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DPS director dead at 47

Westland Public Services Director Carl Clark died Tuesday at age 47 following a battle with Lou Gehrig's disease.

Clark - praised by Mayor Robert Thomas for improving the department he headed - died at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Thomas remembered Clark as a highly competent public services director who restored productivity to a department that drew its share of criticism.

"He went over there and did it," Thomas said. "A lot of people thought it couldn't be done. He made some enemies. But, in the end, I think everybody respected him for it."

"He was a tough guy, but if you really got to know him, he was a gentle guy," the mayor said. "Whatever you gave him to do, he was the guy that could get it done."

Clark began a long-term disability leave in August after serving nearly five years as public services director. He worked for the city for 11 years, holding positions such as water meter reader, housing inspector, and water and sewer superintendent.

Clark, a 10-year U.S. Marine who served in Vietnam, was a member of AMVETS, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans and Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Ziomek Funeral Home, 8809 Wayne Road in Livonia. Visitation is 1-9 p.m. Thursday and noon to 9 p.m. Friday.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon; a daughter, Jennifer; two sons, Kenneth and Richard; his mother, Ruth Hanchett; four sisters, Trudy Schoeppey, Lynn Janik, Sue Garon and Allison Todd; and two brothers, Larry Clark and Mark Clark.

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Team approach: Members of the Metro Street Enforcement Team are working together to solve crimes./A3

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The Westland Chamber of Commerce is hosting an after-hours mixer with members of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy Road, three blocks east of Middlebelt. Cost is \$10 for this networking opportunity, which will feature hot, cold and sweet hors d'oeuvres. An open bar will also be featured, sponsored by Joy Manor.

For reservations or more information, call (313) 926-7222. You may fax your information with name, business, phone number and number of people attending to (313) 326-6040 by Feb. 3.

Kids have a heart

Kids from Madison Elementary School warmed up the bone-chilling winter weather by making Valentine hearts and decorating the windows of My Fair Lady Flower Shop on Wayne Road in Westland.

Third- and fourth-graders used colored paper, tissue and contact paper during their indoor recesses to create the hearts. They are the students of Linda Rose, who said the complicated art project helped the class practice listening skills and multi-step directions.

Mayor meets public

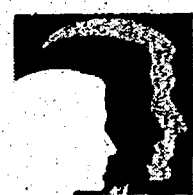
Westland Mayor Robert J. Thomas will hold his next Town Hall Meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at the Presbyterian Village, 32001 Cherry Hill between Venoy and Merriman roads. The meeting was originally scheduled for Feb. 13. For information, call (313) 467-3200.

Editor reappointed

Amy Maylone, a sophomore at Wayne Memorial High School, will serve for a second semester as editor of The Hi-Lite school newspaper at the high school.

"Amy has shown exceptional progress as an interviewer and writer this year," said her adviser, Darrel Emerson.

Council nixes youth facility



Westland City Council members said no to a plan to house a facility for delinquent girls in the former Montgomery Hospital. Plans to put the Spectrum Human Services offices at the site were also denied.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A split Westland City Council on Tuesday rejected a proposed medium-security home for delinquent and abused girls, following a storm of protest from residents who opposed the embattled facility.

In a related decision that fueled fears of a lawsuit, a council majority

also refused to allow Spectrum Human Services Inc. to move its offices from Livonia to the former Montgomery Hospital - a Westland psychiatric facility that shut down last year.

Angry Councilman Charles Pickering, who supported both Spectrum proposals, warned his colleagues that they had no authority to block the office plan.

"Are you going to be authorizing the city attorney to set up a legal fund to fight this in court?" he asked during a fiery, two-hour dispute over Spectrum's proposals.

Spectrum had sought a special land use approval for a medium-security residential treatment program for delinquent, abused and neglected girls age 11-17.

Spectrum also wanted site plan approval to move its corporate offices to the former Montgomery Hospital, a 53,000-square-foot facility on Joy Road between Inkster and Middlebelt.

Spectrum attorney Timothy Stoep-

ker refused to comment on whether the company may challenge the council's actions in court.

The proposed girls' facility - aimed at providing shelter, in-house schooling, counseling and other services - sparked vehement opposition from Westland residents and their Livonia neighbors.

Scores of critics jammed council chambers to blast the program that they said doesn't belong in a residential area.

"All it's going to be is trouble," Westland resident Michael Kelley

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Giving to community



Sharing her gifts: Volunteer work is simply a way of life for Jo Johnson of Westland, shown at the Westland Historical Museum. The longtime resident serves as chairwoman of the Westland Historical Commission.

Volunteer wears many hats

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

If Jo Johnson ever moved from Westland, it would be difficult to replace her.

Johnson, 66, has lived with her husband, Ernie, in the community since 1962. She's currently chairwoman of the Westland Historical Commission, a trustee of the William P. Faust Public Library and president/founder of the Westland Cultural Society, which puts on a summer concert series.

"I enjoy it. I just think you should try to make your community more interesting and a better place," she said during a recent interview at the Westland Historical

Museum. "I just can't see myself sitting and doing nothing."

She appreciates the many good people she's met through her volunteer work. She was appointed by Mayor Robert Thomas to serve on the historical commission.

The Johnsons raised five children, now grown, and had three grandchildren. They lost a child and a grandchild. During her younger years, Jo Johnson was active in Girl Scouts, the PTA and other youth-related activities.

"I was pretty busy with the five children and my volunteer work." She didn't pursue a profession, but kept busy with activities; her husband is a Ford Motor Co.

retiree.

They moved to what was then Nankin Township. "The idea it was a new community and it was still country. Not anymore, but it was." It was a good place to get involved.

"We watched it change and of course some people complained." Johnson and her husband have no plans to move.

She'd have a hard time picking if she could only pursue one of her current volunteer activities, but most likely would choose the historical work, followed by the library. The concert series could be handled by someone else, she

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Critic: Do more for King

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

The city of Westland missed an opportunity Monday - during Martin Luther King Jr. Day - to celebrate a message of equality and non-violence that pertains to citizens of all races, said Jim Netter, chairman of a western Wayne County observance committee.

The city's tribute to the slain civil rights activist amounted to Martin Luther King Jr. Day being mentioned on a Westland City Hall marquee on Ford Road.

"That's something," Netter said. "It's the first time in history that Westland had something."

Phone calls to the mayor's office and to the parks and recreation department confirmed that the city honored King only by mentioning Martin Luther King Jr. Day on the City Hall marquee.

City offices and Livonia schools remained open, while Wayne-Westland schools and Westland 18th District Court closed Monday.

Netter called it "really sad" that the city does little to honor King. He noted that Westland - particularly the southeast end - has a high concentration of African-American residents.

Those residents - including many professionals - are politically active citizens in voting Precinct 28 who have one of the highest turnouts in Wayne County for elections, Netter said.

On a broader scale, however, Westland's failure to do more on the King holiday marks a missed opportunity to focus on a message that applies to all races.

"Martin Luther King's message is for everybody," Netter said.

Netter noted that, of 19 western Wayne County municipalities, seven close offices for Martin Luther King

See KING, A2

Veteran policeman will savor his retirement

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

On a bitterly cold winter night, Al George and three other armed Westland police officers had to kill or be killed when a rifle-wielding hostage-taker confronted them face to face.

George recalls the close brush with death when a suspect, who had been holding his family hostage, walked from the front door of his home and raised his rifle toward the officers.

"He didn't get a chance to fire," George said. "We shot him first."

That happened three decades ago, but George came to accept tense situations as a police officer who steadily climbed the ranks to become lieutenant in charge of the Westland Police Department's detective bureau.

He will leave that position Friday, retiring at age 58 from a career to which he aspired as a young boy growing up in Detroit.

"I learned how to survive the streets," George said Monday, sitting in his office. "I had my mind set on being a police officer. It was a boyhood dream."

George was raised by a truck-driving father and a mother who ran several bars owned by the family

"down on old Skid Row."

Following his dream, he worked for three years at the Inkster Police Department before he was hired as one of the original Westland police officers in 1966, when the former Nankin Township became a city.

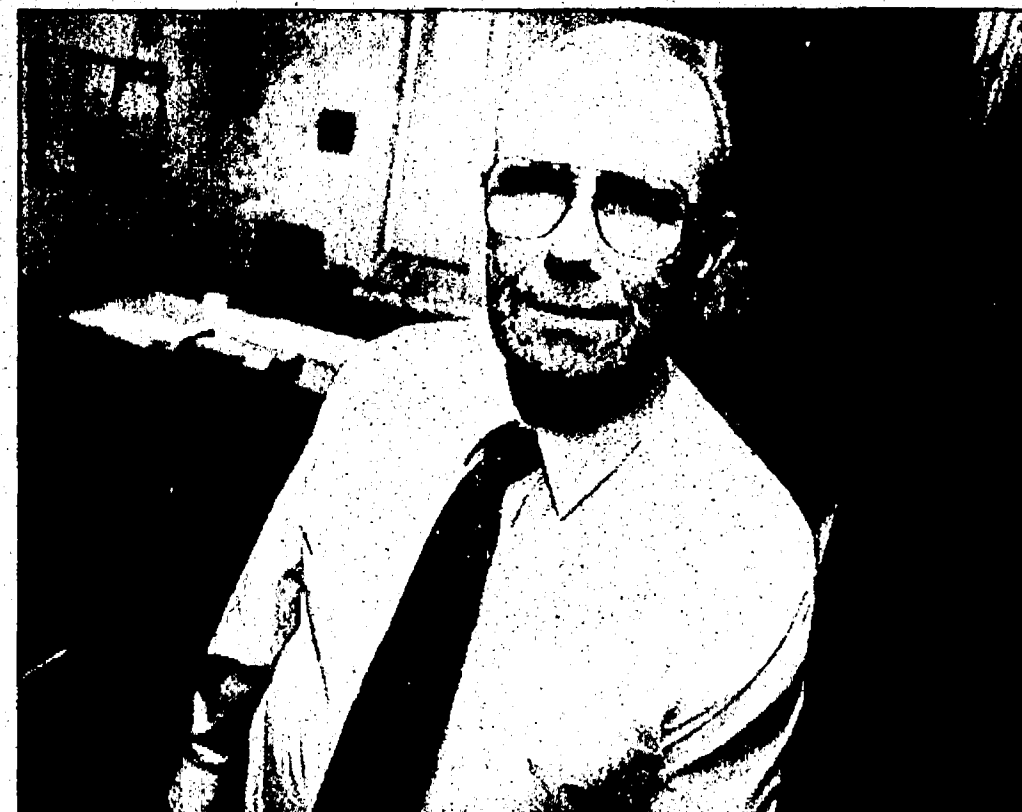
Westland police Chief Emery Price made the Inkster-to-Westland move after George, but the two also attended the same high school, Lowrey, in Dearborn.

"Al George has been a good friend of mine for a lot of years," Price said Tuesday. "You hate to see people leave that you've worked with for so many years, but I wish him nothing but the best."

George has received numerous citations for his police work, including a life-saving award for giving mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to a 1-year-old girl who had stopped breathing in her crib in the early 1970s.

"I got a card from her parents," he recalled.

George and his wife, Bobbi, had three children of their own - two daughters and a son who are now adults. They also have three grandchildren.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Saying goodbye: Al George, who heads the Westland Police Department's detective bureau, is retiring after many years as a police officer. He has received a number of citations for his work with the department, including one for giving mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to a 1-year-old girl in the early 1970s.

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said. He warned that council members supporting the plan would face a voter backlash when seeking re-election.

Although Stoepker said the facility would house only non-violent girls, opponents voiced fears that the youngsters might escape and commit crimes in the neighborhood.

"We don't want these kids to get out of the home and come and kill our children," Westland parent Jim Fortner said.

Kimberly Naccashian — a Livonia resident who earlier opposed a similar proposal in that city — said communities are being forced to deal with such facilities because the county is shunning its responsibility to house delinquents.

Critics also voiced concerns that the facility would cause

property values to decline — a worry that Stoepker tried to ease by stressing that other Spectrum homes haven't hurt neighborhoods.

In a 6-1 decision to block the Spectrum facility, Pickering emerged as the only council member to support the plan. He chastised critics for showing little compassion toward girls that he said are delinquent because of abuse and other family problems.

"Who wouldn't be (delinquent) under those conditions?" he asked.

"It's too easy to say 'no' on this program, and I'm not going to do it," Pickering said.

Councilwoman Justine Barns blamed the state for failing to address problems that are being dumped on local communities.

"I'm not sure the state is giving a tinker's damn where they're putting violent kids," Barns, a former state legislator, said.

In opposing the facility, Barns was joined by council members Sharon Scott, Richard LeBlanc, Glenn Anderson, Sandra Cicirelli and Charles "Trav" Griffin.

Council members rejected Spectrum's professional office proposal in a 5-2 vote. In favoring Spectrum, Pickering gained support from Councilman Glenn Anderson, who questioned the legality of denying the office plan.

Pickering charged that council members would've approved "any other medical office," and he warned that the city will lose a court battle if Spectrum sues.

Stoepker said the council's action amounted to telling Spectrum that it can't occupy property that it bought.

Several residents spoke against the Spectrum office, which Stoepker said could be visited by some of the same girls who would have been housed at the residential facility.

It's possible that some Spectrum employees, such as psychologists, would have had office appointments with the girls.

Critic Dan Dugan said the office would pose an even less-secure facility than the girls' home, even though youngsters wouldn't be living there.

City Attorney Angelo Plakas noted that zoning ordinances allow for outpatient visits at such facilities as the one proposed by Spectrum.

Policeman from page A1

Many times, George spent holidays away from his family because of his job.

"I've spent more holidays with the guys I worked with than my family," he said. "I'll miss this job and all the officers I've worked with over the years."

The serious nature of police work aside, George and former police Chief Michael Frayer had a sense of humor back when they served as youth bureau partners. They called themselves "The Miami Mice," and George recalls a photograph of the two standing over a recovered stolen bicycle.

In his 33 years of police work, George has seen drugs become a growing factor in crimes such as robberies and murder.

"Drugs are responsible for a lot of senseless killings," he said.

In 1990, George started an emergency response team that resulted in police officers becoming trained snipers and skilled negotiators.

As detective bureau chief, he assigns criminal cases and oversees the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) unit that sends police officers into schools.

"I've got a great department," George said. "This is the cream of the crop."

I've spent more holidays with the guys I worked with than my family.

*Lt. Al George
—Westland Police*

Facing retirement, George, a Westland resident, has bought some land in Grand Haven, where he plans to build a new home. He will be able to enjoy his hobby, fishing.

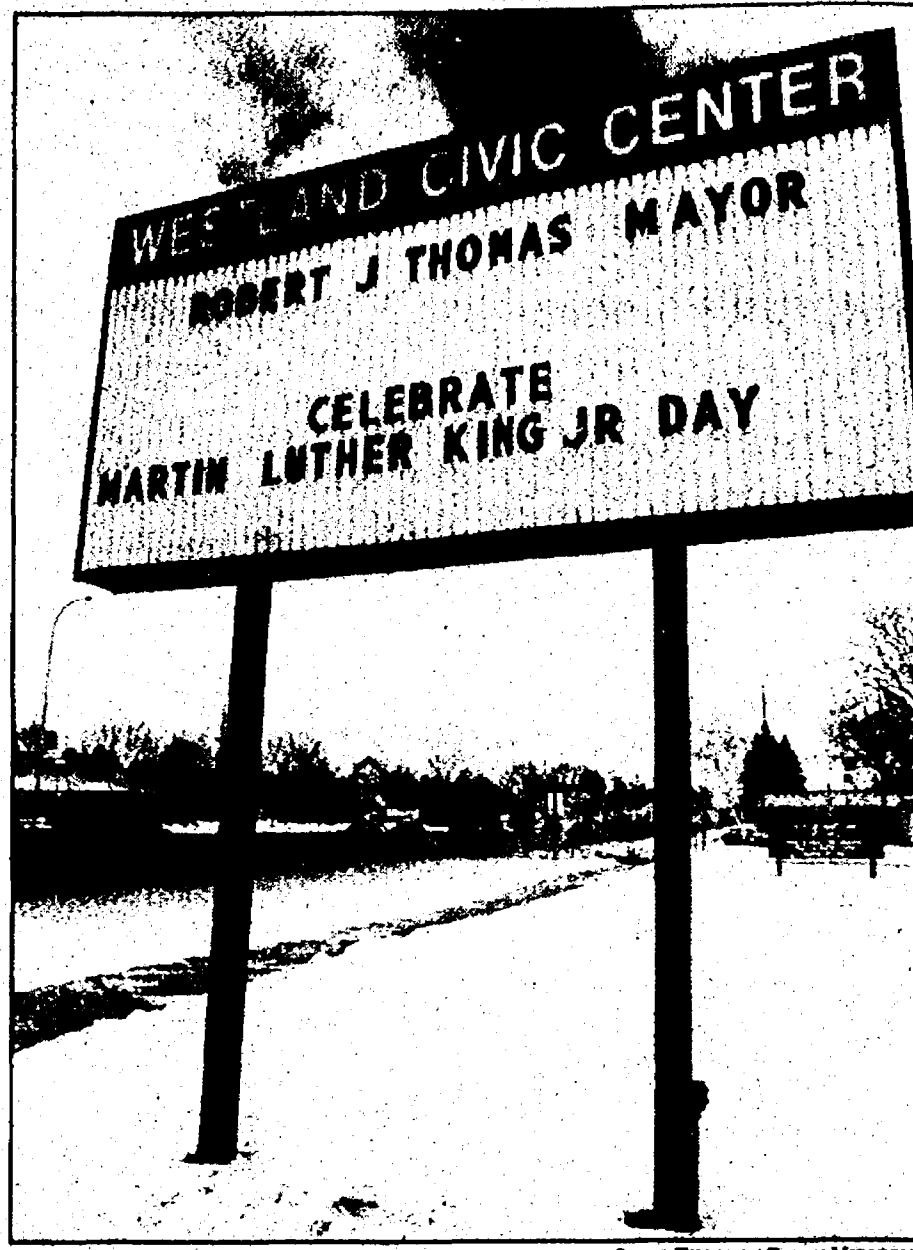
"I have a seven-minute walk to Lake Michigan," he said.

His wife — a buyer for the city of Westland — plans to retire late this year for the move.

George, who will be replaced by Lt. Marc Stobbe, conceded that retiring "is a little scary," and he said he has mixed emotions about leaving his job.

But he certainly has no mixed emotions about a career that was spawned from a young boy's dream.

"I have no regrets," he said. "I've been proud to carry the shield of a Westland police officer. And I wouldn't take back a day of it."



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Sign time: Westland City Hall had a sign reminding residents to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Jr. Day and 12 don't, he said.

Western Wayne municipalities that close offices are: Belleville, Dearborn, Inkster, Romulus, Wayne, Sumpter Township and Van Buren Township, Netter said.

Those that don't close are: Allen Park, Canton Township, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford, Taylor and Westland, Netter said.

Mayor Robert Thomas couldn't be reached for comment. He wasn't expected in his office until Wednesday, a secretary said.

Some Precinct 28 residents have long complained that the city pays little attention to their area — a charge that city officials have denied.

Thomas has said previously that the southeast end receives the same level of city services as the rest of Westland.

Netter said that elected city officials "don't mind asking for votes" in Precinct 28 during elec-

tion time.

"Westland is rolling forward into the 21st century but leaving its citizens — politically and, in some cases, economically — behind," Netter said.

Based on the latest U.S. Census figures, Netter said that African-Americans accounted for 3.3 percent of Westland's 84,725 residents. He said he received those figures from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Meanwhile, Netter commended Wayne-Westland schools for closing Monday — the second year the district has observed the holiday by shutting down.

In past years, district residents such as parent Sandra Barrow and her daughter, Ecole, had pushed for a school district holiday.

Netter also commended individual schools for pre-holiday projects aimed at celebrating King's birthday — always celebrated on the third Monday in January.

Volunteer from page A1

said.

"It would be hard to choose. I think I'm maybe more needed here." The library is new and active and could recruit volunteers more easily, she said.

Johnson started in 1972 on the historical commission, and hasn't served continuously. She keeps busy working in the archive room at the museum, working 1-4 p.m. Saturdays when the museum is open, and working on local death records to assist those who are interested in genealogy.

"This year, we hope to have the pavilion with farm equipment open."

The Collins House next door to the museum, which is at 857 N. Wayne, between Marquette and Cherry Hill (326-1110), is also slated to open soon.

"Perrinsville School has taken a lot of time. That's kind of been our top priority."

The restoration of the one-room schoolhouse on Warren west of Merriman has involved students from both Wayne-Westland and Livonia schools working on projects. Students from John Glenn High School are working on desks.

When it's open later this year, students in elementary school

will attend classes one day at a time. They'll learn about what life was like for students of the 1890s.

At the library, Johnson, who's a member of the Friends of the Library, helps to sort donated books. The library has its own gift shop and she's involved in that. She sits in on children's story-hours and will work on the upcoming book sale April 18-20.

She's working on getting some Christmas decorations for the library for later this year.

Johnson, who works on many projects with her husband, has seen many changes in her community. When they came to what was then Nankin Township, Warren Road was two lanes. She can remember an unpaved Cowan Road and no Westland Shopping Center.

Developers of that era all seemed to want to build apartments, said Johnson.

She's seen the City Hall area grow, and appreciates the convenience of close shopping. The opening of the city's new library last November was a proud moment for Johnson.

"That's the one thing we lacked for so many years. That's been my dream for years, to have a library."

Involved:

Jo Johnson enjoys her work as a volunteer with different groups.



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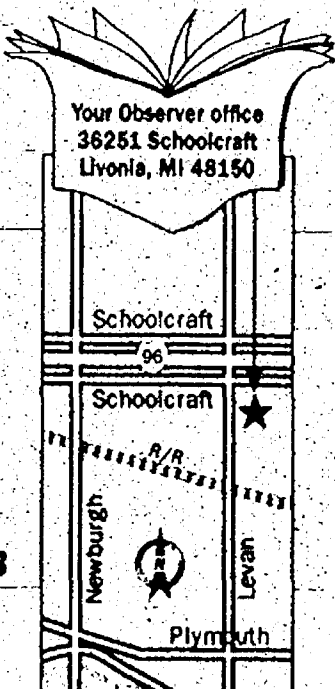
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Team approach a help to police in crime fight

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

Suspects arrested by the Metro Street Enforcement Team were wanted on charges ranging from murder and attempted murder to drug possession and breaking and entering.

A specialty for the unit, which includes officers from Garden City, Westland, Wayne and Inkster, is surveillance to identify and/or locate suspects in major crimes.

"People who commit crimes do not recognize any borders or boundaries," Westland police Chief Emery Price said. "We find that the four communities in MSET deal with a lot of the same people."

In 1996, MSET worked 100 cases, nearly three times the number of cases worked by the unit in 1995. The officers arrested 86 people.

"If a case from the road goes to the detective bureau and they want us to do surveillance, we'll do it," said Garden City Police Officer Kevin Nowak, who is assigned to MSET. "If they want someone locked up, we'll do it (locate the suspects). We've kind of turned into a fugitive retrieval unit."

Price said the efforts of MSET officers have paid off.

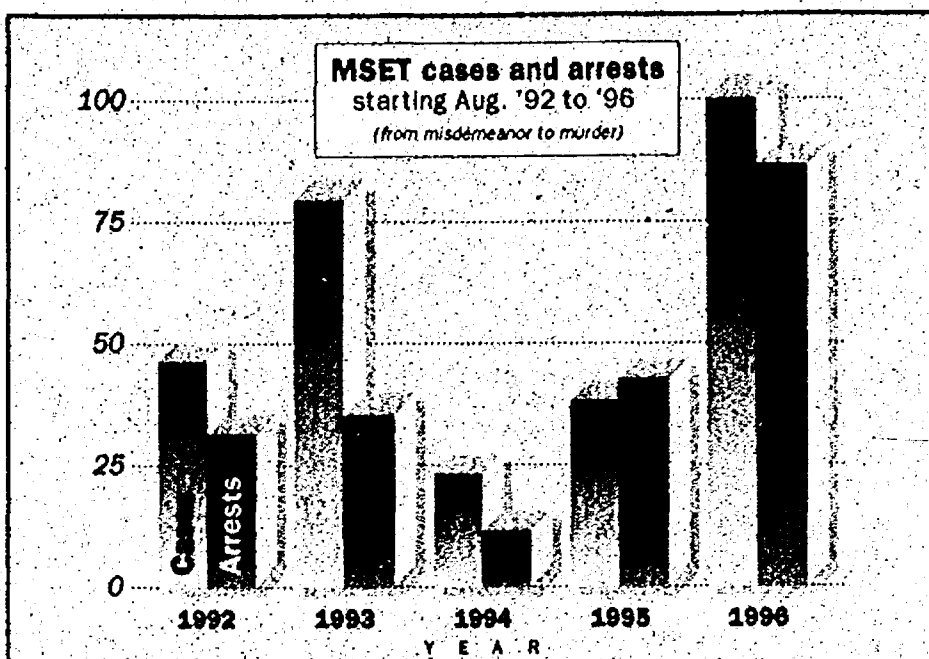
"We're real happy with their work," he said.

"They are undoubtedly useful," Garden City police Chief David Kocsis said. "There are a bunch of hardworking, quality guys assigned there. Anytime you ask for their assistance, they jump at the case. They are an asset."

MSET officers were instrumental in arresting Charles Nelums, a Detroit man who was being sought as a suspect in a double homicide at Ramey's Bar in Garden City, Kocsis noted. Nelums is scheduled for trial in March.

Another lengthier manhunt is listed as a highlight of MSET efforts in 1996.

MSET officers interviewed informants — some repeatedly — and executed search warrants for telephone records and the Detroit home of the suspect's



mother.

Eventually, officers spotted Antonio Peay, wanted in connection with a drug-related homicide in Westland, who was seen as he arrived at a residence in Detroit.

A vehicle chase ensued bringing in Detroit Police units. A short foot chase resulted after the suspect bailed out of his vehicle and he was located hiding in a garbage can. Peay pleaded no contest to voluntary manslaughter last week in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Last October, members of MSET were working with other officers to nab a gang of armed robbers responsible for crimes in several cities including Garden City and Westland.

After an off-duty Ferndale police officer spotted the suspects running from a robbery in Inkster and was able to get a license plate number, the suspects were traced to a home in Inkster.

MSET officers had the vehicle under surveillance while the suspects cased a party store in Ypsilanti. The suspects were scared off by a patrol car which happened to cruise the parking lot and eluded the surveillance unit.

A short time later, the suspects arrived at a Romulus party store which happened to be under surveillance by local offi-

cers who decided to arrest the suspects in the parking lot.

Officers fired on the suspects' vehicle after the driver tried to run over a Romulus officer. The suspects managed to flee the area.

MSET members were waiting at the Inkster residence when the suspects returned. Westland Police provided their tactical response unit and a barricaded gunman situation was resolved with the arrest of three suspects, a fourth being taken into custody the following day by Romulus Police.

"Whoever has the problem, that is who they work for," said Kocsis. "Some guy who is doing robberies in Westland, Wayne and Inkster will be the same guy who is doing robberies in Garden City. There is so much intelligence and information we can pass back and forth."

With each participating department's limited resources, Kocsis said providing an officer to MSET pays dividends.

"We put one officer in and we get the resources of five officers. We are investing in services," he said. "We get complaints of larceny or robberies, they help us."

Staff writer Darrell Clem also contributed to this story.

Library fun



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Keeping warm: Toddlers and their moms listen to a story on dressing for winter at the William P. Faust Public Library. At right above, Kacie Volk enjoys a bottle from her mom, Dianne Volk. At left above is Stacie Thomas with Olivia in her lap and Lindsey standing Westland children's librarian Shari Fesko uses a little creature named Froggie to help her with a program for toddlers. The Wednesday morning children's storytime program has proven quite popular.



Liquor commission workers get a reprieve from layoff

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

The layoffs of 13 Liquor Control Commission workers in Livonia are temporarily on hold while state courts decide if Gov. John Engler can privatize the state's liquor delivery system.

The 13 workers at the commission's store at 12975 Levan south of Schoolcraft are among about 370 workers statewide slated to lose their jobs if the Michigan Court of Appeals overturns recent rulings made by Ingham Circuit Judge James Giddings.

Layoffs were set to begin Jan. 11. Two unions representing the workers, Michigan State Employees Association and the Teamsters, appealed to Giddings, claiming the switch to a private delivery system was illegal.

On Jan. 17, Giddings ruled that state-run liquor shipments to warehouses must resume, pending a ruling by the Court of Appeals.

As of Tuesday, new liquor supplies had not yet arrived at the Levan store, said Mark Oldom, union representative.

The impasse has dramatically cut the amount of liquor stored at the Levan store.

"We had 70,000 cases the week of Christmas; there are 2,000 cases left in the warehouse," said

Doug Morse of Westland, who has worked 18 years for the commission. "We're now down to the slower-moving stuff. The popular stuff is gone."

Some local liquor stores, such as Showerman Party Store on Five Mile, saw the impasse coming and stocked up heavily for the holiday and Super Bowl festivities, said manager Ron Shannon.

Up until now, the Liquor Control Commission has had two basic functions: enforcement of state liquor laws and wholesale distribution of liquor to about 14,000 licensed retailers.

The state now wants to get out of the distribution business. With the push to privatization, private companies such as J. Lewis Cooper of Detroit would distribute liquor supplies to retailers.

Private distribution was set to begin Jan. 13; it got suspended after Giddings issued his injunctions.

"We stand to lose our jobs if privatization goes through," Morse said. "If the ruling turns out in our favor, we'll load up and fill orders. If it goes against us, the private companies take over. Right now, they have one-stop shopping. With the change, they'll have to call six, seven places and get six, seven different deliveries."

"I'm all for cutting back government, but this operation is a money maker for the state."

Chamber to host bowling event during Westland's WinterFest

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will host the second annual WinterFest bowling outing 2-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at Westland Bowl. Registration will begin 1 p.m. Four-person teams will compete in a format where each bowler will bowl every fourth frame. The event is held in conjunction with the Westland

WinterFest.

The sponsorship price for a four-person team is \$150 and includes bowling, drinks, buffet dinner, trophies and prizes. Exclusive lane sponsorship will be offered per team for \$225. This includes a four-person entry and a sponsorship lane sign displayed for the entire weekend.

Businesses whose staffers are unable to attend may sponsor a lane for \$100. Chamber officials are looking for door prizes. Partial proceeds will go to the Westland Youth Assistance Program.

For more information, call the Westland Chamber of Commerce, 328-7222.

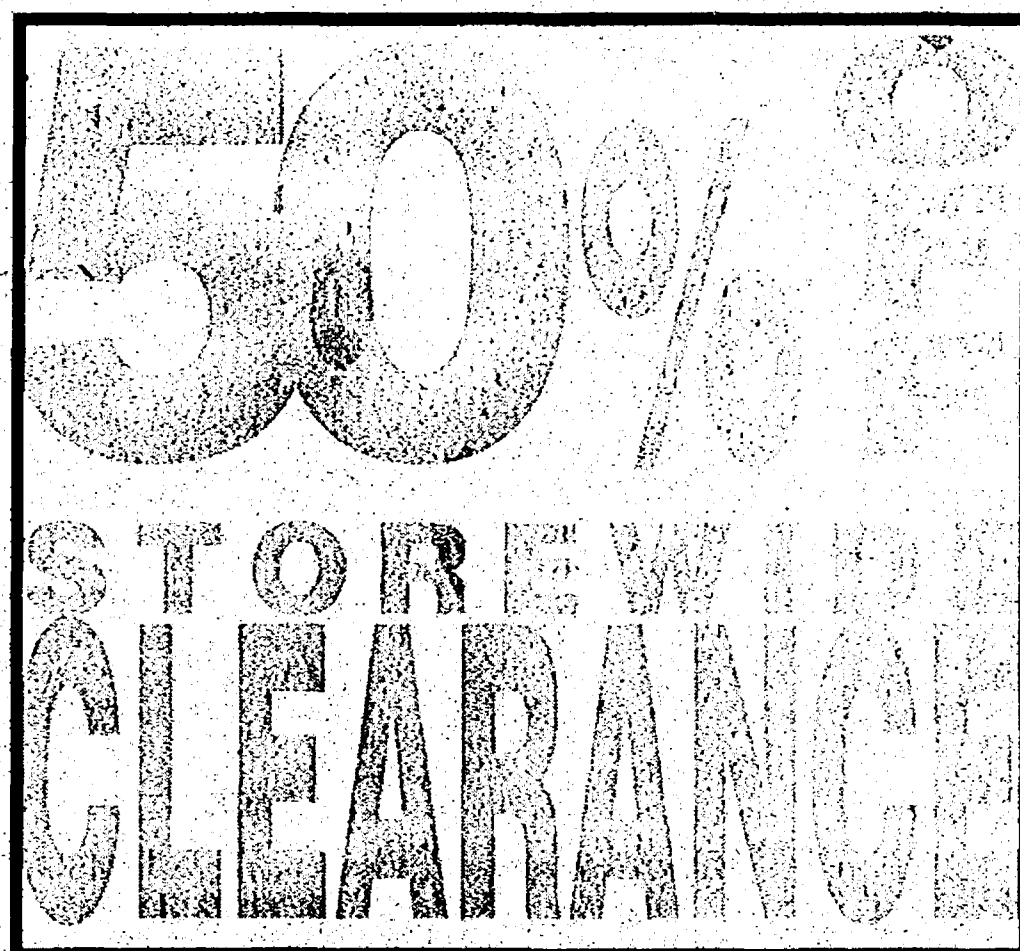
Center opens doors to non-sports fans

Westland Shopping Center will host a "Super Bowl Ladies Day" on Sunday, Jan. 26. Women can pick up valuable

coupons at entrances of participating stores.

