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## Schools respond to violence



An increase in school violence has prompted the school administration to propose the use of unarmed private security guards for the district's secondary schools. The district wants to improve the safety of students and employees.

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Alarmed by school violence, Wayne-Westland officials will consider hiring unarmed private security forces to guard the outside of the district's high schools and junior highs. The school administration could

recommend the proposal to the school board as early as Feb. 8.

Board members, fearful of increasing violence on school grounds, have called for possible measures to make schools safer for students and employees.

Several disputes involving danger-

ous weapons have occurred in recent years on school grounds — most recently on Dec. 4 when a Wayne Memorial High student was shot in the arm during a racial dispute in front of Franklin Junior High.

Some board members have hedged on possibly hiring armed guards or police officers to patrol school hallways, saying they don't want a prison-like atmosphere to haunt schools.

But the administration appears prepared to suggest that unarmed guards should be placed outside of secondary schools, though security

workers could be called inside if needed.

"They would not be armed. I can say that definitively," said Bill Taylor, associate superintendent for employee services.

The measures are being considered for the district's four junior highs, John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high schools, the Cherry Hill Alternative Center and the William Ford Vocational-Technical Center.

Under the proposal, a security ser-

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### Getting the message



**Psychic fair:** Gayle Pelz (left), described as a certified medium from Columbus, Ohio, gives a peek into the future of Patti Gedden of Wayne and Michelle Edwards of Canton Township at a psychic fair at Westland's Joy Manor. by Elizabeth of Westland.

## Rec chief praised

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Even before he starts his new job as Westland's parks and recreation director, Charles Skene has drawn praise from city officials.

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas has called it "a lucky stroke" that Skene, 41, decided to leave a similar job in Plymouth to work in Westland, where he has lived for a year.

Westland City Council president Charles Pickering also commended Skene's abilities and said during a recent council meeting, "I've always seen him as a man of high honor." Pickering's background includes being a Westland deputy recreation department director about 15 years ago.

Accolades aside, Skene is eager to begin his new job Feb. 8 in a department that has an annual budget of nearly \$1 million — virtually the same budget he oversaw in Plymouth.

"I'm not going to try to reinvent the



Charles Skene

**'I've always seen him as a man of high honor.'**

Charles Pickering  
city councilman

wheel. I'm not going to fix something that's not broken," Skene said of Westland's parks and recreation department. "But I'm sure the department will have my stamp on it."

Skene stumbled into the Westland job by chance. Because of a residency requirement, Skene was faced with

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## Smith admits accosting boy

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

A Garden City man has pleaded guilty to accosting a young boy outside of Kettering Elementary School in Westland.

Steven Brian Smith, 30, pleaded guilty Wednesday in 18th District Court to an assault charge and was sentenced to 89 days in jail. He also was placed on probation for two years.

Smith also was ordered by Judge Gail McKnight to stay away from schools, have no contact with people under 18 and seek mental health therapy, said probation officer Chris Raymond.

An 89-day sentence was the most that McKnight could impose and still retain jurisdiction over Smith's case, said court administrator David Wia-

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## Mayor won't accept 7-percent pay raise

BY LEONARD POGER  
EDITOR

Mayor Robert Thomas said he will keep the freeze on a proposal to increase his salary 7 percent.

That decision means that the mayor, elected in late 1989, is entering his fourth year of his first term getting the same \$68,310 salary since taking

the position — forgoing about \$9,000 in income during his four-year term.

Under the 1989 pay hike approved by the Local Officers Compensation Commission, the mayor's salary was boosted to \$70,359. During the campaign later that year in which he de-

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### Valentine vows

Several couples will renew their wedding vows on Valentine's Day Sunday, Feb. 14, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 W. Wayne Road. The renewal will be at a congregational wedding at the church's 10:30 a.m. service. The Rev. Raymond Zips will officiate.

### Story time

The Wayne-Westland Public Library will hold a free storytime program for upper age preschool students Tuesday mornings Feb. 9 to March 16. Registration will be today through Saturday at the library, on Sims at Wayne Road, Wayne. There will be music, fingerplays, storybooks and more, said Kevin Hutchinson, children's librarian.

### PLACES & FACES

The program, to be held at 9 a.m. each Tuesday, is free. Interested persons may call the library, 721-7832.

### Alumni award

John Glenn High School's faculty council wants nominations for its annual distinguished alumnus award, to be presented at the June commencement.

Nominations of graduates who have distinguished themselves in their fields should be mailed to Pamela Tucker, John Glenn High School counselor department, 36105 Marquette, Westland 48185. The faculty council will pick the

award winner.

### Curriculum audit

The Wayne-Westland school board will hold a public presentation of the recently disclosed curriculum audit at a special meeting at 7 tonight in the board office, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh. The audit was done last fall by the National Curriculum Audit Center.

### College honors

Sherisse Rinna of Westland was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Bradley University, in Peoria, Ill. Rinna is the daughter of Nettie Naomi Rinna of Westland. To get on the dean's list, a student must have a grade point average of at least 3.5.

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feared Mayor Charles Griffin, Thomas said if elected he wouldn't accept the higher salary schedule.

The commission, which meets every two years, froze the salaries of elected officials when it last met in 1991.

Even though he is refusing to accept the raise, Mayor Thomas said Friday morning that the commission's recommendation "is fair and equitable" and that the panel "did a good job and did its homework" but that he is "bound by my (1989) campaign promise."

"I don't want the commission to think because of my decision to refuse the raise that it made an error in recommending raises," he said.

On Wednesday morning, the commission debated the merits of continuing the financial freeze for elected officials or if a raise is considered how much it should be.

After 45 minutes, the commission agreed 4-2 to approve a 3 percent raise, effective in early March, for one year and a 4 percent increase for the following 12 months.

The commission's action boosts the salary of individual city council members, who automatically receive one-seventh of the mayor's salary. Following the 1989 commission pay action, the council accepted the pay increases.

On paper, the mayor's new sal-

ary will be \$72,470 starting next month and \$75,368 the following year. The salary for each council member will be \$10,353 this year and \$10,767 the following year. Currently, each receives \$10,051.

The commission heard an appeal from James Estep, who said he was forced to accept an early retirement buyout from General Motors, that salaries of the city's elected officials should continue to be frozen.

"I feel the council is overpaid for what they do," he said.

Estep also criticized the "push and pull" practice of public employees in other communities getting raises, prompting local officials to use that as a comparison to justify a pay increase.

The commissioners supporting the pay hikes were chairman Rev. Jack Spitz, Phil Gram, Albert Gaura and Richard Honaker. Opposed were William Raglin and Reather Everett.

Raglin was opposed because he wanted to get budget figures before voting on any raises because "I want to know what we have to work with."

Everett described herself as the "stingy one" in questioning where the money will come from to pay for raises.

The commission heard a report that other Westland municipal employee unions or supervisory groups received raises last year ranging from 7 1/2 to 8 percent for two years for most employees. The one exception was the fire-

fighters union which received an arbitrator's award of 17 percent over two years.

The commission was established under a state law in the 1970s to eliminate the ongoing political problem in most communities in which elected council members were able to vote on their own pay raises.

Under the law, the council has 30 days from the time it receives the commission's report to reject the raises. If no action is taken or the council fails to reject the pay increases, the increases will be implemented in 45 days.

Commissioners noted that in the late 1970s and early '80s, the mayor's salary was far less — about \$7,000 — than those paid to department heads.

The group also noted that the actually dollars involved in the proposed raises — about \$4,000 a year in a budget of more than \$25 million — wasn't as important as the message it would give to local residents who may be struggling financially.

Compared to other nearby comparable cities this year, Westland's mayor is in the middle of the salary range. The other cities surveyed were Livonia (\$84,400); Dearborn (\$73,473); Taylor (\$70,709); and Dearborn Heights (\$58,383.61).

The salary schedule for Westland's department heads has a maximum of \$58,431 with the actual salaries ranging from \$47,756 to \$56,184.

# Two Westland appointees dumped in 'control' feud

BY LEONARD POGER  
EDITOR

Mayor Robert Thomas insists that he replaced two directors of the Municipal Service Bureau board because he wants a change — and that more changes on city boards and commissions are planned.

But one of the removed MSB directors said the mayor's action was a move by Thomas to "control" the quasi-public organization.

Mervin Simpkins, ousted in January after being on the board for nine years, told the Observer that he feels the mayor wants control of the MSB board.

Thomas "may be doing a good job as mayor, but he wants control," commented Simpkins, ousted last month along Richard Honaker, also a nine-year board member.

Honaker declined to comment on his ouster by the mayor.

The new board members are Michael Gorman, Thomas'

finance director, and Robert Bianconi, a real estate appraiser who does financial analysis for subsidized apartments and also serves on the city's police-fire departments' pension board.

The issue of control over the MSB board surfaced more than two years ago when Thomas, in his first year as mayor, tried to fire municipal golf course manager Carl Morton. But the mayor was told by the bureau he didn't have the power to do anything with the bureau, other than to name its five-member board.

The control issue bubbled to the surface again last summer when he urged the city council to drop the bureau and put the municipal golf course and sports arena operated by the group directly under the mayor's administration and the recreation department.

That problem erupted when the administration pointed out a potential legal point relating to the city's insurance liability if someone is hurt at the arena or course.

At the time, the city council clearly said it wanted to fix the insurance problem instead of putting the arena and course under the city's recreation department as proposed by Thomas.

The mayor said Friday that replaced Simpkins and Honaker because "I just wanted to make changes."

He added that he felt "more comfortable" with the two appointees.

Thomas said he may make changes on all city boards and commissions.

The bureau was formed in the late 1970s by the city to provide a less-costly method of operating the municipally-owned arena, on Wildwood near Hunter, and the golf course, on Merriman south of Cherry Hill.

Over the years, the arena has required financial subsidies from the city council but is now breaking even, the council was told last year.

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moving to Plymouth or giving up his job there.

At the same time, Westland was seeking a successor to former parks director George Gillies, now the executive assistant to Mayor Thomas.

"It will be a new challenge for me, and I'm looking forward to

working in Westland," Skene said. "We just found that we could be helpful to each other."

Skene has headed the Plymouth department for 18 years. A Northville High School graduate, he also received an associate's degree in general studies, from Schoolcraft College in Livonia

and a bachelor's degree in recreation from Eastern Michigan University.

Skene is a member of various parks-related organizations, such as the Michigan Recreation and Park Association and the Metro Detroit Amateur Softball Association.

# Accosting from page 1A

cek. The maximum penalty is 90 days in jail.

Probation officials are expected to keep a close watch on Smith once he is released from jail, Raymond said.

Smith accosted the boy at Kettering, on Hubbard south of Cherry Hill, after students had been dismissed for the day on Jan. 19. The boy and several of

his friends fled to a nearby house for help after Smith touched the boy, Kettering principal Warner Frazer has said.

Westland police were immediately notified and arrived moments later to arrest Smith about a half-block from the school, Frazer said.

The incident occurred about two weeks after Smith had been released from jail after serving an

89-day jail term for a similar incident at Elliott Elementary School in Westland.

In that incident, Smith spanked a 6-year-old boy on the playground. Westland police said he gave the boy a bear hug, put him over his knee and spanked him.


The boy's father confronted Smith and later identified him for police.

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# Getting the swing of it

**G**olfers don't have to wait until spring to get their swings in shape for the upcoming season.

Garden City and Westland both offer indoor practice nets during the winter months.

At Garden City's Maplewood Center, the city charges \$1 for one hour of practice time.

For those who want more, the recreation department offers golf lessons on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday nights. Fee is \$30 for six hours of instruction.

The Maplewood practice nets are open during center hours, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. The nets will not be available during the nights of the lessons.

Those who want to sign up for the instruction may call the center, on Maplewood west of Merri-man, at 525-8846.

The Westland municipal golf course, on Merri-man south of Cherry Hill, offers practice nets for \$1.50 for 15 minutes, \$3 for 30 minutes and \$5 for one hour. They are available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, said course manager Robert Kosowski.



Lining up: Conrad Douras gets his golf ball lined up at the indoor practice net.



Concentration: Bud Hill blocks out everything else as he concentrates on the ball.



Practice time: Paul Diefenbach uses the Westland municipal golf course practice net. The same program is also offered at Garden City's Maplewood Community Center.

STAFF PHOTOS BY ART EMANUELE

## Wanted: Mentors caring enough to reach out to troubled youth

BY LEONARD POGER  
EDITOR

**WANTED:** Men and women who are energetic, good listeners, willing to work with troubled youths and who feel they can make a difference in the life of a youngster. They must also believe that an investment in youth today is an investment in our society of tomorrow. Call 467-7904.

That's that the type of mentor the newly organized Westland Youth Assistance director wants to be confidants for troubled boys and girls 7-16.

"The only skill needed is to be a good listener," said Ronaele Bowman, who started Dec. 1 as program director.

The qualifications are that applicants be 21 or older and have no police record. Bowman added that all applicants are screened, have their references checked, and are interviewed before being named a mentor.

Bowman said she is also making numerous public appearances in her current drive to recruit mentors. Those appearances are to be before the Westland Business and Professional Women's Club, Lutheran High School

Westland, Goodfellows, Host Lions Club, Jaycees and Soroptimist Club as well as the Livonia Exchange Club which includes many Westland residents.

Bowman will also distribute fliers to local schools.

Those picked for the program will undergo a 15-hour training program, to be held 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays, starting Feb. 10, in a Bailey Recreation Center meeting room.

A professional trainer will lead the session. Bowman will attend to answer questions and also observe the mentors to see "their strengths and weaknesses and see what kind of youths they would be matched with."

She said 10 people have volunteered for the mentorship program so far, divided evenly between men and women.

Bowman said the new program is a "cost-efficient, community-based program of delinquency prevention." It will provide an individualized treatment plan for local youngsters who are have truancy, vandalism, anti-social behavior, shoplifting and behavior problems in school or at home.

"The emphasis will be on the behavior of the present," she said.

"The youths will be motivated to function cooperatively, to respect themselves and others, and to take responsibility for that actions."

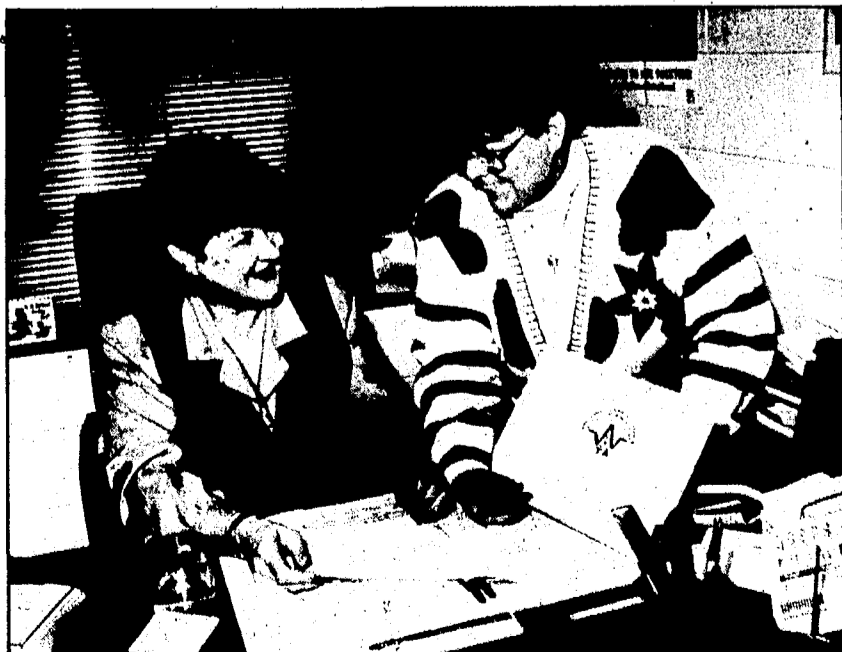
The philosophy of the program, she added, is that "many youths who have behavior problems lack the experience or expertise in coping with the pressures placed on them at home, in school and in their neighborhoods with other peers. Their behavior problems are symptoms. The staff persons (which include Bowman and program assistant Carol Germain) and volunteer mentors help the youths explore the causes of such behavior and how to handle problems more positively."

Youths get involved in the program through parents, the youngsters themselves as well as referrals from local schools, police department or juvenile court.


The value to the mentors in the program is that they help prevent violence and substance abuse in society, Bowman said. "The volunteer can make a difference in someone's life."

Persons interested in the program or being a mentor may contact the Youth Assistance Program, 467-7904.

**New logo:** The new Westland Youth Athletic Assistance logo is displayed by Ronaele Bowman (seated), program director, and Carol Germain, program assistant.



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# Longshot pays off: Michigan woman finds niece



Christina Jean Martin

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Becky Kecskes knew it was a longshot when she asked for the media's help in finding a niece she hadn't seen in 18 years.

But she gambled and won, and Friday she was on her way to Nashville, Tenn., to be reunited with her niece, Christina.

Kecskes, a Monroe County resident, telephoned the Observer in early January to ask for help in her search for her niece, on the mistaken belief that she now lived in the Westland-Garden City area.

