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## School bus changes coming

Most Wayne-Westland students will begin to school earlier next school year under a new plan approved by the school board. The starting time changes are being made to address transportation problems.

BY DARRILL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Flawed bus service for Wayne-Westland students has prompted officials to revamp transportation routes and change school starting times for next fall.

"We have experienced a very difficult school year relative to transportation," Patricia Brand, assistant superintendent for business, said in a memo to the school board.

"We have continually had children arriving late to school and getting home very late in the afternoon," she said. "Many parents have been upset with our service, and I do not blame them."

The transportation snags came as officials this year implemented a new middle school plan that was accompanied by districtwide changes in attendance boundaries.

Officials had expected some problems due to the widespread changes,

but bus service has caused more difficulties than had been anticipated.

At times, the district has had only 64 buses for 80 bus runs, forcing delays in getting students to and from school.

Because of the district's ongoing financial difficulties, the only new buses being bought are those needed to replace vehicles that Brand said "should no longer be on the road."

Consequently, the school board Monday accepted an administration proposal to change the starting times for schools for the 1996-97 year. Most students will begin classes about a half-hour earlier.

At the high school level, school will start at 7:30 a.m. next year, compared to 7:55 a.m. this year at

John Glenn High and 8 a.m. at Wayne Memorial.

Middle schools will begin at 8 a.m., rather than this year's 8:30 a.m. starting time.

Some elementaries will start at 8:30 a.m. and others at 9 a.m. next school year, compared to all starting times of 9 a.m. this year.

A breakdown of elementary starting times will be announced later.

"By staggering the times, we should have enough vehicles to handle the situation efficiently, therefore significantly reducing the lateness we have experienced this year," Brand said in her school board memo.

The new program also will

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## Volunteers spruce up nature preserve



STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

**A young volunteer:** Amber Pakizer, 11, helps to clean up Sassafras Trails during an Earth Day event at the 64-acre nature preserve in Westland. More than 100 volunteers showed up for the cleanup. Friends of Sassafras Trail organized about two years ago to preserve the property for science and educational purposes.



## Many volunteers clean up preserve

BY DARRILL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Armed with rakes, wheelbarrows, wagons and shovels, more than 100 volunteers Saturday cleared debris from a 64-acre Westland nature preserve and scattered wood chips along tree-shrouded trails.

"I'm doing something good for nature," Amber Pakizer, 11, said as

she pitched in to clean up Sassafras Trails, a sprawling nature area northeast of Palmer Road and Wildwood. "I want to protect the homes of the animals that live in here."

A rainy, stormy night that preceded the third annual Earth Day cleanup saturated some trails, but didn't dampen the enthusiasm of volunteers who spread wood chips

over the soggy ground.

"The woodchips let you enjoy the trails a little more. You don't get bogged down in water when you're walking through," said Dan Vega, member of Friends of Sassafras Trails.

The citizens group has spearheaded efforts to protect Sassafras Trails since the money-strapped Wayne-

Westland school board, which owns the property, discussed the possibility of selling the land several years ago.

Under pressure from citizens dedicated to protecting the land against development, school officials backed away from the discussions. Moreover, some board members made

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# Wayne Memorial earns praise for programs

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Wayne Memorial High School drew sweeping praise Monday night for achieving an accreditation prize that an outside official has called a "milestone" for the school.

Wayne Memorial educators, addressing the Wayne-Westland school board, cited numerous reasons why the school has received special honors from the North Central Association (NCA) of Colleges and Schools.

The school has been awarded NCA's Outcomes Endorsement Accreditation Status. Only 69 Michigan schools have earned the honor, bestowed for schools that set and achieve certain educational goals.

School board member Patricia Brown said the award proves that district residents have been

wrong in considering Wayne Memorial a worse school than Westland John Glenn High.

Some residents didn't want their students moved from John Glenn to Wayne Memorial when officials charted new attendance boundaries for the 1995-96 school year.

"The proof is in the pudding, and I hope they will eat their words," Brown said Monday.

Wayne Memorial "is by far one of the best high schools in the state of Michigan," Brown, a John Glenn graduate, said.

In a letter to Wayne Memorial principal Leo Schuster, state NCA director William Bushaw commended the school, its staff, students and community for "achieving this milestone."

School board president Francis "Bud" Winter noted Monday that the accreditation status could

help Wayne Memorial students gain entry into the colleges and universities of their choice.

Several Wayne Memorial educators Monday outlined programs that helped the school win the honor.

"We are extremely proud of this because we worked extremely hard," Wayne Memorial physical education teacher Karen Palting said.

Among the reasons Wayne Memorial achieved the new status:

- A two-day sexual harassment program was designed, including a video and other lessons, for 10th-graders.
- Postcards are sent home to parents when students have achieved successes such as always being on time for class.

- "We look for ways to give them positive feedback," special education teacher Chris Morin said.
- A peer mediation program, in which students help their peers resolve conflicts, has been successful.
- Students volunteered to become "Zebra guides," a reference to the school mascot. Students wearing striped shirts can be flagged down by other students who need help. This, Morin said, was extremely helpful when new students entered the school this year.
- A math mentor program for male students was implemented because Wayne Memorial boys fell behind national averages.
- Computer labs have been staffed before and after school by teachers who volunteered their

- time to help students.
- An in-school suspension program has shown successes.
- A Proactive Student Support (PASS) program has helped hundreds of students who stay after class to receive tutoring in various subjects.
- Student scores on tests such

as the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) have shown improvements.

Superintendent Duane Moore said Monday that he is "in awe" of educators who made the strides at a time of financial and political upheaval in the district.

## Cleanup from page 1A

public promises to preserve Sassafras Trails, one of the area's largest remaining nature areas.

Volunteers from several communities turned out Saturday to show support for protecting the land, Wayne Mayor Ken Watfield said. Sassafras Trails reminded him of his birthplace in the mountains of eastern Kentucky.

"It's almost like being home again," he said.

A flag-raising ceremony Saturday was led by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Harris Kehrer-Post 3323 in Westland, accompanied by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Many groups, such as the Westland Youth Assistance Program and court workers from Westland 18th District Court, helped out Saturday.

"It's really a community effort," said Kevin Hendrick, Friends of Sassafras Trails president.

Much of the work centered on spreading wood chips along the nature trails. Little trash and debris could be found.

"It's pretty clean," Hendrick said. "Neighbors have been paying a lot more attention to the trails. They walk in with nothing in their hands and come out with paper, trash, whatever. It's a real behavioral change, I suspect."

Children mixed fun with work Saturday. Some youngsters used crayons to color the state flower, the apple blossom, and the state tree, the white pine.

Capping the cleanup was the planting of a birch tree near the Palmer Road side of Sassafras Trails.

Laura Reed, a University of Michigan graduate student, is studying citizen involvement in Sassafras Trails as part of a project at U-M's School of Natural Resources and the Environment.

"Sassafras Trails is one of our success stories," she said.

On Monday, during a Wayne-Westland school board meeting, Westland resident Jack Smiley suggested that officials consider an education trust fund for Sassafras Trails. Such a move could bring in corporate and foundation grants, he said.

Sassafras Trails supporters have urged educators for years to use the nature preserve to teach children about science and other subjects. Some have also suggested a full-scale science education center at the former Wilson School, on the west end of the property.

## Student is expelled

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

A Westland alternative education student, accused of making verbal death threats against a teacher, has become the third Wayne-Westland student expelled this school year.

Mario Wilder, a Tinkham Center student, was ousted from the district as the Wayne-Westland school board voted 6-0 Monday night to uphold a hearing officer's recommendation.

Wilder was accused not only of making death threats against the staff member, but also of ethnic intimidation, said Greg Baracy, assistant superintendent for general administration.

Westland police Sgt. Tom Lessnau said he has filed a petition against Wilder in juvenile court on the ethnic intimidation allegations. The case is pending.

Baracy said the incident

occurred several weeks ago at the Tinkham Center on Venoy Road, south of Cherry Hill.

In expelling the student, the school board cited a long list of violations ranging from disruption of school to assault allegations.

Baracy said the assault was verbal.

"He made verbal death threats against a staff member," Baracy said after Monday's school board meeting, in response to reporters' questions.

Wilder was recommended for expulsion after he attended a due process hearing on the allegations.

Wilder and his family didn't appeal the hearing officer's decision for expulsion.

He became the third Wayne-Westland student expelled this school year.

## CLARIFICATION

A story in the March 25 edition of the Westland Observer should have stated that former Budget Director Ronald Hocking quit his job. Hocking voluntarily quit his job on Feb. 21, and he has since been replaced. Hocking worked as budget director for little more than a year.

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# New chamber director getting started

BY LEONARD POGER  
EDITOR

Westland's business community has a new advocate. She is Linda M. Shapona, who began her new duties Monday as the Westland Chamber of Commerce's executive director.



Linda M. Shapona

She succeeds Joyce Wheeler who led the chamber for 22 years before deciding last month to step down from her full-time duties. Also, longtime chamber secretary Doris Smith will leave at the end of this week.

Shapona comes to Westland from the Canton Chamber of Commerce where she helped to double the group's membership. In an interview Monday, her first day on the job, Shapona reflected enthusiasm about Westland and business opportunities.

In her position, she sees her responsibility as being "a high spirit initiator of change for what the chamber can do for the business community."

"My job is to take input from the board of directors and non-members and make the chamber as vibrant as possible."

The new director said she wants to find out what "our members want so we can be a customer-driven chamber."

In a survey of members, she and the board will look at the chamber's priorities, strengths

and weaknesses, get input from non-members and then start planning programs and determine where the chamber wants to go.

"The board of directors wants the chamber to grow and have a high member-involvement and commitment as well as having a sense of excitement of being in Westland," Shapona said.

The Westland chamber "has an excellent board with great vision. I believe we can work together."

Shapona was recruited by a Westland chamber board committee earlier this year to succeed Wheeler, who has been the group's executive director for more than two-thirds of its 32-year history.

In being an advocate for the business community, Shapona said that she wants to maintain good relations with the chamber and the local, county, state and federal government leaders who represent the city.

She wants to keep the chamber informed of what those governmental agencies are doing.

Westland's chamber has about 325 members out of a business community of some 1,700. In Canton, the chamber had 400 members in a business community of 1,000.

Shapona, 46, was born and raised in Pittsburgh before attending Youngstown (Ohio) State University with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in advertising and public relations.

In the ensuing years, she worked in marketing and retail management positions, including being a buyer for the May Company in Ohio. She was also in management for several retail businesses.

After moving to southeast Michigan 15 years ago, she was a part-time open forum coordinator for Schoolcraft College's Women's Resource Center and served as a volunteer peer counselor.

A Canton resident for 15 years, she is married to Mark Shapona, a Ford Motor Co. metallurgist senior engineer. They are the parents of Brian, 19.

### Co-op teacher to close books



TON HAVELAND PHOTOGRAPHER

Her last flight: Westland's Theresa Conley, pausing with her class during a simulated "flight" to imaginary destinations, will be honored Sunday, April 28, for her 28 years as the Garden City Co-op Nursery nursery teacher. Donations are being accepted for her retirement gift. The retirement celebration will be 2-5 p.m. in the nursery, housed in Garden City Presbyterian Church.

# Longtime employees will be recognized

A retirement dinner will be held to mark Joyce Wheeler's 22 years as the Westland Chamber of Commerce's executive director and secretary Doris Smith's 15 years with the business group.

The chamber announced this week that the two will be honored at a party scheduled for Thursday, May 16, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, on Joy between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

A cash bar will open at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and a short program honoring Wheeler and Smith.

Linda Shapona, Wheeler's successor who started her new duties this week.

Area businesses, chambers, and local public officials are encouraged to show their support for Wheeler and Smith, said

Tickets are \$25 with reservations to be made by next Thursday, May 2, by calling the chamber office, 326-7222.

# State representative planning an active re-election campaign

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

State Rep. Eileen DeHart, who boasts more legislative passed than any freshman member of the House Democratic Caucus, has filed for a second term.

DeHart, 47, launched her bid for another two-year term on Monday, six days after Westland business owner Dennis LeMaitre, 38, announced his Republican candidacy for DeHart's 18th District seat.

DeHart pledged to remain an independent voice for her constituents.

"My goals will be what they have been from the beginning, to provide strong, independent representation for the people of Westland and Canton in the state House, and to support legislation which is pro-family," DeHart said.

In a press release, DeHart even aligned herself with Gov. John Engler on some issues. She

said she supported his welfare reform legislation and said she was "especially gratified" to see the governor endorse child care and transportation assistance to help single parents move faster into permanent, private sector jobs.

DeHart also cited several priorities that she hopes to address during a second term. She wants to:

- Combat crime by putting 5,000 more police officers on the

streets.

- Provide middle class tax relief, including income tax credits for child care expenses, college tuition and elderly care.

- Protect access to long-term care for senior citizens by preserving Medicaid.

- Re-establish a core curriculum for Michigan schools to ensure quality academic standards in basic subjects such as English, math, science, computer science and social studies.

DeHart has cited as one of her biggest legislative successes an amendment she proposed to the 1997 Family Independence Agency budget to provide vouchers for food and formula for babies whose mothers are booted from the welfare system.

DeHart said her so-called "Feed the Babies" amendment showed that she was tough on welfare abuse but that she wanted to protect children from being hungry and neglected. She

worked with Republicans to pass a compromise amendment.

"Feed the Babies" is a philosophy that says you don't starve infants because their mother are irresponsible," DeHart said. "If anything, these are the children who need the most love and support."

DeHart said her record proved that she worked to be "a politically independent voice."

The filing deadline in the race is Tuesday, May 14.

## OBITUARIES

**THELMA R. BARRETT**

Services for Mrs. Barrett, 64, of Garden City were April 20 from the Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. The Rev. Robert Millar officiated.

Mrs. Barrett died April 17 in Nightingale Nursing Home, Westland. She was born Jan. 8, 1932, in Pikeville, Tenn.

Survivors include: husband, William; daughters, Ruth Barrett of Boston and Jeannene (Daniel) Whitcomb of Connecticut; sons, William (Sue) Jr., of Nashville, Tenn., and Dale (Cheryl) of Canton Township; four grandchildren, Nicole Jeffrey, Nicholas and Timothy Barrett; two sisters, and one brother.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

**ORAL SABIN VANDERCOOK**

Services for Mr. Vandercook, 78, of Garden City were April 23 from Uht Funeral Home, Westland with interment in Avery Cemetery, Atlanta, Mich. The Rev. Luther Stanley officiated.

Mr. Vandercook died April 19 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center, Wayne. Born Nov. 8, 1917, he was a Ford Motor Co. receiving clerk.

Survivors include: wife, Lillie; sons, Sabin, Robert, Ronald and Neal; daughter, Donna Kurdziel; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters, Sarah Wise, Frances Galloway and Doris Lambert; and brothers, Roy and Frank. Preceding him in death were a daughter, Shirley Wendland, and brother, Daniel.

**PAUL E. PRESTON**

Services for Mr. Preston, 72, of Garden City were April 24 from the Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City, with burial in Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia. The Rev. Jonathan Allen of Community Baptist Church, Garden City, officiated.

Mr. Preston died April 20 in Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit. Born May 20, 1923, he was a journeyman electrician for General Motors.

Survivors include his wife, Lovie; mother, Ona Preston; sister, Anne Parks; and brother, Johnny.

Memorials may be donated to the Salvation Army.

**MYRTLE M. WOLFE**

Services for Mrs. Wolfe, 79, of Westland were April 25 from Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with interment in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. The Rev. Richard Dillon officiated.

Mrs. Wolfe died April 23 at home. Born Sept. 17, 1916, she was a racker.

Survivors include: daughters, Lillian Hyde, Jimmie Merritt and Shirley Erickson; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Preceding her in death were her husband, Ben, and two grandchildren.

**CRAIG R. MALOTT**

Services for Mr. Malott, 65, of Westland were April 22 from Uht Funeral Home with interment in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. The Rev. Robert Millar officiated.

Mr. Malott died April 19 at home. Born Sept. 30, 1930, he was an insurance executive and member of the Byron Beals American Legion Post 32.

Survivors include: wife, Margorie; daughter, Julie Ann (Ray) Kuks; sons, John (Terri) Malott, Duane (Sandy) Morton, Michael (Bonnie) Morton and Richard (Joyce) Morton; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and brother, Frank (Bee) Malott.

**PHILIP DANIEL COX**

Gravestone services for Mr. Cox, 32 of Oldamar, Fla., formerly of Plymouth, were April 25 at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. The Rev. Stan Jenkins officiated. Arrangements were by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Mr. Cox died April 10 in Oldamar.

Born June 7, 1963, he was a former Plymouth resident who moved to Florida in 1992 where he was a cook for Service America in Oldamar.

Survivors include: son, Danny Morgan of Westland; father, Marvin Cox Jr. of Plymouth; brothers, Mark Cox of Westland, Paul Cox of Westland; and Steve Johnson of Westland; and sisters, Robin Wolf of Plymouth and Karen Langios of Central, S.C.

**ANNIE LUCILLE ROWLAND**

Services for Mrs. Rowland, 83, of Westland were April 23 from the Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City, with burial in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. The Rev. Sue Walls of the Christ United Methodist Church officiated.

Mrs. Rowland died April 21 in Garden City Hospital. Born Aug. 15, 1912, in Jim Henry Township, Mo., she was a homemaker.

Survivors include: daughter, Anna Lee White of Garden City; grandsons, Donald White and Clint White; granddaughter, Debra Sandzik; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Memorials may be donated to the Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

**LORETTA M. DAPKUS**

Services for Mrs. Dapkus, 76, of Westland were April 24 from St. Damian Catholic Church with entombment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were by the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dapkus died April 21 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. Born Oct. 2, 1919, in Kansas City, Kansas, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include: husband, Stanley Sr.; sons, Larry (Sharon) Cashero, Stanley Jr. and Joseph; 11 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Fidell. Preceding her in death were a daughter, Rochelle; and a brother, Thomas.

**DELLA PURSIFUL**

Services for Mrs. Pursiful, 80, of Westland were April 20 from the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home with burial in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. The Rev. Gilbert Sanders officiated.

Mrs. Pursiful died April 16 at Rockford Manor. Born July 13, 1915, in Four Mile, Ky., she was a homemaker.

Survivors include: sons, Darrell (Nola) and Larry (Priscilla); two grandchildren; one brother, and one sister. Preceding her in death was her husband, Arva.

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# Oakwood to hold disorders screening

Behavioral health professionals at Oakwood Hospital Heritage Center-Taylor will observe National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day by offering free screenings for area residents. The screenings will be held 6-8 p.m. on May 1, at Oakwood Hospital Heritage Center, 10000 Telegraph Road, Taylor. Participants will use a self-survey test for panic and anxiety; watch a videotape describing the causes, symptoms, and treatment of anxiety; hear a presentation by a staff psychiatrist; and have an opportunity for discussions with mental health professionals who can, if necessary, offer resources for support and treatment. Anxiety is the most common mental illness in the United States. Nearly 25 percent of all Americans will suffer from an anxiety disorder at some time in

their lives. Only about a quarter of those sufferers will seek treatment for their illness. National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day, sponsored by more than 15 national mental health organizations, helps build awareness and educate the public about the disorders, their symptoms, and the effective treatments available. Anxiety disorders include: Persistent Anxiety (or Generalized Anxiety Disorder), Panic Disorder, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Phobias, Social Phobia, Post-traumatic Stress Disorder. Most mental health experts treat anxiety disorders with a combination of medication and behavioral therapy. Treatment should be individualized for each patient, depending on the severity of the symptoms. For more information or to register for an anxiety screening, call 313-295-5237.

# Gunman is sentenced

A Detroit man was sentenced Monday to eight to 20 years in prison for robbing a Westland gas station. Also in court Monday, Westland charges were dropped against a co-defendant in return for a guilty plea to a Garden City convenience store robbery, police said. Gorlando Gardner, 30, was sentenced Monday by Wayne County Circuit Judge John Gillis for an armed robbery that occurred last Oct. 18 at the Union 76 station on Warren Road east of Middlebelt. Gardner had earlier pleaded

guilty to armed robbery, felony firearms and habitual offender charges. One shot was fired during the holdup, but no one was injured. Westland charges have been dropped against co-defendant Cornelius Gardner (no known relation) in return for a guilty plea that he made Monday in a Garden City case. Cornelius Gardner pleaded guilty to an unarmed robbery that occurred at the 7-Eleven at Merriman and Ford in Garden City. He is scheduled for sentencing on May 9.

# Students prepared for state event

BY ARLENE FUNKE  
SPECIAL WRITER

"What crucial event in world history occurred on September first?" barks Howard Weinberg to his Detroit Catholic High School Students.

Buzzers ring, and a student shouts, "The German invasion of Poland, in 1939." On a warm, spring afternoon, many teen boys are polishing their cars, planning tennis matches or strapping on in-line skates. At Catholic Central, in Redford, members of the top-rated varsity academic team are chasing facts and figures as they practice for a state championship tournament tomorrow and Saturday in Port Huron. Team captain is Clint McDonell, 17, of Garden City. "It's a lot of fun," said team member Greg VanHoey, 17, a senior from Redford. "I get to meet a lot of new people and learn things you don't get in the regular classes."

Catholic Central's varsity academic team is ranked first in Michigan and 10th nationally. During the school year, team members match wits with other high school academic teams in a series of tournaments. National competition will be in late May at Lake Forest College near Chicago, and at Marymount University, Arlington, Va., in June. After a short break, the team will begin preparations for next season, which begins in September. Although potential rewards include trophies, cash prizes, scholarships and travel expenses, Weinberg speaks of a more powerful incentive. "We do it for the challenge,"

said Weinberg, of Southfield. "It takes a high level of dedication. I have been able to work with some extremely bright students." Catholic Central, an all-male, private high school, has 1,018 students from all over Metro Detroit. The school enjoys a reputation for top-notch athletics and academic excellence. Weinberg, a social studies and economics teacher, organized the academic team when he came to Catholic Central in 1985 and is the varsity coach. Under his tutelage, the team has amassed numerous awards. "The other kids (in the school) are very supportive," said Scott Chemello, 17, a Livonia senior. Academic team members meet in daily, half-hour study groups. Weinberg compiles materials from almanacs, reference books and commercial sources. "We have devoured all the 'Jeopardy' books," said Weinberg, referring to the popular TV show. Weinberg balances humor with challenge. During weekly, two-hour practice sessions, he peppers the team with a rapid-fire litany of more than 200 questions. Team members, who appear to be having fun, jump into the fray. Each has a buzzer, and must ring in before answering. "In what American city can a person look south into Canada?" asks Weinberg. The answer (Detroit, into Windsor, Ontario) comes too slowly to suit the coach. "Too slow. Who is the Bard of Democracy?" "Carl Sandburg," calls a student. "Of course he is," responds

Weinberg. "We're starting to wake up." During competition, team members must successfully jump from a jumble of topics ranging from the Bible to physics, current events, literature, geography, chemistry and world history. There are no pre-announced categories, as on the game show "Jeopardy." Difficult or complex questions earn more points. Some team members are specialists, Weinberg said. For example, Garden City's McDonell, specializes in literature and fine arts topics. VanHoey concentrates on social studies. And Mike Buchanan, 18, of Farmington Hills, specializes in math and science. Competition demands that team members respond quickly, even anticipating the question and ringing in before the moderator has finished speaking. "The tempo is extremely high - almost violent," Weinberg said. "They are learning discipline and critical thinking skills." Chemello says he sometimes has difficulty sleeping the night before a big tournament. But the nervousness passes. "Once you start, you don't stop, and you push yourself," he said. Under certain circumstances during tournaments, teammates may consult with one another. In those cases, captain McDonell speaks for the team. At Tislerics, 22, of Livonia, is one of the freshman team coaches. Tislerics spent three years on Catholic Central's academic team before graduating in 1991 and going to Western Michigan University on a full scholarship. Being part of the academic

team brings "tremendous" benefits, said Tislerics, who now teaches world history and social studies at CC. A large number of freshman are encouraged to try out for the academic team and practice during the summer. Over time, many opt out of the demanding activity. "With freshman, we are trying to get them to be committed to an activity," said Linda Welborn, a school guidance counselor and academic team coach. Currently, about 28 students are on the freshman team, 18 on the junior varsity and eight on the school's varsity academic team. It takes time to form team spirit and take to the competition, Welborn said. By the time students reach the upper levels, they have formed strong bonds and honed their skills, Chemello said. "It helps you create a work ethic," said Chemello, who plans to study engineering at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Varsity captain McDonell is responsible for organizing team fund-raisers. The school, with the help of alumni and other supporters, has purchased two mini vans to transport debate and academic team members to tournaments. Weinberg is particularly proud of the team's performance at a November high school invitational at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. Catholic Central placed highest among 120 high school teams which competed. The team has won state honors several times and finished second in the U.S. in national-level competition the last two years.

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# Teacher is involved in custody dispute

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

A teacher at the Burger Center for the Autistic ordered to give up his two children in an international custody battle was arraigned on a charge of kidnapping Friday. Henry Tyszka, 48, of Plymouth Township was arraigned on two counts of parental kidnapping before Plymouth District Judge John MacDonald, and a not guilty plea was entered on his behalf.

A May 3 preliminary exam has been scheduled in district court for Tyszka. Tyszka was arrested Thursday in Indian River in Northern Michigan, after a Michigan State Police fugitive team sent photos of Tyszka and the two children to area news stations, said Plymouth Township Police Sgt. Steve Rapson. "Somebody recognized him and tipped off the sheriff's department in Cheboygan County," Rapson said. Tyszka was found at a rented house. Rapson said authorities are seeking to put the children on an airplane back to their mother in Paris, France, as ordered by Michigan courts. Meanwhile, the defense attorney is seeking to have the children remain in Michigan to testify at the preliminary exam in May. They are now under the care of the Wayne County Circuit Court.

Tyszka was released on \$2,000 cash bond. He faces a maximum penalty of one year in jail. The story opened just after Christmas, when Tyszka did not put the children ages 7 and 10 on an airplane to return to their mother in France. The father, a special education teacher at the center on Beechwood and Dillon, Garden City, said the children have told him the mother whips them. "My children came to me to protect them," Tyszka said in February. "My kids have given up their school, their friends, their toys, everything they had in France in order not to continue to be abused." An attorney for the mother took Tyszka to Wayne County

Circuit Court to have the children returned, and Judge Brian Zahara in February ruled in her favor, as did the state court of appeals. Plymouth Township police in February sought to talk with Tyszka and attorneys on both sides to resolve the issue, but Tyszka had gone underground. While Tyszka has maintained the children's mother whips them, "He never came in to report it," township Police Chief Carl Berry said last month. "Secondly, he did not tell anybody this had transpired until he had to send the kids back," Berry said, adding the father has not produced any photographic or physical evidence that the kids have been whipped. "All I am asking is that someone here, anyone, talk to the kids about the abuse," Tyszka said last month.

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# New academy will focus on technology and sciences

BY BETH SUNDRA JACHMAN  
STAFF WRITER

A planned public school academy would give Wayne County students an education focused on the manufacturing arts and sciences.

Ford Motor Co., Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village and the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency are joining with advisers from Michigan State University and the University of Michigan-Dearborn to develop the Henry Ford Academy of Manufac-

turing Arts & Sciences.

"I couldn't be happier," Michael Flanagan, superintendent of Wayne County Schools, said of the program. "This provides a tremendous resource," he said.

A program with advanced manufacturing technology can't be offered in local districts because of the cost, Flanagan said. He called the resources Ford Motor Company is going to donate "tremendous."

RESA will provide a technological

link, Flanagan said.

Traditional schools are already working toward team building and applied learning, but this school will go a step beyond that, he said.

The academy, which will be open to all Wayne County students eligible to enter the ninth grade in the fall of 1997, will follow open enrollment procedures required of all public school academies and will use a lottery to select students.

The class of 2001 will begin with 100 students in the fall of 1997 as ninth-

graders. One hundred students will be added each of the next three years until full capacity of 400 students is reached.

Flanagan said the students won't be selected in a traditional lottery system. Students will be recruited from all Wayne County school districts and then selected by lottery from that pool, he said.

"I want this to be the most diverse high school in the county," Flanagan said.

Ford Motor Co. and Henry Ford

Museum and Greenfield Village are sponsoring partners of the academy. Wayne County RESA is the chartering agency.

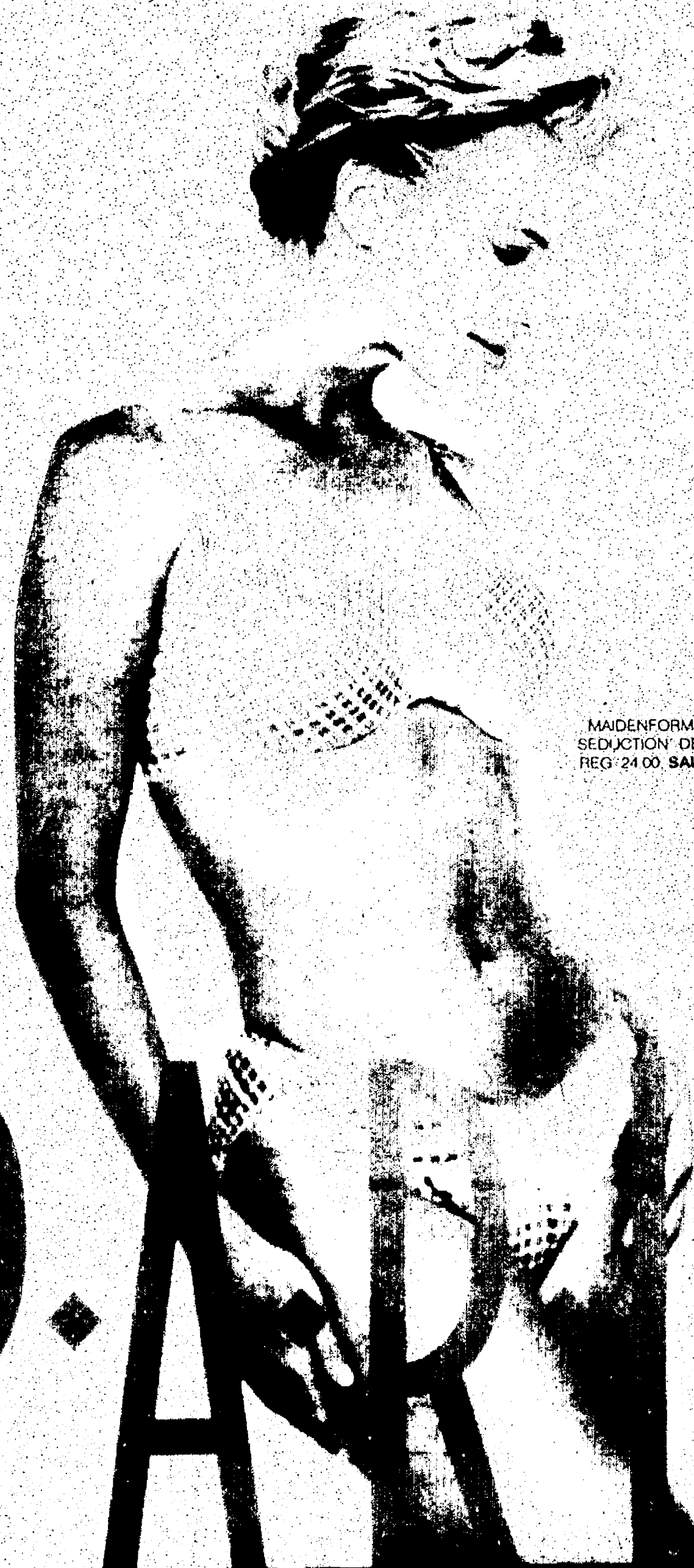
The academy will be managed by a board of directors, including representatives from each of the sponsors and a parent of an academy student. The Wayne RESA board of education will have oversight responsibility.

The staff will include teachers, a chief of staff, a dean of students, and an

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# Robert Ficano announces re-election bid

Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano has announced his bid for re-election. The sheriff's department has done some innovative things during his tenure especially in the areas of narcotics enforcement, confiscation and forfeiture acts, Ficano said.

He also cited work done in Hines Park to restore the park to a family recreation area. "We've been very fortunate," Ficano said. "We've worked with a lot of community groups," he said. Crime prevention programs such as school safety programs,

juvenile reality tours, and alcohol awareness programs, as well as task forces on topics such as carjacking and narcotics have been implemented, he said.

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As for added jail space, a contract for 100 additional beds for people arrested in Wayne County is being worked out, he said. Wayne County will contract with out-state communities for those beds, he said. If reelected, Ficano said he hopes to increase citizen participation, work on new concepts for using the department's resources and form a task force aimed at specialized crimes, such as high-

tech and white collar crime. "We will continue not only fiscal responsibility in the sheriff's department, but also be innovative," he said. The sheriff's department was the first to implement a drug liability act, in which victims can sue convicted drug dealers for their personal assets, Ficano said. "We realize we're here to serve and want to continue to do that," he said. Ficano, 45, is a Livonia resident and is in his third term as sheriff.



Robert Ficano: will run for fourth term.

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administrative officer who reports to the board of directors. Plans are to have teachers from Wayne County school districts serve at the academy for 2-3 year stints, Flanagan said. The board of directors will also be supported by a Founders Council, which includes designees of Ford, the museum and village, and Wayne RESA. At first, the council will provide support in fundraising and recommendations for board mem-

bers. The academy will be located on the grounds of Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. It will also use resources of industry, higher education and local community organizations. Students will learn in places such as Thomas Edison's laboratory and Ford Motor Co. facilities. Curriculum will stress mathematics, science, humanities and problem solving in a manufac-

turing context. Students will be prepared for university admission, skilled trade apprenticeships and jobs. The curriculum will be organized in themes that represent major elements of design and product development. Students will take standardized tests, and be exposed to workplace assessment techniques such as self-ratings, peer-team critiques and project-performance evaluations.

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# Rule changes, bids discussed by commissioners

Wayne County Commissioners made some changes in the rules for removing appointees to the county's Building Authority Commission Thursday.

The language was changed to give only the county executive the power to remove an appointee from the board. Commission counsel Ben Washburn said the previous rules had "too low a threshold for removal." The Thursday action will make the Building Authority Commission more independent, he said.

