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\$100, Kelly Chorlogian of Wayne Memorial, \$200, and Renata Eberhart of John Glenn, \$50.

Welcoming spring

The Westland Senior Resources Department will hold its annual "Welcome Back Spring" celebration noon to 4 p.m. Friday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, north of Marquette. There will be a dinner, dancing to the Waco country western band, refreshments, dance contest and

door prizes. The department will also announce the winners of its annual Seniors of the Year, based on leadership and service.

Bike safety day

A bicycle safety day will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Sam's Warehouse, on Central City Parkway (Cowan), west of Wayne Road. There will be free bike safety checks with repairs by D&D Bike Shop, Westland. The program is hosted by the Westland police department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education program and Sam's Warehouse. Bike owners can also register their bikes. Sam's is also planning a drawing, with winners to receive mountain bikes. Proceeds will be benefit the DARE program. Other co-sponsors are Little Caesars, Bakers Square and McDonald's.

Livonia school board seeks new member

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

An opportunity exists for Livonia Public School District residents who want to sit on the school board, said trustee Joe Laura Monday in seeking applicants for a seat that becomes vacant July 1.

"Having a trustee appointed gives us the rare opportunity to go past the election process and have someone come in because of community service," Laura said.

The deadline for submitting an application is 4:30 p.m. Monday, June 6. The trustees will interview candidates June 13.

The board's appointment is for one year. The successful candidate will assume Sue Thompson's seat July 1 and serve until June 1995.

Who will serve the last year of Thompson's three-year term will be determined in the June 1995 school election.

Several trustees Monday urged res-

idents to step up to the challenge.

"We need people who are willing to spend the time and who care about kids and their education," said trustee Pat Tancill.

Trustee Richard McKnight, who lives in Westland, urged residents in the Westland portion of the district to apply.

To trustee Sue Clulow, being appointed to the seat means a resident won't have to bear the costs of running an election. "It costs money to

run. Maybe there are those who didn't want to come out for an election who will come out for an interview."

Candidates must:

- Be registered to vote in the Livonia Public Schools.
- Be at least age 18, a citizen of the United States and a resident of Michigan for at least 30 days. Candidates don't have to own property in the dis-

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Verdict delayed in trial

■ Wednesday, jurors in a Detroit Recorder's Court trial remained deadlocked on a decision involving a Westland man charged with setting his house on fire in an effort to kill his wife and children.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER



A jury was deadlocked Wednesday morning in trying to decide whether a Westland man set fire to his house in hopes of killing his pregnant wife and two children as they slept.

Deliberating for a second day, a Detroit Recorder's Court jury told Judge Vera Massey Jones that they were at an impasse, but Jones ordered jurors to resume their closed-door discussions.

"You might say they're deliberating under protest," defense attorney Otis Culpepper said in a court hallway.

The impasse raised questions of whether the jury would be able to reach a verdict in the case of Robert Michael Mulka, 27. He is charged with three counts of assault with intent to murder and one count of arson.

However, Jones ordered jurors to resume deliberations Wednesday afternoon, in hopes that the deadlock could be broken.

Mulka's wife, Wendy, 22, narrowly escaped with the couple's two daughters, ages 1 and 7, when fire raced through their 32529 Palmer Road home about 6:30 a.m. May 25, 1993. They climbed out of a bedroom window.

Prosecutors and police contend that Mulka doused the living room with a flammable liquid before he left for work that morning. But Mulka and his two attorneys have blamed the fire on a cigarette that was left burning.

Culpepper has indicated that a hairspray can in the living room also may have contributed to the rapid spread of the fire.

On Wednesday, Culpepper responded to questions about the case by raising doubts that the charges will stick. In particular, he has said prosecutors failed to show that any flammable liquids were found in carpet samples.

But Westland fire officials have said the fire couldn't have spread like it did without the use of a flammable liquid.

Police have said Mulka was experiencing financial problems when the incident occurred, but Culpepper has denied the allegations. Moreover, Culpepper said the Mulkas weren't

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Carnival coming: Ryan Greenfield (left) and brother Christopher donned their uniforms and swing bats to promote this week's Wayne Ford Civic League carnival, which will conclude Sunday night.

Civic League carnival to raise money to support ball teams

The Wayne Ford Civic League will hold a carnival and other fun activities this week to raise money for its youth recreation program and building renovations.

Neal Greenfield, the group's vice president, said some 100,000 fliers and coupons have been distributed through area schools and businesses to promote attendance at the carnival, to be held on the league's grounds on the west side of Wayne Road, south of Ford.

He emphasized that there is a coupon for all-day rides, which represents a potential savings for children and their parents.

Greenfield said the carnival is the first held by the league in 18 years.

"We feel the civic league has been an asset and will be even bigger under the group's new administration."

He pointed out that the league donates one-third of its \$250,000 of proceeds to local nonprofit service organizations.

Proceeds from the carnival and related activities will help the league sponsor its 20 T-ball and baseball teams, he said. All players receive uniforms as well as a trophy.

The recreation program serves youngsters, ages 4-10, with the league planning an expansion for 11- to 13-year-olds next season.

Proceeds will also be used to improve the building. Plans call for

improvements to the parking lot as well as landscaping and a general beautification.

The league, which constructed the first portion of its building in early 1952, is one of the community's oldest service organizations.

There will be carnival rides only Thursday with the rides to start Friday and continue through Sunday along with numerous other activities.

Rides will be held 3 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday.

For Friday, there will be pony rides 4-8 p.m., children's midway games 6 p.m. to midnight, bingo 6-9

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Compromise reached on trash bin

residents want to place near the property line dividing the two developments.

Both complexes are on Hunter west of Wayne Road, with Hunter's Pointe immediately to the east of Castlewood.

In a compromise, Castlewood's board of directors has agreed to a brick enclosed trash bin that also will have a roof to shield it from the view of Hunter's Pointe residents.

Castlewood residents said they had nowhere else to put the Dumpster

Earlier plans to place it on the west side of their property were ditched because fire officials said the Dumpster would pose a hurdle to emergency routes.

Earlier this month, Hunter's Pointe residents flocked to a Westland City Council meeting to oppose the trash bin, prompting the council to defer a vote. But the council, which had no apparent legal basis for denying the Dumpster, approved it

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Stress, satisfaction go together for Westland nurse



SPOT PHOTO BY BERRY ZOLYNSKI

Careful measurement: Wiljanen "draws up" medication in a syringe as she prepares to give an injection.

By ALICE CORLETT
Staff Writer

Westland nurse Darlene Wiljanen finds it "very difficult" to leave her hospital life when she goes home.

"I'm working on it, and it's a little better now. I'm trying to recognize that I have another life," she said.

Wiljanen, who works at Providence Hospital in Southfield, was assigned to the sixth floor medical/surgical unit when she earned an RN degree three years ago.

Two words sum up nursing for Wiljanen — satisfying and stressful.

"The first year is very difficult. I'm sure other nurses feel the same way. When you start out, you feel like you should know everything and be able to help everybody. Of course, you can't. That year I thought, 'Oh, I've made the wrong choice!'"

But then, as you come to accept the fact that you can't know everything and make everyone well, you begin to get satisfaction from what you can do, she continued.

"I always try and think of how I can make it better for a patient who has just gotten bad news. And when it's good news, I feel better. I love my profession now."

Because May 6-12 was National Nurses Week, a reporter spent a few hours at Providence one day that week following Wiljanen on her morning rounds.

On this particular day, one of Wiljanen's patients, Mary Lou Gitre, a retired teacher, was waiting for a very important pathology report. Wiljanen was waiting, too.

Was the endometrial cancer Gitre's surgeon had removed three days earlier contained — that is, had it spread to other parts of the patient's body?

Gitre knew a photographer and reporter were coming, and she agreed to be interviewed. "She's a lovely nurse," Gitre said of Wiljanen.

"I feel fine," Gitre told us. "It only hurts when I get up or when I cough."

"I hope I'm free of cancer. I'm waiting to find out. The doctor is waiting for the pathology report. He thinks it will be good."

That morning — a typical one — Wiljanen checked charts, spent time with her assigned patients, making them feel comfortable, monitoring their physical and

emotional conditions, distributing medications, consulting with physicians and other nurses and doing many other related things.

Also among her assigned patients that morning was William Florence of Detroit, who was recovering from prostate surgery and a woman with a large abdominal mass determined to be non-malignant.

"Darlene and I have become attached," Florence said, as she checked his blood pressure. Both his pressure and lungs were "good," Wiljanen told him. Later that morning, she helped him walk up and down the hallway.

Wiljanen was in her sophomore year at Henry Ford Community College and hadn't yet decided on a career, she said. "I have two sisters who are nurses and they kind of persuaded me. Once I got into it, I enjoyed it."

"My sisters were in obstetrics, the happy aspect. That's kind of what I wanted when I started, but that's not always easy to get into because a lot of nurses want that happy setting. So I applied here to get the experience on the floor. I've been here ever since."

With all of its stresses, nursing is very rewarding, she said. "I love my profession."

Later that day, after the reporter and photographer had left, Wiljanen called with "good news."

Gitre's pathology report was good. "I thought you'd want to know," Wiljanen said. "Her doc-

tor knew how anxious she was but she hadn't answered her phone. So he called and asked me to tell her that it was good news." It was a good day for Gitre and for Wiljanen, too.

Providence employs 1,100-1,200 licensed nurses, many of them with bachelor's and master's degrees, throughout its hospital and medical centers, according to Myrna Holland, RN/MSN, director of nursing quality assessment.

"I think the public respects the nursing profession," said Holland, "but it doesn't always have an appreciation for the scope of nursing practice. We're the individuals who deal with the person as a whole and integrate all aspects of that person's health care."

There's still a shortage of nurses, but the demand is not as great as it was five years ago when there was a crisis, Holland said.

One major change in nursing today is the shift in their workplaces. "More nurses are working now in home care and in ambulatory care (treating outpatients)."

Every year, Providence celebrates Nurses Week in a big way, Holland said.

Special programs and contests were held last week. Even free neck and shoulder massages were offered to nurses during the week. The hospital also praises the work of its nurses in a published brochure.



Checking up:
Wiljanen listens to patient Mary Lou Gitre's heart as both await the results of a pathology report.

New school budget reflects realities under Proposal A

By MARIE CHESTNEY
Staff Writer

Next year's \$119 million budget for Livonia Public Schools shows the leap of faith Michigan voters took in March when they approved Proposal A, the state's new way of funding schools.

Up until now, the district each year has gotten a small amount from the state. In 1993-94, according to latest estimates, that figure was about \$1.7 million, or 1.4 percent of the operating budget.

Until now, most of the district's income has come from local property taxes.

The district's 1994-95 preliminary budget, adopted Monday by the school board, shows how dramatically those figures have shifted.

Next year, the district, which serves the northern section of Westland, expects to get \$86.6 million from the state and \$26.5 million from property owners (including commercial and industrial).

That massive shift leaves some trustees uneasy.

"We're at the whim of those passing budgets at the state level," said trustee Richard McKnight. "I wouldn't be surprised if the \$86 million didn't pan out. Taxpayers should watch to see if state revenues come through as promised."

Administrators hope a projected fund equity, or rainy day fund, of \$3.8 million is enough to help pay

24 Livonia school staffers to retire

By MARIE CHESTNEY
Staff Writer

Twenty-four more Livonia Public School employees will retire at the end of the 1993-94 school year.

Many of those worked at schools which serve students in the northern section of Westland.

The acceptance of the retirements Monday by the Livonia Board of Education brings to close to 50 the number of employees leaving so far this year.

The board adopted resolutions of appreciation for the following employees:

■ Anthony Catallo, who served 31 years as a teacher at the division of instruction and Hull Elementary.

■ Ronald Davlin, who served 27 years as a teacher at Grant, Garfield, Johnson and Marshall elementary.

■ Marvel Decker, who served 37 years as a teacher at Grant, Bo-

sevelt, Stark and Garfield elementary.

■ Thomas Douglas, who served 28 years as a teacher and counselor at Riley, Dickinson, Bryant, Lowell, Frost and Holmes middle schools and at Franklin, Bentley and Churchill high schools.

■ Muriel Embree, who served 30 years as a teacher at Frost and Holmes middle schools and at Stevenson High.

■ Deborah Ervin, who served 30 years as an elementary teacher, learning specialist, high school teacher, special education teacher and teacher of the learning disabled.

■ Nancy Hinslton, who spent 26 years as an elementary teacher, resource room teacher and teacher of the learning disabled. She worked at Roosevelt, Grant, Garfield, Randolph, Clay and Washington elementary and Churchill High.

■ David Green, who spent 33 years as a teacher in the division of instruction and Hull Elementary.

■ Frances Hammond, who spent

28 years as a teacher at Webster and Hoover elementary and at Emerson Middle School.

■ Eleanor Hardie, who spent nearly 25 years as a teacher at Hull, Clay and Garfield elementary, Riley Junior High and Frost Middle.

■ Donald Harris, who spent 30 years as a teacher, elementary assistant principal, special education principal and elementary principal.

■ Mary Jo Hewitt, who spent five years as a secretary at the Jackson Early Childhood Center, the Northwest Wayne Skill Center and Riley Middle.

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City to save by building library

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

The city of Westland pays about \$250,000 a year so that residents can frequent libraries in neighboring cities.

The money paid to the Wayne Oakland Library Federation covers the use of the Wayne Westland library in Wayne, in addition to libraries in such cities as Livonia and Garden City, said Westland budget director Tim McCutley.

But the bulk of that money could remain in the city's treasury after a newly approved Westland library is built and opened for business, Councilman Charles "Trav" Griffin said during Monday's council session.

The budget-busting news emerged as the council, preparing to

close its fiscal year June 30, voted Monday to approve a series of budget amendments. The measures included \$14,000 to be paid to the Wayne Oakland Library Federation.

Council President Thomas Brown stressed that Westland residents will only gradually stop patronizing the libraries, that they've grown accustomed to using, meaning the possible \$250,000 a year savings won't be immediate.

"It's going to take time to encourage people to use the library," Brown noted.

Councilwoman Sandra Cicirelli seemed even more optimistic about the potential savings, suggesting that Westland may end up charging such cities as Garden

City and Livonia for use of the Westland library.

A library architect has been hired, and ground-breaking could occur within the next year. A site hasn't been announced.

Among other budget measures Monday, the council adopted an unchanged 6.84 general fund millage rate for the fiscal year that starts July 1. The council also approved:

- A \$20,000 budget amendment for improvements to Hix Park, on Hix Road north of Warren.

- A \$150,000 budget amendment for a police and fire retirement board, made up of money managers who are handling an increasing workload. The money for this amendment will come from an allocated fund balance used only for

the police and fire pension system.

- A \$220,000 expenditure to pave the Hitchman subdivision, near Palmer Road and Merriman, and to pave Harvard Street, near Palmer and Schuman.

- A \$65,000 amendment for legal expenses, at the request of city attorney Angelo Plakos.

- A \$20,000 expense for zoning ordinance updates that require professional services.

- A \$2,600 payout for the original school bell that will be placed in the Perrinville School, that is being restored on Warren Road west of Merriman.

- A \$4,900 amendment for catch basin repairs at the city's senior citizen Friendship Center, on Newburgh, north of Marquette.

Students focus on Arab culture

Through costume, music and dance, the Depke Dancers closed the program with dances.

After the program, a marketplace opened to visitors. Booths displayed authentic Arab artifacts, including grains, music, clothing, museum pieces and brasses. A pottery demonstration was held.

In pastry and bakery booths, or souks, Middle Eastern food was sold.

A calligrapher was on hand to draw visitors' names.

Visitors also strung worry beads, had their hands painted, and played games.

Storyteller Yosif Barakat told folk tales.

And, performing in native

dress, the Depke Dancers closed the program with dances.

Concert series set to open Sunday

The Westland Cultural Society's annual summer concert series opens Sunday.

The group, in conjunction with the Westland recreation department, is sponsoring the series of 10 free outdoor concerts at five locations. All are scheduled for 6 p.m. all on Sundays.

Concert-goers are advised to bring their own lawn chairs and blankets.

Following is the schedule of concerts:

- May 22, Waco country-western band, Central City Park, on the south side of Ford between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

- June 5, Red & Ramblin' Country, country-western band, Nankin Mill, Ann Arbor Trail east of Farmington Road.

- June 12, Motorvators, light rock band, Rotary Park, on Florence and Christine.

- June 26, Cosmopolitan, big band sound, Friendship Center, on Newburgh north of Marquette.

- July 10, Red & Ramblin' country-western band, Jaycee Park, Wildwood and Hunter.

- July 17, Phil Gramm band, show tunes, Rotary Park, on Florence at Christine.

- July 24, Caution band, music of the '50s and '60s, at Central City Park.

- Aug. 14, Motorvators, light rock band, Central City Park.

- Aug. 21, Waco country-western band, Caylee Park, on Darwin at Grand Traverse.

- Aug. 28, Caution band, music of the '50s and '60s, at Jaycee Park.

Quick action averts knifepoint robbery

Amid threats of being attacked at knife-point, two men protected themselves from four suspects by quickly getting into their car in Westland Center's parking lot, police said.

The two victims escaped injury during the 7:45 p.m. May 13 incident, though the suspects kicked and beat on the car, Detective Sgt. Donald Haigh said.

The incident began when a Westland man, 32, and an Ypsilanti man, 31, got out of their

car to go inside Westland Center but were approached by four males, including one who was brandishing a knife, the victims told police.

With a short distance between the victims and the suspects, one suspect made threatening gestures with a knife as one of the victims warned that he would use Mace for protection, Haigh said, based on statements made by the Westland and Ypsilanti men.

As the threats were exchanged, the two vic-

tims got back into their car and locked the doors, prompting their attackers to kick and beat on the vehicle, Haigh said.

As the victims drove away, they managed to note a license plate number of the suspect's vehicle, and Westland police this week were working to trace the information to the suspects.

Robbery was a possible motive, police said. No arrests had been made as of Tuesday afternoon.

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■ Lawrence Hipchen, who spent 31 years as a teacher at Grant Elementary.

■ Clifford Labor, who spent 23 years as a teacher and community education specialist at Emerson and Whitman junior highs, and Bentley High.

■ James Lyder, who spent 34 years as a teacher, interim and elementary principal.

■ John Lederer, who spent 27 years as a teacher at Bentles and Stevenson high.

■ James McIntyre, who spent 26 years as a physical education teacher at Whittier and Ford junior highs, Cleveland, Grant and Washington elementary, and Franklin and Stevenson high schools.

■ Robert Miller, who spent 27 years as a custodian, assistant head custodian and head custodian at Whitman Junior High and Perrinville and Johnson elementary.

■ Adele Morrison, who spent 24

years as a teacher at Bryant Junior High and Stevenson, Churchill and Franklin high schools.

■ Keith Nunneley, who spent 28 years as a custodian, bus driver trainee and head custodian at Franklin High, Washington, Wilson and Cleveland elementary and in the transportation department.

■ Wanda Scott, who spent nearly 10 years as a teacher at Monroe, Johnson and Garfield elementary and Ford Junior High.

■ Donald Sledstrom, who spent 27 years as a teacher and counselor at Emerson Junior High, and Churchill and Stevenson highs.

■ Richard Turnquist, who spent 32 years as a teacher at Marshall Elementary.

■ Gerald Young, who spent 32 years as a teacher at Roosevelt, Cooper, Buchanan, Jefferson and Taylor elementary, Emerson Junior High and Franklin High.

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For the purpose of this hearing, the City Council passed a resolution proposing 6.84 maximum which the Council has complete authority to levy. Last year Council levied 6.84 mills (\$6.84 per \$1,000 SEV) for city operating purposes. Because of an increase in the state equalized value (SEV), state law (Act 5 of 1982) provides that the base tax rate for 1994 be lowered unless a hearing is held.

Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the hearing on the proposed additional millage rate.

At this meeting the Westland City Council will take action on the proposed millages.

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Horse track operators fear going out of business

BY TIM RICHARD

Staff Writer

If horse racing tracks can't get into the general gaming business, they'll go out of business and drag down the \$2 billion horse industry with them, a top official warns.

"Twenty million dollars in parimutuel revenue will disappear and 40,000 jobs," said John Long, president of Ladbrooke DRC, the thoroughbred running track in Livonia that accounts for more than one-third of wagering, tax and payroll dollars in the Michigan racing industry.

"Today's consumer wants continuous entertainment," said Long, declaring he will be forced to close the money-losing Ladbrooke DRC next year because of competition from casino gambling across the international boundary in Windsor.

"This is going to be a tough sell to the Legislature," said racing commissioner Nelson Westrin. An appointee of Gov. John Engler, Westrin has spent his first nine months in office building a coalition between the thoroughbred (running) industry, the

standardbred (harness) industry, the Service Employees International Union and lawmakers such as Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Redford.

"I've been encouraged," Westrin said. "I told Governor Engler that if a consensus could be built, perhaps this industry could be saved."

Their sales pitch: More jobs than the 1,000 at Ladbrooke DRC and 250 at Northville Downs are at stake. Other potential losers:

- Farms that grow feed for horses.
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- Trainers, jockeys, drivers and animal attendants.
- County fairs, 4-H clubs and prizes for horses, which derive their state support from taxes on parimutuel wagers.
- Cities that depend on \$2.5 million in state-shared revenue to support their police, fire and traffic services.

Bankes added that the law could be rewritten to give cities a direct cut of parimutuel taxes. "Cities wouldn't have to go through the appropriations process. They'd get their revenue directly," said

Bankes.

A 1979 state law guarantees the three major tracks \$900,000 a year. Instead, lawmakers have appropriated them \$450,000 apiece.

"That 40,000 jobs figure (used by Long) is conservative," said Margaret Zayt, executive manager of Northville Downs.

The 250 jobs at stake there include ticket clerks, parimutuel clerks, food service clerks and parking attendants, she said. Zayt said that 1,800 horses registered at a meet represent 900 jobs of breeders, trainers and riders.

"Several states have lost their racetracks because of casinos," she added.

State Rep. Jerry Vorva, R-Plymouth, whose district includes the Northville track, cited Westrin's estimate that allowing horse tracks to handle gaming will result in purses that could double or triple the current purses. "If you have better purses (or

winning horses), you'll attract better horses, and you'll have more people at the tracks," said Vorva.

Ladbrooke's Long said his company has lost money all nine years it has operated the mile track in Livonia. Smallest loss was \$554,000 in 1990; largest were \$2.1 million in 1985 and \$2.2 million last year, total losses of \$11 million.

Attendance at Michigan tracks has slipped steadily from 3.8 million in 1975 to 2.5 million in recent years. Ladbrooke DRC set its one-day attendance record in 1982; Northville, in 1950; Hazel Park, in 1965.

The state Senate Fiscal Agency, in a December 1993 article on economic trends, wrote of "The Decline and Fall of Horse Racing," blaming it on a dwindling horse supply, competition from casino gambling, old facilities and the economy.

This is the legislation they want

Here is the kind of law that the horse racing industry is asking for from the Michigan Legislature:

■ The racing commissioner, headquartered in Livonia, would regulate video gaming and new forms of horse race simulcasting.

■ Horse race meeting licenses would be expanded to include rights to inter-track (intrastate simulcasting), telephone betting and video gaming (slot machines).

■ Only tracks which preserved the same number of racing dates this year as in 1993 would be eligible to install video gaming terminals. One-third of the net

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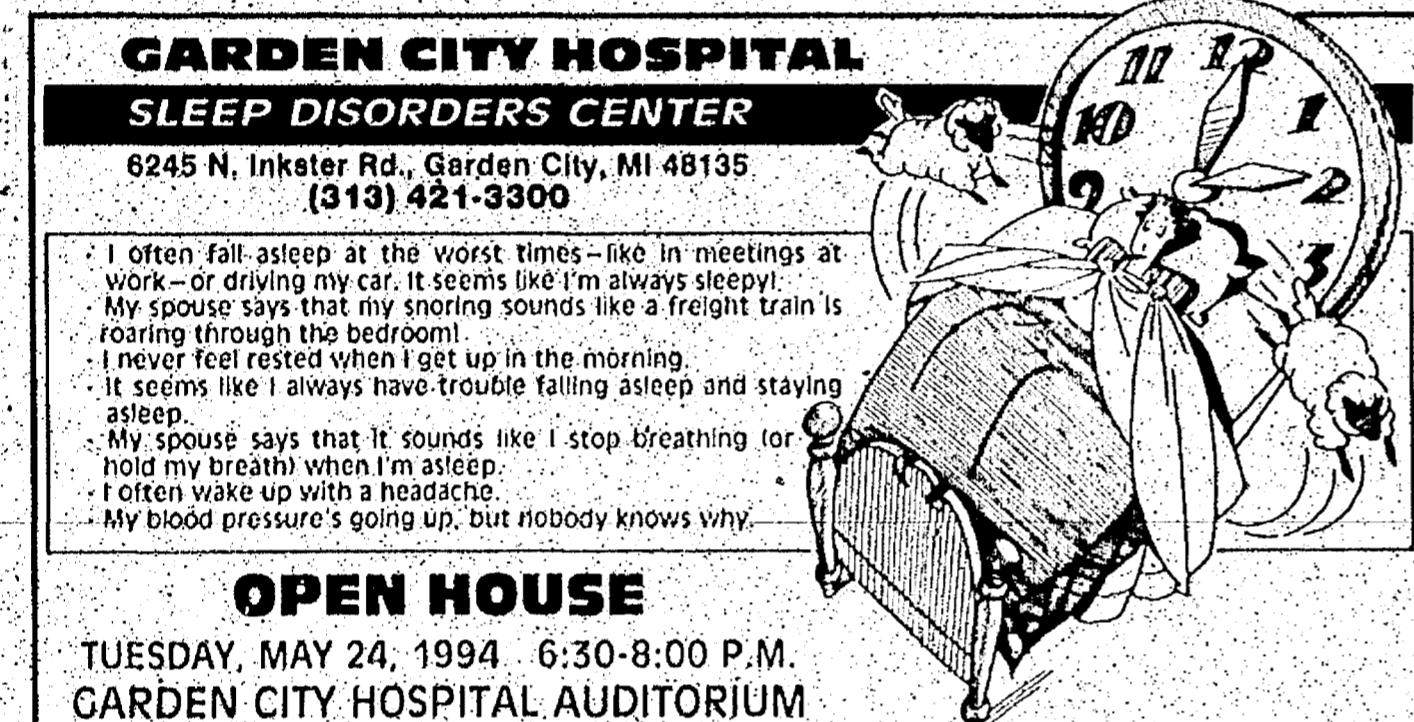
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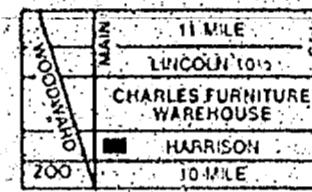
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If you want to roll, get inline

BY PAT MURPHY

SALLY WISE

They're definitely in a league of their own. They're the Motor City Blades, one of three all-woman inline skating hockey teams known to exist in the midwest.

For weeks now, the Bedding team has been practicing at U.S. Blades in West Bloomfield. Because of their small numbers and lack of competition, practices have been limited to drills and some occasional intra-squad scrimmages.

But all that changes next month.

We've actually scheduled our first game," said an excited Carol Fink, who along with Leslie Johnson organized the team. "On June 11, we play the Chicago Cross Checkers."

Fink and Johnson are business partners. Besides operating a leisure time consulting business, scheduling group outings such as canoe or nature trips, they're certified as instructors to the International Inline Skating Association.

They're also teaching street hockey, known as "street hockey when it's played outside" as the recreational wave of the future.

There are roughly 12.5 million inline skaters in the U.S., said Johnson. "Mostly beginners." Inline skating is catching on in Japan and elsewhere.

At U.S. Blades, more than 100 inline skaters a week enjoy the specially treated asphalt rink, according to Bobbie Watson, co-owner and administrator for the business. That includes about 200 hockey players between the ages of 10 and 18, he said.

Growing in popularity

Most of those hockey players are men. But Fink and Johnson insist that's bound to change.

"And why not?" said Johnson. "It's good exercise; it builds confidence and relieves stress. But most of all, it's fun."