An appearance by Linda Lee from WYCD-99.5 FM, Young

Country Radio, will be 3-5 p.m. in the East Court. All women can enter to win a \$500 shopping spree and other prizes.



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Board members ask Engler to modify executive order

A bipartisan majority of the State Board of Education wants Gov. John Engler to withdraw or modify his executive order transferring much of the board's power to the superintendent of public instruction, an appointee.

"I think it's unconstitutional, and I think it's a mistake. I'd love to see you withdraw it," said board member Barbara Roberts Mason, D-Lansing.

"I'm not going to withdraw the order," Engler said during the Jan. 16 meeting, "but I'll use all the time (before they take effect) to work through how to change

it. He argued the board has become bogged down in trivia and failed to see the broad picture of how to improve public schools.

Board member Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, joined Democrats in complaining that the orders give the superintendent more than ministerial duties — they give him policy powers as well.

One of Engler's orders takes from the board and gives to the superintendent:

■ "Determination of requirements for licenses and certification for teachers."

■ "Oversight of local school districts and public school academies not providing special education."

■ "Procedures for the state takeover of a district in financial distress" and "reorganization of a district found to be in an emergency."

■ Setting "minimal requirements for a community college administrator or director," "rules regarding teachers certified in accordance with administrative rules," and "rules for continuing education for administrators."

■ Power to "develop high school proficiency tests" and "assurance that the Michigan Educational Assessment Program does not test for values or attitudes."

Kathleen Straus, D-Detroit, the new board president, said any changes Engler makes may not be enough. "It is a basic constitutional question. It's going to have to be litigated some way or another," she said, hinting at a court suit challenging the order.

Straus said she believes Engler's orders violate the intent of the Constitutional Convention

which in 1963 setup an elected State Board to oversee education policy.

Engler dismissed her view, saying, "I appreciate your layman's opinion on that."

Voters on Nov. 6 gave two open seats to Democrats, who now have a 4-4 split. In practice, the board has five members who are pro-public schools (the four Democrats and Beardmore) and three who favor charter academies.

The new majority elected Straus president.

The governor has a non-voting seat on the State Board, but until last month none had ever sat down to deliberate with it. Most had sent a staff member to observe quietly.

House Speaker Curtis Hertel, D-Detroit, suggested Engler drew up his orders stripping the elected board's powers as retribution for the Democratic election victory.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

PSC must grapple with how to achieve utility competition

By TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Say "competition," and everyone around state government nods.

Try to achieve competition in the public utility realm, however, and the nods change to frowns of doubt.

Reason: Electric companies have invested megabucks in transmission lines. If you decide to buy electricity for your home or factory from a cheaper but far distant source, what happens to the local utility's investment in transmission lines? How much does the local utility deserve to recover for its long-term investment?

That is a central question as the Michigan Public Service (PSC) opens the 1997 debate on the biggest change in utility regulation since 1929, when the state granted monopoly service areas to electric companies.

"The movement from a regulated, monopolistic environment to a deregulated, competitive environment seems inevitable," says a pamphlet from Detroit Edison Co.'s state governmental affairs office.

The proposal Gov. John Engler's Jobs Commission proposes that the PSC "promote competition in our electric utility industry" over the next five years.

PSC suggests "1) all customers should be eligible to participate in the emerging competitive market, and 2) rates should not be increased for any customers — and should be decreased, where possible."

This year, 2.5 percent of cus-

tomers would begin choosing their electric providers. Somehow, utility debt would be refinanced by bond legislation.

All industrial and commercial customers would be able to select their own providers by 2001; all residential customers by 2004.

Rates for "captive customers" would be capped during the transition period.

Two reactions Homeowners and renters should treat the plan with "healthy skepticism," said David L. Shultz, an attorney for the Residential Ratepayers Consortium.

"Freezing base rates at levels that are already excessive will only insure that residential customers continue to pay too much to their electric utility during a transition," Shultz said.

Big customers, called the Michigan Coalition for Consumer Choice in Electricity, said the PSC plan is "a helpful framework" that "needs further improvements."

"Other state are moving much more quickly," said the group, which includes General Motors, Ford, Upjohn, Dow Chemical and other industrial users.

Complexities

Detroit Edison Co., serving mainly southeastern Michigan, points out that monopolies were granted to avoid duplication of power plants and transmission lines.

"Utilities must raise huge amounts of capital, often requiring \$4 of plant investment to produce \$1 of revenue," says Edison's position statement.

Customers pay a "tariff" that covers:

1. Customer costs — billing, meter reading, etc.

2. Fixed costs — plant and transmission lines that don't vary with the production of power.

3. Variable costs — such as fuels, which depend on how much power is consumed.

So from Edison's point of view, the big issue is called "stranded investment" — the bond and interest payments and depreciation on transmission lines that must be covered, even if customers buy from another utility. Edison suggested "stranded investment" costs "may be unrecoverable" if customers buy from other generators.

Edison's solution: "Ensure that those customers, on behalf of whom the system was built, continue to pay for those investments. Otherwise, remaining utility customers would be unfairly expected to pay the remaining balance on these investments."

Nationwide, utility companies have invested about \$600 billion in plant and equipment. About one-third of that total could become "stranded," Edison says.

"Competition in the electric utility industry will likely occur first in the generation end of the business," Edison said. "A re-examination of current rate of return regulation is being called for."

"In a competitive market, there should be no subsidization of one class of customers at the expense of another."

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Engler signs FOIA bill, press calls law 'narrow'

Gov. John Engler has signed a controversial bill changing the state Freedom of Information Act, arguing it will make information more accessible.

Press groups, however, say House Bill 4849 narrows the definition of what information the public is entitled to.

The Legislative Service Bureau, a non-partisan agency serving lawmakers, says the available information is unchanged.

The sponsor, Rep. Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills, said the final version is far from what he intended. The original bill provided an administrative appeal for persons whose FOIA requests were denied by a gov-

ernmental agency.

Kaza has asked Attorney General Frank Kelley for an opinion on the law's impact. A Kelley spokesman said the opinion isn't ready.

Dawn Phillips, Bloomfield Hills lawyer and general counsel for the Michigan Press Association, said the key change was to narrow the public's right to information to that "regarding governmental decision-making."

That change could limit the public's right to check complaints in teacher personnel files and legislators' driver's licenses to see if they live in their districts.

The new law also requires requests for information to be in

writing. Engler said this makes it easier to make a FOIA request using electronic mail and fax machines.

Phillips issued a strong objection to the way the Senate handled the bill — no public hearings in committee, with changes handled by floor amendments in the closing days of the Legislature's December "lame duck" session.

Sen. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, said he introduced many of the amendments on the Legislature's last day at the request of the Engler Administration. But he said he's not responsible for rewriting the act's purpose.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Officials credit new campaign for decrease of traffic deaths

Traffic fatalities were down during the Christmas and New Year's holidays, following the second wave of a high-profile traffic enforcement campaign, Safe and Sober, that will continue through 1997.

While officials cautioned the figures are preliminary, eight deaths were reported on Michigan roads and freeways during the Christmas holiday and 11 deaths were reported during the New Year period.

Lt. John Mitchell of the Wayne County Sheriff Department said that during the same time last year, 30 people died, compared to 19 in 1996.

Only three of the 17 holiday fatalities, one during Christmas and two during New Year's, involved alcohol. Two of the per-

sons killed in Christmas automobile crashes were not wearing safety belts, and five of the victims in New Year's crashes were not buckled up.

"We're cautiously optimistic about these results," Mitchell said. "It appears that motorists are responding to increased public awareness and enforcement efforts by complying with the laws. We'll only know later on if drivers are actually changing their driving behaviors on a regular basis."

During the holiday periods, additional officers were assigned to patrol Michigan freeways, highways, city streets and rural roads as a part of the Safe & Sober program. Motorists who drove under the influence of alcohol, exceeded speed limits or

failed to wear safety belts were ticketed.

Michigan Safe & Sober is a campaign targeting dangerous and aggressive drivers. Approximately \$1.75 million will be used for additional enforcement and education programs during the next year in the state's counties with the highest traffic crash rankings.

During the initial enforcement period which included Thanksgiving, Safe & Sober agencies made a collective 3,700 traffic stops, issuing 866 safety belt citations, 1,181 speed citations and making 84 drunk driving arrests.

In addition, the traffic stops resulted in eight felony arrests and 117 misdemeanor arrests.

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with other babysitters. The focus will be on using good judgment to create a fun, confident and safe babysitting experience.

The course will be held on Saturdays beginning Feb. 1, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The fee is \$65.

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How to start your vehicle in winter

Starting problems are the number one cause of vehicle failure during the cold winter months, and the colder it gets, the less starting power your battery has, the Auto Club noted.

AAA recommends checking battery cables to make sure they're not worn; also a battery load test is recommended to determine the actual condition of your battery. Other winter starting tips:

■ Park your car in a garage or

out of the wind. Once the engine starts, don't "gun" or "rev" it. Take it easy until the car warms up. Hard acceleration can damage a cold engine.

For safety's sake, never warm a car in a garage, closed or otherwise.

Carbon monoxide exhaust fumes could be fatal to occupants in the car, garage or attached structure.

To protect your engine from

locking up, change to a winter-grade oil if recommended in the owner's manual. Summer weight oil may be too thick to lubricate properly in winter.

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Reaching out

Web site for public weighed by Westland city officials

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland residents using home computers may soon have easier access to their city government.

City council members are considering an Internet World Wide Web site that could provide information about parks, festivals, ordinances, building permits, library programs and local businesses, among other services.

"We believe this is a monumental leap into the future for city services," Ron Baker, president of Interactive Marketing Counsel, said during a recent council study session.

"There is so much interest in Web sites right now, it's incredible," Baker said. "It gives people easier access to their city governments."

Westland officials also could use the computer Web site to provide information that might help to lure businesses to the city, he said.

"You can, in effect, sell yourself to these businesses," Baker said.

The city of Farmington last year became an area leader in municipal Web sites, and Baker predicted that most cities will join the ranks within five years.

Westland officials will face decisions if they choose to launch a Web site, such as whether to allow local businesses to tie-in to it.

Such a move could potentially allow home computer users to obtain information about Westland businesses and what they offer for sale.

City purchasing agent Jill Runkle said it's possible that shoppers here and in other communities could use their computers to "go into Westland mall, see what stores are there and what products they sell."

However, it's premature to say just how the city will use its Web site.

In some cases, cities charge fees for businesses linking up to the Web site — fees that could help to offset the city's expenses. Baker also said that Community Development Block Grant monies

could be used to pay for the project.

Baker estimated that Westland could start a Web site for about \$20,000, followed by monthly costs of about \$500.

In a recent demonstration of Farmington's Web site, Baker and three other consultants explained how that city had computer pictorials of its parks, architecture, downtown business community and other attributes, amid hopes of selling Farmington as a desirable place to live and start a business.

Westland officials could choose to feature written interviews with the mayor, parks officials, historical museum members and public safety officials, among others.

City council agendas and meeting times could be listed on the computer to provide residents with information about city issues.

Consultant Michael J. Aprile said the city also could list current events and provide maps showing computer users where events are happening.

Baker noted that builders could even file build-

ing permits on a computer, although any such measures would require the city to decide how it wants to bill for services.

"The site ought to help pay for itself," Councilman Glenn Anderson said.

Baker estimated that 80 percent of the city's Web site could be set up within a six-week period, but he recommended that the information be updated on an ongoing basis.

Some city officials have suggested that, eventually, it might even be possible for city residents to file police reports from home, although complaints would likely have to be signed in person.

Baker said the city might want to consider an official Web site because, currently, Realtors and other computer users can list information of their choosing about Westland.

City council members plan to have another study session on the issue before reaching a decision on whether to launch a Web site.

Business leaders to speak at event

Business Expo '97 is kicking off its day of exhibits and seminars with a Business Breakfast 8-9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, in Burton Manor, Livonia.

The breakfast will feature David Sowerby of Beacon Investment Company as the keynote speaker.

Also speaking will be David Brandon, chief executive officer of Valassis Communications Inc., southeast Michigan's largest printing company and 27th largest publicly held company.

Sowerby, senior portfolio manager and investment economist with Beacon Investment Company in Ann Arbor, will speak on "Achieving Ultimate Financial & Business Investment Power."

Sowerby teaches investments and economics at the University of Michigan and at Walsh College.



David Sowerby

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MARY C. TEPER

Funeral services for Mrs. Teper, 80, of Livonia were recently in St. John the Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights. Officiating was the Rev. Edwin W. Balazy. Memorials may be made to St. John the Baptist Church. Local arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home.

Mrs. Teper, who died Jan. 17 in Livonia, was born in Buffalo, N.Y. She was a homemaker.

Surviving Mrs. Teper are:

sons, Ronald, Richard, Gerald of Westland; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

KATHERINE A. UCHIC

Funeral services for Mrs. Uchic, 96, of Dearborn Heights were recently in St. Robert Bellarmine Church with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Local arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mrs. Uchic, who died Jan. 17 in Detroit, was born in Monongah, W.Va. She was a housekeeper in medical buildings.

Surviving Mrs. Uchic are: son, Martin; daughter, Mary Ellen Lenn; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Martin S.

HAZEL R. PATTON

Funeral services for Mrs. Patton, 76, of Garden City were recently in Faith Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Donald Gregory. Local arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Patton, who died Jan. 17 in Garden City, was born in Pennsylvania. She was a homemaker.

Surviving Mrs. Patton are:

husband, William; sons, David and William; daughters, Beverly Mueller, Sheila Chester, Sally Minor, Barbara Miller, Gloria Furbotton; one sister; 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

BETTY J. RESPONDEK

Funeral services for Mrs. Respondek, 73, of Westland were recently in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Officiating was the Rev. Donald Devine from Holy Spirit Catholic Charismatic Church.

Mrs. Respondek, who died Jan. 16 in Westland, was born in Detroit. She was a supervisor for an automotive company.

Surviving Mrs. Respondek are: sons, John, Rodney, Larry, Jerry, Ricky, Terry; daughters, Carol Endicott, Sandra Clinkscales, Linda Ostrowski; sister, Mildred Kiolbasa; 20 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

SUZANNE F. ORSETTE

Funeral services for Mrs. Orsette, 58, of Westland were recently in Sts. Simon & Jude Catholic Church with burial at Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton Township. Officiating was the Rev. Bernard Pilarsky. Local arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Sts. Simon & Jude Catholic Church.

Mrs. Orsette, who died Jan. 16 in Wayne, was born in Nankin Township. She was a homemaker.

Surviving Mrs. Orsette are: husband, Gordon; sons, Gordon Jr., Jeff J., Scott, Jeff M.; daughter, Shelly Jones; several brothers and sisters; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

ALVIN J. LALONDE SR.

Funeral services for Mr. LaLonde, 83, of Romulus were recently in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Romulus Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. C. Michael Verschaeye.

Mr. LaLonde died Jan. 13 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He was an operating engineer. He was a member of Local No. 324 Operating Engineers.

Surviving Mr. LaLonde are: wife, Virginia; sons, Alvin, Jr., Stanley, Lawrence, Elmer, David; daughters, Lynda, Rose

Shelton; sisters, Madeline Williams, Bertha Melon, Helen Underwood, Mae Berry, Clara Reno; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Mr. LaLonde was preceded in death by a daughter, Verna Gauthier.

RALPH H. REIMANN

Funeral services for Mr. Reimann, 81, of Westland were recently in Uht Funeral Home. Cremation rites were accorded. Officiating was the Rev. Daniel Stone.

Mr. Reimann died Jan. 4 in Garden City Hospital. He was a plate inspector.

Surviving Mr. Reimann are: wife, Marion; son, Sterling; daughter, Lucienne Borkuski; five grandchildren. Mr. Reimann was preceded in death by a brother, Clair Reimann.

EILEEN M. MCCOY

Funeral services for Mrs. McCoy, 73, of Garden City were recently in St. Matthew Lutheran Church with burial at Cadillac Memorial West Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Gary Headapohl of St. Matthew Lutheran Church. Local arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mrs. McCoy, who died Jan. 18 in Garden City, was born in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. She was a food preparer in a restaurant.

Surviving Mrs. McCoy are: son, Gary; daughters, Charleen Smith, Donna Hart, Debra Luyben, Laurie Arthur; 18 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Mrs. McCoy was preceded in death by husband, Charles; son, Charles; daughter, Sharon; brother, Arthur Gorman.

CLEATUS E. RIPPEE

Funeral services for Mr. Rippee, 69, of Wayne were recently in Uht Funeral Home. Cremation rites were accorded. Officiating was the Rev. James Severence.

Mr. Rippee died Jan. 19 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He was an electrician. He was a member of the Wayne Lodge No. 112 F & AM.

Surviving Mr. Rippee are: wife, Mary; sons, Gary, Lance; daughter, Pamela Cornett; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Mr. Rippee was preceded in death by a brother, Azril, and sister, Thara Robison.

GEORGIA H. AUSTIN

Funeral services for Mrs. Austin,

100, of Westfield, N.Y., formerly of Wayne, were recently in Mason-Brewer Funeral Home, Westfield, N.Y., with burial at Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne. Memorials may be made to Wayne Historical Society, Wayne, 48184.

Mrs. Austin, who died Jan. 16 in her Westfield residence, was

born in Jennings, Mich. She moved to New York in 1995. While in Michigan, she was a supervisor/nursing assistant for Eloise General Hospital. She was a Wayne High School graduate and attended Cleary Business College. She had been employed by the Michigan Central Railroad as an office worker and was very active running the family business, McClaughry's Sheldon Country Store in Sheldon, Mich., until the mid-1930s when she began employment with the Eloise General Hospital, retiring as supervisor of the Nursing Assistant Department after 25 years of service.

Following her retirement, she enjoyed traveling. She was a member of the Wayne Historical Society, the Golden Hours Club, and the Order of Eastern Star, all of Wayne.

Surviving Mrs. Austin are: daughters, Renetta Evans of Westfield, N.Y., and Doraline Sullivan of Escondido, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren. Mrs. Austin was preceded in death by: her first husband, M. Glenn McClaughry, in 1947; her second husband, James Austin, in 1956; children, William McClaughry, who died serving with the U.S. Navy in World War II, Miner Milo McClaughry, following a distinguished Marine Corps career, in 1987; sister, Florence Gleason; and brother, Harold Hilliard.

EDWARD R. KRAATZ

Funeral services for Mr. Kraatz, 58, of Dearborn Heights were Jan. 24 from the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Westland Chapel. The Rev. Kenneth P. Mowery of Mt. Vernon Baptist Church officiated. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

He was born Feb. 9, 1938, in Detroit and died Jan. 21 in Garden City. He was employed as a millwright for Detroit Diesel.

Survivors include: wife, Janola; son Edward R. Jr.; mother, Edna; one brother; one sister; and a grandchild.

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Madonna offers special credit program for '97 high school graduates

Beginning in June, 15 to 20 high school graduates will have an early opportunity to complete successfully six college credit hours in communication and computer skills at Madonna University in Livonia.

Tuition and registration fees for these courses will be provided through privately-funded grants.

The target group of 1997 high school graduates must be student applicants interested in attending Madonna University in the fall term 1997.

All participants must be admitted to Madonna University prior to acceptance to the Summer Start program.

"This jump start will be a great advantage for students as they will participate in learning seminars in addition to their course work and will develop a learning community with other students beginning their first

Clinic canceled

Wayne County Health Department is canceling its Wednesday, Feb. 5 immunization clinic at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Immunization services will resume at the church on Wednesday, March 5.

For more information, contact the health department's field services division at (313) 467-3355.

year of college," said Sister Nancy Marie Jamroz, Madonna University vice president for student life.

Students may apply for this program through high school counselors and also applications will be available through Madonna University's admissions and multicultural affairs offices.

Classes will be held three days a week from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Students will attend two classes, English 101 and Computer Science 208. The courses will incorporate writing and math/computer skills to assist future academic success.

Lunch will be included with the program and one lunch period each week will be designated "Lunch and Learn Session" which will cover such topics as time management, self integrity, study skills, note taking, college survival kit and problem solving skills. Both lunch costs and transportation stipends are funded through contributions, as well.

For more information, students may contact their high school counseling office; or call Madonna University's Office of Multicultural Affairs (313) 432-5541 or Admissions Office at (313) 432-5339.

Local host families needed for students

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic semester home-stays, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families.

The students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, and carry accident and health insurance.

They are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families, according to John Doty, executive director of Pacific International Exchange.

PIE area representatives match students with host families by finding common inter-

ests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications.

Families who host for PIE are also eligible to claim a \$50 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, PIE has students from Spain, Denmark, Germany, Poland, Russia, Finland; Denmark, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Paraguay, Australia, New Zealand, Croatia and many other countries.

PIE has also been invited to

participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States.

PIE is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 18,000 students from 40 countries since its founding in 1975.

The organization is designated by the United States Information Agency and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in the CSIET's Standards for Interna-

tional Educational Travel Programs.

Area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call PIE toll-free at 1-800-631-1818 or via the Internet at <http://www.pieusa.org>.

The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

State records now available on web site

To make applying for important documents records such as birth certificates more convenient for the public, the Michigan Department of Community Health's (MDCH) Office of the State Registrar has made many of its applications for vital records instantaneously available to the public via the department's Internet web site.

Applications for birth, death, marriage, and divorce certificates can be downloaded from

the web site to assist people making requests for copies of these records.

"MDCH will be continuing to develop ways to make it more convenient for citizens to request copies of vital records," said James K. Haveman, department director. "It's important for people to be able to get these documents with a minimum of red tape."

In addition to the vital record applications, the site provides

many valuable and interesting statistics including rates of cancer cases for the state and counties; leading sites of cancer; county and state death rates; infant death rates; leading causes of death; fertility, abortion and pregnancy rates; hospitalization rates; and estimates of the number of physicians by county.

The site also includes special reports on early diagnosis of breast cancer; the leading causes of death; availability of nurses in Michigan; and the changing use of Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRIs).

The web site can be accessed from the department's home page. The address (URL) is: <http://www.mdch.state.mi.us>

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New gates: Construction continues on interim improvements throughout Metro Airport. This expansion will add more gates for flights and passengers.

Metro expansion: A 'bonanza' for skilled trades, area economy

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Motorists drive on Detroit Metro Airport's new south access road on a frigid Thursday morning, stopping for security guards checking identification. Snow whisks around the vehicles.

Soon the imagination wanders and envisions the future when signs suddenly appear in the middle of nowhere in a barren field.

Gate 18, Paris. Gate 28, Frankfurt. Gate 12, Osaka. Gate 42, Beijing.

The last sign proclaims "Gate 74 - the gate to the 21st Century."

"That's how many gates the new terminal will have," said Mike Conway, Metro Airport's community relations manager. Conway is conducting a tour of the airport for a reporter on a cold January morning to show what's in store for a \$1.6 billion expansion.

Detroit Metropolitan Airport brings \$2.7 billion to Michigan, according to a study completed by Wayne County about four years ago.

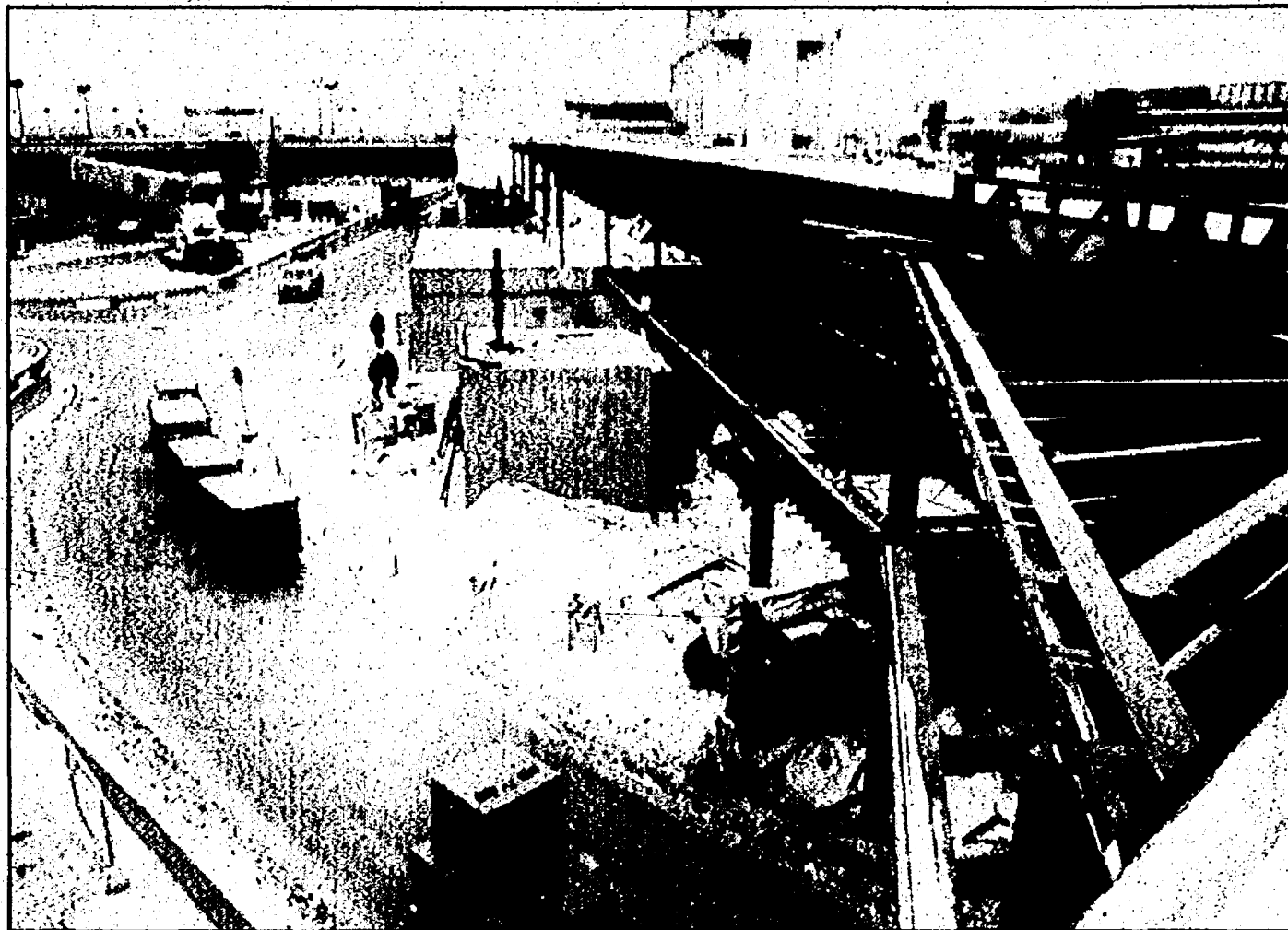
But hopes are high that the expansion will bring more money to Wayne County and the southeast Michigan region.

About 52,000 regional jobs are already tied to the airport, but the expansion alone is expected to bring 20,000 construction jobs, according to Tim Johnson, director of marketing and communications for jobs and economic development in Wayne County.

"It will be a bonanza for the skilled trades," Johnson said.

This (1997) promises to be a big year for the airport as nearly \$60 million in interim improvements will be completed. Those improvements include a concourse extension, a moving walkway, an expanded luggage system, a larger international check-in and an expansion of U.S. customs.

The improvements are expect-



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New walkway: These girders will house a new \$4.4 million walkway between Concourse C and D and will allow passengers quicker and easier access between those concourses. The work is part of \$60 million in improvements planned for this year and the \$1.6 billion expansion through 2001.

ed to accommodate air passengers and anticipated increased traffic before the actual midfield expansion — the construction of a new 74-gate terminal, a 5,000 space parking deck and fourth parallel runway — is completed by about 2001.

Northwest is the project manager of these improvements.

Here is a summary of this year's anticipated interim improvements and some already completed:

Extension to C

An extension between Concourse C and D is expected to be completed by a "rough date" of April or May for \$18.5 million.

It will add seven gates for Northwest's domestic flights. Northwest's operations and ticket handlers are centered at the Davey Terminal, but technically the extension will be located at the north end of the Smith Terminal.

"One of the problems we have right now is that the plane must wait for the next available gate, even if it arrives on time," Conway said. "That may be a 15 or 20 minute wait."

Moving walkway

A moving walkway extending 395 feet from Concourse C to Concourse D for \$4.4 million is expected to be finished in April

or May. Currently Metro has moving walkways between Concourses D and E, and Concourses E and F.

The expansion will give passengers ramp-side shuttle service from Concourse G to Concourse C.

FIS expansion

This \$17.6 million expansion of the Federal Inspection Service will be completed in August or September in the International Terminal.

Plans include expansion for customs officials handling arriving passengers, luggage and

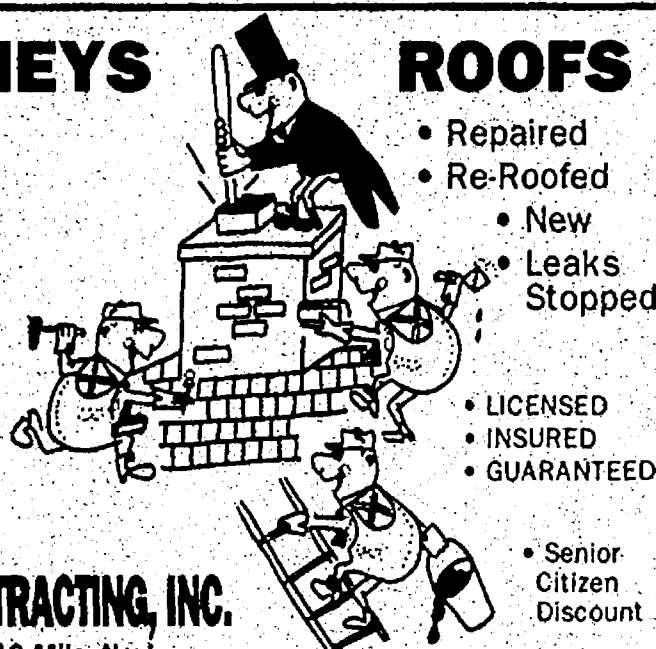
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cargo, or any items transported that involve immigration, agriculture, or fish and wildlife.

"In order to process more people, we need to expand that area," Conway said.

Luggage system

This \$12.5 million project will add space to the "make-up" luggage area, where luggage and bags are sent and sorted for transportation to another city.

Conway said passengers will not notice any physical change, but will notice more efficient baggage handling.

It is not known when this project will be completed.

International

In June and July an international check-in expansion for \$6 million next to the Davey Terminal, the home of Northwest Airlines, is expected to be finished and will add 19,440 square feet of space.

The expansion, known as "Davey Jr.," will allow more international departures for Northwest and KLM airlines, which entered a joint marketing agreement. International traffic at Metro has increased in recent years, with flights to Amsterdam and more flights to China expected to be added.

New shuttle stop

The "C" Shuttle Stop for \$1 million was finished last year.

Passengers on international flights now can bypass congested

tion in front of the Davey or International Terminal and use buses or vans to get to connecting flights to another U.S. city, or get to easily-accessible Metro parking.

Other work

Contractors have completed other work at the airport to help with logistics.

What airport personnel have tagged the "Taxiway Tango" was constructed last year to connect the east side with the west side of the airport.

It was built "purely for safety reasons," Conway said.

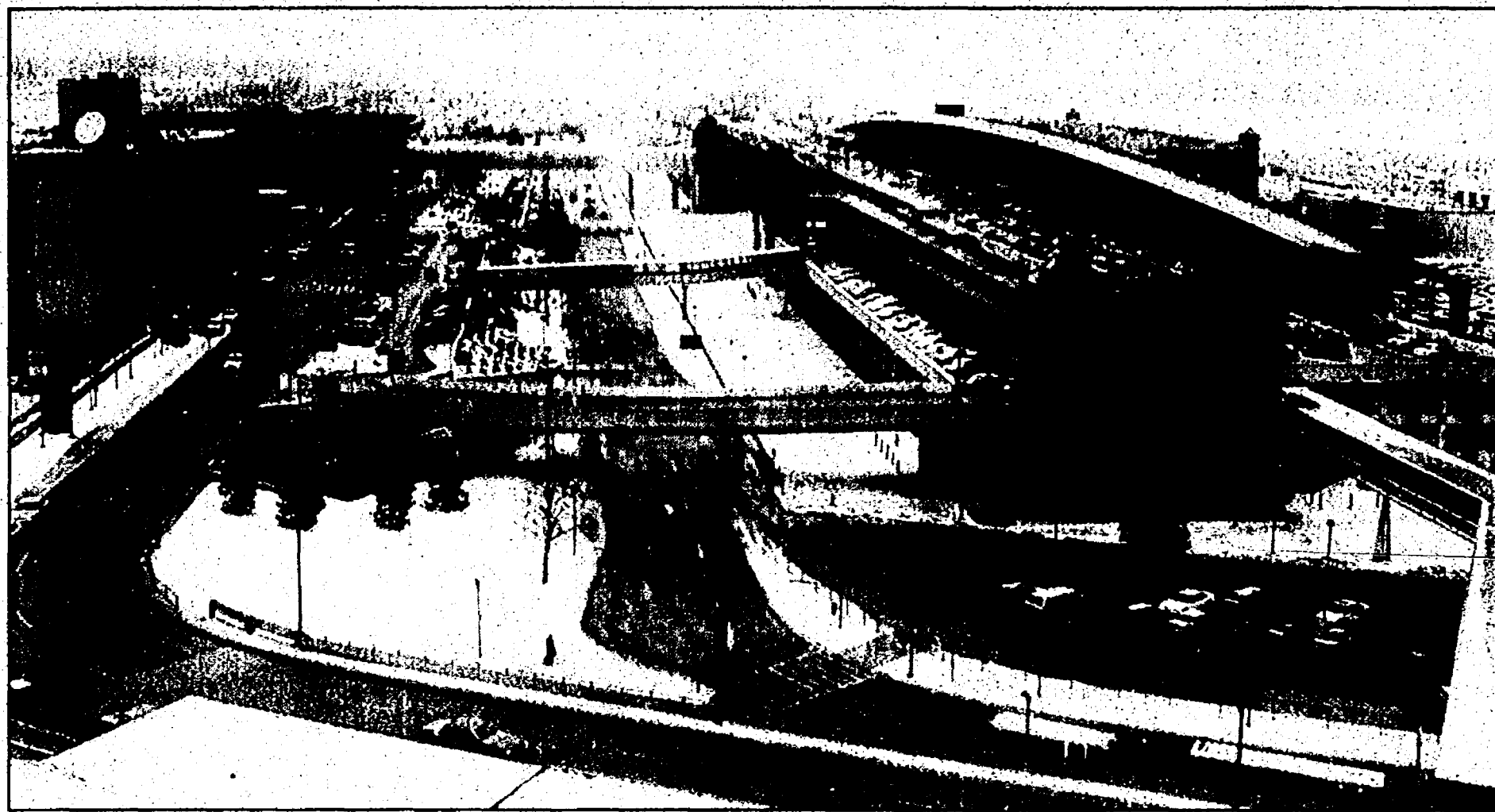
"Normally (planes) have to cross the center runway. With the connector, there is no need to do that. It cuts down on potential incursions."