One commissioner questioned why, after the commission had made the changes in the bylaws, it was now making changes to the changes.

The changes were approved with three commissioners abstaining including local commissioners Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township.

### Sound of noise

Homes in the flight path at Metro Airport that are sold to the county would be resold, but the buyers will have to move them to live in them under a federal airport noise program.

A first reading of an amendment to the county's purchasing ordinance was approved Thursday by the county commission concerning the buying and selling of the homes.

The amendment allows the director of airports to sell homes bought under the Wayne County Noise Program and resell them by auction for removal from the

property. Commissioners were concerned that the resales would result in people buying the homes, moving in and then changing their minds once they heard the noise at the airport.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, said she has heard indications that people would be able to buy the homes that had been bought by the county, but wanted it made clear the homes would have to be removed.

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Those homes can no longer be used on those sites," she said.

One commissioner said people who want to buy a home at a discount and are willing to tolerate the noise should have that option. But, commissioner Michelle Plawecki, D-Deerborn Heights, said the program is governed by federal guidelines and people can't buy the homes and

live on the same site.

### Car concession

A concession agreement between Wayne County and Avis Rent-A-Car System in a minimum amount of \$5.2 million for rental car service at the airport was approved Thursday.

In a non-exclusive contract, Avis will pay the county the

higher of the minimum fee or 9.5 percent of the gross revenue.

Several other rental car companies operate at the airport, including Hertz, Dollar, Budget and Alamo, commissioners pointed out.

### On the landscape

Approving contracts for landscaping to two firms from outside of Wayne County upset several commissioners during Thursday's meeting.

Four contracts were approved,

but approving two to outside firms had commissioners asking for research into the situation.

Commissioners want the auditor general to research the policies of neighboring counties and whether they are excluding Wayne County businesses from their bidding process.

"I think we're extremely liberal," commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon said, adding he thinks Wayne County should use county firms whenever possible.

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**CAPITOL CAPSULES**

**Capital capsules:**  
School elections would be held in November rather than June under a controversial set of bills passed by state Senate Republicans.

"Voter involvement, interest and participation in school board elections will increase significantly," said Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, sponsor of one of the three bills.

In 1999, one bill would move partisan elections for the State Board of Education from even-numbered years (when the president and governor are elected) to odd-numbered years.

Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, won approval of an amendment to allow local school boards to shift their elections to the same time as the State Board of Education elections. University board elections are unaffected.

School boards would be limited to scheduling property tax and bond issue ballot proposals to three dates per year: the Tuesday after the first Monday in April, August and November.

The bills won by narrow majorities. Bennett's Senate Bill 775 won 22-15, supported by 21 Republicans and one Democrat. The 15 no votes were cast by Democrats. Area senators all voted with their parties.

The bills face probable death in the House Local Government Committee, where chair Bob Brackenridge, R-St. Joseph, is working with an ad hoc committee on a similar approach that will take most of the year.

**Bigger car loans**

The House passed and sent to Gov. Engler a bill to remove the \$15,000 ceiling on new car loans from the Regulatory Loan Act of

1993. There will be no limit once the new law takes effect.

Sponsor is Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, chair of the Senate Financial Services Committee. The Senate passed his bill March 20.

"Most loans exceed that," said Rep. Gary Randall, R-Elwell, who guided the bill through House passage April 17. "This deletes the limit that precludes young people from getting loans."

No one spoke against Senate Bill 441 as it passed the House on a 79-27 vote. Among those voting no were Democrats Maxine Berman of Southfield and David Gubow of Huntington Woods and Republican James Ryan of Redford.

Absent were Republicans Jan Dolan of Farmington Hills and Shirley Johnson of Royal Oak.

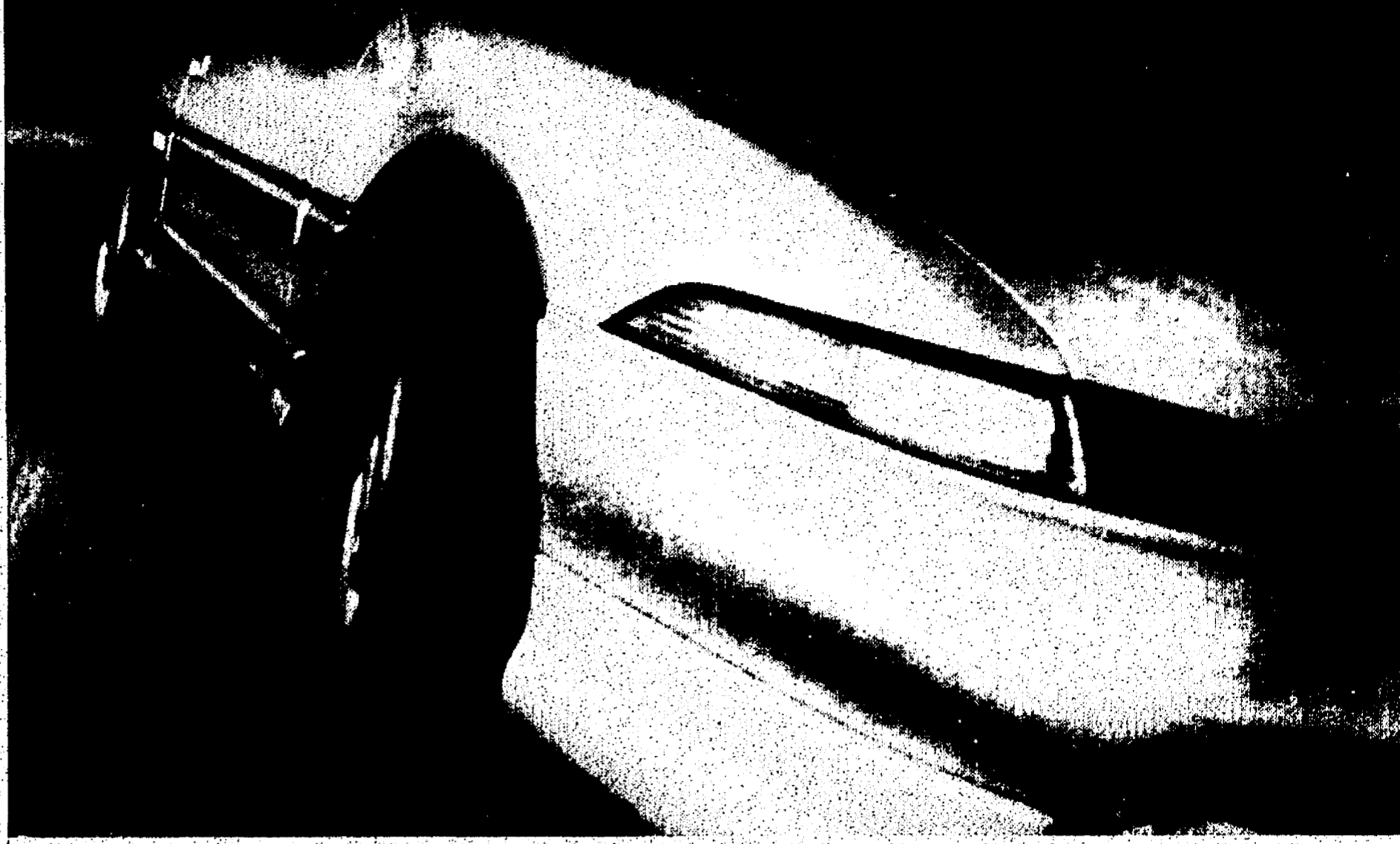
**End to campus PC**

"The first amendment (freedom of speech) is under attack on college campuses by totalitarians who advocate political correctness."

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Kaza, a conservative policy wonk and civil libertarian, said campuses "are supposed to be an open marketplace of ideas." His bill applies to colleges, unlike a 1993 bill by then-Rep. Lyn Jondahl to protect freedom of expression in K-12 schools.

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### DDA launch

## Improvements are a must

The city of Westland's first Downtown Development Authority board of directors is on the verge of approving a long-range plan for upgrading the aging business communities along Wayne Road and Ford Road.

In the near future, the recently-organized board will approve a 15-year plan for not only improving the business properties but also stipulate how the improvements will be financed.

Typically, other cities with DDAs use a combination of property tax revenues generated by increases in developments and improvements of existing buildings to finance subsequent improvements as well as below market-rate interest loans to spur private investments.

The Observer is confident that the DDA board, headed by Dr. Kim Shunkwiler, will review the proposals and information from the city administration to quickly act on its long-range plans.

When it does, it will not come a day too soon. Over the years, most of the frontage within the DDA district (which stretches mainly along the entire stretch of Ford Road and the section of

Wayne Road from Ford to Glenwood) looks like, well, it was designed and built for the 1950s, which it was.

But this is now the late 1990s, approaching the 21st century.

Local shoppers are used to highly-stylized regional mall environments not only in Westland but in easy-to-reach malls in Livonia and Novi.

While regional malls certainly fill an important retail need, some shoppers want the convenience and service of a small retailer where they can park near the front door and have a clerk or

**■ Hopefully, the newly-formed Downtown Development Authority will get the support of Ford and Wayne Road merchants to spruce it and improve their properties as the community moves into the 21st century.**

owner greet them by name. Westland certainly needs a successful small business community to attract potential home buyers to nearby neighborhoods when homes are offered for sale.

The city also needs to fill up the worrisome number of retail vacancies, which offers a negative image not only to shoppers from Westland but those from neighboring communities. The business community has neglected its appearance for too long.

Now is the time to start making it a high priority, not just for the convenience of shoppers, but for its own survival.

What makes the contrast between the old and new developments obvious is the construction along Central City Parkway and Warren Road in the past five years.

Hopefully, the businesses that opened 30 or more years ago will take notice.

The Observer is looking forward to the upcoming improvements.

## School-to-work is sound tool

In 1994 President Clinton signed the School-to-Work Opportunities Act, authorizing \$300 million in new federal spending on educational programs.

Most of the money is in the form of block grants to states for programs that would provide a transition from school to real-life work situations.

The act is the outgrowth of the school-to-work movement in education. For many years the American educational system has been criticized for not preparing students for the swiftly changing and technologically challenging work environment and the demands of global competition.

Studies have found that the biggest problem in education is not in the college prep programs but in the programs for those who do not or can not continue their education beyond the secondary level.

Recently conservative groups have attacked school-to-work as an attempt to turn out human robots for the industrial system. This follows similar attacks on outcomes-based education programs of which school-to-work is an outgrowth.

But critics of school-to-work and outcomes-based education also include many parents who have experience dealing with student tracking programs and what they perceive as an elitist educational system that does not take them into consideration when developing programs for their children.

They are concerned about whether these programs will continue to provide students with a solid academic program whether they opt for college or not. Other concerns include:

- Are children forced to make career choices too early?
- Will college prep students be involved in school-to-work or school-to-career programs?
- How will these programs meld with or complement traditional union apprentice programs?

The School-to-Work Act is actually a move away from centralized control of education programs. It allows states and local school systems to develop a variety of program.

A study of 16 such programs conducted by Pauly, Kopp and Haimson found that "school-to-work programs use a variety of program designs (i.e. career academies, occupational-academic cluster programs, restructured vocational education, tech prep, and youth apprenticeship), customized to suit local circumstances."

The Wayne-Westland and Livonia school districts together with the local chambers of commerce are active members of the Wayne County School-to-Work Partnership.

Some school districts will use the money to establish a local advisory council and for a pilot program in the areas of entrepreneurship and marketing. In those programs, students will work 150 hours this summer in a business learning about all aspects of running a business, including having exposure to marketing, employee relations, customer relations and other managerial tasks.

The education community should take time to explain and promote the program so that parents and other taxpayers funding our schools understand the concept.

At all stages, parents should have input. They should be fully informed and be invited to participate in the decision-making process.

Students at the high school level also should be involved in decisions that could affect their academic and working life.

School-to-work is a sound educational tool, allowing for innovation on the state and local level. But it will prove unsuccessful if it isn't openly and fairly pursued.

### Environment matters



Growing season: Jerry Bloch unloads evergreens at an area nursery. Friday, April 26, is Arbor Day and one way to mark the occasion is to plant a tree.

### LETTERS

#### Bentley's not closed

How interesting that your reported listed Bentley Center as a "closed school" in the article regarding Trustees debate policy for vacant land sales.

More than 2,000 people ages 1-90 enter Bentley's doors daily. Here, they enjoy opportunities to grow mentally and physically as they earn high school diplomas and GED certificates, attend swim, exercise, and dance classes, enroll their children in child care and Head Start programs (renowned statewide), meet for community events such as soccer and the YMCA Challenge event.

In addition, many organizations lease space at Bentley Center: Adolescent Day Treatment, Community Commission on Drug Abuse (CCODA), Seedlings - Braille Books for Children, Child Care Coordinating Council, Inter-Arts Associates, Inc., etc., not to mention the numerous organizations that rent space at Bentley.

Bentley Center houses one of the premier academic programs in the state for alternative and adult education.

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Our English as a Second Language Program is known nationally for its high quality instruction for more than 450 students a year.

Our Adult Basic Education Program provides literacy instruction to those with or without a diploma who work diligently to increase their ability to read and use mathematics.

Senior Citizens and younger students demonstrate the intergenerational focus that involves everyone working and learning together.

Committed business partners participate in career days, allow our students to attend labor/management meetings, provide employment and career paths, and act as role models for all learners.

These community leaders support our vision and goal of Bentley as a full service community center with staff willing and able to enhance the Business/Education Partnership philosophy to the fullest.

Bentley a closed building? Everyone should stop by and see for themselves. Our doors are open for people to learn, to grow, and to enhance every aspect of their lives.

Who knows - they might become interested in joining our cadre of 40-plus volunteers. We welcome all to our community of learners - to Bentley Center - people learning, working, growing together. Bentley is, indeed, open!

**Nancy B. Browning**  
Building Administrator  
Bentley Center

#### Keep harsh sentences

I take exception to your recent editorial that called for the abolition of the mandatory sentencing of persons convicted of possession of drugs.

As a police officer, I see every day the problems that drug use creates.

Your editorial espouses a common attitude that drug use or possession is a "victimless" crime and that users are only hurting themselves.

This is far from the truth. The mandatory sentencing for possession of controlled substances came about because of judges not meting out appropriate prison times to offenders.

People that are charged with the possession of large amounts of drugs are not keeping them on hand for personal use. The only explanation for having these large quantities is to sell them.

Everyday lives are ruined and families destroyed by drug use.

A majority of crimes are committed by people either under the influence of drugs or attempting to gain money to purchase drugs.

The Observer has published many stories about the concerns of our community about the drug use of our youth. The logical question follows: where do these drugs come from?

The answer is easy, the drugs come from dealers. Dealers who usually possess large amounts that they then sell. These dealers should be treated with the utmost severity by our judicial system. Mandatory sentencing ensures this severity.

I feel sympathy for families that are destroyed by drug addiction and innocent people who are victims of crime due to a person who must steal and rob to get high. I do not feel sympathy to a person who is apprehended, tried, and convicted of drug possession who is sentenced to a life in jail.

**Miles Tomasiulis,**  
Redford

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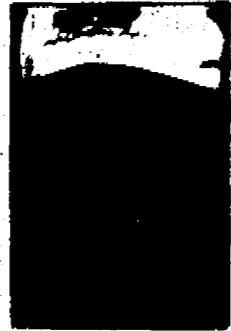
#### QUESTION:

Which hockey team will win the Stanley Cup - Detroit or Winnipeg?

We asked this question at the Kroger store on Ford Road at Central City Parkway



"Naturally Detroit."  
**Maria Stewart**  
Westland



"The (Detroit) Red Wings."  
**Ted Ritter**  
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"Well, Detroit, of course."  
**Jim Wilson**  
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"The Red Wings, definitely."  
**Earl Harrison**  
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POINTS OF VIEW

# Positive campaigns crucial to our politics

BY LYNN RIVERS  
GUEST COLUMNIST

Last year, when I arrived in Washington, the first piece of advice that I received as a legislator was, "When it comes to campaigning, go negative. Go negative and go negative first. That's what people respond to." I was told this even though I had just finished campaigning — and I knew that my Republican freshmen counterparts were being told the exact same thing.

But is nasty campaigning really what American want?

Many political experts argue that going negative is the only way to win elections these days. "It's the sharp stick or stone, not the dull one, that cuts," observed campaign consultant Ron Faucheux in a recent editorial in *Insight* magazine.

But why are campaigns reduced to a contest of "sticks and stones" in the first place? The issues at stake in

elections — not to mention the citizens of this country — deserve to be addressed with more than a barrage of name-calling.

And this name-calling is taking a toll on American politics. As the level of political discourse has sunk to an all-time low, Americans have grown increasingly cynical and disaffected with the political process. Letters to newspaper editors and listener calls to radio programs express rising public frustration and anger toward elected officials. Voters are staying home in record numbers.

While Faucheux claims that "When truthful and accurate, negative ads are what voters want and need," he ignores the fact that more and more negative campaigning has become distorted and sensationalistic. And when candidates feed the public a steady diet of negative images and misleading allegations for months on end before elections, many citizens

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wind up feeling either too disgusted to vote — or suspicious and critical of whoever finally winds up in office. Such campaigns set a lousy tone for the country after the elections as well as before.

Ultimately, negative campaigning undermines the entire democratic process. The proliferation of nasty campaign tactics makes it increasingly difficult for well-meaning and accomplished candidates to run on their own ideas — and this directly affects voters. In their new book, "Going Negative: How Attack Ads Shrink and Polarize the Electorate," researchers Stephen Ansolabehere and Shanto Iyengar found the negative campaigning "drives people away from the polls in large numbers" — particularly nonpartisan voters. This means that, while the number of peo-

ple who call themselves "independents" in opinion polls has increased steadily in recent years, this segment of the population is represented less and less. The government is elected more and more by fewer and fewer people — who are increasingly allied strongly with one party or another.

This, in turn, impacts Congress, creating a wider chasm between the two parties. The authors of "Going Negative" note, "As their bases of support become more partisan (or at least less independent and centrist), members of Congress will work harder to represent those partisan interests." Which, in turn, makes it harder for elected officials like myself — moderate Republicans or Democrats, who vote for legislation based on how good it is, not who sponsors it — to pass solid, sensible, bipartisan bills.

Yet the authors' research also found that positive campaigns can elevate the level of political dialogue

and draw people back into the election process who were once alienated from it.

Spirited campaigns that tout candidates' visions, skills and accomplishments can capture the public's imagination and inspire people to vote — especially independents.

This restoration is crucial to maintaining our democracy. Without raising our campaign standards — and with it, the public's trust — candidates will continue to "win ugly." And not only will elections grow uglier and uglier, but in the end, all of us will lose.

*U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, a Democrat from Ann Arbor, represents the 13th District which includes Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Westland, Garden City and part of Livonia.*

# Appeals court deals 2 setbacks to trial lawyers

The trial lawyers took two on the chin April 12 in the Michigan Court of Appeals. Many would call the trial lawyers — those who sue perceived deep pockets for lottery-sized awards — "sharks." That opinion is harsh, in my view, but this story will gladden the hearts of shark-haters.

Robert Heinz had a slip-and-fall injury in 1988 as he was leaving his employer's building in Troy. Under workers' compensation, he collected \$20,000 for medical expenses and \$38,000 for lost wages. He also accepted \$80,000 to "redeem" future workers' comp claims.

Heinz then sued Chicago Road Investment Co., owner of the building in Troy, for negligence in Oakland Circuit Court. A jury awarded him \$198,000 — minus 50 percent for his comparative negligence; also minus his workers' comp benefits. Judge

Hilda Gage said he could take home \$70,000.

Attorney Matthew Turner of Southfield appealed on behalf of Heinz for the full award. Attorney John Jacobs of Lathrup Village appealed on behalf of Chicago Road Investment Co., saying the award should have been reduced by an additional \$80,000.

Heinz lost his appeal, and the building owner won its appeal. Heinz is to get \$9,800 for medical expenses and wages uncovered by workers' comp.

The appellate panel included Roman S. Gribbs, whom many remember as a Wayne County sheriff and mayor of Detroit in the 1960s; John J. McDonald, an Oakland Circuit judge sitting on the appeals panel by assignment; and Janet Neff, an appellate judge. They ruled:

- Under common law, an injured



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person could recover twice — from workers' comp and the wrongdoer. But a 1986 law — part of Michigan's effort at "tort reform" — blocked collecting from a "collateral source." In other words, the plaintiff can't collect from two sources for the same injury.

"The reduction of the award... merely recognized that plaintiffs were already compensated, in part, for these damages," said the appeals

panel.

Attorney Turner argued the statute was vague and ambiguous; that Heinz had a property right in the redemption award that was being unconstitutionally taken away; that the statute created an unjustifiable class distinction... and so on. On a 3-0 vote, the appeals judges found his arguments "lacking in persuasion."

- The appeals court agreed with the building owners and said Judge Gage should have deducted the \$80,000 redemption award from the jury verdict. The case gets awfully complicated here because the jury distinguished between lost wages (\$128,000), medical expenses (\$20,000), general damages (40,000) and loss of consortium (\$10,000) whereas the redemption award contained no breakdown.

The appeals court ruled 2-1 that

Gage should deduct the \$80,000 redemption because "This result is consistent with the statutory language and better serves the statutory purpose of preventing 'double recovery'..." As a result of the error by the trial court (Gage), the plaintiffs have been paid twice for one set of injuries.

Turner said "absolutely" he'll ask for re-hearing and, if necessary, go to the Supreme Court. His arguments are technical, and this newsman will decline to comment.

The point is that advocates of tort reform won two big arguments in one case, and the trial lawyers lost. That should improve "Michigan's business climate," cut the cost of doing business and reduce liability insurance premiums. We shall see.

*Tim Richard reports on the local implications of regional events.*

# Unemployment insurance cries out for dramatic change

Item: Looking forward to this summer's contract negotiations with the auto industry, the UAW is in the process of putting together its demands. In light of widespread anxiety about downsizing now under way at the Big Three, its key demands will revolve around job security.

Item: Pat Buchanan didn't run better in the March 19 Michigan Republican presidential primary than anyone expected merely because he talked about our late spring. He talked about high wage American jobs being exported abroad. And lots of people listened.

Item: A scholarly article in last week's *New Yorker* magazine by John Cassidy concluded: "For the past three decades, the intensification of global capitalism has been undermining the living standards and the prospects of the unskilled. That process is continuing, and although the rigors of competition are now striking some of those who were previously protected, the costs of economic progress are still being borne primarily by the poor and ill-educated."

Now, some economic history.

The unemployment compensation system that is our main safety net against job loss was developed in the 1930s. The economic assumptions underlying the system are illuminating, if only because they are so out of touch with the reality of today's economy.

The idea was that business cycles would sweep periodically through the economy. When the cycle turned down, businesses would lay off workers to save costs due to falling demand. When the cycle turned up, laid-off workers would be re-hired by the same firm.

Workers would, in effect, bob up and down, going in and out of work with the waves of the business cycle. To protect family incomes (and to maintain aggregate demand to avoid a depression), the unemployment insurance system was developed. When people lost their jobs, they could file for unemployment compensation; UI checks would help sustain their families until they got their old jobs back.

Nobody who has been laid off recently, however, has much hope of getting back his or her old job. Unemployment compensation checks, while vital in keeping a family alive as workers look for new jobs, do nothing to provide unemployed folks with the new skills they need in order to get a good new job.

Plainly, the old UI system needs a refit.

For that reason, some of us proposed a couple of years ago converting part of the unemployment compensation system into the re-employ-



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ment training system, through which workers who are laid off would receive vouchers entitling them to training to qualify for new jobs. They wouldn't lose their entire UI check, of course, but some resources allocated entirely into family sustenance would be diverted into re-training.

The point here is that economic statistics show that while most workers who are laid off eventually find work, their new jobs often pay far less than the old ones. Skills training is the big factor in helping people find new jobs which are also good new jobs.

Vouchers would be spent by workers themselves, not some distant bureaucrat. Because there would be a limit to the amount of training vouchers people could earn, there would be an incentive for people to spend the voucher wisely, not on some fly-by-night truck driving or cosmetology school.

It doesn't take much imagination to see that such a system could evolve into something like Social Security, in which individual workers get numbered individual training accounts, into which both employer and employee pay a portion of gross wages. These accounts would be tax-protected while building up and could be drawn on either when workers are laid off or want a career change.

Now the punch line: Elections are coming, folks. The big debate in the races for U.S. Senate and House are the workings and worth of government. The right argues, in effect, that any money going to government will be wasted; the traditional left urges ponderous and intrusive traditional programs. The notion of a re-employment training system offers an interesting third way, neither left nor right.

How about it, candidates?

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**Symphony scholarship:** Betty Jean Awrey, (second from left) president of the Livonia Symphony Board, joins Celebration Breakfast co-chairs Justine (left) and Jerry Raymond, LSO board director, in presenting Sister Francilene Van de Vyver, president of Madonna University and an honoree of the breakfast, with a check.

## Madonna establishes new scholarship fund

Music majors at Madonna University will benefit from the Livonia Symphony Orchestra's Celebration Breakfast in February which honored the founding of the LSO and members who made contributions.

Madonna University is receiving half of the money raised and has established the Livonia Symphony Scholarship Endowment. The annual scholarship

generated from the interest is to be awarded to a music student with preference given to a student performing in the Livonia Symphony Orchestra.

A grant of \$19,000 was presented to the university; \$15,000 was applied to the scholarship fund and the remainder is going to the general needs of the music department.

## Unions raise concerns about automation

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN  
STAFF WRITER

A contract for \$1.8 million for a new computer system and its maintenance was approved Thursday by the Wayne County Commission, but not without the unions involved raising concerns.

The contract, with National Tech Team Inc. of Dearborn, is for two years and involves buying the computers, as well as their maintenance and support.

Local commissioners Michelle Plawecki, D-Deerborn Heights, Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, and Thaddeus McCot-

tor, R-Livonia, voted in favor, while Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, voted against.

The commission got assurances from the county's personnel director that no county employees would be displaced with the new equipment, but union officials spoke out saying they haven't been assured of that.

Barbara Godre, director of the Department of Personnel and Human Resources, said that current information processing department employees working with the implementation of the

contract won't be displaced.

"There would not be a need to displace employees," she said, in fact another person has been hired in anticipation of the contract, she said.

But, Denise Gleton, president of Wayne County employees local 1659 AFSCME, said the union's concerns haven't been addressed.

The language says there is no direct association with the contract will not be displaced, Gleton said. She criticized hiring the National Tech Team when a strategic plan for the county is

not yet in place. The strategic plan is being worked on in committee, commissioners said.

National Tech Team employees will maintain equipment, not county employees, Gleton said, adding county employees are being "locked out" of being able to provide those services.

Gleton said if the union gets the training it wants, the local will support the project wholeheartedly.

Beard expressed concern that the new system would require training and possibly tuition fees for the training.

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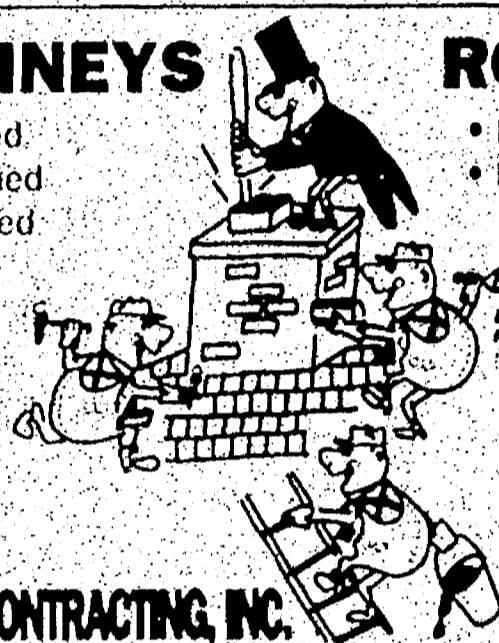
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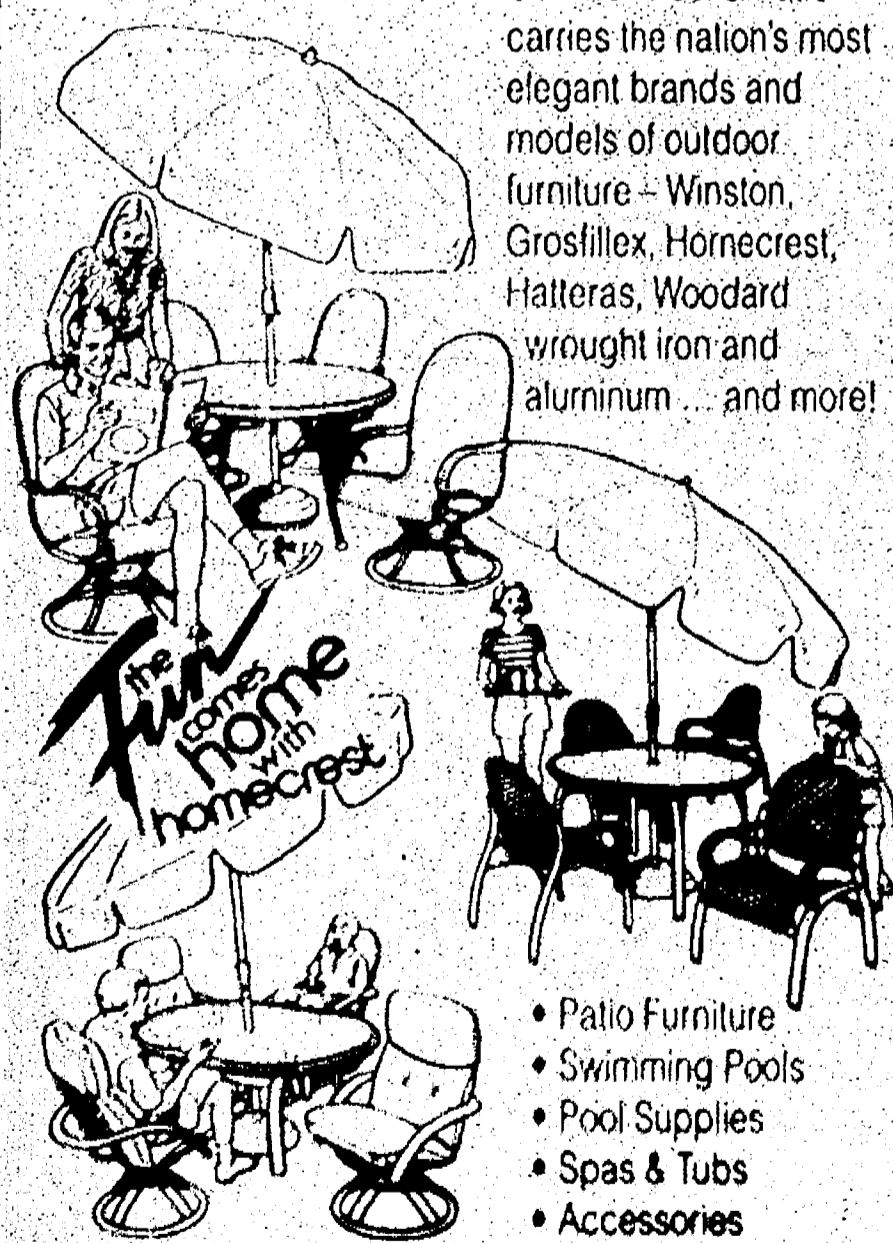
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# COMMUNITY LIFE

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KAREN MEIER

## A terrible 2, wonderful 12

Two days ago one of my sons had a birthday and two days from now another son will have his. And earlier this month, on the first, as a matter of fact, Dad had his birthday and the day after that my husband had his. And my Dad's brother and my Dad's Dad also were born in April.

What does all this mean? It means simply this, the streamers and balloons I looped and draped and taped on the ceiling over the table in the kitchen weeks ago are still there. If I should put fresh decorations up for each birthday, why I'd be broke, not to mention hyperventilated.

Anyway, in this month of birthdays, I find myself reflecting on the passage of years and on children growing up and on where we've all been and how far we've come and where we're heading.

Jack, whose birthday was on Tuesday, is my representative of "where we've all been." He turned two. And we've all been there. Some to a greater degree than others, if you know what I mean. Jack, it seems has been busy living up to the bad press two-year-olds traditionally receive as in "the terrible two's."

Now don't get me wrong. I love this little child of mine to the ends of the earth and beyond. And, believe me, I've been there - to the ends of the earth and beyond and to the ends of my wits - Jack has seen that. Even so, he has a way of melting my heart, even in mid-scolding.

Many of my Jack problems would probably go

See FAMILY ROOM, 14A

## Day of Puppetry is 'Pot O' Gold' for enthusiasts

■ "Punch and Judy" will be there, so will "The Thunderbird." The productions will be part of the Detroit Puppeteers Guild's annual Day of Puppetry, "Puppet Pot O' Gold," Saturday in Livonia.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Michael Deller momentarily forgot about his childhood experiences with puppets.

In preparation for a puppet show at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Deller worked hard to keep the illusion of the show.

At the end of the show, he snuck out from behind the stage and re-emerged at a side entrance to greet the children participating in a puppet workshop. It was too convincing for one student, explained Deller, the city librarian.

"One little boy, probably in kindergarten or first grade, didn't put a lot of effort in his puppet, so he thought he was finished (with his work after the show was over)," Deller said. "Then he went up to the stage and said, 'Mr. Dragon, can you come out and play?'"

"Until that moment, I had forgotten my own experiences as a child. What you see up on the stage is real, if you're a child."

It probably slipped Deller's mind because he's been on the other side of the curtain for more than 30 years, as a puppeteer and as the former president of The Detroit Puppeteers Guild.

The guild is celebrating its 50th anniversary by hosting its Day of Puppetry, called "Puppet Pot O' Gold," 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 27, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Registrants may choose from a variety of workshops on puppet construction, manipulation, and production techniques as well as attend performances of "Punch and Judy" by Eugene Clark of Hamtramck and "The Firebird" by The American Russian Puppet Theater.

The registration fee for "Puppet Pot O'Gold" is \$30, which includes a six-month membership to The Detroit Puppeteers Guild, or \$25 for guild members and for teenagers aged 18 and younger. The fee includes one ticket for each performance; additional tickets can be purchased for \$3. The registration fee does not include material fees, which range from 50 cents to \$15.