One indication of the growing popularity of street hockey is the upcoming Triple Crown Street Hockey Festival scheduled to be held simultaneously in different states — including Michigan — over the summer. The Blades' game against Chicago is part of it.

Thousands of inline skaters — including, for the first time, women — are expected to take part in the hockey competition. The Blades are scheduled to play Chicago at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Other games are possible against the Wisconsin Eastwards, based in Madison, and any other teams that might organize in time for the competition.

"So much is happening on an almost daily basis," said Fink, who noted that new all-woman teams may sprout up before the festival's finale in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, in August.

In the meantime, Fink and Johnson are concentrating on whipping their team into shape. So far, they have about 20 players ranging in age from 20 to 45.

They like it

At 36, Fink said she enjoys the sport, even though she sometimes experiences new aches and pains after practice. "My husband (Ken,

a physician drafted as team trainer) thinks it's good exercise as long as I have the proper equipment."

The proper equipment includes helmets, knee pads, and wrist and elbow protectors.

Lynne Puhy said she recycled some of the gear her sons used in their hockey days.

"For years, I carted my kids around for hockey," said Puhy, 47, who aspires to be the Blades' goalie. "Now I'm using much of their old equipment."

When she's not practicing with the Blades, Puhy said she plays street hockey with her son Matt, 9, and his friends in their Cass Lake Woods subdivision.

"They think it's a hoot," she said.

Debbie Amato, also said she enjoys being part of a team. Her husband, Doug, is very supportive, she said, "but we're both into exercise and competition."

Player-coach Sue Wise, who has played ice and street hockey, said the games are similar — with one important exception. "In street hockey, there's no body checking and there's much less physical contact," said Wise, who is in her mid-30s, lives in Brighton and has two children. "But that doesn't mean we don't run into each other."

Clare Bushman was an inline speed skater who raced competitively in Ohio, Florida and other states before turning to street hockey. "I think I like hockey more than speed skating," she said. "I like the competition."

Perhaps her biggest fan, Bushman said, is her daughter Randy, 9. "Randy skates now and she can't wait to try hockey. For now, however, she's the team mascot."

Outing a smash



Helping hospice: More than 60 golfers turned out May 3 at Bay Pointe Country Club for the Western Wayne Hospice Foundation's first Living Every Day Golf Outing. Sponsors and golfers enjoyed a day of golf while raising more than \$6,500 to benefit Hospice Services of Western Wayne County. Making up a Plymouth team, which tied for first, were Wes Hendrickson, Beth Lurtz, Terry Lurtz and Bruce Gerish.

OBITUARIES

VICTORIA DUVA

Services for Mrs. D. A. Duv, 89, of Garden City were May 17 from St. Dunstan Catholic Church with burial in St. Hedwig's cemetery. David A. Duv, Rev. Edward Deininger officiated.

Mr. Duv died May 14 in her residence, 10150 E. 16 Mile Rd. in Garden City. She was a former assembly-line worker at BUCO Products, a plastics injection molding company. Survivors include husband Michael; daughters Linda Battaglia and Debbie; stepson; four grand children; two great-grandchildren; brother Leo J. Pellegrino; and stepbrother Oscar V. Vassallo.

Arrangements were by the John Santini and Son Funeral Home, Garden City.

PIERRE BAARHAIMS

Services for Mr. Baarhaims, 73, of

Garden City were May 17 from the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland. Rev. Leonard Partenky officiated.

Mr. Baarhaims died May 15 at home. Born Oct. 5, 1920, in Rosedale, Holland, he was a chemist.

Survivors include wife Jetty; daughter Elizabeth Poznanski; son Ludi; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters and four brothers.

KENNETH E. FITCH

Services for Mr. Fitch, 72, of Westland were May 18 from the John Santini and Son Funeral Home, Garden City, with burial in Maple Grove Cemetery, Westland. Rev. Robert McDonald of the Fair Haven Baptist Church officiated.

Mr. Fitch died May 15 in the Allen Park Veterans Administration Hospital. Born March 16, 1922, in Dresden, Mich., he was an Air Force staff sergeant and aircraft mechanic and a 34-year

truck driver and Teamsters' member.

Survivors include sons Jack, Michael, Patrick and Glenn; daughters Stephanie Burnett and Terri Nabozny; 14 grandchildren, and brothers Nick and Jack, both of Orlando, Fla. He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia.

LINDA KAY BREEDING WATKINS

Services for Ms. Watkins, 33, formerly of Westland, were May 17 from the Uhl Funeral Home, Westland, with interment in the Vermeulen Memorial Trust, 100 Funeral Home, Westland.

Ms. Watkins, of Morley, Mich., died May 13 in Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, of injuries suffered in an auto accident. Born Oct. 17, 1960, she was a 1979

graduate of Wayne Memorial High School and a graduate of Ferris State University's school of nursing.

Survivors include sons John Richard, Jr. and Kevin Richardson; parents Dennis and Keo-

ta Breeding; brothers Roy, David and Roger Breeding and sister Brenda Dowell. Ms. Watkins' fiance was John Richardson.

MARIE ANNE OCTAVINE MARANDOLA

Services for Mrs. Marandola, 90, Westland were May 18 from Sacred Heart Church in Providence, R.I., with interment in St. Ann's Cemetery, Cranston, R.I.

The Rev. Leonard Partensky officiated at a service held May 16 at the Vermeulen Memorial Trust, 100 Funeral Home, Westland.

Mrs. Marandola died May 14 in Garden City. Born Feb. 23, 1904, in Providence, she was a member of St. Simon and Jude Catholic Church, Westland, and Sacred Heart Church in Providence.

Survivors include son James of Connecticut; daughters Gladys Pike of Canton Township and Marie Rose Harding of Rhinelander; 21 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by husband

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Memorials may be made in the form of mass offerings.

MILDRED L. STOCK

Services for Mrs. Stock, 70, of Detroit were May 16 from the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, with burial in Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West, Rev. Richard Welsh officiated.

Mr. Stock died May 13 in Sinai Hospital, Detroit. Born May 28, 1923, in River Rouge, she was a retired bookkeeper.

Survivors include husband Leonard; daughters Patricia Primo and Carol Hines; son Leonard D.; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one brother and one sister.

THOMAS L. RECK

Services for Mr. Reck, 51, of Dearborn Heights were held May 19 from the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland. Rev. Jim Wright officiated.

Mr. Reck died May 16 in Oak-

wood Hospital, Dearborn. Born Jan. 8, 1943, in Detroit, he was a welder.

Survivors include wife Diane; mother Mary Seherbank; brothers Lannie and Ronald; four nieces and one nephew.

EVA Q. HOWARD

A memorial service for Mrs. Howard, 89, of Ann Arbor was May 17 from the Uhl Funeral Home, Westland, with interment in Pisgah Cemetery, Deputy, Ind.

The Rev. Jack Story officiated. There will also be a service Saturday, May 21, from the Buchanan Funeral Home, Austin, Ind.

Mrs. Howard died May 15 in Whitehall Nursing Home. Born April 8, 1905, she was a homemaker and member of Prayer Baptist Church, Westland.

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County public works chief awarded

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A Plymouth Township resident and the former public works director in the city of Livonia, Groneveld called the award — one considered by many the Hall of Fame of public service — the "the highest honor someone in my field can achieve."

"I am humbled that I was chosen for this award by a committee of my peers, for whom I have great respect," said Groneveld, who is an assistant Wayne County executive.

The last Michigan representative to win the honor was then-Michigan Department of Transportation director James Pitz in 1990.

As the county's public services chief, Groneveld is in charge of 1,900 employees and administers a \$400 million budget. He oversees maintenance, construction and operation of Detroit Metropolitan, Wayne County Airport and Willow Run — one of the nation's busiest cargo-only airports; 1,800 miles of state and local roads, extensive countywide parks system, county storm drains and four wastewater systems.

"Russ has been a big factor in the turnaround Wayne County



■ Groneveld oversees maintenance, construction and operation of Metro Airport, Willow Run, 1,800 miles of state and local roads, the county park system, county storm drains and four wastewater systems.

has made over the past seven years," said Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara.

"The delivery of our services used to be hit and miss at best and cost far too much. It didn't take long at all before Russ took what used to be four out-of-control departments and transformed them into one lean, efficient one."

Groneveld has worked his entire 27-year professional career for McNamara, first as an engineer and later as public works director in Livonia.

He came to the county with McNamara in 1987 as director of the division of roads, but was running the department within six months.

Wayne County's department of public services is the fifth largest in the nation and serves a population greater than that of 17 states.

The judging panel said it was impressed with Groneveld's abilities as an engineer and manager and with the constant success he has achieved through his career.

"Russ displays rare skills as both a team leader and as a nuts-and-bolts technical person. That's uncommon for a person at his level. Most people in this field are usually one or the other," said McNamara.

Groneveld will receive his award at the Michigan APWA's annual convention at Shanty Creek on May 26.

S'craft offers cycle course

A Schoolcraft College "Novice Motorcycle Safety Course" will take place 6:10 p.m. Friday, May 20, and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 21-22, at the Radcliff Center in Garden City.

The fee is \$18. Call 462-4448.

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Skates for rent in Hines Park

In-line skating has become one of the most popular activities of the '90s. Wayne County Parks has teamed up with MGM Bicycle & Fitness Equipment and Rollerblade to make it easy to join in the fun.

Every Saturday through Oct. 1, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in-line skates, helmets, pads and other gear will be available for rent as part of the new Roll in the Park program.

The activity is part of Saturday in the Park, when Wayne County closes Hines Drive to

Arbor Trail so families can play car free. The rollerblade rentals will be available at the Nankin Mills picnic area on Hines Drive just east of Farmington Road in Westland.

For more information, call 261-1990.

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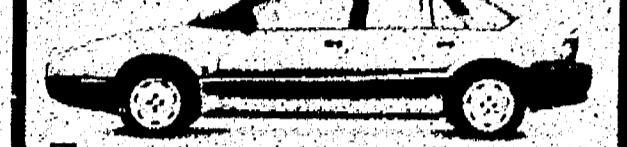
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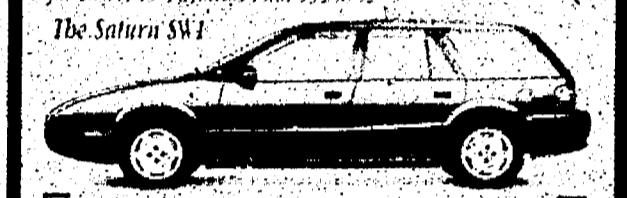
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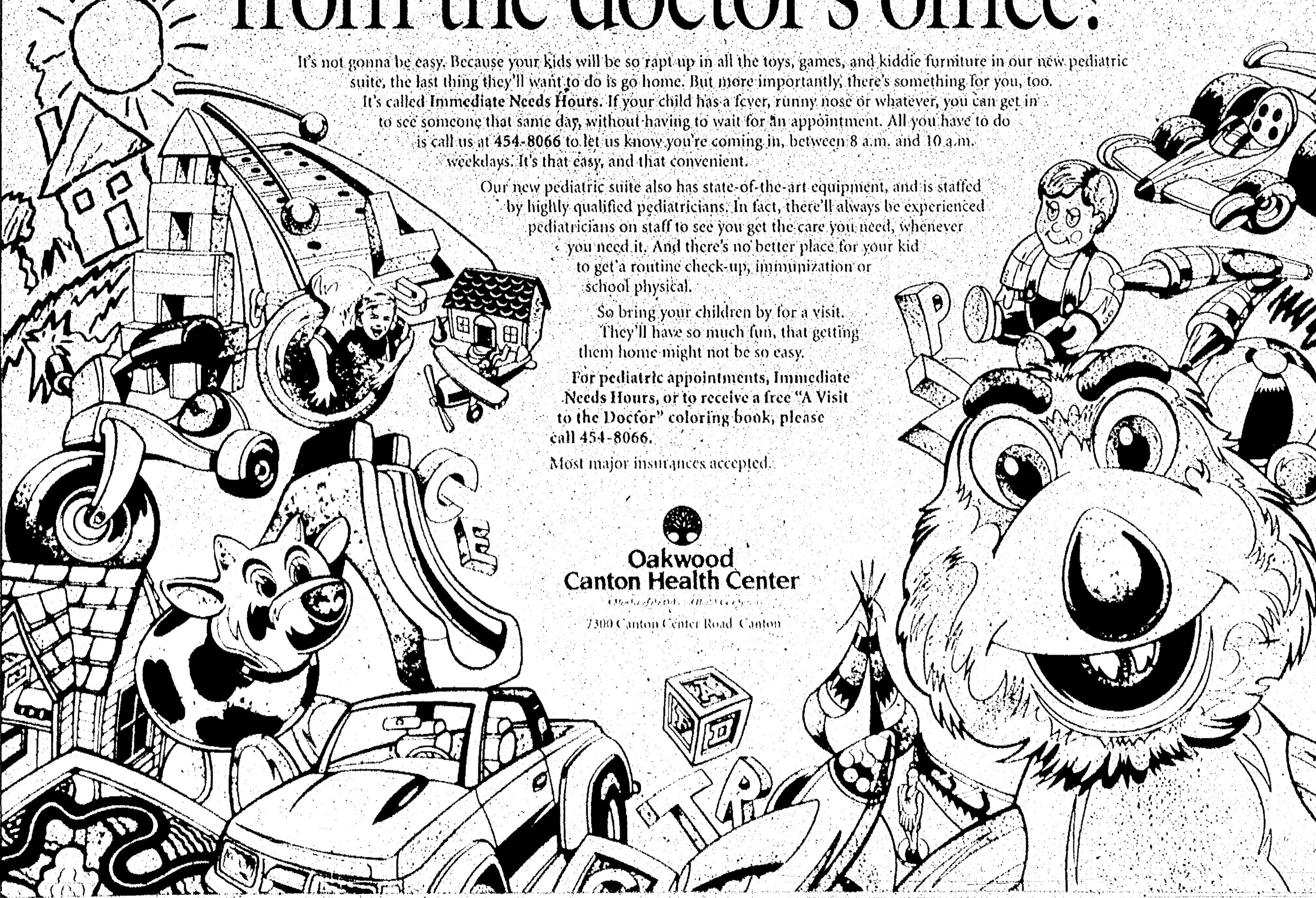
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Queen bees search for nests in spring



TIMOTHY NOWICKI

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It was not because they had a megadose of vitamins or radiation, either. They were queens searching for a nest site.

Last fall all the individuals that make up a hive died. Only fertilized queens survive to overwinter. They find a sheltered place inside a log, or a hole in the ground, or between rocks, or wherever they think they can survive the cold temperatures.

When the warm temperatures of spring arrive she awakens and begins searching for a nest site. Queens that awaken early get their choice of nest sites, which often are limited in number. If a queen awakens too early, she

risks cold, killing temperatures and the lack of any flowering plants for food.

As you traverse woodland trails in spring queen bumblebees can be seen flying low over the forest floor, stopping periodically to investigate an opening. That opening could be an old mouse or mole tunnel, or even an abandoned bird nest on the ground.

Once she has selected a suitable site, she will collect surrounding materials into a ball and arrange material near the entrance to camouflage the opening. The queen then collects pollen into piles and lays her eggs on them. She encases the eggs and pollen with a wax and then sits on them to keep them warm. After four to five days the eggs hatch.

Young larva eat the pollen that was provided and after about seven days form a cocoon. Worker bumblebees emerge from their cocoons after about 10 days of transformation. These workers are smaller than the queen and take over the duties of the nest. They collect pollen and make new



Haven seekers: Queen bumblebees are now searching for a safe place for their nests in the woods.

cells while the queen lays more eggs.

In late summer the queen lays eggs that will develop into queens and males. Those queens mate with males. Males, the old queen and all workers of the nest die.

Watching the large queen bumblebees in spring can lead you to their nest if you watch carefully.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia. You can leave him a message at 953-2047. Eat 1871.

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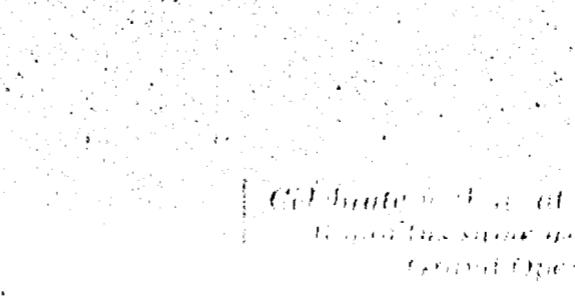
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Bill would give farmers a significant tax break

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

A bill giving nearly all farms the same property tax break as homesteads is on its way to Gov. John Engler's desk for signature.

Engler had promised the Farm Bureau he would support a six-mill tax rate for farms in order to win that group's endorsement of the Proposal A school finance reform measure March 15.

"This isn't Mom or Pop," objected Sen. Joe Conroy, R-Flint, as the bill passed the Senate. "These are corporate managers. It's big business. So why would we give them a huge break? We already cut their taxes down to 24 mills on the school property tax. But my small grocer, my small manufacturer, my cosmetologist has to pay 24 mills."

As originally passed Dec. 24, the tax law set rates of (1) six mills for homesteads and farms contiguous to a homestead and (2) 24 mills for business property, commercial property, second homes and farmland that was non-contiguous, rented or owned by a non-resident of Michigan.

"I couldn't be happier," said Rep. Dan Gustafson, R-Williamsburg, sponsor of the measure. "The Senate Democrats amended out the things the House Democrats put in that I didn't want."

Gustafson, who represents rural Ingham and Livingston counties, wanted all farms taxed the same as homes. Historically, farms and homes have been assessed in the same property classification.

The Senate Tuesday approved its version of the bill 25-8. Voting

yes were 21 Republicans and four Democrats; voting no, eight Democrats.

Local supporters were Republicans Michael Bouchard of Birmingham, Mat Dunaskis of Lake Orion and Robert Gake of Northville, and Democrat William Faust of Westland.

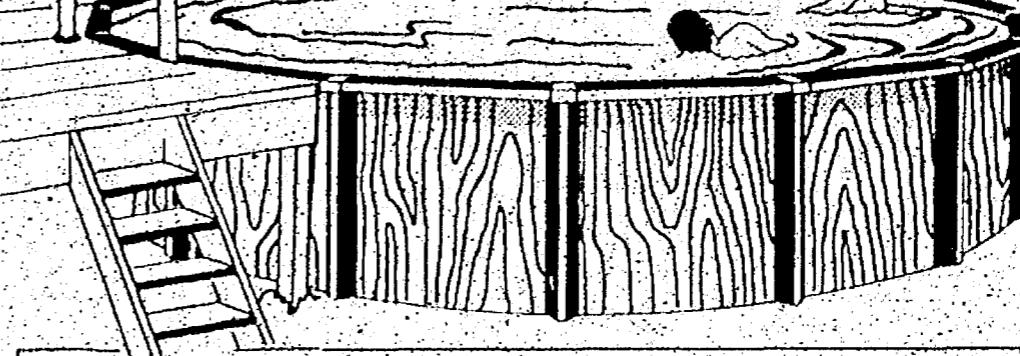
Opposed were Democrats Jack Faxon of Farmington Hills and George Z. Hunt of Dearborn.

Absent was David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, who is still recuperating from surgery.

The House voted 64-40 to concur in Senate amendments.

Voting yes were Republicans Penny Crissman of Rochester, Jenny Yorva of Plymouth and Deborah Whyman of Canton.

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Eight Mile Road

Association brings Big 4 together

By JUDITH DONER BERNE

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This is name dropping for a reason...

It's to show you the importance they obviously place on the Eight Mile Boulevard Association, which held its first annual meeting Monday at Bonnie Brook Golf Club, yes, on Eight Mile Road, in Detroit.

Called "Great Days on Eight Mile," it heralded the cooperation and progress being made to improve the image and actuality of the border that spans Detroit and 12 of its suburbs.

"(The association) is consistent with the bridges that I'm personally trying to build," said Archer, acknowledging that the effort preceded his election.

"I believe there's no reason to have any barrier to keep us apart." He pledged that Detroit

would be even more of a contributing player "when we get healthy."

McNamara wasted no time lighting into his hometown of Livonia that is the only one of the 13 communities along the boulevard that refused to fund the association.

"All these communities belong except Livonia," McNamara said. "My objective for the coming year -- other than to defeat my opponent -- is to bring Livonia to the realization that they are a part of the current world."

Patterson emphasized the importance of the four top tri-county officials personally showing up. "That bodes well for the region," he said. Oakland County has budgeted its support.

Pat Nowak, director of the Michigan Department of Transportation, down from Lansing for the event, said Eight Mile should be more than just a state trunkline. "If the pressures of the world can bring down the Berlin Wall, it certainly can bridge the north and south sides of Eight Mile."

The state, he said, has already contributed \$50,000 toward a landscaping project. "Come to us again," he urged.

Southfield Mayor Don Fracassi, chairman of the group's board of directors, said since the association came into being, crime has gone down all along the boulevard. Other goals achieved this year are:

- Reaching out to businesses.
- Landscaping in front of the State Fair Grounds.
- Annual clean-up (made easier by the Adopt-A-Highway program).
- Enlisting 68 on the way to 100 associate members at \$28 a head.

The association's executive director, Sharlan Douglas, later said the top priority for the coming year is "crime prevention through environmental design."

That means, she says, making it easier to observe criminal behavior.

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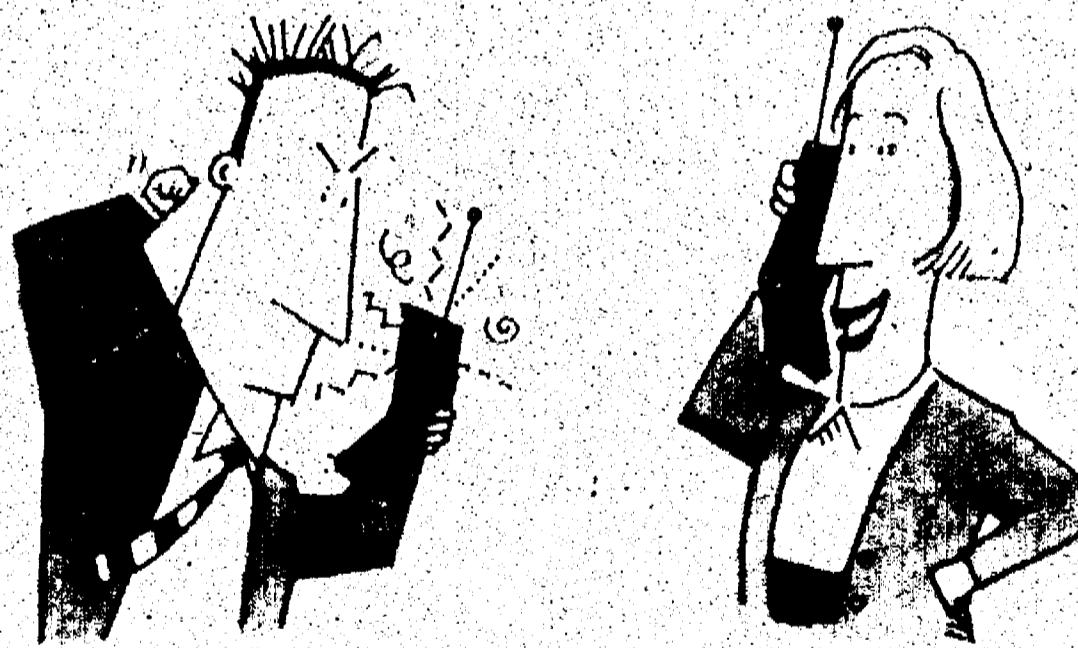
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Veterans ceremony

Vietnam Veterans of America, chapter 387, will hold a memorial service at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 29, at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West cemetery, on Ford near Wildwood. The ceremony will be open to the public. The chapter has invited service organizations and city officials. On the day before, flags will be placed on veterans' graves at the cemetery by Scouts from Cub Scout Pack 767 of St. Raphael School in Garden City, Scouts from Westland Cub Scout Pack 867, and members of the VVA.

Swim team tryouts

The Hurricane Swim Club, organized in early 1993, is taking registrations for its summer team. A free trial period will be 6:30-8 p.m. June 14, 15 and 16 at Garden City Junior High School, on Radcliff south of Ford; and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 18, at the Westland Bailey Recreation Center. Eligible for the team is any boy or girl 6-18 who can swim 25 yards of any stroke, said coach Jim McNellis. The team is sponsored by the Garden City school district's community education department and the Westland recreation department. The summer season will be June 13 through July 30. Free is \$50 for the first family member, \$40 for the second and \$30 for the third. Interested persons may call McNellis, 981-7678.

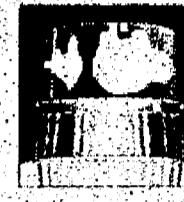
Keith honored

Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, received the Michigan Dental Association's 1994 public service award. Keith, whose district includes southeastern Westland, was honored for his contributions toward improving the oral health of the public. He received the award during the association's annual session, which was in Grand Rapids. Keith, in the state House for 22 years, announced three months ago that he will retire when his term ends Dec. 31.

Car flips twice; driver, 20, survives

A police officer said a driver is "lucky to be alive" after the motorist's car flipped over twice and landed upside down. The driver is recuperating in a hospital.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland man escaped serious injury when he was ejected Sunday from a car that flipped over twice and landed upside down, with its top crushed in, police said.

George Marvaso, 20, was "lucky to be alive" following a one-car accident that occurred at 5:40 p.m. Sunday on Cherry Hill Road, east of Venoy, said Westland police Officer Jack McIntosh.

Marvaso suffered abrasions, police said, and he was recovering Tuesday morning at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne.

Alone in his 1994 Chevrolet Camaro, Marvaso was driving east on Cherry Hill in the curb lane when his car hit a water-covered area of road and began hydroplaning, or skidding out of control, McIntosh said.

The car jumped over the curb, became airborne, flipped over twice and landed upside down, ejecting Marvaso in the process, police said. His body was hurled about 40 feet before landing on the ground, McIntosh said.

The accident, which occurred near the Blue Garden Apartments on Cherry Hill, attracted numerous onlookers, some of whom believed initially that the crash had resulted in a fatality.

"The doctor said (Marvaso) was conscious and alert at the hospital," Westland police officer James



Upside down: A car lands on its top after crashing Sunday on Cherry Hill Road near Venoy. The driver received minor injuries, police said.

Dexter said. "He had some cuts and that's about it."

The Camaro, however, was destroyed, police said.

Police indicated that Marvaso's injuries could have been more severe, and possibly fatal, had he not been thrown from the car.

Marvaso was believed to have been driving at 40 to 50 mph in the 40 mph zone, based on what witnesses told police, McIntosh said. A preliminary investigation has found that alcohol was not a factor in the accident, he said.

No tickets had been issued early this week.



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THIS WEEKEND

■ SPRING CELEBRATION

A "Welcome Back Spring" celebration will be noon to 4 p.m. Friday, May 20, at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. There will be dinner, dancing to Waco band, entertainment and door prizes. It is open to Westland residents 55 and older. Tickets available at the front desk or through your clubs. Cost is \$6 for center members and \$9 for non-members. 722-7652.

■ GLASS SALE

A milk glass sale will be Saturday, May 21, at the Garden Towers, 6120 Middlebelt, Garden City.

■ FESTIVAL

Wayne Ford Civic League carnival will run through Sunday, May 22, 1615 N. Wayne Road, Westland. There will be rides, craft shows, Vegas night, bingo, sumo wrestling, karaoke, dinners and live music for dancing. Saturday will feature a craft show under the tent. Vegas nights 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday and 5-9 p.m. Sunday. Shari, 723-5010.

■ GARAGE SALE

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual spring outdoor garage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 21, in the parking lot between Westland City Hall and the police station, on the south side of Ford between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

■ CHURCH FESTIVITIES

There will be eats, treats and fun Sunday, May 22, at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy, Dearborn Heights. There will be a dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by entertainment from Westland's Friendship Center's Kitchen Band. Reservations, 274-3320 (9 a.m. to noon).

