victorian as evidenced in her dollmaking and home decor shop, where scents of rosebuds and lavender greet visitors to a turn-of-

See RODERICK, 6D



JIM JAGDFELD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Porcelain wonders: Plymouth artist Beatrice Roderick paints portraits on porcelain. This Victorian portrait, with 24K gold edging, is of her granddaughter, Becky.

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Art Beat

WAR SEARCH

Livonia Historical Commission members Gary Pritchard and William Warren are searching for photographs and mementos belonging to Livonia residents who served in World War II and the Civil War.

Pritchard has installed an exhibit focusing on World War II in the Simmons/Hill House Museum at Greenmead Historical Village. He has only one photograph so far. The exhibit runs through summer.

If you have a photo or keepsake you'd like to loan the historical commission for the World War II exhibit, call Pritchard at 622-2033. To assist with the upcoming Civil War exhibit, call Greenmead: 421-2000.

ARTISTS MEET

The newly founded fine arts group, "The Mind's Eye-Canton Artists Association," will hold its second meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 22, at The Art Store, 42727 Ford Road, at Lilley, Canton.

Canton resident Brian Piken, an Eastern Michigan University art student, suggested the group's name at the first meeting on May 19. A vote was taken and the new name ratified.

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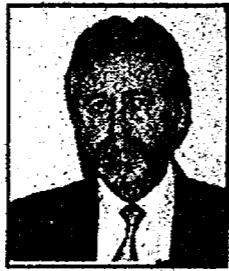
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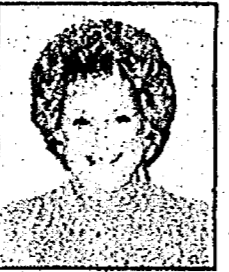
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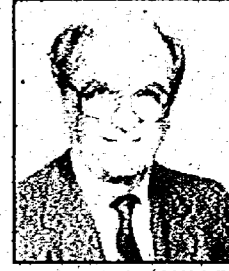
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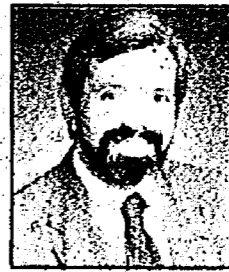
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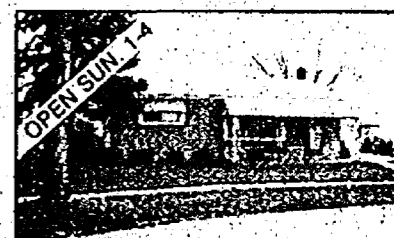
PRIDE OF PLYMOUTH
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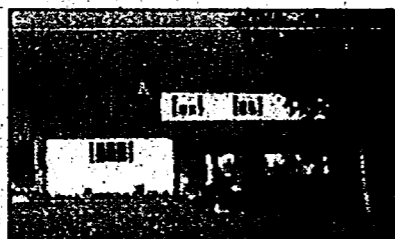
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 N. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF LILLEY CONTEMPORARY!!
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 A lot for a little in Westland. Gorgeous 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch in lovely neighborhood. Outstanding finished rec room with two-tiered, huge deck. A must see. \$73,560



NOTHING NICER...
 Than this beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 full bath brick ranch with Andersen Thermopanes & a professionally finished basement. All peacefully nestled on a beautifully treed lot backing to privacy. \$115,000



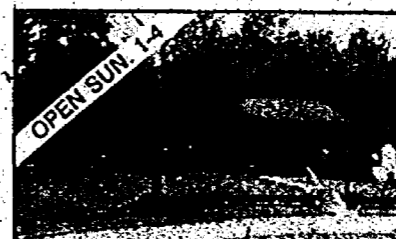
ACREAGE WITH POND
 Surround this "3 year old" 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial with large great room with fireplace, large kitchen with oak cabinets and double pantry. 1st floor laundry, 24 x 48 pole barn & 2 1/2 car garage. \$199,900



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 Plymouth's premier neighborhood! 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 2 story, den, 1st floor laundry, cathedral ceiling, hardwood floors, ceramic tiled fireplace, doorwalls, extensive decking and hot tub. Impressive. \$327,000



DON'T MISS THIS
 Great 4 bedroom colonial. Central air, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, first floor laundry room & much more. \$179,900