Kecskes' family lost contact with Christina when — at age 5 — authorities took her from her mother (Kecskes' sister) amid allegations she had been abused.

The niece lived with her paternal grandparents — and then in a series of foster homes.

Kecskes began searching for Christina five years ago, when she would have turned 18.

"I thought that since she was an adult, she could make her own decisions about whether she wanted to see me or any of the family," Kecskes said.

Kecskes had heard that her niece lived in the Westland area, but she encountered numerous dead-ends until she sought help from the media in early January, touching off an unlikely chain of events that helped her find Christina.

First, the Observer agreed to tell her story, amid hopes that any local residents who might know the niece would contact the

newspaper.

The published story caught the attention of Channel 2, which called the Observer and asked to be put in touch with Kecskes, who then repeated her story in a television report.

The TV report caught the attention of one of Christina's adoptive relatives, and the relative telephoned Christina in Nashville and told her about it.

Christina, in turn, telephoned Channel 2 and asked to be put in touch with Kecskes, completing the chain of events that brought the two into contact late last week. Kecskes and one of her brothers left Michigan on Friday to drive to Christina's Nashville home for a visit.

"I am so tickled," Kecskes said, in a telephone call Thursday to

the Observer. "Nobody had ever told Christina about her mother's side of the family, but she always knew we were out there."

Kecskes and her niece talked for 1½ hours Thursday night. Kecskes learned that her niece now has a child of her own, a 7-month-old boy.

She also learned that Christina moved to Nashville only in late 1991 and that the niece lived most of her life in the metropolitan Detroit area.

"She lived in Rockwood from '86 to '91, and that's where I grew up," Kecskes said.

In a bizarre twist, Kecskes learned in her conversation with Christina that the two of them even knew some of the same people in the Rockwood area.

"I just couldn't believe it,"

Kecskes said.

Kecskes is eager to tell Christina about the many relatives she has never known. For the trip to Nashville, Kecskes took along numerous pictures to help Christina learn about her family.

"I'm just going to give her a big hug when I see her," Kecskes said. She hopes that Christina also will pay a return visit to relatives in Michigan.

Kecskes thanked the media for taking an interest in her story. She said it appears that fate brought her in contact with her niece.

"It just wasn't meant to happen until now," she said Friday, shortly before she left for Nashville for a weekend trip.

"I can't wait to see Christina," she said.

## Bar worker faces drug charge trial

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

A worker accused of selling cocaine at a Westland lounge has been ordered to stand trial in Detroit Recorder's Court.

Larry Wade Slusher, 35, of Wyandotte was bound over for trial after he voluntarily waived a preliminary examination Thursday in Westland's 18th District Court.

Slusher could face up to 20 years in prison if convicted of two counts of cocaine delivery and one count of possession with intent to deliver, Westland police Sgt. Michael Gould said.

The charges stem from a Jan. 19 raid at the Token Lounge, on Joy east of Middlebelt. The raid followed a three-month undercover investigation in which police officers bought cocaine at the bar, police officials have said.

The raid included officers from Westland, Livonia and the Metropolitan Street Enforcement Team, which includes officers

### Slusher could face up to 20 years in prison if convicted.

from Westland, Garden City, Wayne and Inkster. The bar was packed with patrons during the raid, police have said.

Pending his trial in Recorder's Court, Slusher has been released from jail after posting a \$10,000 bond, 18th District Court administrator David Wiacek said Friday.

During the raid, police also arrested the Token Lounge manager, Ronald Baltrusz, 49, of Livonia and formerly of Westland, and charged him with one count of possession of cocaine, less than 50 grams.

In court Thursday, Baltrusz' preliminary examination was delayed until Feb. 11, Gould said. He has posted a \$2,500 bond and been released from jail.

## Military academies attract graduates

BY DIANE GALE  
SPECIAL WRITER

The next time you think about escalating college tuition costs, consider sending your child to a top-notch institution where all expenses are paid and students earn salaries.

The U.S. military academies also pay for uniforms, food and lodging.

The payback is a five-year commitment for the Army and the Air Force, according to Leo Schuster, principal of Franklin Junior High School in the Wayne-Westland district.

Schuster told a story about a young man from the district who could not afford to pay college tuition.

"This guy is in a top-notch institution and he's doing beautifully," Schuster said. "I like to see these kids, who probably couldn't go to (the University of) Michigan or Eastern (Michigan University), because they couldn't afford it, and they can go and get a solid education."

Most cadets have completed their five-year commitment — usually as an officer — in the army or air force by the time they're 27.

Schuster rattles off the perks of attending an academy as if he was selling his own business instead of talking about an all volunteer

job as zone area coordinator primarily for the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, New York State. While he recruits for West Point he often passes along information for the naval and air force academies.

### 13 in academies

Currently 13 students from the district's two high schools — Wayne Memorial and John Glenn — are attending services academies. Of the 72 schools that are in Schuster's recruiting zone, mostly including communities with zip codes that begin 481, Wayne-Westland has the highest rate of acceptance into the academies.

"I feel proud and pleased that youngsters from this community can do so well," said Schuster adding that the district is patriotic and also boasts one of the highest rates of people in Michigan who enter the military.

"People of this community aren't aware of the fine programs in this district. People are very critical of our school district and I can say I've got kids who went to this school (Benjamin Franklin) graduated from high school and went on to an academy."

And that's not an easy accomplishment.

To get into West Point, students must pass rigorous testing and qualifications. The test in-

cludes 60 percent academic ability based on grade point average, academic test scores and generally being in the top 10 percent of their classes.

Another 30 percent of the evaluation is based on leadership ability, athletics and participation in school activities.

The final 10 percent is based on a physical and health exam. After applicants are accepted they have to be nominated by a U.S. senator, U.S. congressman or the vice-president of the United States.

Only 1,400 cadets, of 14,000 applicants, enter West Point annually.

"Not every Harvard or Yale student could get into West Point, because they probably don't have the physical ability or leadership ability," Schuster, a Novi resident, said. "You have to be well rounded."

And once they're accepted, the hurdles aren't over. The physical and academic requirements are tough. Saturday classes are common. "Every cadet is an athlete and every athlete is a cadet," Schuster said. "You will participate. In the summer time they go through military training."

The highest number of scholarships are given to students at Harvard, Yale and West Point. The academic programs at the academies are "second to none,"

said Schuster, a former Wayne memorial assistant principal and former John Glenn assistant principal and teacher.

"They are patriotic students, people who want to give something back and who want to do something for their country."

The former Marine said he enjoys his volunteer work, because it gives him a chance to give back to a system that benefitted his sons, Capt. Eric Schuster of West Point and Lt. Kurt Schuster of the Air Force Academy.

### Students get information

"The government really provided a \$250,000 scholarship for both of my sons," Schuster said adding they traveled to Europe, Korea and other places during training.

Schuster holds regular meetings to expose students — usually starting at the junior high schools — to what the academies have to offer. He tells them what classes they should take and that involvement in school activities is important.

"When I got into the service I had an opportunity to go to (the U.S. Naval Academy) Annapolis," Schuster said adding that he didn't know enough about the academy to follow through.

Schuster goes to West Point annually to meet with Michigan cadets.

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# Lawmakers say pay-raise is small, reasonable

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW  
STAFF WRITER

Risking significant political damage in the process, three area state representatives voted for a 5-percent pay raise last week, but said the raise is justified because it's really small.

"There's never a good time for a pay increase when you're a public official, but we ought to get them now and then," said Rep. Maxine Berman, D-Southfield, who helped block the move by Rep. Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills, to refuse the raise, which was proposed by the State Officers Compensation Commission.

SOC's job is to suggest a pay increase for elected state officials every two years. In 1991 the legislature refused to accept a 13-percent raise suggested by SOCC.

Kaza and others opposed the

raise this year because the state budget is tight and it would look bad for representatives to take a raise while cutting the budget in other areas.

The new annual salaries, which go into effect Jan. 1, 1994, are: \$112,000 for governor, \$84,000 for lieutenant governor, \$112,000 for supreme court judges and \$48,000 for legislators.

The vote to overturn SOCC's suggested raise would have passed on a two-thirds majority, but missed that mark by five votes.

The new raise will go into effect four years after the last raise, which works out to a 1.25-percent increase per year, not enough to keep up with inflation. So in real spending power the representatives will make less in 1994 than they did in 1990.

"Five percent over four years is not out of line," said Rep. Ja Dolan, R-Farmington Hills, who voted two years ago to turn down a 13-percent raise, but voted last week to retain the latest rate.

Rep. William Keith, D-Ardent City, voted for the raise, arguing that "for the effort required to be a good state legislator, that's a responsible salary."

Opponents of the raise, however, see the issue differently. Because the state's budget is so tight, with little wiggle room for discretionary spending and more cuts and freezes ahead, they feel that taking a raise, any raise, sends the wrong message to voters.

Rep. Deborah Whyman, R-Canton, is a good example. "We're going to be asking other people to

hold the line and take cuts," she said. "Until (the budget is balanced) I don't think we can take luxuries with our pay."

Pay raise opponents don't quibble with the argument that 5-percent over four years is reasonable, but rather they object to the symbolism.

"(The raise) may well be de-

served," said Barbara Dobb, R-West Bloomfield. "It may be in line. The numbers may be reasonable. But I don't think collectively we earned the raise."

Unlike some other state officials, though, who have said they'll give their raise to charity, Dobb will use hers to pay the bills. "Maybe I'll use it to pay for

my property-tax increase," the lakefront homeowner said.

Rep. Richard Young, D-Dearborn Heights, also voted against the raise. "I felt that the general public was overwhelmingly opposed to it," he said, noting that the fiscal 1993 budget has to have another \$400 million carved out of it.

## County officials get raises, too

Wayne County elected officials will also benefit from the pay raise state officials got last week when the House failed to block it.

In 1989 the county commission passed an ordinance tying the annual salaries of the county executive, clerk, treasurer, sheriff, prosecutor, register of deeds and commissioners to the governor's pay.

The county executive's salary is set at 97 percent of the governor's pay, so current Executive Edward McNamara's take-home goes

from \$103,000 to \$109,000 beginning Jan. 1, 1994.

The salaries of the other county officials are slaved to McNamara's.

Prosecutor John O'Hair's pay is 90 percent of McNamara's, so he goes from \$93,000 to \$98,000.

The pay of Clerk Teola Hunter, Sheriff Robert Ficano and Treasurer Raymond Wojtowicz is 75 percent of McNamara's, so they go from \$78,000 to \$81,000.

Register of Deeds Forest Youngblood gets 70 percent of

McNamara's pay, so he goes from \$72,000 to \$76,000.

Wayne County's 15 commissioners get a base pay of 40 percent of McNamara's pay, so they go from \$41,000 to \$43,000.

The commission chairman, currently Arthur Blackwell, D-Detroit, gets an additional \$12,000 over and above the base pay.

The vice chair, currently Kay Beard, D-Westland, get an additional \$6,000.

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The George and Isabelle Elanjian Scholarship Fund, which supports University of Michigan-Dearborn students of Armenian descent, has an application deadline of Feb. 15.

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To demonstrate the effectiveness, NDR sponsored a promotion where free samples were given to 50 people. The results found that women following the regimen lost over a pound a day and men lost over two pounds a day. The director of research and development at NDR cautions that these results may not necessarily be indicative of what the average consumer could expect because the rate of weight loss for individuals varies.

A firm located in Tampa, Florida has exclusive distribution rights to the enzyme regimen. The Metabolase Plus Thermogenic Weight Loss System is available through physicians, pharmacies, and health food stores without a prescription. However, because of the overwhelming demand, quantities are sometimes limited.

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# Scientist seeks cancer clues

By MARY LOU SONG  
STAFF WRITER

For a decade, Virinder Moudgil and his team of scientists at Oakland University have been researching RU486, not for its use as the controversial abortion pill, but as a potential cancer-fighting agent.

Now, he says he is one step closer to tapping that potential.

"First, we had to establish condition, to see how it works in normal tissue before we can see how it works in cancerous tissue."

Moudgil, who has studied progesterone for more than 20 years, is now studying the effects of RU486, an anti-progesterone, on breast and uterine tissue. In normal tissue, estrogen and progesterone help grow and maintain cells.

While no evidence has shown that estrogen or progesterone cause cancer, the two hormones seem to enhance the growth of cancer once it begins, he said.

Tamoxifen, which blocks the flow of estrogen to some cells, is

already used in the United States as hormonal therapy for postmenopausal women with breast cancer. Moudgil said he has begun work to show that RU486 stunts the growth of cancer by blocking the flow of progesterone to cancerous cells.

"At least give it a chance," Moudgil said of RU486. "Don't ignore the possibilities totally. Even if there are no benefits, at least we tried. If the other effects are not there, then we will know and simply accept it."

"But we must seek the truth. If we find the truth, then we go on. But not to seek it is a mistake. The social obligation of a scientist is to seek the truth. In that way, I'm doing my duty as a scientist."

But for some scientists, research on the drug in the United States has been hampered by government policies. Moudgil said that while he has been luckier than other researchers in the United States, he supports scientists in Europe who have easier

access to the drug.

"It was my opinion for many years, that as long as we had the White House attitude promoted by Presidents Reagan and Bush, who had very strong pro-life influences, that it would be difficult to explore the potential," Moudgil said.

With President Bill Clinton taking the helm, the White House may be more supportive of research efforts and potential uses of RU486.

"With the change in administration and attitude, the time has arrived," he said. "We can start an aggressive effort to examine all the potentials of this very unique drug."

While Moudgil admits that the public recognizes RU486 as an abortion pill, he said there is still much to be learned about its effects. One mystery is that 96 percent of women who use RU486 as an abortion pill are affected. The other four percent don't respond to a single dosage.



## OBITUARIES

### RITA ROSE COLEY

A memorial service was held for Rita Rose Coley of Westland Jan. 30 from St. Theodore Catholic Church. The Rev. Jerry Cupple officiated.

Ms. Coley was murdered six years ago.

Born Aug. 30, 1955 in Detroit, she was a self-employed limousine company owner and member of St. Theodore Church.

Survivors are daughters Renee Hernandez and Jenna Coley; parents Ray Garcia and Sally Hughes; and brothers and sisters Chris Garcia, Walley Hughes, Rachel Garcia and Sonya Hughes.

### CRYSTAL PEARL FRANKIEWICZ

Services for Mrs. Frankiewicz, 74, of Westland were held Jan. 26 from the Neely-Turowski Funeral Home in Livonia with Pastor Ronald Benson officiating.

Mrs. Frankiewicz died Jan. 22 in Mary Crest Manor convalescent home. Born April 19, 1918, she was a homemaker.

Survivors are daughters Carol Ann and Cathy; grandchildren Karen Schultz, Linda Schulz and John Spelker; great-grandchildren Corey, Krystlynne and Kylean; and sisters Muriel, Carol, Loraine and Marlene. Preceding her in death was a son, John Allen, and a sister, Shirley.

### JAY JOSEPH PARTIN

Services for Mr. Partin, 26, of Wayne were held Jan. 29 from Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with interment in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. Rev. Robert Millar officiated.

Mr. Partin died Jan. 26. Survivors are mother Lucille Partin and sisters Gisele Holmand and Cindy DeRosa.

### DOUGLAS MARTINEZ

Services for Mr. Martinez, 32, of Ypsilanti were held Jan. 30 from Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with Rev. Robert Millar officiating.

Mr. Martinez died Jan. 26. He was a 1992 graduate of Eastern Michigan University's school of telecommunications and film study.

Survivors are parents Phil and Barbara Martinez and sisters Sandra and Susan Reeves.

### KIMBERLY KOLPACKI

Services for Mrs. Kolpacki, 30, of Dearborn Heights are scheduled for 10 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 2, at Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with interment to be in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights. Dr. Weldon Spracklen will officiate.

Mrs. Kolpacki died Jan. 28. Survivors are husband William; daughters Bridget Marie and Kimberly Rebecca; parents Richard and Margaret Clodfelter; sisters Pamela Clodfelter, Debbie Sneath, Karen Hall and Margaret Clodfelter; brother Richard Dale Clodfelter, and grandmother Mary Williams.