The airport's air traffic control system also can track 4,175 flights. That computer tracking equipment is about four-years-old. About 1,600 flights a day — 800 departures and 800 arrivals — go through Metro. Air traffic controllers are responsible for instructing pilots up to 13,000 feet of altitude and 40 miles in its region.

Motorists entering the airport will notice an easier access to the facility on improved roads costing about \$160 million.

Eureka Road now has a boulevard, and the south access road will connect I-275 and I-94, and allow motorists to enter the airport from the south.

That will allow motorists on I-275 quicker access to the airport



Signs of progress: This parking structure was expanded near the Davey Terminal. The archway on the right contains express lanes for easy access and accommodates the increase in passengers on international flights.

and midfield terminal, and the proposed runway on the west side of the airport.

"We feel we need another runway, the airlines feel we need another runway," Conway said

Already, the area has felt the effect of the expansion.

Metro World Center, a retail mall outlet, is planned for an area in Romulus between Merriam and Wayne roads near I-94,

Johnson said.

"That was made possible by the improvements to the intersection of I-94 and Vining," Johnson said.

Johnson believes Metro's

flights attribute to the region's economic growth, which will only grow with the expansion.

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This year's Westland WinterFest will kick off with a fund-raising hockey game between the Red Wings Alumni and the Westland Hockey Association on Saturday, Jan. 25, followed by a dinner. The following weekend, a Jan. 31 community sock hop will kick off other events, including a 5-mile run/walk, ice sculptures, a bowling tournament, figure skating exhibition, art activities, sleigh/carriage rides and entertainment. Most will be held Feb. 1-2 around the Bailey Recreation Center and city hall areas. For information on WinterFest events, call Westland Parks and Recreation Department at (313) 722-7620. Many events are free to the community.

BOWLING FUN

WinterFest bowling outing will be 2-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at Westland Bowl. Partial proceeds will go to benefit Westland Youth Assistance Program. Price is \$150 per four-person team, including bowling, drinks, buffet dinner, trophies and prizes. Registration will be 1-1:45 p.m. For more information, call 326-7222 or Dennis LeMaitre, event chairman, 729-9292. The event is hosted by the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

VEGAS NIGHT

St. Theodore Parish, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland, is hosting a Las Vegas Night 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, including blackjack, easy craps, roulette and a money wheel. Admission is \$3 and parking is free. A 50/50 drawing will be held every hour and a parish raffle will be held with prizes ranging from \$3,000 to \$100. Beer, food and refreshments are available at a nominal charge. Sponsored by the St. Theodore Men's Club and Confraternity of Christian Women. Proceeds to fund parish events. (313) 728-0767 for information.

FREE CLASSES

The Showman's Dog Training Organization sponsor free junior showmanship classes for dog owners ages 7-17 at the AMVETS Hall on Merriman near Avondale at 8:30 p.m. the first and second Tuesdays of each month through September. Call (313) 729-7580.

K OF C DINNER

The Notre Dame Knights of Columbus will sponsor a \$100 a plate dinner Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 35100 Van Born. The grand prize will be \$3,000. Second prize will be \$500, and there will be \$650 in other prizes. There will be an open bar. For information, call 427-5347, 697-8482 or 728-3021.

BOATING CLASSES

The United States Power Squadron will offer safe boating classes covering outboard, inboard and sailing. The six-week classes will begin Feb. 26 at John Glenn High School in Westland, Feb. 26 at O.L. Smith High School in Dearborn and Feb. 27 at Tinkham Adult Education Center in Westland. There is no course fee, and an optional student manual and supplies are available. Day and evening classes are available. For information, call 278-1734 or 322-9917.

CRAFT SHOW

The Franklin High School Patriots Club will host a craft show 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 15, at the school, located at 31000 Joy Road, Livonia, between Middlebelt and Merriman roads. Those who require wheelchair access will be admitted at 9 a.m. Information, (313) 425-6072.

MEETINGS

TOWN HALL

The next Town Hall meeting sponsored by Westland Mayor Robert Thomas will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at the Presbyterian Village, on Cherry Hill Road, between Venoy and Merriman roads. This is a change from the originally scheduled date of Feb. 13.

WESTLAND DEMOCRATS

The Westland Democrats meet at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Rowe Meeting House, on Marquette just east of Newburgh. For information, call John Franklin, 595-7638, or Paul Krarup, (313) 729-6248. In Garden City, the Democratic Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in Room 5, Maplewood Community Center, on Maplewood west of Merriman. Call Carol Larkin, (313) 421-2638, or Billy Pate, (313) 427-2344.

MILITARY GROUP

The 82nd Airborne Division Association/Wolverine Chapter meets at 6 p.m. the second Sunday of each month at VFW Post 3323 Hall, on Wayne Road at Avondale. It is open to veteran qualified parachutists and veterans of any military branch. (313) 728-5859 or (313) 728-7214.

VETS TO MEET

The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 387, meet the second Wednesday of each month at the Bova VFW Post, on Hix between Ford and Warren Road, Westland. The chapter is open to all Vietnam-era veterans. Associate memberships are available. (313) 728-3231.

BENEFITS

LOTTO DRAWING

The Garden City Knights of Columbus Council 4513 has a daily three-digit lottery drawing based on the Michigan Lottery daily numbers. Proceeds are used to finance the Knights of Columbus Hall's building improvements. Tickets are \$10 for the month with a guaranteed winner every day except Sunday. Tickets are available at the hall, on Ford east of Merriman. 425-6380.

FOR SENIORS

MONTHLY MEAL

The Wayne Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford, for people 50 and older. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. The meal includes beer, beverages and dancing to Big Band music, and door prizes. (313) 728-5010.

DANCE FUN

Westland Shopping Center will host a senior citizen dance 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 3, in the lower level auditorium, Wayne and Warren roads. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m. The dance will end 1 p.m. The senior dance is held the first Monday of the month, except when it falls on a holiday.

FOR YOUR HEALTH

BLOOD PRESSURE

Free blood pressure screening is available 9 a.m. to noon the third Wednesday of each month at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center, Wayne. A registered nurse will be available in the emergency room. Cholesterol and glucose screening are also available for a nominal fee. Appointments aren't required.

AIM

Anxiety or panic attacks? AIM (Agoraphobics in Motion) meets 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia. AIM is a support group for those working on recovery from anxiety disorder or phobias. (810) 547-0400.

RATIONAL RECOVERY

Rational Recovery is a non-profit, self-help organization for people experiencing problems caused by alcohol and/or substance abuse or other self-defeating behaviors. The group meets at 12:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Garden City Hospital Community Health Center, on Harrison north of Maplewood, Garden City. (810) 476-2657.

EMOTIONS ANONYMOUS

Emotions Anonymous, which holds a 12-step program for a new way of life, meets at 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays in Room 5 of Garden City Hospital's Community Education Center, on Harrison north of Maplewood, Garden City. (313) 421-1776.

CHILDBIRTH CLASSES

Garden City Hospital, on Inkster Road at Maplewood, is sponsoring classes for parents of newborns, weekend childbirth instruction, a "refresher" childbirth education course, and a new support group for expectant teen-age mothers. For information on all programs, call (313) 458-4330.

WEIGHT LOSS

Garden City Hospital will host a weight loss peer support group at 11 a.m. Saturdays in Classroom 3 of the hospital's Medical Office Building, on Inkster Road near Maplewood. Members will focus on self-esteem issues and follow their own nutritional and exercise program. 261-4048.

FOR YOUTH

OPEN GYM

The Mayor's Task Force on Drugs and the City of Westland Parks and Recreation Department present "After School Open Gym and Activities" 3:15-5:15 p.m. Mondays at Stevenson Middle School, Wednesdays at Marshall Middle School, and Thursdays at Adams Middle School. The winter program begins the third week in January and the spring program begins

the first week in April. Programs last eight weeks. (313) 722-7620.

EDUCATION

ADULT ED

Wayne-Westland Schools Adult Education has free classes in adult basic education, GED preparation, high school completion, and vocational training. Register at Tinkham Adult Center, 450 S. Venoy, Westland. (313) 595-2429.

BINGO

K OF C BINGO

The Notre Dame Knights of Columbus hold bingo games starting at 6:45 p.m. Thursdays in its hall on Van Born, east of Wayne Road. (313) 728-3020.

MONDAY BINGO

The Notre Dame Assembly Knights of Columbus holds bingos at 6:30 p.m. Mondays in its hall on Van Born east of Wayne Road. There are specials held on the last Monday of each month. (313) 728-3020.

WFCL BINGO

The Finesse Girls Travel Softball Boosters hold a bingo from 6:30-9:45 p.m. every Monday to raise money for the girls softball program. The bingo games are held at the Wayne Ford Civic League hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford.

DEMS BINGO

The Metro Wayne Democratic Club sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Joy Manor Bingo Hall, on the south side of Joy, east of Middlebelt. Proceeds are used by the club to sponsor Little League baseball teams, the Salvation Army, School for the Blind. (313) 422-5025 or (313) 729-8681.

DEMS' BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party will hold bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, in the Cherry Hill Hall, on the southwest corner of Cherry Hill and Venoy. (313) 421-1517.

BINGO AND SNACKS

The auxiliary of VFW Post 3323, Westland, serves snacks and provides charity games at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday in the post hall, on Wayne Road at Avondale. (313) 326-3323.

SHAMROCK BINGO

There will be bingo at 11 a.m. Wednesdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born, east of Wayne Road, Wayne. Doors open 9 a.m. Food available. Proceeds go to charity. (313) 728-3020.

SMOKELESS BINGO

"Smokeless" bingo meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, at St. Simon and Jude Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy, Westland. Offered are three jackpots of \$400, \$300 and \$200.

NO SMOKE

"No smoking" bingo will be 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road,

Westland. Residents from Westgate Towers, Taylor Towers, Greenwood Towers, Liberty Park, Presbyterian Village and Carolon Condos, etc., are eligible for transportation to bingo if they have a minimum of five players. (313) 722-7632.

K OF C BINGO

Pope John XXIII assembly of the Knights of Columbus Council 1536 hosts bingo games at 6:45 p.m. every Thursday. The games are located in the Livonia Elks Lodge, 31117 Plymouth Road, one block east of Merriman, Livonia. (313) 425-2246.

CIVITAN BINGO

Wayne Civitan bingo is at 6:30 p.m. every Monday on Elizabeth between Michigan Avenue East and Michigan Avenue West next to the Farmer Jack in Wayne. Money raised helps support many projects in the community, such as youth, park equipment, Special Olympics, First Night Wayne and reading projects. Information, (313) 728-3915.

JAYCEES

Westland Jaycees host bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, Westland. Three jackpots paying \$250, \$300 and \$300, progressive. (313) 525-2962.

RECREATION

BASKETBALL

Registration being accepted for men's and women's basketball leagues with Westland Parks and Recreation Department, 36651 Ford, Westland. (313) 722-7620.

SQUARE DANCE

Beginner square dance classes held 7:30-9:30 Tuesdays in Bailey Recreation Center (behind City Hall), on Ford Road, Westland. Fee \$3 per person weekly. Mike Brennan, (313) 274-3394.

FOR DISABLED PEOPLE

A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled will be the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. (313) 722-7620.

OPEN SWIM

The Wayne-Westland YMCA has daily open swim available 7-8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1-3 p.m. Saturday. Family swim is 8-8:45 p.m. Friday and 3-4 p.m. Saturday. The YMCA is at 827 S. Wayne Road, Westland. (313) 721-7044.

WOLVERINE PACERS

The Wolverine Pacers, a race-walking club, meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and 9 a.m. Saturdays in Levagood Park, Dearborn. Call Gary Gray (313) 464-8890.

FOR WALKERS

The Maplewood Senior Center in Garden City has formed a new walking club. It will be held from 10-11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 5 of the community center, with a fee of \$2. The club will have 20-

minute and 30-minute walks. (313) 525-8851.

OPEN SKATING

The Westland Sports Arena, on Wildwood near Hunter, will continue its open skating program through March 31. Hours are 1-2:45 p.m., Saturday and Sunday; and noon to 1:45 p.m. weekdays. The Thursday session will be for adults only. (313) 729-4560.

CLUBS IN ACTION

GC TRAVEL

Garden City Travel Club: for information, call trip director Laree Yard at (313) 522-4446.

CAMPING CLUB

Moonliters Camping Club meets 8:15 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month at Canfield Community Center, 1801 N. Beech Daly, south of Ford, Dearborn Heights. Family camping with all ages, scheduled camp outs during the camping season. Harvey and Marion Grigg, (313) 427-3069.

WEEKENDERS

The Weekend family campers meet the second Wednesday of the month in Franklin High School, on Joy east of Merriman. (313) 531-2993.

HOLY SMOKE MASTERS

The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meets at 6 p.m. Thursdays at Ryan's Steak House, on Warren Road east of Wayne Road. It offers an eight-week seminar on public speaking called "Speechcraft." The fee for "Speechcraft" is \$30. (313) 455-1635.

GARDEN CITY LIONS

The Garden City Lions meet 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of every month in the Silver Saloon, 5651 Middlebelt, Garden City. Contact Henry Tolk, (313) 421-4954.

HOST LIONS

The Westland Host Lions Club meets 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in Denny's Restaurant, Wayne and Cowan Road.

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES

For information on a Mothers of Multiples Club in your area, call Shelly Weir, (313) 326-1466.

CHILDBIRTH ASSOCIATION

Classes for childbirth preparation are being offered at several Wayne County locations. Morning and evening classes available. Registering new classes every month. Newborn care classes and Cesarean preparation also offered. (313) 459-7477.

WESTLAND JAYCEES

Westland Jaycees meet 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the Bova VFW Post, on Hix south of Warren. Hot line, (313) 525-0962.

CORVETTE CLUB

The Corvette Club of Michigan meets at 8 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month in Les Stanford Chevrolet, Dearborn. Glenn Simms, (313) 675-5633, or Paul Jenkins, (313) 981-4254.

CAMARO BUFFS

The new Eastern Michigan Camaro Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month at Krug Chevrolet in Taylor. (313) 326-5658.

AMBASSADORS

Ambassadors Junior Civitan is seeking people ages 13-18 for community service activities. The club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House, 36993 Marquette, east of Newburgh. (313)

729-5409.

PURPLE HEART

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

SCHOOLS

NURSERY OPENINGS

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM
The Wayne-Westland Community Schools have ongoing registration for the preschool program, housed in Marquette School, on Marquette east of Wayne Road. There is a free program for eligible 4-year-olds in the Kids Plus program and a tuition-based program for others. The Kids Plus program is for children who will be 4 years old by Dec. 1 who also meet two "at risk" factors to qualify. The program is free for children who qualify. Call (313) 595-2660 for appointments.

HEAD START

Garden City Public Schools has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in its Head Start program. Eligible are those in low- or modest-income families and/or having disabilities. Classes meet Monday through Thursday mornings. For information, call supervisor Judy Hanson, (313) 425-0540.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in the morning and afternoon sessions. The younger pupils attend Tuesdays and Thursdays with the other pupils attending Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. (313) 728-3559.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

The new Child Development Center at the Inkster Family Investment Center is enrolling children from 6 weeks up to 10 years in its enriched child care program. The center is at 29999 Pine St., two blocks west of Middlebelt and south of Michigan Avenue. It is a joint project of Youth Living Centers and the Inkster Housing Commission. Hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call Denise Peca at 467-7261.

OPENINGS

United Christian School, on Florence near Middlebelt, north of Cherry Hill, Garden City, has morning and afternoons for 3- to 5-year-olds. The school offers classes two, three and five days a week as well as flexible hours for parents who need more than the scheduled preschool hours. There is a full curriculum in pre-reading, writing and early math, including hands-on computer time. (313) 522-6487.

REGISTRATION

McKinley Cooperative Preschool, 6500 Wayne Road, is registering for the 1997-98 school year. On Jan. 28 will be alumni registration and Feb. 4 will be open registration. Registrations are taken by mail only using check or money order. Call (313) 729-7222 for information.

PLUS PRESCHOOL

Registration for preschool by appointment for the Kids Plus Program is ongoing. Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 1. Family must meet two "at risk" factors. Program runs four half-days a week. Parents must provide their own transportation. Program is free for those students who qualify. Call (313) 595-2668.

The Observer Newspapers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or by fax to 313-591-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2111 if you have any questions.

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

CLASS REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion and the first and last name of at least one contact person, and a telephone number.

ALLEN PARK

Class of 1957
A reunion is planned for May 18.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

ANN ARBOR PIONEER

Class of 1977
July 19 at Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor.
(810) 464-2277 or (313) 263-6803

AVONDALE

Class of 1952
A reunion is planned for June 28.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

BERKLEY

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for July 5.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889
Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for Sept. 6.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889
Class of 1957
A reunion is planned for Sept. 27.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

BIRMINGHAM GROVES

Class of 1977
Aug. 9 at the Doubletree Guest Suites, Southfield.
(810) 360-7004

Class of 1967

A reunion is planned for Aug. 16.
(810) 647-5704 or (810) 851-8621

BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM

Class of 1977
Aug. 9 at the Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy.
(810) 465-2277 or (313) 263-6803

BLOOMFIELD HILLS ANDOVER

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Aug. 9.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

BLOOMFIELD HILLS LAHSER

Class of 1976
June 28, 1997, at the Doubletree Guest Suites, Southfield.
(810) 360-7004
Class of 1977
Aug. 15 at the Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy.
(810) 465-2277 or (313) 263-6803

BRABLEC

Class of 1977
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 537-3691 or (810) 296-7075

CLARENCEVILLE

Class of 1967
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

CRESTWOOD

Class of 1967
A reunion is planned for Oct. 4.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

DEARBORN

Class of 1952
Aug. 2 at the Dearborn Country Club.
(313) 937-1387 or (313) 274-9064
Class of 1947
A reunion is planned for Sept. 13.
(313) 455-0375 or (313) 421-3151

DEARBORN EDELS FORD

Class of 1967
A reunion is planned for July 27.
(313) 277-0631

DETROIT CASS TECH

Classes of 1946-49
Are planning a reunion.
(313) 272-0330
Class of 1968
Looking for classmates for a reunion in 1998.
Pam Yee Gianola, 1243 Smith Road, Beulah, Mich. 49617-9493 or e-mail at mie-nai@aliens.com
Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for 1997.
CT '77 Reunion Committee, 10608 Beaconsfield, Detroit 48224

Classes of 1980-82

Are planning a reunion.
Stephanie Bradford Wright, '80, 1753 Cornell, Southfield 48075, (313) 945-8473; or Dylan War-mack, '81, 2131 Bryanston Ct., Detroit 48207, (313) 963-7665
Class of 1985
Is planning a reunion.
Dwayne Harvey, 18850 Lamont, Detroit 48235, or (313) 226-6080

DETROIT CENTRAL

January-June Classes of 1947
May 24 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Dearborn. Cost is \$50 per person.
(810) 594-1986 or (810) 353-7724

DETROIT CHADSEY

Class of 1947
Sept. 21 at Park Place, Dearborn.
(313) 981-2825 or (313) 421-1257

DETROIT COOLLY**Class of 1947**

A reunion is planned for September at the Holiday Inn West, Livonia.
(313) 937-1018 or (810) 647-3743

DETROIT DENBY

January-June classes of 1967
A fall 1997 reunion is planned.
(810) 776-4970 or (810) 773-6878
January-June Classes of 1957
A reunion is planned for September. Names and addresses also needed for Reconnections Newsletter.
(810) 642-0249

DETROIT EASTERN

Classes of 1955-57
A reunion is planned for Sept. 20.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

DETROIT PERSHING

Classes of 1949-53
Are planning a reunion.
(810) 471-5609 or P.O. Box 530-244, Livonia 48153-0244
Class of 1957
A reunion is planned for Sept. 27.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

DETROIT REDFORD

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for Aug. 23.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

DETROIT SOUTHEASTERN

Class of 1947
A reunion is planned for July 18.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

DETROIT SOUTHWESTERN

January-June classes of 1957
A reunion is planned for April 1997.
(313) 532-4379 or (313) 274-2585

EAST DETROIT

Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for Oct. 11.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

Class of 1977

A reunion is planned for Nov. 1.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

FARMINGTON

Class of 1977
Is planning a reunion.
(810) 478-7818 or (810) 669-2529

FERNDAL

Class of 1967
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

FERNDAL LINCOLN

January-June classes of 1947
A reunion is planned for Sept. 27.
(810) 547-8096 or (313) 422-4237 for January grads, (810) 661-1169 for June grads

GARDEN CITY

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for fall 1997.
Kurt Tyszkiewicz, 1592 Nautical Lane, Marine City 48039 or (810) 765-1380

Class of 1962

Is planning a reunion.
(313) 722-7551, (313) 565-8024 or (313) 422-8129

GARDEN CITY EAST

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Oct. 3.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

GARDEN CITY WEST

Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for Oct. 25.
(810) 486-2997

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for July 26.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

HIGHLAND PARK

January-June Classes of 1947
Is planning a reunion for 1997.
(810) 737-1983 or (888) 456-1947

Class of 1969

Is planning a reunion.
(313) 864-5943, (313) 683-5418 or (313) 867-3201

Class of 1987

A reunion is planned for Aug. 16.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

Class of 1947

A reunion is planned for Sept. 20.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

HOLY REDEEMER

Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for October 1997.
(313) 522-5369 or (313) 534-6995

LAKE ORION

Class of 1986
A reunion is planned for July 11.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

Class of 1982

A reunion is planned for Sept. 13.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

LAKEVIEW

Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for Aug. 16.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

Class of 1977

A reunion is planned for Aug. 16.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

LANSING SEXTON

Class of 1872
A reunion is planned for Aug. 9.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

LIVONIA BENTLEY

Class of 1972
A reunion is planned for July 26.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Class of 1971
A reunion is planned for May 3.
(810) 473-7100

Class of 1986

A reunion is planned for April 19.
(313) 513-2720

Class of 1971

Is planning a reunion.
(810) 473-7100

MADISON HEIGHTS-LAMPHERE

Class of 1977
June 21 at the Sterling Inn.
(810) 280-0918 or (810) 536-2599

MILFORD

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for June 14.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

NORTH FARMINGTON

Class of 1977
Aug. 2 at the Novi Hilton Hotel, Novi.
(810) 465-2277 or (313) 263-6803

OAK PARK

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

All Classes
A reunion is planned for Oct. 4.
(313) 842-3320

PONTIAC

Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion
(810) 473-7100

Class of 1957

Is planning a reunion.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

PONTIAC NORTHERN

Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion.
(810) 473-7100

REDFORD UNION

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Sept. 6.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

Class of 1967

A reunion is planned for Aug. 9.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

RIVER ROUGE

Classes of the 1960-69
Scholarship fund raisers 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Perfect Beat Lounge, 1941 Fort St., Detroit. Cost is \$3 per person.

ROCHESTER

Class of 1977
Aug. 9 at Petruzello's, Troy.
R.H.S. Class of '77 Reunion Committee, c/o 2683 Dansbury Ct., Lake Orion 48360

ROCHESTER ADAMS

Class of 1977
Aug. 16 at the Great Oaks Country Club, Rochester.
(810) 360-7004

ROYAL OAK

Class of 1947
A reunion is planned for Sept. 13.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

ROYAL OAK DONDERO

January Class of 1952
Oct. 4 at the Doubletree Guest Suites, Troy.
(810) 851-5038 or (810) 641-7832

ST. AGATHA

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Aug. 2.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

ST. JOSEPHAT

Class of 1943-46
Are planning a reunion.
(810) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

SERVITE

Class of 1976
A reunion is planned for April 19.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

SOUTHFIELD

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Aug. 30.
(810) 553-3528

STERLING HEIGHTS

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

TRENTON

Class of 1987
Aug. 16 at Arnaldo's Banquet Hall, Riverview.
(810) 360-7004

WARREN COUSINO

Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion.
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Easy access to trash prompts bank to change policy

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

We take for granted that banks will protect our most important asset, our financial identities. We expect them to safeguard our account numbers, credit card numbers and social security numbers as securely as they protect our cash.

For the most part, they do. However, while banking industry standards, coupled with federal privacy acts, protect information transmitted electronically, hard copy is another matter.

Banks set their own information-protection policies. If these policies are not strictly practiced, critical documents — credit reports, account summaries, mortgage applications — can end up in the trash, easy pickings for con artists.

"It is very common for people to scavenge the garbage," said Paul Denenfeld, legal director for the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan. "Since a U.S. Supreme Court ruling in the 1980s, police can go through your garbage without a search warrant. The law says garbage is open to whomever wants to go

through it."

Last November Channel 50 (WKBD) aired a report about First Federal of Michigan, which has 78 branches in southeastern Michigan, including Oakland and Wayne counties, discarding customer financial documents in the trash. Reporter Kristen Smith, the station's weekend anchor, conducted a month-long investigation that involved checking dumpsters behind area banks.

"It was so amazing I could get that information so easily," said Smith about the documents she retrieved from dumpsters behind First Federal's Birmingham and Troy branches. At the company's Westland branch on Wayne Road, Smith found six dated garbage bags containing customer documents placed on the front curb.

"We were very embarrassed," said Anthony Sisto, First Federal's division president, about the Channel 50 report. "We contacted all the managers. We reviewed our policies to make them more stringent."

"In the past branches would shred information. Unfortunately,

nately some of the shredding was not being done. Now we've gone to a shredding company to do an inside pick up and a certified shredding."

According to Sisto, First Federal has a specific records-retention policy, a formal employee training policy, as well as a confidentiality agreement every employee must sign. "That's not the issue," he said. "You're asking too many employees to do too many things."

Sisto would not focus blame. "Honestly, it was clearly an oversight. We went through a merger. We went through company changes. There was not an understanding that the policy remained intact after the merger." (First Federal merged with Charter One of Cleveland in November 1995.)

Both Standard Federal, a federally chartered savings and loan bank with 182 branches in four states, and Comerica, Michigan's largest bank-holding company with 270 state-wide branches, practice strict information-protection policies.

Standard Federal developed its policy with input from Deloitte & Touche, a certified public accounting firm that serves as the company's external auditors.

"You cannot just pick up information and reconstruct an identity," said Vince Carducci, vice president of corporate communications, about the company's

numerous computer printouts. "We believe it's important to protect our assets. Information is an asset. Not only information itself, but the mechanism used to carry this information."

Standard Federal stores documents according to both a disposal time line and potential to cause harm to the customer. Hard copy of computer reports not critical for reconstruction of information is shredded. Even material from teller bins is not automatically thrown in the trash.

The bank also uses confidential document disposal bins in which material can be disposed but not retrieved. A security guard accompanies the person authorized to take this material to the shredder.

"New hires have to sign an acknowledgment of our information protection policy," said Carducci. He added that the policy states an employee could be discharged and prosecuted for non-compliance.

When asked if Standard Federal would retain an employee who carelessly disposed of protected information, Carducci said: "The chances are probably remote."

Comerica, Michigan's largest bank-holding company with 270 state-wide branches, stores their trash in locked dumpsters until it is picked up and destroyed, either shredded or burned. "Only certain people have access

to a dumpster area," said Robert Doetsch, Comerica's corporate communication officer.

Comerica's employee policy manual also states that violation of customer confidentiality would result in disciplinary action. Commenting on First Federal's oversight, Doetsch said: "We never had an incident where that has happened."

Harry Demaio, director of information protection consulting for Deloitte & Touche, the consulting firm for Standard Federal, said the banking standards governing information disposal "do not go deeply and are not very detailed."

"The expectation is that banks will set a high level of diligence. But it doesn't say to keep locks on the garbage cans," he said.

Michigan Financial Institutions Bureau commissioner Pat McQueen, a former banker, saw the Channel 50 report on First Federal. "I thought they were very sloppy," he said. "Any of these institutions have an obligation to keep customers' records confidential."

Do consumers have any recourse if a bank has violated their privacy? That depends.

"If someone wanted to bring legal action against a bank for carelessly discarding information, they would have to prove that in some way they suffered an injury, either monetary or psychological," said the ACLU's Denenfeld.

That action would be based on common law rather than federal law, according to Denenfeld. Common law is uncodified by legislative decision; it has been developed through the ages based on custom, usage or decision and opinions of law courts.

Denenfeld said the Federal Privacy Act protects only information decimated by the government. Banks are private enterprises. "Private industry is able to use social security numbers," he said.

According to one Birmingham resident whose financial documents, including her mortgage application, were retrieved by the Channel 50 reporter, the incident has shaken her trust with First Federal.

"When we first discovered what happened, we were very angry and disappointed in our bank. We felt very vulnerable to the system. This serves as a wake-up call to anyone who entrusts their assets to a bank to be mindful of the bank's responsibility to the individual's confidentiality," she said.

A spokesperson for Charter One Bank of Ohio recently confirmed that First Federal had contracted with Document Services, Inc., a Michigan-based document-shredding company. Discarded confidential information is now boxed and sealed and picked up by Document Services once a week.

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■ If your Social Security card is being illegally used, visit your local Social Security office or call 1-800-772-1213. According to a

Social Security spokesperson, reports of stolen cards are referred to the Inspector General to determine if a violation of the Privacy Act has occurred. Rarely is a new card issued.

Never routinely give out your Social Security number. It is needed for employment verification, tax returns, and credit card and bank account applications. Always question why it is requested.

Credit Cards

■ Sign your new cards as soon as they arrive. Store in a secure place.

■ Shred anything with your account number before throwing it away.

■ Don't give your card number over the phone unless you initiate the call.

■ Never write your account number on a postcard or the outside of an envelope.

■ Get your card and receipt after a transaction and double-check to be sure they are yours.

■ If you have not received a new credit card after being notified it has been sent, contact the card issuer immediately.

If your credit cards are stolen:

- Make out police report
- Cancel all credit cards.
- Close bank accounts.

■ Contact by phone one of the major credit reporting bureaus and request that a fraud alert be placed on your credit record. At Experian, formerly TRW, this alert stays on your report for 60 days. A faxed or mailed copy of a phone bill (verifying your name) and a victim statement can remain on your report, at your discretion, up to seven years. This limitation directs credit grantors to confirm your future credit applications by calling you at a designated phone number.

While a fraud alert on your credit report prevents illegal access, it also prevents you from receiving preapproved offers of credit or increasing your existing credit.

According to Experian spokesperson Maxine Sweet, vice president of consumer education, even legitimate claims are difficult to rectify. This is because credit bureaus receive so many bogus claim disputes from credit clinics. "It's going to be a hassle no matter how much we help you. It's a pain. You're the victim," said Sweet.

If you are a victim of credit fraud, contact one of the following credit bureaus: Experian at 1-800-422-4879; Equifax at 1-800-525-6285; or Trans Union at 1-800-301-7195.

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Plaintiff's attorney, bar no., address, and telephone no(s): Catherine Hodge Jacobs (P48808), 35330 Nankin Blvd., Suite 702, Westland, MI 48185, (313) 421-5510.

Defendant name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s): Douglas Edward Arends, Unknown.

THE COURT FINDS:

1. Service of process upon defendant Douglas Edward Arends cannot reasonably be made as provided in MCR 105, and service of process may be made in a manner which is reasonably calculated to give defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.

IT IS ORDERED:

2. Service of the summons and complaint and a copy of this order may be made by the following method: Publication in the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers one time each week for three consecutive weeks.

3. For each method used, proof or service must be filed promptly with the court.

DATE: January 6, 1997.