21355 LASER LANE
 N. OF EIGHT MILE, W. OF PONTIAC TRAIL SOUTH LYON
 2 years new, 3 bedroom, 3 full bath brick and cedar tri-level, formal living room & dining room, huge kitchen w/center island, family room w/fireplace, 2 car garage & deck, serene view of 2 1/2 acres w/ pond. \$192,500



22244 EDGEWATER BLDG. 16
 S. OF NINE MILE, W. OF HAGGERTY NOVI
 Move right into this immaculate 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath townhouse, featuring skylights, mirrored and oak accents. Neutral decor, central air, near pond, carport, close to freeway. \$95,750



EXCEPTIONAL!
 Ideal for young family or single. 3 bedroom, full finished basement ranch with family room with fireplace, country kitchen, oversized garage, updates and improvement abound inside and out. \$98,900



SPACIOUS FARMINGTON HILLS RANCH
 Be sure to see this beautifully kept open ranch just down the street from schools. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with wooden fenced yard and lots of room. \$87,780



ABSOLUTELY STUNNING!
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 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath immaculate, beautifully decorated townhouse with full basement & attached garage, private entrance, skylight, walk-in closet, vaulted ceiling. Won't last long!! \$98,785



48880 FOX DRIVE, S. E. OF RIDGE, N. OF POWELL
CLASS-QUALITY-DISTINCTION!
 Is this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial backing to commons. Spacious master bedroom, jacuzzi, family room, 3 fireplaces! Central air, 3 car garage, deck. \$399,900



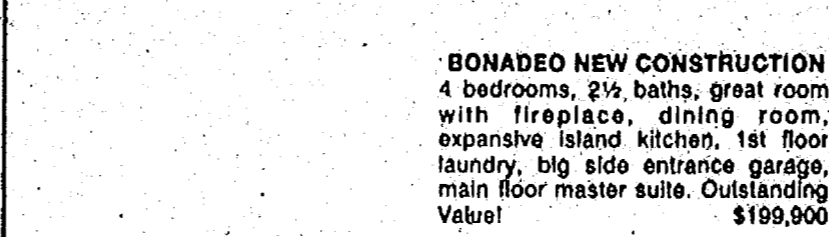
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 1 1/2 ACRE LOT - PLYMOUTH TWP.
 Walking distance to town! Beautiful park-like setting. 3 bedrooms, den and a versatile floor plan makes this a great family home. \$185,780



LOCATION/CONDITION/PRICE
 Located in Holiday Park, this home has been totally updated. Spotlessly clean with neutral decor and 1,400 sq. ft. of living space. \$99,900



LOTS OF UPDATES
 Lovely describes this 3 bedroom brick ranch with finished basement, 2 1/2 car garage. Updates & features include roof, furnace, kitchen also has hardwood floors plus much more. \$76,000



BONADEO NEW CONSTRUCTION
 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, great room with fireplace, dining room, expansive island kitchen, 1st floor laundry, big side entrance garage, main floor master suite. Outstanding Value! \$199,900