The Detroit Puppeteers Guild, founded in 1946 and chartered by the Puppeteers of America, Inc., a national, non-profit organization, is

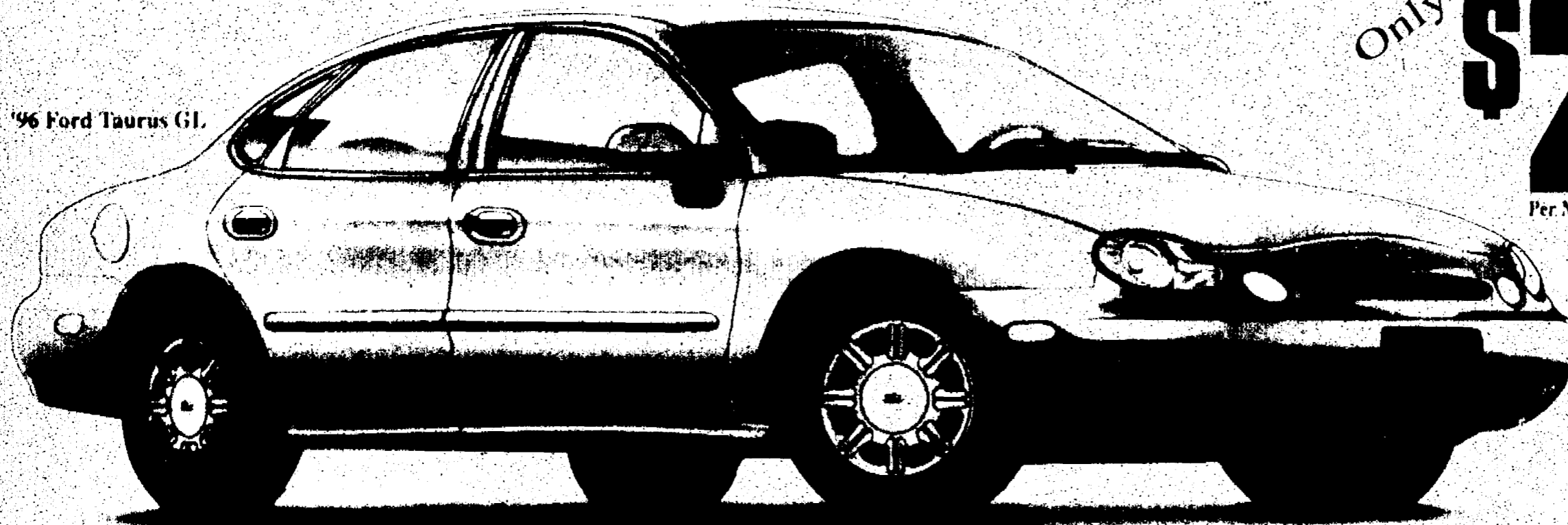
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**Puppet friends:** Long-time Guild member Dorothy Brown of Livonia got started in puppetry in the 1960s, when she found she could use them to teach her young students phonics, religion and language arts. Eventually she added a student puppet production. Now in her 80s, she still uses puppets in her special appearances at schools.

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## Family Room from page 13A

away if only we had an outdoor house. Indoor plumbing. I've decided, is the downfall.

When I'm busy nursing baby Steven, I'm pretty much stuck sitting in a chair. And this is a fact that isn't lost on Jack.

There's Mama all tied up for the next few minutes and so here I go, off to the bathroom, a room full of wondrous sights and sounds. That toilet paper all neatly wound around the cardboard tube is just so much fun to unravel. And that handy and accessible bowl of water is so perfect for flotation experiments. I wonder is this sock floats. How about this toothbrush. I think I'll try this great heap of unraveled toilet paper.

"Jack," I sing out from my chair in the family room, "you're too quiet. What are you doing?" At that point, I normally turn to four-year-old Joe and send him on a reconnaissance mission. The news he brings me is always bad. Good grief.

And so I hope against hope that this day is only the terrible two's and will be outgrown and doesn't amount to a hill of beans, or toilet paper in this case.

During Jack's toilet capers and other (yes, there are other, lots of other) behavior blunders, I call to mind my other April birthday child. This gives me hope. This is the child who is representative of the "how far we've come" department.

**Tony will be 12 on Saturday. And after his birthday is over, the streamers and balloons in the kitchen finally come down. The birthday season will have come to an end.**

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Anyway, Tony, being my oldest, is the trailblazer for his four younger siblings. And I couldn't ask for a better trailblazer. He's wonderful. He sets a fine example for them all.

Not long ago, as a matter of fact, it was in February, the day

baby Steven came home from the hospital. Tony set yet another fine example. My husband and the other children, including Tony, had lunch in the hospital cafeteria, while Steven and I went through the regular hospital release procedures up on the maternity floor.

After Tony was through eating, he took his tray to the dirty tray conveyor belt. When he turned around, Tony saw a wadded up \$20 bill lying on the

floor. He picked it up and immediately, without a moment's hesitation and without asking advice from his Dad or anyone else, sought out a cafeteria employee.

He gave the money to the employee, a woman wearing an apron, and told her he had just found it and it wasn't his and someone was probably going to miss it very soon.

The woman was astounded by this forthright and honest as the day is long almost 12-year-old boy and told him so, to his face, and then she asked where his Dad was. Tony pointed him out in the busy cafeteria, the man with all the little kids, and she walked over to their table and

told them what had happened.

The woman with the apron was impressed with Tony. We all were.

So, you see, from toilet tricks of a two-year-old to the \$20 test of character of a 12-year-old, I see the "where we've been" and "how far we've come" and from that I've got a good feeling about the "where we're headed."

Happy birthday, boys! I love you all!

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36261 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48160.

## Puppets from page 13A

national, non-profit organization, is made up of members who share their love of puppetry and their experiences. The group holds bimonthly meetings September through May and offers a variety of performances, lectures, workshops, and social events. The "Day of Puppetry" is held annually.

The concept of the day of puppetry that the guild has used over the years is that there will always be something for somebody who's just getting started, and there will always be something for somebody who's been doing it, but would like to learn a little more," said Deller, a Livonia resident.

"It was designed, recognizing

that puppetry is a profession for some people. It's how they earn their keep. For others, it's a part of what we do."

Dorothy Brown, also of Livonia, decided when she returned to teaching in 1958, that she wanted to use puppets in her profession. Brown, 82, didn't get into it until the late 1960s when she found a use for it in teaching phonics.

She joined The Detroit Puppeteers Guild about 20 years later, and learned how to use many kinds of puppets in a variety of situations.

"I used them in teaching when I went back into parochial schools. I used it in teaching religion. I used it in language arts,

and our final event of the year from 1980 on was a puppet show put on by the first graders. Sometimes they used bag puppets, sometimes they were shadow puppets, or hand puppets," said Brown who retired as a teacher 10 years ago after being employed at the now-closed Faith Lutheran School, and St. Paul's Lutheran School in Livonia.

She still incorporates puppetry when she returns to schools for special appearances.

According to Deller, that there's many different uses for puppetry.

"In libraries, it's a way of drawing children to literature

and stories," he said. "We've had members in the guild who were physical therapists. They use puppets as a way of getting people to use their hands, their arms or their upper bodies."

In hospitals, doctors and nurses sometimes use puppets to explain surgical procedures to children.

Least Deller forget, puppeteering also provides "some wonderful performances."

"We can't forget that."

For more information, call Deller at (313) 421-8306 or the club's president Rick Morse at (810) 230-0105.

## NEW VOICES

**DON JOHN and PATTY JUDNICH** of Dearborn announce the birth of **JESSICA ANN** Feb. 20 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Mrs. D. Pringle of Westland and Richard and Katie Judnich of Bingham Farms.

**TODD SCHIER and HEATHER MARCUM** of Redford announce the birth of **LAURA JEANNE** March 5 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She has two sisters, Alisha, 2 1/2, and Shelby, 6 1/2. Grandparents are Kim and Marlane Marcum of Redford and Theodore and Judith McClure of Boynton Beach, Fla.

**BRYAN and STEPHANIE FLYNN** of White Lake announce the birth of **CHASE MORGAN** Feb. 6 at Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce. He has a big brother, Chad Nicholas, 3. Grandparents are Melvyn and Karen VanGieson of Warren and Richard and Reta Flynn of Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Redford.

**DAN and BETH BEWLEY** of Garden City announce the birth of **GABRIEL RAYLAN** Jan. 21 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother, Brandon, 8, and a sister, Victoria, 6. Grandparents are Larry and Karen Hasbrook of Lansing and Jerry and Nancy Bewley of Portage, Ind.

**THOMAS and DENYELLE CAMP** of Garden City announce the birth of **EMMA KAY** March

5 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Tom Camp and Lynda Creith, both of Garden City, and Neal and Darla Bower of Taylor.

**ANTHONY and THERESA RAINES** of Redford announce the birth of **TREVOR ANTHONY** Dec. 31 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Anthony and Henrietta Dattilo and Lawrence and Nettie Raines, all of Redford.

**JOSEPH and KAREN STRATMAN** of Westland announce the birth of **EDWARD DALE** Jan. 24 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has two sisters, Ashley and Michelle, and a brother, Joseph. Grandparents are Dale and Florence Stratman of Westland and Ed. and Joanne Pucci of Wickliffe, Ohio.

**SCOTT and DENISE CONRAD** of White Lake announce the birth of **NATHAN SCOTT** Jan. 24 at Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce. He has a sister, Meghan, 16 months. Grandparents are Tony and Sharon Conrad of Livonia, Gayle Korfonta of Canton and the late Dennis Korfonta.

**MICHAEL and DEBORAH MURRAY** of Garden City announce the birth of **SHANNON LOUISE** Feb. 23 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Allgeyer of Westland and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Murray of Garden City.

## Patients need to be active in treatment

Cancer patient can take an active role in fighting the disease — the "patient active" approach on which Harold H. Benjamin has built The Wellness Community, a program devoted to the psychological and social support of cancer patients and their families.

Benjamin says his program is a guide to help these patients battle cancer and enjoy life to the fullest, and he tells how they can work toward recovery in his new book, "The Wellness Community

Guide to Fighting for Recovery from Cancer."

Available in paperback (\$12.95) from Putnam, it expands on his earlier book, "From Victim to Victor."

"Patients Active are those cancer patients who believe that they are not helpless in the face of disease, that there are actions they can take that will make a difference in the length and quality of their life," said Benjamin, who has been involved with the psychosocial aspects of

dealing with cancer for nearly 30 years.

Some of the actions Benjamin advocates include:

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Eating right — At least 35 percent of all cancers have a nutritional cause, and nutrition is vital for a healthy immune system.

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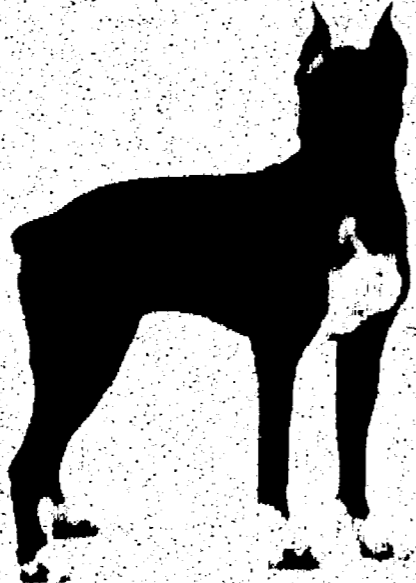
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**ENGAGEMENTS**

**Smith-Libres**

Thomas F. Smith of Livonia and Patricia A. Grant-Smith of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Marie, to Christian Anthony Libres, the son of Joseph J. Libres of Artesia, Calif., and Linda S. Leo of Taylor.

The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Garden City High School. She is employed as an occupational therapist.

Her fiancé works in neurology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

An August wedding is planned at St. Theodore of Canterbury Church in Westland.



Church in Westland.

**Roman-Beers**

Leonard and Linda Roman of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Gayle, to Brian Paul Beers, the son of Walter and Shirley Beers of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1987 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 1991 graduate of Wheeling Jesuit College in Wheeling, W. Va., with a degree in marketing. She is employed as an advance sales supervisor with Central Distributors of Beer in Romulus.

Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 1989 graduate of Henry Ford Community College with a degree in social science. He also completed a five-year electrical apprenticeship program with



Local 58 in 1995. He is employed as a journeyman inside wireman with Smith Brothers Electric.

A June wedding is planned for St. Theodore Church in Westland.

**Brown-McLane**

Charles and Venette Brown of Brighton and Frank and Gail Strong of Traverse City announce the engagement of their daughter, Paula Jean, to Mark Allen McLane, the son of Elma McLane of Mayville and the late Edward J. McLane.

The bride-to-be graduated from Livonia Bentley High School and attended Eastern Michigan University.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Mayville High School and Lake Superior State University.

A September wedding is planned for the Central United Methodist Church in Traverse City.



**Brosig-Patterson**

Guy and Sandra Borrusch of Inkster announce the engagement of their daughter, Crystal Marie Brosig, to Scott Jay Patterson, the son of Pat and Judy Patterson of Garden City.

The bride-to-be is a student at the University of Michigan.

Her fiancé is a 1989 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in finance.

An August wedding is planned for Guardian Lutheran Church.



**Beauregard-Liddell**

Fred and Mary Beauregard of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Kathryn, to Michael R. Liddell, the son of John Robert Liddell of Northville and the late Sylvia Liddell.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Ladywood High School and Michigan State University. She is employed by the Ford Motor Company.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School and Michigan State University. He is employed by Universal Technologies.

A May wedding is planned for



St. Michael Catholic Church in Livonia.

**Bingham-Unsworth**

Gregory and Anita Bingham of Ann Arbor announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Shannon, to Matthew Wright Unsworth of Livonia, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Oliver and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Unsworth, all of Northville.

The bride-to-be received her degree in economics from the University of Michigan in April. She currently is employed at Burns and Wilcox Ltd. in Farmington Hills.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in marketing and business. He is employed by Bearing Service Inc. in Livonia.

A June wedding is planned for Summit on the Park in Canton.



**Gonzalez-Blair**

George and Sandy Keil of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Marie, to Jeffrey Robert Blair, the son of Robert and Nancy Blair of Dearborn Heights.

Also the daughter of the late Frank Gonzalez, the bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a 1994 graduate of Madonna University. She is a first-year student in the Wayne State University School of Law. She is also employed as a legal secretary.

Her fiancé is a 1985 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School and is a senior at Eastern Michigan University. He is employed by Circle International.

An August wedding is planned at the bride's parents' home in Livonia.



**Kron-Welcher**

Larry and Audrey Kron of West Bloomfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Elizabeth, to Dan R. Welcher, the son of Bud and MaryAnn Welcher of Westland.

The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of West Bloomfield High School and a graduate of the University of Detroit.

Her fiancé is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and attended Wayne State University.

A June wedding is planned for Meadowbrook Hall near Rochester.



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"Talk It Over" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, in the sanctuary of the church, 17000 Farmington Road at Six Mile Road, Livonia. Using scripture and visual aides and poignant illustrations, the program will share the word of Christ with participants. Free child care will be provided. **BYOS (Bring Your Own Sneakers)** will meet at the Livonia Family YMCA on Stark Road north of Schoolcraft 8 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$2 for children. Volleyball is played at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Knox Hall. For more information, call (313) 422-1854.

Africa. This new university offers degrees in theology, education and agriculture and natural resources. **ALTERNATIVE SERVICE** Brief video clips from a video, entitled "Blink: Faith and the New Paradigm," will be shown at the alternative, nontraditional worship service at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 28, at New Life Church, which worships temporarily at the Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman, Plymouth. The worship theme will be "Lord, Please Help Me Through the '90s!"

**RUMMAGE SALES** The First United Methodist Church of Wayne will have its spring rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 26, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 27, at the church, 3 Town Square, Wayne. There will be a bake shop, bake sale and refreshments, and a \$2.50 a bag sale on Saturday. For more information, call (313) 721-4801.

**HISPANIC CHURCH** The Hispanic Pentecostal Church conducts worship services at 2 p.m. Sundays at 1075 Venoy Road, Garden City. The Rev. G. Diaz officiates. For more information, call (519) 973-8487.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION** Aldersgate United Methodist Church will present the rich culture of the continent of Africa when the choir of the Africa University in Zimbabwe performs at three worship services Sunday, April 28, at the church, 10000 Beech Daly, Redford. The special choir, which consists of students from seven different African countries, will sing at the 8 and 11 a.m. worship services with the Detroit West District Superintendent for the United Methodist Church, the Rev. Juanita Ferguson, preaching. At the 9:30 a.m. service, members of the choir will lead the congregation in an African style worship service. The Africa University is a recent project of the United Methodist Church to help provide well-trained Christian leadership in

The forming congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America also offers a traditional service, based on the "Lutheran Book of Worship" and utilizing the preached Word, at 8:30 a.m. The sermon theme will be "Walking Through the Valley of Life's Shadows." For more information, call Pastor-Developer Ken Roberts at (313) 459-8181 or (313) 455-1436.

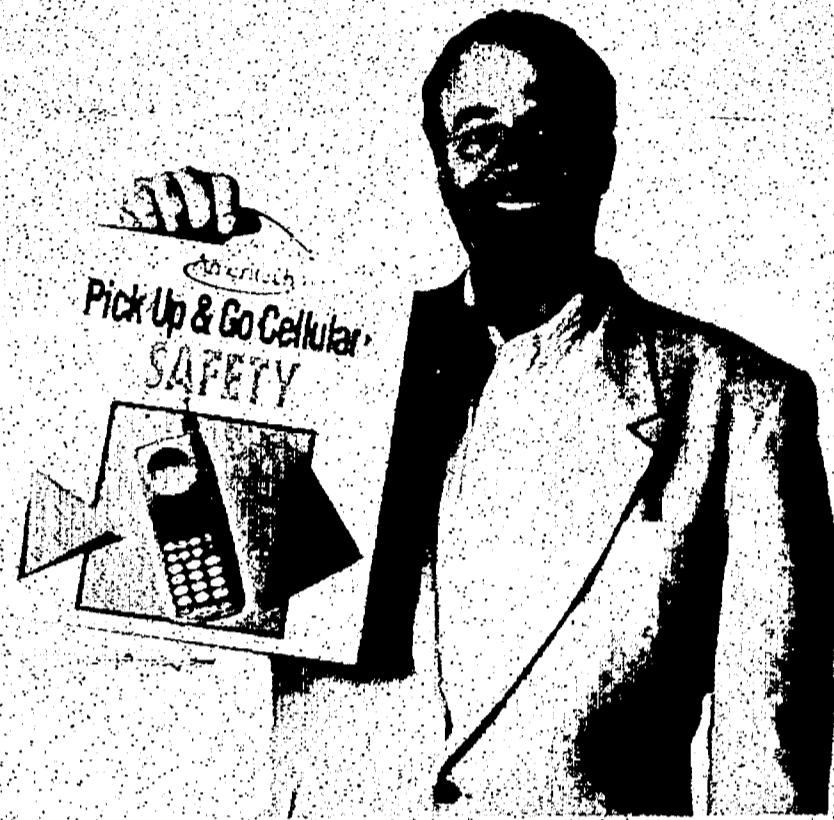
**"TOGETHER IN LOVE"** Ray Mossholder, internationally known speaker, teacher and author, will be at Northville Christian Assembly Sunday through Friday, April 28-30, for a "Together in Love" seminar. The seminar will help unlock key principles to restore, refresh, and enjoy the commitment couples have made to one another. Mossholder has been teaching on marriage for 25 years and often with his wife, Arlyne. He discovered his unique approach to resolving marital problems when his own marriage was crumbling after 12 unhappy years. The seminar sessions will be at 9 and 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. April 28 and at 7 p.m. April 29-May 3, at the church, 41355 Six Mile Road, west of I-275. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken. Child care will be provided for children up to age 12. For more information, call the church at (810) 348-9030 during business hours.

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**ANNIVERSARIES**



**Sellards**

A cruise to Alaska this summer is on tap for William and Charlotte Sellards who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows on Feb. 14, 1946, in Pikeville, Ky. She is the former Charlotte Pinion.

Thirty-two year residents of Redford, the Sellards also traveled to Florida in February as

part of their celebration.

They have a married son, David and wife Nancy of Redford.

Both have been retired for eight years. He worked as a carpenter, while she was employed by the Bendix Corp.

He enjoys woodworking and travel. She likes to sew and dress dolls for the Goodfellows and being with family and friends.



**Ministrelli**

Pete and Bonnie Ministrelli of Livonia were the guests of honor at a dinner celebration at Burton Manor, marking their 25th wedding anniversary.

The party was given by their children - Pete, Lisa and Maria - and his family.

The couple exchanged vows on Feb. 27, 1971 at the Moffitt Field Naval Air Station, Calif. A native of Butte, Mont., she is the former Bonnie Hanson.

He is employed as a metal finisher at GM's Hamtramck Plant, while she is a cashier at Farmer Jack in Redford. They also own Big Sky Lawn Service.

**LaBelle**

Wilfred and Louise LaBelle of Glendale, Ariz., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a dinner at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Phoenix.

Former Livonia residents, the LaBelles exchanged vows on March 30, 1946, in Detroit. She is the former Louise Matthews.

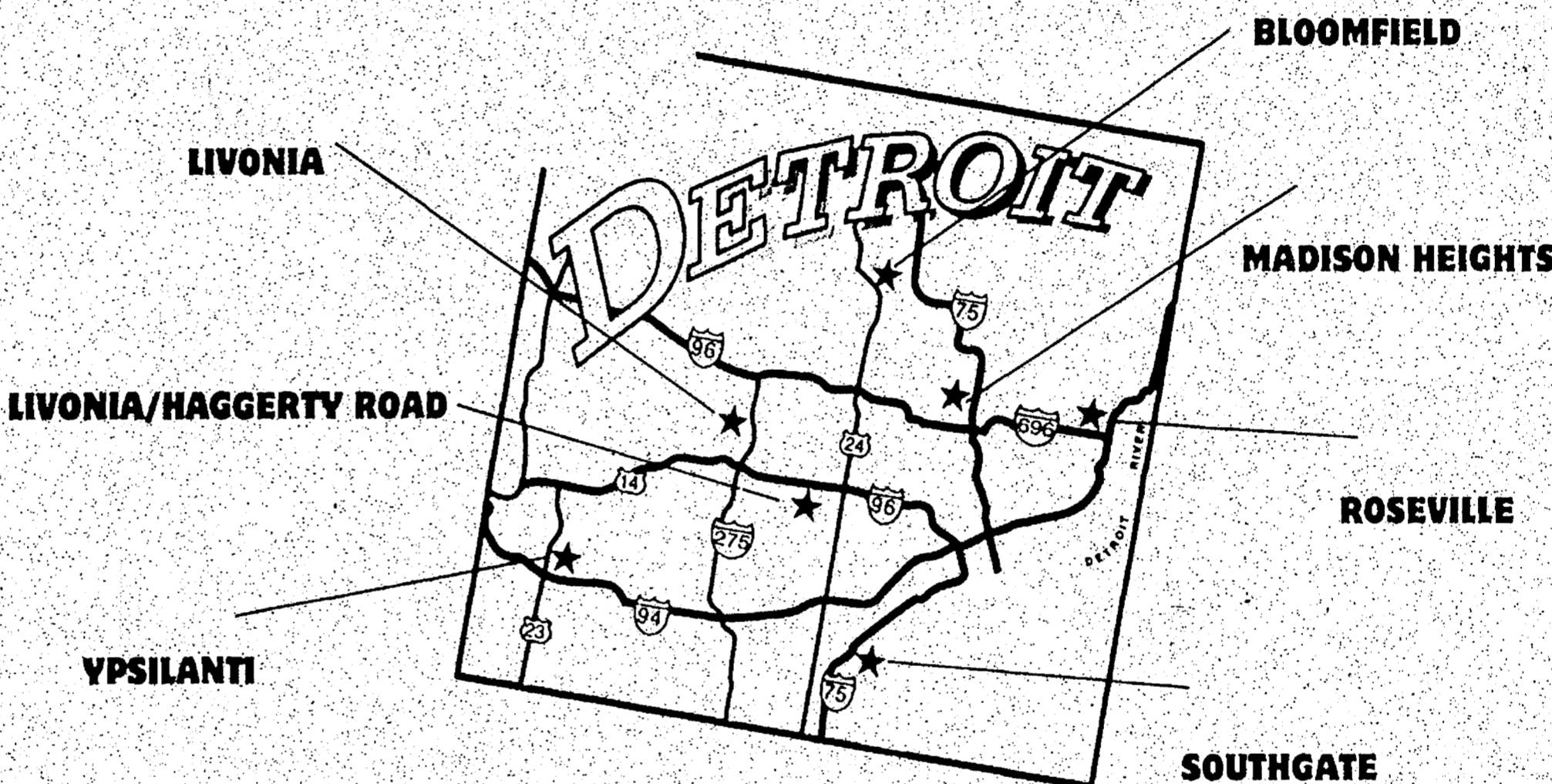
In May, the couple will gather with their family in Michigan, including daughter Connie Perros of Lake Orion and son Richard of Livonia, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild, to celebrate their golden date.

He retired eight years ago from the Ford Motor Co. where he was a tool and die maker. His hobbies include golfing.

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Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" a weekly program to answer questions about the religion, is being broadcast 8:30 a.m. Sundays on CRLW-AM 800. Topics include "What Are the Reading Rooms All About?" on April 28. The series also can be heard at 1:30 p.m. Sundays on WQBH-AM 1400. It is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local Christian Science churches. For more information, call (800) 886-1212.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER

The First United Methodist Church of Plymouth will have a spaghetti dinner 5 p.m., followed by a production by the "Strangely Warmed Players" at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at the church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. A free will offering will be taken, with funds to benefit the Appalachian Service Project,

a mission trip to Appalachia to help build and repair homes. For more information, call (313) 453-5280.

### SYMPOSIUM

The Greater Detroit Interfaith Round Table will hold its 10th annual Muslim-Christian-Jewish symposium at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at St. John Center, 4401 Five Mile Road, near Sheldon Road, Plymouth. The theme for this year's symposium will be "Beyond Tolerance: Toward a New Vision of Religious Pluralism...Implications for Biomedical Ethics."

The primary leader will be Dr. Howard Brody, professor of family practice and philosophy and director of the Center for Ethics and Humanities in Life Sciences at Michigan State University.

The registration fee for the symposium is \$20 which includes dinner at 5:30 p.m. For more

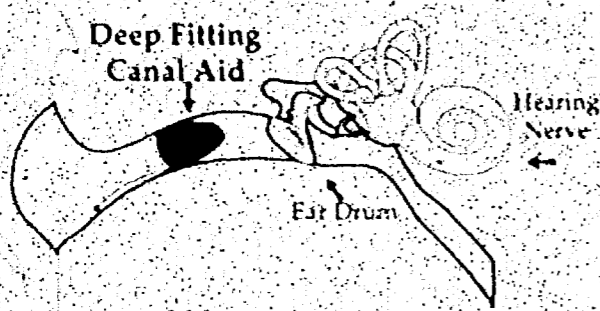
information, call the Round Table at (313) 869-0306.

### SPECIAL LECTURE

Kay R. Olson of Raleigh, N.C., will speak on the topic of "Children, Parenting and Prayer" at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 8, at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Plymouth, 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Olson is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship and is a Christian Science Practitioner experienced in helping others to find healing through prayer.

Her lecture will explain what prayer is in Christian Science and will include examples of children being protected from violence as well as healings of teenage rebellion and sickness. There will be no admission charge for the lecture and child care will be provided. For more information, call the Christian Science Reading Room of Plymouth at (313) 453-1678.

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# Fair Lane estate is focus of benefit

The finishing touches are being applied to the annual Henry Ford Estate Dinner Dance, slated for Saturday, May 4, at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Dearborn.

Began in 1989, a cadre of volunteers organizes the annual dinner dance to help restore the Fair Lane Estate. Since its inception the benefit has raised for \$700,000 for the national historic landmark, financing the purchase of oriental carpets for the upstairs, restoration of the greenhouse and meadow and initial steps in the garage preservation.

It also has provided matching funds to obtain public money like the Michigan Equity grant that is helping pay for steamline repair.

"It's amazing that will all the Fords' contributions, they left nothing for an endowment (to preserve Fair Lane)," said Donn Werling, estate director. "The dinner-dance funds have been directly responsible for a large part of the restoration of the estate."

"We, as well as future generations, owe a great deal to the many volunteers and patrons who have served on the committee to organize the event and financially supported it over the years."

The co-chairs for this year's benefit are Bob and Ann Knoop and Jack and Claudette Rourke. Serving on the committee is

Betty Jean Awrey of Plymouth. "The fact that the Henry Ford Estate is a jewel, a National Historic Landmark, has drawn volunteers and committee members from throughout the metro Detroit area," said Claudette Rourke.

"The estate is an important historical treasure," added her co-chair Ann Knoop. "Recent interest from national media - Preservation Magazine, The Arts and Entertainment Network and Architectural Digest - reflect this. The couple that lived here virtually helped change our world."

The dinner dance will start with a reception at 7 p.m., followed by dinner at 8 p.m. Guest admission begins at \$200 per person. For more information, call Beth Stone at (313) 593-5639.

The estate is located on the campus of the University of Michigan-Dearborn. The family home of the Fords for 35 years, the buildings were used for various purposes after Clara Ford's death in 1950. It was designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1966.

Today it is a house museum, with guided tours of the residence and power house available at 10 and 11 a.m., 1, 2 and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1-4:30 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and students. For information, call (313) 593-5590.

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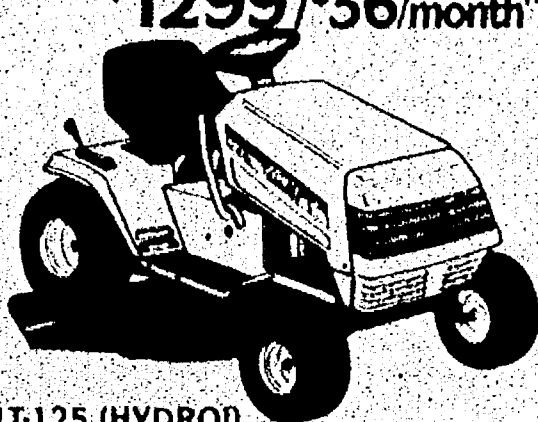
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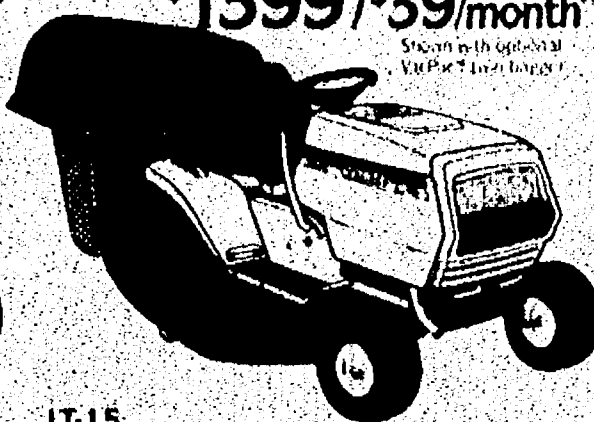
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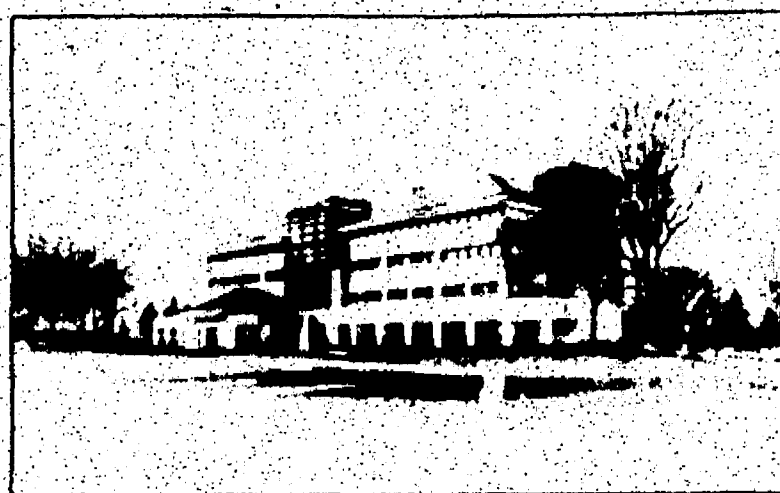
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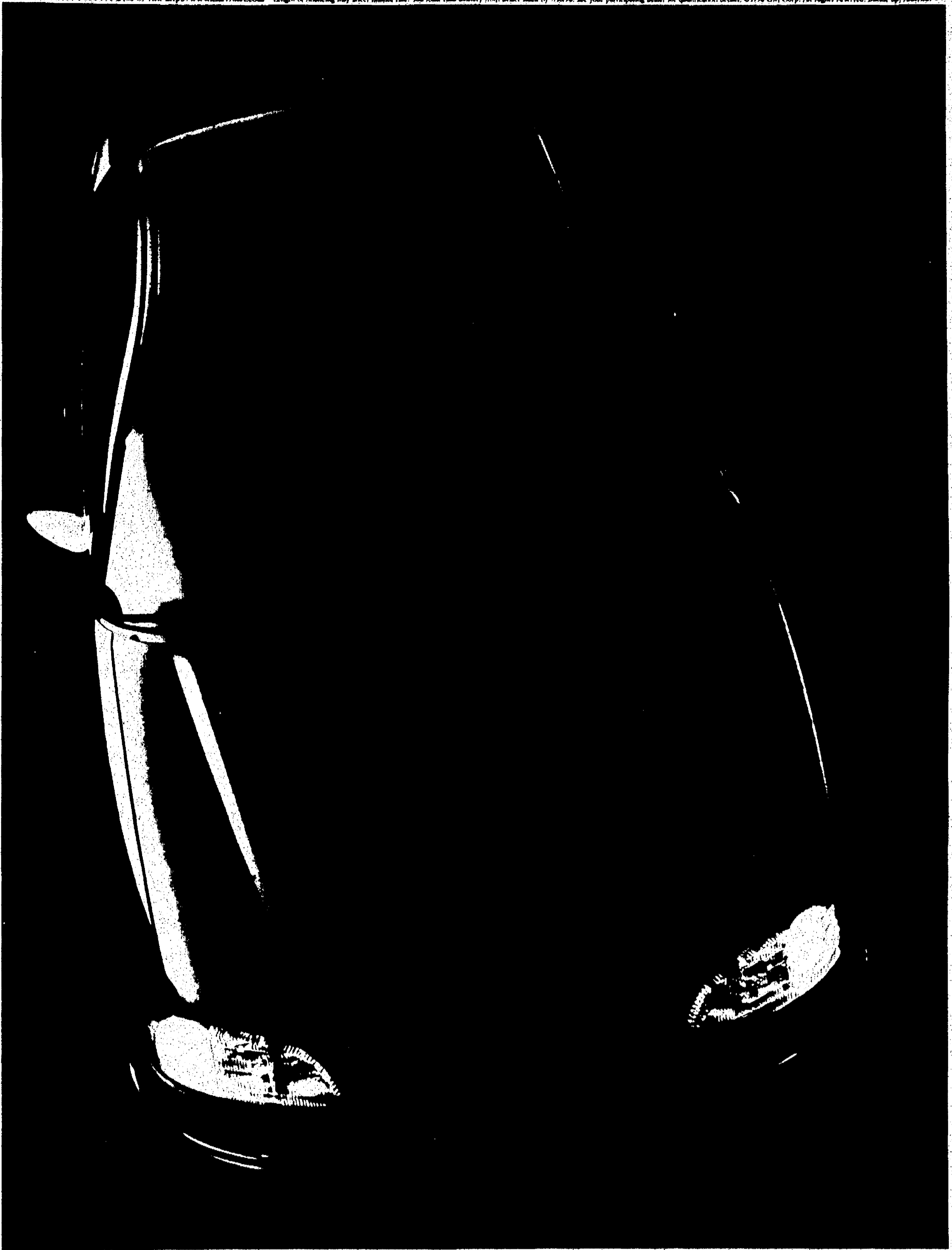
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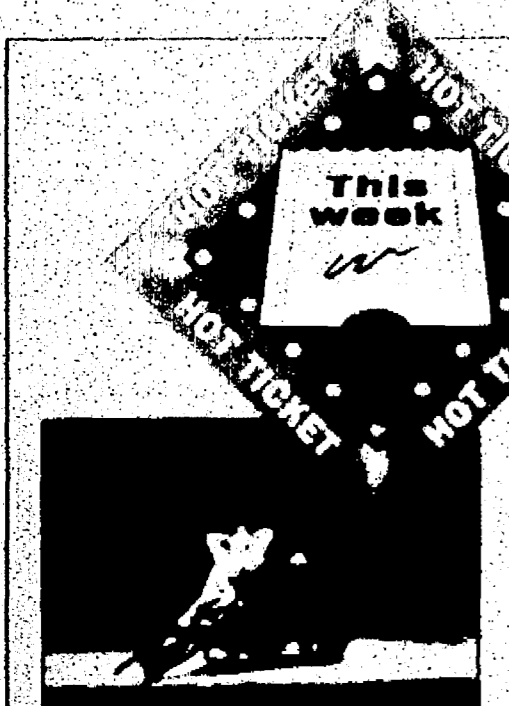
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# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

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## Hoe! hoe! hoe! it's time for Spring Farm Days

You just might find the cure for spring fever April 25-28 during Spring Farm Days at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

"Spring Farm Days gives everyone a chance to greet the new season, see the newborn lambs, and get a real feel for the challenges of rural life," said program planner Dan Kirk. "We'll be highlighting activities that offer an invigorating change after being cooped up for the winter, including some time-honored cures for Spring Fever."