JUDGE: Diane Marie Hathaway, Bar No. 39999

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Publish: January 23 and 30, 1997

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By: Michael J. Ross
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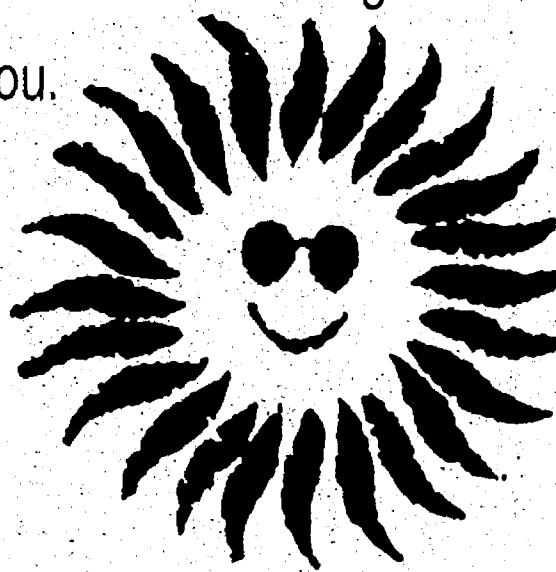
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Westland Observer

OPINION

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1997

Word power

Library true community asset

It was a sunny, brisk day – and a proud one – last November when the William P. Faust Library in Westland opened its doors.

Eager residents lined up to get a look at the new facility, on Central City Parkway south of Warren Road. Public officials extolled the virtues of the new facility.

Figures recently released from The Library Network, a group of more than 50 libraries which share resources and materials, show that the library in Westland ranked second in materials checked out from within the entire network.

Area residents checked out 26,320 books during its first month of operation, behind only Livonia's library with 38,228.

Library Director Sandra Wilson and her colleagues are pleased with the figures, but they're too busy for many pats on the back. The library staff serves an average of approximately 700 people per day, varying according to hours of operation and other factors, such as the weather.

The library's tremendous acceptance says a great deal about Westland residents and business people, who welcome such a source of current information on a variety of subjects. Library staffers continue to shelve new books

and videotapes and are completing the work needed to install up-to-date technology.

Computer wiring work is continuing and the library expects to have public Internet access sometime in February.

It isn't only adults who are getting in on the library's act. Story sessions for youngsters have been well-attended, and school-age children and teens are visiting the library in droves.

A library can do a great deal to help forge a sense of community. That was certainly the case with the Canton Public Library several years ago, when that community opened its new facility adjacent to the Township Administration Building, replacing a cramped facility on that building's third floor.

Westland parents and educators were pleased with the recent news that Michigan Educational Assessment Program scores for fourth- and seventh-graders showed an increase. It may be too much to suggest that the new library is responsible, given that it didn't open until last November.

Even so, public libraries remain a viable source of knowledge for residents of all ages, and it's appropriate to acknowledge those responsible for the library's success.

MEAP scores call for action

The good news is that educational leaders are "disappointed," "truly disappointed," "not satisfied" and "disappointed because we're not moving forward."

It means they were being realistic about the local and statewide general slip in test scores in reading and math for fourth and seventh graders. No alibis. No complaints about more money. No whining. They were disappointed and intend to teach the youngsters how to do better.

Lots of folks had guesses about the slippage in the Michigan Educational Assessment Program scores.

Here is what we know for sure:

- After five years of more or less steady improvement, fourth- and seventh-grade math and reading tests this year dropped suddenly in most public school districts.

Two notable exceptions were Wayne-Westland, where fourth-grade reading improved from 32 percent satisfactory to 43.2 percent over the years, and Northville, where scores rose in three-fourths of the total results. South Redford saw seventh-grade scores rise though fourth-grade scores were down.

In Garden City, some schools held their own while others dropped. In Plymouth-Canton and Livonia, scores fell from 1995 but were better than five years ago.

- Timing may have been a factor, Livonia administrator Marlene Bihlmeyer suggested. The 1995 tests were administered Oct. 15; the 1996 tests on Sept. 30. "In math, research has shown there's a loss of knowledge and skill that occurs over the summer," she said. That may explain the math drop but not the reading drop.

- Public school scores statewide were very close to non-public school scores. In fourth grade math, public school students even outscored the non-publics by one point. That is extremely interesting, given the non-public schools' selectivity. Those who claim non-public schools are superior because of "discipline" fail to make a case.

- "Charter academies," the so-called public schools that sought state money to convert from private status, looked bad. In seventh-

grade math, for example, charter students had 49.6 percent "low" (failing) scores versus 15.3 percent for non-public schools and 22.3 percent for publics.

It is hard to account for charter academies. Many were organized by dissidents to promote ethnocentric notions of social engineering; some were organized to be elite schools of science and business. Some weren't in business long enough for their results to be meaningful.

Clearly, however, Gov. John Engler and his three State Board of Education henchpersons were dead wrong in urging massive expansion of charter academies. They should listen to the counsel of those who say "go slow," copy the ideas of charter academies that do well and abandon the ideas of those who perform so poorly.

- When one compares school districts, socioeconomic status talks. Naturally, the Northvilles, Grosse Pointes and Birminghams of this state will do well. Hamtramck, Highland Park and Inkster won't do as well.

What is more important is the trend – not just the 1995-96 comparison, but the long-term trend over five or more years. Parents need to give school administrators a couple of months to study the reasons for this year's dip and then press them to tell us what changes they are making.

Modern Americans simply can't work, do business, run households or raise kids without math and reading.

Individually, parents need to show – not just tell – their kids that math and reading are important. They need to take kids to the library oftener than they take them to the movies or video store. They need to cheer their scholars as loudly as they do their Little League teams.

Many districts are tapping grandparents – bringing in retirees to tutor kids one-on-one in ways that are impossible in classes of 25 or 30.

Math and reading are crucial. Once kids grasp their importance, it may not take any new educational gimmicks to start those test scores back upward, the direction they've been heading since 1989.

ARKIE HUDKINS



LETTERS

FOIA vital

Thank you for the recent article by Tim Richard on the changes to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). I'm not sure how many citizens realize the importance of being able to access governmental information. Without this crucial insight about the actions of our elected officials, their appointed decision-makers, and all of the various agencies, true public oversight becomes impossible to obtain.

As a citizen who has used the Freedom of Information Act to acquire information from the local, state and federal government, I very much support easier access, not stricter access. I support reduced fees, not increased fees. I support more complete disclosure, not more restricted disclosure.

Tim Richard does a tremendous value to your readers when he reports back on important legislative issues, like FOIA, taking place in Lansing. Most especially those "between-the-line" issues, such as was described in the FOIA story. (The last-minute, late-night passage of "amended" bills involving serious citizens' rights without committee work or PUBLIC HEARINGS.) I know from experience that it is not uncommon for similar "reorganization" and "suspect" passage of bills to occur around the holidays when the public is busy with other activities. I commend him for his continued reporting.

Cheryl Graunstadt
Westland

Thanks for efforts

Thanks to teacher Bill Fanning and the Home Trades class at the William D. Ford Vocational Technical Center.

Not once, but twice, in the last two years, Bill Fanning and students have undertaken a project for the Perrinsville School Restoration Committee.

The Bell Tower which crowns the historic schoolhouse in Westland was constructed by Bill Fanning's class last school year.

Recently, with only measurements, he and the Home Trades class designed and built a large 32-inch height by 104-inch length bookcase which now sets at the front of the schoolroom in the Perrinsville One-Room School.

The bookcase was built to hold Harpers Readers and Webster Spellers, 1890s reprinted textbooks, and the Perrinsville School library books which are prior to 1900. The 140-year-old school building is being restored to an 1890s era.

The Restoration Committee and the Westland Historical Commission wish to thank

them for another fantastic job well done.
Thank you.

Ruth Dale
Perrinsville School Restoration Committee
Committee members Virginia Braun, chairwoman, Joseph Benyo, Thomas H. Brown, Marie Busch, Ruth Dale, Dorothea Finfrock, Jo Johnson, Edna Parker

Difference in thinking

Westland Mayor Thomas' recent "point of view" essay was a good example of the current gap between public sector thinking and private sector thinking.

For government workers, taking a cut in your car allowance is considered to be a big sacrifice. For private sector workers just holding your job for another year – with benefit cuts – is considered an achievement.

For government workers, significant annual pay raises are expected, even demanded. For private sector workers' pay, benefit and job cuts are the norm.

For government workers, \$40,000-plus salaries are common. In the private sector, workers earning \$40,000-plus salaries are prime candidates for downsizing and cost-cutting.

The only truly safe private sector jobs are in the \$5 to \$7 per hour economy. I call this the "Now Hiring" economy. What will it take to get the public sector into line with the private sector? Realistically – only a collapse in the government bond market.

As long as Japanese and foreign investors keep eating all the government bonds we throw on their plate, the public sector will continue to thrive.

It is the bond market coupled with already record high rates of taxation on American workers that is supporting high public sector salaries.

But, this is all coming to an end, and soon! Workers are "taxed out" and foreigners are starting to gag on our bond market.

Unfortunately, most politicians from the school board and city hall to Congress have not accepted the extreme financial precariousness of their situation. They are in serious denial. So they blame the press or the "media-spirited" taxpayers for their problems.

They do not see that we are living on a bubble. If and when the current financial asset bubble bursts – the politicians will have a lot of explaining to do.

Walter Warren
Westland

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Which team do you think will win the Super Bowl?

We asked this question at the Westland post office and the Westland Police Department.



"I'd like to see New England win, but I'm sure Green Bay will win. I think it's their year."

Stanley Cort



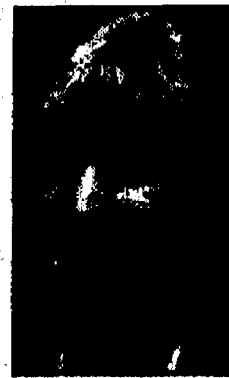
"I don't know. I'm not really into it."

Bob Wamecke



"New England."

Greg Wamecke



"Green Bay, because they've been the best team in the league all year. They also have the best quarterback."

Candy Vinnay

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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

On-site day care benefits employees

It's a bright, but frigid January morning when Gray Reynolds of Farmington Hills arrives at work, briefcase held in one hand, child held by the other.

As he helps 3-year-old Amanda off with her coat and boots, he says hello to another child who confides, "I'm a mousey." He plants a kiss on blonde Amanda's smiling face, and heads for his job in product management in another section of the building.

As someone who scrambled to find a person to watch her toddler while at work during the pre-day care era, it's hard not to be jealous.

As someone who sees her daughter and/or son-in-law drive from home to day care to work to day care to home in this era, it's also hard not to be extremely jealous.

That's because Reynolds works at

Compuware in Farmington Hills, one of the dozen or so employers in the metro-Detroit area that provide on-site day care.

Compuware opened its Child Development Center in 1996 as part of an employee wing that includes a state-of-the-art fitness center and a cafeteria featuring, among other specialties, an omelet station.

There, it's not unusual to see that Art DuRivage has invited his wife, a college student, to join him and 7-month-old Claire for lunch. "I was so fearful of daycare," said DuRivage, who is living in Canton while his new home in White Lake is being built. "Here, I see her at least twice a day. I can just walk down the hall."

DuRivage is frank. When he joined Compuware in 1995, "One of the things that attracted me was they



JUDITH DONER BERNE

said they were going to build a day care center."

Compuware Chairman and CEO Peter Karmanos Jr. hired The Merrill-Palmer Institute at Wayne State University to design, program and run the center. Open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, it is for employees' children age 6 weeks to 5

years. Staff-to-child ratios exceed state standards. And the company partially subsidizes the costs.

"This is child care as it was meant to be," says Marilyn Levin, director of Merrill-Palmer's Work/Family Center. "It makes sense for companies to set up on-site child care centers for working parents," says Eli Saltz, director of the institute. Merrill-Palmer has set up centers for Ford Motor Co., Chrysler in Huntsville, Ala., General Motors in Flint, Wayne County and City of Detroit.

"Before I started Compuware, I always wondered why employers didn't do more for their employees," says Karmanos. "This is something I've wanted to do for a long time to make Compuware a better place to work."

Jennie, Miguel, James, Lauren, Aaron and Zack are having an outing

in a carriage built for six, named the Bye Bye Buggy. Employees who are unaffiliated with the child care center smile and wave as Jennifer Wink and another teacher roll the babies through the company's halls. A number know the babies by name.

"Hi kids, how are you?" says one. "It's the baby train," announces another. "I think it brightens everybody's day to see the babies," says Wink, a Wixom resident who holds a degree in child development from Central Michigan University. To one employee, they are the bottom line. "Having the babies here reminds us of why we do what we do."

Judith Doner Berne, a West Bloomfield resident, is former managing editor of the *Eccentric Newspapers*. You can comment on this column by calling (313) 953-2047, Ext. 1997.

State justices branch out in Edison decisions

There are two sides to every lawsuit, right? Wrong, especially where the Michigan Supreme Court is concerned. I've commented in the past about our seven justices' writing fractured opinions in a case, and on Dec. 30, they did it again.

On the surface, the high court's procedure made sense: Consolidate appeals in three suits against Detroit Edison, our regional electric company. By the time they were done, however, they produced six opinions.

Bottom line: Be careful around power lines, because it's nearly impossible to prove Detroit Edison was negligent.

Case 1 was Gerald Groncki, a maintenance supervisor at a condominium complex in Novi. He was moving a 24-foot ladder that hit an uninsulated overhead electrical line that had been in place six years. He went into cardiac arrest, lost a toe and suffered personality changes.

Groncki sued. Edison won summary judgment before Oakland Circuit Judge Francis X. O'Brien. Northville attorney Sheila Thorp wrote the briefs for the high court and lost.

Case 2 was Theodore Parcher, who was moving a 29-foot-high scaffold on a forklift and hit a power line 35 feet above ground. He lost his right arm, right leg and left foot. Edison won summary judgment in Lapeer Circuit Court.

Case 3 was Wendell Bohnert, a delivery man for National Cement Products of Toledo for 40 years. At a home construction site in Monroe, the boom of his truck hit a 26-foot-high power line, and he died at age 58.

What do these cases mean to you? Not much, personally, except that you elected the seven justices, and you deserve an accounting of their stewardship.

Chief Justice James Brickley (a Republican) wrote the "lead" opinion



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that decided the cases. The question, he said, was the scope of Edison's duty to move, insulate or de-energize overhead lines. "However, there is not duty to warn someone of a risk of which that person is aware," Brickley wrote.

"The costs of insulating or moving these lines would be significant. Edison alone has over 35,000 miles of power lines in this state. The social policy at issue is the public's need for electric power at a reasonable cost."

Opinion No. 1.

Justice Patricia Boyle (Democrat) "concurred only in the result," said the court reporter. Opinion No. 2.

Justice Conrad Mallett Jr. (now chief justice), joined by Michael Cavanagh (both Democrats), agreed with Brickley on the Bohnert and Parcher cases, but dissented on the Groncki case. They would have sent the case back to Oakland Circuit Judge O'Brien "to assess the liability of the utility... concerning the proximity of the wire to the building and to the ground." They called Brickley's opinion "too narrow" and "inconsistent with basic principles of negligence law." Opinion No. 3.

Justices Dorothy Comstock Riley (R) agreed in freeing Edison of liability in all three cases but dissented in the Bohnert case. She would have ruled in favor of the home builder, too, as a matter of law. Opinion No. 4.

Justice Elizabeth Weaver (R)

agreed with Riley but wrote a separate dissent, saying Brickley's reasoning relied too heavily on a precedent in a General Motors case that resulted in "the unwarranted expansion of tort law... no matter how negligent the employee may be." Opinion 5.

Justice Charles Levin (liberal independent), who retired two days later, allegedly never saw deep pockets that shouldn't be dipped into. He dissented and wanted to rule against Edison on all three cases. Opinion No. 6.

Voters replaced Levin with Marilyn Kelley (D), who probably will be close to Cavanagh. More of the same.

My advice to Chief Justice Mallett is to hire a management consultant who can get this array of individualists to work as a team. Six opinions from seven justices are an embarrassment to the state.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

Academic improvement necessitates assessment

There was a fair amount of hand-wringing last week when the results of 1996's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) tests were released, showing a slight decline from previous years.

Math and reading tests were given last fall to fourth and seventh graders statewide. The Michigan Department of Education released the scores, which were printed in detail for your school district in last week's edition of this newspaper.

Some findings and comments:

■ Statewide math results were down a bit more than reading. Maybe the fact that the test was given on Sept. 30, two weeks earlier than the mid-October date in previous years, meant that students, returning from a summer of fun and forgetting, lost two useful weeks for review.

■ Around 1,500 students from 33 charter schools took the MEAP tests for the first time. Overall, results for charter schools were worse than for public schools, with more charter school students earning low marks than satisfactory. Introducing competition into our K-12 school system may be a good idea, as charter advocates claim, but pretty soon charter schools are going to have to put up or shut up. If charter test results continue to be poor, it might be a good idea to slow down the rush to charter all those schools now in the pipeline.

Interestingly enough, just a few days after the MEAP test results were released, Education Week, a respected trade newspaper, issued a report on the nation's schools which concluded that overall they were "riddled with excellence but rife with mediocrity." Staff spent a year assessing state school systems on 75 indicators such as academic standards, school climate, support for teachers and funding.

Michigan's report card was mixed.

We received a D for school climate, which includes things such as class size, student-teacher ratio and teacher views about violence in schools.

Quality of teaching, measured by the percentage of teachers who hold degrees in the subjects they teach and the number of newly graduated teachers from accredited colleges, drew a C.

Michigan rated a B-plus for adequacy of funding. (Michigan spends \$5,779 per student, less than the nation-leading New Jersey at \$8,118 but more than doormat Utah with \$4,637.)

When it came to standards and assessments,



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■ Interestingly enough, just a few days after the MEAP test results were released, Education Week, a respected trade newspaper, issued a report on the nation's schools which concluded that overall they were 'riddled with excellence but rife with mediocrity.'

however, Michigan rated an A-minus, based mainly on the fact that we measure pupil performance in math, English and science and hold districts accountable for results.

Wading through all this data is an excellent cure for insomnia. But the main points remain very clear:

First, the best way to improve our public schools is to improve them, not destroy them as some pro-charter ideologues would have us do.

Second, the best way to improve school performance is to set out clearly what we expect kids to learn and then assess what in fact they do learn. Publish the results, district by district and building by building. And then hold everybody - school boards, superintendents, principals, teachers, parents and kids - responsible for making improvements.

Third, the best thing for Gov. John Engler, the Michigan Legislature and the State Board of Education to do right now is adopt a tough, thorough, realistic, mandatory statewide curriculum for all schools. Caving in to the know-nothings and the local control freaks is no way to help our kids learn to compete in a tough world.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 ext. 1880.

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KAREN MEIER

'Umber-deens' and lucky noses

LARGE. That's the word to describe it, the thing that's dominating family life around here. Large, big, huge. Inescapable. Wherever we go, it goes. Whatever other topic of conversation comes up, this barges in and quickly dominates. I'm telling you, this thing is big. So big in fact, there are few things bigger. At least in the animal kingdom.

It's the elephant. That's right, the elephant. Actually, elephants, plural. No, no... better yet... ELEPHANTS. Plural and capital. With ELEPHANTS being so big and massive and all, and so lumbering, they need big, stretched out letters. Wide letters, like E, and four footed letters like H. Lumbering about on the page and off the tongue.

Elephants take up whole pages in picture books. They take up whole screens in movie theaters. And elephants take up the whole ring at a circus. And, they've taken up 2 1/2-year-old Jack. Or, at least he's taken with them - in a big, big way.

This inescapable elephant thing of Jack's got started last summer when I took him and the rest of my children to visit my mother and father one hot weekend in the little town on the other side of the state.

A doubly good treat

This was a doubly good treat because not only did they get to visit Grandma and Grandpa, but they got to go to a little, small town, one-ring circus. And it was there they all rode on the back of a large, dusty, lumbering elephant.

I went with them. And from up there, way up there on the back of that massive animal, whose back bones I could feel rising and falling underneath me as he took each slow, plodding step, I knew what I'd been missing all my life. And I can tell you this, it wasn't riding an elephant.

But that is neither here nor there. What is important, was the enchantment of that day and that ride in the summer sun on the back of an elephant - for young Jack.

"Umber-deens" was the word he concocted that summer day for elephants. "Umber-deens" was all he could say the rest of the day. He talked about them well into the night. And all the next day. As a matter of fact, he was still talking about them into autumn, well past the first frost.

By Christmas time, "ELEPHANT" topped Jack's list to Santa Claus. A real elephant. Like at "GammaGampa's house," he claimed. Demanded. Whined.

Alas, Santa couldn't manage stuffing an entire elephant down the chimney, so he hoped very hard the smaller versions, the inanimate plastic figures and the cuddly stuffed toy one and the one in the book would suffice. They did. We were lucky for that.

So at any rate, those umber-deens go everywhere with us now; Jack has roll call before the van ever leaves the driveway, and if just one from the herd is missing, well, leaving is not an option.

To add to this pachyderm pandemonium, a 25-year-old elephant, a stuffed toy I'd made for a home ec project way back in high school, recently surfaced.

Neither college, nor marriage, nor moving, nor five children, nor even spring cleanings could keep this "umber-deen" from resurfacing. So he's back now, the hand-stuffed, 10th-grade project elephant made from cheerfully red cloth with many dancing, lumbering umber-deens interwoven across the width and length of the material.

Leader of the pack

Jack has made him the leader of his herd. I haven't had the heart to tell him that his "leader" only got a B plus from Mrs. Burke back in 10th grade. The seams attaching the ears to the elephant's head are just terrible. And the tiny hole in the trunk has become bigger and the stuffing has been falling out all over the place, but Jack doesn't seem to care.

As a matter of fact, we just now came back from a noontime visit with Daddy at his work in the GM Building in downtown Detroit. And it was a great, adventure-filled trip (I'll have to tell you about that some time), filled with skywalks, escalators, elevators, Cadillacs on display, high, vaulted ceilings, marble floors, old and elegant architecture, and a herd of elephants led by a 25-year-old, weak seam in the trunk, home ec project elephant.

All I know is that it's better to drag this rag-tag umber-deen through corporate headquarters than face the possibility that Jack would become wanting (and whining) for the soapstone elephant sitting high upon our fireplace mantel. This elephant isn't as old, only eight years old, but he comes from Africa, Kenya. A man carved

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STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Quick print: Seedlings director Debra Bonde (from left) shows how quietly and quickly the Braille 200 can print double-sided pages of Braille text to Preceptor Gamma Pi Chapter members Peggy Pirschel, Donna Kociszewski, Barbara Swanson and Marge Herrman.

Helping out Sorority gives Seedlings a much needed boost

■ The Preceptor Gamma Pi Chapter is committed to service to others, a commitment put forth in the Beta Sigma Phi sorority's pledge, and that commitment has translated into a three-year endowment for Debra Bonde's Seedlings Braille Books for Children.

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

The Preceptor Gamma Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi has done a lot for organizations in the Detroit metropolitan area.

Eighteen members strong, the chapter has helped First Step, Alternative for Girls, and sponsored a family around Christmas and Easter through the Salvation Army.

But there is one thing that has earned them plenty of praise from their most recent recipient.

"It really touches my heart," said Debra Bonde, founder and director of Seedlings Braille Books for Children. "It's like someone going out and getting a scholarship for your

child. It meant a lot to me and it was wonderful because they initiated it."

Bonde was touched by the three-year, \$15,000 endowment from Beta Sigma Phi International, awarded based on the recommendation of the Preceptor Chapter.

"It's the first time we've sponsored a project," said Barbara Swanson of Canton, service chair for the chapter. "By getting \$5,000 a year, Seedlings will be able to purchase 625 books per year."

"We support First Step and others more local, but this one had local and national scope and made it appropriate for an endowment," added Peggy Pirschel, publicity chair.

Operating out of a classroom at the Bentley Center in Livonia, Seedlings provides Braille books for children ages 1-14 from throughout the United States and Canada to as far away as Nepal. It also transcribes encyclopedia articles on request for school children and provides books so sighted children or adults can read along with the blind person.

Pirschel credits member Marge Herrman in introducing the Preceptor Chapter to Bonde, who made a presentation at a chapter meeting. Seedlings has been one of the group's service projects for three years with members visiting its facility, helping with its bowl-a-thon and wrapping books at Borders to raise money.

Service to others

Beta Sigma Phi was founded more or less as a social organization for women, but since 1931 has been

committed in service to others and since 1947 through its Endowment Fund.

In recommending Seedlings, the Preceptor Chapter recommended an endowment of \$5,000 for 1996 through 1998 "because of the worldwide existing and potential benefits to visually impaired children."

Even though members were confident in their recommendation, they didn't leave anything to chance. They launched an informal lobbying effort that included an explanation of Seedlings' work and solicitations for support in greeting cards, to fellow members, and in letters, to shut-in members.

"I think it pretty much sold itself," said Pirschel. "Two things sold it to International; it was unique and she serves children around the world, not just in Michigan or our area... And who can resist helping children."

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STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

For example: Debra Bonde holds a sample of the plastic strips of Braille text that get glued to the pages of small children's books.

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

A Braille 200 computer sits almost dead center in a classroom in the north end of the Bentley Center. A dull thump-thump lets you know it is tapping out double-sided pages of Braille text.

The operation is a far cry from the machine Debra Bonde's father made that she used when she started Seedlings Braille Books for Children in the basement of her home in 1985.

"When I first started in Braille, I did it with a slate and stylus, I did it one dot at a time," she said. "But I wasn't patient enough."

When a computer Braille program was developed in the early '80s, Bonde decided to pursue her dream of making the early reading experience that sighted children have available to blind children.

That first year she produced 221 Braille books on a Braille printer that her father had hooked up to electronics. Each page had to be cranked into position for printing

and breakdowns required long-distance calls to the "designer" in California.

"The 200 is more reliable and quieter, but I still have the machine my dad made as a reminder," Bonde said. "It really wasn't made for mass production."

In 1996, Seedlings shipped 10,000 books to children in the United States and Canada. Its 270 book titles for children up to age 14 read like a who's who of children and youth literature and range from Dr. Seuss and "Sesame Street" to "The Babysitter's Club," "Goosebumps" and "Boxcar Kids."

Bonde started with books for third through sixth graders that were off the beaten path, thinking that the popular books were being done elsewhere. She switched when she found out otherwise and expanded to include younger children at the urging of parents and teachers.

"I wanted to do something to help others, but I didn't feel I have the skills to be on the front line," Bonde said. "I was incredibly shy, but I've

overcome a lot of that through Seedlings. Braille fit my skills and it was something that appealed to me."

It took six years for Seedlings to outgrow her basement. That's when she leased a classroom at the Bentley Center. The move in 1990 "was wonderful," she said.

Packed for production

The former classroom's 1,200 square feet is packed with the computers, binder machine, boxes of children's books that have Braille added, so a sighted adult can read with a blind child or vice versa, and hanging files filled with copies of each book.

"One of my pet peeves is getting the book out quickly, so we have three to five copies of each on file and that takes up space," Bonde said. "Eight tons of paper came in and went out as Braille books last year."

With three part-time employees

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Interfaith marriages face dilemmas

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

Until the birth of their first baby two years ago, Craig and Nancy Miller never paid much attention to the fact he was a Jew and she was a Catholic.

Four years ago, their wedding combined elements of both religions when a rabbi and priest jointly performed the ceremony. With the arrival of Jacob, their intermarriage brought a dilemma as well as tension into their Canton home.

"The question was were we going to raise him Catholic or Jewish. Both religions are very important," said Nancy. "You need to do something

more than nothing. The children need an identity."

A first marriage for both, the Millers floundered as they tried to make a decision. Intercultural or interfaith marriages present seemingly insurmountable challenges for all members of the family from the couple adjusting to spiritual and cultural traditions, to their parents frequently dealing with feelings of disappointment, confusion and denial, to the children growing up torn between two religions.

The decision to attend a workshop hosted by The Birmingham Temple on negotiating the roadblocks inherent to interfaith marriages resolved

the Millers' dilemma. Led by Rabbi S

herwin T. Wine, Judy Schneider and Janis Levin-Gorelick, the day-long session addressed problems of intercultural marriage for couples who are tired of too many questions and not enough answers.

"The workshop was helpful for us to learn more about our religions," said Craig, 33. "I wasn't raised a strict Jew, so I was learning more about my own religion, too. It helped us decide how to raise the kids. It also helped us see each other's side more. It was a learning experience."

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Even though the Millers are now raising Jacob, six-week-old Aaron, and Craig's 14-year-old son Derek as Jewish, a Christmas tree and Hanukkah items decorated their home for the holidays.

"It was during lunch when we sat down with Janis Levin-Gorelick to pick their Jewish names and guide parents instead of God parents that we arrived at a decision," said Nancy, 36. "Even though we're raising them Jewish, we'll still enlighten them to the Catholic way."

Since 1983, hundreds of couples have been helped by the Intercultural Marriage Workshop, presented by The Birmingham Temple. This year's workshop is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3

p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, in the Farmington Hills temple, 28611 W. Twelve Mile Road. The cost, including lunch, is \$15. To register call (810) 477-1410.

Open not only to spouses and couples contemplating intercultural marriage, but also parents and children of these marriages, the annual event examines issues of personal identity, raising children, developing a shared philosophy of life, celebrating two cultures and resolving parent issues.

A workshop for Jewish and non-Jewish people, the morning session begins with a panel discussion by couples who have successfully completed a past workshop. Afterwards, couples divide into three groups led by Wine,

'They think they're in love and nothing else matters, then the wedding comes up and family prejudices arise ... People come together and discover they don't have to reinvent the wheel.'

Janis Levin-Gorelick
Madrkha

Schneider and Levin-Gorelick to discuss individual concerns.

"They think they're in love and nothing else matters, then the wedding comes up and family prejudices arise," said Levin-Gorelick, an ordained Madrkha or clergy since 1987. "There are so many issues. People come together and discover they don't have to reinvent the wheel. There are other couples who

have gone through this. They need to know how to smooth the way.

"What's gratifying is when they realize they can do this. They get a lot out of hearing how other couples have worked it out, but it's not a one-stop answering system. It's a lifelong process."

Although Rabbi Wine has been counseling individuals for 40 years, he began to recognize a

need to negotiate compromise between couples of opposing religions some time ago.

In 1983, he and Schneider founded the workshop concept to help families who too often lack the support they need to bring harmony.

"Intercultural marriages between Jews and non-Jews is a problem that began basically after World War II," he said. "The main purpose or content of the workshop is how we live in a new world where in some cases 60 percent of a religious group are marrying outside their faith."

"While we believe that people have the right to marry whom they want regardless of their religion, we recognize that their might be a problem and we want

to help. The workshop is a bit of introspection and exploration of feelings and beliefs."

Once the workshop has ended, couples may need ongoing support. A self-directed group of former participants has formed to create an on-going forum in which to share ideas.

The Intercultural/Interfaith Couples group meets at the temple the second Wednesday of every month.

"During the most recent session, they shared how they got through the holidays," said Judy Schneider, a Huntington Woods psychotherapist in private practice. "I've never celebrated Passover before and now I want to, and what do we do about Hanukkah and Christmas."

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and a cadre of 36 volunteers, Seedlings is able to accommodate orders. Volunteer translators work year-round to add some 30 titles to Seedlings catalog each year.

"When school starts and after the catalog goes out, we get really, really busy," she said. "Some

days the volunteers have so much to mail, they can't fit it in the van."

A non-profit, tax-exempt corporation, Seedlings relies on fund raisers, donations and book sales to cover expenses, since it sells its books for half of what it costs to make them. It fits in

with Bonde's belief that Braille books should be affordable. The average Braille books costs \$16 produce and Bonde's average book price is \$8.

Along with several mail appeals for donations, Seedlings also has a bowl-a-thon coming up March 15 at the MerriBowl in

Livonia.

The organization also sells T-shirts (\$10 for kids, \$12 for adults), tote bags (\$12), place mats containing the Braille alphabet (\$5) and sweatshirts (\$15 for kids and \$20 for adults).

In addition to the books, Seedlings also operates the Rose

project, providing World Book Encyclopedia articles in Braille for students who are doing reports or projects for school.

Started in 1994 and named after the woman who left money to fund the project, Seedlings fulfilled more than 400 requests last year, up from 33 requests received during the first year.

"We've done everything from one page on the accordion to 90 pages on World War II," said Bonde. "There has not been a Braille encyclopedia produced since the 1950s, so response to this has been tremendous. People really love it."

A bulletin board in a corner of the classroom is filled with photographs of children who have benefited from Bonde's work. Many of them she knows personally, "especially the 10-year-old girls who gobble up anything they can get their hands on."

"I had one child that skipped the fourth grade; she was reading at a 10th grade level because

she could get these books," Bonde said.

While Bonde sends out information about Seedlings to journals and newsletters for parents and children of the visually impaired, she laments that there still are a lot of people out there who don't know about the organization.

And with a godson who is blind, she has learned how difficult and frustrating it can be for parents.

That may be why she doesn't keep track of the hours she puts in at Seedlings.

"I don't count the hours; it's more than a full-time job, but I love it," she said. "Some people who are their own bosses might find it hard to be motivated, but I have to tell myself not to work so much."

For more information about Seedlings Braille Books for Children, call (800) 777-8552, by e-mail at seedlink@aol.com or by facsimile at (313) 427-8552.

Sorority from page B1

In addition to Seedlings, projects receiving endowments from Beta Sigma Phi International in 1996 included: the Arthritis Society, British Columbia/Yukon Division, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Eleanor Roosevelt Institute, Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America and the Dana-Fraser Cancer Institute.

Members of the Preceptor Chapter come from Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Northville and South Lyon. They meet in each other's home twice a month to discuss chapter business, followed by a cultural program. Past cultural programs have featured: Bonde, Canton Fire Chief Mike Rorobacher and a representative of Angela Hospice to simply reading a poem at Christmas. There's also social activities, and birthday luncheons each month.