44418 ALBERT
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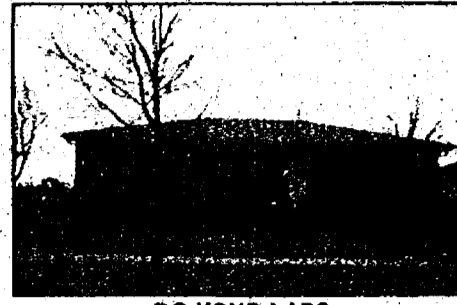
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and move-in condition. Large spacious ranch tastefully decorated with newer carpeting & newer hot water heater, central air, 2 years old newer roof, hardwood floors under newer carpeting. Maintenance-free brick ranch with aluminum trim! Won't last! \$139,900.
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Then move your family into this well maintained 4 bedroom colonial. Features over 2,000 sq. ft. Large family room w/ fireplace, 2 car attached garage, and a finished basement. All this on a corner lot! \$114,900 (#5349)
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This summer in the beautiful INGROUND 36' GUNITE POOL that's included with this spacious 3 bedroom Colonial. That's included with this spacious 3 bedroom Canton Twp. brick ranch, large family room/cathedral ceilings and natural fireplace, full basement and 2 1/2 car garage too! Asking only \$109,900!
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Simple assumption, 4 bedroom, full brick Ranch, 2 baths, finished basement with gas fireplace. Mechanic dream garage with furnace and 220 line. Home Warranty included. Only \$81,900.
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ROOM TO ROOM
Like new 3 bedroom Ranch with finished walk-out basement. Neat and clean with view of fields and trees. \$95,000. Nites, Joan 878-6650.
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NEW ON THE MARKET
Just a super neat & clean 3 bedroom brick ranch. Lovely family room w/ full wall fireplace & cathedral ceiling. Big kitchen has long butcher block counter & no-wax floor. Large patio, 2 1/2 car garage, central air. Includes home warranty & all appliances. \$101,500.
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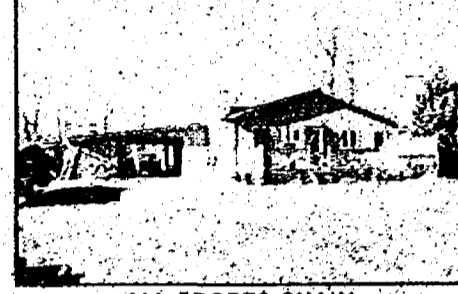
LOOKING FOR A COLONIAL?
How about a 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial w/ a 2 car attached side entry garage. Wood beamed family room w/ brick fireplace, central air and 1st floor laundry. All appliances included plus 1 year home warranty. \$204,590 (#5335)
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Custom manicured estate inc. with this 4 bedroom custom built split-level beautiful large living room, natural fireplace, private entry level study, 2 1/2 baths, refreshing central air, 3 car attached garage and much more! Hurry, just \$179,900!
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Enjoy the delights of this "light & airy" brick Ranch, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath home, shady street, family room with 4 doorways that lead to the private yard, open floor plan enhanced by beamed cathedral ceilings. All for only \$102,900.
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Cruise down the mead and lakes for food and drinks. Remodeled 3 bedroom Ranch on black top road. Only \$149,900. Nites, Joan 878-6650.
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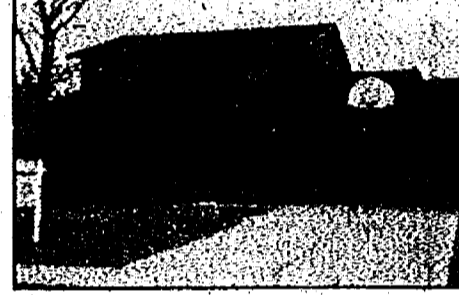
TREES - TREES AND A QUIET STREET
is where you will find this "country" ranch 3 bedrooms, large living room, formal dining room, family room, neutral decor, all appliances, attached garage, deck to above ground pool. All for \$89,900.
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NORTHVILLE DREAM COME TRUE
Custom brick ranch on almost an acre of wooded privacy. 4 large bedrooms, 2 full baths, fantastic kitchen with many built-ins & Italian ceramic tile floor and the garage of your dream! 2 1/2 car with 2 garage doors for drive through. \$149,950 (#5256)
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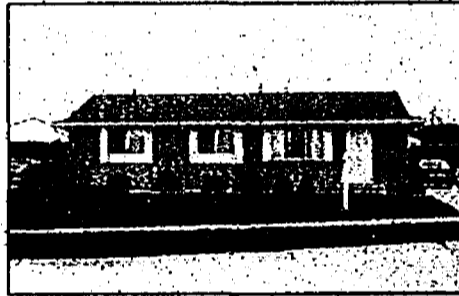
ELEGANT "Bedford Villas"
2 bedroom fully carpeted and central air conditioned condo with spacious master bedroom suite featuring huge walk-in closet, convenient laundryroom, all major appliances and an attached garage too! Walk to club house and pool! Hurry, just \$69,900!
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SPOTLESS
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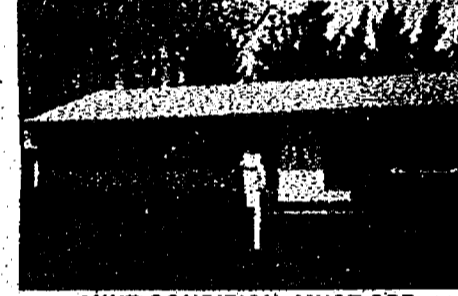
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN NORTHVILLE
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CREAM-PUFF
Beautifully upgraded and central air conditioned brick ranch in a fantastic Westland location, newer vinyl-clad thermo windows, cozy family room with natural fireplace, 1 1/2 baths, 2 1/2 car garage and a very attractive price of only \$89,900!
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CLOSE TO PARK
is only one part of what this 2300 sq. ft. Colonial has to offer. Family room with wet bar and fireplace. Large country kitchen and formal dining room. Basement and a two-car garage. \$124,500.
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MINT CONDITION, MUST SEE
Full brick, three bedroom 1100 sq. ft. ranch with formal dining room. New vinyl windows and Andersen doorwall. New oak vanities in 1 1/2 baths on main floor. Clean kitchen. Finished basement with a room for office, etc. Two car garage. Must see! Great buy for \$83,900.
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NORTHVILLE'S FINEST!
This is the one! Absolute perfection awaits you in this meticulously maintained Cape Cod featuring open floor plan, newer windows, furnace and air conditioning. The private rear yard with custom decking provides the perfect escape. Enchanting! \$139,900.
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CANTON'S BEST BUY!
Take a peek at this maintenance free 3 bedroom fully carpeted 1800 sq. ft. split-level near Warren & Sheldon with large sunken family room, natural fireplace, 1 1/2 baths, formal dining room and a low price of only \$101,500!
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HISTORY SPEAKS OUT
One of a kind, this farm house has 5 bedrooms, natural stone fireplace, two 2 car garages plus workshop. Country kitchen with built-ins... 1st floor laundry. \$249,900.
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5 ACRE COUNTRY RANCH
Custom built 3,600 sq. ft. Ranch, built in 1988. 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths. Large Euro style kitchen adjoining sun room. Lower level walk-out 48x50 outbuilding. At \$289,000. Plymouth schools.
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Mint condition home in secluded sub with Norman Rockwell park-like setting. Large family room, fireplace. Formal dining room. New vinyl windows and Andersen doorwall. New oak vanities in 1 1/2 baths on main floor. Clean kitchen. Finished basement with a room for office, etc. Two car garage. Must see! Great buy for \$83,900.
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REAL ESTATE NEWS