■ CARDS AND GAMES

A cards and games party luncheon will be noon to 3 p.m. Friday, May 20, at Maplewood Senior and Community Center, Maplewood just west of Merriman and north of Ford, Garden City. Tickets \$11 advance or \$15 door. Proceeds to benefit Michigan's senior citizen athletic organization, Sports Programs for Retirees. Tickets available at Maplewood Center gift shop or call 848-1875.

■ SPAGHETTI DINNER

VFW Post 9945 and its auxiliary is sponsoring an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, May 20, at the hall, 8440 Hix, south of Warren Road. Donation is \$8/adults and \$3/children. The Waco country/western band will perform after dinner. 723-4077.

■ CAR WASH

Garden City Youth Athletic Association will sponsor a car wash 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at Sam's Warehouse Club, on Central City Parkway (Canton), west of Wayne Road. All donations collected for the car wash will be matched by Wal-Mart Foundation.

■ RUMMAGE SALE

Garden Tower Seniors will hold a rummage sale 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday,

May 21, in Garden City Towers, 6120 Middlebelt, Garden City.

■ CARD PARTY

V.F.W. Aux. Post 7575 will hold a card party and luncheon at noon Tuesday, May 24, at the hall, 3301 Ford west of Venoy. Cost \$4. 422-5360.

■ MUSIC IN THE PARK

Westland Cultural Society presents a summer program of free Sunday concerts in the park at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 22. Bring your own chairs or blankets. The Waco country/western band will perform.

■ NATURE WALKS

A spring walk, led by Marty Johnson, will be 1 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at Holliday nature preserve. Meet in the parking lot at Koppernick Road entrance, a quarter mile east of Hix, half mile north of Warren Road, Canton. 476-5127.

CLUBS

■ CHRYSANTHEMUM SOCIETY

The Greater Detroit Chrysanthemum Society meets 2 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at the Civic Center Library, Five Mile just east of Farmington Road, Livonia. This month's talk will be "How to give your Mums a good start." Mary, 271-1262.

■ FORD WIVES

The Ford Wives Club meets 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, at World Headquarters Auditorium, Michigan Avenue at Southfield Road (north entrance), Dearborn. The installation dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m., with a program on dulcimers and harpa following. Margaret, 562-9169.

■ REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Suburban Republican Women meets 11 a.m. with a noon luncheon following on Thursday, May 26, at the Mayflower Hotel, Plymouth. Reservations, J. Hartman at 474-6637.

■ ARTIFACTS

The Artifacts Art Club meets 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, at the Civic Center Library, 32775 Five Mile just east of Farmington Road. Marsha Weigand will lead a program on "How to Use Photographs as References." 591-3093.

■ T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Mich. 53 Westland; meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. John's Episcopal Church, 553 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Kellie Hassell, 522-1641; or Rosalie Fisher, 723-6759.

■ CAMPING CLUB

Midlanders Camping Club meets 6:15 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month at Canfield Community Center, 1601 N. Beech Dr., south of Ford, Dearborn Heights. Family camping with all ages, scheduled campsites during the camping season. Harvey and Marion Grigg, 427-5664.

■ WEEKENDERS

The Weekenders family campers meet the second Wednesday of the month in Franklin High School, on Joy east of Merriman. 531-2983.

■ TOASTMASTERS

Toastmasters International Club No. 6094-28 meets 6 p.m. Thursdays at Denby's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road, Westland, for people who want to practice and develop pub-

lic speaking skills. 421-0281.

■ HOLY SMOKE MASTERS

The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meets 6 p.m. Thursdays in Denby's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road. 455-1633.

■ DEMOCRATS

Garden City Democrats meet at 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Maplewood Community Center, Room 5. Alice Leclercq, 421-1169, or Bill Pate, 427-2344.

■ UNITED WE STAND

United We Stand, America's Michigan 13th Congressional District, meets at 7 p.m. every first and third Thursday of the month at the Roman Forum, on Ford, west of I-275 on the south side, Canton. A social gathering begins at 6 p.m. Maggie Sutton, 485-3998.

■ GARDEN CITY LIONS

The Garden City Lions meet 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of every month in the Silver Saloon, 5651 Middlebelt, Garden City. Contact Ivan Nunneley, 422-6656, or Henry Tolk, 421-4954.

■ HOST LIONS

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

■ CHILDIRTH ASSOCIATION

Classes for childbirth preparation are being offered at several Wayne County locations. Morning and evening classes available. Registering new classes every month. Newborn care classes and Cesarean preparation also offered. 450-7477.

■ WESTLAND JAYCEES

Westland Jaycees meet 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the Bova VFW Post, on Hix, south of Warren. Hotline, 722-1630.

■ CORVETTE CLUB

The Corvette Club of Michigan meets 8 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month in Les Stanford Chevrolet, Dearborn. Glenn Simms, 675-5633, or Paul Jenkins, 931-4251.

■ CAMARO BUFFS

The new Eastern Michigan Camaro Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month at Gordon Chevrolet, on Ford west of Merriman, Garden City. 326-8658.

■ AMBASSADORS

Ambassadors/Junior Civilization is seeking people ages 13-18 for community service activities. The club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House, 3000 Marquette.

■ FUN-SEEKERS

The Fun-Seekers, a group of singles and couples ages 21-45, meet one Saturday a month. Upcoming events include an annual Road

Rally Saturday, May 21, and horseback riding Saturday, June 11. For more

Event

Date and Time

Location

Telephone

Additional info

The Observer Newspapers welcome calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schaeffer,

Lansing, MI 48821 or by fax to 313-591-7278. Deadline for calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 933-2107 if you have any questions.

Island drama



ART EXAMINER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

School production: The Garden City High School student drama group, New Concepts Theatre, will produce "Once on This Island" as its spring musical Thursday through Sunday. Rehearsing a scene are Stacie Aben and Brandon Randles. Curtain times are 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday in the school's O'Leary Auditorium, 6500 Middlebelt. Tickets are available at the door.

east of Newburgh: 729-5169.

details or to receive a quarterly flier on future events such as hayrides, mystery trips, theme parties and whirlyball, call 522-2166.

PURPLE HEART

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

RECREATION

■ FOR DISABLED PERSONS

A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled will be the second Friday of each month at the Westland Dulcimer Club, 722-7620.

■ OPEN SWIM

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

SELF-IMPROVEMENT

DULCIMER CLUB

The Mixolydian Mountain Dulcimer Music Club meets 7:10 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Patchin Elementary School, on Newburgh south of Warren Road. This is a new group with players of all levels. Marie Nester, 931-3772.

SCHOOLS/PRESCHOOLS

■ ST. RAPHAEL

Registrations now being accepted at St. Raphael School, 31500 Beechwood, Garden City. There are openings in grades two, five and six; possible openings in grades three, four, seven and eight. 425-9771.

■ ST. DAVID'S

Applications are being accepted for next September's classes at St. David's Nursery School, 27500

Marquette, Garden City. There are openings for 3-year-olds in morning classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Betty, 427-5915.

■ GARDEN CITY

Garden City Cooperative Nursery is accepting applications for next fall's class for 3-year-olds. The school is located in the Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1311 Middlebelt, Garden City. Diane, 425-1549.

MCKINLEY

McKinley Cooperative Preschool, at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne, is accepting applications for children ages 2-4. Call Donna at 522-8501 about 4-year-olds, Frances at 425-4654 regarding 3-year-olds and Jennifer at 458-5195 about toddlers. The preschool is not church-affiliated.

BENEFITS

■ BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Garden City Charity Weekend Committee's bowling tournament will be 7 p.m. Friday, May 20, at Garden Lanes, 29145 Warren, Garden City. Entry fee \$12. Cash prizes: Arny Prove, 427-9689; or, Mike Sheridan, 427-6514.

CRAFTS/BAKED GOODS

A craft show and bake sale will be 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 26-27 at Northwest Wayne Skill Center, 8075 Ritz, off Ann Arbor Trail between Merriman and Farmington Road, Westland. Items for sale will be woodcraft, metalcraft, plants, flowers and vegetables, T-shirts, sweat shirts and bakery goods.

RUMMAGE/GARAGE SALE

The ladies of St. Raphael Church will hold a rummage and garage sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 26-27, in the Activities Building, Merriman two blocks north of Ford, Garden City.

METRO WAYNE DEMOCRATIC CLUB

The club holds bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, two blocks east of Middlebelt, Westland. Proceeds go to help needy people and senior citizens as well as sponsoring two Little League baseball teams every year, and support for the Penickton School for the Blind. Call Cliff, 729-8681, or Carol, 422-5025.

LINE DANCING

Line dancing lessons will be offered to senior citizens at 10:45 a.m. each Friday at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, at Marquette. Fee is \$2 per session. 722-7632.

CARD GAMES

Wayne Ford Civic League Seniors hold card parties 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the last Monday of each month in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, near Marquette. Admission is \$2, which includes a light lunch. 721-0871.

■ DYER CENTER

The Wayne-Westland school district's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday through Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads.

Business bash

EXPO 275 draws governor, many others

Gov. John Engler was greeted in Livonia Tuesday night — inside and outside Burton Manor at the opening of EXPO 275.

The governor was first greeted by picketers from the Michigan Education Association at the entrance to Burton Manor. The teachers union is unhappy with Engler for supporting legislation dealing with teachers strikes that the MEA feels is anti-union.

Inside, the governor was greeted by a full house of people attending the opening night reception of the business/trade exposition sponsored by the Livonia Chamber of Commerce. After opening the reception, Engler visited a few booths and greeted expo visitors.

EXPO 275 continues today with an 11:30 a.m. lunch with Ernie Harwell at Burton Manor. The free trade fair ends today. There are some 250 exhibitors.

Restaurants participating in the Taste of Livonia at the opening night reception Tuesday included Burton Manor, Catering By Sayers of Redford, D&M Catering of Livonia, DePalma's Ristorante, de Ros Delicacies of Redford, Domino's Pizza of Livonia, El Nibble Nook, Embassy Suites Hotel of Livonia, Fonte D'Amore, Holiday Inn-Livonia West, Joe's Produce, Laurel Manor, Livonia Olive Garden, Macaroni Grill, Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe of Westland, McDonald's restaurants.



A checkout: June Watson, an employee for Livonia Public Schools, has a spinal analysis done by Dr. Leonard Shefts at EXPO 275 Tuesday evening.



On the outside: Teachers unhappy with Gov. Engler picketed near Burton Manor.



Meeting the Gov: Dolly Kieber talks with Gov. John Engler at EXPO 275.



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Vietnam trade pact panned

Here's how Observer & Eccentric-area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes in the week ending April 29.

HOUSE

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from impending federal job cuts. Area representatives voting yes were: Bob Carr, D-Poitier, Dale Kildee, D-Flint, Joseph Knollenberg, R-Birmingham, Sander Levin, D-Southfield and William Ford, D-Ypsilanti.

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Claims Against Iraq: By a vote of 398 for and five against, the House passed a bill (HR 3221) setting up a mechanism for paying American claims against Iraq that result from the Persian Gulf war.

Claims of \$5 billion have been filed by individuals, corporations, Operation Desert Storm veterans and the U.S. government. However, since only \$1.2 billion in Iraq assets have been frozen, claimants will get only part of what they seek. Under the bill, the U.S. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission is required to first process claims under \$10,000 and those by certain military victims of Iraq, then address remaining valid claims.

The bill also urges the United States to send medical supplies through international organizations to the Iraqi people, and calls upon the United Nations to prosecute Saddam Hussein and other Iraqi military leaders for war crimes.

A yes vote was to pass the bill. Area representatives voting yes were: Carr, Kildee, Knollenberg, Levin, Not voting: Ford.

Schoolcraft is listening

A Schoolcraft College workshop called "Communication: The Art of Listening" will take place 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 21.

The fee is \$30 for people up to 59 years of age, \$22 for people 60 and older. Call 462-4448.

Italian-American tribute set

The Italian Tribune, one of the oldest Italian-American newspapers in the United States, celebrates its 85th anniversary with a banquet at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 19, at the San Marino Club, 1035 E. Big Beaver in Troy.

Entertainment will be pro-

vided by Eddie DeSantis, Maria Mariotto, Dino Valle, Quinto, Milito, Luella Baron, Pete Carollo, and Dixibelle (Elma Santa).

Tickets are \$30 per person. Call Luella Baron at 639-7129, Adriana DeGiusti Cefai at 471-2617, or Marlene Baker at 541-6744.

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Teen musicians off to Russia with S'craft piano man

BY MARY RODRIQUE

STAFF WRITER

Seven teenagers under the direction of Schoolcraft College piano department chairman Don Morelock have been invited to join a select group of American piano students for three weeks of study and performance in Russia.

"It's quite an honor," said Morelock, also director of the Schoolcraft Applied Music Program. He will accompany the group.

"They'll be among 25 American students including a group from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York and others from the University of Missouri for the three week Russian tour."

The invitation comes from the International Fine Arts Institute. The Wisconsin school is the only American organization that is a member of the largest music union in Russia. It has taken dancers to study with Bolshoi teachers and bands to perform with the Moscow Circus in addition to operating the piano program.

The 21-day piano program begins June 18 and includes instruction from world class Russian teachers, private lessons and master classes, and sightseeing stops at Red Square, the Kremlin and several museums. Students will perform their final week abroad and also receive two semester hours of credit from the

Moscow Conservatory College.

"Both culturally and musically, this should be just fabulous," said Christopher Temporelli, 19, a Schoolcraft freshman who plans to double major in voice and piano at Michigan State University in the fall.

Temporelli, a straight A graduate of Southfield Christian Academy and a Farmington Hills resident, has studied piano with Morelock since the eighth grade.

Sisters Hiroko and Wakako Uefuji of Canton Township have also studied piano for years and are excited about this trip.

"I'm very excited," said Hiroko, at 14 the youngest student going on tour. She is an eighth grader at Pioneer Middle School. "Piano is a serious hobby."

Wakako, 18, a senior at Plymouth Canton High School, started playing piano at age 3 in Hiroshima, Japan. The family moved here just 18 months ago.

"I'm going to major in piano in college. I hope this will help," she said.

Anthony Bonamici, 18, of Livonia, has already performed solo on occasion. The longtime student of Morelock is now a freshman at Rice University in Houston.

The four recently gathered with Morelock in the Forum, Schoolcraft's music building on the Livonia campus, to discuss the trip. Each one effortlessly played

a snippet of a classical piano piece, wielding the skills which undoubtedly cinched the invitation to Moscow.

Rounding out the group will be David Chan, 16, a sophomore at Plymouth Canton High; Sakura Toyama, 17, a junior at Northville High School; and Elena Tsai, a 19 year old sophomore at the University of Michigan.

Each student must bring a memorized performance caliber program of approximately 10 works, including such pieces as a Bach prelude and fugue, a complete Classical sonata, a large Romantic work, several etudes (one Russian), a 20th century composition and an American piece.

"They are all very accomplished pianists," said Morelock. "They've competed in many national competitions and received all kinds of honors."

Morelock said Schoolcraft's summer music program includes several complete recitals. Last year he hired a professional string quartet to work with students.

The institute is paying for Morelock's trip, which will partially subsidize the students.



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Moscow music: Don Morelock, director of the piano department at Schoolcraft College, is accompanying a select group of piano students on a three week study/performance tour of Russia next month. With Morelock, from left, are Anthony Bonamici, Hiroko Uefuji, Wakako Uefuji and Christopher Temporelli.

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Vocabulary lesson

* In schools, money is everything

School board watchers and voters should keep a political dictionary close by when listening to school officials or union leaders talking about money and what they see as the future of education in the district.

Voters should certainly keep the dictionaries nearby when they go to the polls to vote for school board candidates or a school millage renewal.

There is a language and culture surrounding any discussion of school issues, such as curriculum reform, school attendance boundary changes, employee's union contracts, busing, and a variety of financial matters.

It's especially important that voters become better educated on this issue as local officials have to deal with dealing with the aftermath of Proposal A, approved by a large margin March 15 in the hope that local school property taxes will remain low.

The Observer provides this glossary of terms to help school board watchers and others to understand what school and union leaders really mean.

* For example:

A school administrator reports to the board of education that "there is a concern about the lack of state backing for public education and that the Legislature is retreating from its traditional support for K-12 education."

Translation: "There isn't enough money. We're running out of money and we're not getting as much from the state as we want."

Another typical dialogue at school board or PTA meetings: "The district may have to cut art, music and physical education because of a lack of resources."

Translation: "There isn't enough money."

A traditional management comment about upcoming negotiations with any employee:

union goes something like this: "We hope that our employees will be responsible and recognize the district's financial situation."

What that means is: "There isn't enough money. We gave away the store in the previous contract and don't have money for any raises this year or next."

At the same time, union leaders typically comment: "Our members are professional and hard-working. We only want what is fair and equitable to bring us back to the middle of Wayne County salary schedules."

That means: "We want our money and we want it now. The hell with the district's financial problems. Bloomfield Hills and Grosse Pointe teachers got their raises and we want the same."

When parents complain about outdated texts being used by students, the administration usually responds with: "There is a lack of resources to purchase new texts."

What that means is: "There is no money left for new books. We gave away the bucks in the last contract negotiations."

When the administration talks about the need for "more community support," hang on to your checkbook. That can only mean that there is a millage increase election in the near future.

This vocabulary lesson for parents and voters means that they have to understand that "resources" is just another word for money; that nearly every decision has a financial impact; and most important - if they don't understand an answer from a school or union official, ask immediately for a translation.

When you get it, then ask what are they going to do about the problem - besides going to the voters for a millage increase.

In that way, there will be a better informed and educated electorate.

This 'rescue' depends on you

In 1985 Michigan Water Resources Commission chairman Jim Murray wrote the following about sewage being dumped into the Rouge River:

Spending money on eliminating polluted discharges is not going to gain public support if the river remains unsightly and full of log jams, supermarket baskets, car batteries and car bodies.

Murray, now Wayne County's environmental department director, was right. Less than a year after he made that statement, a group called Friends of the Rouge was formed and began annual cleanups that have increased in scope every year.

Tremendous progress has been made. In 1986 "even the carp were dying" said Jim Graham, the executive director of Friends of the Rouge. "It used to be almost a cliché that you'd find a car somewhere."

Now there are at least 20 different kinds of fish in the Rouge and volunteers are removing less debris every year. Last year they took out 1,000 cubic yards less rubbish than they did in 1992. They haven't found a car in two years.

That's not to say, however, that the job begun eight years ago is over. Rouge River organizers have added three cleanup sites this year, bringing the total to 23. And efforts have expanded to include heretofore neglected aspects of river maintenance. Volunteers are needed to sterilize their drains to warn against dumping toxic stuff in the river, to build nesting boxes for birds and ducks, and to plant trees along the riverbank.

A Friends of the Rouge member says, "If you care about the public schools, then you care about the Rouge."

schools, has grown to include 66 schools from elementary to high schools. Science and biology teachers are encouraged to use the Rouge to supplement textbooks and laboratories.

An adopt-a-stream project called "Rouge RiverWatch" begins this year. The Friends of the Rouge is signing up groups who wish to "adopt" segments of the river. These groups will conduct quarterly litter cleanups and surveys to spot potential problems.

However, truly cleansing the Rouge takes a lot longer than eight years. In 1985 there were 180 combined sewer output pipes emptying raw sewage into the Rouge and its tributaries in the 467-square-mile basin. Today there are 163 CSO pipes.

This is the pollution Jim Murray referred to in 1985. And finally, something is being done about it.

The federal government has chosen the Rouge basin for an experimental "Wet Weather Demonstration Project" whereby a river is cleaned by applying the cleanup effort to the entire ecosystem surrounding it. Part of the project will drastically reduce the amount of sewage pouring into the Rouge.

Jim Murray was right. This 20-year, \$1-billion cleanup project would not have been possible had not the low-tech, no-pay, strong-back cleanup preceded it. Popular support made it possible. Popular support will sustain it.

So get out there on Saturday, June 4, and help Graham and Co. rub the dirt off this beautiful natural asset. Call Friends of the Rouge at 461-3050 to volunteer.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Monday was the city of Westland's 28th anniversary. What do you like most about Westland?

We asked this question of Westland residents at the Friendship Senior Center.



Leon
Korzenowski



Wilbert Little



Lucille Harvey



Trudy Allen

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LETTERS

Soccer delay knocked

Delays, delays, delays. Those three words describe the way the Wayne-Westland school board has handled the issue of soccer as a varsity sport at the high school level.

I am now a senior at John Glenn High School and have been trying to get soccer in our school district for the past three years, without any success. Throughout these years, the school board has made false promises, issued pointless committees, and made petty excuses as to why soccer cannot be a varsity sport.

Why? Why are they holding students back from possible scholarships? Why are they keeping kids from being involved in extracurricular activities? Why is the school board preventing John Glenn from maintaining a full athletic program?

These are the questions the residents of Wayne-Westland must ask themselves with every season that passes, the school board has wasted more and more opportunities for the advancement of young soccer players. Thanks to the school board I am now the co-captain of the John Glenn Soccer Club.

My thanks to the school board whose delays have kept me from playing on a varsity soccer team.

David Hebert, Westland

Michigan. It would be a shame, as in that movie's "bad dream" of Pottersville, if our Michigan became Englersville!

Jeffery Miner, Westland

Fowlkes supported

After reading your editorial dated May 12, I had to question your motives. The article focused on your upcoming interviews of Wayne-Westland school board candidates and your newspaper's ultimate endorsement of who other than Sharon Felan.

It's unfortunate that you highlight the issue of personal agendas, when in fact, you and your newspaper already have chosen the candidate you will endorse. All of this taking place, prior to any candidate interviews - and you call yourself unbiased.

I believe the Westland Observer editor has to put aside his own personal crusades and start serving the needs of the Wayne-Westland community.

Debra Fowlkes is the most unpolitical individual that currently sits on the school board.

She is sensitive to issues affecting students, members of the community, employees and believes it or not, fellow board members. She does not participate in the political babbles and waste-of-time political hype brought on by board members Laurel Raisanen, Vicki Welty and Richard LeBlanc.

She does not participate in the crusades brought on by any of the other six board members sitting on the Wayne-Westland School Board. She is simply a parent, a citizen and last but not least, a fair and honest member of our board of education.

The least your newspaper could do is be fair and honest with her also. I am almost positive this letter won't appear prior to your endorsement of a candidate.

I truly believe that Debra Fowlkes is the only candidate who can assure us that the needless infighting that currently exists between the so-called two sides of our board will remain at a minimum.

Sharon Felan's uncontrollable temper and her obvious disdain for board members Patricia Brown, Mathew McCusker and Bud Winter will only make things worse.

Susan Milbank, Westland

Engler not wonderful

Am I the only one who sees the similarity between Old Mr. Potter of the movie classic "It's A Wonderful Life" and Gov. John Engler? Both men apparently lacking scruples showing no respect for their fellow man. One newspaper article after another I read of Engler's unmerciful exploitations.

Perhaps it's because neither man had or has a real future in the well-being of their homeland, neither man having children or grandchildren to leave behind the havoc of a government gone bad.

If Potter could stand by and watch the small business of the savings and loan go bankrupt, then it's no wonder that Engler stood by and did nothing as nuclear waste water was dumped into our great lake. What neurological damage awaits our children's generation one shudders to think! It's no wonder that our students are having difficulty, when Michigan ranks highest in the nation with health problems and almost lowest in prenatal health care.

Funny how both Potter and Engler have exactly six letters in their last names. Personally, I'd beware of men campaigning with promises to get even "tougher" on

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POINTS OF VIEW

Faxon's sense of history stands out in Lansing

If I miss Jack Faxon in the state Senate, it's good he's bowing out now, at age 67, after 34 years in office.

Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, has been among my favorites in both parties because he has a sense of history. A lawmaker with a sense of history realizes he or she is part of a continuum; that able people preceded him, and he stands on their shoulders; and able people will come after him.

Govs. Jim Blanchard, in particular, and Bill Milliken had a sense of history. President John F. Kennedy, after 1960, lost it, arguing with bloated egotism that things began "moving" with him where all was stagnant before.

I first saw Faxon at the 1962 Constitutional Convention as he guided a group of Detroit high school students around the Lansing Civic Center digs. Faxon was one of many delegates to launch their careers on the Con-Con pad. Others were Goy, George Romney, Judge Richard Kuhn, Weldon Yenger, Coleman Young, William D. Ford.

Faxon alone, however, made frequent references during Senate debate to the

Michigan Constitution. He didn't use staff reports. He knew the constitution and read it.

When he represented northwest Detroit, Faxon championed the monetary cause of the Detroit school district. The story was that he decided what total state aid it needed, then concocted elaborate formulas to provide the desired result. Senate minority leader Art Miller, D-Warren, agreed.

"He has done more for schools, and before reapportionment changed his boundaries, he used to reside in and be the senator from Detroit. You heard so much about Detroit schools, and the rest of the school districts got short-changed because he manipulated the appropriation process."

"Now it's the other way around. He champions (suburban out-of-formula districts) and screens the Robin Hood effects."

Many lawmakers sit silently on their bokunkuses and vote. Not Faxon. He was verbal on almost every issue. Selfishly, I admit the guy is money in my pocket, because I could always count on him for a colorful quote from a local



TIM RICHARD

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Operator of a private school, the multi-lingual Faxon often acted as translator for visiting Europeans.

Faxon's stock in trade, as Miller said, was his ability to tack on amendments that benefited his district. His job became harder and harder as the Engler regime and modern governance theory sought lump-sum bills with fewer line items.

The reformed school aid budget is one example. Engler's new state arts council is another. They left no room for Faxon amendments. The man became visibly more disappointed each month.

This year, Faxon was reapportioned into a new, Republican-leaning Senate district. Either he would have had to face Sen. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, or move east to a new district. Faxon did neither. He chose to retire.

A personal promoter as well as legislative guardian of the performing arts, Faxon took a lot of heat from the politically uninitiated when he failed to show up for the 30-hour Dec. 23-24 ses-

sions that produced school finance reform.

What most folks didn't comprehend is that everything takes 20 yes votes. It doesn't matter if there are 18 no votes or two. Because he opposed all the bills, Faxon didn't need to be there.

Faxon performed instead in "The Nutcracker" ballet (it was a walking part, not a dancing one). Honigman said Faxon probably did the public more good by performing on stage rather than in the Senate chamber. I contend that Faxon, if present, would have lengthened the session three hours with futile speeches. His absence was an act of mercy on his colleagues.

A sense of history...love of the constitution...devotion to public education in his district...devotee of fine arts...a great news source.

At the outset I said able people will follow Faxon. Let's hope I'm right.

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LETTERS

Don't bash recipients

Stop bashing welfare recipients! It's not their fault!

The scapegoating of welfare recipients for all of the nation's social problems has become one of America's most popular indoor sports. It seems that everyone wants to get in on the act — Republicans, Democrats, Perotists — working class and rich — union and non-union.

I would like to call your attention to the fact that most welfare recipients are uneducated, inarticulate and penniless. Individually, their political clout, on a scale of one to 10, is about a minus three.

To blame them for the mess Washington has made of the welfare system is the ultimate example of "blaming the victim." Welfare recipients did not ask to be snared in the "social safety net," that they are trapped in. That net was deliberately thrown over them.

Actually, the real blame for the welfare mess lies a little further up the political "food chain." I am referring, of course, to the liberal wing of the Democratic Party.

Democrats of the 1960s who laid the foundations for the modern welfare state in America. What started as a sensible effort to feed the children of unemployed miners in Appalachia was twisted and turned by the liberal Democrats and eventually fashioned into the pernicious "culture of entitlement" that we have today. The liberal Democrats were the ones who made welfare into a "lifestyle."

By paying people for being poor, Democrats were assured that there would always be a solid core of voters indebted to the Democratic Party. Indeed, it is this constituency of the "paid poor" combined with the tax-dependent public employee unions that account for much of the Democratic Party's political power today.

Many so-called "new" Democrats now suddenly say that they want to "end welfare as we know it." Some claim to have had a "road to Damascus" experience.

Don't believe it! Democrats could

not possibly afford to seriously alienate their "paid poor" constituency — they need those votes desperately. Any Democratic "cure" for the welfare problem will likely be worse (and more expensive) than the disease.