At the 1880s Firestone (which was moved to Greenfield Village from central Ohio), kids can help clear the field of rocks to make way for the horse-drawn plow and scattering seed for livestock feed.

"Kids really enjoy this activity," said Village spokesperson Diane Thomas. "We give them a bucket and send them out to the field to pick up stones, which seem to come up on their own every year. They're like hangers that multiply in a closet. You take some out, and more appear."

Clearing the field of stones didn't just keep kids busy, it served a purpose. Stones could slow down the farmer's work, and result in crooked rows. During Spring Farm Days, visitors can also talk with farmers as they plow and harrow the land, and perhaps pick up a few tips about "natural" pest-control and fertilizers.

In the barnyard, the Firestone Farm's specially bred, rare and wrinkly merino sheep present a challenge to the "barber" of the barnyard. Visitors can watch as hand tools in capable hands shear the animals of their winter wool. Although merino wool is currently a popular fabric for fine suits and coats, the sheep that produce today's fleece are quite different from their 19th-century counterparts.

"In the 19th century, merino sheep had very wrinkly coats that could yield more wool per animal," said Brian James Egen, who heads the Firestone Farm animal husbandry team. "Since shearing was done with hand tools, the person doing the shearing could take the time to carefully clip every fold and wind up with substantially more wool than he would get from a smooth-skinned animal."

The advent of mechanical shearing tools made it possible to shear more sheep in a shorter time as long as there was a smooth surface to work with.

But a desire for authenticity prompted the team at Firestone Farm to take a step backwards. They combined the country seeking out breeders whose stock had potential for selective back-breeding.

Rams and ewes from several states were chosen for appearance and lineage, and a program of "de-evolution" began.

At the 18th-century Daggett Farmhouse, originally located in Connecticut, visitors can see how wool goes from sheep to shirt with demonstrations of wool washing, carding, spinning and weaving.

Some 10 generations later, the merino sheep of Firestone Farm look very much like the flocks of the late 19th century. In the nearby pasture, baby lambs will be making their first trip into the great outdoors for a playful romp.

Spring cleaning was another activity down on the farm, and a cure for spring fever. After being cooped up all winter, many women cleaned with a frenzy, said Thomas. At the Firestone Farmhouse women will be busy transforming the winter's accumulation of cooking grease into lye soap. Visitors can watch as the pot bubbles over the open fire and costumed presenters make bars of soap that will be used to scrub everything from the farmhouse to farm hands.

Kids can try their hand at some springtime chores by participating in a "spring cleanathon" relay race at the Canadian homestead where young Thomas Edison spent time visiting his grandparents. Relay chores include washing clothes, beating rugs, and sweeping the floor.

America's agricultural progress and diversity is depicted at sites throughout the Village. Young visitors can unlock the mystery of seeds with hands-on planting activities, and can even take home a sample to watch it grow.

Rural Southern life for an African-American family during the Depression of the 1930s is recalled at Mattox House. Here spring cleaning includes covering the inside walls with makeshift wallpaper, and the woman of the house will be cooking up batches of hominy in a cast iron skillet.

On Saturday and Sunday, at the J.R. Jones General Store, the shopkeeper and a local farm women will engage in a lively discussion about the changing 19th-century lifestyles as "The Order of the Patrons of Husbandry" (also known as "The Grange") reached out to farm families with suggestions for balancing the backbreaking work of the farm with the needs of the family.

If all of these activities don't ease your "spring fever" stop by the 19th-century Adams House to watch costumed presenters whip up a special tonic that's guaranteed to put the spring back in your step and cure what ails you.



GREENFIELD VILLAGE/HENRY FORD MUSEUM

Barnyard "Barbering": Brian James Egen prepares to shear one of the rare and wrinkly merino sheep of Greenfield Village's 1880s Firestone Farm.

### Spring Farm Days

**When:** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 25-28  
**Where:** Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn. Directional signs posted along I-75, I-94, the Southfield Freeway, and Michigan Avenue.  
**Cost:** Included in admission to Greenfield Village — Adults \$12.50, senior citizens 62 and over, \$11.50; youth 5-12, \$6.25; children under 5 free. Call (313) 271-1976.

### EXHIBITION

## Family at forefront of exhibit

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Family plays an important role in Jack Olds' life. It is responsible not only for the environment in which he was raised but who he is today.

The 68-year-old Livonia artist reflects on the subject in "The Family Portrait," a one man show of woodcut prints, paintings and drawings in the Fine Arts Gallery at the Livonia Civic Center Library. A retrospective of sorts, the work dates back as far as 1967 but also contains prints from 1996. Like a reel of film, it spins a story.

"Why do I continue to do art after more than 40 years? Because I enjoy expressing myself. I can't sing and I tried acting," Olds joked during a recent interview, "but art satisfies me. It's a creative form where you're faced with problems you have to find a solution to. The pieces are very personal relating to my family. It's one person's

way of looking at family and focuses on something we're all involved with. As far as the medium of woodcuts, I think people will be seeing a medium they don't have knowledge of and will come away with an understanding."

Director of project grants for the Michigan Council for the Arts until retiring in 1990, Olds tells of beginning life in the town of Marquette in Michigan's rural Upper Peninsula. Each of the images gathered for this Olds' family album is a vignette relaying experiences ranging from the birth of his daughter to the death of a pet guppy. Symbols like the label for Morton Salt, for which his father worked, are prevalent.

A childhood incident portrays himself and two friends playing around with matches while trying to smoke a weed known as Indian Tobacco. The result is "Fright," a woodcut from 1967. It was so titled because the boys had no idea they'd started a fire. It wasn't

### The Family Portrait

**What:** An exhibition of woodcut prints, paintings and drawings by Livonia artist Jack Olds

**When:** April 27 through May 31. Opening reception 2-5 p.m. Saturday, April 27. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday, Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

**Where:** Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington.

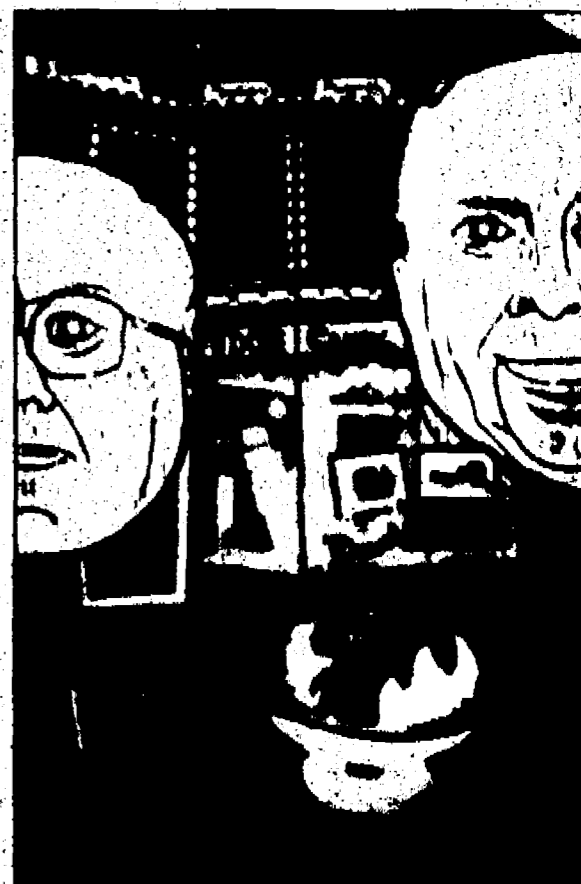
until they went home to lunch that they heard the wailing sirens of a fire engine.

Other woodblock prints reveal his love for such boyhood delights as tin roof sundaes and the peatles, especially popular in Michigan's UP, made by his mother and grandmother. "Grandpa was a Miner" is a tribute to Olds' two grandfathers who were miners. The picks, copper ore and kerosene lamps are particularly haunting upon realiz-

ing one of them died in a mining explosion, the other of pneumonia. Also present are portraits of his late wife Joyce playing the accordion and present wife Joan working out at the YMCA. Both were very influential in the work as were his three brothers who purchased it and attended his exhibits. The opening reception on April 27 will be a family reunion with two brothers and his son and daughter in attendance.

"I think when people reach retirement they have a stronger sense of family history, and to preserving this and passing it on to children and grandchildren."

Although Olds has shown his work in such prestigious shows as the touring exhibit of the 14th annual Alma College Print Competition and Gold and Silver Medal Shows at the Scarab Club in Detroit, and the Michigan Gallery, this is Olds' first exhibit in the community. Not to be missed is a black and white drawing, created with a minimum of line, done on location during a 1991 trip to Barcelona.



Childhood Delights: The woodcut, "I Remember Tin Roof Sundaes" brings back fond memories in Jack Olds one man show.

**FINE ARTS**

# Designs mark uncommon events

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Scott Kurtz is looking for an observatory, astronomy club or group with whom to share profits from the sale of T-shirts commemorating the Hyakutake Comet.

The Canton-Township resident's Reserve One Rare Apparel designed and produced the limited edition T's and caps. The company specializes in creating apparel to celebrate uncommon events.

The comet certainly qualified as that when it passed within 9.1 million miles of earth on March 25. It will remain unseen by the human eye for more than

200 years.

"There's a ton of people out there who saw the comet and have nothing to show for it but the memories," said Kurtz, an industrial arts teacher at Central Middle School in Plymouth.

"We'd like to make contact with an observatory, club or group to give a portion of our profits to. There must be someone out there that needs the money."

This isn't Kurtz's first venture into the marketplace. He also runs a custom wood working business as well as a cleaning service. He originally conceived the idea for the apparel after seeing polo shirts emblazoned with designers' logos. Pooling

the computer and marketing expertise resources of himself, his brother Tom in Arizona and friend Steven Mark in Colorado, the three formed Reserve One. The first polo shirts, sweaters and sweatshirts produced by the company debuted last January as the official souvenir apparel of the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular. Kurtz draws several variations of the designs for the shirts before sending them for refinement to artist Kevin Messing at the Art Store and More in Livonia. Profits from the sales of the Plymouth show's apparel will go toward the ice sculpting competition's \$100,000 annual budget. The Plymouth Ice Spectacular is

the oldest ice carving event in North America drawing 500,000 visitors annually to watch a half a million pounds of ice being transformed into dazzling displays by artisans from around the world. The design for the embroidered logo featured First Place winner Ted Wakar's carving of a female figure in Art Nouveau Style. Tags on the backs of the shirts relay the history of the event.

"They're cool shirts that commemorate unique events. We wanted the history tag on the back to tell a little about the event," he said, "and people buying the shirt know they're supporting a worthy cause."

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Plymouth businesses are joining in to help increase sales by offering free tickets to the Penn Theater or a free beverage at the Coffee Studio for purchasing a shirt from Reserve One and mentioning they saw the merchandise on display at one of these businesses. Kurtz is still looking for the support of other area merchants.

Among the events Reserve One would like to commemorate



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Innovative:** Scott Kurtz's new business commemorates special events on apparel while sharing profits with worthy organizations.

in the future are the Detroit Fireworks Festival and the Concours d'Elegance at Meadow Brook in Rochester. "We think the winning car on the shirt would make a cool design," said Kurtz.

T-shirts, sweaters, polo shirts and caps are still available with the comet and Plymouth Ice Spectacular designs. Prices range from \$28 for a T-shirt to

\$75 for a sweater. To place an order Kurtz can be reached by calling 1-800-65RSVP1 or through the Internet at www.reserve1.com.

Linda Ann Chomin of Canton Township is a freelance writer specializing in the visual arts. Her Artistic Expressions column appears weekly in the Arts & Entertainment section of The Observer Newspapers.

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## Show celebrates fabric art

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**ARTIST'S RECEPTION**  
Schoolcraft College's Radcliff Center celebrates the installation of a 13-foot fabric wall hanging by Westland artist Sandra Weed 5-7:30 p.m. Friday, April 26 at the Garden City campus, 751 Radcliff (off Wildwood, south of Ford Road). The "Michigan Sand Dune Series I" collage was designed especially for the center's new Michigan Harvest Room. There will be a special showing of small fabric works by Weed during the reception to announce new classes being taught by the veteran

**ARTBEAT**

artist in fabric collage. Weed has taught painting at Schoolcraft College's Livonia campus for many years. For more information call (313) 462-4770.

**CELEBRATE INNER ARTIST**  
Sharon Dillenbeck of Canton and Hugh Burley of Ann Arbor exhibit their paintings through May 3 at Frameworks, 34983 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia. "Our Celebration of the Inner Artist" features watercolors by Dillenbeck and oil impasto by Burley. For information call Frameworks (313) 422-5130 or Dillenbeck's D & M Studio (313) 453-3710.

**MADONNA UNIVERSITY EXHIBIT**  
More than 30 art students are showcased in an exhibit continuing through April at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan in Livonia. Among the mediums included are lithography, relief, silkscreen, Oriental brush work, painting, drawing and photography.

**DETROIT FOCUS**  
John Shannon, a Plymouth Canton High School and Center for Creative Studies graduate, is exhibiting his paintings in a three person show through May 3 at Detroit Focus 33 E. Grand River in Detroit.

Shannon completed the 10 figurative oils over the last three years. Also in the exhibit are paintings by Karen Lewis and Deborah Sukanic. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday to Saturday. Call (313) 965-3245.

**FEMININE VIEWPOINT**  
The Women of Artistry exhibit their paintings, fabric art and photography through May 31 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington.

Founded in 1992 by five female artists, the Women of Artistry recently welcomed a sixth member to the group consisting of Susan Argiroff of Livonia, Sharon Dillenbeck, Canton; Norma McQueen, Garden City; Carol McCreedy, Westland; Julie Giordano, Northville and Kelly Johnson.

Library hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday. For information call Norma McQueen (313) 261-0379.

**WESTACRES ARTISTS MARKET**  
The 28th annual Westacres art fair features 62 exhibitors working in a variety of mediums including painting, pottery, photography, glass, jewelry, fiber art, wood, and intaglio print making.

The fair is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 27 at 3700 Westacres Drive in West Bloomfield. Follow the signs to the Westacres Clubhouse off Commerce Road, one mile east of Union Lake Road Lunch is available. For more information, call (810) 363-7967. Saturday, April 27. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A donation of \$1 is requested.

"The Artists Market is a multimedia show we like to think of as a mini Ann Arbor Art Fair," said Jan Freeman.

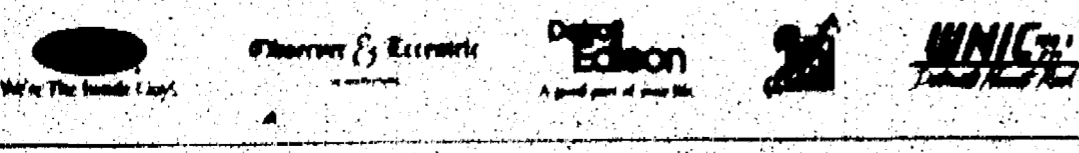
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BOOK BREAK

# Redfield's New Age thriller provokes thought

Meet author James Redfield at a book signing 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2 at Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

BY ESTHER LITTMANN  
SPECIAL WRITER

You don't have to be a new-age mystic to enjoy James Redfield's New York Times 107-week best-seller, "The Celestine Prophecy." A thriller with nine philosophical insights, it has the right combination of down-to-earth action-packed adventure and thought-provoking idealism.

"The Tenth Insight" (Warner, 1996, \$19.95) is Redfield's sequel, an ambitious undertaking that continues the quest for an ancient Peruvian manuscript containing insights into the nature of man and his purpose on earth. Although less grounded in realistic detail than its predecessor, "The Tenth Insight" is also an adventure parable meant to illustrate, through plot and characterization, modern man's evolving spiritual awareness.

Disturbed by the reported disappearance of his friend Charlene, the unnamed narrator and protagonist of "The Celestine Prophecy" travels to the Appalachian Mountains to discover her whereabouts and the elusive tenth insight. Almost immediately, he comes upon David, an American Indian still



Author: James Redfield, author of "The Tenth Insight."

'Each culture around the world has a slightly different world view.'

James Redfield

Author, 'The Tenth Insight'

bitter over the injustice done to his forefathers.

"My ancestors... believed this forest was a sacred site," explains David, "midway between the upper world and the middle world here on Earth." Once, those who overcame their fear and anger by using the Nine Insights were granted access to the Tenth, but the White Man

changed all that. Tapping into the energy of a spiritual dimension gave way to rationalism and materialism.

The narrator soon realizes that his meeting with David is an example of what the ancient manuscript calls a meaningful coincidence, a confluence of events that seems destined, as if guided by an unseen force. The narrator's next encounters are no less synchronous. He meets Joel in the forest, a journalist who articulates all the fears that grip humanity and describes our

modern culture as a spiritual wasteland that will ultimately lead to the end of civilization as we know it. "Law and order and respect for human life are on their way out. The world is degenerating into a mob mentality, ruled by envy and revenge and led by shrewd charlatans," he explains.

Then there's Maya, the healer, who can teach us to overcome our fears and the belligerency growing in and around us. And Wil, a visionary who puts us in touch with our purist intentions, the purpose for which we were born. Although each encounter brings the narrator closer to the Tenth Insight. It also leads to the discovery of a malicious plot to centralize and control the generation of energy. The four seekers — and Charlene — are in danger, and we wonder if their combined psychic resources are strong enough to save them.

Redfield writes about a spiritual renaissance sweeping the globe. It's a metaphysical development nourished by the wisdom of multiple cultures and religions. "Each culture around the world has a slightly different world view," writes the author, "and it takes the best of all cultures, integrated together, to make a more ideal whole." Tao's process of self-discovery and the enlightenment of Zen Buddhism must be implemented by the western traditions of action and scientific enterprise. Creative and loving synthesis, not political and economic polarization, is

the path toward fulfillment and peace.

James Redfield, a former sociologist and counselor to emotionally challenged adolescents, writes that "in reality, there are no enemies; we're all souls in growth" in different stages of "waking up." His two books offer us a comprehensive world view,

both inspiring and provocative.

Esther Littman, a resident of Bloomfield Township, is a lecturer of English and German at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. You can leave her a message from a touch-tone phone at (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1893. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

**THEATER**

## 'Corpse!' provides laughs, few thrills

Meadow Brook Theatre presents "Corpse!" through May 12. Tickets \$20-\$28.50, (810) 645-6668; (810) 377-3300.

BY BARBARA MICHALS  
SPECIAL WRITER

Despite excellent performances, a promising first act, and a fine revolving set, the Meadow Brook Theatre production of "Corpse!" can't overcome a badly written, disappointing second act.

Billed as a comedy thriller, the Gerald Moon play gets plenty of laughs but is short of thrills. The many laughs smoothly incorporated into the first act should help set the stage for the thrills to come. Unfortunately, the laughs never really taper off in the second act, further undermining "thrills" that are weak at best.

The second act is very short, its revelations tumbling out too hastily and many of the necessary little details too improbable. The play's closing action is dramatic but ludicrous.

Peter Gregory Thomson is outstanding as the very demanding dual roles of Evelyn Farrant, unemployed actor and ne'er-do-well, and his twin brother Rupert, arrogant, cold, and highly successful. The twins have been so alienated for years that Evelyn can't even get close enough to his brother to do him in. Instead he hires Major Ambrose Powell (Donald Ewer), a small-time crook on the run and desperate for money. Powell is to kill Rupert so that Evelyn can assume his identity, wealth, and place in society.

Thompson is marvelous at keeping the two identities distinct, even when his Evelyn is doing a great job of posing as Rupert he allows little bits of Evelyn to show through via physical gestures and facial expressions unseen by others on the stage. He even manages to make his descent into madness quite convincing. As Powell, Donald Ewer is perfect in his Irish brogue, his understandable reluctance to be the hit man for a total stranger, and his comic fluster as dead bodies come and go. His pride in his marksmanship contrasts amusingly with his aversion to the sight of blood, and overall he is too endearing to be an assassin.

In supporting roles, Patti Perkins is delightful as Evelyn's meddlesome landlady, as besotted with alcohol as she is with him, and Thomas Mahard make the most of Hawkins, the nosy local constable always searching in vain for Rupert's generous aide.

Making his directorial debut at Meadow Brook, Phillip Locker's work cannot be faulted; the play's problems are all in the writing. Peter Hicks's revolving set is appropriately dark and cluttered for Evelyn's one-room basement flat, while Rupert's fashionable Regent Park house is bright and sleekly modern.

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STREET SCENE

# Bad Religion makes a political statement on 'Race'

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Fans going to the Bad Religion show on Thursday, April 26, can expect a wild time.

"They can expect tigers and elephants and clowns and trapeze artists and the shooting a woman out of a canon. Oh, that's the circus. I'm sorry. I don't know what it is that we do or that we don't do. It's not a Gwar/White Zombie type of show," said bassist Jay Bentley, who was rather chipper during a 9 a.m. interview - not exactly typical band time.

"In a typical set, we'll play anywhere from 32 to 34 songs, eight to 10 will be new from 'The Gray Race,'" then copping his best British accent he added, "Everything else is a collection of hits as it were."

For its latest album "The Gray Race" Bad Religion teamed up with producer Ric Ocasek, the former frontman of the Cars who also worked on Bad Brains' album "Rock For Light" and the debut from Weezer.

"We were looking up at him a lot," Bentley said of working with the towering Ocasek. "I don't know what it is that he does exactly. He hears things in a very good way. He puts things in a perspective that I agree



Coming to town: Bad Religion - from left, bassist Jay Bentley, drummer Bobby Schayer, guitarist Brian Baker, vocalist Greg Graffin, and guitarist Greg Hetson.

with and hears things the way I hear them, Greg (Graffin, singer) hears them and Brian (Baker, guitarist) hears them. The big thing that I can remember was he brought a very easy-going attitude into the studio."

"The Gray Race" follows Bad Religion's 1994 ground-breaking album "Stranger Than Fiction," which spawned the hit "21st Century Digital Boy." In a recent interview, Graffin described the meaning of the title track.

"As a human being, we are gifted in that we can see the dif-

ferent shades of gray. But if we want to get ahead - if we want to excel - we're told to see things in black and white. It's a considerably less human approach to things."

Elsewhere on the album, Bad Religion rallies against "Drunk Sincerity" and "Empty Causes," along the way delivering an impassioned broadcast from the "Streets of America" where they take "A Walk," declaring "I'm gonna build a world/independent and exempt/all alone I'll be an empire/with no mortgage and no rent." "A Walk" is the first sin-

gle from "The Gray Race."

Like its previous albums, Bad Religion shares its sociopolitical thoughts without jamming them down the listener's throats. Bentley summed it up.

"That's because we're sociopolitical. There's no party involved. No membership required, and no denomination. All we require is that you be human like us."

• Misc. Last week's column should have said that Kermit of Black Grape is too ill to travel to the United States. Garbage joins guest host Pamela Lee on "Saturday Night Special" at 11 p.m. Saturday, April 27, on Fox. ... • Best picks for the week: Afghan Whigs and Howlin' Maggie, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2, State Theatre in Detroit. Call (313) 961-5451 ... The Bucket plays Cross Street Station in Ypsilanti at 9 p.m. Friday, April 26 ... Singer/songwriter Priscilla Ederle performs at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 1, at Max & Erma's restaurant in Birmingham, (810) 258-1188. The Motor City Music Awards, featuring performances by Mary Stuart, INO/UNO, and the Charm Farm at 7 p.m. Friday, April 26, at the State Theatre, Detroit, (313) 961-5451. ... Fred Schneider of the B-52's plays solo material from his latest album 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 26, at St. Andrew's Hall. If you have any questions or comments for Christina Fuoco, you can write to her care of The Observer & Eccentric Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

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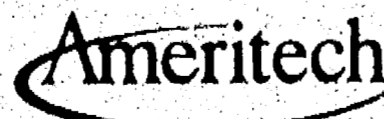


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MOVIES

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Table with multiple columns listing movie titles, theaters, and showtimes. Includes titles like 'The Quest', 'The Substitute', 'The Tenth Muse', etc.

'Flirting' woos mainstream

By JOHN MONAGHAN, SPECIAL WRITER

'Flirting with Disaster,' which has been sneaking up on moviegoers for the past month, finally caught up with me. Far funnier than it sounds, the low-budget comedy is a great mix of old and new, in both concept and talent.

At heart it belongs to the world of screwball comedy. Mel (Ben Stiller), undecided on what to name his four-month-old child, sets out to locate his own birth mother. Aside from the kid and wife Nancy (Patricia Arquette), he brings along Tina (Tina Turner), the woman from the adoption agency intent on capturing the reunion on videotape.

'Flirting' is also a very modern comedy, full of wild characters and hilarious sexual situations. Mel finds himself attracted to Tina as well as the pair of bikini-clad Doublemint twins who may be his sisters. Mary Tyler Moore even gets into the spirit of things when, in a much-publicized scene, she lifts up her sweater to show how the proper bra has allowed her to keep her breasts in shape.

Writer/director David O. Russell admits that he has sex on the brain. His first feature, the charmingly titled 'Spanking the Monkey,' dealt freely with masturbation and an incestuous

encounter between a mother and her college-age son. It was actually quite a clever film.

His second effort shows no sign of a young director's sophomore slump. Released to art houses last month, 'Flirting with Disaster' has become a mini-phenomenon, currently playing on dozen screens in Metro Detroit. Hollywood has already pegged Russell as a name to watch. Physically the movie takes us on a wayward trip across country and back. Mel's first stop is San Diego to meet the woman the agency says is his mother. By the time it becomes clear that a mixup has occurred, Mel has been forgiven for breaking the man's glass mangerie. Now she expects him to pay. From there he's off to Michigan, shown at its midwinter worst. Actually filmed near Battle Creek (with the Kellogg's factory and Tony the Tiger displayed prominently), this section plays upon Michigan's ill-gotten reputation as militia territory.

The man Mel now thinks is his father practically beats him up when he arrives unexpectd on his property. Lily Tomlin and Alan Alda play his actual parents, first-generation Deadheads who admit they put him up for adoption when they were sent to prison on drug charges. Unlike the overgrown flower children shown in most movies, these tal-

ented actors play artists who supplement their income with side jobs, namely producing LSD in a basement laboratory.

'Flirting with Disaster' is full of quirks and surprises, not unlike TV's 'Seinfeld.' Russell and company poke fun at everything from the overabundance of white-colored vehicles on a car rental lot to the forced charm of bed-and-breakfast inns, which Mel can't stand. His worst fears are confirmed when the ancient innkeeper starts boring them with the home's history while the ubiquitous cat rubs against their legs.

Stiller plays the neurotic hero as a cross between Jerry Seinfeld and Albert Brooks, sarcasm and befuddlement served in equal doses. His budding affair with Tina is partially thwarted when Nancy starts flirting with an old boyfriend, actually one of the policemen who arrest them for knocking down a post office with a truck. But that's another story.

Though easily dismissed as pithy situation comedy, 'Flirting with Disaster' has characters who grow more endearing once you get to know them. If nothing else, Russell has stretched the range of familiar actors Hollywood too often doesn't know what to do with.

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Comedy: Mary Tyler Moore (left to right), and George Segal in David O. Russell's 'Flirting with Disaster.' MIRAMAX FILMS/DAVID WETCHER

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**"SUNSET PARK"**

A poignant comedy about a woman PE teacher from Brooklyn, who with no previous experience, takes over as coach of a boy's high school varsity basketball team. Stars Rhea Perlman, Fredo Star, Carol Kane.

**"THE TRUTH ABOUT CATS AND DOGS"**

A romantic comedy about an insecure woman who hosts a radio show about pets who asks a model to assume her identity when a handsome listener begins a romantic pursuit. Stars Janeane Garofalo, Uma Thurman.

Scheduled to open Friday, May 3

**"THE PALLBEARER"**

A comedy about a young man who agrees to lease the funeral services of a former high school classmate, despite the fact that he can't remember who the classmate was. Stars David Schwimmer, Gwyneth Paltrow, Barbara Hershey.

**"THE QUEST"**

An action film about a New York City pickpocket who learns of a prestigious martial arts tournament with the prize being a gold dragon filled with riches. Stars Jean-Claude Van Damme, Roger Moore.

**"THE LAST SUPPER"**

Five liberal Iowa graduate students want to make a difference in the world, but when they are put to the test, they are really a whole lot of talk and very little action until one stormy night over a faithful dinner. Stars Cameron Diaz, Annabeth Gish.

**"THE GREAT WHITE HYPE"**

An irreverent comedy set in the high stakes world of professional boxing. Stars Samuel L. Jackson, Jeff Goldblum.

**"BARE WIRE"**

An action adventure about the comic book heroine who is a part-time bounty hunter and nightclub owner defending her turf in the midst of a post-modern civil war. Stars Pamela Anderson Lee, Temuera Morrison.

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**"LAST DANCE"**

A drama about a convicted felon serving time on Death Row and the attorney assigned to review the case who falls in love with her. Stars Sharon Stone, Rob Morrow, Randy Quaid, Peter Gallagher.

**"IT'S MY PARTY"**

Exclusively at the Main Art Theatre. A drama about a gay man with AIDS who is unwilling to accept the fate given him, who decides to throw one last party for himself to tie up loose ends. Stars Eric Roberts, Gregory Harrison, Lee Grant and MaLee Mattin.

Scheduled to open Friday, May 10

**"BOYS"**

Romantic comedy about a modern day "Snow White," set against the backdrop of a boys preparatory school. Stars Winona Ryder, Lukas Haas, James Le Gros.

**"ORIGINAL GANGSTERS"**

An action drama about a group of former gang members who reunite to take on a group of drug dealing gang-bangers and clean up the old neighborhood. Stars Fred Williamson, Jim Brown, Pam Grier, Richard Roundtree.



Crime drama: Christopher Penn (left to right), Nick Nolte, Michael Madsen and Chazz Palminteri star as a team of elite 1950s Los Angeles police detectives nicknamed "the Hat Squad" in MGM's "Mulholland Falls," opening Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters.

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

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• "Land and Freedom" (England-1995). 7, 9:30 p.m. April 26 - 27; 4, 7 p.m. April 28. A young, idealistic Englishman finds himself in a paradox when he attempts to fight fascism in the Spanish Civil War. A departure for director Ken Loach, who has made his name with working-class comedies like "Riff Raff" and "Ladybird."

• "The Silence of the Palace" (Tunisia - 1994). 7 p.m. April 29. In the 1950s, during the role of the last kings of

Tunisia, the daughter of a kitchen servant struggles to free herself from an oppressive servitude.

**MAGIC BAG THEATRE**

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• "Happy Gilmore" (USA - 1996). 9 p.m. May 1. Adam Sandler stars as a die-hard hockey fan who dreams of becoming a professional player even if he can't skate.

**MAIN ART THEATRE**

118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 542-0180 for information and showtimes. (\$6.50; \$4 students and matinee; \$3 twilight)

• "Jane Eyre" (USA - 1996). Charlotte Gainsbourg takes the

title role while William Hurt fills the stable boots of the mysterious Mr. Rochester in this umpteenth remake of Charlotte Brontë's Victorian novel. Directed by Franco Zeffirelli, best known for classy Shakespeare adaptation.