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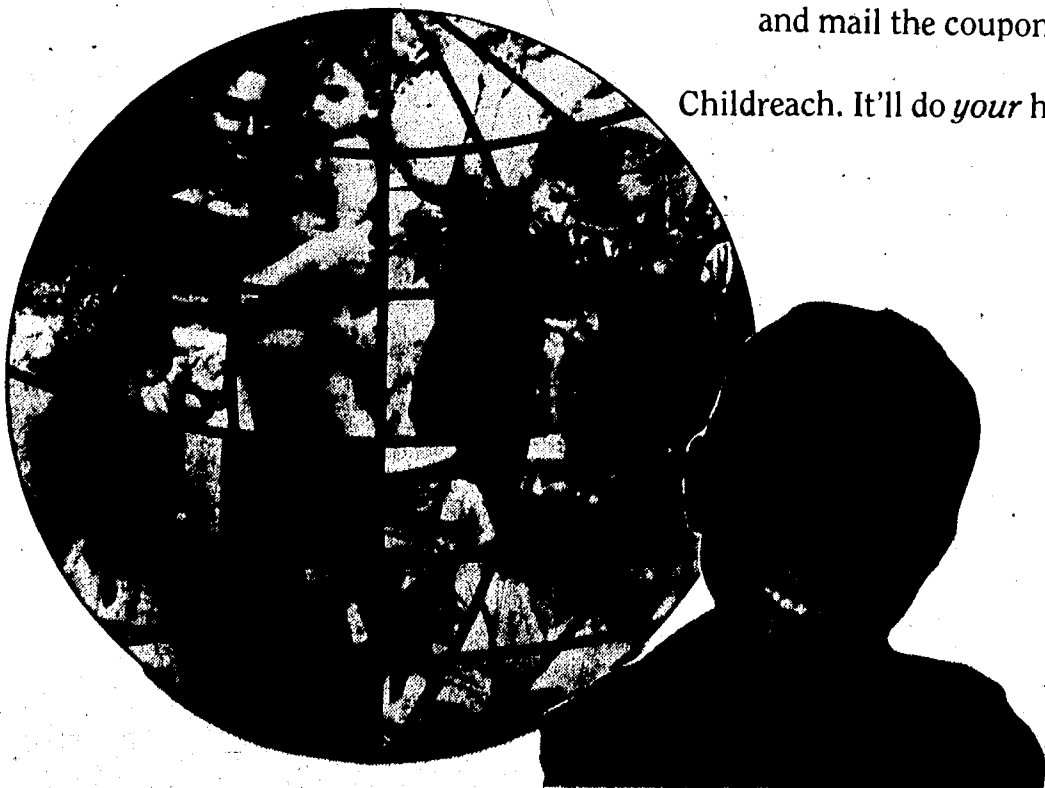
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# House Dems share power only on paper

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Despite a 55 to 55 House deadlock, Republicans may be right when they say they're the winners in the "shared power" deal.

On paper, it looks like an even split. Republican Speaker Paul Hillemonds of Holland and Democratic committee chairs rule in January, March and May. Democratic leader Curtis Hertel is speaker in February, April and June while Republicans hold committee chairs.

But look beyond numbers and your high school civics lessons.

In the past, Democrats had not only a 60 to 50 majority; they used the power of committee chairs to bottle up legislation that the full House was likely to pass. Examples:

■ House Judiciary Chair Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, would sit on abortion restriction bills.

■ House Judiciary subcommittee Chair Lyn Jondahl sat on bills to outlaw assisted suicide.

■ Speaker Lew Dodak, D-Birch Run, used a fast gavel adjournment in the middle of a roll call to prevent an auto insurance reform bill from becoming law.

■ Appropriations chair Dominic ("Godfather") Jacobetti, D-Negaunee, used both political and personal prejudices in parceling out pork, programs and patronage. Now that Jacobetti's 18-year tenure is under fire over staff spending, even Democrats are admitting he was a problem.

## Rules changed

Veteran Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-

Livonia, understated the case when she said, "My Republican colleagues and I still believe we have a philosophical majority, and that will help produce an atmosphere geared toward accomplishing our policy goals."

It's not a mere philosophical majority on policy matters that Republicans and conservative Democrats enjoy. It's the opportunity this year to bring pet measures to the floor without a procedural donnybrook.

The fine type in the "shared power" agreement spells out still another advantage for Republicans. Republican leader Hillemonds gets to refer "all Republican sponsored bills and joint resolutions to committee." Hillemonds also gets to make the committee assignment for Senate-

passed bills sponsored by Republican senators. Democratic leader Curtis Hertel has the same power over Democratic bills and resolutions.

In the past, Democratic Speaker Dodak, who was defeated for re-election, assigned all bills to committees. Certain committees became known as burial grounds for bills that Dodak or his predecessors — Gary Owen, Bobby Crim and Bill Ryan — didn't like.

Suppose a bill is locked up in committee because five Republicans support it and five Democrats are opposed, leaving no majority to report it out. Well, 12 times a year, a co-speaker may cast an "extraordinary vote" to bring the bill to the full House floor.

In short, Republicans figure

they benefit from bringing up more bills for floor votes.

Finally, both parties will have equal numbers of committee staff, caucus staff and personal staff. Dodak had used his power to strip Republicans he particularly disliked — such as Margaret O'Connor of Saline — of even office staff.

Those 55 Republicans aren't a monolithic bloc, however. Hertel insists Democrats have a philosophical majority on auto insurance, for example.

## Senate shifts

Meanwhile, on the Senate side, Republicans increased their majority by two when Gil DiNello of Macomb County switched his affiliation after the election.

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# Antique mall packs in more than 48 dealers

BY CHERYL VATCHER  
SPECIAL WRITER

The Town and Country Antiques Mall, a first-ever antiques mall for western Wayne County, is operating at 31630 Plymouth Road, west of Merriman.

"The business is very good here," said Barbara Gale, owner of the mall which encompasses 8,700 square feet and accommodates 48 plus dealers.

Because the antiques mall is behind Eddie's Restaurant, a white banner hangs out front to showcase its location.

Mall manager, Diana Webb, is a working dealer there.

Previous to this antiques mall both Gale and Webb were dealers in Saline, Mich., in a historic home on Weller's Avenue.

"There were 35 dealers and I was one of them, and Diana was partners with two other people," said Gale. "We were happy there. She had been there for seven years and the lease was lost. The owners decided to install a restaurant and double the rent there. So it was officially closed in February of 1992."

Gale has been a dealer for 12 years. She had worked with husband John Gale and decided to go off on her own. She watched other dealers to learn the secret of their success and implemented what she learned.

At Town and Country Antiques Mall there are 48-plus dealers, each with a different showcase. Five dealers from Saline are in Livonia, each with his/her own

genre. There are those with Victorian items, 1950s things, country, Depression glass, etc.

The requirement for a dealer is to rent space in the mall and to "work" the space at least once a month.

There are a lot of dealers who come to buy from dealers at the Livonia mall, said Gale. Collectors also come here to purchase collectibles.

With some dealers offering furniture, the selection can be a better buy than buying "new" furniture. Some selections have included walnut and mahogany wood. The older furniture doesn't depreciate because of its quality, said Gale, and you can always get your money's worth.

Both Gale and Webb are pleased with their location.

"The antiques mall has done great beyond expectations," said Gale. "The dealers spaces were filled up before the mall had been open for 30 days. Actually the spaces had been half full by the time we opened."

"We have very good dealers here. There is something for everyone."

It is important that the mall's items are salable, and not museum pieces. "We don't want to have items that are too dated."

Walking through the mall there is something for everyone.

One dealer, Jim Urban, has an assortment of fishing lures, hunting items, toys, and golf items.

"Little kids come in for comic books, sporting items, and baseball gloves," said Gale. Anything

pertaining to golf is a big seller right now, she added.

Shoppers can spend from as little as \$10 to \$4,000 at the mall.

Antiques age range is from the Victorian era of the 1890s to the 1950s.

"We do have a cut off date for the antiques because we don't want to be considered a museum," said Gale.

Vintage clothing is popular. Right at the front of the mall

there was a "vintage age" dress draped on a mannequin.

The individuals that purchase this type of clothing will use it either for part of their wardrobe, or will put the clothing on display.

"I like to dress up on the holidays," said Webb. "I have a '40s spring coat that I wear."

Another popular item from that era was the floor length gown.

The majority of shoppers are women, said Gale.

When someone comes in looking for furniture or an item from the past, they may have seen it on an old movie or it might be something that an older relative may have once owned.

There is also jewelry showcased. There are inexpensive pieces and very expensive pieces.

To protect all of the items there is a very elaborate security system, including security cameras, on the premises.

The mall is very spacious so browsers will not be tripping over dealers tables or showcases. There's plenty of room in between to walk to each showcase. For the handicapped, the mall is accessible via a 5-foot-wide wheel chair ramp.

"By being a dealer and owner of this mall, I can relate to the dealer. I know what they are feeling, and they can talk to me," said Gale.

## Senior center offers support to the elderly

BY BILL COUTANT  
STAFF WRITER

The loss of her parents and other close relatives, all within a short period of time, left Yvonne Singer with a need to be with people of her parents' generation.

That was more than 17 years ago, when she began working part time at the Senior Adult Center in the Mercy Center, on 11 Mile between Middlebelt and Inkster in Farmington Hills.

Singer started as a crafts teacher after reading about an opening in the newspaper classifieds. She still spends much of her time with Hills residents of her parents' generation.

"I really needed to work with seniors," said the mother of three. "I started as a crafts teacher. I think, like everyone else here, I've probably done most jobs at the center at one time or another."

"The population is aging all the time," said Singer. "I think people are aware of the needs for seniors."

The center offers swimming and dance classes, music lessons, health and nutrition education, art and craft classes, clubs, games, transportation, federally funded meals and outreach services.

About 80 people a day have a meal at the center and about 140 more meals are taken to home-bound seniors, but at least 6,000 seniors are registered for some kind of program or service.

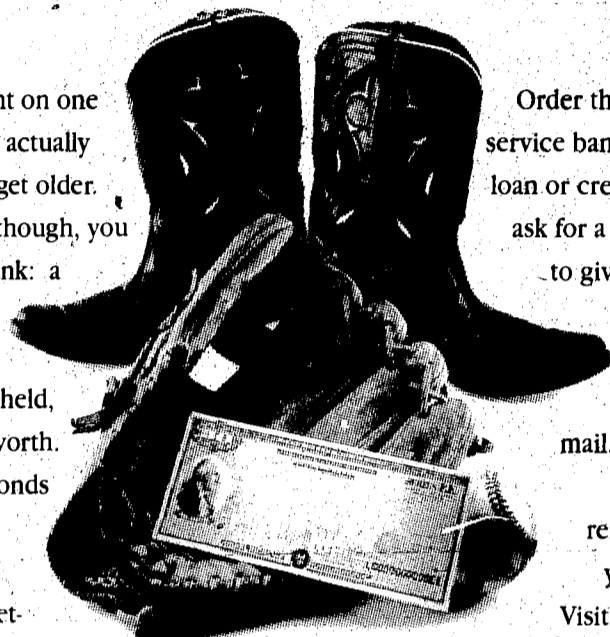
"There are older people who don't need our services at all," Singer said. "But for some people, we're their support system."

Loretta Conway supervises the center's many programs. She said seniors offer a great resource: their experience, talent and volunteer spirit.

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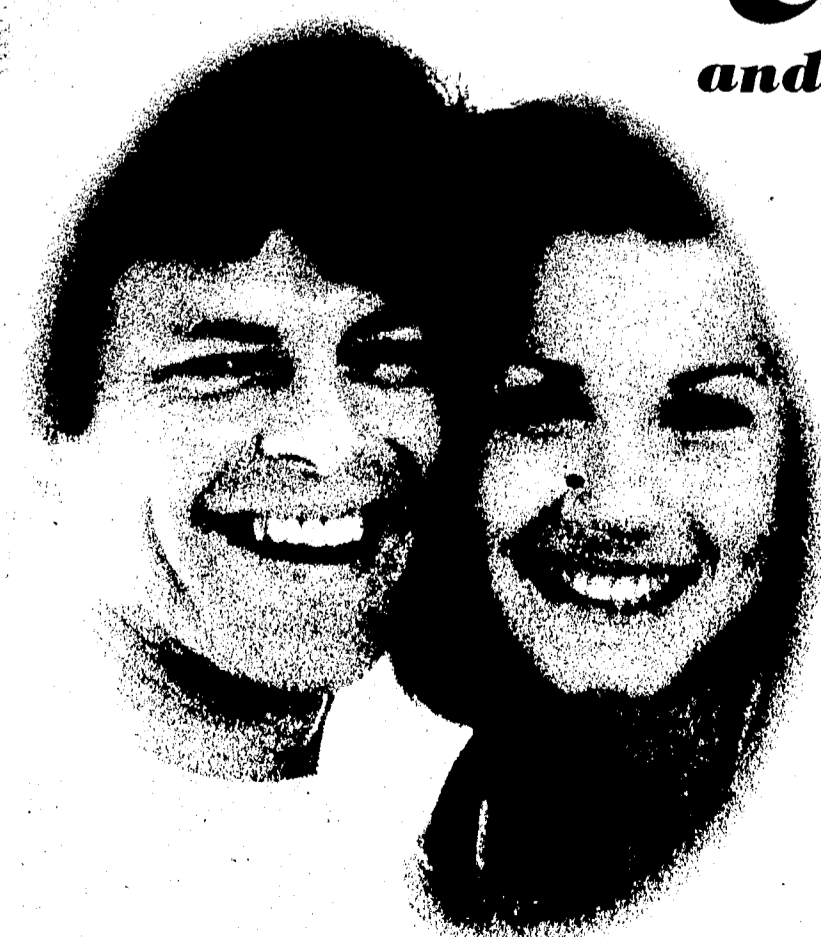
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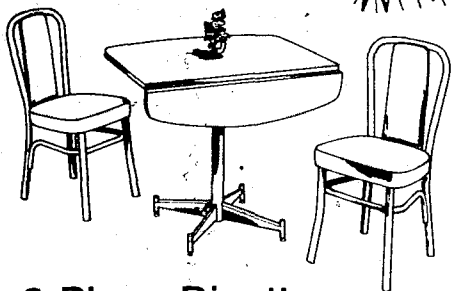
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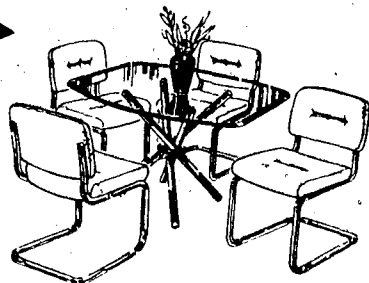
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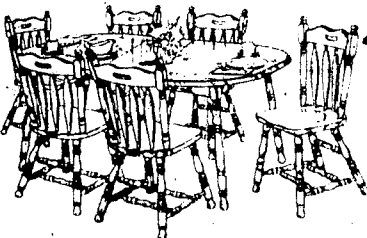
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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Remembering isn't fun for this anniversary

There's some guy in New York whose job it is to look up anniversaries and then newspapers go out and do local stories about them. The latest to be dredged up is the 25th anniversary of the year 1968. I won't be celebrating. Any sentimentality is wasted on that year.

No, I won't drag myself through all the details, but here's a box score for the year: Robert Kennedy assassinated, Martin Luther King assassinated, the Tet offensive in Vietnam and Richard Nixon elected.

Anyone of those events would have made it a memorable year, if you look at things that way. A much younger coworker recently expressed nostalgia for that era because of the social change that took place.

It didn't seem so much fun at the time. I was 20 that year and spent it at

Wayne State University, wondering if I'd be plucked up at any moment and dropped into Vietnam.

Like others, I went back and forth between wanting to either go over there to kill the little guys in black pajamas or head north to Canada. Either option seemed better than waiting around.

Then there were the assassinations. I shook hands with Robert Kennedy in Detroit's Kennedy Square and within a month he was dead. King was dead just about the time I started listening to him.

And by the fall friends were asking where I was going to be when the revolution came.

My answer was always Cleveland, probably for the same reason that W.C. Fields always said "I'd rather be in Philadelphia." Being anywhere than where you were would have been better.

At 20 you're supposed to be chasing



JEFF COUNTS

girls, getting an education and learning how to drink whiskey. You aren't supposed to be worrying about politics and war. There's always plenty of that stuff to deal with.

This really struck me this past Christmas when my living room was full of 20-year-olds from Livonia, Farmington Hills and Westland—all friends of my 20-year-old son.

My son's girlfriend, a Farmington High School graduate, doesn't have to worry about my son being sent on a tour of Southeast Asia.

Sure, there are worries. AIDS has certainly put a dent in dating and the employment future for these college students is grim, but at least these kids can talk about a future.

It wasn't like that in 1968. Things are better now. Sure it sounds romantic to think back about student protest, social change and rock and roll. But

the flip side to that tune was violence, drugs and hopelessness.

There was a reason hippies headed to the hills to make candles and stare at their navels.

It sure beat reality in 1968.

Jeff Counts is the editor of the Plymouth and Canton Observer Newspapers and keeps a Tiny Tim album in mint condition to remind him of 1968. He can be reached at 459-2700 or faxed at 459-4224.

## LETTERS

## Tax plan is O/K

The Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Education supports the Olmstead/Kearney Proposal for School Finance Reform and Property Tax Relief. We are convinced that the education of our children is an absolute necessity in providing for a society that will be productive, competitive and stable. We urge other boards to join us in supporting the proposal.

Education, however, cannot be completely isolated from other human services. Children and adults should be provided adequate local and state services to enable them to have physical and mental health resources, environmental protection, social services and those other programs that enable individuals to be productive and reasonably secure citizens.

We, therefore, urge human service providers to align with us in the O/K reform movement and join us in an effort to seek adequate state funding to provide these programs.