Buyers see houses as retirement, long-term investments

(AP) — When people talk about houses as investments these days, they sometimes speak in the past tense. After the slump that has befallen home prices since the late 1980s, the common presumption seems to be that the appeal of residential real estate as a basic family investment has been permanently tarnished.

homes has been greatly chastened, and that properties in general are no longer viewed as automatic capital-appreciation machines. But these same observers say the idea of the market for houses as "dead" is no more accurate than the previous perception that prices were destined to keep rising forever.

February 1992," reports Grant's Interest Rate Observer, citing data from economist Susan Steiner. "People have chosen to do what seems the conservative thing — borrowing at a fixed rate for fewer years — even at the cost of a higher monthly mortgage-interest bill."

Loan Mortgage Corp., in a recent speech. Still, Van Order foregoes both a sharp increase in home sales and a slow rise in prices this year. Recent weakness in home prices and declines in interest rates have made houses more affordable statistically than they have been in 15 years, he said.

With interest rates declining, he said, the cost of carrying a \$100,000 mortgage fell 14 percent from the end of the 1980s through early this year. "This implies that someone on the verge of buying a \$100,000 house two years ago could pay up to \$114,000 for the house today, with-

out change in their mortgage payment," Van Order said. Even in an environment of flat prices, homes can serve as a vehicle for savings by allowing their owners to build equity in the property as they pay down the balance due on their mortgages.