The size of the chapter is determined by its members and because they meet in each other's homes, the Preceptor Chapter has decided to stick with 18 members, ranging in age from 32 to mid-50s.

"We have great group dynamics," said Pirschel. "It might be that the key is we have such a range of ages, but we also have found that we have a common ground."

Swanson was introduced to the sorority by a next door neighbor when she lived in Portage. A small chapter, she

was among six who joined to keep it going. When she moved to Canton seven years ago, the International helped find a new chapter.

Pirschel found out about the sorority when he father remarried. Her stepmother's sister belonged and when the original group broke apart because of geography, members were needed for the new smaller groups. Pirschel, invited into the group by her stepmother's sister because she "was lively," has been a member almost 16 years.

"We sometimes call ourselves 'Grandma's Apple Pie,'" she said with a chuckle. "My son has coined us the 'Noisy Ladies.'"

"We all talk at the same time, but still listen," Swanson added. "We always find time to share what's going on in our lives and there's always someone there to help. If we get angry, we don't stay angry and we don't let it interfere with the group work."

Much of the money the group uses to help local organizations like First Step is through the sale of Koze Nuts. The members peddle the nuts between Thanksgiving and Christmas, raising some \$3,000 for its service projects.

"That's a lot of nuts for 18 women to sell," Pirschel said. "The sorority started out as a social organization, but you can't get a group of women together without them doing service."

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St. Matthew Lutheran Church will have a craft sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at the church, 5885 Venoy, Westland. There will be concessions and tables available for a \$20 fee. To reserve table space, call Michelle at (313) 425-0260.

MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY

Crafters are needed for the 10th annual craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at Memorial Elementary School, 30001 Marquette, between Middlebelt and Merriman roads, Garden City. For more information, call Darlene at 425-4221.

FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

The Franklin High School Patriots Club will have a craft show 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 15, at the high school, 31000 Joy Road, Livonia. There

will be more than 175 crafters featured. Admission will be \$1 and free for those five years and under.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University is now accepting applications from crafters for its 12th annual spring arts and crafts showcase 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 15, in the Activities Center. Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and one table (6 by 8 feet) costs \$50. Booths with electricity are limited and are \$55. A \$5 discount will be given to those applications received by Feb. 1. For applications, call (313) 432-5603. Madonna University is a Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Crafters are needed for Livonia Churchill High School PTSA's ninth annual arts and crafts show Saturday, March 22, at the high school, 8900 Newburgh Road, north of Joy Road, Livonia. Show hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to crafts, there will be food and beverages. Admission will be \$1. For more information, call (313) 623-0022.

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Broad-Wiza

David and Kathleen Broad of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Lynn, to Christopher Scott Wiza, the son of Gregory Wiza of Redford and Kathleen Dawood-Wiza of Saline.

The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as a broadcast media buyer at Solomon Friedman Advertising in Bloomfield Hills.

Her fiancé is a 1990 Clarenceville High School graduate. He is employed as a manufacturing engineering technician at American Axle Manufacturing in Hamtramck.

A May 1997 wedding is



planned for Resurrection Parish in Canton.

Saal-Nagel

Nicole Lynn Nagel and Jason Bradley Saal were married on July 20 at St. Theodore's Catholic Church in Westland. The Rev. Michael Molnar officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Dave and Kathy Nagel of Westland. The groom is the son of Robert and Lynne Saal of Sterling Heights.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of John Glenn High School. She received her associate's degree from Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

The groom is a 1993 graduate of Sterling Heights Stevenson High School. He is a goalie for the Toronto Maple Leafs' St. John's Maple Leafs farm club.

The bride asked Kelli Sinta to serve as maid of honor with Tanya Heim, Tina Christiansen, Suzanne Hill, Christie Pearson and Brenda Mayworm as bridesmaids.

The groom asked Derek Saal to serve as best man with Dan



Pawlaczyk, Joe Peake, Brian Langlois, Dave Nagel Jr. and Gary Zepke as groomsmen. Dillon Norton was the ring bearer.

The couple received guests at Burton Manor in Livonia and honeymooned along the California coast. They are making their home in St. John's, Newfoundland, Can.

McGeehan-Skog

Carole Louise Skog and Philip Joseph McGeehan were married Oct. 12 in St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Rockville, Md. The Rev. Alfred J. Harris officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Milly Duncan of Novi and Norman Skog of Pasadena, Texas. The groom is the son of Alex and Adrienne McGeehan of Beltsville, Md.

The bride is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She attended East Texas State University and Michigan State University. She is president and chief executive officer of the Big IF Studio of Graphic Design in Wheaton, Md.

The groom is a graduate of Good Counsel High School in Wheaton, Md. He is a professional musician in the mid-Atlantic states.

The bride asked Christine Griffin to serve as maid of honor with bridesmaids Sue Painter-Thorne and Angela Bouchard. Mike Shelton was the bride's escort.

Selpke-Diglio

Thomas and Jeanne Seipke of Gladwin announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Barbara, to Joseph Michael Diglio, the son of Clement and Joan Diglio of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the Northwood Institute in Midland. She is employed as a finance manager at the Winkelman's Store in Plymouth.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Wayne State University. He is an accounting supervisor with the Michigan Milk Producers Association in Novi.

An October wedding is planned for Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville.



The groom asked John Buchheit to serve as best man with groomsmen Joe Walsh and Steve Sabados.

The couple received guests in the Ambassador Ballroom of the Bethesda Ramada Inn in Bethesda, Md., before leaving on a Caribbean cruise. They are making their home in Wheaton, Md.



Martin-Norton

Rudy and Norma Jean Martin of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessann Elizabeth, to Daniel L. Norton, the son of Daniel J. Norton of Brighton and the late Marilyn Norton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Madonna University with a bachelor's degree in business and a major in human resources. She is employed by Johnson Controls Inc. in Plymouth as an administrative coordinator.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Novi High School and Northern University with a bachelor's degree in liberal arts. He is employed at the world headquarters of ABC Warehouse as a wage and benefit coordinator.



A June wedding is planned for Meadowbrook Congregational Church in Novi.

Salvato-DeMers

Tom and Emily Salvato of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Ann, to Mark Allen DeMers, the son of Emery and Pam DeMers of Milford.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University. She is employed by the Interep Radio Store in Southfield.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts. He is employed as a real estate broker for ReMax 100-Now.

A September wedding is planned for St. Michael's Church in Livonia.



Cook-Colbert

Carol Cook and Richard Cook, both of Westland, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Ann, to Gregory Dewey Colbert, the son of Judith Colbert of Westland and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Colbert of South Lyon.

The bride-to-be is a 1984 graduate of John Glenn High School in Westland. She is employed as a clinical technician at Westland Convalescent Center in Westland.

The groom, a 1982 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School, is employed at Detroit Diesel Corp.

A September wedding is planned at St. Theodore's



Catholic Church in Westland.

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For residents of Plymouth and Canton, forms are available at

our Plymouth office at 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, 48170.

Birth announcements can be submitted in writing at either office.

If you have questions regarding your announcement, call Sue

Mason in Livonia at (313) 952-2131 or Bridget Lucas in Plymouth at (313) 459-2700.

For a recorded message with complete information on submitting announcements, call (313) 953-2065.



After a brief hiatus, Lorene Green's Graphology Profiles returns Thursday, Feb. 6. To have your handwriting analyzed, send it to her at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.



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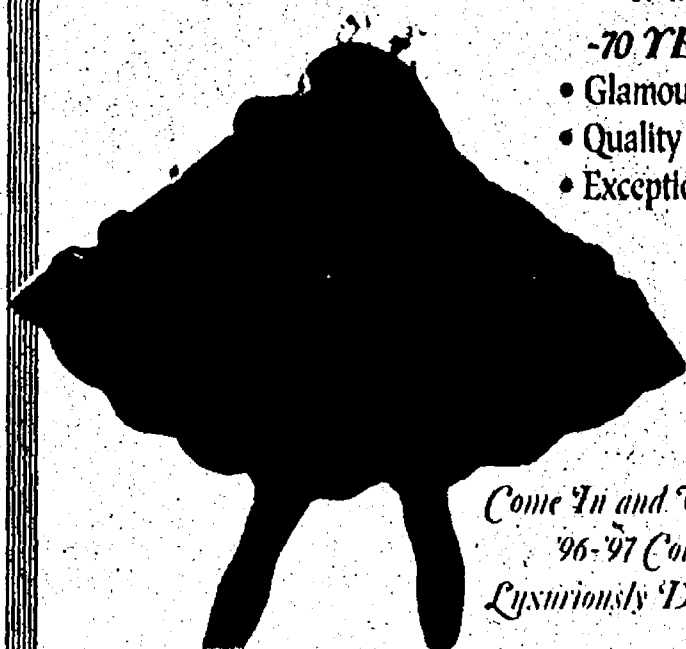
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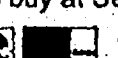
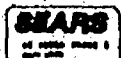
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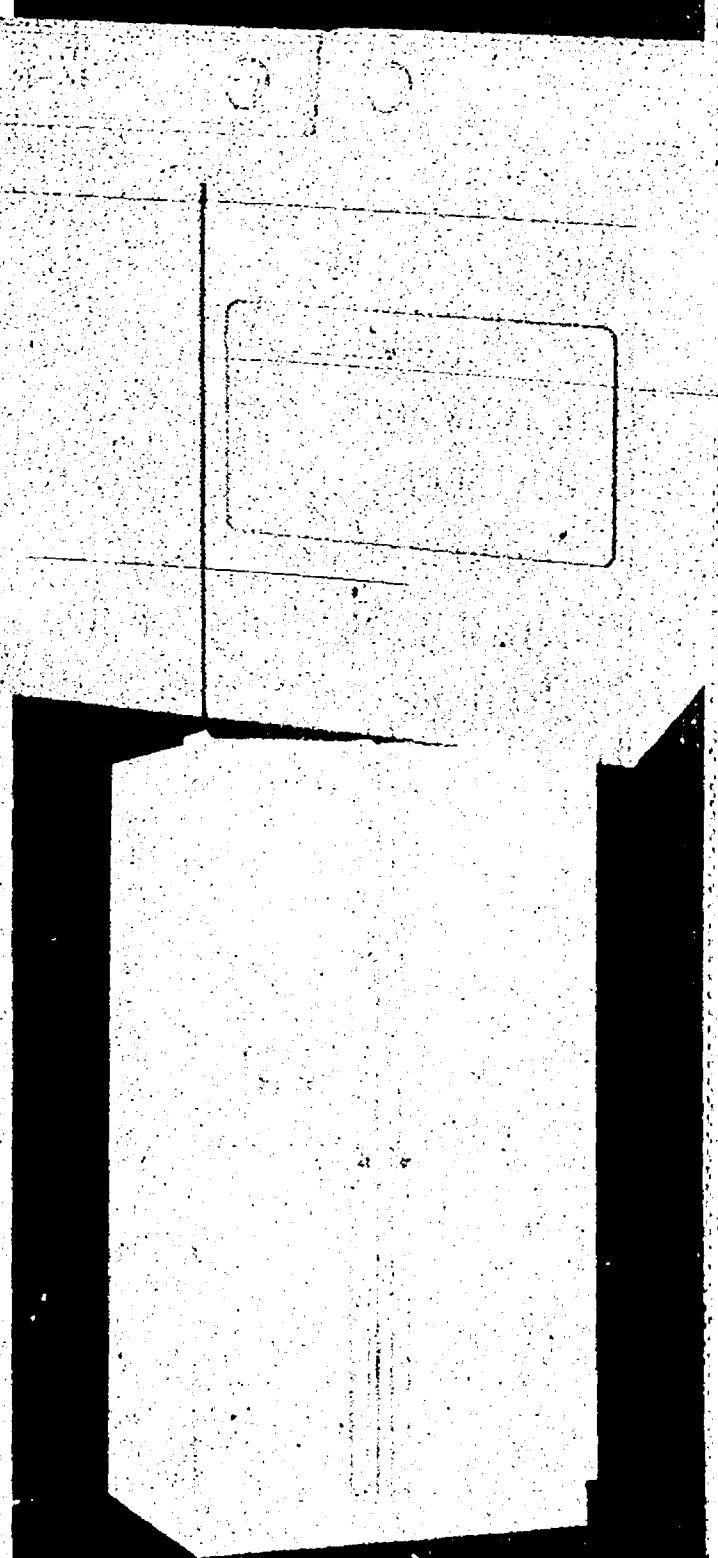
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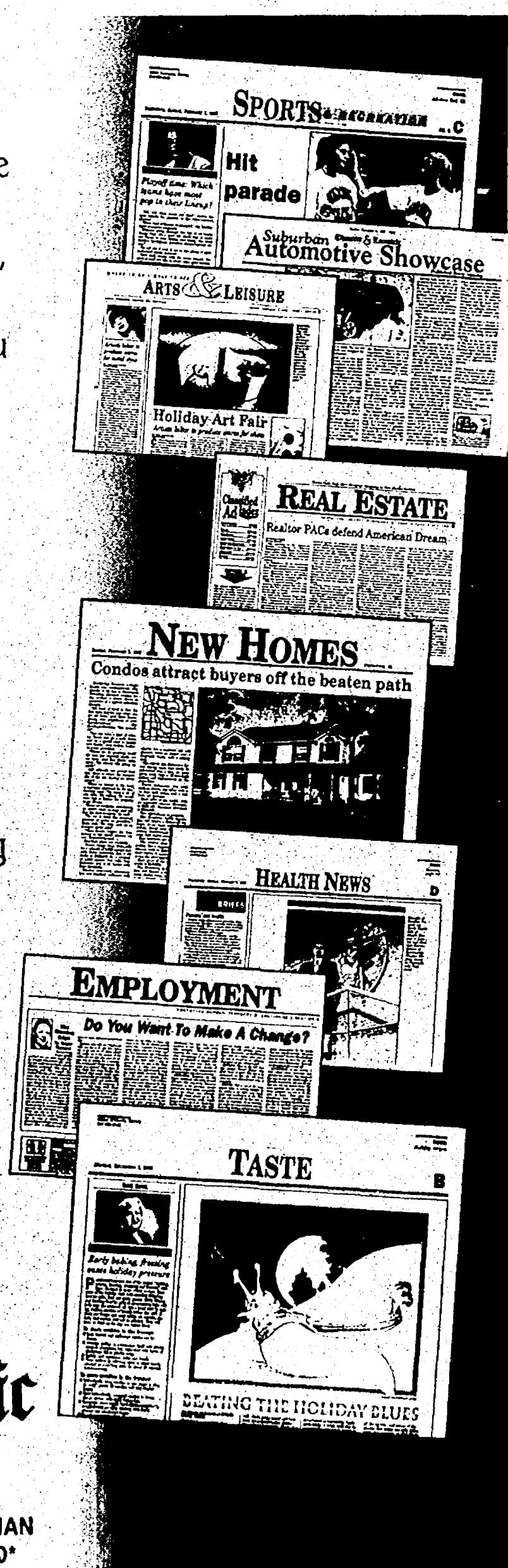
It'll be filled with some familiar features, a few new ones and some that you've been used to seeing on Thursday. It'll be like sitting down and spending what they like to call "quality time" with the whole town. You'll be able to make a career change, find a new place to live, plan your leisure hours, check the sales, a whole lot more, without feeling pressed for time.

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Winter emergency: What you can do

The long, cold winters in Michigan can lead to some serious medical problems, including hypothermia, frostbite and frostnip. These injuries are caused by exposure to cold temperatures. But with proper precautions, most cold injuries can be avoided.

The key is to dress appropriately for the weather. This includes layering clothing with a first layer that keeps moisture away from the skin, an outer layer that keeps the elements out and insulative middle layers. Hats are a must because the head is where 30 percent of the body's heat loss takes place. Gloves and face protection also are necessary, in extremely cold weather.

Alcohol contributes to the risk of cold weather injuries by causing the blood vessels in the skin to dilate. This creates a temporary feeling of warmth, but causes large amounts of heat loss.

Hypothermia and frostbite can cause permanent damage if left untreated. Know the warning signs of these injuries and seek medical treatment as soon as possible.

Nip to the air

Frostnip is caused by exposure to damp cold when the temperature is near or just below freezing. As with frostbite, the susceptible body parts include fingers, toes, cheeks, ear lobes and the tip of the nose because they are located at the most distant points of the circulatory system.

Children in northern climates, like Michigan, often experience frostnip several times each winter. With frostnip, the skin is numb, white and firm to the touch. The loss of cold sensation is a sign of impending frostbite. The affected area may peel or blister in 24 to 72 hours, and may be permanently sensitive to cold and more susceptible to frostbite.

Treatment includes rewarming the affected area with steady pressure of a warm hand and breathing into a cupped hand on the injured site. Don't rub the affected area. A frostnipped hand also can be placed under the armpit. If there is any question of frostbite, transport the person immediately to a medical facility.

Frostbite is caused by exposure to dry, cold temperatures below freezing. It can result in permanent damage and tissue loss.

Early symptoms of frostbite include tingling, numbness and pain in the affected area. The skin turns white or gray, and is cold and hard to the touch. There is no feeling in the affected area. The skin may blacken and form a tough layer that eventually disappears, revealing new skin that will always be more susceptible to frostbite. Deep frostbite can involve the underlying tissue, muscle, tendon and bone.

For treatment, seek professional medical attention immediately. If transportation is delayed, rewarm in warm bath water (105 degrees optimally). If a thermometer is not available, the water should feel comfortably warm to unaffected parts. Give the victim warm, non-alcoholic fluids.

Rewarming in the field should be avoided, if medical care is available within two hours.

During rewarming, the affected area will become extremely painful, red and blotchy, indicating return of adequate circulation. Wash the area thoroughly with soap and water.

When color returns, wrap the part in sterile gauze or a clean cloth, separating the fingers and toes. Elevate the affected part after rewarming to decrease swelling and pain.

The risk factors for frostnip and frostbite include inadequate or poorly fitting clothes, exposure to wind, dampness, contact with cold objects, dehydration, shock and trauma, atherosclerosis (hardening of the arteries), smoking, a history of frostbite, alcohol and other substance abuse and fatigue.

Drop in temperature

Hypothermia occurs when the body's core temperature falls below 35 degrees Centigrade or 95 degrees Fahrenheit. This happens through exposure to cool and/or damp conditions. Cardiac arrhythmia also is possible when the core body temperature falls below 30 degrees Centigrade.

The elderly, immobile and psychiatric patients are most at risk. Oftentimes, hypothermia affects elderly people who live in poorly heated homes.

The symptoms of hypothermia include slurred speech, decreased coordination, uncontrollable shivering, cold and pale skin, blue lips and nails, stiffening of neck and limbs, memory lapses, stumbling, abnormally slow breathing and a slow, irregular heart beat. The condition becomes critical when the shivering stops, muscles stiffen and the skin turns bluish.

Seek professional medical attention as soon as possible. In mild hypothermia, give the victim warm, non-alcoholic fluids and cover the head. When hypothermia is more severe, treatment varies, based on age.

A young person can be warmed in a hot bath (105 degrees Fahrenheit water); however this can be fatal for elderly people. Warming should be gradual with the elderly, at about one degree per hour. Make sure clothing is dry and wrap in blankets.

Hypothermia victims generally have a good prognosis unless cardiac arrest occurs or complications arise from an associated illness.

As for shoveling snow... Shoveling snow can be dangerous to one's health. A 1993 study found that physically unfit people who engaged in activities, such as shoveling snow were 100 percent more at risk for a heart attack than the physically fit.

Those who should not shovel snow are the elderly, people with high blood pressure, those with a history of heart disease or risk factors such as smoking, overweight and high cholesterol levels.

If you do shovel snow, lift small loads rather than large, heavy loads. Dress in layers and as you warm up, remove layers. You should also perform light exercises before shoveling and rest every few minutes.

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Markos

A family cruise of the Caribbean and a stay at Walt Disney World are part of the month-long celebration of Charles and Marjorie Markos's 50th wedding anniversary.

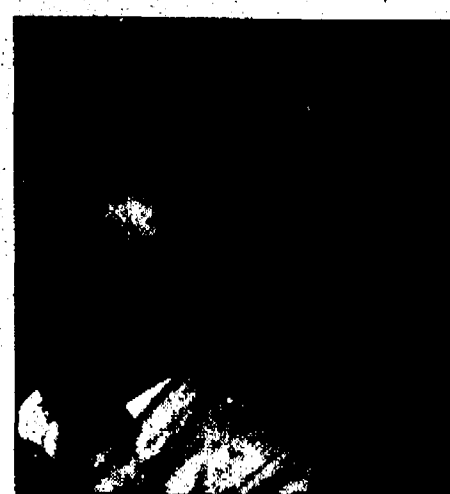
The couple exchanged vows on Jan. 25, 1947 in Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Detroit. She is the former Marjorie Bright.

The trip is reminiscent of the Markos's original honeymoon, a month-long trip to California, but joining them will be Macie Daugherty of Miami, Fla., who was their original flower girl.

The Livonia residents have seven children - Cheryl Hillman and husband Randy of Seattle, Wash., Paula Butzin and husband Ross of Saginaw, Charles and wife Helen of Canton. Karen McDonnell of Grand Rapids, Tom of Westland, Mike and wife Cindy of Livonia and Margie Bok and husband Dan of Davison.

They also have 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Both retired for nine years, he was a salesman with Ace Doran



Trucking Co., while she was secretary for the dean of nursing at Madonna University.

What a deal



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For card players: Members of the Livonia Branch of the American Association of University Women - Dee Cullen, Carol Sullivan and Betty Orr - say that the organization's card party is sure to please card players. The shuffling of cards will start at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31, at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Cost is \$6 and includes door prizes and refreshments. Proceeds will be used to provide scholarships for advanced education. For tickets, call (810) 442-2976.

Education needed to combat smoking

BY JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Is it just me, or have you been noticing that more and more movies have smokers in them? It's not like the smoking appreciably improves the movie or endears me to the smoker. I have yet to figure out why smoking the cigarette adds to the character's persona. Further, we are seeing stars like Demi Moore, Julie Andrews, Diane Keaton, Goldie Hawn, Whoopi Goldberg and Bette Midler on posters and advertisements with a cigar hanging from their lips.

Are kids influenced by all of this? You bet they are. They are highly influenced by two factors: the power of the media and what their parents do.

The weekly television news show "48 Hours" had an excellent segment on the skyrocketing increase in teen smoking and a movement in Massachusetts to counter "Joe Camel." The people of Massachusetts have been diligently working to stamp out the famous camel icon through a multi-million dollar advertisement campaign showing the detrimental effects of smoking.

"48 Hours" highlighted the premature cancer death of one of the famed Marlboro men, who was "used" to punctuate the sad myth that macho, cool people smoke. Today, another ex-Marlboro model gives a message to high school students across the country about how the media glamorizes smoking, "suckering" young people into thinking that smoking is not only cool but healthy.

Although the Massachusetts initiative is ongoing, they have found that through their campaign efforts, attitudes of young people are beginning to change. Attitudes must change before people will do something differ-

ent.

The Hegira Prevention specialists have gone into various school districts to educate students on the negative aspects of smoking. They walk a fine line between being honest about smoking and not scaring the kids whose parents smoke.

As unfortunate as it is, the facts of life are that if you smoke consistently, you have a much greater chance of contracting one or another pulmonary or respiratory disease.

Parents who smoke also need to be aware of the 1,000 chemicals that they are inhaling. These include acetone (finger nail polish remover), ammonia, arsenic, butane (as in the lighter), carbon monoxide, copper, formaldehyde (for embalming corpses), mercury, stearic acid, titanium and vinyl chloride, to name just a few.

Education teaches kids that anyone ingesting these chemicals through smoking will have serious health problems because of it. The truth hurts, but we need to begin to counter the norm that says, "nothin' wrong with smoking" or "Some people don't get sick from smoking."

Where do we begin?

First, parents can stop smoking so they can set an example. Second, talk to your kids about the myth that smoking is harmless. Third, send your smoking adolescent through a smoking education program to see what they're getting themselves into.

These measures are simple but helpful, so we can all work to change the norm.

Jacque Martin-Downs is prevention coordinator for Hegira Prevention, with counseling centers in Livonia, Westland and Northville. For more information, call (313) 513-7698.

Karmanos institute has hospice training

If this new year, you've made a resolution to help others in need, now may be the time to explore volunteer opportunities in your community.

Volunteers provide services that have a positive effect on others for a long time. At Karmanos Cancer Institute Hospice, volunteers run errands, assist with yard work, provide transportation on special occasion, offer friendship and assistance to terminally ill persons and provide valuable respite to caregivers.

According to volunteer coordinator Caterina Dominici, "Volunteers are energetic and optimistic people. They know how to accomplish big things with a very small amount of time."

The Karmanos Cancer Institute Hospice Program's next training session will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the institute's Vaitkevicius Community Services Center, 24601 Northwestern Highway, Southfield.

For more information, call Dominici at (800) KARMANOS.

Family Room from page B1

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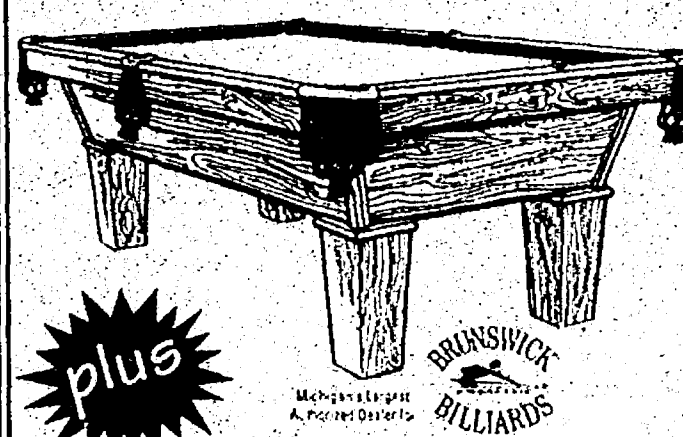
an elephant's nose.

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or reach her at her E-mail address: FamilyRoom@worldnet.att.net.

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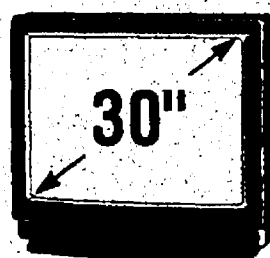
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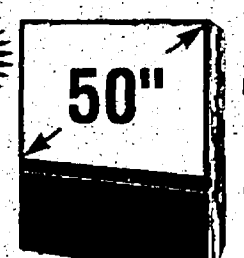
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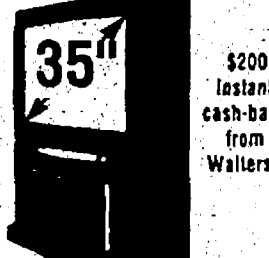
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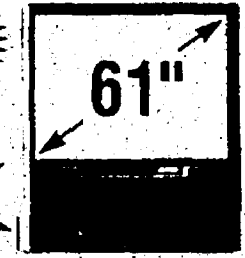
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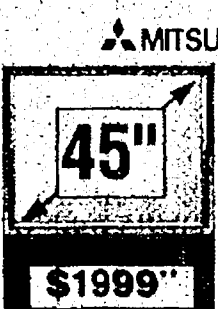


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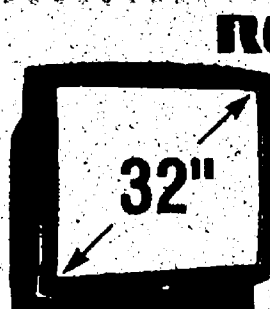


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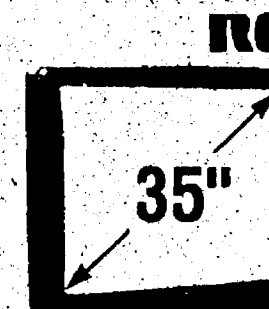


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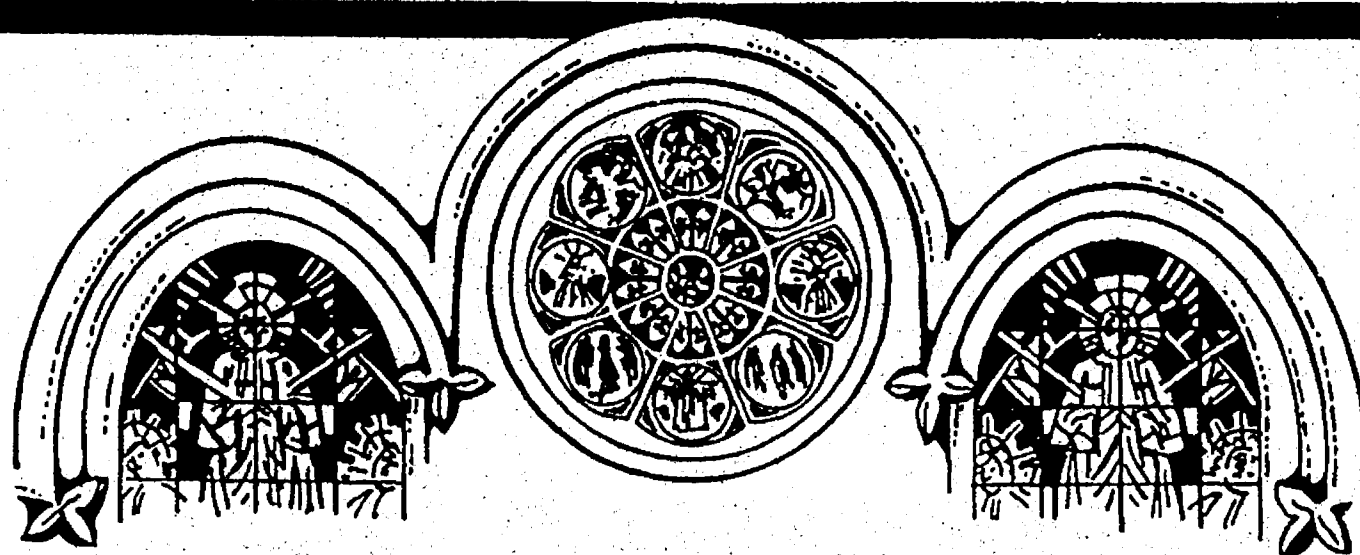
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WINTER WEEKEND

Newburg United Methodist Church will have its Winter Weekend 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

People of all ages will come together for fun fellowship and education. Child care will be provided for the youngest children. This year participants will be looking at "Living in an Image Culture" and how the media affects everyone. There will be a discussion, workshop and craft activities for the whole family.

Pizza will be served on Friday evening, with a continental breakfast, lunch and dinner planned for Saturday. Cost is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. Registration can be completed by sending a check, payable to Newburg United Methodist Church to 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia 48150. For more information, call (313) 422-0149.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries' of Ward Presbyterian Church, will have a seminar, "Lifemapping" with John Trent, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, in Knox Hall of the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Trent will offer tools to get past the past and head into the future and encouragement and a new direction. Tickets cost \$20 per person. David Johnson also will help participants get their finances off to a good start for the New Year at Single Point's Talk It Over 7:30-10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, in Knox Hall. For more information, call (313) 422-1854.

CHILI CHALLENGE

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church will host its second annual Chili Challenge at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. Ten teams of chili chefs will compete

for prizes in the event which benefits First Step Women's Shelter. Tasting judges are needed to select the top chili. Tickets are available at the door or from the church office at a cost of \$5 and include chili, salad bar and beverage. For more information, call the church office at (313) 981-0494.

NEW OFFICERS

Congregation Beit Kodesh held its installation of officers at Shabbat services Friday, Jan. 10, at the synagogue, 31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Elected officers were David Gross as president, Jeffery Kirsch as vice-president, Helene Engel as treasurer, Paula Mosseri as recording secretary, Lyn Wagner-Ditzhazy as corresponding secretary and Al Gittleman, Cathy Crone and Debbie Sherman as trustees.

The congregation will celebrate a Tu B'Shevat Sedar at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, at the synagogue. Traditional fruits and nuts will be served. For more information, call Cathy Crone at (810) 360-3233.

BETHANY PLYMOUTH/CANTON

Bethany Plymouth/Canton, a ministry providing support for single adults, will meet for a burger and a movie on Sunday, Jan. 26 - call Bill at (313) 421-3011 - and for a family spaghetti dinner at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at St. Robert Bellarmine Church in Redford - call Dave at (313) 565-4080 - and for its monthly dinner Thursday, Feb. 6, at John Edward's in Redford - call Diane at (313) 421-6751.

TOY TRAIN SHOW

St. Robert Bellarmine Men's Club will have its 11th annual Ole Toy and Train Show 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, in the school gymnasium, Inkster at West Chicago, Redford. There will be an operating train layout, video train movies, door prizes every hour, food and refreshments, all gauges of trains, buy and swap and the chance to win a train set ready to run. Admission is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. Early bird admission at 10:30 a.m. costs \$10.

BAPTIST MEN'S DAY

The men of Merriman Road Baptist Church will celebrate their annual Baptist Men's Day with a special worship service at 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 26 at the church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The service will highlight the importance of men in ministry and will feature personal testimonies, special music and a challenge to all men. For more information, call Terry Crouson at (313) 721-0852.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series "What Is This 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 CKLW-AM 800. Topics include "Faith healing or something more?" on Jan. 26. 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.

ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church will have an all-church potluck and games night 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Participants should bring a salad, main dish or dessert to pass, their tableware and favorite game. Beverages will be provided. Call the church office at (313) 422-6038 to sign up for the intergenerational evening.