We urge the governor and the legislature to close state loopholes, and revenue abatement procedures, and if state revenues are determined to be inadequate for the funding of the O/K Proposal, to increase state taxes or fees sufficient to meet the needs of the state. Personal services taxes, income taxes and increased sales taxes are but a few that should be reviewed.

Let us unite to provide all youngsters with adequate food, housing,

clothing, health services, family assistance, personal protection and education, to make our state the greatest.

Boyd Arthurs, president  
Armen Barsamian, secretary

## Think about move

I was visiting the area over the holidays. I saw reports on the TV about General Motors Corp. families moving to Arlington. The G.M. families here don't know if they'll survive in the next few years.

It wasn't that many years ago when lots of Michigan families came to Texas believing there were jobs. A lot of them ended up moving back, and losing. I don't want to see history repeat itself.

My point is, please come for the right reasons. Have an education that will back you up. Jobs are harder to come by, unless you're educated, or can start your own business. Most of the businesses down here are small and the wages are lower, on average. The state taxes are high, 7.75 percent. Insurance is double, and there are surcharges galore for just about everything. The laws here are not as protective as in Michigan.

I lived in Michigan for most of my life, and in Westland for 25 years. It's a very different way of life. I hope my letter helps some people to think differently about Texas, and move for the right reasons.

Cheryl Hoak, Arlington, Texas

## Media errs in coverage

Some media people around town are taking an awful chance when they print or broadcast the name of someone who has yet to be arrested or arraigned.

That happened in the case of Jeffrey Richter, a West Bloomfield resident arrested Jan. 22 and charged under Michigan's new anti-stalking laws. A West Bloomfield woman made the complaint against Richter; he was arraigned Saturday.

We waited until he was arraigned to print his name. In the meantime, we ran detailed stories including everything but Richter's, and the victim's, names.

Here's how the arraignment of Richter came about: The victim filed a complaint with the West Bloomfield Police Department, which pursued a warrant through the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office.

The police got the paperwork—a felony warrant under the new laws—and then spent what turned out to be a very short period of time tracking Richter down. The time from the granting of the warrant to Richter's arrest was three or four days.

That's very good police work, but not so good media work. As soon as the warrant was issued, most media

outlets used Richter's name—prior to his arrest. That's dangerous for two reasons:

■ What if the warrant hadn't been served? A lot can happen between the time a warrant is issued and executed. For instance, the complainant can drop the charges, which is not an uncommon occurrence.

If the charges had been dropped, police wouldn't have been able to make the arrest. But in the meantime, most of southeast Michigan knew some guy named Richter had been hunted for stalking a woman.

That's hard to recover from. Had Richter not been arrested, a lot of journalists would have been scrambling to unravel the damage they did to him by naming him in connection with the crime.

■ One is presumed innocent until proven guilty. The act of arraignment is the first public step in the legal process to charge an individual with a crime. At that time, the public has a right and obligation to know the name of the suspect.

Ask yourself this question: Would you want your name spread all over town in connection with a crime—if you hadn't yet been formally charged with the crime?



PHILIP SHERMAN

The point is that a person's name, unless that person is a prominent individual in the community, probably won't mean anything to the vast majority of the people who read, see or hear it. It's the details of the crime that need to be aired.

The only exception I can think of is when police believe an individual can be an extreme danger to a community, such as a serial killer. In that case, the community has to be able to protect itself, and part of that would mean running the risk of printing the suspect's name.

But under normal circumstances, when an arrest is made and there's finally an arraignment, that's the time to make public the name of the alleged offender.

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If you are joyously planning an upcoming wedding, you know this to be true. You've undoubtedly spent countless hours debating china and crystal patterns, selecting flatware and silver serving pieces, in hopes that your choices will endure.

And on the day itself, nothing less than perfect will suffice. The dresses, the flowers, the music and the cake, are all seemingly endless details that will transform the sacred ceremony into an expression of your tastes and of your heart.

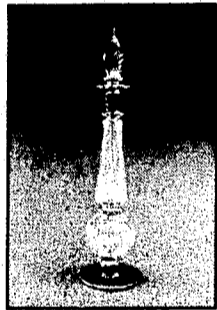
Luckily, there are some local merchants and experts who can guide you through this arduous process and can even provide you with some cherished keepsakes.

One such woman is Sandi Burchart who opened her shop, Victorian Lace Elegance, in Farmington to showcase her selection of Victorian-era memorabilia and handcrafted bridal accessories.

"I want brides to be able to get something unique that they won't see again," said Burchart of her heirloom beaded garter belts and lace umbrellas. The hand-beaded garter belts are embellished with your choice of ribbons and flowers and require 7-10 days to complete (\$45).

Godiva Chocolatier at Fairlane Town Center presents elegant chocolate remembrances for a wedding, bridal shower or rehearsal dinner favor. Choose from the Demitasse Collection of chocolate wafers wrapped in foil (\$2), the Mini Ballotin which holds two sculpted pieces of candy (\$3.25), or the Gold Ballotin in a signature Godiva box (\$5).

### Gifts for attendants



Brides often ponder an appropriate token of appreciation and love to give to the members of the wedding party. Rene Haefner of Farmington Hills discovered the exquisite perfume bottle (\$42.75) pictured, and shared her discovery with me.

The Genie Bottle, as it is called, is displayed prominently at the Bon Ton Shoppe, 23320 Farmington Road in Farmington. This hand blown iridescent glass decanter is reminiscent of the ancient Egyptian bottles created for their magical scented oils. Today, the delicate collectibles are swirled with color, engraved and embossed with gold.

The legendary genie is said to make all your wishes come true as he transports you to a land of bliss and romance. Thus, a fitting gift for those you cherish.

Gift-giving is, of course, an integral part of the wedding ceremony, but it begins long before the wedding day. Showers are held to provide the bride and groom with those necessities of house and home that all of us eventually accumulate over years of marriage.

### Fondue, anyone?



How many fondue pots have you sold in long-forgotten garage sales? Someone was a lucky recipient of your faddish '60s discard. Fondue is "in" again, according to the folks at Crate & Barrel in the Somerset Collection. The fondue set pictured (\$39.95) is requested by a majority of the 50,000 brides-to-be in the Crate & Barrel registry. This set features a white enamel pot with six forks and ceramic dipping bowls. The addition of a beechwood lazy Susan ups the price to \$84.95. Perfect for a casual newlywed get-together.

I encountered Kathy Sheridan of Troy while browsing the multi-level Crate & Barrel store. Kathy especially liked the white-on-white ivy embossed ceramic bowls and platters newly featured in a large display.

"White serving pieces always make great gifts," she said. "They can be formal or casual." Her mother, Anne Daly from Rochester Hills, agreed. "You never tire of white and it will go with any color china the bride may have chosen."

I hope that some of these ideas will add to the perfection of your wedding day.

Linda Bachrack is a Birmingham resident. To give her your column ideas, call 953-2047, Ext. 1889 from your touch-tone phone.



STAFF PHOTOS BY JOHN STORMZAND

Poised for pictures: Bridesmaids and flower girls want dresses they can wear again after the wedding day. Floral chintzes fit the bill.

## Bridal fair

### Reining in on getting hitched

Today's bride still wants something old, new, borrowed and blue at her wedding, but she also wants style, value and the little extras.

### See winter bridal supplement Thursday

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO  
STAFF WRITER



The sold-out crowd at the Southfield Pavilion Jan. 23 consisted mostly of engaged couples, maids of honor, and mothers-in-law-to-be — all on a fact-finding mission.

Hudson's third annual Bridal Fair had promised them answers.

More than 800 listeners nibbled at their chicken salad, heard a guest speaker playfully discuss communication differences between the sexes, oohed and ahed through an hour-long bridal fashion show, and then met with 75 different manufacturers' representatives to discuss crystal patterns, bedsheets, bouquets and honeymoon lingerie.

Elegant Bride editor Jaclyn Barret-Hirschhaut, also a recent bride, urged them come up with "special touches."

"Think about all the special touches you can incorporate into your wedding day to keep the memory alive," she said. "Include the reading of a poem. Print a program for guests that includes personal information about the couple and wedding party members. Select unique favors for guests to take home. Give some thought to special music you want played. Look



Bridal dreams: Ann Rice (left) and Maggie Rice (right) of Redford admire the parade of bridesmaids' gowns crossing the runway before them.

for ways to make the day vivid."

Weddings are the ultimate celebrations of tradition and rightly so, she said. However, modern brides look for bridal party dresses that can be used again, like two-piece dresses, suits and tea-length florals.

David Haight and Michelle Letissier plan a September wedding in Ferndale where the bride-to-be grew up.

"We came to the bridal fair to get some ideas," she said. "Also, my mother recommended we hear the speaker on communicating with your spouse. It was an excellent program."

Rick Bratke and Sharon Put plan a November wedding in Warren.

"I enjoyed Hudson's program," Bratke said. "We've attended a few other bridal fairs, but this one was special. We plan to register together afterwards."

"I want Rick's input on the selections we make for our home," Put said.

Lisa Schulte of Clarkston, attended the fair with members of her wedding party.

"I'm having a July wedding at Addison Oaks in the (Oakland) county park," she said. "I love the outdoors. Since my party comes from all over Michigan we got together today to look for dresses we can wear again. We need ideas."

Ideas came from designer Vera Wang, exclusive to Hudson's, whose bridal line was modeled in three acts to music from classic love songs. Gowns by Ursula, Lanz and Sylvia White were also presented. Groomsmen, ring bearers and fathers were attired in tuxedos from Perry Ellis, Christian Dior and Pierre Cardin, courtesy of President Tuxedo.

## Consultants save time, confusion

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO  
STAFF WRITER

"Don't call it our bridal registry," laughed Sharon Pugh, owner of Sideways in downtown Plymouth. "This is the '90s. It's a wedding registry. The grooms can select items as well. The guys appreciate merchandise for stocking a bar, or tools." At Sideways, consultants will meet with couples to advise and plan wedding gift selections.

Likewise at Hudson's, one of the area's largest bridal registry services.

"It's almost impossible these days to register for wedding gifts without a consultant's help," said Theresa Swonder of the Hudson's Fairlane store. "There are so many products, so many lines, so many patterns. I suggest couples come in and browse before they actually come in to register. This saves time and confusion. Also, appointments to register are appreciated by busy salespeople."

Within the next few weeks a toll-free number (1-800-2-I-DO-I-DO) will go into effect connecting bridal registry customers through Marshall Field's, Dayton's and Hudson's nationwide.

"Our scan system records a purchase the same day and time it's made so there are no duplications," Swonder said. "But this requires that our brides and customers indicate registry purchases so they can be noted." In addition to Hudson's, area brides can register at Cargo Express, Crate & Barrel, Jacobson's, Heslop's, Neiman Marcus, Tiffany & Co., Service Merchandise and Williams-Sonoma.

Registry services have been discontinued at Crowley's, Saks Fifth Avenue and J.C. Penney.

At Sunny J's Lingerie & Gifts in downtown Plymouth, brides can register for personal items, which are particularly appropriate as shower gifts.

## Do homework before registering for housewares

Consider the following points before visiting a bridal registry department:

- Ordering eight to 12 place settings is considered standard.
- Some manufacturers offer a rim-soup bowl in place of a bread and butter plate.
- When selecting patterns, keep your budget in mind, as well as the pocketbooks of your guests.
- The bowl of the crystal stem should mirror the shape of the dinner cup in a china pattern.
- Sterling flatware is available in four-piece place settings; stainless and silverplate in five-piece place settings.
- Essex is an environmentally aware company which manufactures lushly patterned china free of both lead and cadmium. Packaging comes from recycled materials.
- Sterling silver is the epitome in flatware and becomes even more lustrous with use and age. The designation of sterling specifies that a piece is composed of 92.5-percent pure silver, fused with alloyed metals for strength.

MONDAY, FEB. 1

### AMATEUR ART CONTEST

Entries accepted now through Friday, Feb. 12, for Feb. 23-28 show. Entries must be suitable for hanging, no larger than 3 feet by 3 feet. No limit to number of entries. Best in show wins \$250. First-, second- and third-place winners receive gift certificates. Entry fee \$4 per entry. Forms available at mall management office.  
Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt, 476-1166.

### FASHION GROUP CLUB

Registration through Feb. 19 in mall management office. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Members will participate in fashion events. Retail seminars. Interested men and women must be at least 16 years old.  
Laurel Park Place, W. Six Mile/Newburgh, 462-1100.

### WARHOL COLLECTION

Exhibited in Rotunda. Prints of endangered species series. Through Wednesday, Feb. 10. Detroit Zoological Society memberships available at exhibit.  
Somerset Collection, Big Beaver/Coolidge, 643-6360.

THURSDAY, FEB. 4

### SPRING HOME SHOW

Through Feb. 7 with 200 exhibitors, including 40 from Twelve Oaks Mall. Sponsored by Builders Association of Southeast Michigan. Admission \$5 adults, \$3 seniors, Children 6-12 \$3, under 6, free. Thursday and Friday 2-10 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Sunday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Novi Expo Center, I-96/Novi Road, 737-4477.

FRIDAY, FEB. 5

### ROCK CONCERT

E.Z. Bang plays, 7 p.m. West Court. Free.  
Southland Mall, Eureka/Pardee, 374-2800.

### LOVER'S CONTEST

Win a romantic getaway to Livonia's Marriott Hotel, plus dinner for two at Max & Erma's. Entry blanks in center court.  
Laurel Park Place, W. Six Mile/Newburgh, 462-1100.

SATURDAY, FEB. 6

### BLACK HISTORY EXHIBITS

Through Saturday, Feb. 13. Events vary at all Hudson's stores. Call for dates and times. Highlights include jazz concerts, art shows, African cooking demonstrations.  
Northland, Oakland and Fairlane, 443-6263.

### PUPPET SHOW

Cinderella performed by Village Players. 11 a.m. and 1, 3, and 7 p.m. Also Mondays through Fridays at 7

p.m. and Sundays at 11 a.m. and 1 and 3 p.m. Free.  
Meadowbrook Village Mall, Walton/Adams, 375-9451.

SUNDAY, FEB. 7

### GENERAL HOSPITAL VISIT

Meet Jason Quartermaine from the popular daytime soap. He will answer questions and pose for pictures. 1-4 p.m. Center court.  
Wonderland Mall, Plymouth/Middlebelt, 522-4100.

### CHINESE NEW YEAR

Ticket includes dinner and entertainment. Beginning at 6 p.m. \$25 per person. Oceania Inn wing inside mall. Benefit for the homeless. Call Maria Weeng for reservations.  
Meadowbrook Village Mall, Walton/Adams, 651-4608.

### JAZZ CONCERT

Pianist Bess Bonnier performs in north court. Fashioned by Ann Taylor, Talbots and The Limited informally modeled during the concert. 1-2:30 p.m.  
Laurel Park Place, W. Six Mile/Newburgh, 462-1100.

### CLASSICS AND CROSSBANTS

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Somerset Collection, Big Beaver/Coolidge, 643-6360.

# Area boy, 13, has TV show, teaches Japanese at S'craft

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW  
STAFF WRITER

Ken Myers, 13, knew the multiplication tables before he was 5, speaks four languages, has his own cable TV show and teaches at Schoolcraft College. He's also enrolled this semester in "College Success," a three-credit course that teaches people how to succeed in college.

Ken is the son of Steve Myers and Izumi Suzuki, owners of Suzuki, Myers & Associates, a translating and interpreting company.

Steve Myers is a former schoolteacher who grew up in Grand Haven, then went to teach in Japan in 1970 at the age of 28, learned the language, married Suzuki and returned to Michigan in 1978.

Ken was born in Grand Rapids in 1979, lived in Japan from 1980 to 1982, then returned to Michigan. He says that Japanese was his first language, but father Steve says both Ken and his sister Jun (pronounced joon) grew up with two tongues, English and Japanese.

"They didn't realize that a car didn't have four words," Steve said.

Ken and Jun, 11, were offered a

deal by their parents when they were small, Ken said. If they knew the multiplication tables before they were 5 years old and knew four languages before they were 14, mom and dad would never hassle them about grades in school.

"That's of course what happened," Steve said. "They get straight A's."

For Ken and Jun, the English and Japanese languages were simple, spoken around the house and around the neighborhood as they were.

Other languages have not been as easy to come by. Steve believes that the best way to learn a language is to live in a place where it's spoken.

So Ken was boarded with a family in Vera Cruz, Mexico for a whole summer two years ago when he was 11 years old. Then last summer he stayed with a family in Seoul, South Korea, where he learned not only the Korean language, but how conservative Korean families can be. He wasn't allowed in the yard without permission, for example. And he wasn't permitted to close his bedroom door at night.

But it couldn't have been all bad, because Ken, a seventh-

grader at Novi Middle School, is going back next summer to brush up his Korean. "Then I think I'll go back to Mexico and get my Spanish back up," he said.

Ken began teaching for the first time at Cranbrook school in Oakland County in 1989 at the age of 10. Steve and his wife were already teaching at Cranbrook, and Steve thought it would be cool if Ken taught Japanese to elementary-age students. So he did.