Having the Democrats tackle the welfare problem is like having a dog walk on two legs — it can be done, but it's never very convincing.

The real way to end welfare is to put everyone on notice that after a certain period of time no more checks are going to be sent. This will give people time to plan — some will get jobs; others will move in with friends or relatives; still others will form two-parent households for economic efficiency; yet others will make arrangements with other social and charitable agencies.

When Gov. John Engler reduced general assistance several years ago, many Democrats predicted widespread social chaos with possible rioting and looting. Well? It didn't happen.

Welfare recipients are a lot smarter than Democrats give them credit for. Democrats should stop their patronizing

attitude toward welfare recipients — it's insulting. Most welfare recipients are "survivors" and if they can survive 30 years of patronizing Democratic social engineering and tinkering — they can survive anything!

Walter Warren, Westland

Coverage knocked

This letter concerns the Westland Observer's coverage May 5 of Ethnic/Diversity Day at Walter Reuther Psychiatric Hospital, Westland.

I am employed at Walter Reuther Hospital was involved in the planning and executing of this event. I know first hand that many people of varying cultures and backgrounds devoted many long hours to insure its success, and it was a great success. I am, however, disappointed that your coverage did not more fully reflect its diversity.

I find it ironic that, although mentioned in the write up, the coordinator

and organizer of this day, Mrs. Geri Fuqua (an African-American woman), was not pictured, while two Caucasian women were named AND pictured, and on the front page. Then, on Page 3A, the young Indian woman who danced was not named, the Philippine dancers were not named and the African-American man was named and pictured, only with his back to the camera.

Also, in the story, many countries were named, but the entire continent Africa was not even mentioned. In addition to that, the phrase "publications and posters" does not even begin to describe the wonderful, beautiful and educational displays that ALL of the groups presented.

I was most pleased that the Westland Observer accepted our invitation and covered this happy event (and may I take this opportunity to invite you back to next year's even bigger and better celebration). I have to wonder however, if the Observer itself is in need of some diversity/sensitivity training. I'm only wondering!

Vivian Holifield, Wayne

Gathering reaffirms values that strengthen our towns

The Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast kicked off May 9 at 7:30 a.m., so I had to roll out of bed pretty early to make it.

I'm glad I did, because so many decent and wholesome things got handled together there.

It stood as a living rebuke to what is happening to our increasingly tolerant and ego-driven political system.

The Livonia breakfast is just one in a series of similar events that take place regularly around the country. Their philosophy is simple: "A reaffirmation that people of good will, standing together for a common purpose, can transcend racial, geographic or cultural differences and create unparalleled opportunities for community progress."

Somehow the events on the program — each ordinary in itself but together moving and significant — made this philosophy concrete.

We all trooped in and sang "God Bless America" with our orange juice.

Then Sister Mary Danatha, who had been chair of the first Livonia prayer-breakfast 20 years ago, reflected on how the event had grown with the community, from just over 200 to nearly 1,100 attendees.

Deborah Westerman, a student at Oakland University, read scripture; Fred Hibbs sang "How Great Thou Art" with beauty and passion. Somebody described how one sixth grader at Cleveland Elementary School got a ticket and how that mushroomed into the entire class being present. The Livonia Observer Academic All Stars were introduced.

Dennis Archer, Detroit's new mayor, spoke about personal ethics and community bridge building. "Success is defined by whether the face you see in the mirror in the morning is one you can respect," he said, "and that has to do with how much you have given back, not how much you have taken."

Reflecting on the relationships between the center city and the suburbs, so strained and hostile for so long, Archer pointed out, "There's no need for city and suburbs to be at odds. Our competition is not Livonia or Troy or Novi; it's Cleveland and Baltimore. We need to pull together, all of us, to succeed."

Archer described how his campaign for mayor started early on with meetings between him and his key aides and a group of faculty from the University of Michigan.



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Those meetings took place in Livonia, in the offices of the corporation that owns this newspaper. "We started building bridges right here in this city," Archer said, "and we're not going to stop."

Wonderful! I have lived through an era in which the bored and elderly nastiness of Coleman Young called forth the part pickish and part race-baiting responses of Brooks Patterson.

And here's Dennis Archer, newly elected mayor of a city that's in trouble, talking about building bridges between city and suburb.

Dr. Bartlett Hess led us in prayer: "O God, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and light rises up in darkness for the godly; Grant us, in our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us to be..."

I left thinking that this prayer breakfast had pulled together all the threads which make our civic life full of hope.

The next morning, I read what angry things the Michigan Education Association said about Gov. John Engler (or what Engler said about the MEA — I can't remember).

And I read another story about how many sitting state representatives and senators are not running for another term because the political environment has turned so nasty and partisan, with single-issue groups demanding total obedience to their narrow points of view.

It was not a happy contrast.

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Radio host speaks at Family First

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Kaigler will speak at lunch, served at 11:45 a.m., that will include chicken breast stuffed with wild rice and spinach, tossed vegetable salad, fruit salad, roll, dessert

and beverage for \$10.

Reservations for lunch are asked for by May 20 by calling Lillian at 320-1768 or Maxine at 626-9785. A babysitter is available at a charge of \$2 per family.

Kaigler publishes a newsletter, "Scope," in which she defines the terminology of the 11 key elements of "Goals 2000."

Livonia Plaza plans a 1950s celebration

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back rates" on auto and boat loans.

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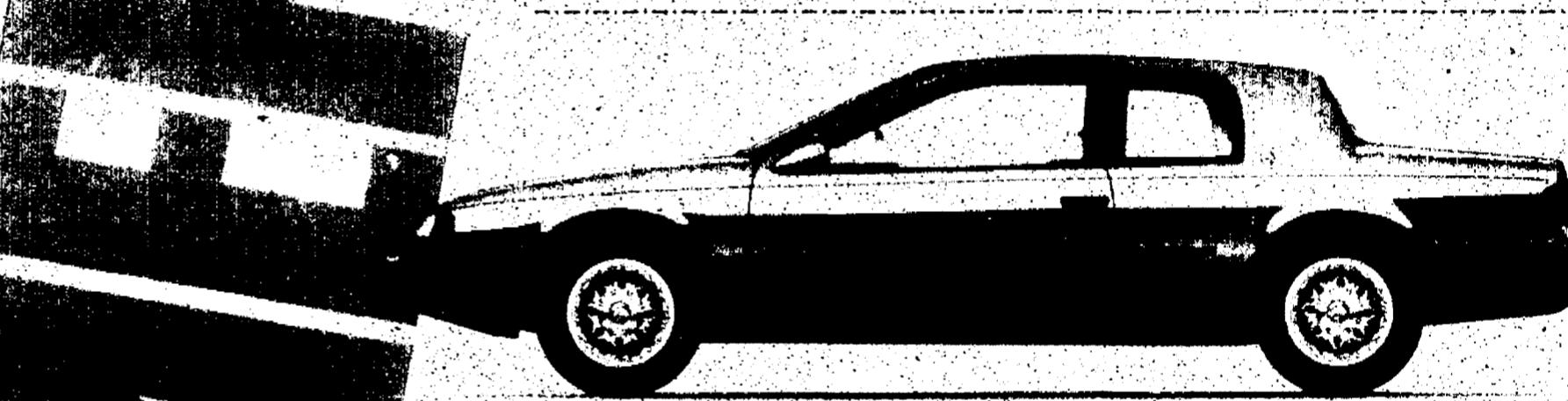
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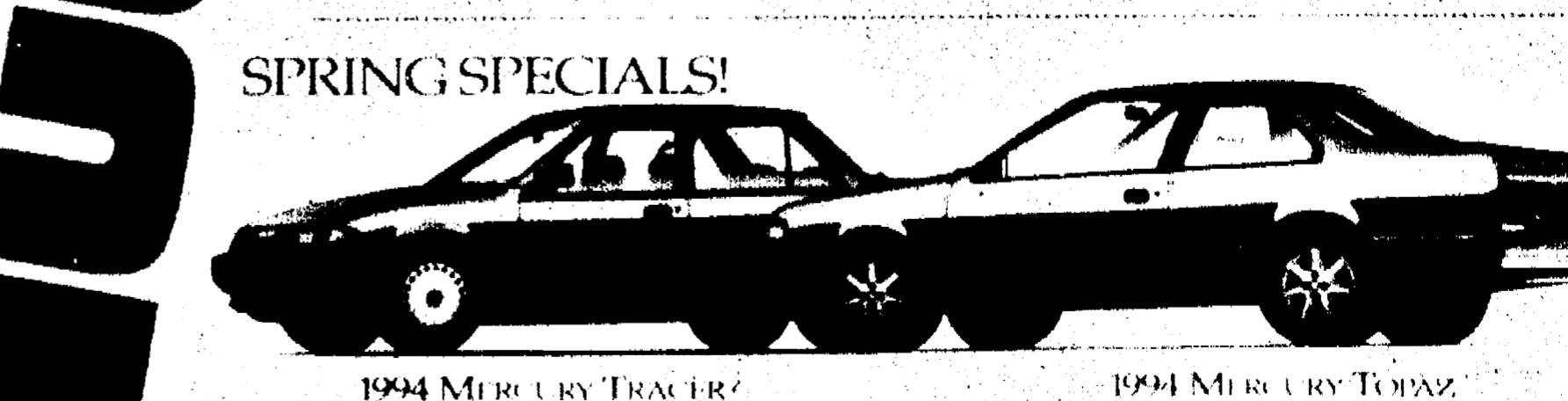
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John Glenn levels Rocks, 13-2

■ Westland John Glenn moved into a first-place tie in the Lakes Division baseball race with a resounding 13-2 victory over co-leader Plymouth Salem.

By C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER


Smooth sailing. That's what Westland John Glenn envisioned going into this baseball season. A setback or two, perhaps, but nothing to disturb their run at the Western Lakes Activities Association title and a long state tournament run.

A team that advanced to the Class A tournament semifinals a year ago, and had the main architects of that season returning, is entitled to such plans.

But don't take those dreams too seriously.

That lesson hit home hard with Glenn early this week. Despite the Rocks' 13-2 pounding of Plymouth Salem Monday, a win that left each team with 8-1 records in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association, the chances of them playing for the WLAA championship are slim.

Should Salem defeat Livonia Stevenson Friday in its Lakes Division final, the Rocks will earn that honor. The reason: The first tiebreaker is head-to-head results (Salem and Glenn split); the second is record against all WLAA teams (Salem has just one WLAA loss to Glenn's three).

So while the Rocks' victory Monday was somewhat satisfying, it probably won't be enough to give them what they sought — a shot at the league title.

Senior lefthander Bryan Besco had



At home plate

AKI EMANUELL/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHIC

Collision course: Plymouth Salem catcher Lynn MacLeod blocks and tags out Westland John Glenn runner Kelly Kirk during Monday's Lakes Division softball game. The host Rocks prevailed, 8-2. See roundup on page 3B.

to appreciate Monday's game most. He was victimized by some shoddy defense in the team's first meeting, which ended in a 5-1 Salem victory.

This time, it was Salem's defense that fell apart. The Rocks committed four errors, all of which proved costly.

And giving Besco any kind of advan-

tage can be suicide.

"I think we got him angry," said Salem coach John Gravlin, referring to the team's first game. "We've never seen him throw that hard. But if we play defense, it's a close game going into the sixth."

"In the first game, (Glenn) mis-

played a fly ball and we turned it into a win. This time, they did that to us."

Glenn had just a 2-0 lead going into the fifth. With two out and two on base, Derek Besco lined a high pop-fly to left. Alan Moran couldn't

See ROCKIES, 2B

Drabicki an All-Star

Livonia Stevenson point-guard Maureen Drabicki has been named to the Class A-B squad in the 16th annual Michigan High School Basketball Coaches Association All-Star Festival Saturday, June 15 at Flint Powers High School.

Girls games will be 11 a.m. (C-D) and 1 p.m. (A-B) followed by the boys at 4 (C-D) and 6 p.m. (A-B).

The 5-foot-6 Drabicki, who averaged 18.3 points per game last season, is going to Valparaiso (Ind.) University. She was a Class A All-State first-team selection and All-Academic pick (3.89 grade-point average) by the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan.

Britta Anderson and Alyson Noune, both of Plymouth Canton, were also named to the Class A-B girls squad.

Charles Smith, a 6-foot-3 guard from Redford Bishop Borgess, will play in the Boys C-D game.

Livonia boxers debut

Two members of the Livonia Boxing Club will make their professional debuts beginning with an 8 p.m. card Friday at the Marshall Street Armory in Lansing.

Scott Mattson of Garden City, who sported an amateur record of 16-4, will take on veteran John-Pierre Perrault of Lansing. Meanwhile, Westland's Steve Bond, 9-5 as an amateur, will meet Larry "The Legend" Byrd of Lansing (no relation to the French Lick, Ind. native and former Boston Celtic). Both are 160-pound bouts.

In other pro news, former National Golden Gloves champion Craig Payne, who as an amateur scored victories over Mike Tyson and Olympic gold medalists Tyrell Biggs and Teofilo Stevenson, lost his fourth bout in a row to California's John Bray Saturday in Terre Haute, Ind.

Payne (11-7-1) tipped the scales at 355 pounds, according to LBC manager Paul Soucy.

In amateur news, LBC fighter Shawn Presnell, 11, a student at Redford's Pierce Middle School, captured the 95-pound C Division Saturday when he stopped Saginaw's Mike Bolton in the first round of the state Junior Olympics held at the Howard Dell Community Center in Pontiac.

Co-satisfaction

Tie gives Stevenson title share

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The Western Lakes Activities Association will have to hand out a pair of trophies to its 1994 girls' soccer champion.

On Wednesday, host Livonia Stevenson earned a piece of the hardware, playing favorite Plymouth Canton to a scoreless draw.

The two teams were meeting for the second time within a week. Canton won the last outing, 3-1.

Canton, the Western Division representative, has now won or tied for the last three WLAA crowns. The Chiefs are 13-2-2 overall.

Stevenson, which captured the Lakes Division, is 11-3-2.

"Stevenson played well and they took it to us," Canton coach Don Smith said. "They were fired up and we played a little sluggish, but to our credit we didn't ease up."

Canton's players definitely had the longer faces following the 80 minutes of end-to-end, non-stop action.

"It feels like they're kissing their sisters," Smith said. "But we could use a kick in the pants."

Stevenson, with only one senior (Jolly Kimble), played an inspired match.

Kimble, a freshman at the time, was on the last Stevenson WLAA

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championship team (1991).

"The last three practices were totally different; there was a lot more intensity," said Kimble, who received a dozen roses from her teammates prior to the match in her final home game. "We were more prepared mentally this time. We played the ball on the ground more and we controlled it. We made them play our game."

The Spartans definitely had the better scoring chances and applied equal pressure against the Chiefs.

With 1:53 left in the first half, Wendy McCaul rang a shot off the crossbar.

Just 3:30 into the second half, freshman winger Nicole Tobin's shot glanced off the post.

Canton, however, had the ultimate scoring chance, but Britta Anderson's penalty kick with 16:20 left in the first half squinted wide of Stevenson keeper Misty Heath.

"With a little luck we could have won," Stevenson coach Mary Kay Hussey said. "But maybe we had luck on our side, too, because they missed a penalty kick."

Stevenson's play on the back line may have also been the difference.

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Spartans rule Lakes side

ROUNDUP

and Rita Khouri each played a half.

Ali Lord led the Raiders (6-4, 2-3) with a goal and assist.

"Overall we played a good game and was nice to get back on track," said Stevenson coach Mary Kay Hussey, whose team fell to Western Division leader Plymouth Canton, 3-1, on May 11. "The last four days we worked hard at practice and it showed."

■ CHURCHILL 12, FRANKLIN 1: Sophomore Marissa Jacobs and junior Amanda Domini added second-half goals for Stevenson, now 11-3. Jody Smith and Holly Klimble drew assists. Goalkeepers Misty Heath

and Jody Smith each had a save.

■ Churchill, a third-year team, improved to 1-11 and finished last in the WLAA. Western Division winner Franklin, 12-1, had 10 hits and 10 runs. Stevenson had 10 hits and 10 runs. Franklin's Margaret Weller collected two hits.

■ Churchill's first goal was scored by Michele Zawacki. Franklin's Kristi Schaefer and Cindy Kline had two.

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City champions

Morgan hurls Stevenson to repeat

By BRAD EMONS

Staff Writer

Whatever the reason, it seems Stevenson pulls its "city slickers" routing when the Livonia Baseball Tournament comes up.

For the second straight year, the "underdog" Spartans surprised the field with victories Saturday at Ford Field over Clarenceville (10-0) and favorite Franklin (9-6).

"We were hitting the ball today and the kids wanted to win," said Stevenson coach Mike Keller, whose team improved to 8-12 overall. "We played with some heart. We really did."

Stevenson erased a 4-0 fourth inning deficit to beat Franklin (13-10 on the year) for the title.

"They're a tough team against us, they deserved to win," Franklin coach Jim Karoub said. "But we just can't put teams away when we get somebody down. But in all fairness to Stevenson, they hit the ball."

Franklin ace Brian Crumley (5-2) held Stevenson scoreless over the first three innings before tiring. The Spartans erupted for four runs in the bottom of the fourth to tie the game at 4.

He threw 60 pitches against

BASEBALL

against Clarenceville, got the final two outs to earn the save after the Patriots scored a run.

Morgan, a left-hander, was nearly flawless in the Spartans' five-inning, 10-run mercy rule victory over Clarenceville.

The Stevenson senior mowed down 20 of 21 batters in throwing a no-hitter. He struck out six and allowed only one Trojan, losing pitcher Mark Juncal, to reach base on a walk.

"Brad had them under control the whole game and kept their hitters off balance," Keller said.

Racey led Stevenson's 11-hit attack with two hits and four RBI. Rayeroff and Chickila each chipped in with two hits.

FRANKLIN 10, CLARENCEVILLE 6: The Patriots dashed the last pitch of junior Mike Alivisatos with the last out.

The Peac's RBI single in the fifth ended the Bellarmine three-run lead.

Alivisatos struck out five and walked three. He also helped himself out with an RBI single. Peacock contributed three hits while Red Hyper added two.

Red Strickland Churchill with two hits and two walks.

Mike Tonello, the Chargers' starter, took the loss.

CHURCHILL 6, CLARENCEVILLE 4: After DeMaggio, Hels Saxon and Sauerbach each collected two hits in the Chargers' win, the win went to Madonna University Park.

Mike Blackmore, who also knocked three runs for the Chargers (4-12),

winning pitcher Eric Goldstein went the distance, scattering six hits and six walks.

Churchill's wins in six innings for Clarenceville took the loss.

Rockets

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squeezed it; however, and both runners scored.

The sixth was even a bigger nightmare for the Rocks. Starter Niraj Kher surrendered two hits and a walk with a run scoring on catcher Ahmadi Orines' throwing error. Joe Paul Paquette relieved and was pounded, giving up a single to Jerome Cosby and back-to-back doubles to Jake Henry and Bryan Resor.

An error by shortstop Bill Styles complicated matters fur-

ther. A wild pitch brought in another run and Mike Bint followed with a run-scoring single.

The final tally: seven runs, six hits, two errors, two walks, two wild pitches.

Salem averted the 10-run mercy by scoring twice in the bottom of the sixth on one hit. Both runs scored on Derek Besco's error on a two-out ground ball.

It provided little comfort. Salem managed just three hits off Bryan Besco, he walked three and

struck out 11. Kher took the loss for Salem, going 5-5 inings and surrendering seven runs (three earned) on six hits and two walks, striking out five.

Glenn "coach" Norm Hoenes wasn't entirely happy with his team's performance. "We're hitting the ball better," he allowed, noting the 13-hit attack. "But when (Besco) strikes out people, we have a tendency to stand around a bit. We've got to take care of that."

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Wayne blanks Southgate; Shamrocks win division

Wayne Memorial is out-of-continent in the Mega Conference's Red Division baseball race, but the Zebras' sure had first-place Southgate Anderson fooled Monday afternoon.

Behind the three-hit pitching of Shannan Green and the hitting of Jason Overton, Wayne earned a 7-0 victory over the host Titans.

Green (6-3), a junior right-hander, pitched seven strong innings, striking out 10 and walking two. Rob Ardinna had all three hits for Southgate.

Overton, a 6-foot-5 senior first baseman, led Wayne's offensive attack, going 3-for-4 with towering two-run homer in the fifth inning, to key a four-run surge.

Wayne is now 10-7 overall, and 7-4 in the division.

Southgate is .9-2 in the Mega-Red.

On Saturday, Wayne swept a twin bill at Taylor Truman, 7-4 and 8-6 (in 10 innings).

Green went 3-for-4 with three RBI, while Aaron Cagnon, Steve Duckett and Bryan Johnson each contributed two hits.

ROUNDUP

Wayne won the second game behind Snow's three hits.

Scott Wetmore, Cagnon and Green each added two.

Chris Czarnik went the first 7½ innings for Wayne before giving way to Overton, who finished up.

Overton pitched the final 2½ innings to gain credit for the win.

FRANKLIN 2, CANTON 1: On Monday, senior right-hander Dennis Madden threw just 67 pitches to earn the victory at Ford Field against Livonia Franklin (14-10, 6-3) in the Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division game.

Madden, making only his third start because of an early-season arm strain, struck out eight, did not walk a batter and allowed just one hit.

He outdistanced Canton's Scott Vatinoni, who allowed the distance.

Vatinoni struck out six and allowed four hits and one walk.

Frookler scored twice in the fourth.

Bob Dinger scored Mike Aubuchon on a groundout and Madden finished by drilling a two-out solo homer.

HARRISON 9, CHURCHILL 7: Joe Peter's two-run, two-run homer in the bottom of the sixth provided the final margin of victory Monday for host Farmington Harrison (6-10, 2-7) in a W.L.A. Western Division encounter against Livonia Churchill (4-13, 1-8).

Ron Blackmore, who pitched 5½ innings, split the loss.

Harrison reliever Dave Hensel, who worked the final two innings, allowing just one hit, was the winning pitcher.

Bruce Beale had a two-run double in the fifth for the Chargers, who were out-hit 12-7.

W.L. CENTRAL 9, STEVENSON 1: Rob Wing pitched a four-hit complete game and was 3-for-4 with two RBI at the plate Monday to lead Wall Lake Central over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

Wing, who struck out 10 and walked two, intended a non-scoring single, but Jim Tosonei in the second inning to score Chris Chichila with the Spartans only run.

Alpine Pinto recorded the loss for Stevenson.

DELAWARE 7-3, REDFORD CC 1-6: Redford Catholic Central needed a two-run rally in the seventh inning of the nightcap to win the nightcap in the second game of the day.

With the bases loaded, Dave Kapla singled the winning run in with a wild pitch. Jason Padula, who led off the inning with a pinch-hitter single in his seventh bat this season, scored on the tying run after singling and scoring on Kapla's double.

The Shamrocks are 10-4 overall and finished 14-13 in the division, one game ahead of Birmingham Brother Rice.

Andy Slankster (2-9), who relieved starter Dave Stollzalla, led the seventh inning, giving credit for the win. Stollzalla had struck out nine and walked two.

Ken Majeski's sacrifice fly to score Juan Sanchez was CCU's only offensive highlight in the opener. Andy Kunzman (5-21) took the loss as he was knocked out in a five-run fifth inning.

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Harrison's LaCosse stymies Chargers

By DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Senior Amanda Ault is pleased she didn't miss the good times playing softball for Farmington Hills Harrison.

The Hawks have gone from being an easy mark for opponents to an area power during her four-year varsity career. It's more enjoyable for Ault and her teammates now that Harrison is winning consistently.

"When I was a freshman, I never thought we'd be playing for the division championship, and now we could be playing for the league championship," said Ault after the Hawks defeated host Livonia Churchill, 7-0 Monday and took over first place in the Western Division.

"My freshman year we won one game the whole season. This year we were hoping to be .500, and thinking next year the team would be real good. But I'm glad to be here. We're hoping to do something in the state tournament, too."

Harrison, 6-2 in the division and 17-4 overall, can clinch its first Western Division title Friday when it plays Northville. The Chargers are 6-3 and 18-5.

The Hawks had superb pitching from junior Erin LaCosse, once again to defeat Churchill,

■ SOFTBALL

the preseason favorite in the Western Lakes Activities Association. She threw a one-hitter, struck out seven and walked two.

"She's always going to have a good game," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "She's proven herself so often this year it's pointless to count them. There's no doubt Erin means a lot to the team, but her teammates mean a lot to her."

LaCosse, who retired the Churchill side in order from the second through fifth innings, is helped by a good defense.

The Chargers loaded the bases with two walks and a fielder's choice with two outs in the sixth. A flyout to Ault ended the threat. In the first inning, center fielder Lori Hubble threw a runner out at the plate after Melissa Sochaik had the lone Churchill hit.

Harrison had nine hits and made surprisingly good contact against Churchill's all-area pitcher, Karen Jose. The Hawks had baserunners in every inning and scored at least a run in six.

Stephanie Schwalm had two hits, walked twice and scored two runs in the leadoff position. Jenny Myslinski led the Hawks with three hits in the cleanup spot and



JIM JAGDEED/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Churchill nips Pats for Livonia crown

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill repeated as city softball champion Saturday with a 2-1 triumph over Franklin at Ford Field.

The Chargers improved their overall record to 18-4 with the victory. They also avenged a last-inning 4-2 loss earlier in the week to the rival Patriots.

"The kids were enthusiastic, they were into the game because of the way they played Monday," Churchill coach Dana Hardwidge said. "We played pretty good defense. We were able to score early and hold them off."

Churchill tallied its only two runs in the opening inning.

Jenny Clulow and Karen Jose both scored after drawing walks. Brenda Anderson's line drive up the middle, partially deflected by Franklin pitcher Becky Jansen, brought both runners home.

Franklin pulled it within one in the sixth after Asha Bell singled. Pinch-runner Julie Simpson later scored on a wild pitch.

The Patriots then threatened in the sixth when Bell doubled and

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TRACK

Warriors 1st at Annapolis



Speed demon: John Glenn's Todd Peterson captured both hurdles' events in a dual meet victory Tuesday against Walled Lake Central. His best time in the 110-meter hurdles this season is 14.9.

Lutheran High-Westland took 12 firsts Saturday en route to the Dearborn Heights Annapolis Cougar Invitational boys track meet.

The Warriors scored a team-high 192½ points, finishing ahead of Garden City (151), Bloomfield Hills-Cranbrook (56½), Bloomfield Hills-Roemer (46), Dearborn St. Alphonsus (41) and Annapolis (32).

Ryan Crawford and Jon Smolka each scored in three firsts for Lutheran Westland.

Crawford captured the 100- and 200-meter dashes in 11.4 and 20.5, respectively. Smolka added firsts in the 110 hurdles (15.4) and 300 hurdles (42.1).

The foursome of Crawford, Smolka, Luke Schrader and Jeff Lichtenreiter also captured the 800 relay (1:34.2).

Lutheran Westland's 1,600 relay squad of Jason Otter, Jason Burk, Luke Schrader and Lichtenreiter was also victorious (3:34.0).

Brad Polkinghorne added firsts in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs with times of 4:36.2 and 9:31.9, respectively.

Other individual winners included Dan Schaefer, discus (124 feet, 4 inches); Troy Smith, high jump (5-6); and Kjet Skov, pole vault (10.0).

BOYS WRAP

Lichtenreiter contributed a second in the 300 hurdles (43.3). The 3,200 relay squad of Phil Kimmel, Jason Collins, Burk and Otter also finished second (8:32.7).

OTHER BOYS TRACK RESULTS

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 97
LIVONIA FRANKLIN 40
May 17 at Farmington

Shot put 140; Discus 145; Pole vault 13'; High jump 6-6½; 100 meters 11.4; 200 20.5; 300 hurdles 42.1; 800 1:34.2; 1,600 4:36.2; 3,200 8:32.7; 400 relay 5:14.3; 800 relay 1:34.2; 1,600 relay 3:34.0; 3,200 relay 8:32.7; 4,000 relay 10:34.2; 5,000 relay 13:34.0; 3,000 steeplechase 9:31.9; 3,200 relay 8:32.7; 4,000 relay 10:34.2; 5,000 relay 13:34.0; 3,000 relay 8:32.7.