UNDERSTANDING ISLAM

Free non-Muslim classes on Islam and Muslims, sponsored by the Muslim Community of the Western Suburbs, are offered at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Crescent Academy at the corner of Palmer and Lotz roads in Canton. There is no obligation or age limit to attend. For more information, call Rafael Narbaez at (313) 728-6393.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. Theodore Church's Men's Club and the Confraternity of

See RELIGION, B8



New pastor installed: The Rev. Matthew Ellis (second from left), was installed as pastor of St. Damiaan's Catholic Church in Westland during Mass on Jan. 12. Rev. John C. Nienstedt, bishop for this region, officiated. Ellis grew up in Livonia and attended St. Genevieve and St. Valentine grade schools, Detroit Catholic Central High School and Sacred Heart and St. John's seminaries. Before coming to St. Damiaan, he was associate pastor at St. Mary's in New Baltimore, St. John Neumann in Canton and Divine Child in Dearborn.

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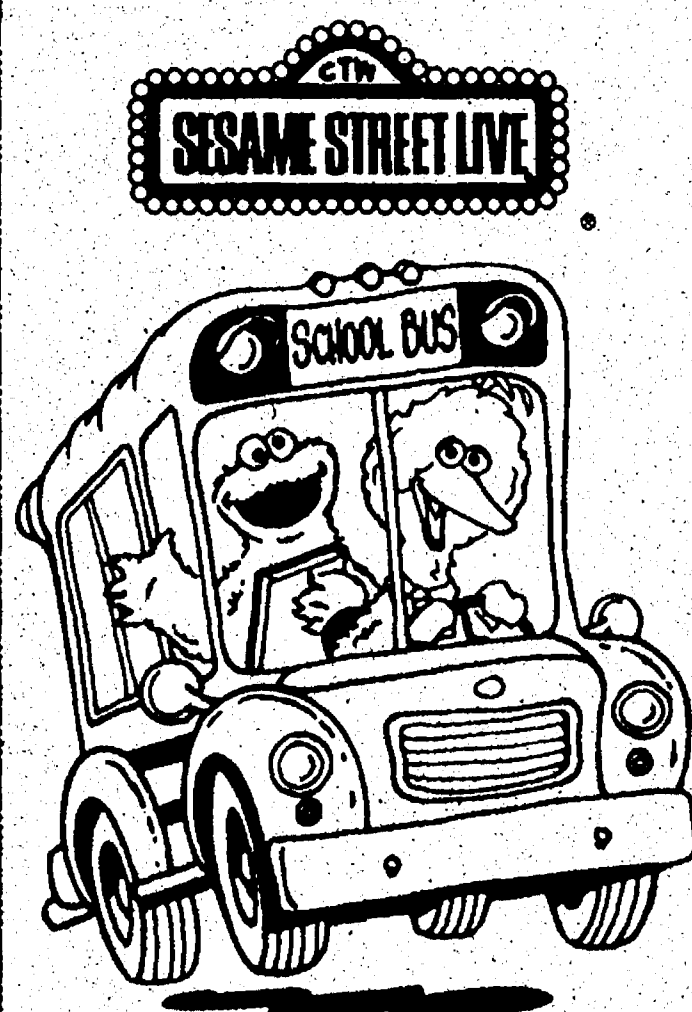
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2 congregations honor pastors

Church of the Savior in Livonia has the welcome mat for its new pastor, the Rev. Thomas M. Daubenspeck, while the congregation of Christ Lutheran Church is celebrating the 25th anniversary of its pastor, the Rev. Jerry Stroud.

Church of the Savior, Reformed Church in America, will install Daubenspeck as its pastor during a 4 p.m. service Sunday, Jan. 26, at the church.

Daubenspeck came to Church of the Savior from St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Grand Haven where he served as interim pastor.

The son of Harry and Marianne Daubenspeck of Holland, he was baptized and received communicant membership by the First Reformed Church of Holland.

Educated in the Holland public schools, he did his undergraduate work at Hope College in Holland and Westmont College in Santa Barbara, Calif., graduating in 1985 with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and sociology.

He served for six years in counseling and ministry before beginning theological training at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in South Hamilton, Mass., Western Theological Seminary and Moravian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pa. He received his master of divinity degree in May 1996 from Western and was licensed by the Classis of Holland of the Reformed Church in America.

He married Susan Lynne Taylor of Cutlerville, Mich., in 1990. The Church of the Savior is at 38100 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

At Christ Lutheran Church in Redford, Stroud observed the 25th anniversary of his installment as pastor on Nov. 21.

The son of Aaron and Caroline Stroud, he is a graduate of Fordson High School in Dearborn where he starred as the center on the football team.

Despite heavy recruiting by professional football teams, he chose to go to Capital University and on to the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, for his seminary training.

He did his pastoral internship at Trinity Lutheran Church in Brainerd, Minn. In 1964, he accepted the call to serve as youth pastor at Faith Lutheran Church in Detroit Lakes, Minn., after being ordained in his home church of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Dearborn.

He served there for two years before accepting the call to min-

ister at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waukegan, Minn., and served there until 1971 when he was installed as pastor at Christ Lutheran.

Married in 1962 to Charlotte Anne Gibbon, they have three children - Holly, Laurel and David - and one grandchild - Rebekah Joy Clow.



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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Bethel Baptist Temple will celebrate its 23rd anniversary with a musical presentation at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27,

at the church, 29475 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Free anniversary souvenir pins will be given out. For more information, call the Rev. H.L. Petty at (313) 525-3664 or (313) 261-9276.

CHURCH REVIVAL
Redford Church of God will have a revival at 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, and 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday, Feb. 3-8, at the church, 26119 Southwestern at Wadsworth, Redford. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Donald Brady. There also will be

special singing nightly. For more information, call the church at (313) 937-8520.

NEW BEGINNINGS
The "Physical Effects of Grief" will be presented by Jeanne Hess at the 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, meeting of New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. New Beginnings is for people suffering as a result of the death of a loved one. It recognizes that

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Pierce joins magazine

Livonian Jeff Pierce, one of only five Americans to win a stage at the Tour de France, has been appointed to the position of Eastern Sales Representative for Bicycling Magazine.

The 38-year-old Pierce, a Stevenson High grad, competed 22 seasons internationally.

After earning spots on the 1983 Pan American and 1984 U.S. Olympic teams, Pierce was named the country's top amateur cyclist in 1985.

He turned pro in 1986 and raced in the Tour de France with a Team 7-Eleven. The following year he produced a solo victory in front of 500,000 spectators on the Champs Elysees in the Tour's final stage.

In 1995, Pierce shifted focus from the road to the velodrome where he captured a national championship with the Chevrolet/LA Sheriffs teaming up with Steve Hegg in the Madison event.

In 1996, Jeff finished third in the Olympic Trials points race and scored more than 30 other wins on the track.

Pierce holds a B.A. degree in Business Administration from Michigan State University.

With Bicycling Magazine, Pierce will be based in Manhattan, N.Y.

Collegiate notes

•University of Wisconsin junior Mandi Falk (Livonia Stevenson), a member of the women's swim team, has the Lady Badgers' fastest time in the 400-yard individual medley (4:25.22) where she recently finished ninth in the Texas Invitational. She also owns the second fastest time in the 200 IM (2:06.33).

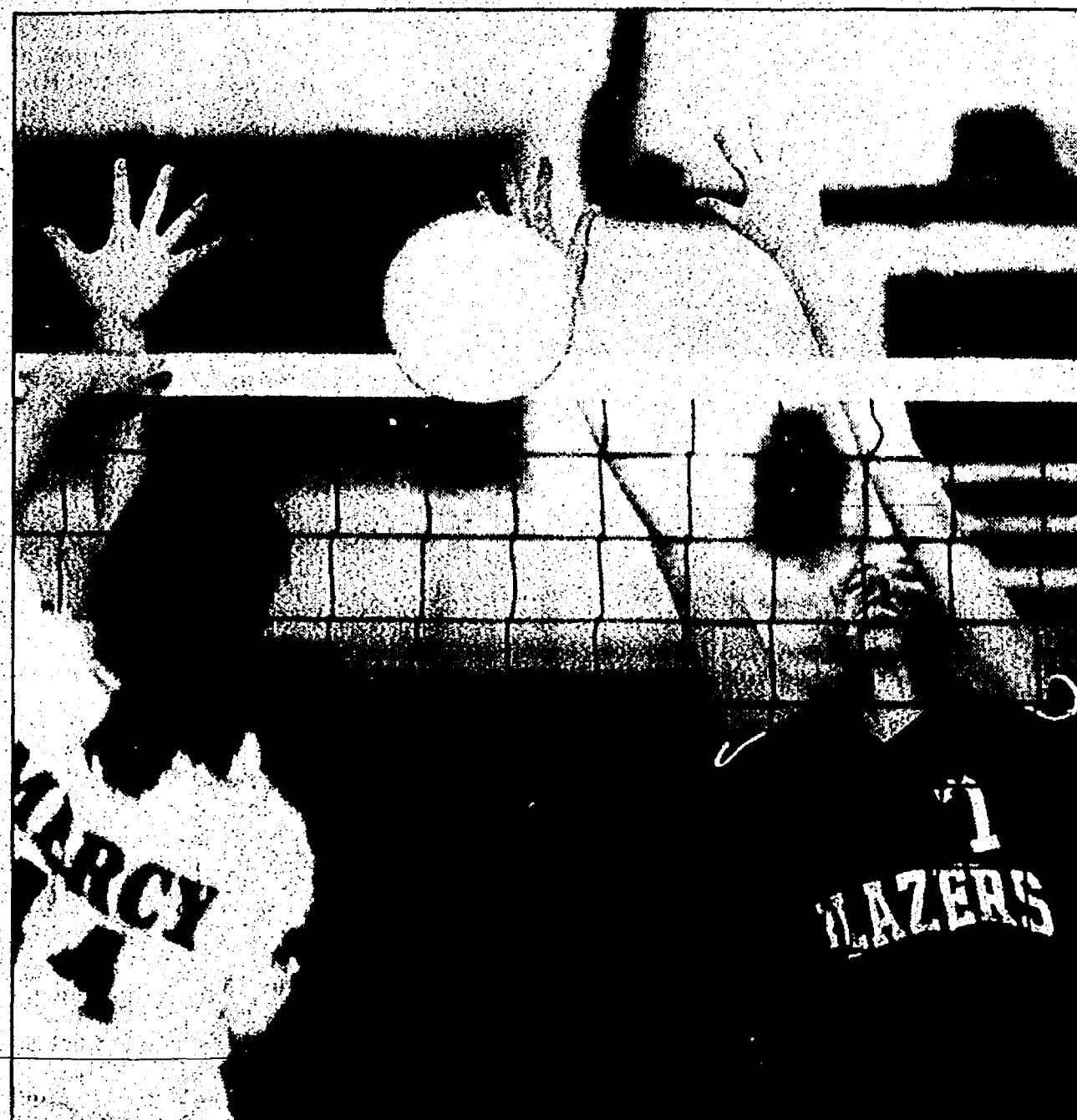
Last season, Falk finished seventh in the 200-yard butterfly (2:03.81) at the Big Ten Championships.

•Grand Valley State freshman Laroy Turner (Lutheran Westland) recently finished second in the shot put (43 feet, 2 1/4) at the GVS Invitational.

•Wayne State University sophomore Tony Goins (Westland John Glenn), the Tartars' leading scorer in men's basketball, was nominated for Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Player of the Week.

Salem unplugs Chargers in 5

Ladywood shows no Mercy



Good hands people: Livonia Ladywood's Kristen Dause (right) blocks a kill attempt by Gail Agacinski during Tuesday night's Catholic League Central Division volleyball match. Ladywood, five-time defending A-B Division champion, hasn't lost in the league since 1991. See girls volleyball roundup on page C2.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
STAFF WRITER

Put another chapter in the book of classic Livonia Churchill-Plymouth Salem volleyball matches.

Salem's Western Lakes Activities Association streak is still alive, but if you look closely at tonight's "ER" television episode you'll notice it spent the first 30 minutes in the trauma room.

Churchill took the first two games of their Monday night match, 16-14 and 15-11 as Salem looked out of sync.

But the Rocks, behind sophomore Lani Sterling's serving and setting, rallied for a 15-6 third-game win and came to life in the last two for 15-9 and 15-3 wins to extend its WLAA winning streak to 37 matches.

"We're like Tina Turner," Salem assistant coach Allie Suffety said. "We like to do things the hard way."

"The same thing happened here last year," Salem coach Brian Gilles said. "They won the first two games and we won the next three."

"It just seemed like the players kind of disappeared. There was nobody stepping up. Nobody was having a good game."

"But then it seemed like we picked it up. This was a big victory for us. We have so many young players. This will help them mature."

Salem improved to 19-4-4 overall, 3-0 in the WLAA and remained 2-0 in the Lakes Division. Churchill is now 13-3 overall, 2-1 in the WLAA and 2-0 in the Western Division.

The Chargers were led by setter Kari Buzewski, who repeatedly hung the ball up for Megan McGinty, Amanda Eszes and Lori Leszczynski to bash.

McGinty had, unofficially, 17 kills in the five games. Eszes had nine and Leszczynski six.

"We played them three times last year," Churchill coach Mike Hughes said. "We won the first two games at their place, then lost the next three."

"We knocked them out of the conference tournament, 2-1. It's a very competitive rivalry."

Salem hasn't lost a WLAA regular-season match since 1993. Guess who did it?

Churchill might be a nice guess.

"We lost two matches in 1993," Gilles said. "And we won the first two games in both of them."

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Iowa's Guy

Red-shirt frosh Rucker a plus

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

It was all part of the maturation process Sunday afternoon in Ann Arbor for Guy Rucker.

The 6-foot-9, 255-pound red-shirt center for the University of Iowa put together a solid first half with eight points and seven rebounds.

But things grounded nearly to a halt for the Westland John Glenn product during the second

half as the host Michigan Wolverines, spurred on by the boisterous Crisler Arena crowd, earned a 79-71 men's basketball victory.

Rucker's numbers were solid enough — eight points, 10 rebounds in 34 minutes — but afterwards the Hawkeyes' center felt he could have done a little more.

"I really wasn't nervous, just a little excited," Rucker said. "I

came out for the second half and didn't get into the same flow as I did in the first half. I got frustrated and taken away from my game a little bit."

Rucker, who plays the pivot, had his hands full with Michigan's bulky and athletic front line of 6-9 Maurice Taylor, 6-9 Maceo Baston, 6-8, 300-pound Robert Traylor, and 6-9 Jerod Ward.

But if you were to give Rucker a mid-season grade, based on Iowa's 14-4 overall record and Big Ten-leading 5-1 mark, the report card is very favorable.

Jim Eckert, Iowa beat writer for the Cedar Rapids Gazette, says Rucker has competed favorably against some of the league's top centers.

"He's already gone up against Calvin Booth of Penn State and Brad Miller of Purdue and held his own," Eckert said. "He's one of the major reasons Iowa is doing so well."

"He's been very impressive for somebody so big. He has a nice, soft touch on short jumpers. He has good hands and is a good athlete. He seems to pick up the system pretty well."

Before Sunday's uncharacteristic three-for-11 shooting performance, Rucker was hitting 53 percent of his shots from the field and 76 percent from the free throw line (29 of 38).

Against Purdue, he made seven of eight shots from the floor for 15 points. He also had 11 points and two blocks versus Ohio State; 10 points and six rebounds vs. Northwestern.

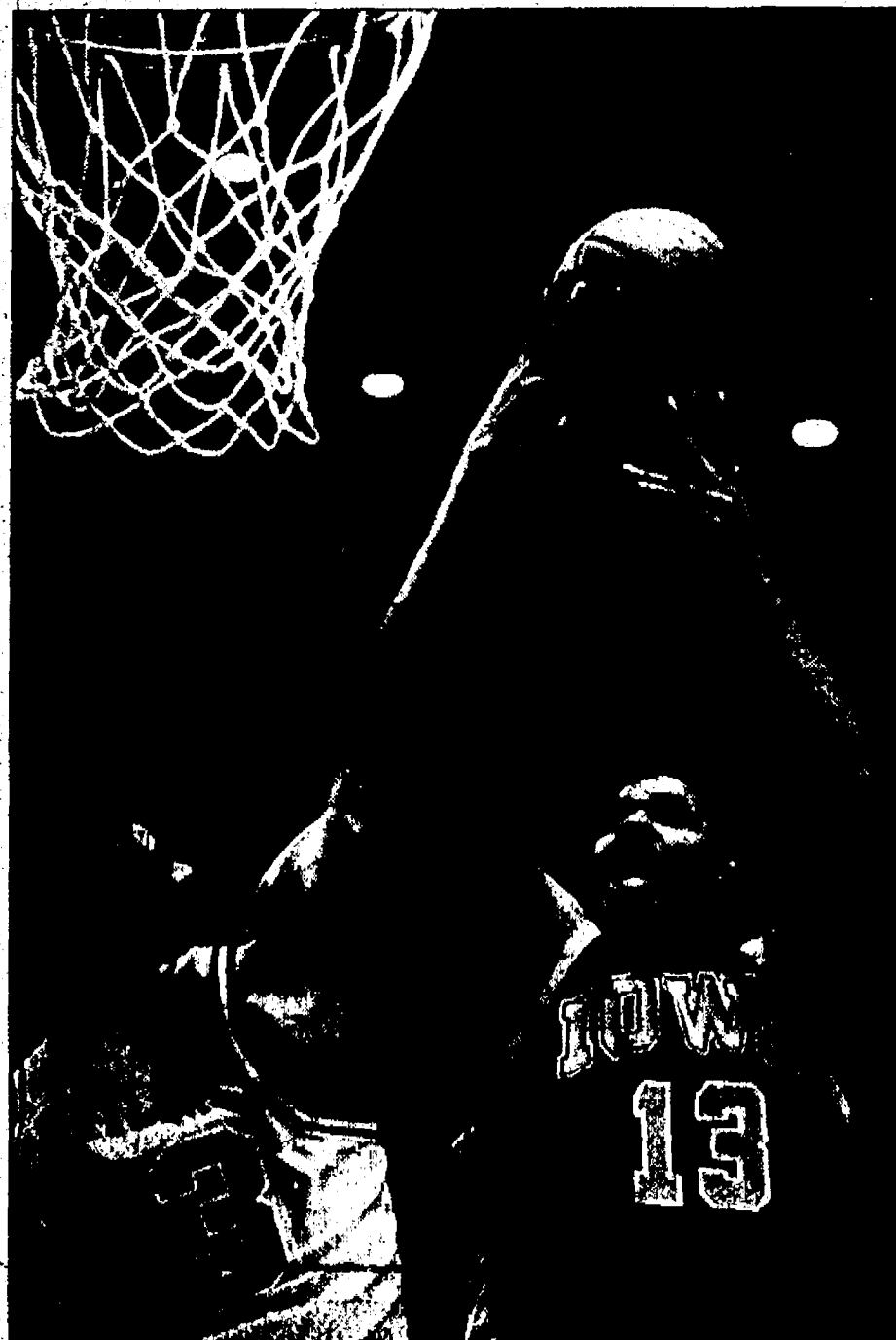
His season scoring high is 17 vs. Austin Peay.

"He always does something to help," Eckert said of Rucker. "And he's made some clutch shots."

Rucker did not start the season opener against Western Illinois, but has been a first-stringer the last 17 games beginning with Iowa's trip to Maui.

Iowa assistant coach Rich Walker, a native of Inkster, has known Rucker since the seventh

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Inside battle: Iowa center Guy Rucker (right) of Westland John Glenn takes on Michigan's Maurice Taylor.

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Blazers roll past Mercy in Central

Livonia Ladywood made quick work of rival Farmington Hills Mercy in a Catholic League volleyball match Tuesday.

The Blazers allowed only eight points while taking the host Marlins in two games, 15-5 and 15-3.

"We played really well and came out with good intensity," Ladywood coach Tom Teeters said. "We had some other matches where we did not."

Teeters has all but settled on a permanent lineup, adding the Blazers are beginning to refine their team chemistry for the second half of the season.

"Our lineup is getting pretty close to where it's going to be at the end of the year," he said. "We've had a new lineup for two weeks but haven't been able to test it in tournament play because we've been snowed out."

"But we've been working on it in practice, and it's starting to come together."

Ladywood improved to 3-0 in the league and 14-2 overall. Mercy is 2-2 and 9-5-3.

Jenny Lachapelle had a .385 hitting percentage and led the Blazers with six kills, but Natalie Rozell was tops in kill efficiency with four in as many attacks.

Nicole Vondracek served two aces and led Ladywood in serving, receiving and setting efficiency. She had seven assists out of 10 sets.

Sarah Poglits played a good all-round match with two blocks, two kills, six assists and one ace.

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In addition, Cathy Hermann served two aces; Kristen Dause had three blocks; Mary Lu Hemme had five digs and Katie Brogan four.

"I was pleased with Mary Lu's performance, blocking and receiving serves," Teeters said. "She's being more aggressive, and that's making a difference on broken plays and free balls. The three seniors (Dause, Hermann and Vondracek) are contributing heavily in all areas."

"Sarah Poglits is becoming much more versatile. Her defense has improved greatly, but she's also contributing as a blocker and on the second-ball attack, which is keeping teams off balance."

The Marlins didn't play at the level they have in other matches, according to coach Peggy Spengler.

"The only positive thing is Ladywood didn't see Mercy tonight," she said. "We had very few attacks and we passed the ball into the net, and those are things we don't normally do."

The teams will play again Thursday, Feb. 6 at Ladywood.

Glenn tops Northville

Westland John Glenn earned its first Western Lakes Activities Association victory in three tries Tuesday with an 8-15, 15-12, 15-11, 12-15, 15-5 triumph over visiting Northville.

Coach Stacy Graham's team improves to 10-9-4 overall and

1-2 in the WLAA.

Jamie Barker played a pivotal role in the victory with five aces, 11 digs, two solo blocks and nine kills.

Chrissy Harkless added 15 kills and 10 digs; Jenny Smith, 12 kills; setter Jamie Romej, 31 assists/15 digs; and Beth Busard, 10 digs/four aces.

Spartans clip Hawks

Livonia Stevenson ran its WLAA mark to 3-0 with a 13-15, 15-6, 15-11 triumph Monday over visiting Farmington Hills Harrison.

The Spartans, now 17-3-2 overall, got 13 kills and five solo blocks from senior Gina Palmeri.

Other contributions came from Kelly Kristy (11 kills), Lanette Moss (five solo blocks), Nicole Tobin (29 assists/three ace serves), Stacey Nastase (14 of 15 serving/three aces), Beth Pinneo (13 digs) and Lindsay Pfeifer (five kills).

On Saturday, Stevenson reached the finals of the six-team Wayne Memorial Tournament before falling to state-ranked Battle Creek Central, 15-9, 15-5.

In the semifinals, Stevenson bested Westland John Glenn, 15-1, 15-13.

In pool play, the Lady Spartans finished 4-0-1 with wins over Wayne (15-2, 15-13), Belleville (15-7, 15-4), John Glenn (15-10, 15-5), Dearborn Edsel Ford (15-13, 15-3). They split with Battle Creek, 7-15, 15-13.

Palmeri was Stevenson's top hitter on the day with 56 kills.

Kristy added 34, while Pfeifer recorded 12 kills and 12 aces.

Whitney Crosby was Stevenson's top server with 19 aces, while Tobin, the senior setter, had 76 assists and 10 aces.

Defensively, Becky Peterson led the way with 46 digs. Pinneo added 37.

Patriots block Western

Junior Brooke Hensman had 12 kills in 17 attempts and only two errors for a .588 hitting percentage Monday, leading Livonia Franklin to a 15-11, 16-14, 15-10 WLAA-Western Division victory at Walled Lake Western.

Franklin is now 10-5-3 overall and 2-1 in the Western Lakes.

Senior setter Randi Wolfe added seven kills (hitting .714) with 24 assists and six aces.

Other Patriots standouts included senior Missy Blanton (six kills/three aces), junior Danielle Wensing (eight kills) and senior Cathy Wolfe (14 digs/three aces).

In Saturday's Plymouth Canton Invitational, Franklin finished 2-1-2 on the day. The Patriots were ousted in the semifinals by Plymouth Salem, 15-13, 15-0.

In pool play, Franklin defeated Novi and North Farmington, while splitting with Canton and Farmington Hills Harrison.

Top performances were turned in by Hensman, who had 22 kills, 20 digs and 13 blocks; Randi Wolfe, 35 assists and eight aces; and Jackie Ziem, 16 aces/11 digs.

HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

Spartans ice Birmingham

CC, Trenton tie, 3-3

Livonia Stevenson took a big step toward winning the South Division of the Suburban High School Hockey League with a 5-3 victory Saturday over host Birmingham United at Cranbrook Ice Arena.

The win pushes Stevenson's divisional mark to 7-0-1, four points ahead of second-place Birmingham, which is 5-3-1.

"This win gives us momentum right now," Stevenson coach Mike Harris said. "This was a very important game for both teams, and our guys came out determined. We hope to play with the same determination from here on out."

Stevenson led 3-1 after one period.

Darin Fawkes tallied Stevenson's first goal from Andy Domzalski just 25 seconds into the game, but Birmingham came back at 12:26 (Darin Egerer from Jon Reepmeyer and Zack Kadro). The Spartans' Jay Ward then scored at 11:35 from Ted Marolla and Mike Schmidt at 11:35.

Schmidt, a senior defenseman, added a power-play goal, going end-to-end, Bobby Orr-style, to make it 3-1 at 3:43.

But Birmingham would not die, scoring back-to-back goals to open the second period — Ben Schomer from Josh and Bryan Del Dotto (10:13); and Reepmeyer from Egerer (at 6:18).

Marolla then tallied what proved to be the game-winner at 3:24 of the second from Domzalski.

The Spartans then executed a breakout play — Schmidt to Marolla to Fawkes, the latter whom finished the play with a shot to the upper right-hand corner at 10:52, to secure the win.

"We played a good first period and then we made some mental mistakes in the second," Harris said. "But we showed a lot of character by not panicking and scoring the next goal (by Marolla)."

Stevenson goalie Anthony Alfonsi, who faced 21 shots through the first two periods, came up big in the third to preserve the victory. He stopped a one-on-one breakaway.

"Anthony was spectacular," Harris said. "In the third we came out focused. The only negative from the game was that we took seven penalties to their three. We have to do a better job of concentrating."

Stevenson is 9-3-1 overall, while United falls to 5-4-1.

•RU 4, CHURCHILL 3: Andy Zukovs scored the game-winning goal on an assist from Mike Taylor with 6:03 to play Saturday afternoon, lifting host Redford Union (4-5-1, 7-5-1) the SHSL win over defending SHSL champion Livonia Churchill (2-3-3, 5-5-3) at Redford Ice Arena.

It was 1-1 after one period.

Chuck Leight opened the scoring for Churchill from Matt Wysocki and Geoff

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Cutsy at 2:20, but RU's Mike Karath answered with an unassisted effort at 10:51.

At 1:02 of the second period, Zukovs made it 2-1 for the Panthers from Joel Halliday and Trevor Pagel. Taylor then made it 3-1 midway through the second (from Bruce Caskey), but an unassisted goal by Kyle Dawley at 3:57 cut the deficit to 3-2.

The Chargers tied it at 3-3 at 2:42 of the third on a goal by Wysocki from B.J. Tehan.

RU's Zukovs followed with the game-winner.

Churchill goalies Mark Felker and Greg Sliwka split duties. The Chargers also welcomed back injured players Anton Sutovsky and Ed Rossetto.

•REDFORD CC 8, SOUTHGATE 5: Redford Catholic Central found itself in an unusually high-scoring game Tuesday night against Southgate Anderson, but maybe the Shamrocks have an excuse.

One of their usually-reliable defense-men, Nick Kaleniecki, played left wing because of an injury to junior Ian Devlin.

Kaleniecki responded with two goals, one an empty netter late in the game, leading No. 1 ranked CC to an 8-5 victory over the host Titans.

The win kept the Shamrocks undefeated at 12-0-1 overall, 9-0-1 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League, but coach Gordie St. John wasn't too pleased.

"No, I didn't like it at all," St. John said. "We didn't play a very responsible game."

Dan McLellan, who is "really coming on," according to St. John, also scored two goals.

Mike Porter, Greg Berger, Keith Rowe and Mike Sharpe had the other goals for the Shamrocks.

The first period ended with the two teams tied 2-2. CC took a 4-2 lead after two periods.

CC's starting goaltender Rickey Mannon was pulled after Anderson scored its fourth goal in the third period. Tom Monier was his replacement, allowing one goal the rest of the game.

•REDFORD CC 3, TRENTON 3: The Shamrocks' No. 1 ranked hockey team rallied from a 2-0 deficit to earn a Michigan Metro League deadlock against the No. 2 and defending state champion Trojans before a sold-out crowd Saturday night at Redford Arena.

Scott Curtin's power play goal, assisted by Brad Karabelski and McLellan, tied the score at 3 at 11:49 of the third period.

Mannon made 19 saves and his counterpart, K.C. Begeman, stopped 30 shots.

The tie left CC with an 11-0-1 record, 8-0-1 in the Metro Hockey League.

"I'm disappointed we didn't win, but glad we didn't lose, too," St. John said. "Trenton is a very good team."

John Madzam, Chad Clements and Greg DeSana scored for Trenton, which led 1-0 after one period and 3-2 after two.

McLellan and Tim Cibor joined Curtin with one goal each.

Picking up assists were Nick LeWarne, Devlin, Mike Porter.

SUBURBAN HOCKEY STATISTICS

SUBURBAN HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY LEAGUE STATISTICS: (as of Jan. 20)

SOUTH DIVISION

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 6-0-1/15 points; 2. Birmingham United, 5-3-1/11; 3. Redford Union, 4-5-1/9; 4. Livonia Franklin, 3-4-2/8; 5. (tie) Livonia Churchill, 2-3-3/7; Walled Lake Central, 3-7-1/7.

Overall records: Stevenson, 9-3-1; Redford Union, 7-5-1; Birmingham, 5-4-1; Churchill, 5-5-3; Franklin, 4-6-3; Central, 4-9-1.

Leading scorers: 1. Greg Job (Franklin), 9 goals/11 assists/25 points; 2. Jon Reepmeyer (Birmingham), 8-15/23; 3. Trevor Pagel (RU), 11-8/19; 4. Darin Egerer (Birmingham), 12-6/18; 5. (tie) Darin Fawkes (Stevenson), 12-4/16; Andy Domzalski (Stevenson), 3-13/16; 7. (tie) Andy Zukovs (RU), 5-10/15; Mike Schmidt (Stevenson), 3-12/15; 9. Jeremy Motz (Central), 6-8/14; 10. Josh Del Dotto (Birmingham), 4-9/13; 11. (tie) Mike Redekvick (Stevenson), 6-6/12; Dan Hofelich (Franklin), 3-9/12; Joel Halliday (RU), 4-8/12; 14. (tie) Derek Milenk (Central), 9-2/11; Bill Marshall (Stevenson), 4-7/11.

Leading goalies: 1. Todd Weston (Birmingham), 17 goals against/2.33

NORTH DIVISION

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Bloomfield Hills Andover, 7-2-0/14; 2. Royal Oak, 6-1-1/13; 3. (tie) Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 3-6-0/6; Walled Lake Western, 3-4-0/6; 5. Southfield, 0-7-0/0.

Overall records: Andover, 9-3-0; Royal Oak, 7-2-2; Lahser, 5-7-0; Western, 5-6-0; Southfield, 0-7-0.

Leading scorers: 1. (tie) Dave Tigay (Andover), 13-12/25; Nick Luxon (Royal Oak), 12-13/25; 3. Robbie Kohen (Andover), 10-13/23; 4. Kevin Ayers (Royal Oak), 7-15/22; 5. (tie) Scott Fuelling (Royal Oak), 8-12/20; Jared Lutz (Andover), 8-12/20; 7. Damien Lewis (Royal Oak), 8-11/19; 8. Justin Robinson (Western), 13-4/17; 9. Scott Schnedler (Royal Oak), 10-6/16; 10. (tie) Ben Knight (Lahser), 8-6/14; Clay Carlson (Western), 7-7/14; 12. (tie) Andy Dajek (Lahser), 7-5/12; Amir Emami (Andover), 7-5/12; Brian Yuk (Lahser), 6-6/12.

Leading goalies: 1. Jeremy Kamp (Andover), 29/3.63; 2. Brandon Casanta (Royal Oak), 22/3.67; Justin Holmes (Lahser), 35/5.00.

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"Mike Hughes is a heckuva coach. They always play awesome defense. The last ball of the game, they had five kids chasing it down."

The third game was tied, 2-2, when Sterling was sent in to serve for Salem. The Rocks won two points on errors, got a kill by Jenny Trott that Sterling set up and then scored two more on unreturned serves to jump out to a 7-2 lead.

It was 9-2 before the Chargers rallied for four straight points behind Jessica Sherman's serve, but Kristi Giddings served out the game.

Hughes rested Buzewski more than half the game in an effort to freshen her up for the last two.

"We didn't pass very well the last couple of games," he said. "And if you can't get the ball to your setter, your setter can't get

the ball to your hitters.

"We didn't serve well that last game, either. They didn't make any service errors and we made four."

"Their basic skills are just better than ours. They pass the ball better."

Amanda Abraham led Salem with 14 kills, 15 blocks and two shared blocks. Trott had 11 kills while Kari Flynn made some nice sets in the final two games.

Sterling added 15 assists.

"Our other setter, Jenny Matthews, got hurt," Gilles said. "So we brought Laini up from the junior varsity. She played so well we couldn't send her down."

"We were able to move Matthews back to the back row, where she's best. It was a blessing. Laini really flies around out there."