That worked out well and led to a cable TV show (teaching the Japanese language) with Metro-Vision cable. The show, which now features Ken and sister Jun, airs 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in Livonia and at 7 p.m. Monday and 4 p.m. Wednesday in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

A member of Schoolcraft College's Talented And Gifted program advisory committee took note of Ken's TV show and told admissions counselor Robert Burnside about it, suggesting that perhaps Schoolcraft would like Ken to teach Japanese to the 8-to-14-year-old kids in the TAG program.

Technically, Schoolcraft couldn't hire someone as young as Ken, so his dad was hired instead.



JIM JAGDFELD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Real smart:** Ken Myers, 13, and his sister Jun, 11, teach a Japanese language class on public access cable TV in Livonia. Ken also teaches Japanese to young children at Schoolcraft College in the Talented And Gifted program. Standing behind Ken and Jun is their mother, Izumi Suzuki.

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# TASTE

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CHEF LARRY JANES

## Pancakes: they're not just for breakfast

For every meal, every course, from appetizer to dessert, there's a pancake. A traveler could circle the globe and find some form of this international favorite — in sizes as small as quarters and almost as big as manhole covers — stacked for breakfast, glorified for dessert, stuffed for entrees, rolled and sliced for hors d'oeuvres. Call them hotcakes. Call them crepes. Call them blini. Call them palacsintak. Call them pfannkuche — they're all pancakes. Pancakes are much closer to man's original bread than our baked loaves.

It was on hot stones set before the hearth fire that simple "ashcakes" of ground cereal and liquid were baked in the days of the caveman.

Can you imagine what the poor souls had to go through to get syrup or honey? Today's pancakes are a fluffy, tender, civilized version of an ancient bread.

### Pancake traditions

Pancakes have been known to be intertwined with religion, tradition and legend. Jewish people eat them on their holidays — during Hanukkah, latkes, potato pancakes.

During Passover pancakes are made with matzo meal and no leavening. During Shavuoth, when dairy dishes are eaten, cheese blintzes, which are similar to pancakes, are served.

In early Christian days, when Lent was a time of abstinence from meat as well from animal foods like milk, cheese and eggs, pancakes became a treat for the day before the beginning of Lent.

Shrove Tuesday pancakes are still eaten in many countries. In England, Shrove Tuesday is often called "pancake day".

### Pancake legends

Let's not forget the old North American legend about Paul Bunyan. He had a pancake appetite so big that, according to legend, he needed a grill with a corral around it, and grain elevators to hold the flour.

Concrete mixers were said to have churned the batter which emerged in 4-foot waves onto the griddle greased by cooks who skated over it with slabs of bacon tied to their feet. (Sounds like some of the Janes clan at the last family reunion!)

### Cooking pancakes

There are many different ways to cook pancakes. Basically, all start with a batter consisting of flour, butter, eggs and milk. Taste and texture differences begin with the addition or omission of a leavening agent such as yeast baking soda or baking powder.

Should you prefer to use yeast, it would be best to allow the batter to "ripen" for at least 6 to 8 hours before beginning to cook.

Personally speaking, I think the lightest pancakes are achieved by the separation of the egg yolk from the egg white with the yolk being beaten into the batter and the white being beaten separately until stiff but not dry, and then gently folding the egg white into the batter and pouring the batter immediately onto a hot, greased griddle.

Prepackaged mixes with names like Bisquick and the locally favored Jiffy mixes mean that pancakes can be made with the simple additions of egg and milk.

Whereas I would be the first to admit that a box sits on my pantry shelf for a quick breakfast fix, the homemade version that requires the cook to sift the flour, and includes an arsenal of leavening stirred into melted butter and buttermilk, is still a personal favorite.

The shake-and-pour mixes available on grocery store shelves are a virtual recycler's nightmare and after trying a batch, yours truly would rather make a batch from scratch than deal with the lumps.

Here's a secret tip used by the great chefs before they begin to cook their favorite pancakes. Heat up the griddle or fry pan from the start with a small amount of grease or butter to coat the pan bottom. After the pan is heated significantly, pour out the grease, wipe with a clean cloth and add more fresh grease or butter and heat accordingly.

Then, just before the pan begins to smoke, add your batter. Always throw out your first pancake, as it only begins the seasoning of the pan and collects too much of the pan taste.

Then, repeat with the grease and you're in business. Stuffing them, rolling them or whatever. I love em'!

Check out the Janes family-tested recipes inside, and you'll find out that pancakes aren't just for breakfast anymore! Bon Appetit!

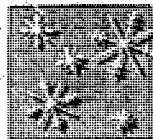
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# WINTER VEGETABLES

## UGLY ON THE OUTSIDE, BEAUTIFUL INSIDE

They're not much to look at, but like many plain people, winter vegetables are beautiful inside. Their earthy flavor adds character to comfort foods.

BY JOAN BORAM  
SPECIAL WRITER



The best thing you can say about winter vegetables is that they're unpretentious. The worst thing you can say is that they're drab and unattractive. Their very name prompts a lifted eyebrow. Who could become enchanted across a crowded produce aisle with something called "rutabaga?" And doesn't "parsnip" put you in mind of "Edward Scissorhands"?

But, like many plain people, winter vegetables are beautiful inside and have fiber, besides. Often, rutabagas, parsnips, celery root and their country cousins are found languishing in an obscure corner of the produce section, upstaged by glamorous Chilean imports.

Look for them — their earthy flavor adds character to soups, stews and roasts, comfort foods that steam kitchen windows and make winter tolerable.

"A few years ago, winter vegetables sold mainly to older customers," said Nino Salvaggio, owner of Nino's Strawberry Hills in Farmington Hills. "But that's changing. There's more emphasis on traditional cooking, generally, and the glossy food magazines have started featuring turnips, parsnips, and other less trendy vegetables in their pages."

Throw some parsnips, rutabagas or celery root in the pot with your potatoes, and mash them together when they're cooked. It's a simple way to give potatoes more flavor and food value, and a good way to acquaint your taste buds with unfamiliar vegetables.

Rutabagas are a very good source of vitamin A. Cut up some parsnips and

rutabaga, and put them in the roaster with carrots and potatoes when you roast a chicken.

Root vegetables are much more a part of the European cooking tradition than the American.

"Anybody can make spectacular dishes if they have a bucketful of foie gras or a huge black truffle," said Elwin Greenwald of Elwin's Tu Go in Royal Oak who teaches French Peasant Cooking at Kitchen Glamour stores. "But for real home cooking like you find in the little bistros in France, you can't do without peasant vegetables like turnips or rutabagas or parsnips."

"I love to puree these vegetables separately, along with carrots and beets, and create an artist's palette on a plate, with portions of each vegetable creating the overall color scheme."

Jicama, a traditional Mexican root vegetable, is certainly unattractive enough, said Greenwald. But underneath its thick skinned exterior, jicama (pronounced hee-cah-mah) is crisp, slightly sweet, and tastes a lot like water chestnuts. Jicama is delicious raw, and is wonderful in salads. It isn't usually served alone, but is perfect combined with other vegetables in stir-frys.

"Give a European the smallest plot of ground and he will plant a garden," said Swiss-born Chef Leopold Schaeli who teaches at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. "Root vegetables are ideal for the small garden because you can leave them in the ground until you want to eat them. In some cases, freezing actually improves the flavor."

Celery root is knobby and misshapen, but Schaeli said it's a favorite with Europeans. It has the delicate flavor of celery, to which it's related, and adds a lot of depth and mellowness to soups and stews.

"There's so much you can do with these vegetables once you past their rough exterior," he said.

See recipes inside.



T. GRAVES

## Baker's a sweetheart to sweet lovers

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Nothing makes Mary Denning happier than seeing people smile as they walk into her cake shop in Westland. She's won numerous prizes for her cakes, but the challenge to do something she's never done before that makes her grow as a pastry chef, not prizes, motivates her to keep entering contests.

In December, for the sixth year in a row, Denning took home the first-place, best-of-category trophy in a contest sponsored by the Detroit Metro Bakers & Allied Club.

Denning grew up in Westland, and lives in Garden City. She began taking cake decorating classes from the Wilton Company when her kids were small, and discovered she had a knack for it. As her children grew, so did her talents, and pretty soon Denning was teaching classes.

She got a job at Iversen's Bakery in Detroit, worked there two years, left to work at Baker's Loaf in Southfield, and after two years, was hired by Farmer Jack's to manage the cake-decorating department. She traveled to different stores, teaching cake decorating, and left to open her own shop.

"It's neat to have a job where someone pays you to do what you want to do," she said. For Valentine's Day the shop is decked out with tiny heart-shaped single serving cakes, truffles, chocolate Valentine cards, Valentine baskets, decorated cupcakes, cookies and other treats.

## CHEF'S SECRETS



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Valentine treats: Mary Denning knows a lot of sweet ways to say "I love you."

Denning enjoys sharing her talents with others and for the past four years, she's taught two classes at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn — advanced pastries and hotel and restaurant desserts. Her students have won prizes in various culinary arts contests which brings her a lot of joy. For the past four years, she has also served as president of the Michigan chapter of the International Cake Exploration Society, and has written articles about cake decorating for various trade publications.

### Family:

Mary and her husband Charlie, a lathe operator, have been married 23 years. They have two children, Jennifer Still who is married to Scott, and Jerry. Jennifer works at the shop and is studying elementary education at Eastern Michigan University. Her brother helps out on vacations, and in the summer, and is studying engineering at Central Michigan University. Mary's father-in-law, also named Charlie, is retired, and comes to the shop every day to sweep, wash dishes, and lend a hand

### Who inspired you to become a pastry chef?

"My aunt. She was always such a great baker. She taught me a lot."

What's a normal dinner at your house?

See BAKER'S, 2B

# Ugly winter vegetables beautiful additions to meals

See related story on Taste front.

## CELERY ROOT AND PARSNIP PIE

1 red onion, peeled and finely chopped  
 1 celery root, 1/2 pound, peeled and halved lengthwise, then cut crosswise into 1/4-inch slices  
 3 parsnips, 1/2 pound, peeled and cut diagonally into 1/4-inch slices  
 1 1/2 cups chicken broth  
 1/2 cup apple cider  
 1 tablespoon fresh thyme

Sprinkle the red onion on the bottom of a shallow baking dish. Lay the celery root and parsnip slices in

overlapping, alternate layers on top of the onion. Combine the chicken broth and apple cider and pour over the vegetables. Sprinkle with the thyme, and salt and pepper to taste. Cover with foil and bake for 30 minutes in a 400-degree oven. Remove the foil and bake about 30 minutes, basting often, until tender. Serves 4.

## PARSNIP AND APPLE PUREE

1/4 cup fresh-lemon juice  
 1/4 cup water  
 4 large Granny Smith apples  
 2 pounds parsnips, peeled and coarsely chopped  
 1/4 cup chicken stock  
 4 tablespoons unsalted butter

2 tablespoons light brown sugar  
 1 teaspoon ground coriander

Combine the lemon juice and water in a large bowl. Peel, core and cut apples into eighths, and drop into lemon water. Place the parsnips in a shallow baking pan. Add the drained apples, and add 1/4 cup of the lemon water and the chicken stock.

Dot the parsnips and apples with the butter and sprinkle with brown sugar, coriander, and salt and pepper to taste. Cover the dish and bake in a 375-degree oven for 1 1/2 hours, stirring a few times during the baking.

Transfer the apples and parsnips with the cooking liquid to a food

processor and puree until smooth. Reheat, if necessary, in a covered dish in a 350 degree oven for 15 minutes. Serve garnished with fresh mint.

## BOILED DINNER WITH TURNIPS AND HAM HOCKS

6 medium turnips, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes  
 6 medium carrots, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch lengths  
 1 large onion, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch cubes  
 1 bay leaf  
 2 ham hocks  
 7 cups chicken broth

Combine ingredients in a large pot and bring to a boil. Reduce heat

and simmer about 30 minutes, until vegetables are tender. Remove ham hocks from the broth. Cut meat from bone, trim off fat, and cut meat into thin strips. Ladle the broth and vegetables into soup-bowls. Divide meat among the bowls, and garnish with crushed red pepper flakes to taste and minced cilantro.

## ELWIN'S JICAMA SALAD WITH BUTTERMILK DRESSING

Salad:  
 1 large jicama, peeled and diced  
 1 1/2 cups peas (blanched if fresh, thawed if frozen)  
 1 cup marinated sun-dried to-

matoes, drained and sliced  
 1/2 pound shiitake mushrooms, sauteed

Dressing:  
 1/4 cup buttermilk  
 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard  
 1 teaspoon fresh parsley, minced  
 1/2 teaspoon brown sugar  
 salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

Combine all salad ingredients in a large bowl and mix thoroughly. Toss with buttermilk dressing, and serve on chilled plates.

Make dressing the day before serving. Whisk dressing ingredients together and refrigerate.

# Tips for choosing, cleaning, serving root vegetables

Winter vegetables are sometimes hard to find, because their prettier cousins are often given the best location in the produce aisle. Be persistent; they're worth

looking or asking for. Choose small- to medium-sized root vegetables. Large ones tend to be woody. Scrub with a vegetable brush, and peel. Usually, it's

better to peel with a paring knife rather than a peeler. Any tops should be bright green and fresh looking.

Here are some serving ideas:  
 ■ Celery root — Delicious in salads; julienne, grate or shred, celery root and serve with slices of beets, carrots and tomatoes with a vinaigrette sauce.

■ Jicama — Mexicans like jicama sliced, and sprinkled with chili powder, lime juice and salt. Chill and serve with drinks, or slice jicama and serve with dips as an alternative to crackers.

■ Kohlrabi — Strictly speaking,

Kohlrabi isn't a root vegetable, but a swollen stem formed above the ground. If you're ambitious, you can stuff cooked kohlrabi shells. Otherwise, serve raw, in soups or stews, or stir-fry.

■ Parsnips — Delicate with a sweet, nutty taste, serve parsnips raw or diced, and add to soups and stews during the last 15 minutes of cooking. Bake with apple wedges, a sprinkling of brown sugar and orange juice for 50 minutes in a 325 degree oven.

■ Rutabagas — Larger, rounder, denser and sweeter than turnips, serve rutabagas raw, or in soups and stews. Mash cooked rutaba-

gas and season with butter, brown sugar and cinnamon.

■ Turnips — Cultivated as a staple food for about 4,000 years, serve turnips as a crudite with vegetable dips or mix shredded raw turnip with salad oil and lemon juice accented with mint for a refreshing salad.

■ Ginger — They don't come much homelier than ginger, but

you can't beat it for enlivening foods with its distinctive flavor. Knobby ginger root (actually a rhizome) has dull brown skin, fibrous flesh, and a spicy hot flavor when mature. To use ginger, rinse and scrub, peel with a paring knife. Thinly slice, sliver, grate, or chop to use in stir-fries, marinades, salad dressings or wherever your taste dictates.

## Baker's from page 1B

"My husband's co-workers say he's so lucky to be married to a chef. But the truth is I don't have time to cook. I work six days a week, 5:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. When I cook it's something quick. We have an indoor barbecue grill, and use it a lot."

What's your favorite food?

"I really like cake with buttercream frosting. You'd think I'd get tired of it after 21 years of decorating cakes, but I still love it."

How have people's tastes in desserts changed?

"Customers want more pure products made with real butter, eggs, vanilla, not artificial sweeteners and other chemicals. I see a return to basics. When they come in they'll buy one really good thing for a treat like a cream puff."

If you could bake a cake for anyone, who would it be, and what would you make?

"I would have liked to bake a cake for President Bill Clinton's inauguration. I would have probably done a sculpture of his face looking at the capitol with a flag in the background."

Have you ever had a cake disaster?

"Yes. It was the first wedding

cake I ever decorated. Jerry was about 2, and my husband had washed the car and was drying it. I had just finished putting the biggest layer of the cake in the trunk when Charlie flipped his rag and it landed right in the middle of the cake. Luckily it landed on the plate, so the cake wasn't ruined."

What's the nicest thing that ever happened to you?

"I used to teach cake decorating to some kids at church. We entered a contest and everyone won. I was so proud, it's better than winning yourself."

Hobbies

"I like to read historical romance novels. I like to get lost in them and not think. I also like to watch old black and white classic movies."

Cooking tip:

"The biggest mistake people make is they don't take care of the product. Don't let a cake set for hours; cover it up."

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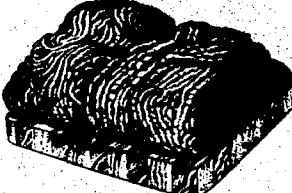
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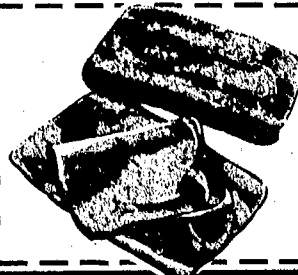
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# You'll flip over pancakes from around the world

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## CANADIAN MAPLE PANCAKES

1 cup flour, sifted  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
¼ teaspoon salt  
1 egg, lightly beaten  
¾ cup milk  
½ cup melted butter  
½ teaspoon maple extract  
2 cups applesauce, warmed  
½ cup heavy cream, whipped stiff  
6 teaspoons maple sugar

Sift together the dry ingredients. In another bowl, combine the egg, milk, butter and maple extract. Make a hollow in the flour and pour in the liquids, beating thoroughly to remove all the lumps. Heat a heavy

griddle or large cast iron skillet and coat its surface with a thin film of melted butter.