WALLLED LAKE CENTRAL 55
May 17 at Livonia Churchill

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DEARBORN HILLS GARDEN CITY 151
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Alisa Gordon (Farmington)	22.9
Natalie Cripe (Farmington)	22.9
Kay Rodgers (Farmington)	22.9
Barb O'Meara (phone: 953-2141), Macomb	22.9
High School (Canton)	26.7
Sarah Hart (Farmington)	26.7
Debbie Kerec (Farmington)	26.9
Heather Bonz (Churchill)	27.0
Courtney Brown (John Glenn)	27.1
Maria Pasek (Salem)	27.2
Linda Conception (Westland)	27.3
Darlene Robinson (Farmington)	27.3
Freda Peter (John Glenn)	27.4
Leesa Cooper (Mercy)	27.5
Odevene Gandy (Canton)	27.5
Linda Rutherford (Westland)	27.5
High School (Canton)	31.10
SHOT PUT	
Alisa Gordon (Farmington)	32.2
Rebecca Arcoria (Mercy)	34.81
Megan Clark (Stevenson)	34.9
Rebecca Clark (Canton)	34.2
Linda Conception (Westland)	33.11
Darlene Robinson (Farmington)	33.3
Freda Peter (John Glenn)	32.10
Leesa Cooper (Mercy)	32.6
Odevene Gandy (Canton)	32.4
Linda Rutherford (Westland)	31.10
DISCUS	
Alisa Gordon (Farmington)	115.2
Teala Cripe (Mercy)	112.0
Ruthie Gray (Stevenson)	110.3
Darlene Robinson (Farmington)	109.3
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Alisa Gordon (Canton)	5.5
Courtney Brown (John Glenn)	5.5
Melissa Hopson (Salem)	5.5
Alyssa Sauer (Farmington)	5.5
Nicole Van Hees (Salem)	5.2
Linda Conception (Westland)	5.1
Elizabeth Swanson (John Glenn)	5.1
Sarah Connelly (John Glenn)	5.1
Craig Majeski (Farmington)	5.0
Shane Johnson (Westland)	4.9
Kelli Smith (John Glenn)	4.9
Alyssa Sauer (Farmington)	4.9
Leesa Cooper (Mercy)	4.9
Alisa Gordon (Canton)	4.9
400 RUN	
Alisa Gordon (Farmington)	59.7
Sarah Hart (Farmington)	59.9
Debbie Kerec (Farmington)	59.9
Heather Bonz (Churchill)	59.9
Rebecca Clark (Canton)	59.9
Linda Conception (Westland)	59.9
Darlene Robinson (Farmington)	59.9
Freda Peter (John Glenn)	59.9
Leesa Cooper (Mercy)	59.9
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Alisa Gordon (Canton)	2:25.7
Bethany Cripe (Mercy)	2:26.0
Natalie Cripe (Farmington)	2:29.9
Linda Conception (Westland)	2:29.3
Rebecca Arcoria (Mercy)	2:29.9
Megan Clark (Stevenson)	2:30.8
Freda Peter (John Glenn)	2:30.9
Leesa Cooper (Mercy)	2:31.2
Kelli Smith (John Glenn)	2:31.3
1,600 RUN	
Leesa Cooper (Westland)	5:16.3
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Megan Clark (Stevenson)	5:31.0
Linda Conception (Westland)	5:37.2
Alisa Gordon (Canton)	5:37.5
Rebecca Clark (Canton)	5:39.7
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Bethany Cripe (Mercy)	5:41.3
Leesa Cooper (Westland)	5:42.5
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Rebecca Arcoria (Mercy)	11:24.5
Megan Clark (Stevenson)	11:27.5
Linda Conception (Westland)	11:59.1
Alisa Gordon (Canton)	12:10.2
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300 METER HURDLES	
Alisa Gordon (Canton)	15.7
Leesa Cooper (Mercy)	15.9
Megan Clark (Stevenson)	15.9
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ENTERTAINMENT

ON THE MARQUEE



KEELY WYCONIK

Theater, music groups wrap up 1993-94 season

Summer will soon be here. Local community theater and music groups are wrapping up their 1993-94 seasons, getting ready for a much-needed break. We are fortunate to have so many talented performers and musicians in our coverage area. They are deserving of our applause and thanks for entertaining, enlightening, and enriching our lives. Here are some of this week's highlights.

■ Playwright Sarah Goldman responds to her parent's 11th commandment — "Thou Shall Marry A Nice Jewish Doctor," in "Beau Jest" presented by the Jewish Ensemble Theatre through June 12.

"The Beau is a Jest! A single daughter, her mother, and the dream catch, or is it match, makes for a very funny night at the theater. Sarah's only problem is there isn't enough of the real thing to go around. Her resourcing leaves the audience laughing.

Arthur Beer directs the cast which includes Eden Cooper Sage, Larry Shy, John Lepard, Marvin Zweig, William Premin, and Shirley Benyas.

"Beau Jest" opened for previews Wednesday, regular performances begin Sunday, May 22. Performances are in the Aaron DeRoy Thatre at the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Tickets range from \$8 to \$19.50. Call 788-2900 or Ticketmaster, 645-6666.

■ The Rochester Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of James Hohmeyer will present the last concert of its season, 8 p.m. Friday, May 20 at Warner Recital Hall on the campus of Oakland University. Tickets will be available at the door for \$11; children 12 and under \$8. Call 651-4181. Numbers to be performed are Symphony No. 8 in F Major, Op. 93 by Beethoven; "Ancient Airs and Dances" (Suite No. 2) by Respighi, and "Three Cornered Hat" by de Falla.

■ Detroit Chamber Winds' "Nightnotes" series concludes their season 8 p.m. Friday, May 20 with an evening presenting by "In Harmony," an outstanding vocal quartet at Haganian's World of Rugs, 850 S. Woodward, downtown Birmingham. Doors open 8 p.m., performance begins 8:30 p.m. Admission of \$12 includes performance and refreshments. Call 362-2622.

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ON STAGE

"The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas"

★ Theater: Birmingham Theatre, 211 S. Woodward

★ Curtain time: Show continues through June 12. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays; 7 p.m. Sundays; matinees 2 p.m. Wednesdays, Sundays and Thursdays, June 9.

★ Tickets: Range from \$19.50 to \$35; call 644-3533 or Ticketmaster 645-6666.



Musical: Nancy Carroll (Doatsey-Mae), Hal Davis (Sheriff Dodd) and Scott Woolley star in "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas."

western fan to appreciate the charming music and lyrics of Carol Hall. The musical numbers range from the very upbeat "Texas Has a Whorehouse in It," and "Twenty-Four Hours of Lovin'" to the more plaintive "Girl, You're a Woman," and "Hard Candy Christmas."

Montgomery and Davis are both very personable and credible in their roles. Montgomery's strong vocal skills are well complimented in her duets with Cleo King, who plays Jewel, Mona's assistant. King is a knock-out in "Twenty-Four Hours of Lovin'" and contributes a tremendous stage presence whenever she appears.

Savin as Thorpe, Steve Pudenz as the two-faced Senator Wingvaoh, and Ryan Hilliard as the Governor who does "The Sidestep" to every awkward political question are all adequately sunny but never quite plumb the full comic potential of these rich roles.

Among the ladies of the ranch, Virginia McMath is touching as Angel, trying to support the child she has left behind, and Judy Fitzgerald is convincing as the naive Shy. Nancy Carroll elicits empathy as Doatsey Mae, the plain cafe waitress everyone manages to overlook.

Under Scott Woolley's musical direction and Gardner's choreography, the production numbers are all stylishly accomplished. The male dancers are top-notch.

Eduardo Sicamgo's scenic set design seems classic bordello with the red-flocked wallpaper carrying right

over onto the piano. What would normally have been the orchestra pit cleverly functions as a clothes closet for the male dancers, who do a complete costume change on stage.

While the 1993-94 season at the Birmingham Theatre got off to a rocky start, all of the productions have been strong, and it is anything but a coincidence that Gardner has directed the three best of the year.

Barbara Michals is an inveterate playgoer who regularly catches up on all the New York productions.

'Closer Than Ever' is sensational

THEATER REVIEW



VICTORIA DIAZ

The Village Players of Birmingham are closing out their regular season with the Richard Maltby-David Shire musical "Closer Than Ever." Directed by Michael A. Gravame, and with musical direction by Michael Smith, this production is, in a word, sensational.

How does a memorable piece of stagecraft like this happen? Who knows exactly? Hard work, complemented by talent, knowledge, and large dollops of special care help, of course. Most probably, luck plays a part too, although perhaps a relatively minor one.

And, of course, in order to execute something impressively, it doesn't hurt to have something impressive to

execute. Perhaps the first right move made by this group was their decision to go with Maltby and Shire's winning music and lyrics.

"Closer Than Ever," an all-music musical, is a small symphony of middle-aged us, stumbling around in the direction of the 21st century, and trying to do so with at least a modicum of grace, sanity, and maybe not too much fat. Here is humor and sadness (mostly humor), lust and

pain and gain. Also, here is a delightful, insightful comment that, often, when we meet with surprises, it is ourselves we meet.

Onstage, a knockout crew delivers the goods. Carolee Castle, Doug Clark, Sean Harmon, and Patty Ward not only perform well solo, but work together beautifully, too. (And, after awhile, who cares if they all look a little young for their roles?) Paul McCaffrey, at the piano, and Chuck Bartels, on string bass, add just the right notes of panache and pizzazz to the production.

Just about every number performed seems special in its way. Highlights of the evening include the company singing about their "over-educated, under-stimulated . . . hyper-ventilating" generation trying to deal with bugaboos from cellulite to prostate trouble to aging parents in "The March of Time;" bass player Bartels, backing up Patty Ward, as she belts out the comical "Song

on Base;" the not-just-great-looking-but-terrifically-talented-too Sean Harmon, singing of the vague regrets of "One of the Good Guys;" Doug Clark giving it his best in what might be a perfect anthem for male mid-lifers, "I'll Get Up Tomorrow Morning"; and Carolee Castle, weaving an utterly enchanting spell with her splendid rendition of the bittersweet reminiscence, "Life Story."

Choreography by Christine Tobia contributes significantly to the success of this well-put-together production, as do other peripherals. The good-looking, but simple costuming (by Gravame) deserves special mention. Mostly in artfully-coordinated October colors, everything looks absolutely perfect for this occasion.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia-based freelancer, who specializes in arts and entertainment articles in the metro area.

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Reader defends Plymouth play

Edit. Note: We welcome reader comments. Kaitleen Bryant of Farmington Hills wrote about Victoria H. Diaz's review of "Isn't It Romantic," presented by the Plymouth Theatre Guild.

This is my first letter to a news paper, but I could not let my feelings regarding your review of a play go untold. You have asked for comments or suggestions, so here they are.

The review of "Isn't It Romantic," by Victoria Diaz was very disturbing to me. I am afraid that community theater will fall to the wayside if such negative reporting is repeatedly written. She also gave a very negative review of "Guys and Dolls," which I saw at the Plymouth Theatre Guild.

I am sure you are aware of the time that it takes to produce a play of these magnitudes. I have friends, none of them in this play,

Marquee

from previous page

■ Don't miss the Musica Viva International Concerts' 2nd annual Michigan Flute Festival, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 22 at Orchestra Hall, 5711 Woodward Avenue in Detroit. Tickets range from \$10 to \$30, call 333-3700.

Throughout the year, Musica Viva has presented outstanding concerts that feature a world of talent. This concert is no exception. Over 40 Michigan flutists will be coming together to perform. Guest artists include jazz, pop, folk flutist, classical flutist, a series artist director Gilda Gehra, international, internationally acclaimed flutist recording artist



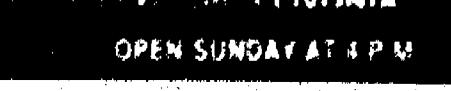
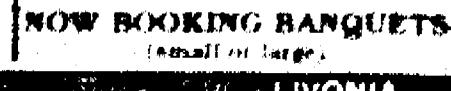
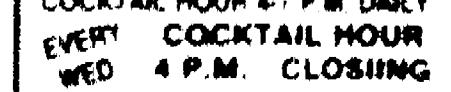
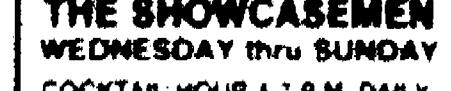
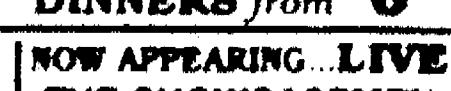
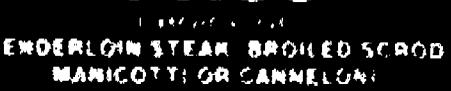
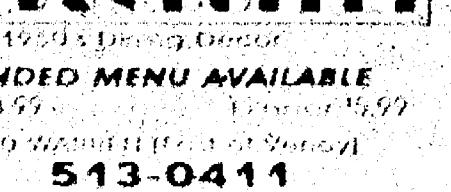
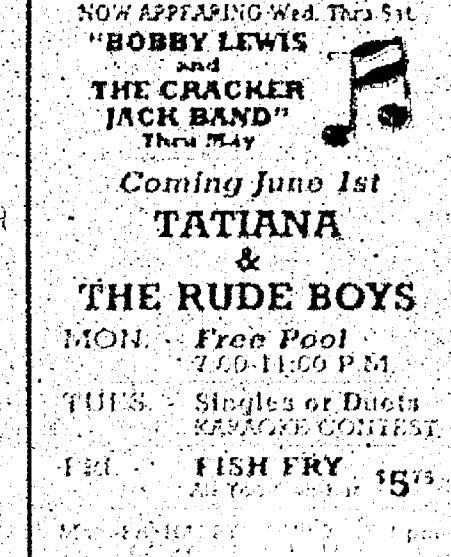
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Maverick's return expected to make splash at theaters



Mel Gibson, Jodie Foster and James Garner star in the Wild Western adventure of three charming fortune hunters and one irresistible fortune in "Maverick," opening Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters.

The days of America's Old West were extraordinary times, and they demanded extraordinary qualities from the men and women who pitonered our frontiers. In order to meet the challenges of life on the prairies, each settler needed at least one remarkable skill. Some were strong. Some were unusually wise. Many were brave.

And some survived by knowing never to draw to an inside straight.

Brett Maverick, charming con man, professional gambler and romantic adventurer, was a member of the last category.

A debonair drifter, Maverick had a flair for getting into — and out of — trouble that makes him one of the most colorful characters in Western legend.

Mel Gibson brings Brett Maverick to life on the motion picture screen in an adventure that takes viewers from the smoky recesses of the backroom poker table to the untamed canyons and prairies of the Wild West and, eventually, to the romantic embrace of the beautiful, wily Annabelle Bransford (Jodie Foster). And all along the way, Maverick encounters — more often than he'd like — the heroic, inscrutable and unflappable lawman Zane Cooper (James

PREVIEW

Gainer), who seems to have a peculiar way of anticipating our hero's every move.

As Maverick decides to pit his poker-playing skills — and his wits — against the best of the West in a lucrative championship game, the paths of Maverick, Annabelle and Zane become more and more closely intertwined with one another, with the results as unexpected as a high-stakes game of cards.

While "Maverick" is a period Western, at its core it is a comedy. "We're not trying to document the West, we're out here just trying to have fun," said Donner.

Screenwriter William Goldman

man's rendering of Bret Maverick, a hero who is not always the calm and collected character television audiences may recall, affords Gibson the opportunity to explore another side of his comedic range.

"In broad strokes he's the same — he gambles and he's inclined to drink milk and try to talk his way out of a problem rather than shoot or fight his way out — but there's this hysterical quality he's got that keeps coming up, and it's kind of fun to explore," said Gibson.

"Maverick," an Icon Production in Association with Donner/Shuler-Donner Productions, is released by Warner Bros. The film is directed by Richard Donner and produced by Bruce Davey and Donner from a screen play by William Goldman.



ANDREW COOPER

Western: Jodie Foster is the beautiful and wily Annabelle Bransford; Mel Gibson is debonair con man and gambler Bret Maverick; and James Garner is heroic lawman Zane Cooper in Warner Bros.' romantic comedy adventure, "Maverick."

Local 'bad girls' honored for spirit, determination

Thank you readers for sharing your heartwarming stories about the "Bad Girls" in your life. Our winners are Cece Swisher of Farmington Hills, Yvonne Consta of Livonia, and Mary David of Farmington. They received passes to see "Bad Girls" a T-shirt and movie poster.

Here are some of the reasons why these women are so "bad."

Suzie Tierman nominated her friend Mary David. "I have a close friend who is a walking case

of 'Murphy's Law,'" wrote Tierman. "Anything that could have gone wrong in the past year-and-a-half has! Through it all, including the death of her father-in-law and a serious car accident, Mary has tried her best to be as sunny and cheerful as always. She is the first to remember a birthday, or send a card when someone else is ill."

Cynthia Gonstas of Livonia nominated her mother, Yvonne. Married at 16, Yvonne had four

children by the age of 23 and was widowed at age 53 after 37 years of a happy marriage. She graduated from high school at the age of 25, worked 14 years while helping to raise her children, and returned to college at age 40 to earn a bachelor of science and master of social work degree. Now 57, she is a successful psychotherapist.

"Mother is a wonderful mentor, motivating supporter, terrific caretaker and best friend who encourages and backs her four chil-

dren and five grandchildren in ways that encourage them to be responsible, trustworthy, unselfish, loving and happy individuals," wrote Cynthia Consta. "Unconquered by life, she grows each day."

Michelle Swisher nominated her mother, Cece Swisher. "I feel my mom has given up and sacrificed too much in her life," wrote Michelle. "She had a lot of pain and pressure and she's fought hard in her life. But instead of

feeling sorry for herself or having a bad and negative attitude, she's become a very strong, independent, smart and sensitive woman. She's a great friend. We love and respect her."

"Bad Girls" is a movie about four women of the old west who become gunfighters to win back their money, their rights, and their dignity. It's now playing at metro Detroit movie theaters.

Movies premiere locally

You don't have to go to Hollywood to enjoy the glitz and excitement of a movie premiere.

"Beverly Hills Cop III" starring Eddie Murphy, the third in a series of Axel Foley adventures, will have a gala Michigan Premiere to benefit the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Foundation and the NAACP Scholarship Fund 8 p.m. Monday, May 23, at the Fox Theatre.

Tickets for the premiere screening only are now available at all TicketMaster outlets for \$50. Additional ticket information is available from the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Foundation at (313) 863-9394.

■ Screenwriter Jim Burnstein of Plymouth Township, and the Plymouth Community Arts Council will host a benefit screening of Touchstone Pictures' new comedy film, "Renaissance Man," Thursday, June 2, at the Penn Theater in downtown Plymouth. Tickets, which include a post-screening reception at the Mayflower Meeting House, are on sale now for \$30.

Special benefit screening and dinner packages are also available for \$60. Call (313) 590-5614. Ticket proceeds will go to the Plymouth Arts Council's Teacher Assistance Grant Program which provides students with fine arts camp scholarships and funds for additional performing arts programs in the classroom.

"Renaissance Man," written by Jim Burnstein is the story of an out-of-work Detroit advertising executive who reluctantly joins up with "Uncle Sam" — teaching Shakespeare to a group of Army recruits.

UPCOMING MOVIES

There's something for everyone at the movies. Here's a list of what's in the wings:

Opening Friday, May 20

■ "The Judge Project" — In a time of madness, a man of true greatness gives his life to save humanity. The man was the Son of God.

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Send Items to be considered for publication in What's Cooking to: Keely Wygonik, Taste/Entertainment editor, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our Fax number is 591-7279.

WATER CLUB GRILL
A prom night menu is being offered at the restaurant, 39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. The cost

is \$17 per person (tax and tip included) and the meal includes homemade bread and salad, a choice of entree, dessert and a choice of non-alcoholic beverages. Call (313) 454-0666.

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"Taste of the Northwest" May 20 through June 20 at Charlie's Crab in Troy, River Crab in St. Clair, Meriwethers in Southfield,

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Illuminati Wine Dinner 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 24 hosted by award-winning Italian winemaker

Eugenio Spinoza of The Illuminati Vineyards. Cost \$65 per person. Call (810) 305-5210 for reservations. The restaurant is in the Hotel Baronette at 27790 Novi Road in Novi.

CAFE MARQUETTE

Western Barbecue, 4:45-6:15 p.m. Thursday, May 26 at the William D. Ford Voc/Tech Center, 36455 Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh. Cost \$8.50 adults, \$7.75 seniors, children 7 to 16, \$4, children six and under free. Limited to first 80 people, first come.

first served. No reservations.

GOLDEN MUSHROOM

A bourbon tasting dinner will be offered 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 6 at the restaurant, 18100 West Ten Mile Road, Southfield. Call (810) 559-3230.

Chefs to demonstrate healthy recipes

Some of the area's most popular chefs will demonstrate their own delicious recipes, altered to fit healthier lifestyles, at Weight Watchers third Annual Healthy Gourmet Cooking Series, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 24.

Admission is \$12 in advance.

recipes. Chef Marty Wilk of Excalibur in Southfield, and Chef Jeffrey Smith of 4th Street Bakery in Royal Oak will share recipes and cooking tips.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to The Detroit Institute for Children.

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SUBURBAN LIFE

BURNING DESIRE TO SPEND

BY DIANE GALE
STAFF WRITER

After a one year shopping frenzy of buying clothes and trips, Maureen depleted a \$50,000 bank account and ran her credit cards up \$12,000.

At the end of the living nightmare, Maureen said, she realized she had a problem with money. "When the savings account was depleted I panicked," Maureen said. "That panic made me seek help."

She looked for a support group to join about five years ago and called the Self-Help Clearinghouse in Lansing, a statewide resource information center. But there wasn't a Debtor's Anonymous in Michigan. So, with the help of the clearinghouse, Maureen and another woman started Michigan's first chapter in June 1989.

"I definitely have a sense that overspending and credit misuse is an increasing problem, and there's an ever increasing need for support groups," said Sue Kollmeyer, resource specialist at Michigan Self-Help Clearinghouse. "It used to be, years ago that we'd get a rare call, and (now) it is more common. Overspending, credit misuse and gambling, we're getting more calls than we've ever had and we're hearing from family members, also."

The local chapter of Debtor's Anonymous meets at a Botsford Hospital facility in Redford.

Anonymity is key

Part of what makes the program work is that the people remain anonymous, said Maureen, who asked to be referred to by that name for this article.

Compared to similar types of groups like Alcoholics Anonymous, Debtors Anonymous is relatively unknown, she added.

"I think that's too bad, because I think there's a real need in society today with people who have money problems," Maureen said.

To get a better idea about who might attend Debtor's Anonymous, think about people with eating disorders, Maureen said. Some people are like anorexics. They won't allow any money to be spent. There's a pattern of deprivation.

Others are like bulimics. They go out and buy compulsively in an uncontrolled splurge and the next day they go back and return everything.

"I was a compulsive shopper," Maureen said. "There was a physical high going into a store and spending money. There are people who get into shoplifting in order to get this going."

No typical person

A typical meeting will include men and women of all ages at different stages of addiction. The main goal is to get the people to talk about their money problems, said Maureen, adding that everyone has a choice of whether or not to talk. Those who do tell their story, however, illustrate to newcomers that they're not alone.

"Once you begin to experience this, you begin the healing process," she said. "There's a lot of hope in hearing that someone is doing positive things to help this problem."

Often times, the group breaks up into clusters of three. One person will talk and two will act as financial advisers by acting as non-partial observers pointing out options. The group keeps mixing the make-up of advisers and talkers until everyone has a chance to talk. The advice is usually broad and simple.

Trash credit cards

For instance, using credit cards is discouraged, because many people don't pay off the balances and interest rates are costly.

"There's an empowerment thing learning how to live on cash," Maureen said. "We really try to focus on meeting needs. Sometimes denying yourself will lead to overspending. It's a cycle."

"People generally feel very trapped. When they find a way out that's when they feel hope and freedom."

Some people are in trouble with the IRS. Others don't communicate well with creditors.

The goal is to eliminate all unsecured debt like signature loans, family loans and other collateral loans.

It's a 12-step program fashioned after Alcoholics Anonymous. The persons admit they are powerless over the situation of being in debt; accept a power greater than themselves, what-

See DEBTORS, 5C

A funny side



STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFIELD

Tabletop publishing: For Marilyn Rowens, her kitchen table has been the drawing board for her more than 200 "Mini-Lectures on the Human Condition" cartoons.

'Stick'-ing to her philosophy



Marilyn Rowens hasn't given her cartoon character a name even though she's been drawing for almost 20 years. She calls it "her stick figure" and sees it as "her inner child" that stars in her "Mini-Lectures on the Human Condition."

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Marilyn Rowens feels close to the cartoon she draws, so much so that she has conversations with it about the captions.

But even with such closeness, she has yet to give the character a name. She is just "my stick figure."

"I'm not an artist," she said. "To put a stick figure on paper is not easy for me. I sort of have to imagine how she would do something then figure out how to draw it."

And a stick figure is just what the stick figure is - a simple face, set off by a mop of curls and eyeglasses, straight lines for a body and feet and squiggles for hands. She really is a young version of Rowens, only because her creator hasn't figured out how to give her gray hair. She did trim up her coils, though.

She can be found clinging to the world, also the logo for Rowens' Mini-Lectures Press, sitting cross-legged in the grass or swinging from the pendulum of a clock.

And while the drawings are simple, the captions are anything but.

Her globe-hugging caption notes that "Aside from wars, catastrophic accidents, the relentless chaos of unpredictable weather, murder, illness and death . . . the world is a wonderful place!"

The cross-legged one reads: "Life is one big question! Who am I? Why am I? What are my goals? What is my direction? Where am I going? And when I get there, so?"

As for the pendulum pose, "Life is like swinging on a pendulum . . . Very often you think you are go-

ing forward . . . but end up right where you started!"

'My inner child'

"She is an expression of my deep philosophy," said Rowens. "She's my irrepressible, inextinguishable, unrelinquishing inner child. She's what keeps me young."

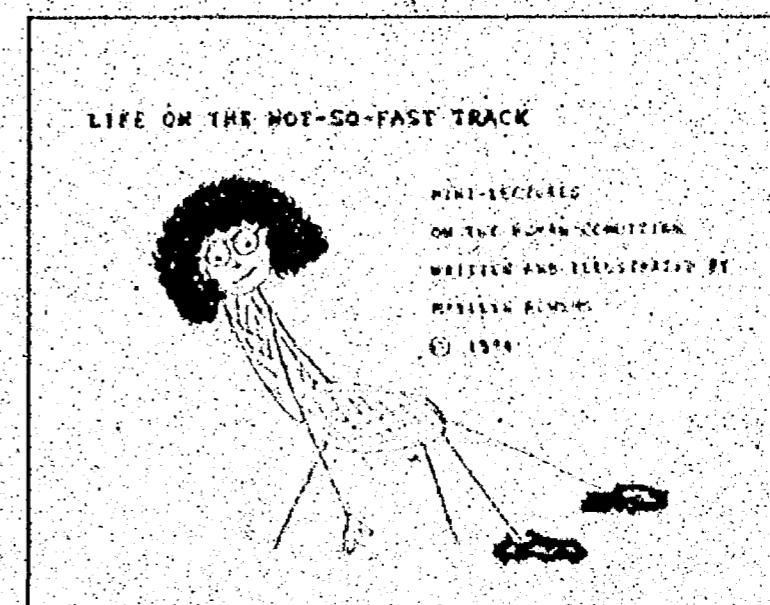
The 65-year-old Livonia resident began drawing her stick figure almost 20 years ago to include in the newsletter she has published monthly for the Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills.

The newsletter comes out 10 times a year and after three years, Rowens gathered up the 30 cartoons and produced the first of her "Mini-Lectures on the Human Condition" in 1981.