• "The Birdcage" (USA - 1996). Robin Williams and Nathan Lane are a gay couple who must play it straight when

Williams' son wants to entertain his fiance and her conservative family. Mike Nichols' remake of the 1978 French farce "La Cage aux Folles" delivers big laughs.

• "The Celluloid Closet" (USA - 1995). Oscar-winning directors Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman take an eye-opening look at Hollywood's depiction of homosexuality over the years. Interviews with Tom Hanks,

Gore Vidal, and Whoopi Goldberg join countless clips from the movies.

**MAPLE THEATRE**

4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. All titles play through at least next Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 855-9090 for information. (\$5.75; \$2.95 twilight)

• "Flirting with Disaster" (USA - 1996). A comedy about a

slightful uptight and discontented young man who, having been adopted at birth, sets off on a quest for his birth parents. The all-star cast includes Ben Stiller, Patricia Arquette, Alan Alda, Mary Tyler Moore, George Segal, and Lily Tomlin.

• "The Birdcage" (USA - 1996). See Main Art Theatre listing above.

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**SPORTS ROUNDUP**

Items for the Sports Roundup must be submitted by 5 p.m. Tuesday (for Thursday edition) and 5 p.m. Friday (for Monday edition). Items run once only.

**RACE CAR NEWS**

•Mike Jaynes, 26, of Livonia, captured the 20-lap street stock feature Saturday at Flat Rock Speedway.  
For Jaynes, who drove a 1996 Monte Carlo, it was his first win ever since he began competing at Flat Rock three years ago.  
He is a graduate of Stevenson High School and is employed by Edfri Industries. Jaynes' father Len was a points champion in the same class in 1977 and won the first street stock feature race ever at Flat Rock.  
Mike Jaynes' crew chief and

co-owner is Bill Barr, 43, of Livonia.  
•Dan Duskwica of Westland, driving a 1986 Daytona, was runner-up in the Super Gas division Saturday on the quarter-mile strip at Milan Dragway.

**SC SHINS HOENER**

Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team had all kinds of problems in the last half of last season, but coach Glen Donahue believes he's on the right track to make the Ocelots not only respectable, but a Region 12 contender.  
Donahue guided his team in that direction by signing Redford Catholic Central graduate Justin Hoener this week. Hoener, a 6-foot-2 guard, brings some impressive credentials with him.

"He did a great job for four years at CC (on the varsity)," Donahue said. "I think he's a quality player and really a good kid."  
"I think he'll solve a lot of our problems at the guard spot."  
Hoener came off the bench as CC's sixth man last season. For the two seasons prior to that, he played point guard.  
Donahue plans to use him at both guard positions, but his top priority will be to put him at the point.

**SOCCER RUNNER-UP**

Canton Magic, an under-15 boys soccer team, won four of five games to capture second place at the Countryside Easter Invitational Tournament, April 5-7 in Clearwater, Fla.  
The Clearwater Chargers downed the Magic in the championship final, 1-0.

Members of the Magic, who compete in the Little Caesars Premier League (Iltch Division), include: Kevin Graff, George Kithas and Mike Skolnik, all of Livonia; Robert Barnes, Steve Epley, Aaron McDonald, Jeff Parent, Aaron Rypkowski and Scott Wright, all of Canton; Nick Allen, Michael Bennett, Kyle Helland and Nick Szczechowski,

all of Plymouth; Craig Cochran, Belleville; Paul Gienapp and Jeremy Whitman, Brighton; Andy Meyers, Dearborn; Paul Anara, Novi.  
The team is coached by Jerry Parent and Scott Weiger. The assistant coach is Ted Kithas and the team manager is Diane Epley.

**CARDS AN ACE**

Using a 7-wood, J.B. Koterba of Livonia recently carded an ace on the 163-yard, No. 5 hole at Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville, a year-round golf and ski resort located 30 miles southwest of Traverse City.

**GOOD SPORTS WINNERS**

The Michigan High School Athletic Association announced its winter Good Sports Are Winners recipients for district and regional tournament competition.

Among the district winners included: Livonia Stevenson (Division I wrestling); Livonia Clarenceville (Division IV wrestling); Livonia Ladywood (Class A volleyball); Clarenceville (Class C volleyball); and Stevenson (Class A basketball).

Regional winners included Stevenson (wrestling) and Redford Catholic Central (hockey).

**MANTLE BASEBALL TRYOUTS**

Tryouts for the Garden City Mickey Mantle age (15-16 year olds) Little Caesars League baseball team will be from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 27-28 at Garden City Park (diamond No. 5).  
For more information, call 625-6321.

**LIVONIA HOCKEY SIGNUP**

Fall 1996-97 registration for the Livonia Hockey Association (Livonia residents only) will be from 9 a.m. until noon, Saturday, May 4 at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15128 Farmington Road (just south of Five Mile).  
Walk-in registration for all others will be from 9 a.m. to noon at the same site on Saturday, May 11.

All registrants must bring: a copy of child's birth certificate; a parent's driver's license; a Consumer's or Edison bill; a child's report card; and a check for \$100/\$125. (Instructional fees are \$125/\$150.)  
Registrations will not be accepted without the above information.

For more information, call (313) 422-5172 (ask for mailbox No. 21).

**HOLOWICKI GAME CAMPS**

Registration is on for Bernie Holowicki's All-Star basketball camps (four different sessions) this summer.

Boys camps will be from from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 17-21 and 24-28 (cost \$99 each) at Madonna University.

Girls camps will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Saturday, July 6-12, both at St. Robert Bellarmine School in Redford.

The camp includes contests, prizes, T-shirts, awards, guest speakers and tournaments.  
For more information, call Bill Derderian at (313) 937-0966 or Holowicki at (313) 261-3346.

**CAGE COACH WANTED**

Redford St. Agatha needs a varsity assistant girls basketball coach for the upcoming season.  
Those interested should call athletic director Robert Sowden at (313) 532-2285.

**SC GOLF OUTING**

The Schoolcraft College Foundation's 13th annual golf tournament, to support student scholarships, will be Monday, June 10 at Washtenaw Country Club.

Golfers can opt for a morning package, an afternoon package, hole sponsorship or a President's Club level participation, each including a pro clinic.

Auction items include autographed jerseys from Detroit Red Wings Steve Yzerman, Paul Coffey and Sergei Fedorov, along with golf package weekends for two at Grand Traverse Resort and Shanty Creek.

Also, a set of custom-made clubs and culinary arts dinner prepared by SC graduating senior Gary Ellis; Gov. John Engler's summer cook at the Governor's Mansion on Mackinac Island, will also be auctioned.

For more information, call the SC Office of Marketing and Development at (313) 462-4417.

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67  
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SOFTBALL

Lady Crusaders regroup for 5 wins

The weekend had an ominous beginning for Madonna University's softball team. The Lady Crusaders managed just three hits in a 6-3 loss to Huntington (Ind.) Collego Friday.

COLLEGES

scored and a run batted in, and Dawn Shaffer, with two hits and two RBI.

collected three hits and three RBI, with Pinter slugging a home run. Courtney Senger also had a homer among her two hits; she drove in two runs.

two hits and two RBI; Heins getting two hits and an RBI; and Vickers getting two hits.

Blazers sweep Marian in twin bill

Some great endings come on offense, others on defense. Livonia Ladywood got a little of both Tuesday in sweeping a Catholic League softball doubleheader from host Birmingham Marian, 3-1 and 4-3.

PREPS

but one and allowed five hits. The Blazers got seven hits from seven different batters and made just one error.

perserving that one-run lead. Hermann then got the next batter to hit into a game-ending groundout.

haven, 12-6, in the tournament opener. The home run, which came with nobody out, gave the Patriots a 7-6 lead and they tacked on five more runs in a 10-run frame.

WEEK AHEAD

Table listing sports events for the week ahead, including softball, boys track, girls track, and girls soccer.

GIRLS TRACK

Table listing girls track events and records for Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial.

Goalie earns 4th shutout for Stevenson

Jenny Barker made six saves, improving her shutout total to four on the season as Livonia Stevenson scored a 6-0 girls soccer victory Monday over visiting Walled Lake Central.

GIRLS SOCCER

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BOWLING

Gavie Tournament marks 60th anniversary over summer

BY AL HARRISON  
STAFF WRITER

There are plenty of good tournaments to keep our local bowlers happy, and one of the most prestigious is the annual John Gavie Tournament every August at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

begin 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 19. Entry forms are now available at most area bowling centers.

Now let us reflect on this tournament for a moment: It is one of the oldest of all bowling events, and the kickoff for the new season.

It is always a chance for old friends to meet and pay tribute

to Gavie, who has done so much to promote our sport over the years.

As in past years, Joe Norris, the hall of famer and captain of the great Detroit teams, will be here.

Norris, 87, is the all-time record holder in the ABC tournament with 116,067 pins. He'll come in from his home in San Diego to bowl.

Every entrant will receive a souvenir mug and a zippered bag for bowling or golf accessories in addition to shooting for cash prizes. The entry fee is only \$75 per team in each of the three divisions: Regular men's, women's and senior men over 55.

It's expected that this year, the teams will fill the house, all 94 lanes. There will also be three

TEN PIN ALLEY

limited-edition portraits of Joe Norris given out as door prizes.

I will be there, how about you? Check it out with your team mates and get your entry forms in early to assure placement.

The deadline for entries is July 1. For more details or entry forms, call (313) 928-4688.

Shame on you, Michigan Liquor Control Commission. What a waste of resources when you have nothing better to do than mess with the bowlers.

The "gestapo-style" raids on local bowling centers are damaging to our great sport. They say that any jackpots that contain an element of chance are illegal in establishments that serve

liquor. What is the lottery, which is sold at many drug stores and party stores?

How about horse racing and the many gambling casinos that operate in this state?

Bowling is truly a part of our American culture, it has endured in this form for more than 100 years because it provides good honest fun for everyone.

Part of the fun is winning a few dollars, and not everyone is talented equally, so the mystery games and 0-50 drawings are an opportunity for those of lesser ability to have an even chance to win something special, too.

Bowlers, this is a serious threat to our sport. Write or contact your state representatives to change the laws and keep the LCC off our backs.

Flora Wheeler, 194; Gloria Merris, 199; Jean Cozane, 190.

Monday Seniors - Paul Temple, 235-227-289/751; Frank Federico, 233/652; Bob Lowers, 243/613; Tom McGlasson, 256/638; George Kompolowicz, 279/625.

Wed. Senior Men's Classic - Jack Dahlstrom, 248/660; Earl Jones, 237-222/656; Mike Lucas, 224/609; Dick Ortiz, 248/620; Mike Adoljan, 227-234/652.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia) Division 1 - Larry Frank, 298; James Hubbs, 279/733; Chuck O'Rourke, 278-268-257/803; Mike Sleschuk, 278/701; George Sherief, 275/727; Bill Steacy, 256; Bill Herick, 253.

FoMoCo Division 2 - Mike Iserhart, 256. Monday Morning Men's - George Dangovan, 266/719; Jim Griffith, 268; B. Smith, 266; Lance Howey, 255.

Sunday Sleepers - Chris Kilczinski, 299/756; Victor Roache, 299/799; Darren Clarke, 298; Ricky Palac, 287/755; Dave Tutak picked up the 7-10 split.

Super Bowl (Canton): Super Tuesday - Pat Kline, 298-256-278/832.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia): Men's Trio - Dave Moran, 718; Glenn Bradford, 741; Steve Knoll, 719; Mark Payne, 731; Erv Watson, 719; Jim Schultz, 705.

Wed. Mixers - Chris Orum, 265-231-234/730 (his first 700 series). Early Birds - Jean Grezak, 221.

Kings & Queens - John Cuffitelli, 287; Rich Ott, 266.

Swinging Seniors - Viola Niebling, 218. Morning Stars - Donna Herrin, 229; Ann Lamont, 243; Shirley Steele, 212.

Wonderland Lanes (Livonia): Wonderland Classic - Jim Sternbenz, 298; Eddie Grace, 277/782; Jeff Dshong, 279/738; Jeff Herig, 727; Ron Lechevalier, 714.

Motor City Men's Early - Dave Adkins, 268/728; Keith Hubbell, 256/690; Bob Louiska, 269/673.

Nite Owls - Dave Schacht, 257/651; Nate Shields, 278; Derek Thomas, 243; Ken Mynatt, 236; Mark Call, 235.

Merrill Bowl (Livonia): Senior House - Tom Manatine, 258/701; Fred Vitell, 268/718; Terry Chase, 267/745; Ray Palmer, 244/700; Dennis Archer, 289.

Moonlighters - Gary Brown, 300.

Clevelanders (Livonia): Ward Mixed - Dave Wolfshlager, 245-214-225/684; Joan Carlisle, 196/520.

All-Star Bowlerettes - Cheryl Slipcak, 247-248-251/746; Marianne DrRupo, 267; Gloria McKenney, 278; Kim Conner, 246-279/736; Peggy Smitley, 280/693; Alleta Sill, 268/704; Carmen Allen, 278/683; Jodi Woessner, 269/709; Tina Barber, 254/662.

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Advertisement for a bowling tournament: "BOWL WITH THE PROFESSIONAL BOWLERS JUNE 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th". Includes details about prizes, entry fees, and location at Taylor Lanes.

Advertisement for Family Heating, Cooling & Electrical Inc. featuring air conditioning services, sales, service, installation, and repair. Includes contact information and a phone number: 422-8080.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL table listing names and scores for various bowling events and leagues.

Advertisement for TRU TEMP air conditioning rebates, featuring a rebates offered by dealer and contact information for TRU TEMP.

Large advertisement for SIDING WORLD featuring vinyl siding, aluminum coil stock, seamless gutters, aluminum siding, aluminum soffit, and solid vinyl windows. Includes prices and contact information for various locations.

Large advertisement for AMF Pool & Table Manufacturer's Sale, featuring Brunswick Billiards and Olhausen. Includes details about floor models and contact information: 23622 Woodward.

BEST GIRLS TRACK TIMES

Table listing track times for girls across various events including Shot Put, 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 300-meter hurdles, 400-meter dash, 400-meter relay, 500-meter hurdles, 600-meter relay, 800-meter dash, 800-meter relay, 1000-meter relay, 1200-meter relay, 1500-meter run, 1600-meter relay, 2000-meter relay, 2400-meter relay, 3000-meter run, 3200-meter relay, 3600-meter relay, 4000-meter relay, 4800-meter relay, 6000-meter relay, and 8000-meter relay. Times are listed for various schools like Farmington, Livonia, and Westland.

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Stopen repeats in WB half-marathon

There were familiar faces in the winners circle Sunday at the 20th running of the West Bloomfield Half-Marathon. Keith Stopen of Farmington Hills repeated as the overall champion, bettering last year's winning time by 51 seconds to take the crown in 1:10:04. In the women's division, Romeo's Nancy Collister returned to the head of the pack after missing the race last year. The 1994 women's division champion struggled a bit this year and finished in 1:27:06, nearly two-and-a-half minutes behind her winning time in '94. Some 536 runners entered the half-marathon with 493 finish-



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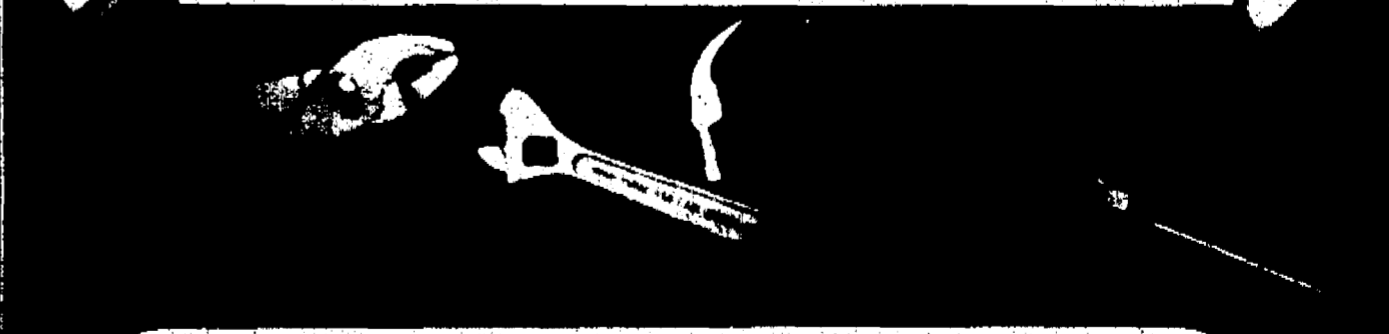
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# Nature recycles itself

By Tim Nowicki  
Rescuee, Wayne

As I prepared to fertilize my lawn, I began to think about what the natural world does to help plants grow. Neighborhood lawns are far from the forests and fields they once were, where nutrients are cycled naturally. Today we must supplement our lawns and soil with nutrients that we throw away during the course of the year.

Much of southeastern Michigan was forest years ago. A forest is a good system to illustrate how nutrients are recycled. In summer, the green leaves produce food for the tree which allows it to grow larger. Each leaf is also made up of compounds, minerals and nutrients. When autumn arrives, the leaves fall to the ground and are leached by rain and melting snow. Leaves decompose further with the help of small organisms like insects, fungi and bacteria. A great deal of the leaf's material is reabsorbed into the surrounding trees to be used in spring to make new leaves.

Each time I cut my grass I

remove the leaves that would naturally replace nutrients back into the soil. I need to convert my mower into a mulching mower, so I can use the nutrients of the cut blades of grass like the forest uses the fallen leaves. When trees are removed from a forest, they represent a great loss of nutrients.

One of the remarkable features of the natural world is that its building blocks can be used by any living thing. If an insect eats some of my blades of grass, the carbon, oxygen or nitrogen in the leaf can be used to help the insect to grow. If a worm dies in my lawn, the hydrogen, phosphorus and sodium that made its body can be used by the plants of grass in my lawn. I don't want too many worms dying in my lawn because they help enrich the soil by aerating it and moving nutrients and minerals from down deep to the surface. I also get to see wildlife that likes to search for those worms.

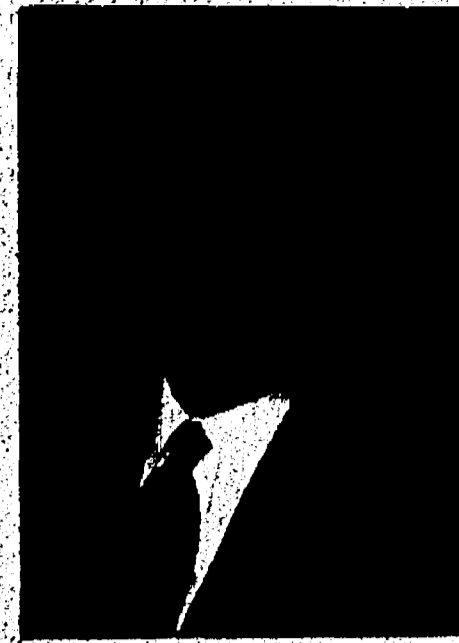
Nutrients from many different sources can help plants and animals to grow. When a bird defe-

cates a seed that has passed unharmed through its digestive system, if it lands in soil where it can grow, it will have some fertilizer because of its high nitrogen concentration.

The natural world has been recycling its building blocks for millions of years. By composting the leaves and grass clipping I will be able to return nutrients back into my ecosystem without bagged fertilizer. Of course, if I didn't have a lawn I could just let nature recycle naturally, which would also save me a lot of time and help reduce air pollution from my lawn mower.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia. If you have a question or comment for him, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1874, on a Touch-Tone phone.

# Program will share the 'News'



Dr. Ian Chapman

"Do You Care Enough to Share the Good News?"

That will be the question posed and answered at a special program, featuring the president and professor of preaching of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Saturday, May 4, at the First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.

Dr. Ian Chapman will be the guest speaker for the program which starts with dinner (donations will be accepted) in the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. Chapman will deliver his message at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. A love offering will be taken and will benefit the seminary.

Under Chapman's leadership, the seminary has doubled its

enrollment, created a new computerized library and made plans to construct two new facilities as part of a \$12 million comprehensive program. He also given leadership to start the Moscow Theological Seminary, the only Baptist seminary on Russian soil.

A minister for 27 years, one of Chapman's greatest concerns is for the renewal of the churches in a time of overwhelming social change and spiritual longing. He has established the Center for the Renewal of Churches at Northern seminary to encourage the renewal and revitalization of churches.

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EMORY DANIELS

National TV-Turnoff Week will be observed April 24-30.

This week should be observed by those who are worried about how much TV America watches and those concerned about the negative effect television watching has on health, families, communities, the environment, education and literacy.

More than one million people and 4,000 schools participated in the first TV-Turnoff in 1995, demonstrating that a solid one-week recess from television promotes family interaction, reading, volunteerism, exercise, enjoyment of nature, taking part in community affairs, thinking, creating and doing.

There is a Listserv discussion group dedicated to TV-Turnoff. You will remember that PC users subscribe (free) to a Listserv group and get information or conduct discussions via E-mail.

To subscribe to TVFA-Announce, send a message to listproc@essential.org and in the body of the message type "SUBSCRIBE TVFA-ANNOUNCE yourfirstname.yourlastname".

This list is moderated by Monte Burke, campaign organizer for TV-Free America. Subscribers will get information on how to become actively involved in the National TV-Turnoff Week and TV-Free America, get articles from TVFA publications and national news stories about the program, and can have access to lists of studies, recommended reading, facts and statistics about TV.

Climbing Everest

A South African team on March 13 started its efforts to climb Mount Everest. This is not only the first attempt by a South African team but is a high-tech expedition.

Satellite and computer technology will combine with the World Wide Web to allow the world to follow in the footsteps of the six-person team as they make their final assault on the world's highest peak.

Kodak digital cameras will provide the latest images from the Himalayas and computer equipment donated by Apple Computers, especially tested at altitudes of 30,000 feet, will allow the climbers to communicate with the base camp, journalists, and the Internet public.

Another page led off with this information: "The Executive Office of the President includes senior policy advisors and offices responsible for the President's correspondence and communications, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of the First Lady, as well as the Office of Mrs. Gore. That page encouraged visitors to send mail to 1800 Pennsylvania Ave., Annandale, VA 22003.

The site will be updated regularly with direct feeds from the climbers and with contributions from journalists and photographers at base camp.

A SpooF Site

Someone has gone to a lot of trouble to create a spoof site of the White House Web site. The official site is at http://www.whitehouse.gov and the spoof site is at http://www.whitehouse.net.

The two sites are similar but upon close examination a visitor will notice an occasional mildly humorous link at the spoof. If you "reload" the fake site, you will get different versions of the fake site.

When I visited there was one link that read "Vote '96, Political Campaigns: Four More Years" and another "Why? Because we like you" and a link on the parody site was "Presidential Pastimes: The President hits a homerun everytime at bat."

Earlier there reportedly was a link to the Gennifer Flowers' book homepage at http://www.thegroup.net/flowers.htm and another link replaced pictures of Clinton and Gore with a photo of Beavis and Butthead. This was one of several links to the real White House page.

The White House was said to be upset by the spoof site as someone might confuse the two, but had no plans to do anything about it.

In closing, my source of information on the spoof site has an interesting slogan as part of his signature: "A rumor without a leg to stand on will get around some other way."

Emory Daniels may be contacted via E-mail at emory@oeonline.com. These columns are archived online at http://oeonline.com/~emoryd/archive.html.

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BUSINESS PEOPLE. Mark Oumedian has been promoted to the position of director of staffing and employee relations in the human resources department for Little Caesar Enterprises Inc.

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Michael F. Graham has been hired as project manager at Shaw Electric Co., a Livonia-based electrical contracting firm. Graham was formerly employed as project engineering consultant of Rhodes & Associates Inc.

Lori Ann Dick of Westland has been hired as account supervisor at Eisbrenner Public Relations. Dick helps manage day-to-day communications activities for the firm's automotive and service clients.

Marshall V. Noecker, chairman and chief executive officer of International Extrusions in Garden City, is celebrating his 50th anniversary in the aluminum industry. Noecker began with Kaufmann Window & Door Corp. March 15, 1946, which he later bought and expanded into International Extrusions.

Michigan's Small Business Person of the Year. He served on the Wayne State University advisory committee. He is the senior director of Spartan Corp. in Jackson and a director of Wall Colmonoy Co. in Madison Heights.

John Middlestead, manager of the Distribution Drafting and Resource Planning area for Michigan Consolidated Gas in Detroit, has been named as secretary of Automated Mapping/Facilities Management International's board of directors for a second year.

Mary Bogart of the Cambridge Underwriters Ltd. in Livonia recently was awarded the designation of certified insurance representative after completing an education program administered by the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents.

Deshon Butler, a graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts Department, has been appointed executive chef at Baron's Steakhouse at The River Place Hotel in Detroit.

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HEALTH News

# New medical center opens in Livonia

Mission Health Corp. has opened its new Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia, located on the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Newburgh roads.

The new 68,000-square-foot, four-story building is the first collaborative effort between Mercy Health Services and the Daughters of Charity National Health System, Inc.-East Central, co-sponsors of Mission Health. Mission Health Corp. is a community-based network of four hospitals: Providence in Southfield, St. Joseph Mercy in Ann Arbor, McPherson in Howell and Saline Community in Saline.

To celebrate the opening, Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia has planned a public open house for Sunday, May 19 from 2-4 p.m. Tours of the facility and refreshments will be offered, as well as giveaways and children's entertainment.

The center is located at 37595 Seven Mile Road, Livonia and can be reached at (313) 462-2300.

"Throughout the entire planning process for this building, we have focused on providing health care services that residents want

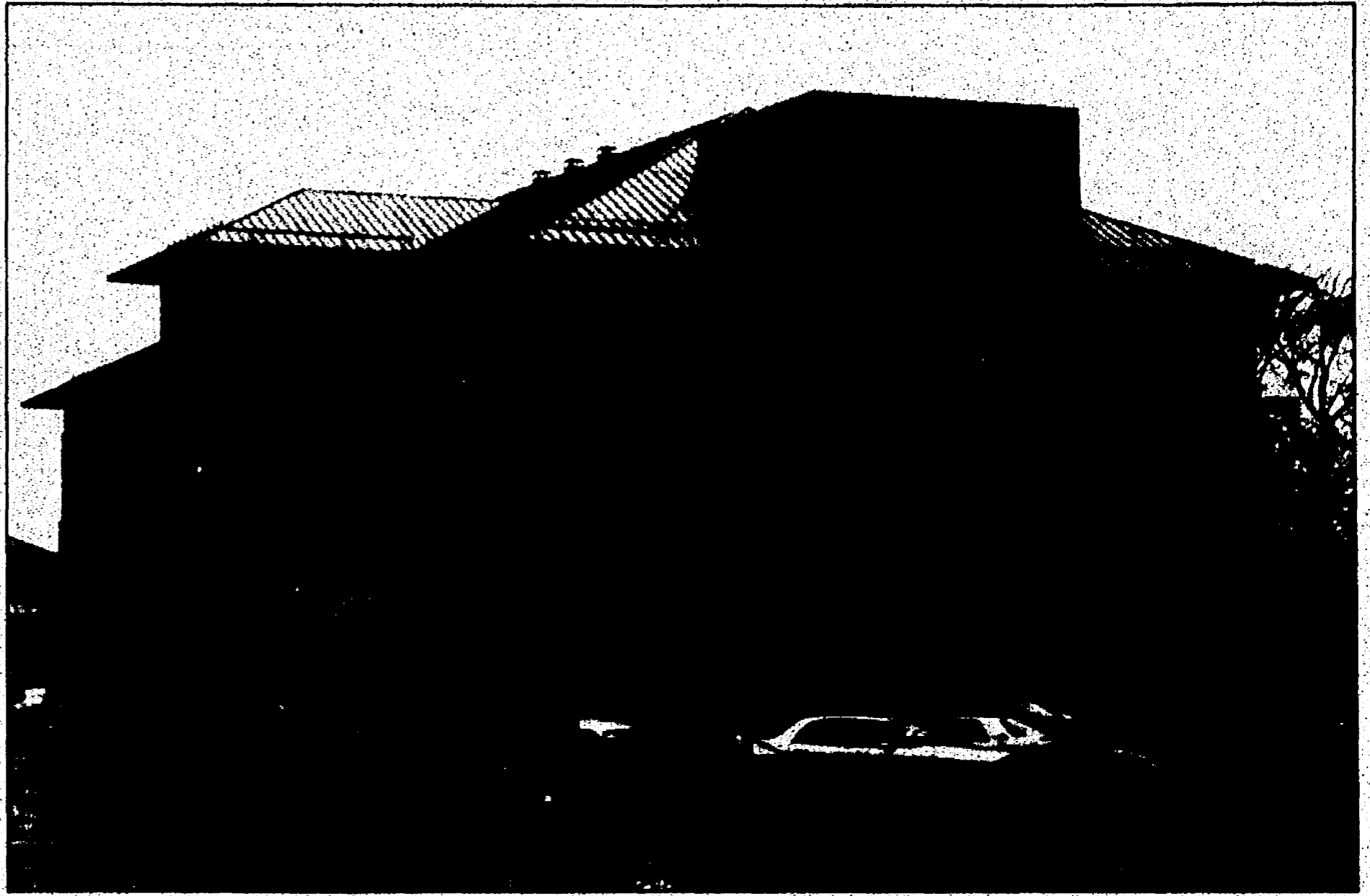
## Tours of the facility will be offered.

in their community," said Peter Karadjoff, administrative director for ambulatory care, who will oversee the Center's operations. "The combination of primary care and specialist physicians, diagnostic testing services and urgent care will respond to those needs.

"And, as the community's needs change, we will continue to respond."

Mission Health-Livonia will provide a comprehensive range of services from community health education to diagnostic testing and treatment including: cardiac diagnostic testing, diagnostic radiology, women's imaging, lab services and physical therapy.

The center will also feature a pharmacy. More than 70 primary care and specialty physicians will see patients in offices in the center. Urgent care services will be available to adults and children between the hours of 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. 365 days a year.



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## MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Items for Medical Newsmakers are welcome from all Observer-area hospitals, physicians, companies and residents and professionals active in the medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Briefs, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, 48150 or faxed to (313) 591-7279. Director appointed

Dr. Calvin Kay, senior vice president for medical affairs at Garden City Hospital, was elected to the Wayne County Osteopathic Association Board of Directors April 11.

"Osteopathic physicians are a vital part of health care in Wayne County and in all of southeast Michigan," he said. "I hope to be able to contribute to the services offered to these physicians by the Wayne County Osteopathic Association.

An Osteopathic physician for the past 31 years, Kay specialized in pediatric medicine prior to being named as the medical director at Garden City Hospital in 1982. Kay is a 1965 graduate of the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

Osteopathy is a system of medicine based on the theory that disturbances in the musculoskeletal system affect other body parts, causing many disorders that can be corrected by various manipulative techniques in conjunction with conventional medical, surgical, pharmacological and other therapeutic procedures. It was founded in the United States in 1874.

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Examinations are scheduled for Saturday, June 1, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. You will be notified in writing by the City at the time of application of the test site in Allen Park.

The City of Allen Park uses the Law Enforcement Candidate Record (LECR) examination. If you have taken this test since March 1, 1996, you may have the City of Allen Park use the results of that test and you do not need to re-test. Several communities may also be administering the LECR on the same date. If so, you may take the test at any test site and have your results shared with each community to which you have applied. You must, however, complete an Application with the City of Allen Park to be considered for employment by the City of Allen Park regardless of where you test, or if you have previously tested.

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**Babysitting class** - A class to teach youth the responsibilities of babysitting, child and growth development, selection of

appropriate toys and games, home safety and first aid and health measures will be held beginning this Saturday, April 27 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. The sessions will be held for Livonia residents and \$29 for others. The program is sponsored through Health Matters of Livonia. Call Livonia Public Schools Community Education at (313) 623-9277 for information.

**Fitness seminar** - The

Exercise Warehouse is hosting a health and fitness seminar Sunday, April 28 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The seminar will feature Providence Hospital's exercise physiologist Scott Foster, who will discuss choosing the right exercise equipment and how to exercise effectively. The event will be held at the Exercise Warehouse facility at 20778 Orchard Lake Road, just north of Eight Mile, in the Orchard Lake Trade Center in Farmington Hills. Call (810) 476-2213 for information.

**First Aid** - A course on first aid will be held Tuesday, April 30 from 6:30-10 p.m. at Riley Middle School in Livonia. Fee is \$15 for Livonia residents and \$28 for others, with book charges additional. Call Health Matters of Livonia at (313) 513-6393.

**Hearing and Speech** - Because May is "Better Hearing and Speech month," Botsford

Hospital's ENT Surgical Associates are offering free hearing tests to seniors, as well as counseling concerning management of hearing problems. An appointment is required. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call (810) 478-8616.

**Anxiety disorders** - May is Mental Health Month and Mercy Hospital-Detroit supports the community by having free screenings for anxiety disorders on May 1 from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. A variety of symptoms will be covered, including excessive worrying, phobias, anxiety attacks, plus sleeplessness, heart palpitations and muscle tension. Call (313) 579-4913.

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is hosting a National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 1 in the hospital auditorium at Five Mile and Levan. The screening will include a video presentation,

anonymous self-test and the opportunity to meet with a mental health professional and a medical referral. For information, call St. Mary's Department of Behavioral Medicine at (313) 655-2943.

**Menopause support** - Amy Altaffer, a nurse educator in the Community Outreach Department of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, will discuss "Stress Management" at the Marian Women's Center's Menopause Support Group meeting on Wednesday, May 1 from 7-9 p.m. in the Marian Pavilion Conference Room B near the west entrance off of Levan Road. Call (313) 655-3314 to register or for more information.

**Tumor association** - The American Brain Tumor Association will sponsor a Town Hall Meeting for brain tumor patients, families and friends on Sundays, May 6, 1-4 p.m. at the

Marriott Hotel, 20301 Oakwood Blvd. in Dearborn. The meeting is free, but reservations are required. For information, call (800) 886-2282.

**Check your hostility** - The hostility can sabotage not only your heart, but your overall health. Learn steps you can take to deal with feelings of anger and stress.