When hot, pour on 2 tablespoons of batter for each pancake and when the surface bubbles, flip and brown. Top with warmed applesauce, whipped cream and sprinkle with maple sugar. Serves 4.

## BUTTERMILK PANCAKES

1 egg  
1½ cup buttermilk  
1½ cups all purpose flour  
¼ cup melted butter or margarine  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
dash salt

Combine all ingredients and beat well to get rid of any lumps. Heat griddle, grease lightly, use about ¼

cup batter for each pancake. Makes about 12 pancakes.

## NALESNIKI (POLISH PANCAKES)

Pancakes: ¾ cup milk, warmed, slightly  
1 egg yolk, lightly beaten  
1 cup flour, sifted  
1 tablespoon melted butter or margarine  
½ teaspoon dry yeast  
2 tablespoons lukewarm water  
1 tablespoon sugar  
dash salt  
1 egg white, beaten stiff

Filling:  
6 ounces cream cheese  
½ cup sour cream  
½ cup strawberry preserves

Mix flour and egg yolk. Stir in the milk and melted butter. Soften

yeast in the water. Add yeast, sugar and salt to the batter; mix thoroughly. Cover and let stand in a warm place for 8 to 12 hours or overnight. When ready to make pancakes, stir batter and fold in beaten egg white. Heat a heavy griddle over medium heat, coat surface with melted butter. Cook until bubbly, then flip.

Combine filling ingredients and mix well. Fill pancakes with the mixture.

Mamma Janes variation: Omit the sugar in the recipe and fill pancakes with sauerkraut and top with a dollop of sour cream. Serves 4.

## CHINESE PANCAKES (CHUN QUEN)

½ cup sifted flour  
1 tablespoon corn starch

dash salt  
1 egg  
1 cup water

Sift together flour, cornstarch and salt. Beat egg with the water and gradually add the flour, beating thoroughly. Heat a skillet with a thin coating of butter. When hot, pour 3 tablespoons of batter in center and tilt to cover the bottom of the skillet, when golden brown on underside only, transfer without flipping to paper towels and set aside.

Make your favorite filling using pork, bamboo shoots, water chestnuts, scallion tops, tiny shrimps and soy sauce. Roll like an egg roll. Serves 4.

## DANISH PANCAKES

½ pound very lean bacon strips

6 eggs  
2 tablespoons flour  
½ cup milk  
½ teaspoon salt  
2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives

In a heavy skillet, crisp bacon slices. Drain on paper towels, and keep bacon warm. Meanwhile, drain all but 2 tablespoons of the bacon grease from the skillet. Beat eggs until light and fluffy. Add milk and salt; continue beating and sprinkle in the flour. Reheat the skillet with reserved bacon grease and pour in the batter, tilting the skillet so that the batter covers the entire surface.

Turn heat to low, cook until batter is firm, like a custard, about 15 minutes. Sprinkle with chives and garnish with bacon slices. Cut in wedges and serve hot. Serves 4.

# Discover new and different Weygandt-Metzler wines

Did you ever yearn to be the first to stumble upon something new, different and exciting? If so, then you'll appreciate the story of Peter and Maria Weygandt and their discovery of virtually undiscovered wine — undiscovered, that is, until they began the business of importing it to the United States four years ago.

Peter Weygandt caught the wine bug while in law school in New York City. He read about wine extensively and became a frequent visitor to Manhattan's fine wine shops.

He and his wife, the former Maria Metzler, who is fluent in French, began taking trips to France's wine regions. They delighted in discovering wines that were not available in the U.S. and decided to obtain an import license. They formed Weygandt-Metzler Importing Ltd., a veritable cottage-industry importing firm operating out of their Unionville, Penn. home.

The soul of Weygandt-Metzler is France's small domaines. These wines are new entries into the Michigan wine scene. So new, in fact, that the first shipments arrive today. If you've been stuck in a rut with your wine-drinking habits, make a resolution to discover new tastes from some estate producers you've probably not heard of before.

## FOCUS ON WINE



ELEANOR & RAY HEALD

Master Sommelier Fran Kysela, who for his tender age of 35 years has a vast knowledge of French wines, is national sales director for Weygandt-Metzler. This spring, he will become a partner with the Weygandts and the company name will be changed to include Kysela.

Kysela, who makes his home in Virginia, is no stranger to Michigan. He did his Master Sommelier internship at Detroit's Whitney and the now-closed London Chop House.

"Basically this is what we do differently from other importers," he said. "We work with producers who practice green harvesting. We label all unfiltered cuvees with the phrase 'Non-Filtre' and we deal in smaller, more select quantities."

"We believe the world's finest wines are being produced by small domaines whose commit-

ment to quality exceeds the economic pressures to produce the most wine possible. Over the years, these domaines have had a loyal following of private customers. Until now, their small size is the only reason the American market was not introduced to these estates. Some of these estates have been shaken by generational changes in winemaking leadership and are awakening from a Sleepy Hollow period to become zealous winegrowers."

Both the Weygandts and Kysela are interested in showcasing wines with fruit. "We're going to develop a company motto," Kyse-

la said. "It will probably be something like, 'Down with oak, up with fruit.' So many of today's wines have their beauty ruined by the excessive use of oak. Oaky wines don't pleasantly harmonize with food and they don't age well."

One of the elements that appealed most to us as we tasted through many of the Weygandt-Metzler wines available in our market was the crisp edge of the white wines that will pair them especially well with seafood.

For chardonnay lovers we recommend the fresh, clean, crisp 1990 Macon La Roche-Vineuse,

Chateau de la Greffiere (\$10) produced from 45-year-old vines. We find many chardonnays too oaky to harmonize with delicate seafood, but that's not the case here.

The wines of Provence are delightfully fruity and fresh, but those making their way to the U.S. are frequently disappointing. The 1990 Domaine des Aspres Rouge (\$8) produced from syrah, grenache and cabernet sauvignon is highlighted by lush, rich-berry fruit and a peppery finish representing a big mouthful for the money.

Most people who prefer dry

white wines find a Vouvray from France's Loire Valley too sweet for their taste. If this is your position, for a new experience, try the 1990 Benoit-Gautier Vouvray Sec (\$12). Sec means dry in French.

Chateauf-neuf-du-Pape aficionados might want to sample an unfiltered wine from this renowned southern Rhone region. 1990 Robert Sinard Domaine Saint Laurent Chateauf-neuf-du-Pape Non-Filtre (\$17) produced from 35- to 40-year-old vines is complex and very well balanced with long-lasting peppery flavors. "This is a new wave style," said Kysela.



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## Wine selection of the week

1990 G. Durand Chateau La Bastide Corbieres Rouge (\$8) hails from a southern French wine region near Narbonne. You'll be hearing more about Corbieres as it becomes more widely discovered over the next several years.

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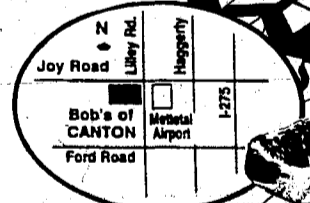
ly from syrah with about 20 to 25 percent carignane and a small percentage of mourvedre. This is a rustic French country wine for heavier wintertime foods. The peppery yet fruity grip in the finish will not let you forget the name of Weygandt-Metzler, the wine's importer.

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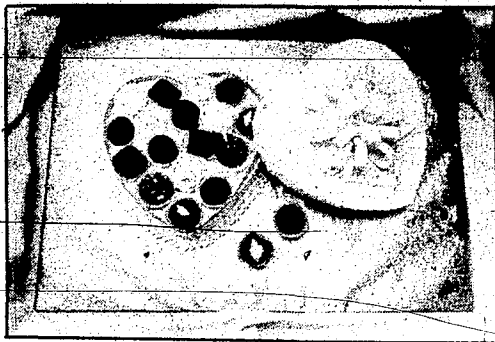
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## LOCAL SPINS

Here are the Top 10 recordings on Detroit Music Scene, which is heard 4:30-5:30 p.m. Sundays and 5-6 p.m. Thursdays on WDTR-FM 90.9.

1. "Two Worlds," King Bros. (Holler)
2. "High Noon," Chain Reaction (Rathoboz)
3. "Better Days," Scott Fab (demo)
4. "Smoke and Mirrors," Scott Stern and the Trust (Faith Harbor)
5. "I Want U 2 Luv Me," Mortal Man (Honey-Pie)
6. "Big John Henry," John L. Norwood (demo)
7. "Atapulco," Pat Forchlone (Talent Lives)
8. "Black and Blue Down," Confuse A Cat (360 Records)
9. "Mansions," GTOY (demo)
10. "Love You to Death," The Sillies (Nebula)

## CUTTING GROOVES

Here are the Top 10 recordings played on WOUX, Oakland University's student radio station.

1. "Watery, Domestic," Pavement EP (Matador)
2. "More Sad Hits," Damon and Naomi (Shimmy-Disc records)
3. "See Ruby Falls," Drunken Boat (1st Warning)
4. "Eleven: Eleven," Come (Matador)
5. "Freedom of Choice," compilation (Caroline)
6. "Wicked Midnite," The Mekons (Loud Music)
7. "Happy Hour," King Missile (Atlantic)
8. "Mule," Mule (Touch and Go)
9. "Possessed," The Balanescu Quartet (Mute)
10. "Goya," Grenadine (Shimmy-Disc)

# Curry lets music do the talkin'

■ When Mark Curry shows up at the Blind Pig in Ann Arbor this week, he plans on bringing his band. It will be far different than his acoustic performance at The Shelter that brought a lot of attention to the shy 25-year-old.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER



Mark Curry leans against the main bar in the Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit. Wearing baggy brown pants, a T-shirt, denim vest and ski cap, it's easy to overlook him. Few fans stop to chat; others brush past him, ignoring him. Until he gets on stage. "How y'all doin'?" he says with his raspy voice while taking off his ski cap and scratching his head. With Curry and his guitar alone on stage, his blues-inspired rock blended with his streetwise humor and child-like innocence immediately capture the audience. Many of them had never even heard of Curry, whose songs "Sorry About the Weather" and "Blow Me Down" receive airplay.

Looking back at the Shelter show, the shy 25-year-old shrugs off the attention. "I don't want to be some great big huge thing," he said. "This whole

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trip that I'm doing is just expressing myself."

Curry will express himself differently, however, during his show Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Blind Pig in Ann Arbor.

"Both times I've been to Detroit it's been acoustic," he said. "This time I'll bring my band."

What you can expect is Curry to hang out with the crowd before the show.

"I'm just hangin' out like everybody else," he explained.

Usually a man of few words, Curry prefers to let his music do the talking. On "It's Only Time," his debut album, his songwriting allows his innocence and fleeting humor to come through. Sometimes it's difficult for him to explain, however. Struggling for words, Curry said his songs just come from things that



Shy guy: Mark Curry brings his blues-inspired acoustic rock to the Blind Pig on Tuesday, Feb. 2, without his dog Zuno who's "chillin' at home."

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Mark Curry

happened. "I have to relive it every day," he said. "I don't have a problem goin' back. I have to live with it."

"Going from these lyrics, it must seem like I'm an emotional basket case. Writing about it keeps you

from getting locked up."

Curry has continued writing about it for his next album, which he will begin recording when this tour is over.

Perhaps, when the new CD is re-

leased Curry's record label will hold a release party at the Whitney. Curry is game.

"It was cool," he said. "It was outside. . . . It was happenin'. It was heavy in there."

Mark Curry and special guest Half Way Home perform on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$5.50. Must be 19 or older to enter. Doors open at 9:30 p.m. For more information, call 645-6666 or 996-8555.

# RingLeader gets ready for the fast track



RingLeader: Performs at the third annual Detroit/Midwest A&R Showcase at Club Hollywood in Mount Clemens.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

RingLeader has only played two gigs together but the group's so confident of its abilities that it's tentatively decided to bypass playing clubs "in the slums."

"I played there 10 years ago," said drummer Russ Nowak of Westland. "I don't want to play there again."

This may sound cocky but with Detroit punk rock veteran Gary Adams on guitar, they may be able to cut it. A former member of The Cubes (with Carolyn Striho), What Jane Shared? and Dark Carnival (with Ron and Scott Asheton of the MC5), Adams is ready to share his knowledge with the fledgling band.

"I personally have learned a lot about the local music business — what you have to do, what you shouldn't do. (Bands should) try to promote yourself and get good gigs

and get attention," the Livonia resident said.

He learned one other important piece of advice.

"I don't expect everyone to like us, sometimes people will tell you otherwise," Adams said.

Feedback so far has been positive. Its demo tape finished in the top 10 in the 89X Demo Derby contest last summer. On Thursday, Feb. 4, the group is playing as part of the third annual "Detroit/Midwest A&R Showcase" at Club Hollywood in Mount Clemens. The showcase offers 16 local bands the chance to play in front of representatives from record labels.

"This is the biggest break I've ever had," said Adams whose band formed in September 1990 as The Undecided. It later solidified as RingLeader.

Although a band hasn't been signed from the showcase, lead singer

Rich Genik said this gig guarantees he'll play in front of record company reps.

"This whole business is a crap shoot."

Genik is impressed that the band made it this far without trying to get a following — something only younger bands have an easy time getting.

"A following is just every one of your friends . . . people who have a lot more disposable time," he said.

He's confident of the band's ability, however.

"I guarantee that we will not sound like anybody else," Genik said.

RingLeader performs Thursday, Feb. 4, as part of the two-day third annual Detroit/Midwest A&R Showcase at Club Hollywood, 31 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens, at 7:30 p.m. Call 463-1800 for more information.

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# Malle and Irons do 'Damage' in their latest film

BY JOHN MONAGHAN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Louis Malle's best movies focus on the incongruity of relationships. Remember the May-December romance between Susan Sarandon and Burt Lancaster in "Atlantic City," Wally Shawn's awkward and hilarious "Dinner with Andre" and the mother-son coupling that climaxes "Murmur of the Heart"?

So it comes as little surprise that "Damage," Malle's latest, pairs a distinguished member of Parliament (Jeremy Irons) with his son's attractive young girl-

friend (Juliette Binoche). It's almost predictable in its provocative-

ness. Despite its shop-worn view of obsessive love, "Damage" has a surprising, almost inexplicable resonance. Malle, who has been making movies here and in his native France since the 1950s, works the story for all it's worth.

Irons' brilliantly played politico is introduced as a stuffy, passionless man as stiff and methodical at home as he is at work. His wife, the daughter of a veteran cabinet minister, pushes him into higher positions of power. When Michael

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finds out about his son's new flame, Anna, he's openly cynical about how long it will last.

Michael meets Anna and is stricken by her subtle mysteriousness. She calls him for a rendezvous, he calls her for another, and soon he's tailing Anna and son Martin on a trip to Paris, spying on them through a hotel window across a courtyard.

"Damage" can be viewed as either a sophisticated study of reck-

less love or an excuse for myriad sex scenes. Anna and Michael engage in ecstasy on the kitchen counter, on the floor, in a Paris alleyway, and once even in bed.

"I can't see past you," Michael confesses during one of their trysts, obviously thrown for a loop. She is cool, however, and uncomfortable with her lover's plan to leave his wife. "Why do you want something that you already have?"

Juliette Binoche, best known as the heroine in the pretentious "The Incredible Lightness of Being," makes an intense and quietly powerful femme fatale. On

the rare occasions when she does talk, she dredges up a troubled past. Damaged people, she says, survive even when the rest of the world crumbles around them.

Miranda Richardson, a busy actress in recent months with "The Crying Game" and "Enchanted April," has the thankless job of playing the cuckolded wife. Try as she might with emotional fireworks at the end, she brings little new to this familiar role.

Irons has also traveled this road before in "Swann in Love" and especially "Betrayal," Harold Pinter's experimental tale of marital infidelity. The script for "Damage," based on a popular

novel and adapted by David Hare, is so bleak that it makes Pinter look like Monty Python.

"Damage" retains its literary qualities and keeps the action appropriately claustrophobic. It heaps on the irony and foreshadowing while rarely allowing any joy into the characters' doomed lives.

Darkness defines "Damage" but it doesn't make it especially enjoyable to watch. Dramatic, screechy violins back a movie that expects its audience to be patient enough to recognize the well-drawn characters swimming beneath a murky surface of routine British sex and scandal.

## Statistics aren't always right



BARBARA SCHIFF

Dear Barbara:

I would like to know what you think about the current controversy in the Birmingham school district. Just in case you haven't been following it, I want to describe it for you and your readers.