Developer charged with failure to screen condos from noise

Our condominium is adjacent to a drive-in movie theater. The developer did not provide adequate fencing to keep out headlights and noise that emanate from the drive-in. The developer has almost completed the project, and I am wondering

what we as a board can do about it. Do you have suggestions? First, check the subdivision plans as well as the architectural plans and specifications that were filed with the municipal government to ensure that the developer has complied with all requirements in connection with adequate fencing or sound conditioning. I would also make a direct contact with the local municipal government to advise it of the problems that you are experiencing.

problem and consult with an architect or engineer to see whether there have been any violations by the developer of any plans, codes or representations made in connection with the construction of fencing or other means to shield noise and light from the drive-in. You should also consult with legal counsel who may give you some avenues of approach by way of priorities in connection with this problem short of litigation.

association. The old board was thrown out, and we are now investigating the nature of our contracts with various vendors. We have found that our management company has various contractors with whom we have been doing work that it owns and controls. This was not disclosed to us. I also am reasonably sure that the management company has been represented by our association attorney for many years, but no one on the board ever knew about it. What should be done?

To the extent that the management company has not disclosed that contractors bidding on the project are controlled by it, I believe it has breached its fiduciary duty with you. Also, to the extent that the attorney has been doing work for the management company as well as the association without disclosing that to you, that may well also be an ethical breach by both the management company on which the attorney has been consulted.

Concluded Allen at Oppenheimer: "Americans buy houses for long-term reasons and recession has not altered that." Robert M. Meisner is a Birmingham attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate and corporate law. You are invited to submit topics you would like to see discussed in this column by writing Robert M. Meisner at 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms 48025. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

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with a polygonal-fabed skylight. Simplified, classical-like columns of Mankato stone, quarried in a Minnesota town of the same name, mark the two entrances.

The entrances were inspired by the Cranbrook Academy of Art, as it too is constructed of Mankato. This lends a rich, indigenous palette to the Somerset Collection: Over the entrances are glass canopies that do not break the pedestrian sight line.

of the interior through the windows above. The exterior walls are defined with rusticated, horizontal belt courses of Mankato breaking up the vast expanse of brick and creating a sense of human scale in the lower courses.

The rotunda presents a grand entry that will also be used for public performances and events. It leads to the central two-story pedestrian corridor that defines the major

shopping axis of the Somerset Collection, which is enveloped with light from the skylight extending the entire length.

Also serving to define the central axis are two spear-like projections of variegated marble in the floor that project out from Cafe Jardin in the center of the mall. They terminate at two circles, also of variegated marble, in front of Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue and define the major tenants.

Shopping in a hermetically controlled environment has become a favorite American pastime. When it opens this fall, the Somerset collection will serve as the consumer culture's Eden which, ironically, is kitty-corner to Kmart's headquarters, lending a little levity to the scene.

Dale Northrup is a college professor who teaches architectural history and writes on architecture.

New-look kitchen done on the cheap

AP — Sprucing up a tired-looking kitchen doesn't have to be a complicated remodeling project. The cabinets, walls, ceilings and countertops all lend themselves to creative improvements on a budget.

Here are some ways of doing it:

- The simplest change for wood wall cabinets is to remove the doors and hinges, conceal screw holes with wood filler, and paint the interiors a lively color to show off kitchen gear on open shelving. To make the cabinets seem deeper than they are, line the cabinet backs with mirrors (be sure the back of the face frame is painted).

- Cheer up a dark kitchen by painting wood-grain cabinets with any bright high-gloss enamel, then paint the surrounding woodwork white or a color to contrast with the cabinets. (Strip or sand old finish, and prime before painting.) Also consider stenciling walls and cabinets with a design, or painting the ceiling. Use high-gloss enamel for an eye-catching, easy-to-clean look.

- Change cabinet hardware; for example, replace with round porcelain knobs.

- Replace old cabinet doors that are beyond repair with new stock doors available from cabinet dealers.

- For the appearance of ceramic tile at a fraction of the cost, look for vinyl-coated wallpaper designed to look like tile. Some tile papers look so authentic that a person has to touch the paper before realizing it's not real.

- Cover damaged or badly worn walls with wood laths placed on the diagonal. Apply a protective coat of polyurethane, then hang utensils, pots, and pans from hooks or nails attached to strips.

- If the walls aren't right for windows, install a skylight to bring sunlight into the kitchen. Skylights provide five times as much light as a wall window of the same size — and won't sacrifice privacy. For improved ventilation, consider an operable skylight that opens by remote control on a hinged frame.

- Consider painting everything white — the ceiling, walls, woodwork, cabinets, even the floor. A light palette will enhance a feeling of spaciousness.

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