This seminar, "The Hot Reactor: The Hostility Connection" will be sponsored by Botsford General Hospital from 7-9 p.m., May 6 for \$15 per person. Registration is required. Call Botsford Health Development Network at (810) 477-6100.

**Diabetes support** - St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will host a Diabetes Support Group Wednesday, May 8 from 7-8:30 in the hospital auditorium near the Five Mile entrance. There is no charge. Information, (313) 655-2922 or (800) 494-1650.

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**PALMER LINE:** Arnold Palmer, known for his success in golf, will soon be known for his success in furniture. The golf pro and his wife, Winnie, are introducing a line of furniture, The Palmer Home Collection by Lexington Furniture Industries. Shown here from the collection - exclusively available at Scott Shuptrine Furniture in Troy, Bloomfield Hills and Novi - is an oval cocktail table with leather top and brass accent. The line will be introduced at a special benefit for Children's Hospital 6-9 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at Scott Shuptrine Furniture, 977 E. 14 Mile, Troy. Winnie Palmer will be the featured guest at the event, which will also include a silent auction, light dinner buffet and wine. Tickets are \$40; call Scott Shuptrine Furniture at (810) 589-1100.



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MARTY FIGLEY

"Taylor's Guide to Container Gardening" is another excellent publication in the series, as is their revised edition of "Roses" (both Houghton Mifflin, \$19.95 each).

In "Container Gardening," nearly 200 plants are described as suitable for container gardening, how to use them in the landscape, care for them, start from seeds, etc. Suitable containers are discussed as well. "Roses" is a guide to 400 roses selected for American gardens. This revised edition includes more than 100 new varieties. All phases of growing and caring for the plants are clearly explained.

In both books the color photos clearly illustrate; contributing authors are tops in their field.

Two books in a new series based on the four-volume Royal Horticultural Society Dictionary of Gardening will allow affordable information with expert advice. "Manual of Grasses," consulting editor Rick Darke, and "Manual of Climbers and Wall Plants," consulting editor J.K. Burras (both Timber Press, \$39.95 each), include all the material found in the RHS Dictionary,

as well as additional information.

Darke, Longwood's curator of plants, explains the history of grasses and gives a very understandable account of their general care. This introduction is followed by the encyclopedic listings. Burras, superintendent of the Oxford Botanic Garden, also shares his expert advice. Both books are superbly illustrated with line drawings. Serious gardeners and growers will find much useful information.

Two small softcover books in the For Your Garden series, "City Gardens" and "Arbors and Trellises," Warren Schultz (Little, Brown, \$12.95 each), are filled with lovely photos to illustrate their focus. Schultz accompanies the photos with explanations that will inspire the gardener to try something new, different and perhaps dramatic.

If you're having a time deciding just what to grow on a difficult site such as windy, shady, stony, "Plants for Problem Places," Graham Rice (Timber Press, \$19.95), now in paperback, will help. Rice describes 13 garden locations and their specific problems; then suggests suitable trees, shrubs, climbers, annu-

als and perennials for each.

"The Best of the Hardest," Third Edition, John Sabuco (Plantmen's Publications, \$29.95, soft) is encyclopedic in format but very "readable." The many plants listed are hardy to 20 degrees Fahrenheit or colder and include trees, shrubs, groundcovers, ferns, grasses, cacti and bulbs. Featured is a chapter on the climate and its effect on winter adaptability, plus cultural information. To order, write Plantmen's Publications, P.O. Box 1, Flossmoor, Ill. 60422. Add \$3 shipping and handling.



In "Winning at Flower Shows" (Fulcrum, \$17.95), Jack Kramer gives the "scoop" on growing and showing. He suggests which plants to show and how to care for them before and during, and tells about requirements for judging. Shows are listed throughout the United States. Included are addresses of many plant societies. Good solid information.

"Grow It Indoors: How to Make Houseplants Thrive." Richard Langer (Stackpole, \$16.95, soft), covers all the

basics of plant care, from soils, water requirements, light and houseplant cycles. He describes houseplants from those that need dry conditions to those that require a humid location -- more than 250 plants. Line drawings help explain particular techniques. It's not colorful, but it's most informative.

The Brooklyn Botanic Garden's two new books, "Butterfly Gardens: Luring Nature's Loveliest Pollinators to Your Yard," guest editor Alcinda Lewis, and "Salad Gardens: Gourmet Greens and Beyond," guest editor Karan Davis Cutler (\$6.95 each), are available at your local bookseller.

"Butterfly Gardens" illustrates with color photos and describes many commonly found butterflies and flowers that they prefer. A list of butterfly plants by region is a plus. "Salad Gardens" features growing tips and designs for the gardens, from the familiar greens to more exotic ones. Salad vegetables are included as are herbs and edible flowers. A chapter about seed sprouting is a nice addition. Seed sources for the unusual are helpful.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

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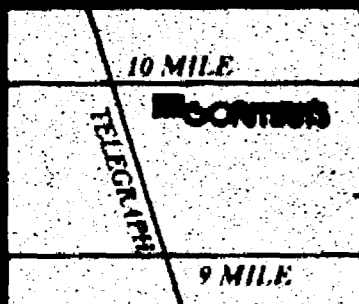
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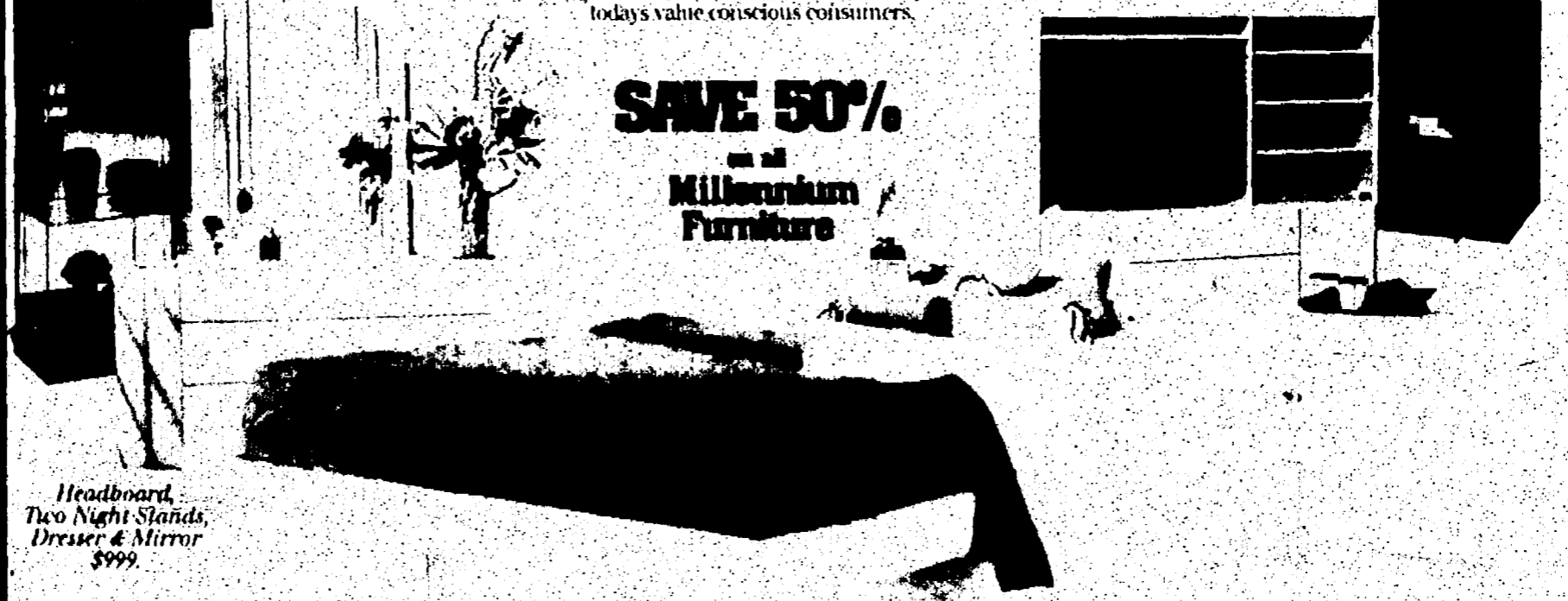
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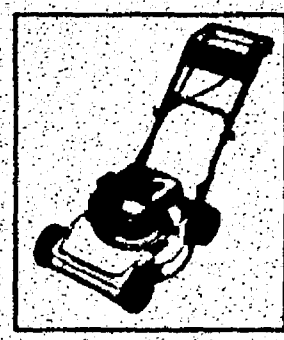
APPLIANCE DOCTOR

# Here's how to get mower in shape



JOE GAGNON

In my research for information in this column I traveled the distance as far away as my own garage and to my good friend Gary Gray's house. If there was ever anybody in this world who would remind you of that television character it has to be my good friend. He owns every-



thing there is for yard care and tools. I left him and went over to my neighbors the Herrimans who have the most beautiful back yard in the world. Naturally, I tell everyone who visits it is my back yard. Mr. Herriman is about to take classes and apply for a classification as master gardener. You can imagine how nice our back yard looks. From these stops I would like to give you some good old fashioned advice on yard tools and equipment.

Are you aware that it is against the law to deface a ladder? You can not drill a hole or put a sticker on a ladder. You can not paint a ladder or do anything that may cause or hide a stress crack against code. Lawn tools such as weed wackers, trimmers, etc. work under extreme dirt conditions and should be cleaned after each operation. I have a leaf blower which I use to dry out these products after I put a garden hose to them after each use. I also use the recommended extension cords described in the owners manual of each electrical product. Using two cords instead of one is sometimes a sure way to destroy a product. I would say that the cleanliness of yard and garden products is the biggest factor to the long life of the product.

Last year, after living in a condo for many years, I moved into a house which has a responsibility called yard care. Being that I play hockey two nights a week during the winter months with little exercise in the summer, I purchased a used push type lawnmower for the yard care responsibility. I removed the four wheels and tightened the bearings making the wheels harder to turn. With the extra effort now needed to push this mower across the lawn I created beads of moisture across my forehead the size of large raindrops. I'm sure the folks who walked by and stopped to chat thought, "This old guy is so outta shape, he's going to drop dead cutting his grass."

I removed the blade of this used lawnmower and had it sharpened and purchased an extra one along the way. I wanted to make sure the blade was secured properly and I know that a dull blade on a lawnmower can really hurt a good looking lawn. A blade that comes off during operation can cause some rip roaring damage as well. I removed the foam type filter around the carburetor and cleaned it with dishwasher detergent and hot water. I used my brand new leaf blower to dry it. I installed a new recommended spark plug and made sure the connector was tight fitting and wouldn't fall off from vibration. I sprayed all cables and linkages which move with a light oil.


oil, and it is always best to do this before the winter arrives. The old oil has contaminated in it which can cause damage to engine parts during the off period. It is best to do this when the oil is warm and please make sure you are using the recommended oil as described in the owners manual. Most oil filling stations will dispose of the old oil for you.

As with any consumer product, if you take care of it, it will take care of you. A little maintenance on your yard helpers today will allow you to enjoy your summer season with the least amount of aggravation. Now would also be a good time to properly prepare your winter helpers for summer storage. Give the snow thrower, snow mobile and fishing auger a little TLC now, and you will appreciate them next winter when they start up on the first crank. Like a good neighbor, the Appliance Doctor is here.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores.

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# WAKE TO THE SOUND OF BIRDS - GIVE THEM A HOME

STORY BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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**Hummingbird:** To attract hummingbirds, make a fresh solution of nectar from four parts water and one part sugar, then boil.

**S**pring is the season when birds begin returning to Michigan yards. Feeding birds and watching them tend their young ranks as one of the most enjoyable spring spectator sports next to baseball.

Did you know cardinals feed each other seed as part of their courtship ritual? Watching this rite of spring as well as other behavioral manners are yours for the asking when you invite birds into your yard. Whether you live in a house, apartment, condominium or even within an urban setting, a small oasis of food, water and greenery has the potential of becoming home to a number of feathered friends.

Attracting birds to your yard takes time and planning to provide the necessary elements for survival. The ongoing destruction of habitat forces birds to spend much of their time searching for food, water, housing and shelter in a comfortable and protected environment. The rewards of supplementing these requirements are many.

"Watching the birds is relaxing, entertaining and educational. The kids love it too but whatever location you choose make sure there's no place around the bird feeder and bird baths, a cat can hide and pounce," said Chris Gardner, owner of Wild Birds Unlimited in Rochester Hills.

Gardner loves watching the chickadees, goldfinches, hummingbirds, and red-bellied woodpeckers that visit her Bloomfield Township backyard. To encourage nesting she has placed a couple of small chickadee/wren houses as well as several well-stocked feeders around her yard. Leave the decorative bird houses inside. Birds prefer a natural looking home of rustic wood.

"Houses should be well-vented with the right size cavity so they don't waste energy filling it with materials. Birds spend a lot of time looking for nesting materials. To help them out take dryer lint and dog hair and place it on a branch. Also, pieces of yarn and mud for robins."

Nothing is more attractive to birds than a safe, shallow and clean supply of water. Develop a water source such as a garden pond or bird bath, preferably with moving water. These focal points not only look good but provide the necessities of life for drinking and bathing.

"Bird baths should not be deeper than two inches with a gradual slope, and slightly deeper for robins. Robins with all their splashing will empty out a bird bath in no time. It's also important to move the water. The sound of moving water brings them in. Use a dripper attached to a garden hose."

Plant preferred flowering and seed producing food plants as well as shrubs and trees for shelter.

## Attracting a Diversity of Birds

Backyard Birds in Plymouth stocks more than 40 styles of bird houses and nesting boxes for every type of bird from purple martins, who live in colonies, to wood ducks and owls. Most nesting boxes don't have perches because sparrows will dominate the boxes. Because birds are so busy building nests in spring, their main desire is to find a dependable food source. Food supplies have dwindled by March and flowering plants and bushes won't produce nectar, berries and seeds until sometime in June, and many not until later in fall and winter. The guests attracted to your feeder depends on the type of seed with which it's filled.

Learn who's visiting your yard by reading one of the popular guides like "Peterson's Field Guide to Eastern Birds." Educational tours for children after hours at Backyard Birds in Plymouth helps children learn about birds and avoid misconceptions.

"Corn attracts grackles who eat baby chickadees," said Gary Phillips, owner of Backyard Birds in Plymouth, a retailer of more than 25 different types of seed.

"Pure sunflower hearts are for people living in condos or apartments because there's less mess. Oilers are for songbirds like goldfinch. Blue jays look for safflower. Avoid seed with fillers. To attract birds, you need fresh bird seed without fillers. Birds don't like fillers like milo. Mice like milo."

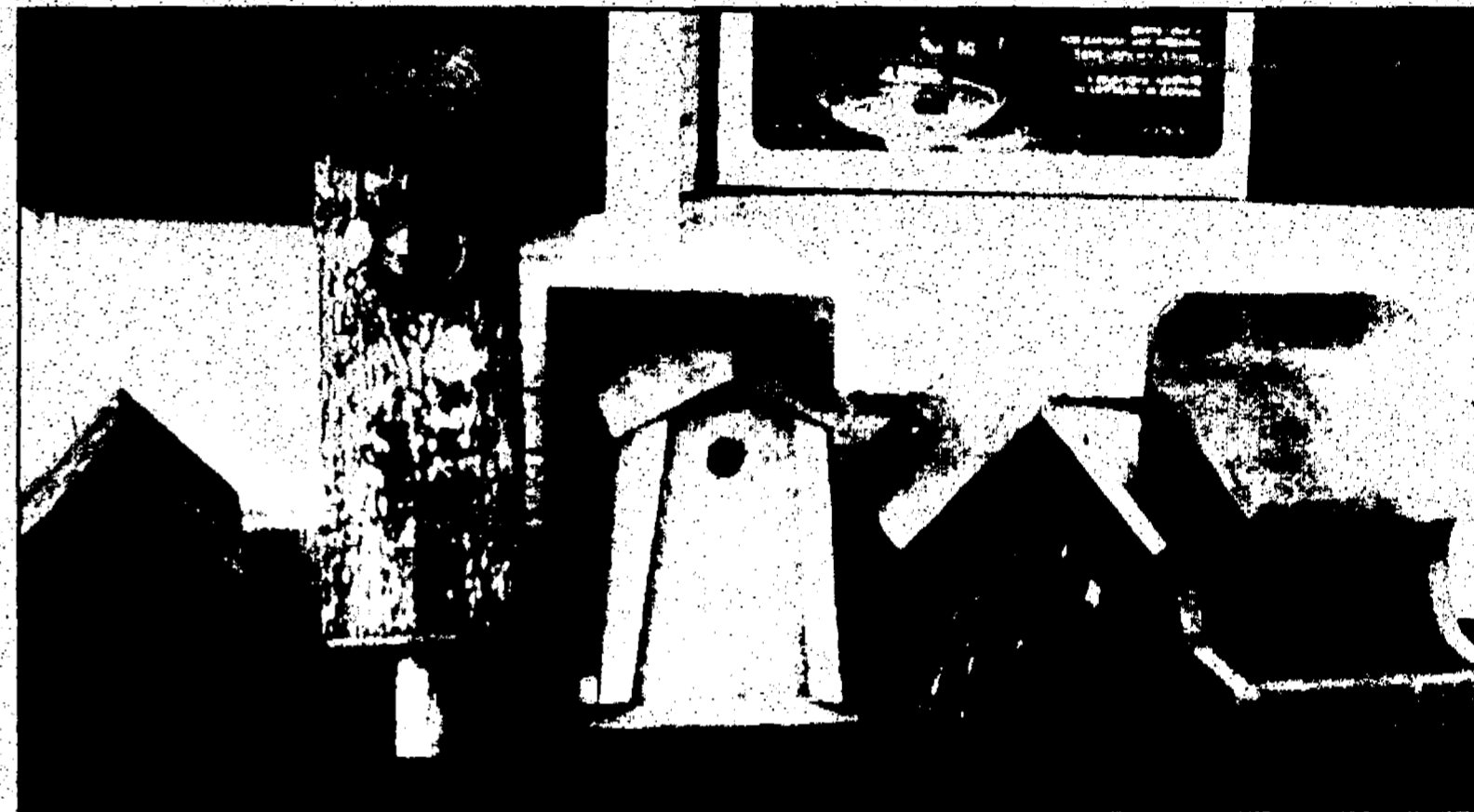
Phillips offers the birds and 10 squirrels visiting his Farmington yard a variety of feeders as well as a bird bath. Because he has been feeding birds for more than 20 years, Phillips is a wealth of information.

"Birds do everything by sight and smell. When a cardinal spots a feeder filled with oilers and striped sunflower seed if it's old or hasn't been cleaned in sometime he's out of there," he said.

The favorite style of feeder in the Livonia and Plymouth area is made of cedar, Phillips said. Chap's Feed Store in Livonia sells more than 100 different styles of feeders in season.

"There's everything from platform feeders to giant feeders which hold up to 25 pounds of seed. There are even peanut feeders that discourage starlings because they bring their 39 buddies with them, and squirrel feeders to discourage the furry critters from raiding the bird feeder. It's what meets your needs whether it's something for your child's first feeder or sand blasted etchings on an art glass hummingbird feeder by Schrodt, there's something for everyone," Phillips said.

"We are the only hope these birds have. If there are no more forests, then this is where they live in our yards. I've found that this is a consumer driven business for nature



**For the birds:** Don't forget to add a birdbath or garden pond. Birds need water not only to drink, but to keep their feathers clean.

**On the cover:** Birdhouses come in a variety of shapes and sizes, depending on the species. It's up to you what birds you want to attract to your yard.



lovers. There's a deep love for the animal kingdom in this area."

Audra Ribar loves all of the animals, even the squirrels some people try so hard to discourage from visiting their yards. She invites birds and squirrels to her Plymouth yard by offering a number of feeders, including a squirrel feeder, and two bird baths.

"It's so much fun to see the variety of birds and squirrels. I just enjoy watching the juncos, woodpeckers, house finches, chickadees and nuthatches. My sister in Canton has a window feeder, the kids get a kick out of."

LET'S REMODEL

# Inspection is part of the process

**Q:** I went through the proper channels in hiring a good contractor to do a master bed and bath addition. Several times the inspector has come during the job and the work has failed inspection. What is the contractor doing wrong?

**A:** Probably nothing. To understand why your project might fail inspection, it is first necessary to understand the many factors involved. Building codes are complex laws enacted by government, establishing basic standards for construction to protect the health and safety of its citizens.

Building inspectors are responsible for maintaining those standards. Besides the basic building code that deals primarily with the structure (foundation, walls, floors, roof etc.) there are separate codes that deal with specific systems plumbing, heating, electrical, etc.).

Codes vary from state to state, and even, from city to city. Codes, like other laws, are subject to interpretation by the inspectors charged with enforcing them. Again, these interpretations also vary from city to city, and even among inspectors within the same department.



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Codes constantly evolve as new materials are introduced and better designs are conceived. To further complicate matters, different aspects of the codes are affected by specific conditions that vary from job to job.

This is especially true in remodeling, when a contractor is trying to marry materials and methods of installation from two different eras. Often the materials used in the original building are no longer available, and sometimes conflicts occur when existing construction does not meet the current code. Is it any wonder then, that inspections don't always pass the first time?

As a responsible consumer, you did your homework and selected a good contractor. The building inspector, with

his or her extensive training, did their job, and the system, designed to protect everyone, worked perfectly. As a professional remodeler, I don't mind failing an inspection from time to time. I always learn something new and valuable. I view the building inspector as a member of my team, helping me do a better job.

*John Baker, Owner of the House Mechanic, Leonard, 1-800-98-HOUSE.*

**Q:** We're considering an island in our kitchen. Do you have suggestions for purpose and design.

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*Marty Kuretzky, Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Centers, Livonia, 313-522-7600.*

For your home improvement questions or a copy of our roster booklet, call Gayle Walters, executive director of the Michigan Remodeling Association (MRA) at 810-335-3232, or send questions to "Let's Remodel," 2187 Orchard Lake Road, No. 103, Sylvan Lake, MI 48320. Answers are provided by members of the MRA, the local chapter of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI).

Members include professional contractors, manufacturers, wholesalers, consultants and lenders representing all facets of residential and light commercial remodeling. Members also answer questions on "Construction Talk" with Murray Gula on WEXI-AM 1340, 1-2 p.m. Saturday. You can call in your questions at 810-544-1340.

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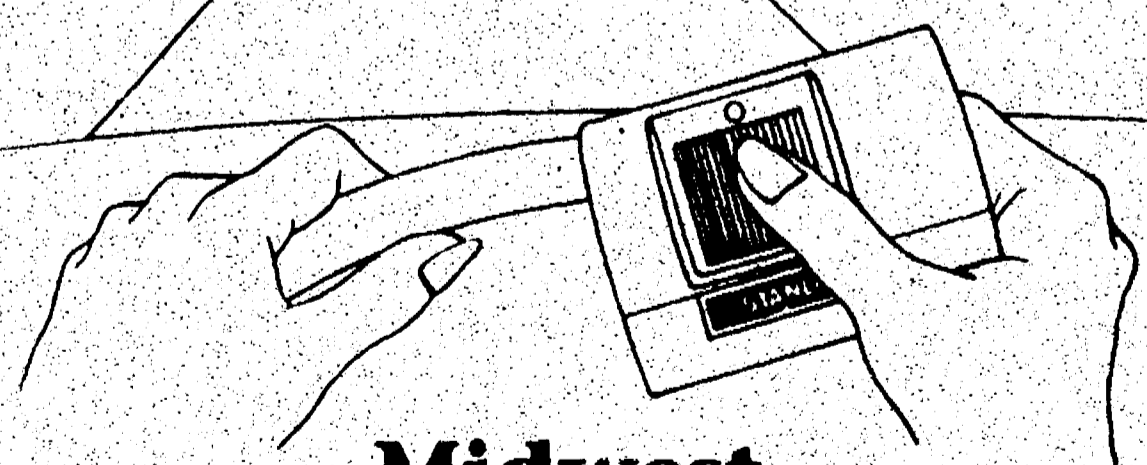
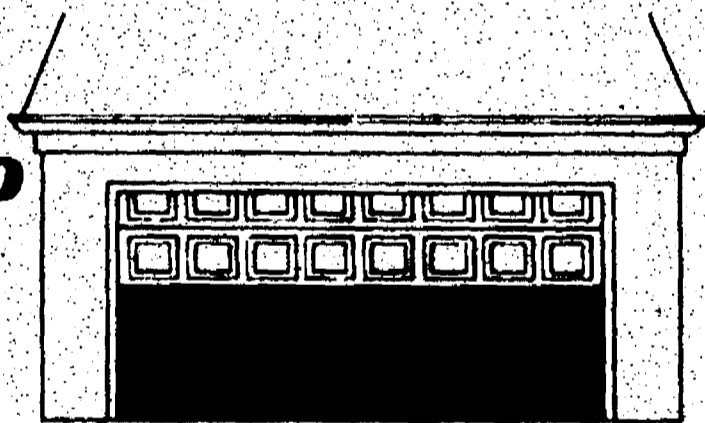
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RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

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This "Blue Ribbon" at 8 rue Leon-Delhomme has continued its commitment to excellence for 100 years. Le Cordon Bleu is more than a cooking school; it is an institution devoted to the promotion and preservation of fine art — the art of French cooking. For more information on Le Cordon Bleu, call 1-(800)-457-CHEF.

Wouldn't every kitchen novice like to have Audrey Hepburn's experience. Well if that's not possible, do a Le Cordon Bleu adventure at home. Plan your evening as an instructional event or elegant dinner. The choice is yours. If you're planning a cooking class with dinner to follow — prepare your ingredients and equipment. Decide if you want guests to participate in the cooking.

If you choose to have an elegant evening instead, use candles for lighting, adorn your table with beautiful linen, use your best china, add cloth napkins, and create a centerpiece out of fresh cut flowers.

This recipe comes from the "Le Cordon Bleu Classic French Cookbook," published by Doring Kindersley in 1994, 100 recipes for 100 years. This one is an elegant and savory dish — perfect for special guests. I would add a mixed field green salad with a creamy dressing, crusty French bread and a sinfully delicious dessert.

### RIB STEAKS PROVENCAL STYLE

6 boneless rib steaks, each weighing 5 ounces  
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

1 1/2 pounds potatoes  
1/2 cup vegetable oil  
24 cherry tomatoes, peeled  
3 tablespoons strong mustard

Ingredients for the sauce:

1 cup Madeira  
1 1/4 cup veal stock  
1/2 bunch thyme  
3 tablespoons butter

Ingredients for vegetable compote:

1/2 pound onions, diced  
A little olive oil  
1 red pepper, cored, seeded and cut into small dice  
1 yellow pepper, cored, seeded and cut into small dice  
1 green pepper, cored, seeded and cut into small dice  
3/4 pound zucchini, cut into small dice  
4 tomatoes, cored — plunged into boiling water for 10-30 seconds, then plunged into cold water, peeled, sliced and chopped into small dice  
2 garlic cloves (finely chopped)  
Bouquet garni (your choice of herbs wrapped in a muslin bag or tea strainer)

Trim and season the steaks; set aside. Cut the potatoes into parisienne (peel the potatoes, use a melon baller to cut them into even-sized balls). Cook the potato balls in boiling, salted water until tender. Drain well and dry thoroughly.

Saute the potato balls in 3 tablespoons of hot oil until golden. Keep the potatoes warm.

Make the vegetable compote: cook the onions gently in a little olive oil until soft

and tender. Add the pepper and zucchini dice to the onions, mix in a little more olive oil, and cook until the peppers are just tender. Season and add the tomatoes, the garlic, and the bouquet garni. Cook over low heat for 10 minutes, or until all the vegetables are tender.

Make the sauce: Boil the Madeira until reduced. Add the veal stock and reduce until syrupy. Whisk in the butter, cut into small pieces, to thicken the sauce slightly. Add the thyme leaves and keep the sauce warm.

Heat the cherry tomatoes in a steamer.

Heat the remaining oil in a pan and saute the steaks until well browned on both sides. They should be slightly rare in the center. Cover the steaks with mustard.

Spoon some vegetable compote in the center of each plate and set a steak on top. Surround with a ring of sauce and garnish with the potatoes and cherry tomatoes. Serve immediately. Serves 6.

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave a voice mail message for her, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1902.

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Catch the excitement of the Michigan Modernism Exposition 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, April 27, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen at 10-1/2 Mile.

A preview party to benefit the Detroit Area Art Deco Society will take place 7-10 p.m. Friday, April 26. Advance tickets to the preview party are \$60. The party will feature hors d'oeuvres, wine and entertainment. Call (810) 547-5716.

Admission to the exposition is \$6 with any ads or listings of the event, \$7 regular. One paid admission is good for both days of the show. Admission is free for children age 12 or under.

One of the top four shows of its kind in the country, the show appeals to those hoping to recapture special memories and those looking to create new ones through 20th century design. The exposition offers a broad spectrum of merchandise embodying the very best of the modernism movement.

Featured will be outstanding examples of pieces designed by such greats as Frank Lloyd Wright, Louis Comfort Tiffany, Herman Miller, Heywood Wakefield, the Stickleys and Salvador Dali. This is but a sampling of the many talented designers representing

the art deco, art nouveau, prairie, arts and crafts, surrealist and neo-classical schools of design, all considered hallmark styles within the modernism movement.

Many featured items represent the 1950s and 1960s, among them concert posters, such lighting pieces as the original lava lamp, original Peter Max art works, furniture, decorator items and vintage clothing.

Seventy-eight of the nation's most prominent modernism merchants will be showing and selling at this event. Buyers from throughout the world, national, regional and local collectors as well as the curious will be in attendance to take advantage of this opportunity and to enjoy the special ambience of Michigan's only exposition of this kind.

The Detroit Area Art Deco Society, a private, not-for-profit corporation, was founded in 1986 by a group of collectors and enthusiasts.

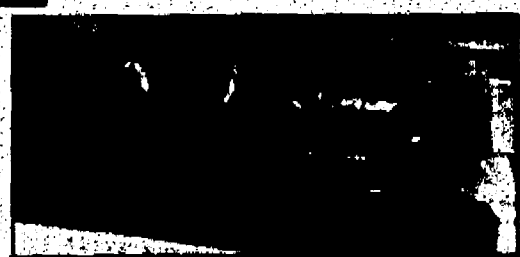
Tickets to the preview party are available at Duke Gallery in Royal Oak (call (810) 547-5511); David Klein Gallery in Birmingham (call (810) 433-3700); Modernage in Pontiac (call (810) 745-0999) and Knightsbridge Antique Mall in Northville (call (810) 344-7290).

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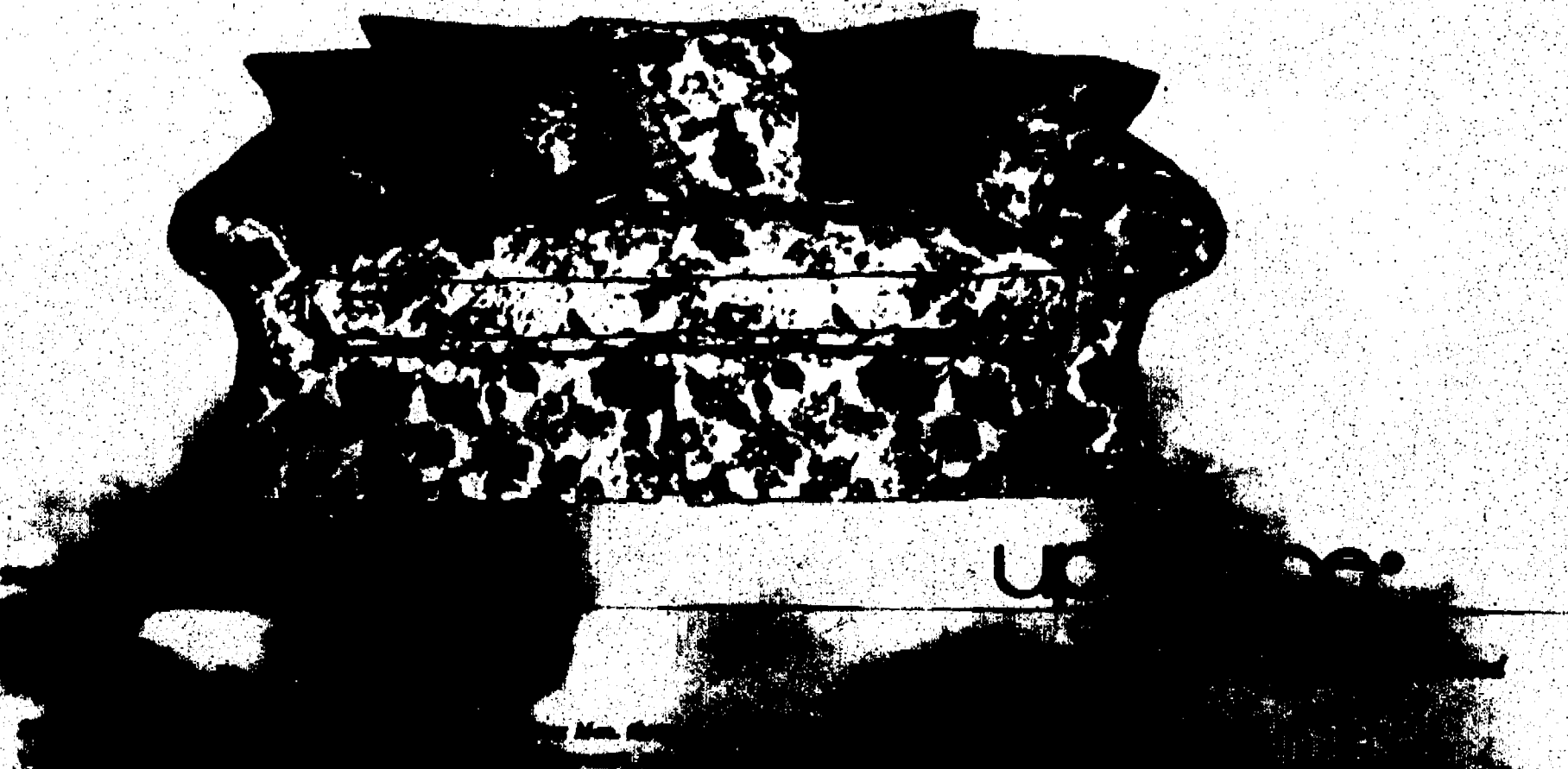
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## Rose group to meet Friday

The Detroit Rose Society will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center.