The district teaches a health curriculum 80 hours in length; three forty-five minute classes are on homosexuality. In these classes, it was to be taught that 10 percent of the population is homosexual and that homosexuality is an inborn trait that cannot be "caught" or learned.

Further, it was also to be taught that pedophilia, or sex with young children, is primarily a problem of heterosexual men, not of homosexual men.

Conservative groups argued with these claims. They contend that the 10-percent figure is much too high and that only 1 to 5 percent of the population is homosexual. The district has agreed to change its instruction to be more in alignment with this contention.

Also, as I understand the changes, they will contain a more balanced view of homosexuality. The conservative groups are concerned that the instruction advocated, not just described, a homosexual lifestyle, and because the groups applied pressure, it will be now be taught that pedophilia is as prevalent in homosexuals as in heterosexuals.

Most of the parents in the district support tolerant education about homosexuality, but those who don't are vociferous in their arguments.

Since this controversy began I have heard many things about it. Recently, a friend told me that she has known many men who were accosted by other men during childhood and adolescence. To her, this means that pedophilia is more common among homo-

sexuals. She said that she thinks that young boys are ushered into a gay lifestyle through these experiences. Is this true?

Another friend said that her child said that after learning about being homosexual she would never want to be because the lifestyle is too hard. I had always thought that if you were born gay you had little choice. Do you know the answers to these questions? Do we need to worry that our children will be taught to be homosexual, or can we relax with the understanding that they are getting a well-rounded education that includes a humanitarian acceptance of many different kinds of people?

I thank you for your attention to this subject.

Chris

Dear Chris:

These are excellent questions; but let the reader beware, there is no final word. No one knows all of the answers. These issues are new and the changes in our culture are young; we do not yet have good, unbiased statistical studies that could help us to a clear view.

Homosexuality, since it came out of the closet, has been a hotly politicized issue. Whenever an issue is politicized, statistics are used for persuasion and not for discovery of the truth. When an issue is politicized, the numbers that are quoted will depend on one's bias, not on any consideration of balance and fairness. Authoritatively voiced statistics were thought to be a sophisticated argument until people caught on to the farce. We have learned that they often lie.

Throughout the nation, this issue is being debated. Even the most thoughtful educators and parents can't agree about what is

best for the young people they sincerely want to educate.

Whenever we educate, we find that there is a percentage of our audience that will ignore our instruction no matter what we do. For example, if the instruction is on safe sex, some, let's say 25 percent, will not use condoms regardless of what they are taught. Another, let's say 25 percent, wouldn't have sex with or without any instruction on the issue. So that is a ballpark figure of 50 percent for whom instruction made no difference. We are left with 50 percent who could change the way they think or act as a result of what they are taught.

We hope that with this group the education we provide will lead in a positive direction. In my example of safe sex, that would mean less promiscuity and greater vigilance about using condoms. In the case of homosexuality that would mean greater tolerance without idealization of a homosexual lifestyle and no experimentation with it. But even with the very best of intentions, there will probably be a small number of students who are highly impressionable and already in a state of chaos, and who will not use the education in the positive way we had hoped for.

Homosexuals will say there is zero percent chance of this happening. Homophobes will exaggerate the percentage upward. Unfortunately, we do not know the accurate statistics either way.

With this choice and with any other choice there is a price to pay. Each person has a right to be respected for his or her choice. As well, we are all responsible to be aware of the danger of our choices, however small.

Barbara

## SCREEN SCENE

### ■ ABBEY THEATER

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"Johnny Suede" (USA — 1992). This offbeat cult film finally makes it to Detroit, perhaps to capitalize on the success of "A River Runs Through It" star Brad Pitt. He's featured as a mildly talented musician whose life takes a turn for the better when he acquires a pair of suede shoes and a new girlfriend. Tina Louise (Ginger from "Gilligan's Island") also appears, along with alternative music performers Allison Moir and Nick Cave. See it while you have the chance.

"Enchanted April" (Britain — 1992). Four very different English women rent a castle on the Italian Riviera with magical results. Though the film is a bit sappy, it's still a warm way to spend a frigid February night. Miranda Richardson and Joan Plowright star.

### ■ DETROIT FILM THEATRE

5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call 833-2323 for information. (\$5)

"My New Gun" (USA — 1992), 7 and 9:30 p.m. Feb. 5-6 and 4 and 7 p.m. Feb. 7. Stacy Cochran, a 33-year-old independent filmmaker, concocted this wry new comedy starring Diane Lane,

James LeGros and Tess Harper.

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4135 W. Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills. Call 855-9090 for show times. (\$5.75 evenings; \$2.95 twilight)

"The Crying Game" (Ireland — 1992). Love, loyalty, murder, and seduction are the themes of this stylized new thriller from Neil Jordan. Giving away the plot would be doing an injustice, so suffice it to say that the Irish director of "Mona Lisa" and "The Miracle" provides more twists and turns than a ride on the Tilt-a-Whirl. Stephen Rea, Miranda Richardson, Forest Whitaker and Adrian Dunbar star.

### ■ MICHIGAN THEATRE

603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call 668-8397 for information. (\$5; \$4 students and senior citizens)

"Wild Strawberries" (Sweden — 1957), 4:15 p.m. Feb. 1 and 7 p.m. Feb. 2. Ingmar Bergman's classic study of an elderly professor en route to receive an award who recalls his bittersweet past.

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and "The Miracle" provides more twists and turns than a ride on the Tilt-a-Whirl. Stephen Rea, Miranda Richardson, Forest Whitaker and Adrian Dunbar star.

"A Small Giant of Love" (Russia — 1992), 7 p.m. Feb. 5. Marat is a photographer and Casanova who prowls the beach at a seaside resort. His mysterious disappearance leads to wild rumors. Directed by Nikolai Dostal.

"Paradise Cloud" (Russia — 1991), 3:10 p.m. Feb. 7. Also directed by Nikolai Dostal, a sad and ironic parable about Andrei, a professional clown who tries to draw attention to himself by saying that he's leaving. His plan unfortunately backfires in this European award winner.

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— John Monaghan

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# County autistic kids bound for Washington D.C.

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW  
STAFF WRITER

A little late for the inauguration, but still pumped up like bicycle tires in spring, 11 autistic students from Garden City's Burger Center school will trek east in March for a visit to Washington, D.C.

"Most of these students in the future will never have the opportunity to travel on their own," said Burger teacher Debby Furlow, and so the importance of a simple extended field trip grows in accordance with the condition of the children involved.

The Burger Center, operated with Wayne County property tax money, is a depot of sorts for 240 autistic county residents who do

not or cannot function and/or fit in in typical public schools.

Autism is a developmental disorder that affects social and language skills dramatically. There is, as yet, no known cure.

Autistic people have difficulty with the social interaction that most of us are pretty comfortable with, but many are quite gifted in certain intellectual processes, although only a small percentage of them are "autistic savants" like Dustin Hoffman's character in the film "Rainman."

The students going on the Washington trip were selected by Burger staff based on their ability to handle, appreciate and pay for the excursion.

Tremendously excited about the impending adventure, the students are busy learning all they can about the capital.

"We have quite a few boys who know more about what they're going to see than the average student," said teacher Barb Bayson.

The idea for a field trip to Washington has been kicked around for a couple years by the Burger staff, but they thought it was kaput when a grant request to pay for everything was rejected. "This is a new adventure on our part," Furlow said. "We played with the idea for a good two years."

So the kids, their teachers and their parents got down to the business of fund-raising. Pump-

kins, grapefruits and oranges were gathered and sold. One parent, Connie House of Livonia, sold Watkins products and donated her commission. And carnations will be sold on Valentine's Day in February. (Call Furlow at 425-7630 to buy one.)

The income of many of the parents is not large, but they've been sacrificing in other areas so that they might help pay their kid's expenses, set at \$369 each.

"It's really a big problem for them to come up with that much money," Furlow said.

Student Scott House, 9, of Livonia, was so excited about going, Furlow said, that he wanted to start packing a suitcase in January.

The rest of the lucky travelers will be: Adam Collins, 11, of Plymouth, Justin Lawson of Garden City, John O'Brien, 15, of Southgate, Dustin Fike, 9, of Belleville, Dana Bonner, 15, Maurice and Marvin Schley, 14, Michael Bryant, 10, Jarrell Jimeron, 15, Walter Kinsel, 15.

Accompanying them will be

parents Pricilla Collins, Pat Sumara, Mary Fike and teachers Furlow, Bayson and Sue Sendelbach.

Two other students — Matthew Maple, 9, of Van Buren Township, and Floyd Blakely, 15, of Detroit — will go, too, if enough money can be raised, Furlow said.

The teachers are also looking for donations and corporate sponsors for the trip. To make a donation or be a sponsor, call 425-7630.

## Conference examines family strife

The cycle between substance abuse and family problems is a never ending one. Are dysfunctional families the cause of individuals turning to drugs and alcohol abuse? Or are addicted family members causing stress and crises in otherwise "normal" families?

These questions will be explored at a regional conference for social service and education professionals to be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at the University of Detroit Mercy Conference Center on Outer Drive at the Southfield Freeway.

Called "Ready or Not: Family

Centered Care for Addictions," the conference is sponsored by the U-D Mercy Addiction Studies Institute and the Michigan Council on Family Relations.

Registration for the conference is \$40, \$25 for students. Call 993-6317.

## YWCA plans travel activities

The Young Women's Christian Association of Western Wayne County has announced its winter-spring travel day schedule.

Saturday, Feb. 13: Travelers will have lunch at Northville's Rose Cottage, then go to the

George Burns Theatre in Livonia to see Mario Thomas in "Six Degrees of Separation."

Saturday, March 6: Lunch is planned at the Pike Street Restaurant in Pontiac, then a play called "Plaza Suite" at Meadow

Brook Theater in Auburn Hills will be seen.

Saturday, April 3: Travelers will see the play "Forbidden Broadway" in Detroit, then have dinner in the Dearborn Inn.

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## WESTLAND SPORTS SCENE

### Meixner to Hillsdale

Jason Meixner, a 6-foot-5, 240-pound two-way tackle from Livonia Franklin, will sign a national letter-of-intent Wednesday to play football at Hillsdale College.

Meixner, a second-team All-ObsERVER pick and All-Western Division choice in the Western Lakes Activities Association, also made visits to Wayne State, Ferris State and Grand Valley State.

"I liked the small campus, but they also have a strong football and academic background as well," said Meixner, who carries a 3.2 grade-point average and plans to major in business administration.

The two-way tackle helped the Patriots to a 7-2 record this season. He is also a member of the Franklin basketball team.

Meixner becomes the second Observerland griddler to commit to the Chargers, who gained a share of the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference championship last fall with Ferris State and Butler.

All-ObsERVER defensive back Keye Smith (Farmington Harrison) also will sign with Hillsdale.

### Livonian wins race

Chuck Block of Livonia was the overall winner in the Metro-Macomb Runners three-mile run Jan. 23 at Metropolitan Beach in Harrison Township.

Block's first-place time was 16:24.

### Sportsmanship week

The Western Lakes Activities Association has designated the week of Feb. 8-12 as WLAA Sportsmanship Week.

Each of the 12 schools that make up the league will be emphasizing the value of good sportsmanship through a variety of activities.

Daily announcements will contain quotations related to sportsmanship. Letters will also be sent to different groups such as cheerleaders, students, student-athletes, parents and fans.

Announcements will also be read at athletic events, and 1,000 "Be a Sport" buttons will be distributed in each school.

It's the desire of the administration and athletic directors that all parties realize that athletics are an extension of the classroom, and in order for everyone to receive their full benefits, all parties must display good sportsmanship at athletic contests.

### Interior bodybuilding

Madonna University will offer a winter term course, "Working with Weights," from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 3 through March 3; or 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, Feb. 6 through April 3. (No classes March 3 and 6.)

The course is \$40 per person.

The course will be taught by a marathoner, triathlete and personal trainer to flex away pain and stress, increase strength and flexibility at a pace designed for each individual. Students will also learn stretching techniques to control weight and firm muscles.

For more information, or to register by phone with credit card, call 591-5188.

### Westlander cards ace

Thomas Sparkman of Westland, who scored an ace Aug. 24, 1992, on the 116-yard, No. 13 hole at Glenhurst Golf Course in Redford, has been entered in the 32nd annual Drambaie Rusty Nail Sweepstakes.

### Benefit hockey game

The Red Wing Oldtimers will face the Law Auto Sales senior hockey team in a benefit game 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at the Redford Ice Arena.

All proceeds will go toward the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan.

Tickets are \$2.50 apiece. British Airways will raffle off a pair of round-trip tickets for two to Montreal. An auction, featuring Red Wing memorabilia and merchandise, will be held between periods.

For more information, call 937-2727 or 722-5200.

### EMU baseball clinic

Eastern Michigan University will host a baseball coaches clinic and players camp 8:30 a.m. (registration) to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at Bowen Fieldhouse.

The cost is \$15 for coaches and high school seniors (includes McDonald's lunch). The registration fee is \$35 for players 16 and under allowed to participate in workouts. The deadline for pre-registration is Wednesday, Feb. 10. (There will be a \$10 late registration fee.)

For more information, call 487-0315.

### USA basketball

Pete Hill is organizing boys and girls basketball teams (grades 5-12) to compete in USA Youth Basketball regional and national tournaments.

For more information, call Hill at 352-2893.

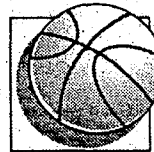
**Checkmate:** Churchill's Steve Grom (left) looks to make the hit on Franklin's Scott Weier during Friday's Suburban High School Hockey League encounter at Livonia's Edgar Arena. Churchill skated off with a 5-1 victory. See next page for more details.



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## Board game

### Borgess owns glass in victory over CC, 70-68



In a battle of Catholic League Central Division basketball rivals, Redford Bishop Borgess held on for the victory against Redford Catholic Central, 70-68.

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to rebounding, Redford Bishop Borgess cleans the glass with Windex.

The Spartans, bolstered by the play of frontliners 6-foot-5 Perry Robinson 6-3 Charles Smith and 6-8 Randy Whitfield, went to the backboards with a vengeance, squeaking out a 70-68 Catholic League Central Division victory Friday over visiting Redford Catholic Central.

Robinson collected a team-high 27 points to go along with 13 rebounds. Smith, also active around the hoop, added 19, while Whitfield contributed 14 points and 15 rebounds. Junior guard Razzar Riley also got into the act, scoring 11.

The win gives Borgess an 8-3 overall record and 4-2 slate in the division.

"We were relentless on the boards, but we also took a pounding to do it,"

said Borgess first-year coach Glen Donahue, who notched his 600th career coaching win, which includes 515 in the college ranks and 75 in high school. "Rebounding saved us. Sometime we've got to play some defense."

The Spartans couldn't check 6-5 senior forward Brian Paluk of CC, who peppered the nets for a game-high 32 points on 12 of 20 shooting from the floor.

Despite Paluk's heroic efforts, CC fell to 5-7 overall and 3-3 in the Central.

"We played hard and that's all we can ask, win or lose," CC coach Bernie Holowicki said. "We played hard and smart, but they killed us on the boards, almost two to one. In the second half it seemed they had four or five tips every time."

The Shamrocks, however, stayed right with the taller Spartans.

Paluk notched his fourth 3-pointer of the night to pull CC within one, 69-

68, with 24 seconds to play. That came after Robinson had given Borgess a four-point cushion with a pair of free throws at the 1:22 mark.

With 20 seconds to go, Borgess turned the ball over, but CC couldn't capitalize as Whitfield got a piece of Paluk's shot in the lane.

Spartan reserve guard Wendell Green was then fouled.

He made the first of two free throws with nine seconds left to put Borgess ahead 70-68, but missed the second.

With the two teams battling for the rebound, an inadvertent horn sounded as Robinson grabbed the shot and scored.

Officials stopped the action.

After a conference, it was determined that the play was ruled dead by the whistle resulting in a jump-ball situation. The possession arrow pointed CC's way, giving the Shamrocks new life with seven seconds left.

"The rule reads that the horn cannot stop play," said Donahue, who questioned the call. "When the refs stopped it the ball (by Robinson) was already in the basket."

The Shamrocks, however, never got a shot off as sophomore guard Damien Baskerville (12 points) was stripped as time expired.

"We had two fouls to give," Donahue said. "I told them (during the timeout) don't let them get off a shot."

Catholic Central's attempt to get the ball into Paluk's hands never materialized.

"We didn't want to tie, we were going for the win," Holowicki said. "We had hoped to get the ball to Brian for three because he was red-hot today."

Junior guard Andy Slankster chipped in with 15 points for the Shamrocks, including a three-point shot that beat the buzzer to end the third quarter, pulling CC to within a pair, 54-52.

He also gave CC a brief 59-58 advantage with 5:11 left, converting a three-point play after an acrobatic tip-in.

Jeff Gutt, a 6-3 senior, also came off the bench to score 11 for the Shamrocks.

"Bernie's team is well-coached, and they ran a lot of good plays," Donahue said. "They're fierce competitors."