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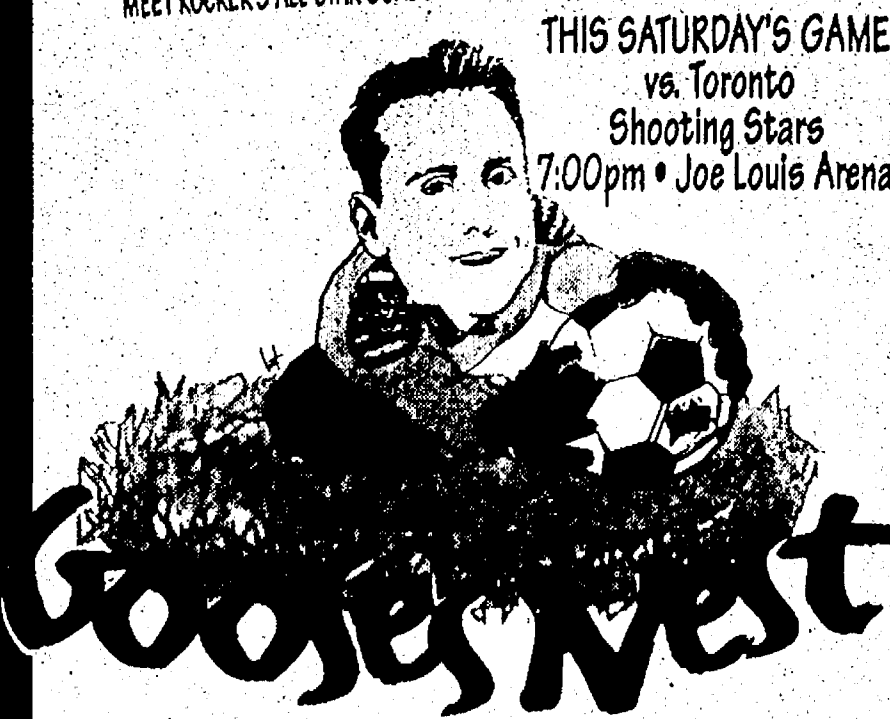


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Canton upset by Stevenson

In OT thriller, 64-60

Livonia Stevenson validated its recent winning streak with a dramatic 64-60 overtime victory Tuesday over visiting Plymouth Canton in a Western Lakes Activities Association boys basketball game.

The Spartans, who won their fifth straight, outscored the defending WLAA champions 13-9 in the four-minute OT period to earn the victory.

Stevenson is 5-3 overall and 3-1 in the WLAA, while Canton drops to 4-4 and 2-2.

"It was a good high school basketball game," Stevenson coach Tim Newman said. "It was worth the three dollar admission. It was a good game to watch."

Senior forward Ed Szumlanski, who paced Stevenson with 17 points, hit a dramatic three-pointer off a pass from Tyrone Davidson with no time remaining to tie the game at 51-all and send it into overtime.

Senior guard Scott Babinski added 14 points, while senior center Mike Potempa added nine.

Wayne Bowers and Tyrone Davidson each contributed eight.

Bowers hit a free throw with only five seconds left to seal the victory, while Davidson nailed a big three-pointer in the OT. Stevenson made 21 of 30 free throws on the night, including eight of 10 during the extra period.

Rob Johnson and Joe Cortellini each scored 17 for the Chiefs, while Nick Hurley and Matt Ammons each contributed 12.

Johnson had his way inside against the Spartans for three quarters as Canton built a 37-27 advantage.

But Stevenson came on in the fourth with a 24-13 run.

"Johnson is a horse in the low box and we had a tough time containing him," Stevenson first-year coach Tim Newman said. "We challenged our kids a little bit at halftime."

"We came out (in the second half) and played with good intensity. We also did a good job of handling the ball at the end. We did a good job of executing. We're not getting frazzled."

• REDFORD CC 67, RICE 64: Chris Young, a 6-foot-10 junior center, scored a career-high 30 points Tuesday as Redford Catholic Central (6-3, 4-1) held off Central Division rival Birmingham Brother Rice (3-8, 2-3).

Marc McDonald, a senior guard, added 17 points, including three triples, while Nick Moore contributed 11.

Rice's Tom Marx, a 6-7 junior, led all scorers with 32 points. Jon Poyer added 17.

"It was a big win, it always nice beating Rice at Rice," CC coach Rick Coratti. "We used four guards and Young for a lot of game, and it just worked out."

"We had a 10-point lead in the third quarter and I thought we were going to expand upon it. We won our previous games in the Catholic League by two points each, so I guess this one's a blowout."

• WAYNE 67, MONROE 49: Eleven of 14 players scored Tuesday as host Wayne Memorial cruised to Mega Conference-Red Division victory over the visiting Trojans.

Lorenzo Guess led a balanced Wayne scoring attack with 18 points. Rodney Hurst contributed 12, while Brian Williams chipped in with nine.

Kevin Smith had nine for Monroe, which slips to 2-7 overall and 1-3 in the Mega-Red.

Wayne, which jumped out to a 38-19 halftime advantage, is now 8-2 overall and 5-0 in the division.

• LUTH. WESTLAND 71, LUTH. NORTH

PREP HOOPS

60: Joe Pruchnik scored a game-high 26 points Tuesday as host Lutheran High Westland (5-4, 4-3) gained the Metro Conference victory over Macomb Lutheran North (5-5, 3-4).

Pruchnik, a 6-foot-3 senior forward, made 11 field goals and was four of seven from the free throw line. He also grabbed six rebounds. Kevin Wade added 10 points and seven rebounds.

John McShane and Kevin Kochan tallied 17 and 10, respectively, for the Mustangs.

Lutheran Westland trailed 30-29 at intermission, but came out smoking in the third quarter with a 21-8 run.

"We handled their press in the second half and got it turned around," Lutheran Westland coach Dan Ramthun said. "We got a lot of easy baskets off their press."

• HOWELL 63, JOHN GLENN 59: In a non-leaguer Tuesday, cold-shooting Westland John Glenn fell to 5-4 overall as the host Highlanders of the Kensington Valley Conference improved to 6-3.

George King, a 6-3 center, led Howell and all scorers with 31 points. Mike Soehl added 11.

Jon Becher was Glenn's top scorer with 15 points, while David Jarrett added 10.

The Rockets were outscored 28-15 in the first quarter and 23-10 in the third period as Howell took a 69-43 lead.

• FARMINGTON 67, FRANKLIN 48: Senior forward Nick Sertic scored 20 points and junior guard Dave Viane added 15 Tuesday as the host Falcons (3-6, 2-2) beat Livonia Franklin (4-4, 2-2) in a WLAA encounter.

Farmington made 24 of 35 free throws (68 percent), including 17 of 25 in the final quarter as the Falcons outscored the Patriots, 29-18.

Senior center Matt Bauman had 15 points and 10 rebounds for Franklin, while junior guard Nick Mongeau added nine. Kevin Biga had seven rebounds.

"I thought we played good defense with man-to-man pressure," Farmington coach Denny Mikel said. "We tried to stop Matt inside and we doubted him down whenever we could. But he's good enough to kick the ball back out, but they just didn't hit from the perimeter."

Free throw shooting won the game for the Falcons as Viane led the way going 10 for 13.

"Franklin got into a situation where they had to foul and stop the clock," Mikel said, "and we were able to open the game up from the foul line."

"It was a good win for us."

• W.L. CENTRAL 61, CHURCHILL 55: Livonia Churchill was outscored 30-8 in third quarter Tuesday as host Walled Lake Central (6-3, 3-1) rolled to the Western Lakes victory.

Churchill is now 0-9 overall and 0-4 in the WLAA.

Todd Negoshian led the victorious Vikings in scoring with 18 points. Matt Ullrich added 16.

Shawn Woloszyn and Matt Buzewski each had 10 for the Chargers, who couldn't overcome a 43-27 halftime deficit.

"We played a six-man rotation and gave everything we had on defense, but right now we just don't show any scoring potential," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "We didn't have trouble with their press until the third quarter."

• ZOE 54, HURON VALLEY 39: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran is still searching for its first win of the season.

The host Hawks, playing at Marshall Middle School, couldn't overcome a Warren Zoe Christian 21-12 second-quarter run in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game.

Junior guard Jeremy Zahn led Huron Valley (0-8, 0-2) with 16 points. Senior center John Nielson added 11.

Zoe senior center Dan Lenn scored 21 to pace all scorers. Adam Mancina and Joe Messina added 12 and 10, respectively, for the Warriors (2-0 in MIAC).

• CLARENCEVILLE 68, LUTH. NORTH 56: In a Metro Conference game Saturday, Livonia Clarenceville improved to 5-5 overall and 4-3 with the home court victory over the Mustangs (5-4, 3-3).

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grade. Walker attended Inkster High with Rucker's mother, Terri Mitchell.

"I've watched he and Albert White (of Inkster and now at Missouri) grow," Walker said. "Guy trusts me and I believe in him."

Rucker is averaging almost nine points and six rebounds per game. He leads the team in blocks.

As a red-shirt freshman last year, Rucker was able to get comfortable both athletically as well as academically.

"Coming in as a true freshman is tough for anybody," Rucker said. "I was able to take a year off and better my skills. I was able to work out and get a little experience practicing with the team."

Walker said the red-shirt year will pay off down the road.

"He's been able to blend academics and athletics, but the main thing is that he is going to graduate, that's what it's all about," the Iowa assistant said. "And he's doing a good job with both. The people of Iowa City, the university and the coaching staff is proud of his development."

"With five years to complete his requirements and eligibility, he's confident enough now to do both."

Despite the second-half letdown against Michigan, Rucker continues to make strides for the Hawkeyes.

"He had 10 rebounds, but he didn't score (in the second half) and he was disappointed," Walker said. "He knows Taylor, Traylor and Baston picked it up."

"But he's coming along real well as a freshman. For a first-year player he's made giant steps. He gets better each game. He's done remarkably well and western Wayne County can be proud."

"He's lifting weights on the off-days and he comes evenings to do some extra work."

Walker said Rucker's decision to play out-of-state has plenty of benefits.

"It's nice to go to a Michigan and Michigan State, but for some kids, getting away from home is a good alternative," Walker said. "It gives a kid like Guy a chance to mature and grow up on his own."

Rucker, however, does get a little homesick from time to time.

"I miss everything," he said. "I miss hanging out with Tony (Goin's former Glenn teammate now at Wayne State)."

And that of course, is all part of the maturation process.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Tri-State trips Crusaders

WOMEN'S

Jennifer Rushton found Jennifer Stikes underneath for a layup with eight seconds left in the game to cap a furious Tri-State (Ind.) comeback Tuesday and thwart host Madonna University's upset bid, 71-70, in women's basketball.

The loss left the Lady Crusaders with an 8-11 record.

It was the second time in five days Madonna has gone up against a team ranked in the NAIA's top 10.

But unlike last Friday's 31-point loss to Central State, the Crusaders were in this one.

Katie Cushman, who led Madonna with 18 points (including 4-of-8 on three-pointers), nailed a triple with 1:10 left to give the Crusaders a 70-66 advantage.

But the Thunder answered 14 seconds later, getting a three from Amy Olinger to trim the deficit to one and setting the stage for Stikes' late, game-winning basket.

Madonna did get one last shot off, but Cushman's triple try missed.

Dawn Pelc added 12 points and seven rebounds to the Madonna effort. Angie Negri chipped in with 11 points and four steals, and Mary Murray scored 10 points.

Tri-State was led by Lisa Heath with 11 points. Stikes grabbed 10 rebounds.

The Thunder led 41-34 at half-time and built that into a 47-36 advantage three minutes into the second before Madonna rallied. The Crusaders outscored Tri-State 22-1 over the next eight minutes, with Cushman scoring eight of those points, to go in front 58-48 with 9:04 left.

After suffering its worst defeat of the season Friday, Madonna rebounded to hand Indiana Tech an even more lopsided loss Saturday at the University of Michigan-Dearborn Tournament.

Central State (Ohio), ranked in the NAIA's top 10, ran its record to 18-2 by thumping Madonna, 77-46, on Friday, and host Wolves on Saturday.

Against Indiana Tech, the Lady Crusaders connected on 40-of-76 floor shots (52.6 percent) and outrebounded their foes by a whopping 58-34 en route to a 98-64 triumph.

Katie Cushman led the Crusaders against Tech, collecting 21 points and eight assists. Chris Dietrich added 18 points, including 3-of-5 on three-pointers; Mary Murray had 17 points and 10 rebounds; and Angie Negri and Dawn Pelc contributed 10 points apiece, with Pelc grabbing 10 boards and Negri dishing out eight assists.

The Warriors got 19 points from Dawn Howard.

Friday against Central State, the story was quite the opposite for Madonna. The Crusaders



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Heavy traffic: Madonna's Katie Cushman (dark jersey), splits a pair of Central State defenders.

made just 19-of-70 shots (27.1 percent), with just one player reaching double figures in scoring: Murray, with 13 points. She also had eight rebounds.

The Marauders were led by Requette Lindsay's 28 points. The Crusaders, who committed 30 turnovers in the game compared to 21 by Central, lost the game in the first half; the Marauders built a 44-16 lead by the intermission.

• SCHOOLCRAFT 68, MOTT 53: Slow start, fast finish — and a victory.

Which is what Schoolcraft College did against Eastern Conference rival Mott CC Saturday at SC, going from a narrow 25-21 halftime lead to a 15-point triumph.

The victory improved the Lady Ocelots' record to 13-4 overall, 4-1 in the conference.

SC struggled in the first half, connecting on just two three-pointers and 5-of-10 free throws. Sheilah Coulter (eight points) and Julie Schmidt (seven) accounted for most of the Ocelots' offense.

The second half was a different story. Crissy Harmon, who had one of SC's two first-half triples, added four more in the second half to finish with 15 points. Coulter got 11 second-half points for a game-high total of 19, and Esther Ross

added nine over the last 20 minutes to score 14 for the game. Schmidt ended with 11.

Mott got 16 points from Angels Enley and 14 from Kathy Finn.

Ocelot men drubbed

In men's basketball, Schoolcraft College has had trouble of late finding enough players to put on the floor. On Saturday against visiting Mott CC, the Ocelots couldn't find enough points, either, falling 106-76.

The Bears simply ran away from SC, building a 64-26 lead by halftime and coasting from there.

SC coach Greg Thomas had just seven players to call on, including two pick-ups at the semester break, after the loss of several players to academics and injuries.

Tymon Marshall's 26 points paced the Ocelots. Dwaun Warmack contributed 22 and Rudy Hatfield (Livonia Churchill) had 11.

Mott had five scorers in double figures: Dewayne Allen, who had 22 of his 24 in the first half. Dionte Harvey added 22.

The loss left SC with a 5-11 record, 2-3 in the conference.

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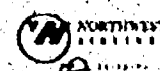


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WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 24

Clarenceville at Luth. Wsld., 7 p.m.
Wayne at Dearborn, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Southgate, 7 p.m.
RU at Taylor Kennedy, 7 p.m.
Trenton at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Harrison, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
N. Farm. at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Salem at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Canton, 7:30 p.m.
St. Agatha at Del. Urban, 7:30 p.m.
Borgess at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.
Huron Valley at Fairlane, 7:30 p.m.
PCA at A.P. Jrter-City, 8 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY

Friday, Jan. 24

Redford Union vs. Birmingham
at Redford Ice Arena, 5:30 p.m.
Franklin vs. Churchill
at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Stevenson vs. W.L. Central
at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25

Redford CC vs. G.P. South
at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Saturday, Jan. 25

Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 3 p.m.
Oakland at St. Clair, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday, Jan. 23

Aquinas at Madonna, 2 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 25

Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 1 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Jan. 23

Zoe at Huron Valley, 5:30 p.m.
Ladywood Quad match, 5:30 p.m.

Luth. Wsld. at Clarenceville, 6 p.m.
Bishop Foley at Mercy, 6:30 p.m.
Benedictine at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
DePores at Borgess, 7 p.m.
S'field Christian at PCA, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24

W. Wayne at Agape, 5 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 25

Madonna Tournament, 8 a.m.

Country Day Tournament, 9 a.m.

E. Kentwood Tourney, 9 a.m.
UM-Deaorbn Tourney, 9 a.m.

Whitmore Lake Tourney, TBA.
TBA — time to be announced.

COMMUNITY SPORTS NEWS

Detroit Pistons, schools form unique partnership

Area resident Moreland triggers new program

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Steve Moreland and his wife Lori weren't just high school sweethearts.

"We were grade school sweethearts," said Moreland. "We met when I was in the eighth grade and she was in seventh."

So he must know something about strong partnerships.

The Detroit Pistons organization is starting a Pistons Partner Program with schools in the Detroit area and Moreland is the point guard.

Moreland is the new director of basketball camps and clinics for the Detroit Pistons. Moreland also will work on special projects as assigned within the organization.

"Our primary objective is to give back to the community," said Moreland, a brother-in-law of Plymouth Canton girls basketball coach Bob Blohm. "If we make it challenging and fun we have the opportunity to educate and motivate students."

"The most exciting part of the opportunity with the Detroit Pistons was to create a developmen-



Steve Moreland

tal strategy to encourage today's younger generation."

School assembly topics include Peer Pressure, Staying in School and Being a Team Player.

Pistons Partner Programs are split into two 1½ hour sessions at each area grade school or junior high that joins.

For a \$25 participation fee, participants receive basketball instruction, a regular-season Pistons game ticket, a Pistons T-shirt, a Pistons Participation Certificate, prizes for skills contest winners and friends and family have the opportunity to purchase a \$20 Pistons' ticket for only \$10.

Schools who become a Pistons Partner receive a Pistons Partner Plaque and an autographed Pistons basketball. Schools also receive 10 Pistons and 20 Detroit Vipers hockey tickets to be used for the school's Pistons Student and Teacher of the Month.

The program is coming to Observerland. A Pistons Partner Program Jam Session will be at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, March 6 at Elliott Elementary in Westland. The basketball clinic will be at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 25.

For more information, call (810) 377-0104.

Moreland, a former Plymouth resident, comes to the Pistons from Disney's Wide World of

Sports where he was the Senior Sports Operations Manager.

Moreland aided in the planning and strategy stages of the 200-acre facility and he prospected event opportunities for Disney's Wide World of Sports, drawing events like the AAU Girls 10-and-under national basketball championships, the Indy Racing League 200 (on the grounds of Magic Kingdom), and Walt Disney World Marathon (in the Orlando area).

A native of Kalamazoo, the 39-year-old Moreland was raised in South Bend, Ind. and he prepped at Andrew Jackson High School where he was class president, captain and most valuable player of the basketball team.

He played collegiately at Davenport College of Business in Grand Rapids and Northwood University in Midland.

He was a junior college All-America at Davenport, while averaging 24.5 points per game.

Moreland enjoyed a successful career in private business and high school coaching before joining Disney in March, 1995.

Moreland has been active in basketball camps and clinics across the U.S. as a director and featured speaker for many years.

He and his wife have three children: Christa, Tyler and Shane.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS RESULTS

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 130.5

DEARBORN EDEL FORD 112.5

Jan. 17 at John Glenn

Vault: 1. (tie) Katie Boogren (WJG) and Kristy Broadrick (WJG), 8.5 each; 3. Jamie Arble (WJG), 8.05; 4. Jessica Beach (WJG), 7.9.

Uneven bars: 1. Stephanie Thompson (WJG), 8.7; 2. Beach (WJG), 8.3; 3. Boogren

(WJG), 8.1.

Balance beam: 1. Boogren (WJG), 8.1; 2. Beach (WJG), 7.9; 3. Broadrick (WJG), 7.65.

Floor exercise: 1. Beach (WJG), 9.0; 2. Boogren (WJG), 8.7; 3. Broadrick (WJG), 8.6.

All-around: 1. Beach (WJG), 33.1; 2. Boogren (WJG), 33.0.

Glenn's dual meet record: 2.2.

Next meet: 7 tonight at Hartland.

BEST BOYS SWIM CLOCKINGS

Following is a list of Observerland boys best swim times and diving scores. Coaches should report updates to coach Ken Stark at the Livonia Churchill pool between 4 and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 523-9231.

200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

Plymouth Salem 1:44.92
Livonia Stevenson 1:46.56
North Farmington 1:47.47
Farmington Harrison 1:48.20
Farmington 1:48.29

200 FREESTYLE

Kyle Petroskey (Salem) 1:50.35
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:51.60
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 1:51.89
Patrick Duthie (N. Farmington) 1:52.47
Justin Barringer (Harrison) 1:53.27
Nick Corden (Salem) 1:53.73
Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 1:56.31
Mike Malec (Stevenson) 1:58.63
Victor Hakim (Stevenson) 1:59.46
Bill Randall (Churchill) 2:00.66

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 2:05.32
Kyle Petroskey (Salem) 2:06.19
Brent Mellis (Salem) 2:06.63
John Hawkins (Farmington) 2:12.23
Mark Dettling (Salem) 2:12.55
Ryan Zoumaris (John Glenn) 2:12.60
Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 2:13.97
Robin Trombley (Harrison) 2:14.65
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 2:15.14
Bill Randall (Churchill) 2:15.41

50 FREESTYLE

Steve Domin (Stevenson) 22.78
Andrew Locke (Salem) 23.35
Nick Corden (Salem) 23.46
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 23.87
Robin Trombley (Harrison) 23.97
Dan Kelly (Salem) 24.07
Bill Randall (Churchill) 24.42
Don Mellow (Churchill) 24.67
Matt Zald (N. Farmington) 24.73
Matt Walker (Harrison) 24.78

DIVING

Jeff Thomas (Farmington) 301.40
Otto Geiseman (Salem) 257.20
Joe Lebovic (N. Farmington) 233.30
Matt Marshall (Churchill) 209.00
J.T. Svoke (Harrison) 205.65
John Lowry (Farmington) 188.00
Dave Knapp (Stevenson) 185.40
Chris Cameron (Salem) 181.30
Jeff Phillips (John Glenn) 179.25
Mike Belvitch (Salem) 163.60

100 BUTTERFLY

Steve Domin (Stevenson) 55.16
Patrick Duthie (N. Farmington) 55.39
Mark Dettling (Salem) 55.58
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 56.81

Tim Buchanan (Salem) 56.91
Brent Mellis (Salem) 59.41
John Hawkins (Farmington) 59.81
Victor Hakim (Stevenson) 1:00.33
Robin Trombley (Harrison) 1:00.69
Chris Rands (N. Farmington) 1:01.26

100 FREESTYLE

Kyle Petroskey (Salem) 50.19
Nick Corden (Salem) 50.41
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 51.17
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 51.39
Mark Dettling (Salem) 51.42
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 51.46
Patrick Duthie (N. Farmington) 51.50
Brent Mellis (Salem) 52.63
Pete Boster (Farmington) 52.75
James McPartin (John Glenn) 52.97

500 FREESTYLE

Kyle Petroskey (Salem) 4:58.10
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 4:59.29
Brent Mellis (Salem) 5:05.18
Justin Barringer (Harrison) 5:12.42
Victor Hakim (Stevenson) 5:13.59
Mike Malec (Stevenson) 5:15.04
Nick Corden (Salem) 5:20.72
Josh Duffy (Harrison) 5:29.39
Aaron Rycroft (N. Farmington) 5:29.90
Bill Randall (Churchill) 5:31.66

200 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 1:32.20
Livonia Stevenson 1:35.45
Farmington Harrison 1:38.62
North Farmington 1:38.81
Livonia Churchill 1:40.78

100 BACKSTROKE

Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 56.68
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 58.31
Brent Mellis (Salem) 58.63
Luke Woodcock (Salem) 1:01.26
Josh Duffy (Harrison) 1:01.44
James McPartin (John Glenn) 1:04.17
Kevin Crabill (Salem) 1:04.59
Bill Randall (Churchill) 1:04.66
Aaron Rycroft (N. Farmington) 1:05.02
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 1:05.06

100 BREASTSTROKE

Chris Owen (Farmington) 1:05.17
Robin Trombley (Harrison) 1:05.50
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:07.58
Matt Walker (Harrison) 1:08.76
Matt Swartz (N. Farmington) 1:08.85
Andrew Locke (Salem) 1:09.70
Mike Malec (Stevenson) 1:09.74
Rodolfo Palma (Salem) 1:11.50
Jason Rebarchik (Salem) 1:12.20
Jon Zald (N. Farmington) 1:13.23

400 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 3:23.60
North Farmington 3:32.09
Farmington 3:39.02
Westland John Glenn 3:42.03
Livonia Stevenson 3:44.27

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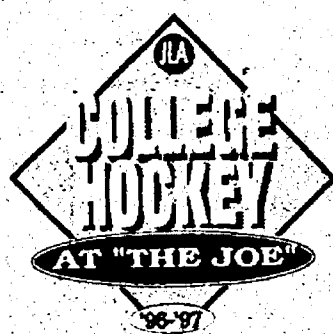
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Livonia Y club recognized for state cup wins

YOUTH SOCCER

With City of Livonia mayor Jack Kirksey and former Detroit Rucker Doug Landefeld in attendance, the Michigan Hawks recently celebrated Michigan State Youth Soccer Association girls championships in four of five age groups.

Among the Hawks teams, part of the Livonia YMCA Premier Soccer Club, captured titles in the following divisions: under-14, -15, -16 and -17. The under-18 '79 Hawks also reached the semifinals.

Along with the Wolves, the Livonia Y's boys teams, the club has won 60 state titles, seven Midwest Regional crowns and three national titles during a 25-year span.

Club president Paul Dugan also noted that 112 former club members who have graduated from colleges or universities.

LIVONIA HAWKS MEMBERS

Under-10: Jessica Cadwell, Renee Farrell, Ashley Tenby; under-11: Melissa Dobbey, Michelle Phillips; under-12: Bethany Dobbey, Krysta Scheel; under-13: Sarah Phillips; under-14: Katie Beaudoin, Cheryl Fox, Lindsay Gusick, Christina Lewis, Stefanie Stachura; under-15: Susan Bear, Brianna Roy, Andrea Sled, Stacy Supanich, Michele Vetraino; under-16: Mary Gignac, Sarah Wittrock; under-17: Jennifer Barker, Allyson Campbell; under-18: Melissa Jacobs, Leah McGrath, Michelle Roy, Angie Siggie, Elizabeth Szkyrbal, Andrea Will, Christine Wilson, Crystal Wright.

LIVONIA WOLVES MEMBERS

Under-10: Joe Bargerstock, Louie Djokic, Brennan Pearson, Danny Poulos, Keith Sled, Ken Turner; under-11: Steve Abernathy, Brian Baungartner, Andrew Davis, Jason Gringell, Patrick Kolodziejczak, Jeff Kusch; under-12: Brady Crosby, Nik Djokic, Brian Ennis, James Katkos, Charlie Knoll; under-13: T.J. Djokic, James Miller, John Minicilli, David Novara, Jamie Shooks, Marshall Sled, Ben White, Scott Wolfe.

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING RESULTS

WAYNE MEMORIAL 68
DEARBORN FORDSON 12
Jan. 18 at Wayne

103 pounds: Nate Wensko (WM) won by void; **112:** Justin Beseler (WM) won by void; **119:** John Nichols (WM) pinned Moussa Hamka, no time available; **128:** Jamah Boozie (WM) p. Mike Abdurrahim, NTA; **130:** Rich Watson (WM) won by void; **135:** Jason Slenko (WM) won by superior decision over Ibrahim Thajli, no score available; **140:** Keith Britt (WM) won by void; **145:** James Evans (DF) p. Kurt Spann, NTA; **152:** Jim Siwula (152) won by void; **160:** Jeremy Styers (160) won by void; **171:** Hussam Essa (DF) p. Sean McInerney, NTA; **189:** Patrick Grzecki (WM) decisioned Najam Algrish; **215:** George Buckner (WM) won by void; **heavyweight:** William Laramie (WM) p. Emad Hasan, NTA.

Wayne's Mega Conference record: 3-0-1 overall.

GARDEN CITY NOVICE
WRESTLING TOURNAMENT
Jan. 18 at Garden City High

FRESHMAN TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Walled Lake Western, 150 points; 2. Belleville, 141; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 125; 4. Novi, 116; 5. Westland John Glenn, 109; 6. Wyandotte Rosevelt, 99; 7. Plymouth Salem, 81; 8. Redford Thurston, 80; 9. Monroe Jefferson, 70; 10. Melvindale, 69; 11. Southgate Anderson, 57.5; 12. Dearborn Heights Annapolis, 56; 13. Garden City, 30.5; 14. Grosse Ile, 50; 15. Trenton, 45; 16 (tie) Farmington Hills Harrison, Livonia Franklin, 42; 18. Berkley, 41; 19. Northville, 40; 20. Farmington, 39; 21. Dearborn Divine Child, 37; 22. Allen Park, 27; 23. Wayne Memorial, 19; 24. (tie) Birmingham Brother Rice, Dearborn Fordson, 16; 26. Livonia Churchill, 10; 27. North Farmington, 4; 28 (tie) Lincoln Park, Plymouth Canton, Walled Lake Central, Redford Union, 0.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Heavyweight: 1. Ryan McLain (WR), 2. Jason Moore (Novi), 3. Bilal Amen (DF), 4. Nick Wilson (WLW), 5. Gary Swanson (RT), 6. Adam Ochmanek (DC).

103 (A): 1. Charlie Moreno (WR), 2. Josh Gunterman (LS), 3. A.J. Lee (WLW), 4. John Gregg (WM), 5. Rob Ash (PS), 6. Brad Haddad (DHA).

103 (B): 1. Lucas Stump (PS), 2. Justin Shafer (FH), 3. Pat Sayn (GC), 4. Jim Vinson (LF), 5. Roger Riehl (M), 6. Vinnie Kory (BR).

103 (C): 1. Brian Dodds (Novi), 2. Vinnie Zoccoli (GC), 3. Nick Jasko (WLW), 4. Mike Partlow (AP), 5. Jeff Albrecht (JG), 6. Brian Goodwin (DHA).

112: Derrick Smith (WLW), 2. Matt Dodson (SA), 3. Ben Ekola (B), 4. Joe Guardiola (AP), 5. Dan Wales (DHA), 6. Tom Stimmell (Northville).

112 (B): 1. Nick Mockridge (B), 2. Christian D'Anna (GI), 3. Jesse Purdon (JG), 4. Jason Shafer (FH), 5. Ted Morris (MJ), 6. Shawn Hoagland (WR).

119: 1. Will Orr (Tr), 2. Josh Bagalay (WLW), 3. Brian Vermillion (WR), 4. Andrew Berry (M), 5. Billy Maples (B), 5. Eric McMichael (JG).

125: 1. Jeff Usher (RT), 2. Brian Rushlow (B), 3. Josh Henderson (PS), 4. Reggie Torrence (Northville), 5. Mike Falzon (LS), 6. Steven Iwankovitch (RT).

130: 1. Ryan Atwood (GC), 2. Nick Coffman (LS), 3. Adam Borashko (Novi), 4. Nick Lively (WR), 5. Jesse Meston (B), 6. Doug Smith (Northville).

135: 1. Jim Taraszkiwicz (SA), 2. Joe Zawacki (LS), 3. Yusuf Qamruzzamah (Novi), 4. Geoff Zilan (WLW), 5. (tie) Jeff Job (LF) and Sean Connelly (Berkley).

140: 1. Eric Green (PS), 2. Norm Wroblewski (WLW), 3. Doug Taylor (RT), 4. Robert Kowalski (WR), 5. Mike Carter (LC), 6. Frank Kava (Novi).

145: 1. Dan Fedulchak (JG), 2. Jon Cervi (Novi), 3. John McFarland (LS), 4. Dan Miller (Me), 5. Scott Frasier (Trenton), 6. Brad Person (FH).

152: 1. Ben Lucas (F), 2. Joe Weatherly (WLW), 3. Mike Radley (LS), 4. Charlie LaFollette (DHA), 5. Brian Polk (Berkley), 6. Nick Possuch (SA).

160: 1. Dan Blaharski (Bel), 2. Ryan Main (RT), 3. Chad Kohler (MJ), 4. Zeke Jaworski (MJ), 5. Dan Rattray (JG), 5. Scott McIssaac

(GI); **171:** 1. Dave Fenbert (GI), 2. Eric Puninski (LS), 3. Josh Perkey (Novi), 4. Matt Merita (WR), 5. Karl Dickason (GI).

189: 1. Jake Tharp (JG), 2. Matthew Martinez (Me), 3. Seth Caldwell (Bel), 4. Jamil Mackle (DC), 5. Niel Rutherford (WLW), 6. Jenkins Eblware (Farmington).

SOPHOMORE TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Thurston, 142.5; 2. Garden City, 99; 3. Grosse Ile, 98; 4. Monroe Jefferson, 84; 5. Livonia Franklin, 81.5; 6. Lincoln Park, 80; 7. Belleville, 68.5; 8. Wayne Memorial, 68; 9. North Farmington, 61; 10. Farmington Harrison, 48; 11. Wyandotte Rosevelt, 46; 12. Livonia Churchill, 41.5; 13. Redford Union, 37;

(GI); 14. (tie) Birmingham Brother Rice and Southgate Anderson, 36; 16. Walled Lake Central, 34; 17. Northville, 28; 18. Farmington, 27; 19. (tie) John Glenn and Novi, 26; 21. Trenton, 24; 22. Walled Lake Western, 23; 23. Melvindale, 22; 24. Plymouth Canton, 20; 25. Dearborn Divine Child, 15; 26. (tie) Allen Park, Dearborn Heights Annapolis, Livonia Stevenson, 7; 29. Berkley, 3; 30. (tie) Dearborn Fordson and Plymouth Salem, 0.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

heavyweight: 1. Don McKenzie (LP), 2. Jung Kim (Farmington), 3. Chris Cates (RT), 4. Keith Kowalkowski (SA), 5. Craig Stearns (LF), 6. Kirt Wenzel (WM).