"Everytime I feel I have enough cartoons, I do a booklet," she explained. "They're used for fundraisers by the temple and I use them as calling cards."

Since then she has done four more of the 5½-by-4½-inch booklets: "It Doesn't Hurt When I Laugh" in 1983, "Beyond the Middle Years" in 1986, "O'World" in 1990 and "Life on the Not-So-Fast Track" published to celebrate her 65th birthday this year - with the help of her "partner in crime," her husband, Jack.

Rowens believes her cartoon creativity stems from being the ceremonial director for the temple for 27 years. She is responsible for the dramatic programs, services and holiday celebrations which has led to the development of WE DO (Women Employed in Dramatic Outreach).



Just right: Rowens puts her mini-lecture cartoons in small booklets, ideal for use as her calling card.

Rowens also is active in humanistic Judaism and is president of the Leadership Conference of North America. The organization has established a leadership training program to certify leaders by completing the training, Rowens is able to officiate at weddings, funerals and baby namings.

"Humanistic Judaism is really cultural Judaism," she said. "It embraces all of the history, celebrations, holidays and all the cultural positives and celebrates them in a humanistic way so we feel the strength to solve the problems in our lives comes from within us."

Summaries made

As a leader in the movement, Rowens has done a lot of philosophical counseling. The mini-lectures, she said, are conclusions drawn, summaries made of that. They are an expression of trying to solve the problems of the world, some with smiles, some with tears."

While Rowens has been drawing her stick figure for two decades, the first time she was aware of her was in kindergarten. Her approach to the cartooning is to first decide

on the caption then on what the stick figure is doing.

"The captions get clear while I'm driving and then I sit at the kitchen table and figure out what the character is going to do. Once I have it in my mind and have done it on paper, it's easy."

It may sound easy, but Rowens points out that if she didn't have a publication deadline, there probably would never have been a cartoon. Then again, there are those discussions she says she has with her stick figure about those captions.

"My stick figure in one cartoon said 'I am responsible for my own captions,'" Rowens said. "I developed more respect for her and realized that this was a growth process."

"A stick figure is universal; everyone can draw one. But then I decided that she's not a stick figure, but a cartoon, and she loves it."

When she first published the cartoon, people saw it as "cute and clever"; now they look forward to each new one. Some wonder how

See PHILOSOPHY, 3C

First ladies fill history with firsts

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Question: Harriet Lane was a first lady and officially served at the White House although she was never married to a president. Under which president did she serve?

Question: Which first lady's childhood name was Patsy, a name which her husband called her by?

Question: Who was the youngest woman ever to serve as first lady?

In history classes there's plenty of information provided about the men who served as president of the United States. But when it comes to their wives, you'll have to visit the library or attend a

lecture by Martin Brosnan.

Brosnan presented a series "snapshots" of the women behind the country's most powerful men in an entertaining history lesson as part of the luncheon series, sponsored by the Schenckcraft College Women's Resource Center.

"It's how you define the job (of first lady),"

Brosnan told the group of more than 100 women. "Whether you like Hillary Clinton or not, she has already changed the role of first lady by moving it from the social arena to the political arena."

Brosnan interspersed bits of trivia with information about the first families and the first ladies. Trivia like, at the time Bill Clinton was sworn in as the 42nd president, there were five former Presidents - Richard Nixon, who died April 22, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan and George Bush - still living. The only other time that happened was when Abraham

See FIRST LADIES, 3C

RELIGION CALENDAR

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church sponsors fun-filled evenings 6 p.m. Thursdays, May 19 and 26; at Rotary Park in Livonia. For more information, call 422-1854. Ward Church is at Farmington and Six Mile roads.

Single Point will have "Talk It Over," a panel discussion in a talk show format, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 27, in Knox Hall (child care is provided).

SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Ministries offers summer volleyball at 6:30 p.m. Sundays at the Park Place Apartments, on Eight Mile, between Meadowbrook and Griswold, Northville. Cost is \$1.

It also will present a growth workshop, "Understanding Yourself and Others — Using the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator," Thursdays, May 19 and 26, at the church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Cost is \$20 for the Thursday workshop. For more information, call 349-6911.

WINNING WOMEN

Winning Women for Christ will have its spring retreat Friday through Sunday, May 20-22, on the campus of Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. The focus will be "Peace and Joy... in a World Out of Control." Featured speakers will be Millie Dienert, Liz Curtis-Higgs and Peg Rankin. For more information, call 810-474-7271.

RUMMAGE SALE

St. Valentine Church will have a giant rummage/bake sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, in the Gymnasium, Beech Daly and Hope, south of Five Mile Road, Redford. Donated items can be dropped off between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Friday, May 20. Proceeds will go for playground equipment for the school.

PLANT SALE

The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will have its annual plant sale 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday,

May 21, at the church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads, Novi. Geraniums and a variety of bedding plants will be available. In addition to the plant sale, there will be a bake sale and spring boutique. The youth group will also have a car wash.

ANTIQUE SALE

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church will have an antique and white elephant sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at the church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. There also will be a bake sale. Donated items can be dropped off 7-9 p.m. every day the week of the sale and all-day Wednesday and Friday. No clothing will be accepted.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Those interested in learning more about Christian Science can tune into WSDS radio, 1480 AM, at 7:30 a.m. Sundays. Topics include "How can a true Christian church be made up of lay members without clergy?" Sunday, May 22.

IN CONCERT

Don McIntosh will celebrate his 45th anniversary in church music with a concert, "Don and Friends," at 5 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at the Church of Jesus Christ, 1642 Middlebelt, Garden City.

McIntosh began playing for Sunday School as a pre-teen and by age 15 was organist/choir director at his home church in River Rouge. He served as chapel organist during a stint with the U.S. Army as well as an assistant organist at Methodist church in Hopewell, Va. He has served as a substitute organist at several churches in the Detroit area.

For his anniversary concert, he will be joined by professional church musicians from the metropolitan area in presenting both secular and sacred music. The concert is free, and the public is invited to attend. For more information, call 277-5851 or 323-1168.

CHILDREN'S SERVICE

The Sunday School and Midweek school children will lead most of the 11 a.m. Pentecost Service Sunday, May 22, at Holy Trinity

See RELIGION, 6C

Leaders Forum recognizes families

"We believe and affirm today that the family is not merely human in origin, but has been intentionally fashioned by a loving creator."

Religious Leaders Forum

that the family is not merely human in origin, but has been intentionally fashioned by a loving creator."

"We are awed by the courage shown by households striving to fulfill a sacred trust," according to the statement. "In so many instances this struggle takes place in the midst of poverty, unemployment, discrimination and violence."

"As religious leaders we also recognize that many of our nation's institutions are failing the family as a result of policies and insensitive policy implementation. And as if this were not enough, family values are often

undermined and ridiculed in the media, especially television and movies."

The statement also encourages families to "love, protect and nurture children in a world that increasingly devalues, ignores and even abuses children. Provide safety and promote justice for the vulnerable and the weak, especially the elderly who enrich our lives and our memories. Honor fidelity and commitment in a society that promotes preoccupation with self."

"Demonstrate peace in the face of violence, hospitality in the face of distrust and concern for others

in the face of pitiless competition. Confronted with umbrelle, teach faith. Confronted with irresponsibility, teach the need to respect self and others."

"We regret that sometimes even our religious institutions have been insensitive to your needs and have failed to help shoulder your burdens. We apologize for these deficiencies and commit ourselves and our religious communities to walk with you and to help you do what only you can do — be families that are life giving to one another and to our troubled world," the statement said.

The Religious Leaders Forum, which meets regularly, is a vehicle for the exchange of views among the leaders of the various faiths. It also provides an opportunity to develop closer interpersonal relationships, to discuss issues of shared concern and to periodically act jointly on such issues.

Memorial Day: Remember our heroes

"They speak to us and say: 'We have died so that the ideals of freedom and brotherhood may live. Can you so live that these ideals shall not die?'

On Memorial Day throughout the nation, we honor the memory of our heroic dead. By the heroism and sacrifice of the men and women who fought for their country, America has become free and great and strong. We bear continuing dedication to the ideals for which they laid down their lives.

Every thoughtful American should be aware on this Memorial Day of a debt and the responsibility to these honored dead. That they have our reverence and gratitude is without question. No eulogy is needed, nor could any be adequate to describe our solemn pride in the heroes who rest in all the battlefields and seas where our freedom was earned and tested.

Their memory, therefore, is a vigorous challenge to us, for we are engaged in a battle as momentous as the great conflicts

in which they gave up their lives. We must build for our hallowed dead, monuments more lasting than brass and more enduring than stone — monuments within our hearts.

They died for one of the supreme ideals mankind has envisioned — democracy. Democracy consists of a sacred texture of ideals — freedom and brotherhood and justice and responsibility. They saw the war in which they engaged and in which they invested their life itself, not as a conflict or conquest, or for territorial expansion. And they saw it as a crusade on behalf of mankind and for freedom.

They believed that the priceless heritage of human liberties was

threatened, and they went forth on a sacrificial mission to stave off the defeat of those values which they had been taught to revere.

Only by keeping faith with our heroes can we perpetuate their deeds. Only by fulfilling the purposes for which they made a supreme sacrifice can we redeem that sacrifice from futility.

Thus, the example of their devotion to their country moves us to equal loyalty to our exalted patriotism. May it impel us to make our country great, its laws just and wise, its culture deep and true, its economy productive and equitable and free.

Abraham Lincoln spoke for all the generations in his immortal words: "It is for us, the living, highly to resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain."

Rabbi Irwin Gruber is with Congregation Shaarey Zedek, in Southfield. If you have a question or comment, call him at 953-2017, mailbox number 1862, on a touch-tone phone.

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ANNIVERSARIES**Shoner**

Eugene and Iris Shoner of Northville will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on May 6.

Both natives of Plymouth, it was 50 years ago when the former Iris Hitt took a train from Plymouth to Camp McCain in Grenada, Miss. There she married Eugene Shoner, who was in the Army.

Later, he worked for General Motors for 30½ years, retiring in 1988. As a part-time job, he also drove a school bus (No. 3) for the Northville Public Schools for eight years. She worked at Freydis Clothing Store for 12 years, while being a housewife and mother.

The Shoners have made Northville their home for 40 years and are members of the First Baptist Church of Northville. Their home is well-known to friends and neighbors because each holiday the front window is traditionally decorated with dolls, bears and lights.

**Rohan**

A family celebration marked the 50th wedding anniversary of Edward and Gertrude "Gerrie" Rohan of Canton.

The couple exchanged vows on May 20, 1944, in her parents' Detroit home. She is the former Gertrude Hall. They have lived in Redford and later Canton for 48 of the 50 years they have been married.

The Rohans have a married daughter, Karen Hermans, and her husband, Fred, of Canton and two grandchildren, Albert and Erik Hermans.

She is a surgical technician retiree of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. He is a retiree of the University of Michigan Institute for Science and Research. The U-M



Dental Research and E.R.I.M., all of Ann Arbor.

They are members of the Model A Club.

Corliss

Robert and Suzanne Corliss of Stone Mountain, Ga., formerly of Westland, Mich., are touring Savannah and central Georgia to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows in Detroit in 1964. She is the former Suzanne Yearsley. They have four children — Paula of Newaygo,

Mich., Michael of Westland, David of Troy and Laura of Westland. They also have five grandchildren.

He is an employee of Spiegel Inc. She is enrolled in the master's program at Georgia State University.

Philosophy

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she comes up with new ones; others find them meaningful. For those who find them meaningful and say they "love them," Rowens gives them copies of her mini-lectures.

"My stick figure is possibly one of our philosophers," she said. "She appreciates knowledge, beauty, reason and all the wonderful knowledge shared in philosophy."

Rowens has as many stick figure cartoons as thoughts in her head, since they come from her

CLARIFICATION

In the Thursday, May 12, issue of The Observer, Ina Otto, the Business and Professional Woman

en's District IX Young Careerist, was identified as being 32. Otto is age 29.

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GRAPHOLOGY PROFILES

LORENE GREEN

Dear Ms. Green,

My name is [redacted] and I teach fifth grade at Oakland Christian School. I often tell my students that their handwriting should be neat so that their renders can understand what they are trying to express.

A friend of mine works for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and told me about your column. I would like to have my handwriting analyzed because I've always been curious about what you can really tell about a person from their writing. I thank you in advance for taking time to read and analyze this.

L.M.,
Clarkston

This handwriting was done by a young woman who is mentally efficient and has a knack for getting to the bottom of things. She is intelligent and a discerning thinker. At eliminating unnecessary details, she is highly effective.

She is a productive worker who concentrates on what is necessary and gets it accomplished. She can

be a self-starter, independent, progressive and wants new opportunities. She can initiate and act on her own ideas. She is resourceful.

A love of beauty is noted here. The wonders of beauty which appear with each new season are pleasurable for her.

There is an artistic appearance to this handwriting. Manual skill

is also suggested. She can achieve through creative channels.

Seemingly our writer has an excessive need for attention, especially from the opposite sex. She may be impressionable and immature. In intimate situations, she may suffer from inhibitions. She does not always learn from past mistakes and may be inclined to repeat them. A lack of fulfillment may be causing some unhappiness at this time. Material instincts are seen in her handwriting.

Our writer is extroverted in areas of intellect and endeavor. However, she appears to vacillate between feelings of independence and dependence, especially in establishing emotional relationships. She often returns to the security of a mother figure who was

probably protective of her as she was growing up.

Her ascending baseline tells us she is inclined to look on the bright side of life. It may further suggest a belief in a higher being. This should put her in step with the current wave of spirituality prevalent in our country. Wonder if she has read "The Celestine Prophecy"?

If you would like your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C. Green a certified graphologist, at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and signature are all helpful, and objective feedback is always welcome.

company's human resources manager must register with the United Cerebral Palsy office by calling (810) 557-5070. There is no cost to the company; all proceeds are raised through voluntary employee donations. United Cerebral Palsy also provides all the materials needed to organize and promote Casual Day among employees.

Cerebral Palsy is a condition caused by brain damage of a baby during pregnancy, labor or shortly after birth. United Cerebral Palsy of Metropolitan Detroit's mission is to advance the independence of people with Cerebral Palsy and other disabilities.

Proceeds from Casual Day will be used for training and educating parents about the educational rights of their children; providing moral support in the form of support groups for people with disabilities and families in need; and providing people with disabilities with the personal assistance services they need to continue living independently with dignity in their community.

On Friday, June 17, United Cerebral Palsy of Metropolitan Detroit is asking workers to get rid of their ties and high-heeled shoes and get casual for a cause.

The organization is sponsoring Casual Day. In exchange for a \$5 donation, employees at participating companies get to trade in their business attire and go casual for the day.

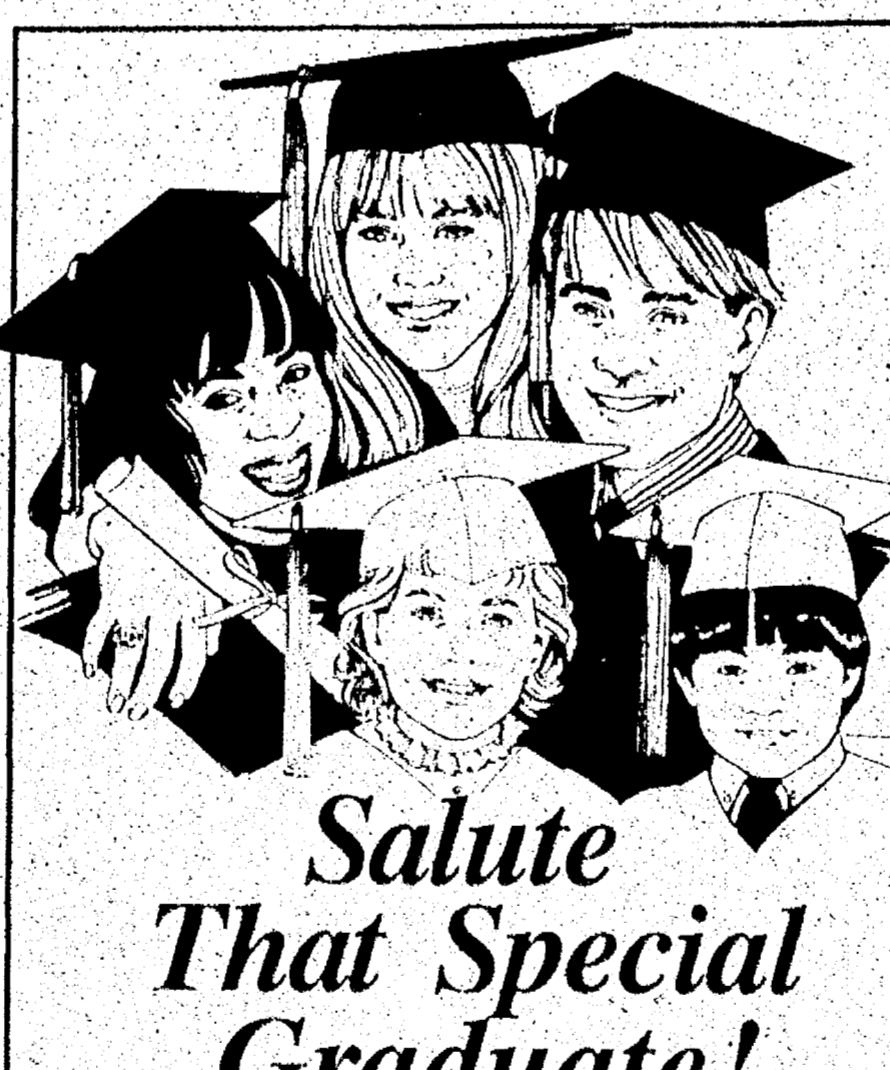
Besides raising money, which stays in the metropolitan area to help people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities, employees get a chance to show their true

colors and boost company spirit as well as an opportunity to win a vacation for two in the Grand Cayman Islands.

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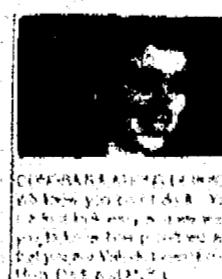
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WEDDINGS**Ganss-Brenner**

Elizabeth Grace Brenner of Livonia and David Karl Ganss of Ferndale, formerly of Toledo, Ohio, were recently married at St. Colette Church in Livonia. The Rev. Andrew Forish performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Carl and Teressa Brenner of Livonia. The groom is the son of Robert and Beverly Ganss of Toledo.

Both are graduates of the University of Detroit. She received a degree in multimedia communications and currently is a marketing coordinator for the Michigan Institute for Electronic Limb Development. He received a degree in mechanical engineering and is an engineer with Chrysler Corp.

Carolyn Brenner-Hudzinski served as matron of honor, with Jennifer Kozminski and Jeanette LeMense also attending the bride. The groom's niece, Christine Scherer, was the flower girl.

Raji ElKassouf was the best man, with Brian Vinson, Greg



Mulcahy and Joseph Brenner, brother of the bride, serving as groomsman.

A reception was held at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia, before the newlyweds left for a honeymoon in the mountains of West Virginia. They are residing in Ferndale.

Moser-Kettelson

Cheryl A. Kettelson and Shawn Moser were married April 23 in the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington Hills. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Domiter of Farmington Hills. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moser of Redford.

The couple received guests at The Botsford Inn. They are making their home in Redford.

**ENGAGEMENTS****Tanas-Kennedy**

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Tanas of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Louise, to Christopher William Kennedy, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Kennedy of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and is employed as a medical assistant at the Michigan Institute for Neurological Disorders in Farmington Hills.

Her fiance is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and is employed by Federal Express in Southfield.

An August wedding is planned in St. Colette Catholic Church, Livonia.

**Douglas-Roth**

Kimberly Douglas of Livonia and Charles Roth, also of Livonia, announce their engagement.

They are both graduates of Livonia Franklin High School and work in Livonia.

An August wedding is planned at Laurel Manor Chapel in Livonia.

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standing from friends and the community. The stigma associated with mental illness is sometimes harder to deal with than the illness itself.

Question 10 should have been answered false. Many famous people have made tremendous contributions to society in spite of their mental illnesses. Abraham Lincoln and Winston Churchill were plagued by depressive illness. Artist Vincent Van Gogh and writers Leo Tolstoy and Edgar Allan Poe also suffered a form of mental illness.

Actress Patty Duke was elected president of the Screen Actors Guild after her manic depression was controlled. Former Green Bay Packer Lionel Aldridge has lived with schizophrenia for several years, and newsman Mike Wallace has been treated for depressive illness.

To help people understand clinical depression, its symptoms and treatment, the National Institute of Mental Health sponsors the Depression Awareness, Recognition and Treatment (DART) public education campaign. DART provides a toll-free line — (800) 421-4211 — for obtaining information on depression and its treatment.

The Mental Health Association of Michigan also can provide information on mental illness and the resources available by calling (800) 482-9534.

nor held a press conference for the women reporters.

Like Dolley Madison, she left her mark on the position, so much so that Bess Truman didn't even try to compete. She did call a press conference, but canceled it and never held another one.

Jacqueline Kennedy was the first first lady to do a televised tour of the White House, while Lady Byrd Johnson was the first first lady to actively campaign for her husband's election.

Pat Nixon chose a quiet role, although during her husband's presidency, the first Cabinet meeting with wives was held. Her replacement, Betty Ford, on the other hand, tended to frighten people with her candid talk about abortion, alcohol addiction and her own breast cancer.

Rosalynn Carter was known for her frankness which won her the nickname "Steel Magnolia." She, along with Hillary Rodham Clinton, are the only first ladies to speak before Congress.

In closing out his talk, Brosnan offered an observation. The country will have its first female president in the year 2016, he said. Why?

"Women are living longer and more older women vote," he said.

As for Harriet Lane, she served as first lady for her uncle, James Buchanan, the only bachelor president.

"It's (Debtors Anonymous has) totally changed my life," Maureen said.

Debtors Anonymous meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays in the Family Services Building, 26905 Grand River, Redford Township. For more information, call the Debtors Anonymous hotline at (313) 537-2551.

For information on existing self-help groups in Michigan, or for help in starting a group, call the Michigan Self-Help Clearinghouse at (800) 777-5556 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday Wednesday and Friday.

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they have a problem; make amends; and strive for change are among the self-help philosophies that are stressed.

"Generally, what we find is that people who come to Debtors Anonymous know the 12-step program and this is one of the last things they have to deal with," Maureen said.

Marriage jeopardized

For Maureen, the tremendous debt almost killed her marriage. She realized, however, that her husband pretended that he didn't know she was buying things un-

controllably. He joined a group called, Debt Anon, for people who live with debtors.

He had to learn he couldn't do anything about his wife's behavior, but he could draw limits on what his bottom line was, and what he was willing to accept.

"Sometimes, when someone like him makes changes, it will encourage the other person to make changes," Maureen said. "I like to focus on the recovery part," Maureen said. "I was able to get out of debt fairly quickly with a home equity loan and I went back

to work. But many people take years to dig out."

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Religion

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Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile Road, Livonia. The students will lead in the singing of the contemporary songs, help in the distribution of the Eucharist, and serve as lectors, soloists, instrumentalists, acolytes and ushers as part of the closing service for the two schools. Their superintendents are Peggy Kallis, Robert and Lynn Rivers and Kelly Goff. The 8:30 a.m. service will be a traditional worship service. For more information, call 464-0211.

■ SALAD LUNCHEON
First Congregational Church of Wayne will have its 31st annual spring salad luncheon 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, May 26, at the church, 2 Towne Square, Wayne. A smorgasbord of salads, rolls, and homemade cookies will be served. The cost is \$4.50 for adults and \$1.25 for children. For more information, call 729-7550.

■ FLEA MARKET
Rice Memorial United Methodist Church will have its annual spring flea market 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at the church, 26001 Beech Daly, just south of Eight Mile Road, Redford. There

also will be a bake sale and food concession. For more information, call John Frith at 537-7865 or the church office at 531-4907.

■ RUMMAGE SALE
Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Canton will have its spring rummage and bake sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, June 9-10, at the church, 42690 Cherry Hill, west of Lilley Road. For more information, call 981-0280.

■ BIBLE SCHOOL
Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, will have a vacation Bible school for children age 4 through eighth grade 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 27 to July 1. Pre-registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. June 27. There will be games, prizes, music, crafts and refreshments. Special guests include Out-of-the-Box Ministries featuring music, chalk art, illusions and humor. Call 474-3444 for more information.

■ SPIRIT OF THE CROSS
St. Theodore Church's Spirit of the Cross Prayer Group meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays in the social hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call John at 422-5611 or Margaret at 427-9125.

■ NEW CHURCH
Crossroads Church is beginning soon in Livonia. It is for people living in the western suburbs and looking for a contemporary, relevant, non-charismatic church in which to worship God and develop friendships. For more information, call 462-2243.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER

A charismatic prayer group meets at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the University Center at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Leyian, Livonia. For more information, call Shawna at 464-9057 or John at 422-5611.

A group also meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays for praise scripture and singing of St. Edith Church, 15099 Newburgh, Livonia. The group meets in the church meeting room. (Use rear entrance 2.) For information, call Sandy at 462-2243.

■ MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
Single Point Ministries sponsors a men's fellowship group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Garden City. For more information, call the Single Point office at 422-1854.

■ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP
Bethel Baptist Temple, 29175 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesdays of the month. For more information, call 525-3664 or 261-9276.

■ FRIENDSHIP
Friendship Connection, a personal growth and support group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 13439 Marion, Redford, for discussion, questions and answers, fellowship and Bible study. For more information, call 534-2065.

tion, call Joel Thomas at 459-4562.

■ LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?
An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic Church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For information about the church, call Claudia at 729-4111.

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■ MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
Single Point Ministries sponsors a men's fellowship group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Garden City. For more information, call the Single Point office at 422-1854.

■ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP
Bethel Baptist Temple, 29175 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesdays of the month. For more information, call 525-3664 or 261-9276.

■ FRIENDSHIP
Friendship Connection, a personal growth and support group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 13439 Marion, Redford, for discussion, questions and answers, fellowship and Bible study. For more information, call 534-2065.

older. The charge is \$2 at the door.

To register, call ElderMed Botsford at (810) 471-8020 before May 27.

ElderMed at Botsford is a free lifetime membership program, offering a variety of services and benefits to adults 50 years and over.



Honored:
Emily Lahtinen, 14, and Daniel Hale, 15, received \$100 U.S. Savings Bonds after being selected for the Fr. J. Edward Seifert Teen Service Awards.

St. Aidan's honors 8 teens

Eight teens were honored by the Men's Club of St. Aidan's Church in Livonia for their commitment to their communities.

The teens were selected as recipients of the 1994 Fr. J. Edward Seifert Teen Service Award for giving freely of their time without remuneration, and consistently over a long period of time.

Picked by a search committee, two of the teens — Emily Lahtinen, 14, and Daniel Hale, 15 — received \$100 U.S. Savings Bonds, presented by Men's Club President Ron Kulczycki.

Emily urged area Girl Scout troops to donate dog and cat food for the Michigan Humane Society and brought more than 100 cans to the Westland Animal Shelter. She also has been an altar server and helped with the Harvest Festival and graduation at St. Aidan.

She also works regularly with a

second grade Brownie Troop, gone Christmas caroling in her neighborhood, and given musical performances at Marycrest and Plymouth Opportunity House.

Daniel Hale plays the piano and entertains the residents of American House in Livonia. He also has donated his time and efforts for a benefit for Hospice Services of Western Wayne County Inc., and voluntarily raked leaves for two neighbors on four occasions because they were unable to handle the chore.

He also worked on the Masquerade for Life in October and did such tedious jobs as cleaning the kitchen grease trap.

Six other teens — Liam Kelly, 13, Scott Morgan, 16, Steve Naujokas, 16, Carrie Quackenbush, 13, Colleen Sullivan, 13, and Sylvia Veri, 18 — received passes to the Laurel Park Theatre, courtesy of manager Byron Kraynak, man-

ager, as well as a gift from the pastor, Rev. Gerald K. Flanery.