The center is one block south of I-696 and one block west of Woodward. Call

(313) 563-5691 for information.

Topic will be "Josephine's Garden," the history and romance of the gardens of Malmaison. The public may attend.

## Toy show set for Sunday

The Spring '96 Collectable Toy Show, sponsored by the Winross Collectors Club of America Michigan Chapter, will be at a new, larger location Sunday, April 28.

The show will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Monaghan K of C Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia. Admission

is \$2, free for children under 12. For more information, call (810) 795-8281 or (313) 747-7192.

Featured will be vendors with antique, collectable, farm and die cast toys, model car kits, promos, action figures, trains, sci-fi, Matchbox, Hot Wheels and other types of toys.

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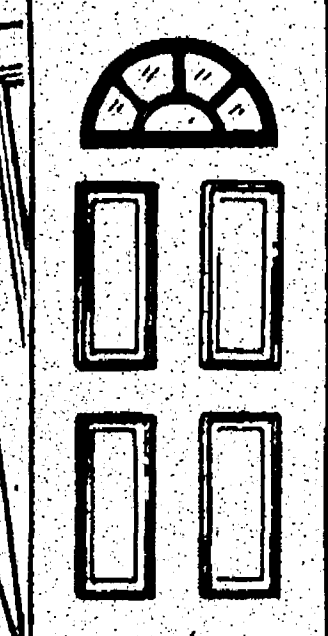
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## Shuptrine features new line of Palmer furniture

Arnold Palmer, one of the world's most recognized and respected names known for his success in golf, will soon be known for his success in furniture.

The golf pro and his wife, Winnie, are introducing a new line of furniture, "The Palmer Home Collection" by Lexington Furniture Industries.

Exclusively available at Scott Shuptrine Furniture in Bloomfield Hills, Troy and Novi, the line will be introduced at a special benefit for Children's Hospital of Michigan-Division of Rheumatology. The event will take place 6-9 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at Scott Shuptrine Furniture, 977 E. 14 Mile, Troy.

With Winnie Palmer as the featured guest, attendees will be able to view Lexington's new lifestyle furniture line while contributing to Children's Hospital.

A silent auction will also take place, with proceeds to benefit Children's Hospital. Items include an autographed Arnold Palmer putter, an autographed memorabilia book "Arnold Palmer: A Personal Journey" and a weekend golf package to Shanty Creek and The Legend golf course, celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Scott Shuptrine will also auction a piece of furniture from the Palmer Home Collection and free design consultation services with Kasey Werner Pierson, Scott Shuptrine Design Studio director.

Tickets for the benefit are \$40 per person, with light dinner buffet and wine served by renowned chef Jimmy Schmidt of The Rattlesnake Club. Tickets are available through Scott Shuptrine Furniture, (810) 589-1100.

## Designers aid McDonald house

Michigan Design Center in Troy, nationally renowned for its exclusive interior design showrooms, is opening its doors to the public for "Familia: A Celebration of Family and Design" 5:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 1.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the families of the Ronald McDonald House of Detroit.

Tickets are \$25 per person and

include a tour of MDC, free hors d'oeuvres and beverages and a chance to win prizes in a raffle. For an additional donation of \$25, a guest can have a 20-minute, private consultation with a top designer of MDC.

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It's often said in spring that "a young man's fancy turns to love." Well, springtime is one of the best times for your fancy to turn to photography. For spring is one of the most exciting times for capturing images on film.

Springtime is usually marked by changeable weather, which will reward you with impact-filled shots if you're alert. It can be raining one minute, then suddenly the sky will clear and the sun will burst through. This moment offers you excellent photographic opportunities: wet pavement, water droplets clinging to a flower, raindrops trickling down a window, or even a rainbow itself.

Be on the lookout for trees silhouetted against a receding storm cloud as emerging sunbeams highlight the branches. This is perhaps one of the most dramatic scenes you'll see through the viewfinder.

Flowers are, of course, associated with spring, but few people manage to successfully get them on film. They tend to point the camera quickly and shoot. Without careful composition and attention to depth-of-field, the results can be disappointing.

First, get down low, on the flower's level; concentrate your viewfinder on just a few blossoms; maybe even one

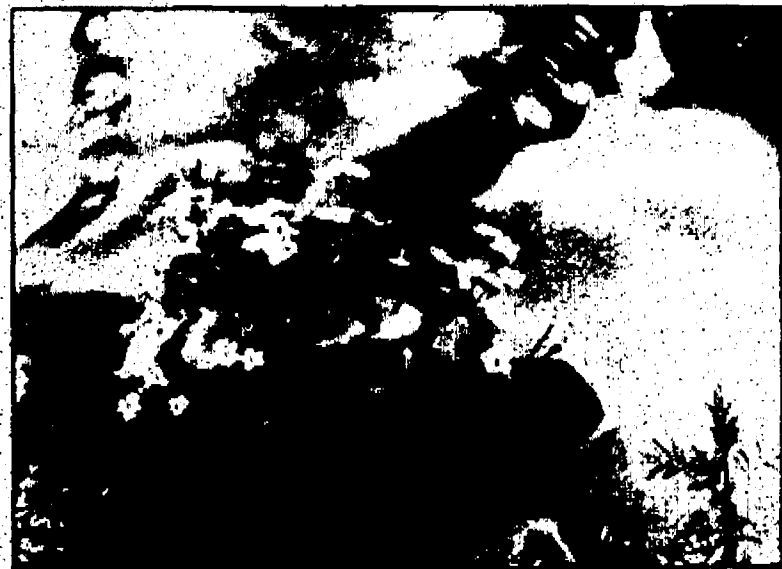
and move in close. A tripod will help to steady the camera. Remember, the closer you get to your subject, the more you'll "lose" depth-of-field, and the more you may want a small aperture.

One of the most common errors in photographing flowers is a distracting background. Use a small piece of black cardboard or cloth behind the flowers and you'll be amazed at the difference in your results. As in most photography, try to shoot flowers in the early morning or late afternoon so that the crosslighting will highlight the color and texture of the petals. If using slide film, underexpose slightly so to deepen and enrich the colors.

How about photographing the progression of spring? A series of pictures of a lone tree in your back yard as it gets progressively thicker and thicker with darker and darker leaves will produce an exciting picture story.

Don't overlook other springtime photographic possibilities, too. Festivals and celebrations are usually in abundance. People become more active in spring both at work and leisure, so look for picture potential here. So "spring" you and your camera into action at springtime. You'll be glad you did!

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (810) 644-1314.



**Marigold-on opportunity:** Cranbrook Gardens in Bloomfield Hills provided the ideal location for this intimate Monte Nagler photograph of Marsh Marigolds alongside a flowing stream.

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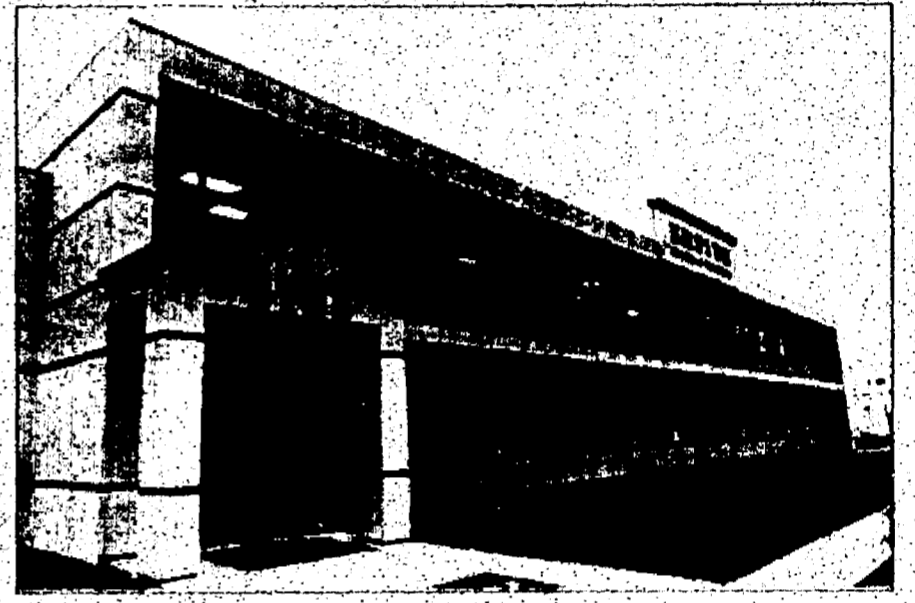
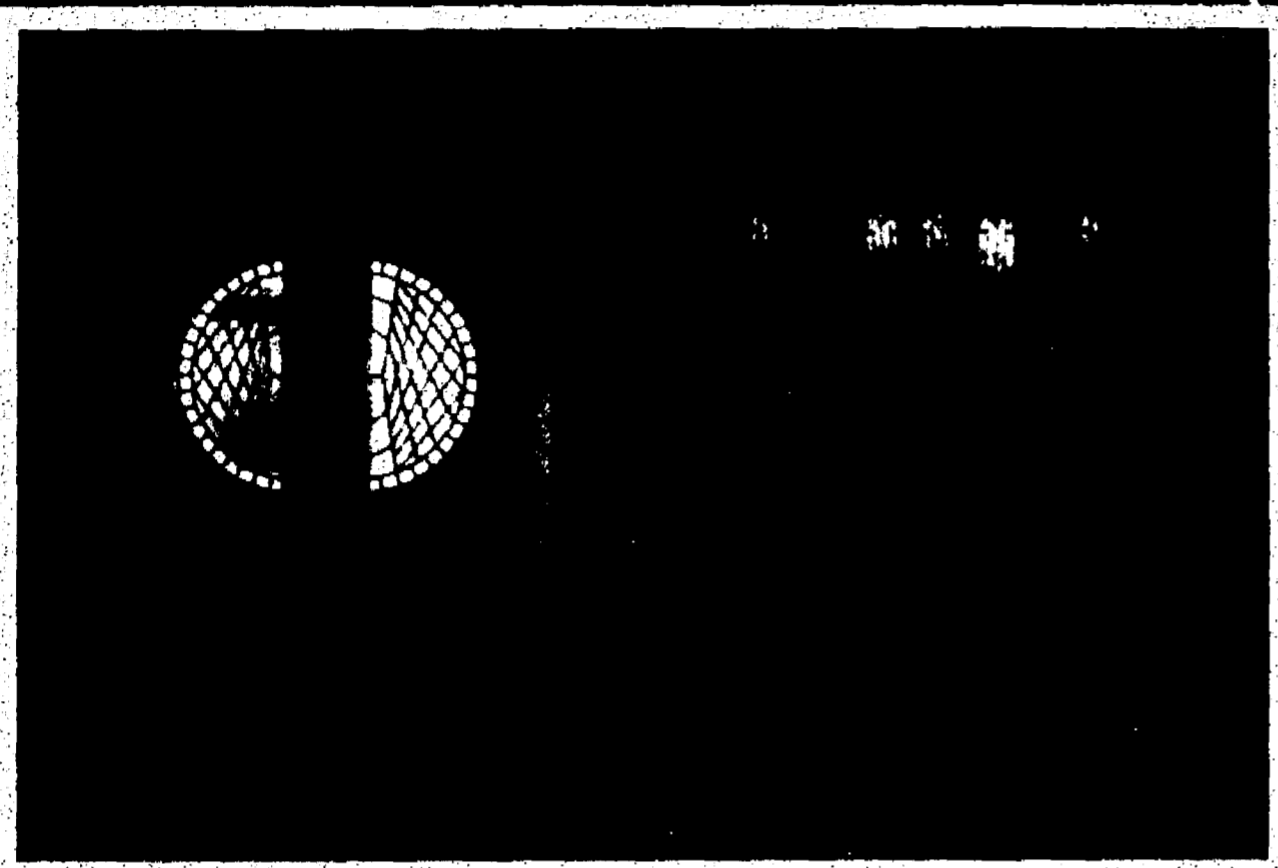
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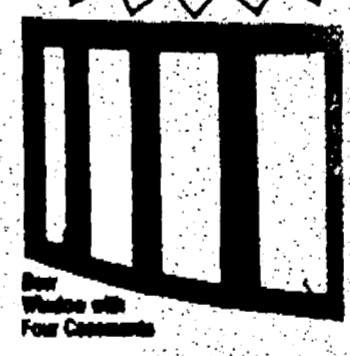
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REAL ESTATE

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MOVERS & SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other key personnel moves within the suburban real estate community.

Barnett hired



Russell Barnett has been hired by Grubb & Ellis, a commercial real estate firm in Southfield, as director of retail services for the retail properties division in metro Detroit.

Boreland designated



Cynthia Boreland, a Realtor with Max Brook Realtors in Birmingham, has earned the professional designation Graduate Realtors Institute.

Nahs designated



Tom Nahs, sales associate with Real Estate One in Livonia, has acquired the professional designation of Graduate Realtors Institute.

Yaldoo joins RE/MAX



Brian S. Yaldoo has joined RE/MAX Executive Properties in Farmington Hills as a sales associate. A three-year real estate veteran, Yaldoo was previously affiliated with Network Real Estate.

Ageless energy drives builder

BY DOUG FURER STAFF WRITER

H. Fred Campbell, a developer/builder, likes to show off a couple of ideas for speculative projects he has on drawing boards in his Southfield office.

One is a warehouse over a contamination site in Dearborn. Another is for an office/apartments/parking structure on land he owns across the street from Orchestra Hall in Detroit.

Campbell also shows off a brochure for Monterey Estates, a residential subdivision he developed on Belleville Lake.

Then there's the patents. He has nearly a dozen and is always looking for better ways to put things together.

What's especially amazing about all of Campbell's activity is that he will be 90 years old this month. The Bloomfield Hills resident has no plans to slow down.

"In the first place, I can't sit around doing nothing," Campbell said. "Then, I don't become a barnacle on the ship of life. I've been fortunate with good health. I'm enthusiastic and I stay enthusiastic. My motivation is contributing to my chosen field."

That he has. Campbell said his company has designed or built hundreds of manufacturing, industrial and office buildings.

Some of the more recognizable are Robbins Executive Park in Troy, the Ford Parts Distribution Center in Redford, the UAW Conference Center at Black Lake and Oak Wood Industries in Wayne.

Yet, ask Campbell about his most memorable building accomplishment and it's one in which he played a behind-the-scenes rather than direct role.

"Buying Orchestra Hall was one of my biggest ones," he said. "I saw that it got done. It was a contribution to the city."

Campbell said his company provided the salary for a secretary to coordinate activities of the original Save Orchestra Hall movement. From there, the project snowballed.

Campbell fondly looks back at the challenge of attaching three Lord & Taylor stores to existing malls at Eastland, Woodland and Twelve Oaks.

"They all had to be done at the same time," he said. "It takes a lot out of you."

Campbell, who shows up at the office every day, has covered a lot of ground over the years.

The first job he remembers is hauling bricks up ladders on construction sites.

He's also sold lots to individuals for home construction, worked as an architectural draftsman, built dozens of gas stations and physically released buildings when other streets in Detroit were widened during the Depression.

Such things made a big impression on Campbell, who started on his own in 1929 after collaborating with an uncle.

"Competition was so fierce I needed to be ready," he said. "I had to be ready from a product of a very young man. That's how I looked at things in doing jobs then and now by '96."



JERRY BOLANDRE/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Going strong: H. Fred Campbell, who started his own construction company in 1929, refuses to bow to time.

The growth of the auto industry was very good to Campbell. A solid reputation - building better, faster, for less was his calling card - gained plenty of referrals.

A natural curiosity and good business judgment helped overcome a lack of formal education.

"I learned practically by just doing it and hiring good people who became my tutors," Campbell said. "I had the best engineers, the best architects."

Donald C. Tompkins worked for Campbell during the 1970s, starting as an engineer and rising to president.

"He's a very intelligent person," Tompkins said. "He was very goal-oriented. He had a wide range of accomplishments."

He did whatever other engineers he had developed a reputation for doing a job at a low cost.

"Fred was a very successful person," Tompkins added. "He'd sit back at the L&C in Dearborn Coun-

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H. Fred Campbell builder

try Club. When he walked into the dining room, they brought him a pad of paper and pencil immediately. You know it when you had a business man."

Gerardine, Campbell's wife of 14 years, acknowledges that her husband is a self-starter.

"I wouldn't call it a God-given drive," she said. "It's not a steady man. It's an energy. He loves working. Not the appreciation but the fun part of going to the office and doing what you do there. He loves accomplishing. He's just a worker."

Jim Trebilcock has been a friend of Campbell for years.

"He's got eternal energy - no question about that," Trebilcock said. "Fred's always got an interest in something new, something different. He's always looking forward. He says he'll never retire and I believe that."

Campbell hosts regularly and plays bridge. He can be found at the speaker's table at most luncheon meetings of the Detroit Economic Club.

"How do I keep up?" he said. "I'm a workaholic. I'm always looking for a better way to build a building."

Before you rent you should have legal counsel

REAL ESTATE QUESTIONS



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q: I read a recent real estate query which responded to an inquiry from a rental property owner about cheap legal services.

I have represented tenants over a good part of my legal career, which gives me a good perspective of both sides of the transaction.

In addition, I own a small summer rental property. Landlords who have neglected to comply with various statutes governing landlord/tenant relationships have often lamented that they simply don't know the law, which implicitly means that they should be censured from knowing the law.

My response is that anyone in the business of renting residential property ought to know the laws pertaining to that business. Perhaps you ought to address the value of obtaining legal counsel before one undertakes residential rental activities and the wisdom of spending a relatively small sum to avoid much larger consequences later.

A: As you point out in your letter to me, in our field, as in most fields, you usually get what you pay for. There are no free lunches and one who engages in commercial transactions such as residential real estate property transactions should be cognizant of the legal ramifications of what they do from whatever perspective they may be positioned.

While there are various agencies which can provide persons with limited economic means with reduced fee or free legal advice, it is important that anyone who contemplates entering into a landlord/tenant relationship or any other type of legal obligation should consult with an experienced and knowledgeable attorney who can provide the insight and avoid potential costly errors saving the person potentially thousands of dollars.

Q: With the advent of the new small size in satellite dishes, does our community association still have the right to ban satellite dishes which are specifically prohibited in the documents.

A: More than likely it does. Generally the prohibitions on satellites does not address the issue of size, but merely the "evil" of satellites. Before an association can move forward in the age of technology, it

must amend its documents to provide that the smaller and certainly less objectionable satellites are permitted.

Failure to address the issue of the size of the satellite provisions leaves the association with no alternative but to enforce the satellite provisions based on certain cases reported at a Community Associations Institute Law Seminar which this author attended in San Diego, Calif. Courts have reasoned that the fact an exterior satellite dish is hidden does not remove the fact that a violation exists, however concealed, and that in a private agreement, as extinguished from a criminal situation, the Court may not impose its view on what may be reasonable, contrary to the agreement of the parties, or contrary to exercise of good faith by the association.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in areas of condominium, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics which you would like to see discussed in this column by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 487, Bingham Farms, MI 48025. Meisner can be heard weekdays at 9:45 a.m. on WPON, 1460 AM. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

HOMES SOLD

These are the Observer-area residential real-estate closings recorded March 18-22 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office...

ter of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in Southeastern Michigan...

mortgage recordings in Southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Table with columns for City, Address, and Price. Lists various home sales across different Michigan cities like Canton, Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth, and Westland.

Real estate advertisement for 'SUPER STARTER!' featuring a brick ranch with updates, including roof, kitchen, bath, windows, and central air.

Advertisement for WEIR, MANUEL, SNYDER & RANKE REALTORS with contact information for various locations like Plymouth, Birmingham, and Rochester.

Real estate advertisement for 'BEAUTIFUL HAMBURG TWP.!!' featuring a walkout site with 5.5 acres and wooded location.

Real estate advertisement for 'FORMER MODEL' featuring a beautiful 4-bedroom colonial with a great room and cathedral ceiling.

Real estate advertisement for 'SPACIOUS COLONIAL...' located on a wooded lot in one of the area's most desirable subdivisions.

Real estate advertisement for 'NORTHVILLE 3 ACRE HOME SITE' featuring a beautiful wooded site with an older ranch home plus out building.

Real estate advertisement for 'WONDERFUL OPEN FLOOR PLAN...' with a sit-in kitchen, watch TV in family room, and full partially finished basement.

Real estate advertisement for 'HOME HOTLINE' with contact information for dialing 1-800-778-0495.

Real estate advertisement for 'WONDERFUL OPEN FLOOR PLAN...' similar to the previous ad, highlighting the large deck overlooking a large pond.

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Real estate advertisement for 'Home on a Hill in the Woods' featuring a wonderful almost new ranch with 3 spacious bedrooms and full basement.

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Table titled 'MORTGAGE MARKET' with columns for Agency, Rate, Pts./100, and Comments. Lists various mortgage offers from agencies like Aggressive Mortgage Corp., Freedom Home Mortgage, and others.

Advertisement for 'FAIR HOUSING OPENS DOORS REALTORS ARE THE KEY' with the National Association of Realtors logo.

Real estate advertisement for 'LIVONIA' featuring a sharp 3-bedroom brick ranch in Livonia with a finished basement and 2-car garage.

Large advertisement for 'Quality Better Homes and Gardens' with contact information for 17000 S. Laurel Park Dr., Livonia, MI 48150.

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**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
15112 LAKESIDE DRIVE - NORTHVILLE  
N. OF 8 MILE - W. OF BRADNER  
**PRIVATE SECLUDED**  
Brick Cape Cod with not one but two fireplaces, four bedrooms, two full bathrooms, liberal use of oak, ceramic tile kitchen counter tops all on a double lot.  
**\$229,900**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
40665 PALMER - CANTON  
S. OF PALMER - E. OF HAUGERTY  
**COUNTRY LIVING**  
3 bedroom ranch on big lot, 139 x 268. Remodeled kitchen and bath, 3+ car garage, full basement, above ground pool. Must see this one.  
**\$119,900**



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**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
294 COUNTRY CLUB LANE - CANTON  
S. OF CHERRY HILL - W. OF BECK  
**SELLERS RELOCATION YOUR GOOD FORTUNE**  
Great room ranch less than 1 year old. 3 bedrooms, den, formal dining, multi-level deck, backs to wooded commons, beautiful master suite with whirlpool tub, full basement, upgrades thru out. Side entry garage, underground sprinklers, intercom security system.  
**\$299,999**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
22961 FORDSON HIGHWAY - REDFORD  
N. OF W. CHICAGO - W. OF BEECH DAILY  
**CHARMING BRICK RANCH**  
Great house with newer windows, roof, siding, partially finished basement with glass block windows. Excellent location and value!  
**\$95,500**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
8626 KINGS MILL - CANTON  
S. OF WARREN - W. OF BECK  
**PREMIUM HOMESITE**  
Stunning 3 year new Pulte contemporary! Designer "island" kitchen/ceramic floor, 2 story hardwood foyer, luxurious master suite with whirlpool tub and separate shower, side entry garage.  
**\$288,800**



**OPEN SUN 2-5**  
19672 CARDENE WAY - NORTHVILLE  
N. OF SEVEN MILE - W. OF HAUGERTY  
**NORTHRIAGE**  
Villa offers immediate occupancy on this two bedroom two bath condo. Cathedral ceilings, all appliances stay, full finished basement, 2 car attached garage, private entry, ready to move into.  
**\$168,900**



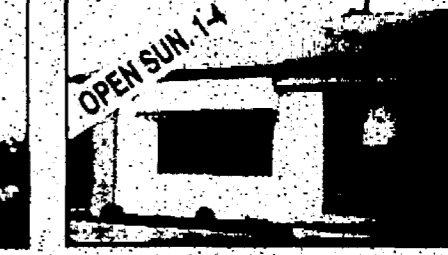
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**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
4618 MORNINGTON - CANTON  
W. OF CANTON CENTER - S. OF CHERRY HILL  
**PULTE BUILT**  
Great new price for a one year old, 4 bedroom colonial, big beautiful kitchen, glamorous master bath with tub & shower, walk to park, golf course, library.  
**\$259,900**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
12902 WOODBINE - REDFORD  
S. OF SCHOOLCRAFT - W. OF TELEGRAPH  
**THIS IS IT**  
3 bedroom ranch ready for you to move into. Numerous updates. Finished basement, 2 car finished garage. Absolutely immaculate. Don't wait.  
**\$75,900**



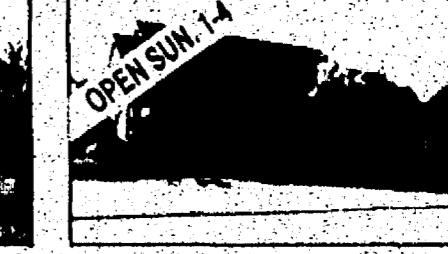
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7111 BURGANDY - CANTON  
W. OF CANTON CENTER - N. OF WARREN  
**COMMONS & WOODS**  
Privacy on your deck all summer. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, walk to high school and new elementary school. Immediate occupancy.  
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48672 CHAMBORG CT. - PLYMOUTH  
N. OF ANN ARBOR RD. - W. OF BECK  
**FABULOUS CAPE COD**  
Is an absolute showcase! Spacious, open airy floor plan features soft neutral decor, 1st floor master suite, great room with soaring cathedral ceilings, floor to ceiling windows, skylights and more.  
**\$299,900**



**OPEN SUN 1-5**  
4479 LAKECREST - VAN BUREN  
S. OF I-94 - E. OF BELLEVILLE RD.  
**LAKE ACCESS HOME**  
Beautiful trees on corner lot host sprawling brick ranch in prestigious neighborhood. Bring your boat! Room for boat in oversized garage, extra driveway pad for your rv. Many amenities. Newly decorated in neutral tones.  
**\$199,900**



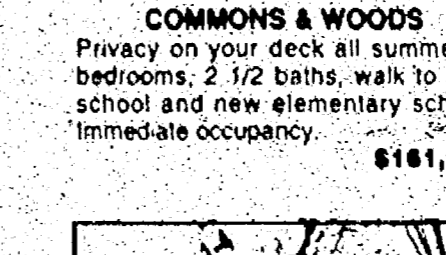
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3438 CABOT ROAD - CANTON  
S. OF PALMER - E. OF SHIELDON  
**JUST LISTED**  
This colonial has many updates: new kitchen, baths, floor, vinyl windows, garage door opener, family room with fireplace, 2 car attached garage and waiting for you.  
**\$134,900**



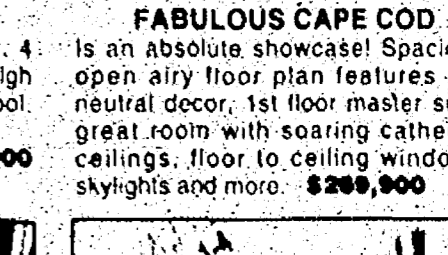
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**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
7204 EMBASSY - CANTON  
N. OF WARREN - E. OF CANTON CENTER  
**SUNFLOWER VILLAGE RANCH**  
3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, new kitchen, roof, windows, central air, family room with fireplace, attached garage.  
**\$189,900**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
498 ASH ST. - PLYMOUTH  
N. OF CHURCH - W. OF HARVEY  
**WONDERFUL CAPE COD**  
4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with a short walk to downtown Plymouth. Remodeled kitchen, vinyl windows, high efficiency furnace with central air, florida room and more.  
**\$189,900**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
1977 HERON CREEK  
S. OF N. TERRITORIAL - W. OF SHIELDON  
**PLYMOUTH'S HIDDEN CREEK**  
The charm of traditional features, the excitement of innovative design. Two master suites, 2 1/2 baths, soaring dining room ceiling, library, off white decor plus a tidy list of amenities.  
**\$289,900**



**OPEN SUN 1-4**  
6192 YARROW - CANTON  
S. OF CHERRY HILL - E. OF SHIELDON  
**BEST BUY IN CANTON**  
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# Common questions on home financing



**MORTGAGE SHOPPING**  
Some questions to ask to get needed information on the best mortgage for your situation.

**Q: How do I make sure I get the lowest rate possible?**

**A: You should request information from a variety of banks and mortgage companies.**

Keep in mind that, as with any financial decision, searching for the best price is only the starting point in comparison shopping. Low rates combined with unfavorable or inflexible terms can result in added costs rather than savings. Before making an application, be sure to compare the lenders' answers to the following questions:

- Will you have to pay points or closing costs?
- What is the exact breakdown of the closing costs?
- Can you lock the interest rate and, if so, is there a fee to lock the interest rate?
- What happens if the rates move between the time you apply and the time you close?
- Is there a prepayment penalty on your loan?

**Q: What are no-closing cost mortgages and are they always the best choice?**

**A:** With no-closing cost mortgages, the borrower does not pay closing costs. This can result in large savings when the loan is initiated. However, the interest rate on a no-closing cost loan will be higher than the rate on a mortgage with closing costs. After a certain number of years, the additional interest you will have paid may exceed the amount you initially saved by not paying closing costs. No-closing cost loans may be a good choice if you have limited amount of cash available, if you have recently refinanced, or are planning to move within a few years.

**A:** The vast majority of loans are sold on the secondary market. The largest buyer is the federally chartered Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae). The real issue is whether the lender will sell the servicing of your mortgage. Disclosures required of almost all lenders selling in the secondary market will help determine the following:

- Whether the lender is able to service your loan or whether they plan to assign, transfer or sell the servicing.
- The lender's best estimate of the percentage of loans they are likely to transfer over the next 12 months.
- The percentage of loans which the lender has originated and then transferred in the past.

**Q: Can you explain some of the advantages and disadvantages of the basic loan types?**

**A:** Sure. Here's some information on common loans.

**30-year fixed rate loans** have low monthly payments. It's easier to qualify and budget for the loan. There is slower equity build-up however. Tax write-offs in the early years may partly offset large interest payments.

**20-year fixed rate loans** are predictable with low monthly payments. They have lower interest rates and larger interest savings but higher monthly payments than 30-year mortgages.

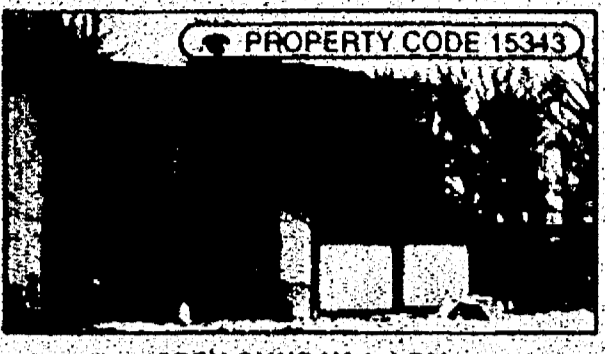
**7/23 balloon loans** offer low monthly payments with lower interest than the above programs. The loan is amortized on a 30-year schedule but must be refinanced at the end of the seventh year, 5/25 A.R.M. and 7/23 A.R.M. loans have low monthly payments and interest rates. The loan is amortized on a 30-year schedule. There is a one time adjustment after the fifth or seventh year, with a maximum increase of 6 percent above the initial rate.