"And we knew Paluk would have to play a great game for them to beat us and he did. He's a fine player, and you have to take your hat off to him."

## Rockets get even in Lakes

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Westland John Glenn threw a monkey wrench into the Lakes Division wrestling race Thursday.

The Rockets jetted into Livonia Stevenson's gym Thursday and came away with a convincing 41-22 dual-meet victory.

With one divisional meet left, Glenn, Stevenson and Plymouth Salem are all tied with 3-1 records.

"We had four get pinned against Plymouth Salem (a three-point dual meet loss), but tonight we had only two get nailed... some nights you get fortunate," Glenn coach Dave Hill said. "When a pin is worth six points, one match could make it a 12-point swing one way or the other."

"Stevenson is a good team, and it was a close match, even though the score may not indicate it."

Glenn got a lift from junior 125-pounder Mike Henry, who held on for a 6-3 decision against Stevenson freshman Jon Sata.

It was one of the most entertaining matches of the night, along with 130-pound bout between Stevenson's Chris Jaztremski and Glenn's Matt Douglas (won by Jaztremski on a 12-8 decision).

Henry had control throughout much of the match, but nearly got pinned during the waning seconds of the third period.

"I just had to go out and wrestle smart," said Henry, who is now 16-7 overall. "I met him (Sata) this year in another tournament, and I won by two points, so I knew it would be



ANN HEALEY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Stranglehold:** Chris Jaztremski (right) of Livonia Stevenson scored a 12-8 decision in the 130-pound match over Matt Douglas during Thursday's Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet.

tough.

"I kind of messed up on one move," Stevenson's Dan Christenson (103) staked his team to a 4-0 lead by opening the meet with a 13-0 decision over John Haile, but the Rockets went on to score five pins — Anthony Underwood (112), Aaron Teague (119), Matt Graca (135), defending state champion and unbeaten Mike Reeves (160), and Shawn Arbogast (heavyweight).

Brian Kolb, a 171-pounder, clinched the victory for Glenn by scoring a 17-5 decision against Ben Lewis.

"Their 171-pounder (Kolb) was impressive, he really dominated and wrestled well," Berg said. "To win a match like this you have to win seven matches, and that means you have to

have seven horses. We didn't come to wrestle in a couple of places, and Glenn came to wrestle."

"We just had some plow horses tonight, but I know they can wrestle better. They're young. We go with six sophomores, two juniors and a freshman. They're not overly experienced, but they're coming."

Stevenson pulled to within 21-19 on the scoreboard after Scott Goldman (140) and Chris Mullett (145) scored pins, but Glenn got moving again when 152-pounder Gerry Simoneau decided Mike Hernandez, 16-6.

Stevenson's only victory among the final five matches occurred at 189, where Craig Martin upped his record to 18-0 with a 5-1 decision over Jim Lock.

## WRESTLING

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Experienced necessary 932-2500
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SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST
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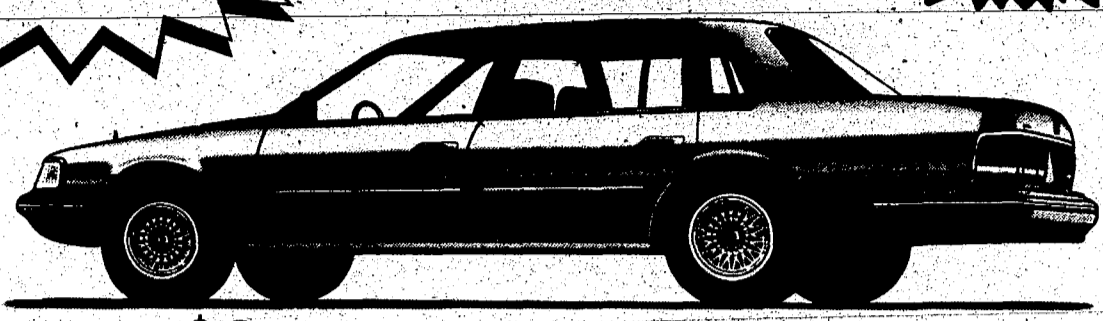
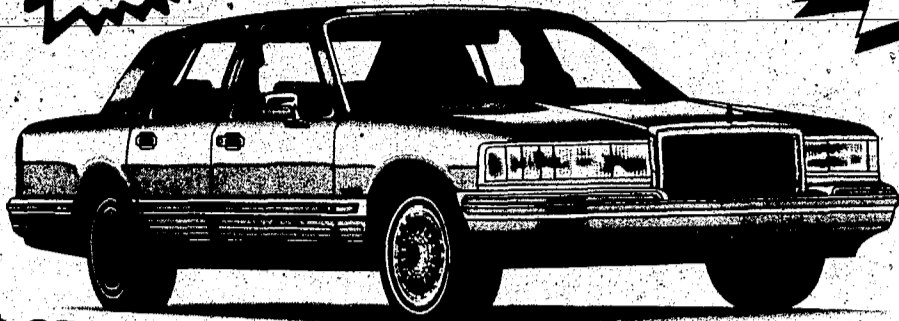
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Down payment	0
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Total of monthly payments	\$11,997 <sup>90</sup>

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**\$437<sup>28</sup> \***  
per month

24 monthly lease payments at	\$437 <sup>28</sup>
Refundable security deposit	\$475 <sup>00</sup>
Down payment	0
Total cash due at lease inception	\$929 <sup>28</sup>
Total of monthly payments	\$10,914 <sup>28</sup>

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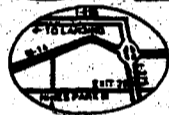
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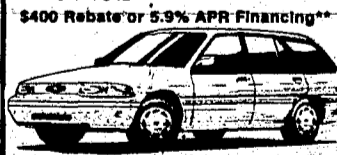
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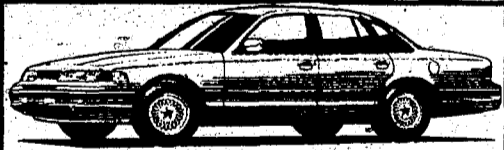
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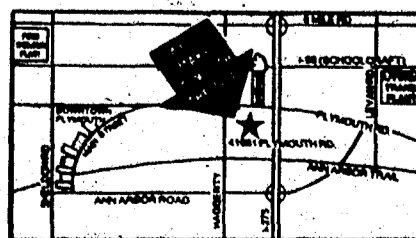
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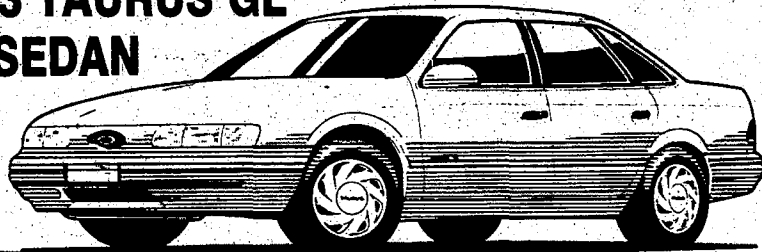
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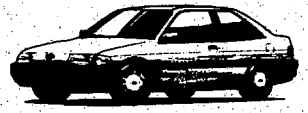
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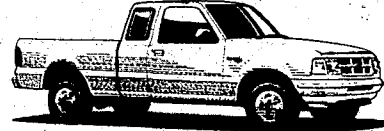
**NEW 1993 RANGER 4x2 XLT**



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, rear anti-lock brakes, XLT trim, AM/FM stereo cassette, sliding rear window, chrome front bumper, chrome rear step bumper, console, cast aluminum deep dish wheels, cargo box light, dome light, moldings, spoiler, light group, instrumentation, interval wipers, scuff plates. Stock #1166T.

WAS \$12,053 **\$9113\***  
IS

**NEW 1993 RANGER 4x2 SUPER CAB XLT**



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, sliding rear window, rear jump seat, AM/FM stereo cassette, cargo cover, chrome rear step bumper, automatic overdrive transmission, speed control & tilt steering, air conditioning, super engine cooling, limited aluminum deep dish wheels, 3.73 ratio limited slip axle, cargo box light, moldings, spoiler, instrumentation. Stock #11434T.

WAS \$16,609 **\$14,101\***  
IS

**NEW 1993 RANGER 4x4 XLT**



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, rear anti-lock brakes, touch drive electronic shift, tachometer, interval wipers, sliding rear window, AM/FM stereo cassette, console, automatic overdrive transmission, clearcoat paint, power mirrors, body side moldings, cargo box light, dome light, instrumentation, light group, spoiler. Stock #11388.

WAS \$17,237 **\$14,601\***  
IS

**NEW 1993 AEROSTAR XL PLUS WAGON**



Power steering & brakes, tinted glass, rear anti-lock brakes, air bag, 7 passenger with dual captain's chairs, automatic with overdrive transmission, air conditioning, XL trim, privacy glass, electric rear window defroster, AM/FM stereo, convenience group, courtesy lamps, instrumentation, super cooling, interval wipers, fold-away mirrors. Stock #10326.

WAS \$18,993 **\$14,462\***  
IS

**NEW 1993 F-150 4X2**



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, overdrive transmission, XL trim, cargo box light, instrumentation, vent windows, power paint, dome light, courtesy lights, moldings, scuff plates, interval wipers. Stock #11529.

WAS \$11,618 **\$9801\***  
IS

**NEW 1993 F-150 4X2 SUPER CAB PICKUP**



XLT Lariat trim, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, rear anti-lock brakes, air, power door locks, power windows, V-8 engine, trailer-towing package, automatic overdrive, cloth captain chairs, chrome rear step bumper, aluminum wheels, sliding rear window, light group, convenience group, AM/FM stereo cassette, speed control, tilt, vent window, cargo box light. Stock #11356.

WAS \$21,401 **\$16,928\***  
IS

**NEW 1993 F-150 4X4 SUPER CAB PICKUP**



Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, rear anti-lock brakes, speed control, tilt steering, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, light group, convenience group, power locks, power windows, automatic overdrive transmission, P265-75R15XL white letter all terrain tires, trailer towing package, electric shift 4x4, touch drive, sliding rear window, forged aluminum wheels, chrome rear step bumper, cloth captain chairs, courtesy lights, vent windows, instrumentation. Stock #11370.

WAS \$23,975 **\$19,117\***  
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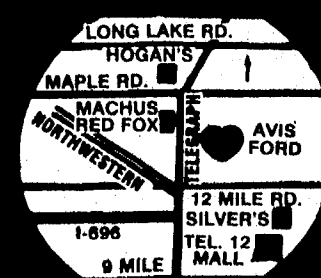
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WAS \$27,432 **\$21,101\***  
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<b>1986 Crown Victoria 4 Door</b> V8, automatic, air, extra clean! <b>\$2995</b>	<b>1988 Tempo 4 Door GL</b> Automatic, air, power steering, power brakes, air, 32,000 miles. <b>\$130<sup>99</sup></b> per month	<b>1991 Continental</b> Black with black leather, ABS, dual power, GEO wheels, keyless entry, automatic lamp group, EX series. <b>\$15,995</b>	<b>1992 Taurus GL 4 Door</b> V6, automatic, air, tilt, cruise, cassette, power windows & locks, power seats, console, leather seats, alloy wheels. <b>\$12,500</b>	<b>1990 Jeep Cherokee Laredo 4 Door</b> Red, 4x4, 4.0L engine, automatic, air, power windows & locks, cruise, cassette, alloy wheels. <b>\$199<sup>99</sup></b> per mo.	<b>1992 Aerostar XL Plus Package</b> Power windows, power locks, extended, air, cassette, tilt steering, cruise. <b>\$11,995</b>	<b>1991 Ranger XLT</b> Air, cassette, cruise, tilt, alloy wheels, V6. <b>\$7595</b>
<b>1986 Cougar</b> Automatic, air, power locks/windows/seats, tilt & cruise/stereo. <b>\$3995</b>	<b>1988 Taurus LX 4 Door</b> 3.8L V6 engine, automatic, air, tilt steering, cruise, full power, moon roof. <b>\$183<sup>99</sup></b> per month	<b>1991 Topaz XR5</b> Automatic, air, power windows & locks, tilt, cruise, extra clean! <b>\$8595</b>	<b>1992 Topaz 4 Door</b> GS, automatic, air, power steering & brakes, cruise, tilt, power windows & locks, cassette, V6 engine. <b>\$9295</b>	<b>1991 Mustang Hatchback</b> 11,800 miles, grey wheels, air, power steering, power brakes, power windows, power locks, stereo. <b>\$147<sup>00</sup></b> per month	<b>1991 Ford E350 Utilmaster Cube Van</b> 480, V8 engine, flat floor, automatic, air, overdrive, cruise, 14 ft. <b>\$10,995</b>	<b>1991 Explorer Eddie Bauer 4x4</b> Automatic, air, leather, moonroof. <b>\$14,995</b>
<b>1985 Ford Cargo Van</b> V-6, automatic, power steering & brakes, 1/2 ton. <b>\$2195</b>	<b>1990 Mustang LX</b> Power steering & brakes, power windows & locks, tilt, cruise, stereo. <b>\$101<sup>99</sup></b> per month	<b>1990 Taurus Wagon GL</b> Automatic, air, power windows, locks, cruise, tilt, V6, loaded, only 35,000 miles. <b>\$8995</b>	<b>1992 Probe GL Caypo</b> Automatic, air, stereo, sport wheels. <b>\$9900</b>	<b>1991 Escort GT</b> "Green," automatic, air, power steering, power brakes, stereo, tilt steering. <b>\$147<sup>00</sup></b> per month	<b>1990 Aerostar 4x4</b> Eddie Bauer extended, 4.0L, automatic, dual air, computer wheel, dual seat bed, loaded, loaded! <b>\$13,995</b>	<b>1990 Suburban</b> Silverado, automatic, air, loaded, power steering & brakes, power windows & locks, cruise, only 22,000 miles. <b>\$10,995</b>
<b>1986 Esport Wagon</b> Automatic, stereo, low miles, air, power steering, power brakes. <b>\$2995</b>	<b>1990 Tempo 4 Door GL</b> Alg, cruise, tilt steering, power steering, power brakes. <b>\$101<sup>99</sup></b> per month	<b>1991 Mustang LX</b> 5.0 liter, air, 5 speed, cruise, tilt, cassette, aluminum wheels, airbag. <b>\$9995</b>	<b>1992 Mustang LX Convertible</b> "Green," automatic, air, cruise, cassette player, power windows & locks, 9,000 miles. <b>\$11,900</b>	<b>1992 Tempo 4 Door GL</b> Automatic, air, power windows & locks, cruise, tilt, stereo. <b>\$136<sup>00</sup></b> per month	<b>1991 Ford Club Wagon XLT</b> 8 passenger, dual air, power windows & locks, cruise, tilt, loaded, tu-tone. <b>\$9995</b>	<b>1991 Ford F150 Super Cab</b> Dual tone, power steering & brakes, stereo, only 13,000 miles. <b>\$9995</b>
<b>1989 Mustang LX</b> Automatic, air, power steering, power brakes, stereo, power windows & locks. <b>\$3995</b>	<b>1989 Crown Victoria LX 4 Door</b> Power windows & locks, power seat, cassette player, wire wheels, clean. <b>\$159<sup>99</sup></b> per month	<b>1990 Thunderbird Super Coupe</b> White, 32,000 miles, leather, moonroof, JBL, power windows/locks/seats, cassette. <b>\$12,595</b>	<b>1992 Tempo</b> Red, automatic, air, alloy wheels, power locks, stereo, only 3,600 miles. <b>\$7995</b>	<b>1991 Ford Cargo Van E300</b> 1 ton, automatic, white, great work truck! <b>\$201<sup>00</sup></b> per month	<b>1990 Ford Super Club Wagon</b> Wheelchair lift, V8, automatic, air, 40,000 miles. <b>\$8995</b>	<b>1988 Ford F350 "Dodge Truck"</b> V8, white, power steering, power brakes, 10.5 ton body. <b>\$14,995</b>
<b>1987 Sable 4 Door</b> Automatic, air, power steering and brakes, power locks. <b>\$4295</b>	<b>1988 Thunderbird Turbo Coupe</b> 5 speed, air, cassette player, power windows & locks, cruise, tilt steering, red & ready! <b>\$190<sup>99</sup></b> per mo.	<b>1990 Probe GT</b> Rear defroster, automatic, air, cassette player, 41,000 miles. <b>\$7595</b>	<b>1992 Crown Victoria</b> 4.6 V8, automatic, air, tilt, cruise, cassette player, power windows & locks, power steering, alloy wheels. <b>\$15,900</b>	<b>1991 Club Wagon XLT</b> V8, automatic, dual air, power windows & locks, cruise, tilt, stereo, 8 passenger. <b>\$299<sup>00</sup></b> per month	<b>1991 Aerostar Extended</b> 7 passenger, 4.0 liter engine, dual air, automatic, sofa bed, wheels, trailer towing package. <b>\$12,995</b>	<b>1988 Ford F350 "Dodge Truck"</b> V8, automatic, air, "Dodge Package", 10.5 ton, 5 ton body. <b>\$13,995</b>
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