In charge of locating the young people were Ellen Edelin, Sylvia Garner, Pat Mikheisen, Christine Mitchell, Sybil Settles, Mike Kelly, Diane King and Connie Roberts.

The judging was done by Dr. Jerry Delaney, Larry Harmon and Frank Ross with assistance from Mary Ellen Skene.

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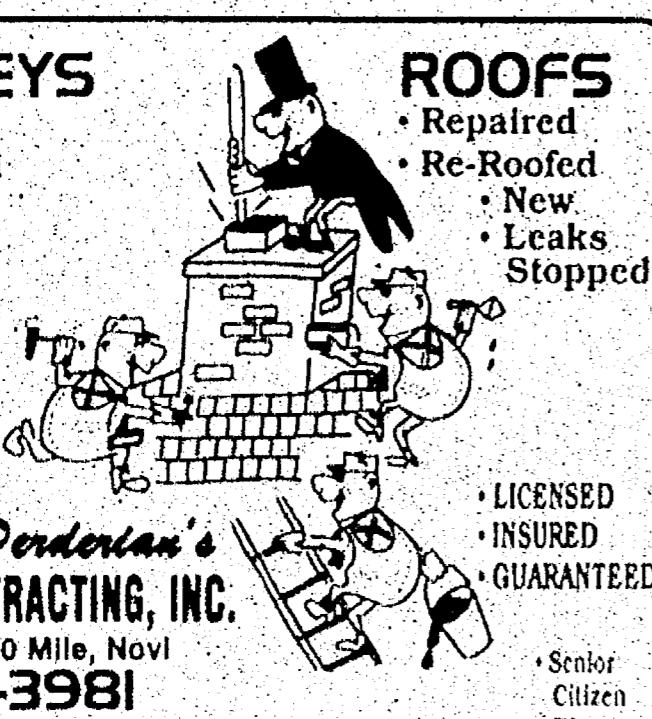
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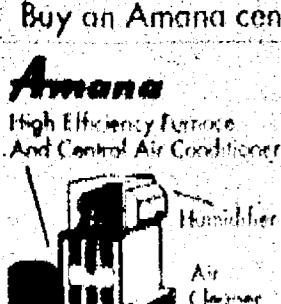
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THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1994

BOOK BREAK



VICTORIA DIAZ

'Strange Angels': a grabbing page-turner

"Strange Angels," by Kath Koja (277 pp., \$19.95, Delacorte)

If you are looking for a page-turner that is utterly compelling from beginning to end, something you can't put down, something that will reach out and grab you and absolutely rivet you to your seat, look no further. This is, without doubt, one of the most absorbing novels I have read this year.

"Strange Angels" is, indeed, a strange tale. Koja, a Berkley writer and author of the deliciously horrific "The Cipher," "Bad Brains" and "Skin," focuses here on that scariest-of-all, scrabbling, rat-in-the-wall monster none of us can ever see or escape from: the human mind.

As the story begins, Grant Gatto, an unemployed photographer, awakens to another day of the empty, going-through-the-motions existence he shares with estranged lover, Johanna, an art therapist at a nearby clinic. Desperate to feel something again, and to relieve the "gray creep of days" that have become his life, he happens on some artwork done by one of Johanna's patients - a young schizophrenic named Robin - and is instantly seized by the remarkable depth of feeling in the sketches.

He must get to know the artist, he believes. He must get to know his heart, his spirit, his mind. As an artist, he must, in a sense, get inside Robin's squirming skin and understand how he sees and what he sees. Suddenly, the photographer's life seems filled with purpose.

Via a kind of stream-of-consciousness, disembodied voice that adds to the eerie effect considerably, we are swept along on Grant's shivery, razor's-edge quest.

As always for Koja, the mundane is mixed neatly in with the mundane, the odd joined almost seamlessly with the ordinary.

Here is an ordinary-looking, red brick house. Out front, a man mows the lawn. But behind the wire mesh of the screen door, secrets unimagined may lie. Here is a plain iced-tea spoon, "like a metal tongue," somehow faintly sinister. Here, on a bathroom mirror, evil seems to lurk. Here, a glass of cola may poison and bend the mind. Here, on the underside of a shiny candy wrapper, a human brain is precisely sketched, its lobes . . . bisected by the diagonal tilt of a carving knife. Here, the light from a bedside alarm clock glows like some poison mushroom underground.

Inhabiting this mad world are characters so vividly drawn their ragged breath seems to rattle right off these pages. Somehow though, at the same time, they remain oddly dream-like, even ghostly, as they struggle to make their way across this painful nightmare landscape.

Though all of Koja's characters are memorable, some of the minor characters may be the most haunting of all. Robin's sister, Alison, has gone mad in her own way, although she has never been diagnosed with any mental disorder. Maryann, a caregiver at Robin's group home, looms like a shadowy "presence," with all the rules and laws on her side. Even a strange doll seems to metamorphose into something living and stalks in the mind as a strong character might. (Often in this c-r-r-creepy tale, inanimate objects take on human qualities; A plastic countertop is "sullen," a shower curtain is "jolly," a camera bag is like "a shrew, a harpy." By the same token, human characters are often linked with the nonhuman in this chaotic, monstrous world. Surely, Kafka has left his mark.)

Some fault can be found with Koja's tendency toward overwriting and a slightly mannered style, which, at times, threatens to grow florid enough to distract from the story itself.

Ultimately, though, "Strange Angels" succeeds. This is fascinating stuff, told with authority and lots of style. Don't miss it.

Last words: Northville poet Kathleen Ripley Leo will lead the daylong second annual Poetry Retreat beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 4, at the Hibbard Tavern Bed and Breakfast in Milford. Registration deadline is June 1. Call (810) 685-1435 for details.

Victoria Diaz of Livonia, a long-time member of Detroit Women Writers, tracks the books and literary industry for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She says she "has a lifelong interest in reading, everything from great novels to cereal boxes." You can leave a message for her on a touch-tone phone by dialing 953-2047, then her mailbox number, 1854.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Creative Living next week

■ Preview "Art of the American Frontier: The Chandler-Pohrt Collection" exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

■ Monte Nagler's Focus on Photography column, Exhibitions, art gallery event listings.

CREATIVE LIVING



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOBSON

Stitchin' time: Brenda Lee Fandrei exhibits her needle work, including crazy quilt embroidery. Nothing is off limits to her innovative needle, which colors quilts, vests, tote bags - even the blouse and jacket she's wearing.

Needlework therapeutic and enjoyable



Brenda Lee Fandrei puts the needle to creative use by stitching up an exhibit of embroidered artistry for the Livonia Arts Commission's showcases in the Livonia Civic Center Library through May 27.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

Nothing is safe from the needle of Livonian Brenda Lee Fandrei.

She has stitched up items like embroidered dolls, a crazy quilted vest and handbag, and cross-stitched mushrooms and dandelions for an exhibit on display through May 27 in the Livonia Arts Commission's showcases on the second floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, Farmington Road and Five Mile.

"She does some beautiful pieces, some unusual pieces," said arts commissioner Lee Alanskas, who schedules and produces the artist-of-the-month shows.

Fandrei, who's had a love affair

with needlework since age 5 when her Scottish grandmother introduced her to the art, finds embroidery and quilting relaxing as well as providing her with a form of expression.

Her busy lifestyle as an associate broker for Mayfair Realtors in Livonia, combined with her duties as the only female member of the Livonia Planning Commission, leaves her stressed and "too wound up to even sleep" at the end of many a day.

"It's an outlet. It's part of your creativity," said Fandrei, a 35-year resident of Livonia. "This is my therapy when I come home and of the month shows.

See NEEDLEWORK, 2D



Decorative relaxation:
This doll is
one of many
items
Brenda Lee
Fandrei has
decorated
with embroi-
dery. She
uses stitch-
ery to relax
after a full
day as a real
estate agent.

Master impressionist to visit Wentworth Gallery

From the cover of Time magazine, to the collection of the late Nelson Rockefeller, the impressionist paintings of artist John Zeccheo are both well known and loved.

A Wentworth-published artist who lives in south Florida, Zeccheo brings to each piece of work priceless memories and experiences gained from his travels to 36 different countries, from the exotic South Sea Islands to the Amazon River.

Zeccheo's new work in oil and limited-edition serigraphs will appear in a special exhibition at Wentworth Gallery in Laurel Park Place, Center Court Entrance, 37648 W. Six Mile. The artist will be on hand for a champagne public reception 3:30 and 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 21.

From highlight to shadow, the

work of this prolific painter captures the purity of Mediterranean light and air, resulting in lush, picturesque vistas bathed in lavender and blue.

His paintings have appeared on the cover of Life magazine and are in the collections of former President Jimmy Carter, the estate of the late Egyptian president Anwar Sadat and former Israeli prime minister Menachim Begin.

Zeccheo's art conveys the beauty, mystery and inspirations that are a part of his past. "I only hope to sprinkle some Venice romance and magic on you," he said in one of his letters to a collector.

Wentworth Gallery offers an international selection of handpicked originals, sculptures and hand-pulled, limited-edition serigraphs

through a network of 37 galleries in the eastern and midwestern U.S.

Wentworth carries, on average, 200 pieces of art. And if you don't have what you're looking for, I can get it," says Michael O'Mahony, president.

Wentworth also offers "The Home Show - Bringing A World of Art To You." If you live within a 50-mile radius of the gallery, curators will bring up to 30 pieces of art to your home or office, hang them and arrange them so you can see how they look before having to decide on purchases. There's no extra charge for this service or the delivery of artwork.

"Sunlight Passage": Image size of this Zeccheo painting is 10 by 30 inches.



Artbeat features vignettes from the suburban arts scene. Write: Artbeat, Creative Living & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is 313-597-5229.

GLASS SHOWCASE

Chameleon Galleries in Plymouth exhibits a large selection of contemporary studio glass not only during Michigan Glass Month in April, but year round.

Artists include Mark Sudduth of Cleveland Heights, nine-layer glass vessels; Robert Eickholt of Columbus, paperweights and perfume bottles; David Goldthau of North Carolina, paperweights; Deborah Deane and James Holmes of Massachusetts, hand bases and candlesticks in primary colors; Rebecca Stewart of Portage, paperweights; Doug

Art Beat

DETROIT FREE PRESS STAFF REPORTER

Sweet of Ohio, glass orb; and Cynthia England, large glass bowls.

The contemporary fine arts and decorative crafts gallery is at 370 S. Main, a half-block north of Ann Arbor Trail. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 313-455-0445.

FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY

Reminder: The Livonia Arts Commission features photography by two internationally award-winning photographers, Monte Nagler of

Farmington Hills and Tony Spina of Bloomfield Hills through June 18 in the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, Farmington Read and Five Mile. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

APPRaisal CLINIC

Canton Historical Society will host its annual DuMouchelle Appraisal Clinic from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at the Canton Administration Building, 1450 S. Canton Center Road. Prices are \$4, verbal appraisal; \$6, written appraisal; \$10 for item with a value of \$1,000 or more. Only items that can be handled will be accepted for appraisal. Call Monty Gandy at 313-463-5297.

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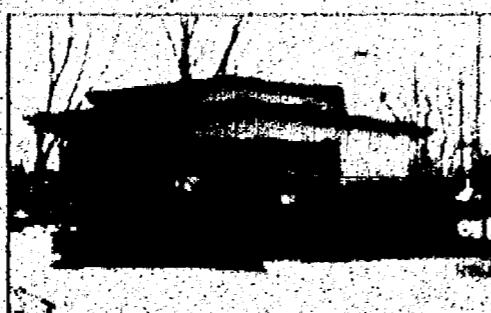
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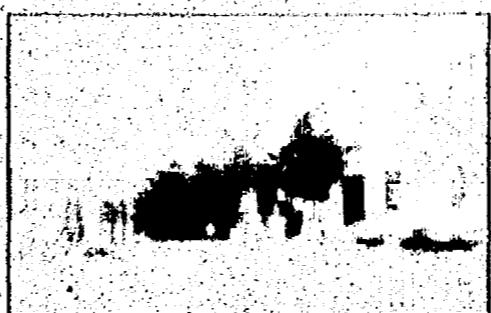
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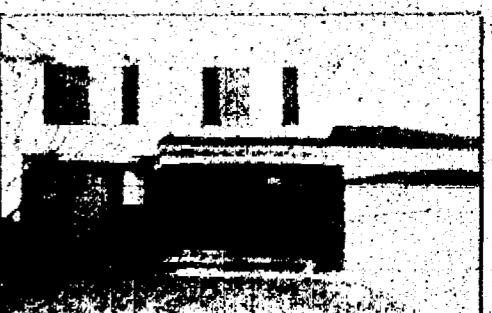
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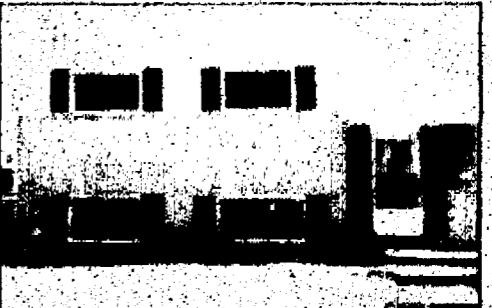
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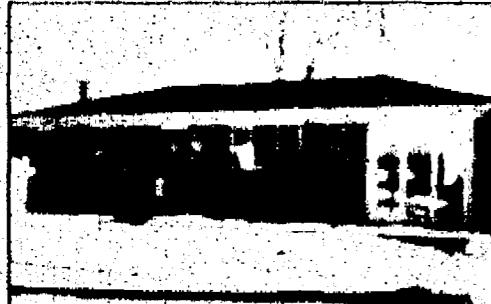
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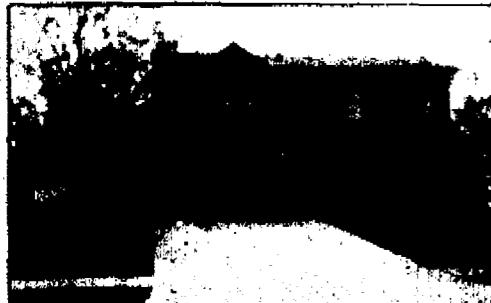
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continue to June 25. Opening reception 7-10 p.m. Friday. Hours are noon to 5 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 29 E. Grand River, one block east of Woodward and next to Galeria Blegas and Focus Gallery in Detroit. (313) 961-4336.

■ DONALD MORRIS GALLERY

Saturday, May 21 — An exhibit of major oils, watercolors and drawings by Philip Pearlstein will continue through July 2. Opening 2-6 p.m. Saturday. Pearlstein, whose classic depictions of the model in the studio were once controversial, is now recognized internationally as the leading influence

on contemporary realism and figurative painting. His brilliant compositions and vision have placed him as a master in the 20th century. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 105 Townsend, Birmingham, (810) 642-8812.

■ HABATAT GALLERIES

Saturday, May 21 — The work of Hungarian artists Marika Lugossy and Bohumil Elias will be exhibited through June 11, along with the steel and glass sculpture of American artist Jack Schmidt. Opening reception to meet the artists 8 p.m. Saturday. Elias is

professor of glass design at the Academy of Applied Arts in Budapest. Lugossy is an independent artist. Each has been a major influence on the Hungarian studio glass movement. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, in the Triadria Building at 32255 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills, (810) 851-9090.

■ HABATAT/SHAW GALLERY

Saturday, May 21 — "Toshiko Takaezu: The Cranbrook Years," an exhibit of a powerful group of early works by the internationally recognized ceramist, will continue through June 11. Opening reception 8 p.m. Saturday. Included in the show are functional examples, abstract landscape plaques, garden stools, vases with more and more abstractly applied brushed and splashed glazes, a rare multi-spouted vessel and a progression of the organic closed forms that

have evolved over the years into the monumental works of sculpture for which Takaezu is best known today. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday or by appointment, in the Triadria Building at 32255 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills, (810) 851-9090.

■ RUSSELL KLATT GALLERY

Saturday, May 21 — A rare showing of a special collection of original works on paper and canvas by Mary Mark continues to May 28. Personal appearance by the artist Saturday. The works are oil pastels in bright, bold, contemporary colors, done in traditional still life and floral themes. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1467 S. Woodward, Birmingham, (810) 647-6655.

■ THE ART GALLERY

Saturday, May 21 — During May,

the gallery of the Pontiac Oakland Society of Artists features the works of Julie Smith and Trina Riordan. Smith works in oils and acrylic, doing many on-site paintings in the Rochester area as well as dream fantasy works. Riordan does both realistic and fantasy clay sculpture pieces, specializing in dogs and horses. Saturday is a special Flower Day, with many artists creating floral theme works including cards, paintings and clay pieces. The gallery is at Great Oaks Mall at Walton and Livernois in Rochester Hills. Call (810) 651-1579.

■ GROOVE GALLERY & BOUTIQUE

Saturday, May 21 — "Kids in Groveland," a day of fun, fashion and art for children, will feature entertainment by Suzabell the Clown, art work by Royal Oak's Franklin Elementary School stu-

dents, and clothing and accessories for newborns to teens by 10 local designers. A raffle will take place for Little Mary's Hospitality House, a charitable vacation retreat in northern Michigan for families with terminally ill children. The gallery will also feature various artists, all of whom are donating one piece from their own collection for the raffle. The event starts at 1 p.m., with a fashion show at 2 p.m., at 1203 E. Lincoln in Royal Oak. Call (810) 393-8162 for information.

■ CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Tuesday, May 24 — Writings and visual art works by elementary school children from the Pontiac Schools are displayed to May 24. Reception and awards ceremony 7-8 p.m. Tuesday. The center is at 47 William in Pontiac. Call (810) 333-7849.

Marketing art is seminar topic

"Marketing and Promotion in the '90s and Beyond" is the theme of the annual Art and the Law seminar taking place 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at the Cranbrook Academy of Art, 1221 N. Woodward in Bloomfield Hills.

Breakfast and lunch are included in the \$40 registration fee (\$25 for students). For more information, call Carl Traynor at (810) 433-8990.

The seminar is of particular value to visual artists, writers, musicians, performing artists, filmmakers and the lawyers who represent them.

The morning session will feature keynote speaker Chris Bourne, assistant general manager of KNWS Channel 51, Johnson Broadcasting, Houston, Texas.

Richard Herman, Lawrence Jordan and Steven Permut, entertainment and copyright attorneys, will present the latest legal developments in the arts and entertainment field. Thomas Anderson and Leonard Charla will cover licensing and tax issues.

Afternoon workshops will focus on marketing and promotion techniques in general, with specific application to performing arts, film and video, and music.

Speakers include Ruth Pollack Coughlin, author and Detroit News book editor; Joseph Ajlouny, literary agent; Lizzie Barry and Ken Mathies of Elbe Productions and Anne Giraugion and Elise Minch of Lapidus' Productions, publicity and marketing consultants; Ed Nahjian, attorney and playwright; Howard Hertz, entertainment attorney; Lex Kuhne, attorney and music writer; and Paul Martin of Michigan Film Office.

The seminar, designed to update the creative community on vital legal and business issues, is an annual presentation of AGES (the Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports law section of the Michigan State Bar).

Writing seminar set at OU

"The Business of Writing: How to Win Over Agents, Editors and Audiences," a seminar for all serious writers, will be offered 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at Oakland University in Rochester.

The seminar is co-sponsored by Detroit Women Writers and the OU Division of Continuing Education. Registration deadline is Thursday, May 26. Tuition is \$130. For a brochure and to register, call (810) 370-3120, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

Luncheon speaker will be Stuart Dybek, award-winning Kalamazoo author of fiction, non-fiction and poetry, who will talk on "You Don't Have to Be in New York to Succeed." He is professor of English at Western Michigan University. This year Dybek received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Among the program presenters will be a New York literary agent who operates his own firm, leading Michigan playwright Kitty Dublin of Birmingham, Detroit Free Press Magazine editor Brian Dickerison of Southfield, local published freelancers including Susan Hall-Baldwin and Mary Schoen, award-winning advertising writer Eli Greenbaum of Birmingham, and writers in literary fiction/poetry and drama/screenplays.

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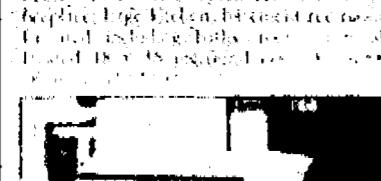
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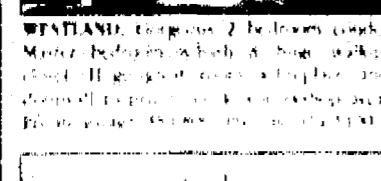
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Judith Banyai of Rochester Hills has received the Certified Residential Specialist designation from the Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors.

She's a sales associate with Real Estate One, 543 N. Main, Rochester. The Rochester Board of Realtors member is the originator of the Realtor with a Heart program and active in the Woman's Council of Realtors.

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Marilyn Robbins, an associate broker with Prudential Great Lakes in Troy, will be a convention speaker at the Prudential Regional Rally May 19-20 in Ypsilanti.

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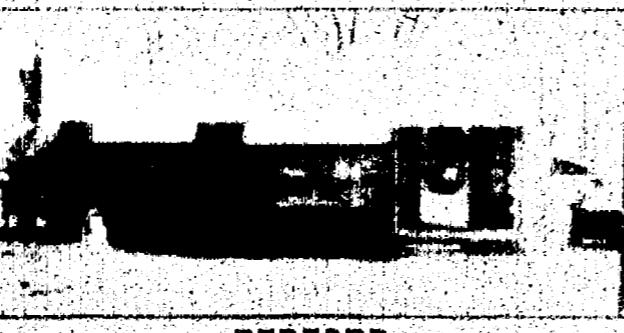
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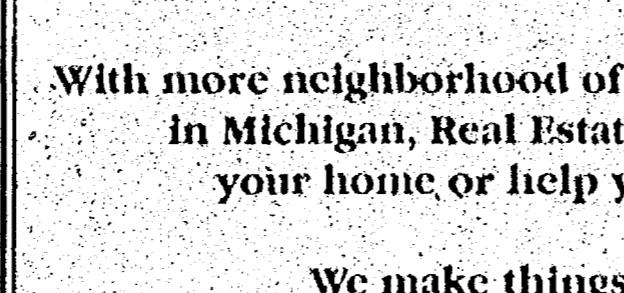
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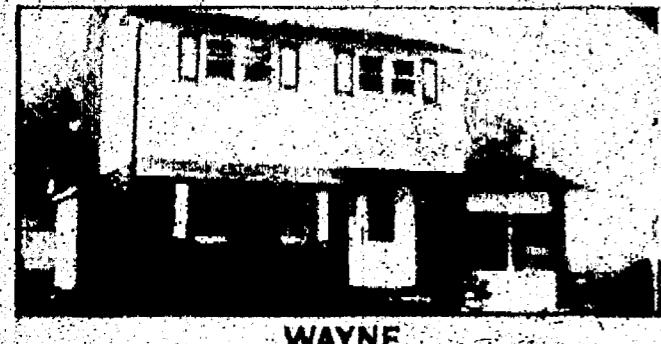