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**Q: My current loan has been sold several times to different lenders. Is there any way I can make sure my new mortgage will not be sold?**

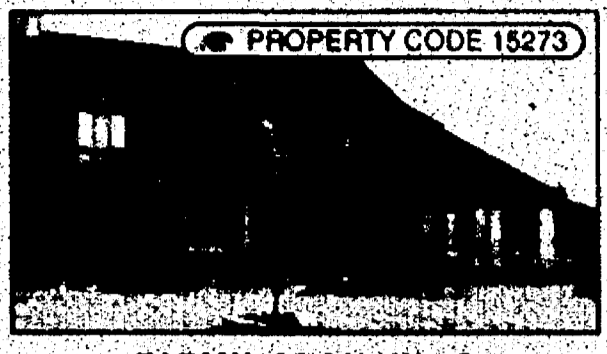
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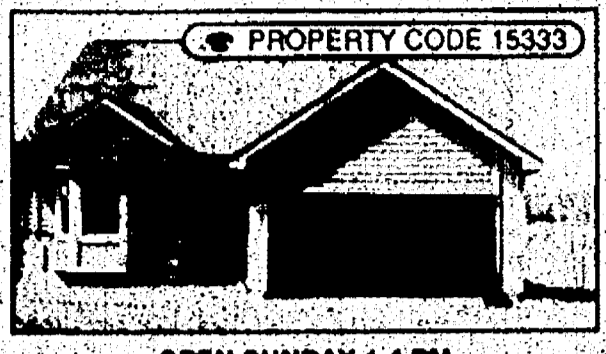
PROPERTY CODE 15343

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 PM**  
179 Lakeshore Pk.  
N. of Grand River, W. of Latson  
**HOWELL**  
Own a new custom built home on all sports Lake Thompson. 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial with walkout basement. Pella's, crown molding, central air & much more. \$329,500 (313-462-1811)



PROPERTY CODE 15273

**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
Meticulously clean best describes this majestic colonial with 6 panel doors, custom wood trim, professionally landscaped, sprinklers, two decks & more. \$297,500 (313-462-1811)



PROPERTY CODE 15333

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 PM**  
188 Lakeshore Vista  
N. Grand River, W. of Latson  
**HOWELL**  
Gorgeous ranch with walkout basement. Located in lakeside community with excellent views of All Sports Thompson Lake. \$229,500 (313-462-1811)

**CANTON**  
NEW CONSTRUCTION: This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial in one of Canton's newest subdivisions will be ready for spring occupancy. Great open floor plan. (OE-N-12PHE, Prop. Code 10633) \$189,900 (810-347-3050)

**1937 PULTE HOME CANTON.** Beautiful, clean & touched by tradition. This 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial has been very well kept. Family room with fireplace, freshly painted and close to schools. (OE-L-61HIG, Prop. Code 15323) \$168,000 (313-462-1811)

**SHARP TOWNHOUSE.** Two bedroom townhouse featuring fresh neutral paint, natural fireplace, air conditioning, two skylights and much more. (OE-N-51ARB, Prop. Code 12203) \$87,500 (810-347-3050)

**GOLF CLUB COMMUNITY.** Great opportunity to select your building site and builder to create the home of your dreams. (OE-N-75GLE, Prop. Code 11613) \$69,000 (810-347-3050)

**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
THIS ONE HAS IT ALL! Stunning professionally finished walk-out with kitchenette, full bath, rec room, workout room, and more. Spacious family room, alarm, intercom, 2 1/2 car garage, sprinklers, central air, deck, and patio with cabana for hot tub. (OE-N-19HOR, Prop. Code 11843) \$319,900 (810-347-3050)

**IMPECCABLE BRICK RANCH.** This extra large treed lot surrounds an impeccably maintained 3 bedrooms, 2 bath brick ranch with great room with fireplace and French doors, hardwood floors, gourmet kitchen and pantry, large master suite, central air, large deck, and 2 car attached garage. (OE-N-20EIG, Prop. Code 11653) \$154,900 (810-347-3050)

**LIVONIA**  
DON'T WAIT! Or you'll lose the chance to own the nicest ranch in Livonia's Tiffany Park. New roof and windows 1990; kitchen just updated; and the best finished basement in town. (OE-N-54HOU Prop. Code 12193) \$147,900 (810-347-3050)

**LIVONIA**  
GREAT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY. Be your own boss! A well established shoe business with a strong clientele list of over 11,000 customers. This is an opportunity to make an unlimited amount of money. Call for details. (OE-N-03PLY) \$109,900 (810-347-3050)

**PLYMOUTH**  
NEW CONSTRUCTION: Great room overlooks pond and nature area. 4 bedrooms including a large master, 2 1/2 baths, dream kitchen with hardwood floor, 3 car garage, Pella's, carpeting and lighting fixtures and more. (OE-N-19JOUA) \$309,900 (810-347-3050)

**READY TO MOVE IN!** Builders model home awaits you. Gorgeous hardwood floors as you enter the 2 story foyer, on into the kitchen and large nook. White cabinets in gourmet kitchen; huge master suite with His and Hers' closets, corner soaking tub and shower a must see. (OE-N-97SOU Prop. Code 11873) \$289,900 (810-347-3050)

**REDFORD**  
REDFORD RANCH Three bedroom ranch with full basement, hardwood floors, garage, newer windows, furnace 3 years old. Great neighborhood and lots of curb appeal. (OE-N-85ROS Prop. Code 10143) \$92,000 (810-347-3050)

**SHARP BRICK BUNGALOW.** Three bedrooms with added den and beautiful fireplace, large 2 1/2 fireplace, large 2 1/2 car garage, nice finished basement, newer sink, countertop, and floor in kitchen. (OE-N-75WOR Prop. Code 12153) \$87,900 (810-347-3050)

**LOOK NO FURTHER!** Looking for that starter home? Here it is! Cute and cozy... just waiting for you. 3 bedrooms, fenced yard, storage shed and more. (OE-L-09KEE Prop. Code 15373) \$58,000 (313-462-1811)

**WESTLAND**  
MOVE RIGHT IN! To this extensively updated ranch. Some updates include newer carpet, newer hot water heater, newer doors & copper plumbing. Hurry! (OE-L-55VAH Prop. Code 15363) \$95,900 (313-462-1811)

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This weekend, during our Spring Open House Celebration, homes of all different styles, and all different prices, will be open for you to see. So you just might find one that's perfect for you. And with our experience and service, we can help make that dream home a reality.

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**PLYMOUTH'S** "RIDGEWOOD HILLS" ORIGINAL OWNER BRICK FRONT COLONIAL on highly regarded NORMANDY DRIVE. Flawlessly maintained with recent expensive updates: 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths an inviting open foyer with a circular staircase, 26x15 family room, a study, formal dining room, enchanting landscaping, finished basement, etc. \$264,900

**CITY OF NORTHVILLE!** FIRST TIME OFFERED IN OVER 50 YEARS! Enchanting Cape Cod with 3 bedrooms (1st floor master), 1 full, 2 half baths, 24x19 family room with a fireplace, formal dining room, screened porch, living room with a fireplace, finished basement and garage space for 3 or 4 cars. \$199,500

**PLYMOUTH NEW ON THE MARKET!** STately CUSTOM BUILT BRICK FRONT COLONIAL with 4 large bedrooms, 3 full baths, hardwood flooring, formal dining room, up-dated kitchen, family room with a fireplace a study 1st floor laundry finished basement and 2 1/2 car side entrance garage. AN OUTSTANDING NEIGHBORHOOD AND FAMILY LOCATION \$249,900

**PLYMOUTH COLONY FARMS SUBDIVISION.** AN EYE PLEASING HAPPY-TO-BE-HOME WOODED SETTING ON A QUIET COURT. An exquisite Cedar Contemporary with 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths Anderson windows, 21x26 living room 2 fireplaces, family room library, formal dining room and oversized 2 1/2 car attached garage. A refreshing change of pace. \$209,900

**PLYMOUTH "HIDDEN CREEK" CONDOMINIUMS** south of N. Territorial. Just 24 hours, some of which are highly individualized. The amenities boasts a one-of-a-kind interior with 2 master suites (one on each floor), 5 1/2 baths, oversized living room and formal dining room, a 3 story open wood staircase, 2 fireplaces, walk-out basement and a 2 1/2 car garage \$888,000 (489-8800)

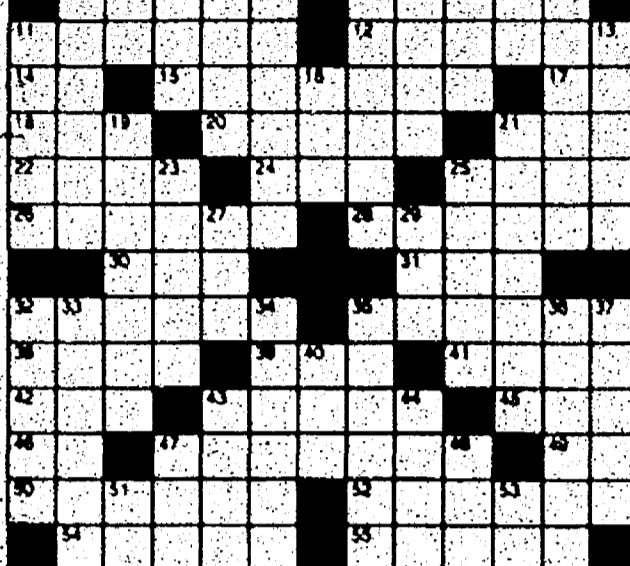
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OPEN SUN, 1.5 3/42 LAFAYETTE

319 Hamlet
HAMBURG
Over 1/2 mile to Green Lake

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WIN A 1996 CADILLAC SEVILLE STS AND A 1996 CADILLAC ELDERADO TOURING COUPE!

320 Hartland
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED - bright 4 bedroom ranch

325 Livonia
3 Bedroom brick ranch updated kitchen and bathrooms

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LIVE IN PRESTIGIOUS LIVING!
Georgian new brick 3 bedroom brick

328 Northville
AWESOME NORTHVILLE COMMONS RANCH
Well over 2000 sq ft of updated living

331 Orion Twp./Lk. Orion/Oakland
NEW 3 bedroom ranch, great room

334 Plymouth
SPACIOUS 4 bedroom brick ranch in Trailswood Sub

323 Howell
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED farmhouse 1.5 story 3 bed

RE/MAX Countryside
Neat Ranch on 6 acre tree parcel in Grand Township

325 Livonia
ABSOLUTELY CLEAN, sharp new on the market 3 bedroom ranch

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ABSOLUTELY SPOTLESS! OPEN SUN, 1-4 PM

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Nice 3 bedroom brick ranch in popular sub

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Lovely ranch with finished walk-out, 9+ acres

325 Livonia
ELBOW ROOM
Large ranch with 4 bedrooms, master bath and main level library

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NORTHWEST LIVONIA
Built in 1994, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, full finished basement

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CENTURY 21 ROW
MOVE IN CONDITION!
Lovely Ranch w/ open floor plan

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First time offered!
Here's a chance to exercise your creative skills

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ONE ACRE \$129,900
Backs to woods, 1 floor living, 4 bedrooms

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Estate-sized Opportunity
Ranch in Livonia, 2,200 sq ft Cape Cod

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ROSEDALE GARDENS
3 bedroom, 1.5 baths, finished basement

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3 BEDROOM RANCH
3 bedroom ranch, 4th bedroom & 3 1/2 baths

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BEST BUY IN NOV!
Almost 2500 sq ft, convenient location

329 Novi
SUPER VALUE ON THE 4 Bedroom
3 1/2 bath brick ranch with 2 car garage

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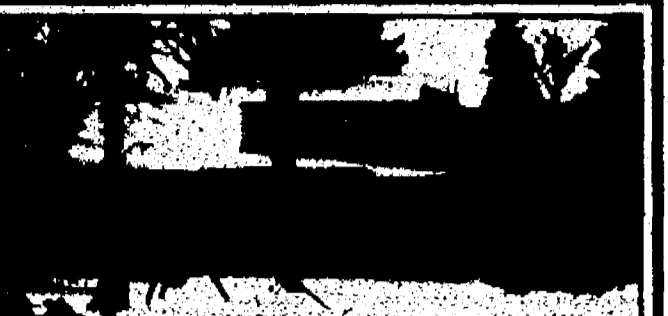
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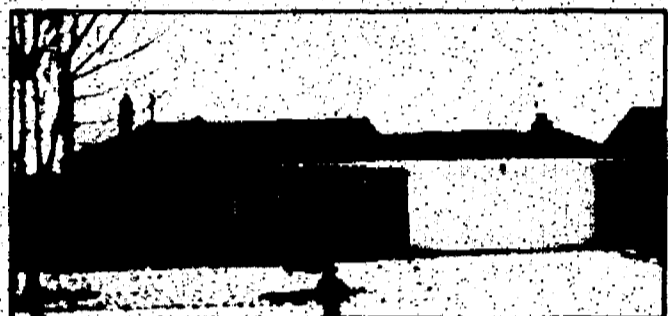
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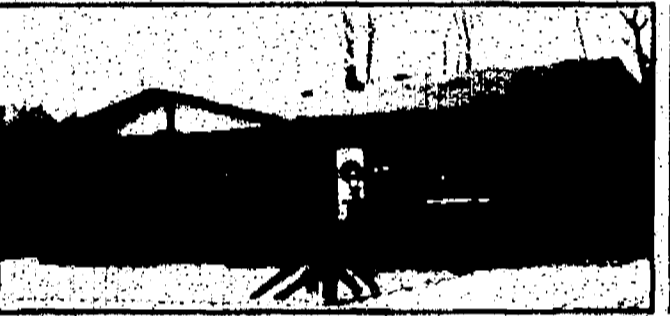
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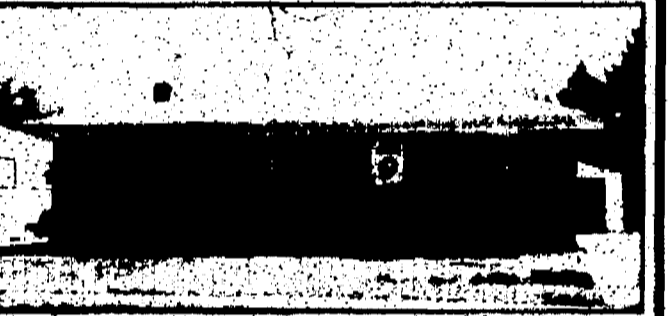
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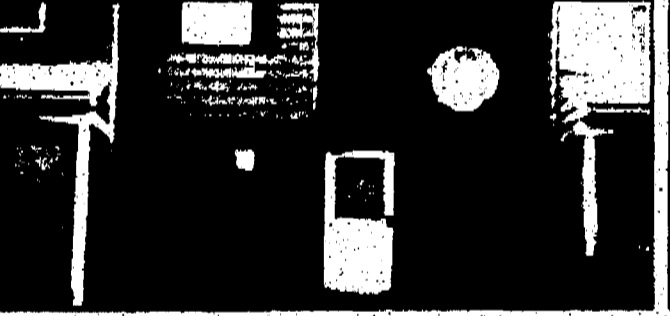
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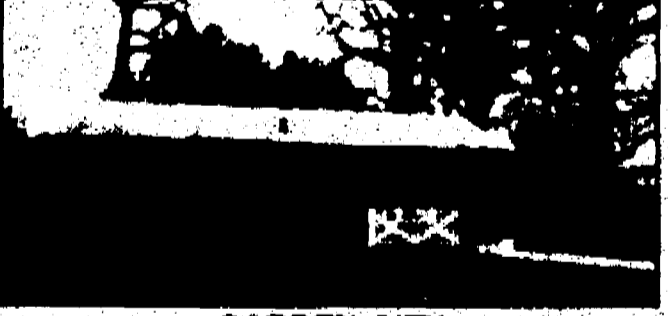
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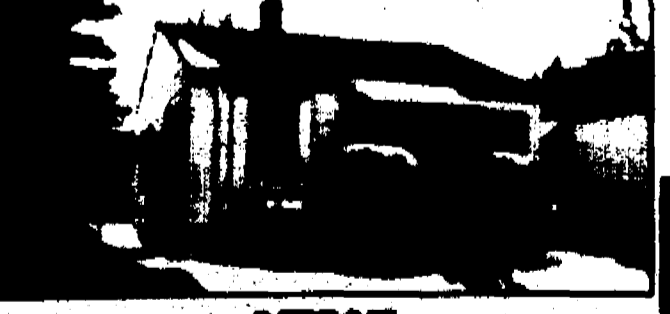
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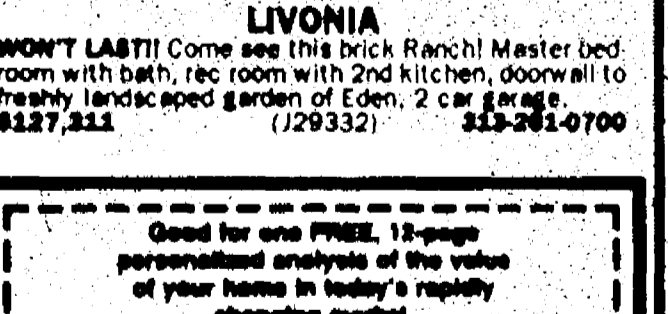
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# Interviewing: According To The Law

**The Winning Edge**  
by Roger Hempel

Many of today's national employment laws (Title VII) were prompted by abuses involving discrimination in hiring practices. It could not be legislated away, but they had to draw a line in the sand. Walking that line that's what many employers are doing, when they interview candidates for an open position. It is a very thin line and you should be aware of the government's interpretation of those laws. The two main sets of laws that employers must deal with are the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) legislation.

By law, an interviewer can NOT legally ask you the following questions:

- Age (except that you are over 18)

and less than their mandatory retirement age)

- Height and Weight (During the interview, the interviewers can make their own assessment of your possible physical limitations.)

- Maiden Name (They may ask if you have ever worked for the company under a different name.)

- Married, Single, Divorced or Widowed

- Spouse's Occupation (with the exception of whether your spouse is an employee of the company and could have an influence on the reporting hierarchy)

- Number of Children and Their Ages (They also may not ask if you plan on having any children or if you are presently pregnant.)

- Place of Birth (They may ask if you are a U.S. citizen or a resident alien with permission to work in the U.S.)

- Native Language (They may ask level of fluency of a language, if it is pertinent to the position for which you are applying.)

- Religion (They may state that the position requires Saturday working hours and ask if that would be a problem for you.)

- Have You Been Arrested (They may request a background check for security reasons, if it is related to the position.)

- Have You Been Hospitalized.

Some of these questions may still appear on very, very old application forms and technically are illegal on the form and can NOT be asked. The common way around many of these questions is a simple request of you to "Tell me about yourself?" What you volunteer about yourself is not a violation of your rights.

As you can see, many questions have exceptions that are valid in

special cases. The problem that you have is, if they ask you one of these illegal questions, how do you want to answer them? Do you want to respond that it is an illegal question and that you refuse to answer? Would you go as far as to even leave the interview and threaten to contact your lawyer? Do you swallow hard and answer that question, choosing your words carefully? How badly do you want this position? These illegal practices are very hard to prove in a court of law and is that really where you want to spend your time and money? Interviews are not easy to come by in these very competitive times. You may find that this type of questioning will provide you with an insight into this corporation. With this in mind, even if you are extended a position, you may choose to refuse the offer!

Be aware of the illegal "non-interview"! It has been a practice of some employers to gain responses to some of these questions through

other personnel in the corporation. As an example, I heard of a practice where the applicant was kept waiting in the private, outer office of the hiring manager, where a well-trained receptionist subtly asked leading questions. The only two people in the room were the applicant and this unofficial interviewer. The dead quiet and lack of reading material was used to start an apparent innocent conversation, like, "How was your weekend?" if early in the week or "Do you have plans for the weekend?" if it was later in the week. Many people would respond, telling about their home life or family. These comments would then be expanded upon to include details, along with other information about tastes and likes. Many of these questions dealt with the very types of information that the law was intended to protect. The receptionist had a very specific set of questions, for which they were trying to gain answers. Small notes were made on the responses and this fact sheet was slipped to the interviewer,

when the other paperwork was handed to them, at the start of the real interview.

Is this done? Yes, but many times not as blatant as in this case. Is it illegal? If the sole purpose of that delayed entry and the informal nature of the questioning process is to establish answers to ancestry, family origin, religion, family plans, physical or age concerns and other questions that normally cannot be asked, then the answer is YES! If you have specific questions about an interview or about your rights, please contact your lawyer for details. Be knowledgeable, Be wise and Be safe!

Until next time - this is Roger...  
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## Renovated apartments convey community

Oak Village in Westland is one unique living situation.

Some 316 units in 167 duplexes provide a rental opportunity in a setting that could pass for a community of ranches built in the 1950s.

They're renovated apartments - neat and clean - that don't look like apartments.

Certified Realty of Farmington Hills, which acquired the property in February of 1995, set about weeding out tenants who had chronic problems paying rent or keeping up the units.

Certified also has continued an upgrading process to bring the duplexes, now more than 40 years old, into the 1990s.

The result is a 600-square-foot unit with two bedrooms, living room, kitchen/eating nook and full bath, plus a basement, driveway, front and rear yards and porch - renting for \$500 per month.

About two thirds are occupied.

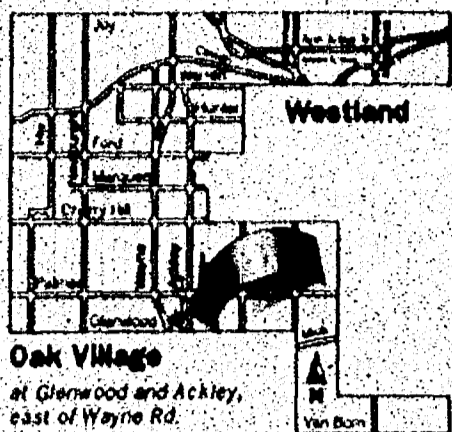
"This is an unusual property," said Ron Boraks, a managing partner. "It's not your typical apartment complex. Folks that live here want the feel of their own home, their own front door, their own driveway."

"When Ron and I first saw this property," said Ron Abrams, also a managing partner and Boraks' brother-in-law, "you didn't know it was a rental property. You'd never know."

"When I showed it to my wife for the first time, her mouth dropped open," Abrams added. "She said, 'It's a neighborhood.'"

Boraks picked up on that track. "It's a neighborhood where anyone can live. It's two single people who want to live together. It's a single parent, young marrieds who want to start a family or already have kids. It's older folks."

"You have the benefits of renting - someone else is responsible



Oak Village

at Glenwood and Ackley, east of Wayne Rd.

for everything in your unit," Boraks said.

"The biggest key to tenant retention is making sure all maintenance items are taken care of immediately and people are treated as being king of the castle," Boraks said.

"Normally when you rent an apartment, you get a little storage locker in the basement," Abrams said. "It's unheard of to have a 600-square-foot basement."

"Young families have a place for their kids to play," Boraks said. "You can't get it (basement) in apartments."

Spacious yards with no fences also offer recreational opportunities, Abrams said. "It's great for kids back here."

Abrams also brought up another selling - make that leasing - point.

"We allow a small pet which is very unusual for apartments today. This is something people like," he said.

Oak Village is on Ackley and Steiber off Glenwood east of Wayne Road. Refrigerators and ovens are included.

The duplex exteriors are predominantly brick. As windows are updated to vinyl, wood trim is replaced with aluminum siding.

Interior renovations are completed as needed. Most bathrooms get tile work. Carpeting



JIM JAGDFELDT/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Oak Village: Renovated duplexes are neat and clean for tenants in this Westland community.

is changed. Light fixtures, duct grates, electrical plates and door knobs are replaced.

Roofs and appliances are fairly new.

Tenants pay for all of their own utilities including water and gas. The complex is serviced by city water and sewers. It's within the Wayne/Westland school boundaries.

The city snowplows the streets. Oak Village clears snow from the sidewalks and cuts the grass.

Renters are limited to four residents per unit.

Marlene and Tony Lave moved in last September.

"Here, the kids can play in the back yard. They can run around and have a good time. I think it's great."

*Carolyn Anderson*  
Oak Village resident

"My husband lived here (in the area)," Marlene said. "His parents are a half mile away. That's why he likes it. Stores are close by. That's why I like it. What we like best is the fact it has its own entrance. An apartment doesn't."

"I love the basement," Marlene added. "That's where all the

kids' toys are. They still have the yard. That's attractive to me, also."

Carolyn and Karen Anderson, sisters, heard about Oak Village from a friend of a friend.

"It's more a neighborhood setting," Carolyn said. "You have your own driveway, your own

entrance. You don't have people living above you or below you."

"When you get a regular apartment, you pay \$500 to \$600 for a basic two bedroom," she said. "Here, you get your own basement. It's two levels. They're perfect."

"Here, the kids can play in the back yard," Carolyn said. "They can run around and have a good time. I think it's great."

The leasing office at Oak Village, (313) 721-8111, is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

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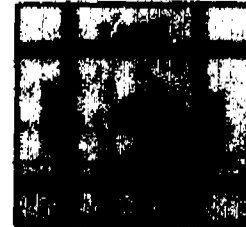
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# Housing starts take the biggest dip in a year

**By JOHN D. MCCLAIN**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Housing starts slipped 3.9 percent in March, the steepest drop in a year, but construction activity still remained strong for the fifth straight month.

Analysts said much of the loss was in the multi-family sector and, despite rising mortgage rates, single-family housing dropped just slightly.

Some economists said the growing economy is helping offset the effects of higher rates.

"But I get nervous going forward," admitted David Lereah, an economist with the Mortgage

Bankers Association. "Eventually, interest rates will win this war."

Activity was mixed regionally, rising in the Northeast and Midwest and falling in the South and West.

The Commerce Department said last week that construction of new homes and apartments totaled 1.45 million at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, the fifth straight month above a 1.4 million rate. Last month's total was down from a revised 1.51 million in February, when the rate was initially estimated to be 1.49 million.

The drop, biggest since a

6.17 percent plunge in March 1995, was in line with analysts' expectations.

The February rate was the highest since 1.51 million in May 1994. Analysts said the 3.6 percent jump reflected builders' rush to pour foundations before rising rates priced buyers out of the market.

But many analysts believe the housing market has peaked now that financing has grown more expensive.

Thirty-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 7.88 percent in March, up from 7.17 percent in February and 7.03 percent in January 1996. They have contin-

ued to climb and averaged 8.05 percent last week, highest since 8.27 percent in May 1995.

The monthly payment on a \$100,000 mortgage with a 7 percent interest rate is \$665, while the payment on the same loan with a 8 percent rate is \$734 — a difference of \$69.

An early April membership survey by the National Association of Home Builders resulted in a 60 on the organization's Housing Market Index, unchanged from March.

But while the index was flat, it remained above 50, suggesting more builders believe conditions remained good than those who

describe them as poor.

"Whether this strong level of activity continues remains to be seen, considering that mortgage rates have risen more than 1 percentage point since February," said Randy Smith, the association president.

Applications for building permits, often a barometer for future activity, were virtually unchanged in March, inching up just 0.1 percent to a 1.41 million annual rate.

Interest-sensitive single-family starts, about 80 percent of residential building activity, fell 1.4 percent to a 1.16 million rate from 1.18 million in February.

Construction of apartments and condominiums, an often volatile category subject to interest-rate changes, plunged 12.7 percent to a 288,000 rate. Multi-family starts totaled a 330,000 rate in February.

Regionally, starts shot up 10.2 percent in the Northeast to a 140,000 rate, highest since 169,000 in November 1994. They rose 3.5 percent in the Midwest, to 322,000.

But they sank 18.1 percent in the West, to a 349,000 rate, the biggest drop since falling 20.7 percent in March 1995. They were down 2.3 percent in the South, to 636,000.

# Ameritech offers tips on moving efficiently

CHICAGO, April 23 (PRNewswire) — After a long, rough Midwest winter and slow start to Spring 1996, May is a good time to begin those spring cleaning projects, dive into some outdoor activities and for many, it's the month to move. Memorial Day weekend is, in fact, one of the heaviest moving periods of the year since school is out, the weather is good and the three-day weekend gives people some extra time to complete moving.

Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) reminds movers to plan for their communications needs in advance in order to save money and avoid any inconvenience.

"We know that three out of four movers are moving locally, and their

needs for telephone, fax and extra lines will change with their new location, especially if there is new construction. To ensure a seamless transition, it's important that you discuss all your needs with your phone provider before the technician arrives at your new home," said Joan Lipman, Ameritech's relocation manager.

For instance, if the home to which you're moving previously had phone service, your service can be hooked up without a service call in most cases. However, if there is more than one phone line, a service visit usually is necessary to test lines. Customers also should consider activities in and around

the home that might affect phone service. If you spend a lot of time in your yard or garage, for instance, phone jacks and lines will need to be installed.

New construction also impacts telephone and cable wiring needs. Ordering new jacks during construction rather than after will save time and money. If the new location requires wiring for telephone service, Ameritech provides telephone service to the Network Interface - the gray box located on the outside of the home at no charge. The internal wiring, however, needs to be connected to that interface and is the responsibility of the homeowner.

This year has already proven to be solid in terms of housing sales and relocation activity, despite the severe winter weather. The National Association of Realtors reports the housing market is on the rise with home resale activity increasing in every region throughout the country last month.

Increased 6.5 percent," said Art Godi, president of the National Association of Realtors. "The Midwest has been the steadiest market during the 90's when strong price increases resulted from a boost in the trade up market and strong local economies," he said.

More than 45 million Americans move annually. Ameritech expects approximately 3 million people to move in their Midwest region - Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin.

The moving season begins in earnest Memorial Day weekend and culminates on Labor Day weekend.

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## Ameritech's Moving Countdown

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- Notify the post office of your new address and send change of address cards to friends, family, periodicals and credit card companies.
- If the mover does the packing, arrange for it to be done one or two days before loading. If you are doing the packing yourself, get started now.
- Contact the IRS for forms and regulations concerning tax-deductible moving expenses.
- Plan for your future communications needs - Do you plan to start your own business? Do you have a home computer or fax machine?
- Do you have a portable phone? Do you have teenagers now... or will they be teenagers soon, how many lines do you need? Do you want to add optional services such as Call Waiting or Caller ID?
- Planning means one service call, which will save you time and money in unnecessary return visits.
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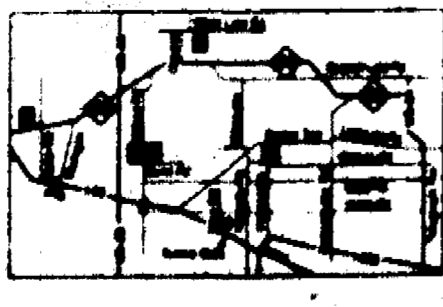
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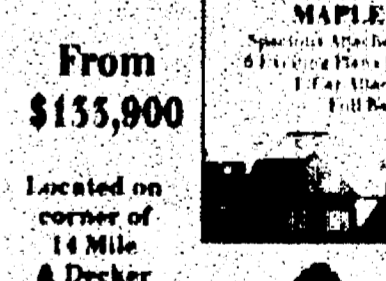
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 According to FBI statistics, a home with a professionally installed security system is 15 times less likely to be burglarized than a home without a security system.  
 Make sure your new home has smoke detectors. The National Fire Protection Association recommends that one be

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# Furniture sales in spring doldrums

BY PAUL NOWELL  
AP BUSINESS WRITER

The signs are not pointing to a prosperous spring furniture market in High Point as debt-ridden consumers continue to stay away from furniture stores.  
 "The consumer is overextended," said industry analyst Jerry Epperson. "Debt

is as high as it was prior to the 1989 recession."  
 That's not what manufacturers like to hear on the eve of the International Home Furnishings Market, which is running this week.  
 The good news is that there has been some recent improvement at the cash registers, with some retailers reporting better sales in February and March after a slow winter.

"High-end furniture is doing reasonably well and there's been a pickup in the ultra low end," Epperson said. "The problem is with the middle-price points. These products are dependent on credit and they seem to be hurting the most."  
 About 70,000 people attend the semi-annual trade show, which draws buyers from all 50 states and 85 foreign countries to the small North Carolina city.  
 The furniture market is very important to the region, pumping more than \$200 million annually into the area's economy. Buyers, dealers and other visitors patronize hotels, restaurants and shops as far away as Greensboro and Winston-Salem.

Orders written by furniture buyers also are harbingers of things to come over the next few months for the industry. About 60 percent of all American furniture is made within a 200-mile radius of High Point.  
 After three solid years of growth, furniture sales slumped after the Federal Reserve Bank began to tighten credit in 1994. That slowed housing sales in early 1995, which in turn hurt furniture sales.  
 While housing has regained some strength, the furniture business has yet to recover.  
 "It hasn't been terribly fun for the people in the industry," said analyst Bill Bavin, who follows furniture for Ferris, Baker Watts Inc. in Baltimore.  
 A number of factors are pulling down the furniture industry's profits, he said.  
 "Consumer sentiment is not as strong as it could be," he said. "Obviously, retailers would like people to be buying more."

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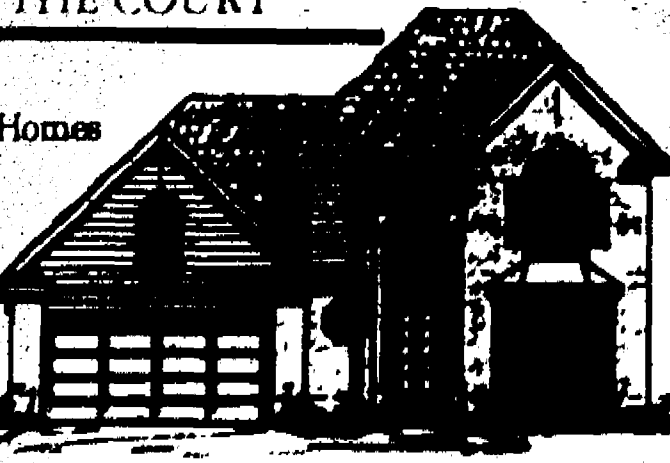
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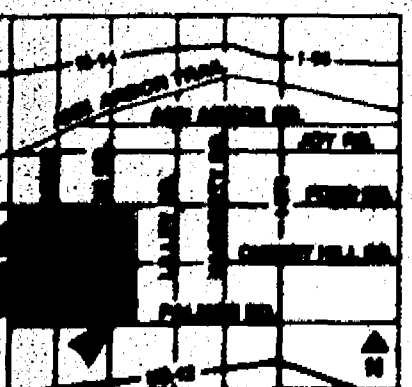
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Many people who took advantage of low mortgage rates in 1995 to buy a new house should now be in the position to start looking for furniture, Bavin said.  
 "Many of them have had their houses for a year and they now might want to furnish them a little better," he said.  
 The problem - many consumers are carrying high balances on their credit cards. Until they can pay them off, they won't be making any trips to the local furniture store.  
 Epperson said the low point came right after Christmas.  
 "December and January were terrible months," he said. "It got better in February and March was a little better."  
 He attributed the drop in sales to the fact that many bargain-hungry shoppers waited until the last minute to buy Christmas gifts. That hurt spending on durables like cars, appliances and furniture.  
 Despite their concerns, both analysts showed some optimism.  
 "The premarket 30 days ago was pretty encouraging," Epperson said. "I don't know if it will flow through the market itself. But it was a lot stronger than I would have expected."  
 Manufacturers and retailers are hoping for pent-up consumer demand to let loose, Bavin said.  
 "Everybody seems to be waiting for it to happen," he said.









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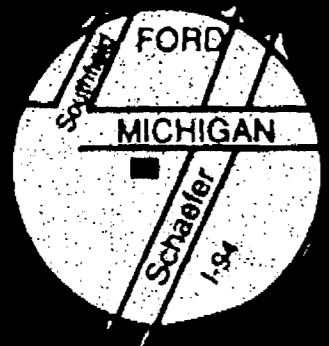


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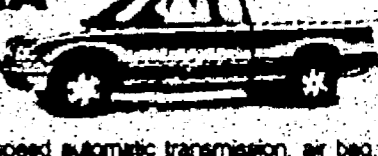

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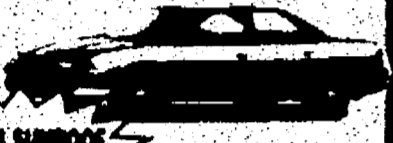
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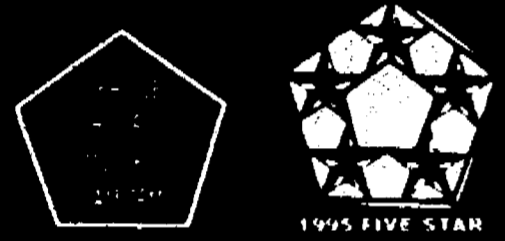
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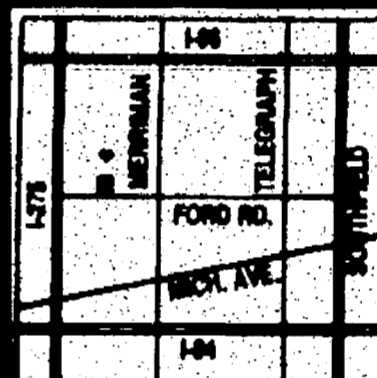


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