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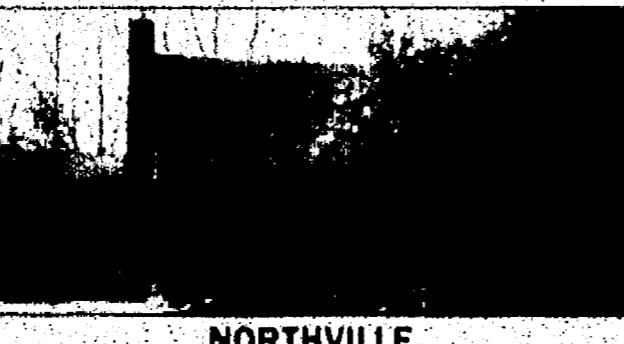
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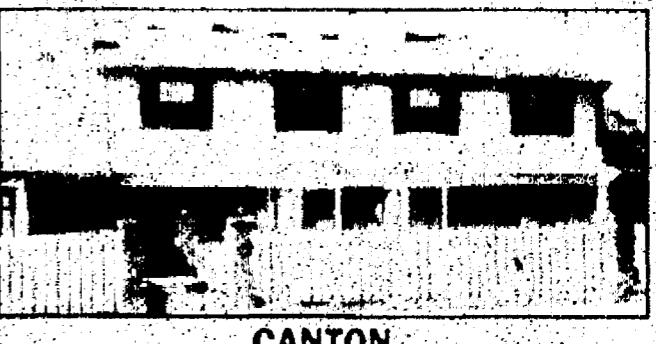
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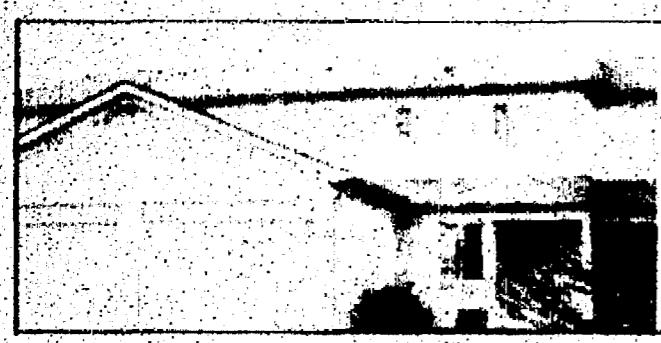
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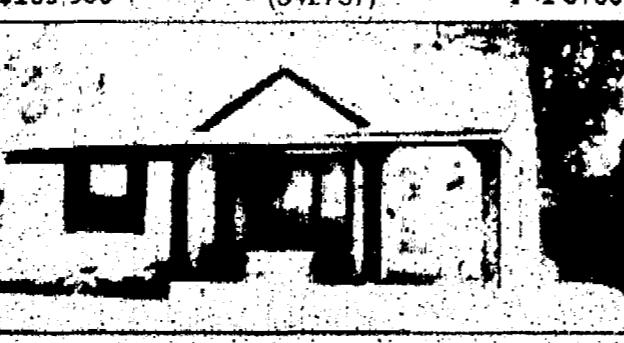
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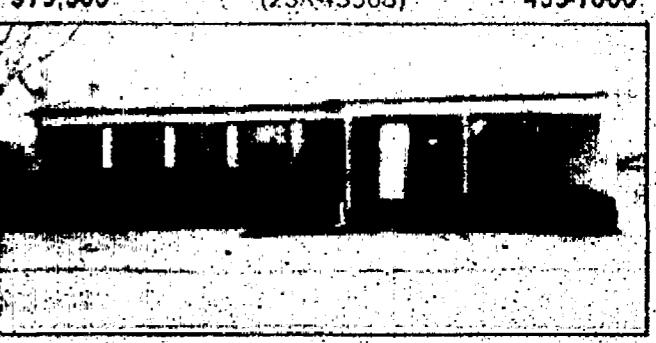
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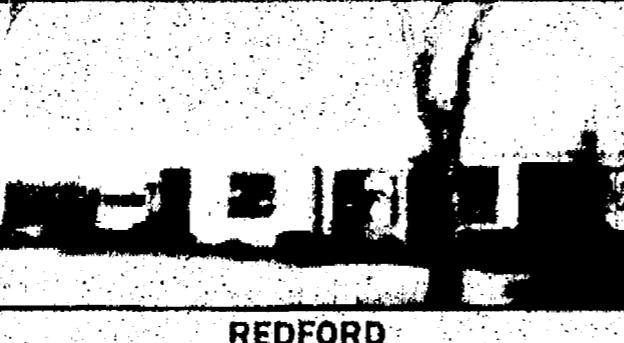
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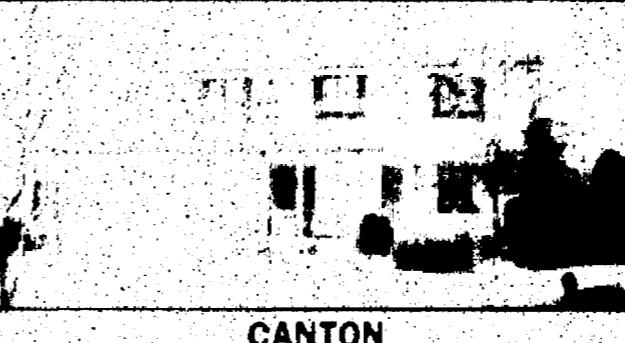
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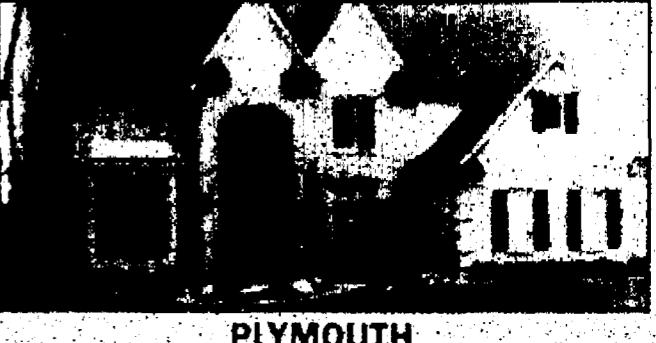
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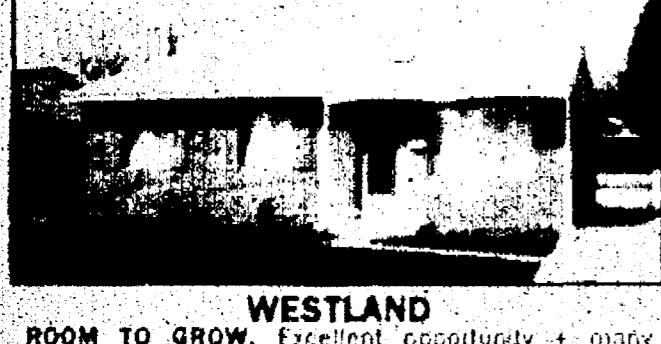
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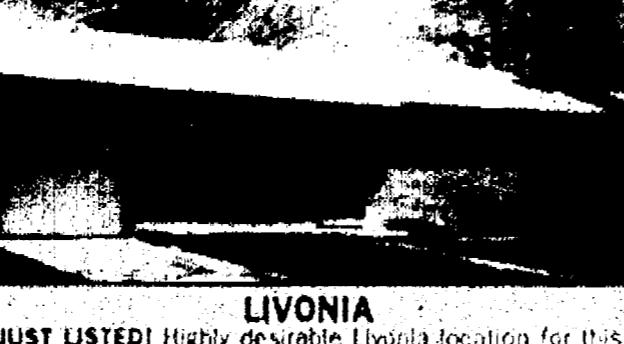
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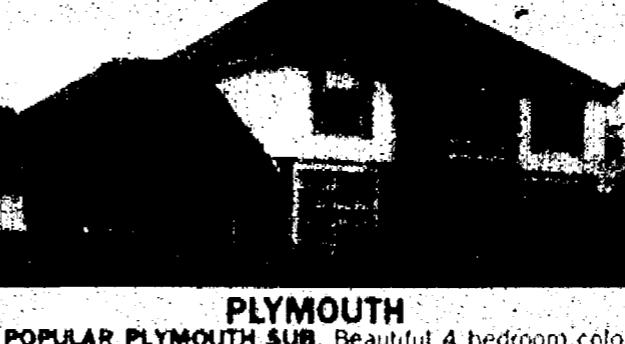
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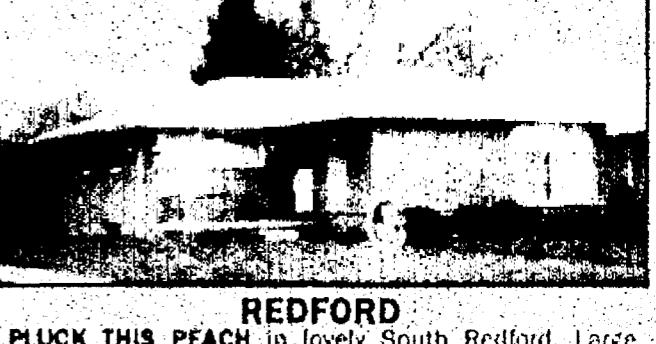
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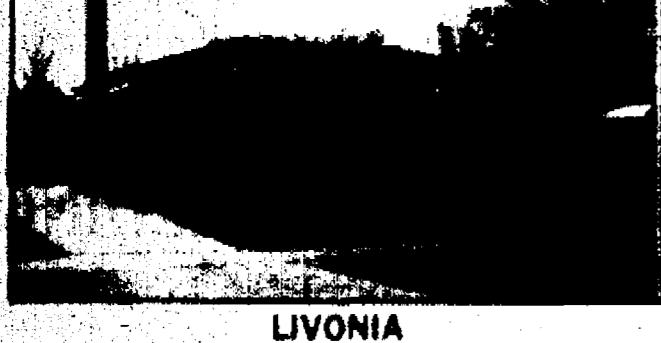
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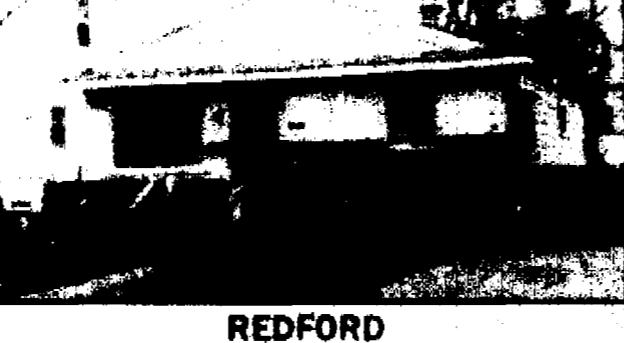
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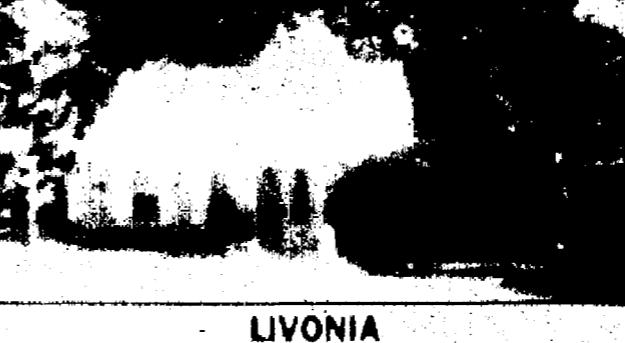
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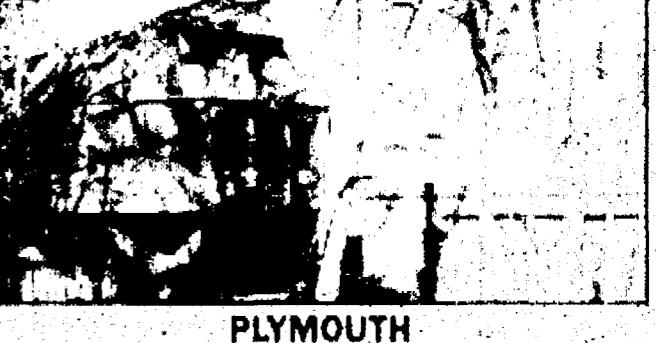
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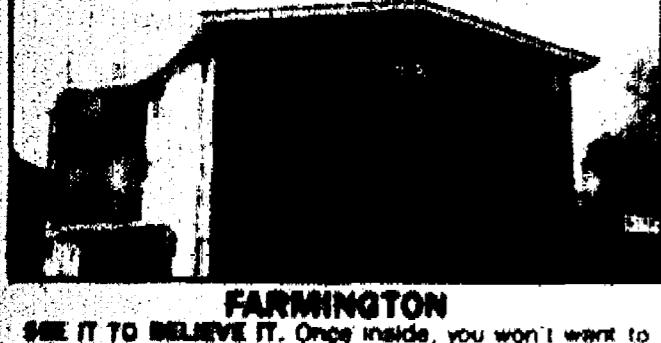
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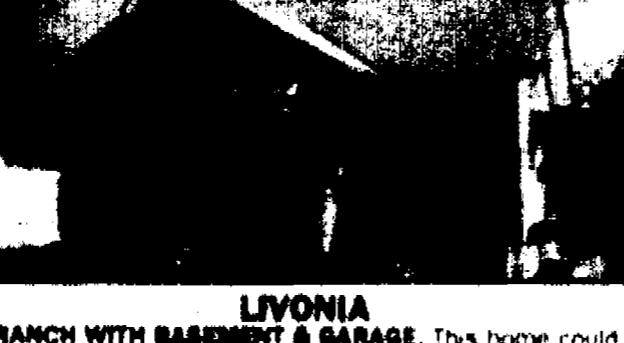
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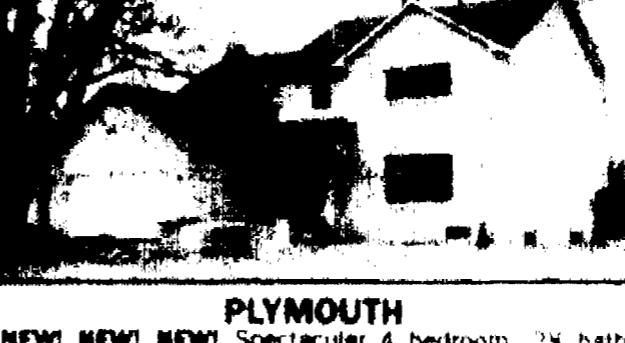
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BUILDING & BUSINESS OBSERVER STARS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings and other key personnel moves within the suburban business community. Send a brief biographical summary, including the terms of residency and employment and a black-and-white photo, if desired, to: Stars, Building & Business, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Robert R. Jones of West Bloomfield was named to the National Association of Home Builders' 15-member business management committee. The owner of Robert A. Jones Associates, West Bloomfield, was named 1993 Builder of the Year by Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.



Jones

Joseph M. Scott of Farmington Hills, senior vice president and executive fgr First of America Bank - Southeast Michigan NA, was appointed to the Grace Hospital Board of Trustees, Detroit.



Scott

Sharon Payne of Westland was promoted from senior planning analyst to the newly created position of director of strategic analysis and systems development at Oakwood Health Services, Dearborn. She joined Oakwood in 1987.



Payne

James J. Warzyniec of Livonia was promoted from vice president to senior vice president for Livonia-based Willis Carroon Corp. of Michigan. He joined the firm in 1990.



Warzyniec

Erin Lacey of Birmingham was promoted to account supervisor, sports and events, marketing for the Cadillac account at D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles, Bloomfield Hills. She joined the agency in 1989 as an assistant account executive.



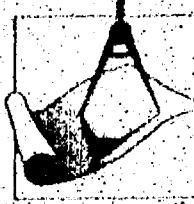
Lacey

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Sales up at scaled-back Dawson Estates



Not every building idea is a winner. Residential constructors sometimes have to re-examine their product and who they're selling to, then go back to the drawing board. That's what one veteran Oakland County builder did in a Wayne County community.

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

Manny Dembs, a West Bloomfield builder, admits that he made a mistake constructing his first model at Dawson Estates in Westland.

"I built a 1,996-square-foot, 2½-bath 'colonial' for \$139,990 and added \$25,806 in extras - loft, cathedral ceiling, Jacuzzi in the master suite, extra large shower, two fireplaces, fieldstone facade, a porch in the back with a roof," Dembs said.

"Everybody loved it, but forgot

to come back," he continued. "They couldn't afford it."

So Dembs changed course.

He scaled down his model in size and amenities and lowered the base price to \$114,900. He's also serving as his own on-site sales agent.

"Momentum is beginning to build up," Dembs said of the small subdivision off Cherry Hill, just west of John Hix. Five of the 28 lots have sold.

The standard colonial model, now 1,537 square feet, has three bedrooms and 2½ baths.

"Everybody loved it, but forgot

The main level consists of a living room that opens to the dining room, a kitchen/breakfast room that opens to the family room, a powder room and laundry. The three upstairs bedrooms, the largest 12-by-14 feet, share a full bath with tub and shower. The master has a fairly substantial walk-in closet.

Standard kitchen appliances include dishwasher, double sink with garbage disposal and range hood. The kitchen also has a built-in pantry.

A two-car garage and basement are standard. Vinyl siding is the standard exterior material. A couple of different exterior upgrades, including the use of some brick and a covered front porch, also are available for a premium of \$1,000 to \$2,000.

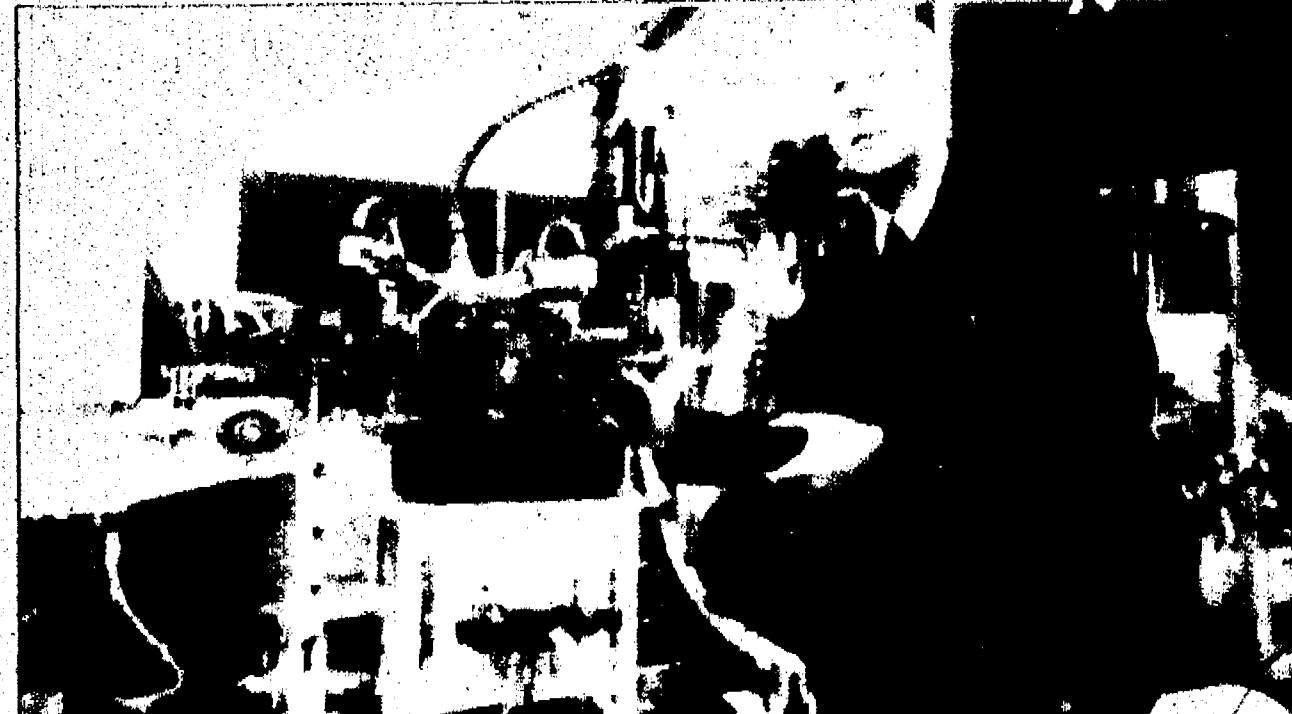
Other options include air conditioning, fireplace, gutters and deadbolt locks.



Two other models - a 1,700-square-foot colonial with four bedrooms and 2½ baths for \$128,620 and a three-bedroom ranch of 1,300 square feet with two baths for \$114,900 - soon will be available.

See SALES, 2F

Success story:
Leonard Brzozowski realized business success, thanks in great part to a major push to quality control.



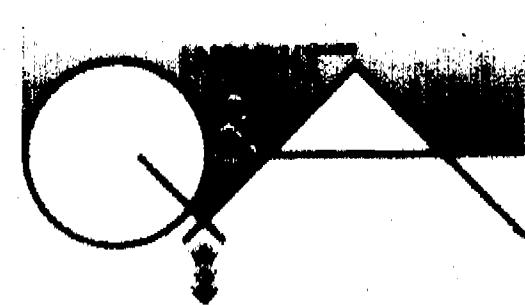
Blue chippers 3 local firms earn national plaudits

By DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

The Southfield company that manufactures custom heat-treating machines and metal processing controls for robots overcame a quality control problem.

The Walled Lake enterprise that supplies audio-visual presentation equipment to businesses emphasized superior service going up against larger competitors.

The Rochester Hills entrepreneur who makes electromechanical parts was turned down more than a half dozen times for bank financing before getting a break and embarking on a successful business that last



year grossed \$40.3 million.

All three - Robotron, Business Television Video Systems and Saturn Electronics & Engineering were recognized as Blue Chip Enterprises in a national program established to enable small businesses to share success stories.

Today we're looking for how com-

panies have utilized resources to overcome challenges they faced," said Gretta Mitchell, spokeswoman for the Blue Chip Enterprise Initiative, a consortium that includes the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Nation's Business magazine and Connecticut Mutual.

You have to have five to 300 employees, have to be for profit and have to be in business three consecutive years or more," Mitchell added.

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HONOR LOCAL MOVER

For the third year, University Moving & Storage, Livonia, made the Michigan Private 100 list. University Moving said it ranks 45th on the 1994 list, which includes the state's fastest-growing companies.

Inclusion in the Private 100 is based on a firm's five-year compound annual revenue growth rate.

HOT TRADE MISSION

Schmaltz & Co., an accounting and consulting firm in Southfield, co-hosted a reception at the Detroit Club for business people from Birmingham, England's automotive sector.

Schmaltz said the group was in Detroit May 11-13 to identify contacts and make business contacts. The trade mission was sponsored by Birmingham's (England) Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce.

BUY SOFTWARE TOOL

Virtual Engineering, a product design, development and consulting firm in Plymouth, has purchased Marc Analysis software to perform element testing. Engineers use the software as a tool to help predict buckling, deformations and other structural changes that develop on mechanical systems during high loads.

The software also designs rubber seals and energy absorbers.

CABINET OUTLET OPENS

Canac Kitchens Limited, a manufacturer of European-style cabinetry, marks its 25th anniversary with the opening of its first showroom May 21. Custom Kitchens Inc. is at 3270 Old Farm Lane, Walled Lake. The phone number is (313) 669-9100.

The store offers design service, computer layouts for kitchens and baths, in-home measuring and installation. Canac makes more than 50 door styles, including glass and curved styles, and has a range of wood and color options and kitchen options.

"Our best features are the wide range of selection and prices. Whether the customer wants an economical cabinet or a more costly custom handmade cabinet, they will receive superior quality and service while still working within their budget," said Bryan Boswell, president.

EMMY WINNER

When Martin Liebman and Dale Myers, graduates of Specs Howard in Southfield, began work on Myers' animated video, "Robo Junior," they didn't expect to win four NATAS Emmys. Myers won Emmys for best animation, best children and youth program and best program segment (the latter two for his Channel 4 Christmas Eve program, "The Making of Robo Junior").

Myers owns Micro Tech Graphics and Animation in Livonia. Liebman, owner of Martin Liebman Productions in Farmington Hills, won the best music award for the "Robo Junior" musical score.

Myers produced the six-minute animation entirely on the Amiga Computer Video Toaster system.

The story centers on father-and-son alien machine intelligences scouting the Earth for food and fuel. When Dad beams down to check out the situation, Junior grabs the controls and takes the saucer out for some harrowing aerobatic maneuvers.

In the Channel 4 special, Myers demonstrated how state-of-the-art computer animation is designed and realized for video. Liebman showed how musical scores are created using the latest synthesizer and MIDI technology at his studio.

The video also won a Joey award this year from the San Jose Film & Video Commission.

NEW ADDRESS

PREMISYS Marketing Services has expanded its metro Detroit office and relocated to 2000 Town Center, Suite 2100, Southfield. The phone number is (810) 350-2222.

Kraco Szykula & Townsend, Inc., a full-service advertising agency, has moved from Berkley to 2950 W. Square Lake, Suite 101, Troy. The phone number is (810) 641-7500.

NOTE FIRM NAME

R&S Consulting, featured in a Building & Business story on April 28, is a division of R&S Creations and is listed in the phone book under the latter name. The company is at 6944 Little Creek, Troy. The phone number is (810) 879-6683.

CHIEF ON BOARD

Eugene Applebaum of Bloomfield Hills, chairman and CEO of Troy-based Arbor Drugs, was appointed to the National Association of Chain Drug Stores' board of directors.

NACDS said its members fill more than 60 percent of the prescriptions dispensed every year in the U.S. The Virginia-based association includes 165 chain companies in an industry that operates 30,000 retail community pharmacies in North America.

NEW MEMBER

Martin Renel has joined the Farmington Hills chapter of The Business Network International, a nationwide business referral group. He is vice president of operations for Four Star Construction, Novi.

The Farmington Hills group, one of 13 metro Detroit chapters, has members from 11 communities. Members representing different professions meet weekly to exchange potential business leads.

For information about the Farmington Hills chapter, or for an invitation to a meeting, call (810) 642-7725.

LAND CONTRACT

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Ste. Marie for construction management services at the university's Norris Center Ice Arena. The project architect is Rosetti Associates, Birmingham.

Renovation and expansion of the arena begins in August 1994. Target completion is October 1995.

NEW BRANCH

Jeffrey F. Brayton, an investment representative, has opened a branch of Edward D. Jones & Co. at 5745 W. Maple, Suite 215, West Bloomfield. The phone number is (810) 856-5527.

The St. Louis-based investment firm, founded in 1871 as the bond house of Whitaker & Co., specializes in conservative investments. Edward D. Jones, Sr. founded the brokerage house, which merged with Whitaker in 1943.

PROMOTE WORLD CUP

The Detroit World Cup Soccer Host Committee awarded its advertising and public relations contract to The Berlin Group, Bingham Farms.

Berline and the marketing and promotion committee for World Cup Soccer in Detroit have completed a multi-media public service campaign for the event that begins in June at the Pontiac Silverdome. Berline said the campaign's objective is to stimulate awareness of World Cup Soccer and to create pride among southeast Michigan residents who'll host the world-class event.

Detroit area radio, television and newspapers will run the campaign during May and June. Berline selected Grace & Wild, Farmington Hills, Castorri & Co., Southfield, and Ron Rose Productions, Southfield, to help produce the campaign.

OPEN NUVISION STORES

Flint-based NuVision opened 12 new metro Detroit locations this month, including six in Observer & Eccentric communities.

They are at 29629 Southfield, Southfield; 879 S. Hunter, Birmingham; 137 S. Livernois, Rochester Hills; 6510 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield Town-

ship; 34901 Plymouth Road, Livonia, and 9350 Telegraph, Redford Township.

The new stores had been Pearl Vision franchises owned and operated by Andrew Compton of ABC EyeCare Corp. He'll continue to own and run 11 of the now locations.

PICK BEST GUIDE

Metropolitan Detroit/Ann Arbor Apartment Shoppers Guide, published by Adler Group in Southfield, picked up three of five awards in a national contest sponsored by the Apartment Location Council.

The publication won best overall guide, best maps and best cover in guides with more than 100 pages.

Guides were judged by appearance, graphics, community information, color, maps and user friendliness. The competition included more than 90 guides from about 150 cities.

"We put a lot of pride into our publication and that pride has transformed our guide into a very helpful resource for the public," said Susan Jenkins, Apartment Shoppers Guide publisher.

PHOTO EXPO COMING

The sixth annual Adray Photo Expo for beginning and professional photographers runs Friday to Sunday, May 20-22, in Adray Arena, 14900 Ford Road, Dearborn.

Hours are 5-9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission to the show is free.

The expo, sponsored by Adray Appliance Photo & Sound Center, Dearborn, includes more than 60 photo and video suppliers who'll answer questions and demonstrate the latest photo, video and digital imaging equipment.

Commercial and editorial photographer Will Crockett will give a seminar on photographing celebrities on location. Minolta and Nikon also will offer seminars.

For information, call Adray at (313) 274-9500.

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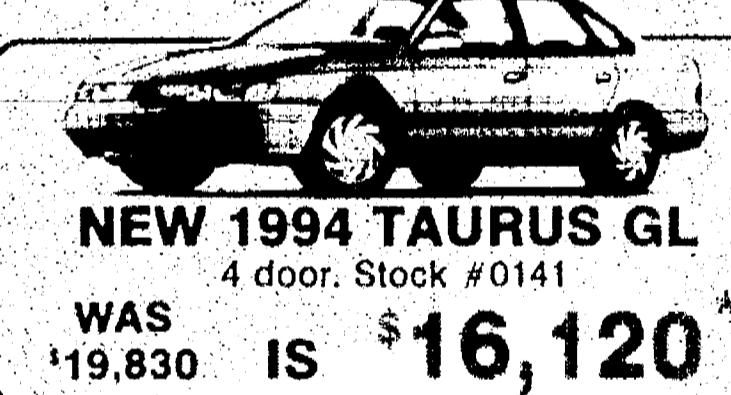
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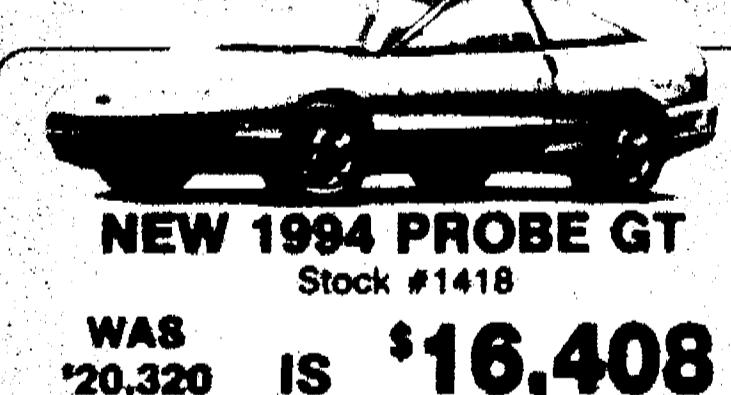
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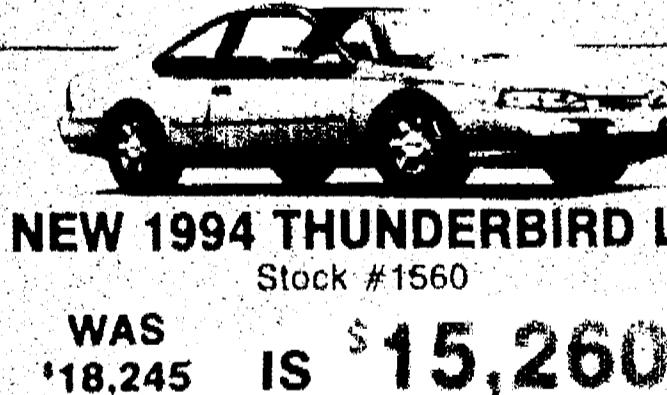
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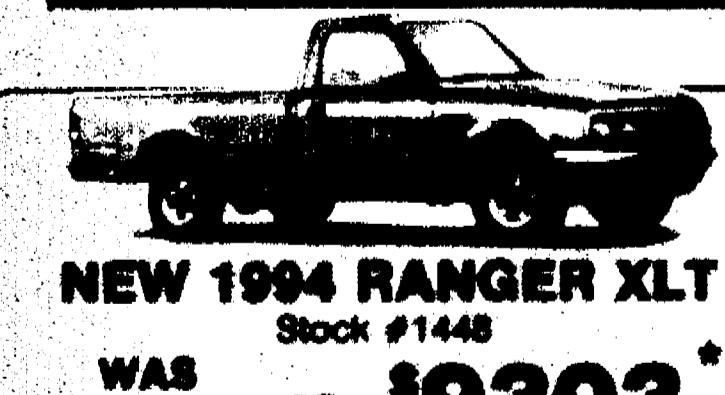
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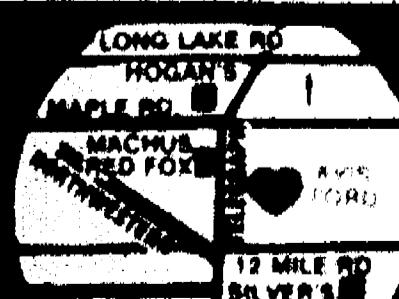
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