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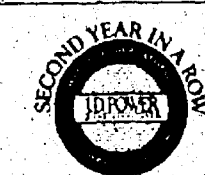
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Mercy finished first with 28 points, while Okemos and Brighton tied for second place with 50.

Hartsock had a time of 31.30 seconds. Sophomore Kristen Salla, in her first varsity race, was fifth in 33.25, while taking ninth was Christy Dabringhaus in 34.11.

Renee Burek was 13th in 34.84, Kristen Smith placed 16th in 34.97 and Jamie Borowicz was 17th in 35.40.

In the boys race, CC took second place in the team standings with 43 points. Brighton was first with 21.

Ryan John was CC's top individual, taking eighth place (29.19). Nick Muccio was ninth at 29.32, followed by Jason Anderson, 11th (29.67). Yale Jallo, 16th (30.85); Cortny Robison, 18th (31.17) and Matt Kessler, 22nd (31.71).



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 Humorous SWM, 51, Protestant, enjoys stamp collecting, table tennis, volleyball, short trips, seeks non-materialistic, punctual, petite SF, Western Oakland county a plus. Ad# 7777

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 Fun, outgoing, humorous SWM, 20, Catholic, enjoys fishing, hunting, going out, seeks understanding, caring SF. Ad# 1214

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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

CUTE ITALIAN
Sincere, warm DWF, 5'2", enjoys movies, walks, reading, and conversation. Seeking good-natured, honest SWM, 5'10"-5'11", 180lbs, N/D, 30-40, for possible LTR. #9142 (exp2/27)

DWF, 44, 5'8", blonde/green, sensual, romantic, full-figured, likes comedy clubs, theater, movies, dining out, in search of tall, large build, fun-loving S/DWM, for serious LTR. #9051 (exp2/27)

GREEN-EYED BRUNETTE
Attractive, 35, 5'5", 110lbs, professional, very optimistic, carefree, successful, N/D, no children, enjoys all seasons and has varied interests. Loves to laugh. Seeking down-to-earth man, late 30s-early 50s. #9049 (exp2/27)

UPTOWN LADY
Seeking sharp-dressing man. Passionate, attractive, fun-loving SW lady, 50, loves dancing, art, laughs and snuggling. Seeking handsome, romantic, successful, N/D, 30-40, for LTR. #9048 (exp2/27)

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Humorous, conservative SBF, 40s, average height, slender, no dependents, enjoys dancing, travel, music, theater, dining, walking, and sports. Seeking compatible SW, 40-50, who can be employed. #9140 (exp2/27)

LET'S DO COFFEE
SWF, 22, 5'2", brown/hazel, seeks SWM, 25-35, who enjoys conversation, honesty, and is well-educated. For friendship, fun and possible LTR. #9139 (exp2/27)

"ONE OF A KIND"
I'm a petite, very active, outgoing, enjoy golf, bowling, cards, people, travel, football. Seeking a kind, sweet man with family values, no couch potatoes please. #9132 (exp2/27)

HONEST, ROMANTIC
Attractive DWF, 49, 5'6", 135lbs, blonde/green, seeks SWM, 30-40, S/DWM, 45-55, N/D, social drinker, 5'10"-5'11", HW proportionate, who enjoys dancing, music, romantic evenings, etc. #9131 (exp2/27)

CLASSY, SMART, SENSATIONAL
Describe us both, SWF, 58, lady of substance, seeks quality, trim, successful, financially stable, N/D, 30-40, to share dancing, travel, movies, dining out, and more. #9126 (exp2/27)

SHAPELY, SMART, SENSATIONAL
Slender, sweet, blonde beauty, 48, with varied interests including: world travel, country club golf, dancing, and all the finer things in life. Seeks companionship with handsome, fit gentleman, 50s, with similar traits. #9125 (exp2/27)

GO FORTH AND CONQUER
With a cute, fit, humorous, athletic, honest DWF, 40, who enjoys movies, walking, sporting events, dancing, theater, looking for companionship, possible LTR. #9124 (exp2/27)

HOME COOKED MEALS
SWF, 47, attractive redhead, 5'2", curly hair, blonde, seeks SWM, 40-50, honest, sincere, affectionate, financially secure, no dependents. Seeking companion to share happy home life, good cooking, movies, dancing, N/D preferred, 45-55. Pets welcome. #9123 (exp2/27)

SEARCHING FOR TRUE LOVE
Well-rounded, blonde, SWF, 42, 5'7", brown/hazel, N/D, enjoys sports, jazz, C&W, quiet times at home. Seeking honest, romantic, humorous, mature S/DWM, 38-52, 5'7"-5'11", N/D, who can appreciate me, for possible marriage. #9121 (exp2/27)

BE MY VALENTINE
Classy SWF, 40, blonde, 5'2", not a blue jeans girl, great personality, big smile, enjoys everything from shooting pool to theatrical theater. Seeking active, charming, intelligent, N/D, 30-40, N/D, financially oriented, 5'9"-5'10", N/D, for companionship. #9120 (exp2/27)

VEGETARIAN WITH BRAINS
I prefered Vivacious, intelligent, white female, blonde, 5'10", 110lbs, slender, single, loves moonlight, breezes, laughter, conversation, blues, art, lectures. Seeking playful, petite, single, 30-40, N/D, who is politically left, intelligent, S/DWM, 34-59, #8973 (exp2/27)

PRETTY PROFESSIONAL
33, fit, tall, dark blonde, sense of humor, independent, likes sports, dining, dancing and travel. Seeking thoughtful, classy single white gentleman. #8972 (exp2/27)

WORTH KNOWING? YOU BET
Honest SWF, musician, painter, enjoys movies, theater, quiet times at home, seeks SWM, caring, compassionate, for possible LTR. #8971 (exp2/27)

WARM & CARING
DWF, 50, 5'2", blonde, degreed, financially secure, two children, varied interests, enjoys movies, plays, dining out, reading, walking, and quiet nights at home. Seeking LTR. #8970 (exp2/27)

BOU-MATE WANTED
Petite blond, 43, 5'1", 110lbs, on quest for best friend/partner, physically fit, enjoys golf, tennis, romantic candlelight dinners, college grad, successful, good cook, ready to make the journey through his soul, is ready for commitment. #8969 (exp2/27)

OPTIMISTIC
Are you an honest, caring, N/D, tall, white gentleman, HW proportionate. Looking for a wonderful woman, 40-50, I'm a DWF, 50, 5'8", 130lbs, N/D, who works in Dearborn. #8968 (exp2/27)

DAMSEL IN DISTRESS
Very attractive, dark-haired, shapely, fun-loving SBF, 30s, blonde, outgoing, sincere, nice-looking guy, 34-50, for friendship/dancing, likes sports, theater, pool, boating a plus, travel a must. #8967 (exp2/27)

MR. TEDDY BEAR
WF, 24, happy with herself. Looking for big teddy bear, for quiet friendship. WM, 40-50, who wants to have fun. #8966 (exp2/27)

YOUNG GRANDMOTHER
DWF, 51, 6', retired, secure. Seeking male, 40s, who enjoys dancing, driving, movies, good conversation, willing to share time together. Serious only. #8965 (exp2/27)

LET'S GO
Good girl go to heaven, dark girl go to hell. Attractive lady, 40s, seeks romantic, interesting, smiling DWF, 42-52, to go places with. #8964 (exp2/27)

SEEKING LOVE IN LYONIA
Pretty SWF, 42, HW proportionate, brown/hazel, seeks happiness with fun, easygoing, friendly, N/D, who has potential. #8963 (exp2/27)

EAST TO BE WITH

Adventurous and fun, European born DWF, 38, blonde, 5'2", enjoys movies, walks, reading, and conversation. Seeking good-natured, honest SWM, 5'10"-5'11", 180lbs, N/D, 30-40, for possible LTR. #9142 (exp2/27)

ATTRACTIVE, OUTGOING SWF
49, 5'2", redhead, proportionate, financially secure, professional, seeks same in SM, enjoys outdoors, dancing, movies, N/D, quiet evenings. #8952 (exp2/27)

TRAVELER
DWF, 53, loves travel, city and not only activities, music, museums, movies, theater, photography, walking, quiet evenings and friends. Seeking intelligent, fun-loving gentleman, 50-60, with similar interests, for friendship/LTR. #8951 (exp2/27)

ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR
Slender SWF, 30s, 5'5", N/D, never married, no dependents. Single, intelligent, sparkling blond beauty with various interests, including: world travel, music, country club golf, sports. Seeking well-educated, accomplished gentleman, for LTR. #8950 (exp2/27)

NO BARRIERS
Put away that swifter. Attractive, SWF, 30s, 5'5", blonde, 110lbs, romantic and possible relationship. Enjoys outdoors, nature, dining out, petting, and all the good things in life. Serious inquiries only. #8949 (exp2/27)

CHRISTIAN COMPANIONSHIP
SBC, 5'5", blonde, 110lbs, dedicated, seeks a Christian, tall, dark, 35+, professional male, for church events, movies, nice dinners, if interested, please call. #8948 (exp2/27)

JUDGE ME ON LOOKS
not age. Young-looking, thinking DWF, 50ish, petite, green/blonde, sexy, with good sense of humor. Seeking S/DWM, with full head of hair. Must love rock-n-roll. #8947 (exp2/27)

FLOAT YOUR BOAT
I'm a petite DWF, very active, outgoing, enjoy golf, bowling, cards, people, travel, football. Seeking a kind, sweet man with family values, no couch potatoes please. #9132 (exp2/27)

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
SWF, 33, 4'11", 160lbs, blonde/blue, enjoys movies, quiet evenings, good sense of humor, and football. Seeking SWM 25-35, who is looking for a LTR. #8939 (exp2/27)

WHERE'S "THE ONE"
DWF, 34, 5'7", 127lbs, N/D, active, fun, affectionate, very nice, down-to-earth, one child. Seeking eventual LTR, with a man who enjoys a secure SWM, N/D, 36-48. #8935 (exp2/27)

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL
Easygoing, down-to-earth, good sense of humor, caring and affectionate, blonde hair, 5'5", enjoys biking, dinner. Seeking someone caring and mature, honest and clean. #8934 (exp2/27)

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Blonde, green eyes, 5'5", 110lbs, 30s, single, I'm a warm, easygoing, even know you, I need to bring my dreams to life, with understanding, understanding, and wonderful, charming. #8933 (exp2/27)

SINGLE AND SINCERE...
Independent professional, intelligent SWF, good sense of humor, includes, outdoor activities, music, movies, and the local sports scene. N/D, seeks SWM, 28-38, for friendship, possible relationship. #8932 (exp2/27)

HERE I AM
Pretty DWF, young 41, red/blonde, 5'1", 110lbs, blonde, 110lbs, I don't want to be a mother of two, I want a mother of two, I want a mother of two, I want a mother of two. #8931 (exp2/27)

COWBOY WANTED!
Yed! Yed! Howdy! Blonde haired, blue-eyed SWF, loves country life, horses, outdoors and all that good stuff. If you're a SWM, 21-28, would love to meet a country girl, please call. #8930 (exp2/27)

LIKE SHOPPING FOR A PUPPY
Self-supporting, good-looking SWF, 23, 5'2", blonde, 110lbs, 30-40, N/D, seeks a good sense of humor, Seeking best friend and companion. Ten day trial period, if you don't fall in love, you may exchange. #8929 (exp2/27)

PRETTY WOMAN
Attractive SF, 5'7", dark-complected, dark eyes, seeks someone, 38-48, who is willing to go out and have fun, movies, dancing, takes care of himself. #8928 (exp2/27)

GOING TO THE GORGE
Active SWF, intelligent, hard-working, enjoys working out, movies, candlelight dinners, seeks good-looking, single, 30-40, N/D, intelligent, well-built, for special relationship. #8927 (exp2/27)

TIED OF LOSING
DWF, 23, 5'2", blonde, 110lbs, enjoys dancing, dining, movies, romantic evenings. Seeking S/DWM, 23-26, with family values, sense of humor, and a good sense of humor. #8926 (exp2/27)

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Exotic blonde professional, 38, very attractive, intelligent, N/D, 30-40, seeks a man with similar traits, for friendship, possible LTR. #8925 (exp2/27)

LET'S STAY WARM
It's cold outside! I need a warm, intelligent, single, 30-40, N/D, who is willing to go out and have fun, movies, dancing, takes care of himself. #8924 (exp2/27)

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HOLIDAY HAPPINESS

...awaits you when you meet me. DWF, 5'8", 130lbs, N/D, wishes to treat a lady. You must enjoy dancing, music, sports, quality time. #9131 (exp2/27)

ROCHESTER AREA
SWF, mid-40s, petite 5'2", great personality, big smile, enjoys everything, outdoors, theater, dining out, roller skating. Seeking very active, kind gentleman, with great personality, family-oriented, 5'9"-5'10", N/D, 30-40, for friendship, possible LTR. #9130 (exp2/27)

BLUE-EYED LADY
Hearty, honest, loyal SWF, 60, 5'3", 130lbs, enjoys most sports, the outdoors. Seeks male with similar interests. #9129 (exp2/27)

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Attractive professional, affectionate, outgoing, independent, people-oriented, SWF, 30s, 5'5", blonde, 110lbs, enjoys movies, walking, dining out, meeting with friends. Seeks intelligent, professional, handsome SWM, 30-40, for friendship. #9127 (exp2/27)

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SEEKING SINCERE GENTLEMAN
Romantic, attractive SWF, 48, 5'7", 120lbs, brown/blond, selectively seeking professional, sincere gentleman, 50s, who enjoys conversation, honesty, and is well-educated. #9125 (exp2/27)

LONELY TOO LONG
One who has a chance to get this lady. DWF, 24, 5'7", blonde, 110lbs, seeks S/DWM 27-32, employed, honest, sincere, going good, gone. #9124 (exp2/27)

BROWN-EYED GIRL
Attractive, intelligent SWF, 31, enjoys dancing, romance, movies, hockey, working out. Searching for a hard-working, fun-loving and sincere gentleman who will make my heart smile. #9123 (exp2/27)

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SOULMATE WANTED

Petite, pretty, 5'5", 115lbs, slim-trim, 48-year-old blonde, brown eyes, degreed, enjoys tennis, golf, working out, theater and romantic candlelight dinners. seeks soulmate in a successful Caucasian professional, 45-58, with similar interests. #7564 (exp2/27)

LET'S TALK
SWF, 30, 5'8", blonde/blue, Catholic, physically fit, enjoys working out, boating, skiing, fishing, cooking. Seeking SWM, 28s, 6', athletic, financially secure, enjoys good conversation, for friendship first. #7442 (exp2/27)

BEAUTIFUL EYES
SWF, 28, full-figured, blonde boating, camping and quiet evenings. Seeking SWM, 28s, 6', whole affectionate, spontaneous and has sense of humor. #7441 (exp2/27)

COFFEE FIRST

DWM, 45, 5'11", 190lbs, N/D, light social drinker, seeks SF, for friendship first and possibly more. #9133 (exp2/27)

CARING AND KIND
Loveable SWM, with sense of humor, has much to offer. Looking for happy, fit, N/D, 30s. #9131 (exp2/27)

LET'S PLAY
Single parent, 41, waste time, good-looking, thoughtful, fun, adventure-seeker, seeks a steady guy to play with, who is easy on the eyes and who you're ready for a serious partner? #9130 (exp2/27)

TALL HUGGABLE
Adventurous SWM, 6'3", 190lbs, brown/dark blue, fit, attractive, sincere, enjoys outdoors, travel and more, seeks sincere SWF, for lasting love relationship. #9129 (exp2/27)

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Boorstein elected VP



Daniel J. Boorstein has been elected vice president of the Farberman Group, a full-service commercial real estate company with offices in Southfield and Detroit. Since joining the firm three years ago, Boorstein has concentrated on marketing and developing the \$50 million Metro World Centre near metro airport. He lives in Birmingham.

Kramer earns license



Jamey Kramer, a Novi resident and a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in that community, has earned his associate broker license. He was the top sales producer in the office last year. Kramer holds the professional designations of Graduate Realtors Institute and Certified Residential Specialist.

Agosta named chairman



Russell F. Agosta, partner with the accounting firm of Grant Thornton in Southfield, is the new chairman of the Construction Association of Michigan.

CAM names officers

The Construction Association of Michigan, a trade association of contractors, subcontractors and suppliers headquartered in Bloomfield Hills, welcomes several other officers and new directors.

Paul Forte of Bloomfield Hills, president of Glass Block Sales, and **Rick Owen**, vice president of Edrick M. Owen in Rochester Hills, are co-vice chairmen. **James D. Vogelsberg**, president of American Glass & Metals in Plymouth, is treasurer.

New directors are **Don Brann** of Don Brann Associates, Oak Park; **Thomas Landry** of A.J. Etkin Construction, Southfield; and **Ron Urbanczyk** of Huron Acoustic Tile, Mt. Clemens.

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REAL ESTATE

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Make buying experience easy

By DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

Shopping for a house should be as simple as one, two, three, Realtors say.

Work with a professional who can focus your search. Determine how much house you can afford and get pre-approved for a mortgage. Be available to view a house at a moment's notice and be ready to make an offer.

Good advice whether you're a first-time buyer or looking for a change after setting down some roots.

It's O.K. to get a feel for the territory by visiting open houses. But knowledge and experience are hard to beat. When you're actually ready to make a move, go to an expert, the experts say.

"I think what they need to do is find a Realtor out there willing to work with them," said Marty Clerebout, a Realtor with Real Estate One in Farmington. "The Realtor should be doing 90 percent of the work."

That includes helping clients differentiate between wants and needs. It includes using the computer to scout out realistic buying possibilities and set up showings. It includes pointing buyers in the direction of reputable lenders, inspectors and other ancillary service providers.

"There are too many pitfalls out there," said Bob Renfrew, a Realtor with Wolverine Properties in Redford. "If you want a professional job, go to a professional. I'm a firm believer in professionals. I wouldn't hire an auto mechanic to operate on me."

Not all Realtors are created equal, Clerebout maintains.

"Some agents are part time, others full time," he said. "You need a full-time agent. There's a lack of houses for sale. Every day you need to check what's available. I check updates three times a day."

Be sure that you clearly understand the agency relationship between different Realtors and you in the process. Typically, sellers pay sales commissions.

To avoid spinning your wheels or biting off more than you can chew, find out how much house you can purchase early in the process.

"The biggest thing I suggest buyers do is know what they can afford before they start looking," Renfrew said. "Hunting for a house is time consuming. You need to have financial ducks in order before looking."

The 28/36 debt-to-income limit still applies. That is, the principle, interest, taxes and insurance on a mortgage shouldn't exceed 28 percent of monthly gross income. All debt, including mortgage, car payment and college loans, shouldn't exceed 36 percent of gross income.

"It's a guideline, not a rule," said Daniel Smith, vice president and Plymouth branch manager with Republic Bancorp Mortgage.

Banks, savings and loans and mortgage companies can pre-approve or pre-qualify for loans. Smith explains the difference.

"A pre-qualification typically is a loan officer's opinion based on a verbal interview with a potential cus-



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tomers with no documentation. It's subject to complete verification and isn't worth the paper it's printed on.

"A pre-approval is a written commitment to give forth a mortgage, period," Smith said. "We would get copies of the W-2 (annual wage statement) for the last two years, copies of two recent pay stubs, two months of bank statements. We would pull a full-fledge credit report."

The only conditions for final approval would attach to the house, itself—appraisal, survey and title work.

Cost for pre-approval ranges up to a couple hundred dollars, Smith said, with Republic charging \$50.

"A pre-approval really shows customers are serious," Smith said. "Most Realtors won't waste a thimble of gas on clients without one."

Glenda Lagrois, an associate broker with Century 21 Town & Country, knows the importance of pre-approvals.

"What happens in a tight real estate market, I've seen buyers lose a house because they were only pre-qualified," she said. "Sellers went with a lower offer with a pre-approval contract because they felt it was more stable."

Buyers can't afford to dawdle if they're serious about acquiring a house, especially during this time of year when comparatively fewer houses are available for sale.

"Be ready to look at something even if it's inconvenient," Clerebout said. "It's kind of first come, first served. You have to be ready to jump on them."

"Try to be as available as possible,"

Paperwork: Daniel Smith, a vice president with Republic Bancorp Mortgage, exhibits some of the forms needed to obtain a mortgage pre-approval and expedite the house-buying process.

said Michelle Michael, associate broker with RE/MAX Executive Properties in Farmington Hills. "You need to act quickly."

"A real estate person can go over forms before you need to use them so you feel comfortable," she said. "You can write in a time frame for an attorney to review a document, an offer contingent on an attorney's approval, a time frame for an inspection (in the purchase offer)."

"I have this strong theory that when you buy a house, it's really 70 percent emotional and 30 percent financial," Michael said.

"When you feel emotionally strong, that's the one you should act on. It truly is something from the heart. There's no rule of thumb. It could be the first one you look at or the 100th."

City can't ban all signs from residential yards

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. Our city is thinking about placing a ban on yard signs, including for sale signs. Is this possible based upon a recent Supreme Court case?

A. Probably not, based upon a recent decision in the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, which includes Michigan. As you may recall, the Supreme Court struck down a "total ban" on residential signs in 1994. In a recent case out of Ohio, a city passed a ban on yard signs, including for sale signs, and the court said it was still not adequately "narrowly

tailored." It said that window signs are less effective than yard signs and that yard signs are an unusually cheap and convenient form of communication and the city's ordinance was "more than necessary" because it completely foreclosed an inexpensive and autonomous way to communicate. Therefore, the court struck down the ban that had been challenged by a group of Realtors.

Q. I am an accountant who is being called upon more frequently to review financial statements of condominium associations for interested purchasers. Do you have any tips as to

what I should be focusing my attention on.

A. At a minimum, if you, as a CPA, are called upon to review the financial statement of an association incident to a buyer buying a condominium unit, I suggest the following: determine whether the association is carrying a deficit in any of its accounts and, if so, whether the deficit is being reduced by the entry of an expense line item in the current budget.

Determine whether there are any substantial bad debt liabilities existing and determine whether there is any indication that a significant number of owners are failing to meet the assessment obligation. Determine whether the capital reserves are being maintained commensurate with the size of the amenities within a particular association.

You may also wish to examine, in conjunction with the attorney for the purchaser, the notes to the financial statement on capital reserves. If the financial statement was prepared by an accountant in accordance with the common interest rule of the association (CIRA) guidelines, the financial statements should contain a note advising whether the association is collecting capital reserves in accordance with the capital reserve study prepared for the association or based upon the projections contained in the initial reserve levels established by the developer.

If the note indicates that capital reserves are not being funded in accordance with the association's

reserve study, the buyer must be aware of this fact because it indicates the likelihood that the association later will be unable to pay for the replacement of a capital item that is the association's responsibility. In that event, the association may seek to assess a special or additional assessment against unit owners to pay for the capital item that needs repair or replacement.

Obviously, the inadequacy of a capital reserve can decrease the value of a unit. More and more frequently, lenders are reviewing capital reserves to determine whether the project represents an acceptable risk. If a financial statement prepared by an accountant in accordance with CIRA guidelines is not available, the association's property manager should provide information about the association's practice concerning capital reserves. You should be working closely with the buyer's attorney, who is presumably knowledgeable in condominiums, to help you analyze these documents.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics that you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms MI 48025. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer-area residential real-estate closings recorded December 23 - 27 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in Southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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2443 Amber Dr \$163,000
1704 Bridgewater Ct \$237,000
696 Buckingham Rd \$119,000
44201 Cherbourg St \$108,000
1396 Crowndale Ln \$30,000
46408 Doubletree Rd \$204,000
1728 Elmhurst St \$150,000
1993 Marlowe St \$106,000

6160 Meadowview Dr \$249,000
45664 Morningside \$213,000
46401 Mornington Rd \$276,000
168 N Willard Rd \$144,000
202 N Willard Rd \$142,000
46878 Overhill Ln \$264,000
42606 Redfern St \$132,000
44705 Ridgfield Rd \$144,000
3128 River Meadow Cir \$158,000
3366 Riverside \$152,000
2193 Roundtable Dr \$140,000
41984 Saltz Rd \$153,000
548 Sandalwood Ct \$280,000
46733 Southwick Dr \$322,000
42184 Starlite Ct \$140,000
1611 Thistle Ct \$165,000

1623 Thistle Ct \$168,000
1627 Thistle Ct \$184,000
45075 Weymouth Dr \$246,000
39909 Woodale Way \$198,000
47109 Yarmouth Dr \$255,000
Garden City
32252 Brown St \$186,000
33301 Brown St \$90,000
32226 Dover St \$108,000
6520 Fairfield St \$97,000
28927 Florence St \$105,000
5716 Harrison St \$71,000
33028 Hennepin St \$93,000
28615 James St \$88,000
28324 John Hawk St \$85,000
31920 John Hawk St \$88,000
28434 Sheridan St \$132,000

\$89,000
Livonia
20246 Angling St \$95,000
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32251 Cambridge St \$242,000
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17214 Dolores St \$133,000
36407 Dover St \$128,000
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15020 Fairlane St \$74,000
14675 Fairway St \$135,000
14970 Fairway St \$145,000
8928 Floral St \$80,000
31123 Grennada St \$151,000
37331 Kingsburn Dr \$311,000
14434 Knolson St \$132,000

19905 Milburn St \$135,000
37484 N Laurel Park Dr \$139,000
34525 Pinehurst \$196,000
38420 Rayburn St \$185,000
16261 Southampton St \$195,000
34623 Summers St \$163,000
18443 University Park Dr \$86,000
18142 Ventura Ct \$214,000
27763 Western Golf Dr \$170,000
9431 Westwind Dr \$165,000
Plymouth
44731 Charnwood Dr \$230,000

49360 Fox Dr S \$333,000
10779 Harvest Ct \$340,000
49271 Hunt Club Ct \$315,000
11688 Morgan Ave \$110,000
170 N Holbrook St \$130,000
45178 Pinetree Dr \$239,000
8872 Quail Cir \$221,000
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634 S Harvey St \$145,000
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Redford
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12833 Crosley \$100,000
15375 Dixie \$43,000
25542 Elba \$80,000
15423 Fenton \$82,000
17421 Five Points St \$55,000
10046 Grayfield \$73,000
9997 Hazelton \$57,000
11308 Hemingway \$86,000
13012 Hemingway \$93,000
19404 Inkster Rd \$32,000

17390 Kinloch \$65,000
17698 Kinloch \$55,000
15471 Leona Dr \$55,000
15854 Leona Dr \$39,000
11337 Leverne \$76,000
12047 Leverne \$61,000
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24445 Lyndon \$130,000
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9340 San Jose \$91,000
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DAVID C. MULLY

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The loan policy protects the lender against loss due to unknown defects. It also protects the lender's interest from certain matters that may exist but not be knowable at the time of sale. But this policy protects just the lender's interest. It does not protect you. That's why you need an owner's policy, which can be issued at the same time as the loan policy for a nominal one-time fee.

As an example, let's say you've bought a home for \$85,000 and put \$20,000 down. Your lender holds a

As anyone who has ever purchased a home will agree, there are numerous costs associated with buying any house. One of these costs is title insurance. Clients often ask me, "Why do I need title insurance?" The reason is that title insurance helps to protect possibly the most important investment you will

\$65,000 mortgage lien and has title insurance coverage protecting his interest up to \$65,000. But your \$20,000 is not covered. What if some matter arises affecting the past ownership of the property? The title insurance company would defend and protect just the interest of the lender. You would have to assume the financial burden of your own legal defense and, if your defense is not successful, the result could be a total loss of title.

The title insurance company pays the lender's loss and is entitled to take an assignment of your debt. You are out your down payment, other equity in the property that you have accumulated, and your home. And you still owe the remaining balance on your note.

Title insurance is issued after a careful examination of copies of the public records. But even the most thorough search cannot absolutely assure that no title hazards are present, despite the knowledge and experience of professional title examiners. In addition to matters shown by public records, other title problems may exist that cannot be disclosed in a search. Here are just a few of the most common hidden risks that can cause a loss of title or create an encumbrance on title:

- False impersonation of the true owner of the property.
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Metalworking tips for the workshop

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If you plan to drill, file or saw metal in your workshop, here are some tips to make the job easier:

Clean holes

Drilling sheet metal can cause bent or rough edges. The trick to producing clean holes is to clamp the metal between two pieces of scrap wood before drilling. With a pencil, mark the exact hole locations on the wood. Then drill through the sandwich. This will produce clean holes whether you use a portable drill or a drill press.

If you have to drill a hole in sheet metal and can't sandwich it in scrap wood, you can still get a clean hole. Just put a countersink bit in your drill and swirl it in the hole a few times to remove the burrs.

When drilling in a thicker piece of metal, you can keep the drill bit from wandering off center by dimpling the surface with a center punch. Add light motor oil to the hole to keep the bit from overheating. The oil will also speed cutting time and keep the bit from getting dull.

If you're drilling thick metal, a good way to keep the bit lubricated is to form a circular dam from modeling clay around the area to be drilled. Fill the dam with light machine oil. Keep extra oil in a squirt can on hand to replenish the supply as needed.

To drill holes in tubing, secure the tubing in V-grooved wood blocks held in a vise. Insert a snug-fitting dowel inside the tubing to reinforce the thin walls and to guide the bit straight through to the other side. Make sure the bit can exit the bottom end freely.

Filing

When filing metal, it's important to keep the file grooves clean of fine metal particles. A clogged file will slide over work instead of

cutting it.
The best way to clean a file is with a file card, a wire brush in a metal frame available in hardware stores. Some models have a removable pin that you can use to clean out tough debris from file teeth. To use the card, pull it parallel to the file's teeth.

To reduce clogging from soft metals, such as aluminum, copper and brass, rub talcum powder or chalk across the file teeth before filing. This will let you clean out the metal particles more easily with a file card.

Never blow on a file to remove metal particles — they may wind up in your eyes. If you don't have a file card, press putty or masking tape onto the cutting surface. The particles will come up when you pull the putty or tape off the file.

When using a file, cover the side of the file that you are not using with duct tape to keep it from accidentally scratching your work.

Saw power

Before making a hacksaw cut, nick the piece at the cut line with a file to make a starting notch. Use a three-cornered file to cut a notch in round metal.

To cut a piece of angle iron, clamp it in a vise with the bottom of the V facing up. Your hacksaw will then cut through both sides of the angle iron at the same time, making a smoother and more accurate cut.

To cut an overhead pipe with a hacksaw, simply remove the saw blade and reinsert it in an inverted position with the pipe inside the frame of the hacksaw.

Aluminum and other soft sheet metals are best cut with a saber saw that's equipped with a fine-tooth blade. Apply light machine oil along the cut line to keep the blade teeth from clogging. The oil will also keep the blade cooler and sharper.

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The kids are gone, mortgage nearly paid off, now what?

BY VIVIAN MARINO
AP BUSINESS WRITER

(AP) — They're gone. Many parents across the country are joining in the chorus now that their children have graduated from college, become gainfully employed or gotten married and left the family roost, presumably forever.

The financial community calls it the empty-nest syndrome — middle-age adults with more time and disposable income on their hands after decades of paying for dance lessons, sports equipment, braces and textbooks. It's a population segment destined to grow now that the oldest Baby Boomers have reached age 50.

With the change in lifestyle comes the opportunity, and need, for these shrinking households to reassess their financial goals and strategies.

Do they use their extra income to buy things they couldn't afford before? To travel? Help their children and grandchildren? Save for retirement? Do they move into a smaller residence?

"There are tough choices to be made," said Larry M. Elkin, who runs a financial consulting firm in Hastings on Hudson, N.Y. "You have to look at individual circumstances."

Financial advisers generally recommend paying off debts, particularly those with unfavorable tax treatment, like credit cards, where the interest can't be deducted, and investing in a diversified, growth-oriented portfolio of stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Ideally, they say, as much surplus income as possible should go toward retirement — making the maximum contribution to a 401(k) plan or other company savings plan or regularly funding an Individual Retirement Account.

"People are going to have to rely to

a much greater extent on their own resources coming into the 21st century," said David M. Walker, author of the book "Retirement Security," and a partner at the accounting firm Arthur Andersen in Atlanta. "Some people spend more years in retirement than in work. A lot of people underestimate what they need to maintain their lifestyles. They need to start saving early and investing wisely."

Yet not everyone may have had the opportunity, having had financial responsibilities such as mortgage payments or their kids' education. Not everyone will have a significant windfall after the kids are gone — at least not right away.

"The true empty nester, no longer responsible for his or her children, is more likely to be 60 than 50," said Elkin. "Their house is empty, but they may still be paying college bills. Then you have the boomerang kids that show up again. Eventually they do leave."

"The fact of life is: To rear a child with marketable professional or technical skills in this economy takes a minimum of 25 years from nursery to the final graduation, and it takes an enormous amount of money."

Not surprisingly, the more affluent the household, the better the chances of receiving a "parental bonus" when the kids leave.

About 85 percent of empty nest couples with annual household income of more than \$50,000 enjoy this windfall, and for two-thirds of them, it's an extra \$5,000 a year, according to a survey released over the summer by Zurich Kemper Investments Inc. in Chicago.

The survey, which polled 1,007 married couples ages 40 to 59 whose kids are on their own, confirms

financial experts' contention that most people are unprepared for retirement as they near retirement age. About 60 percent said they hadn't saved enough, yet only 41 percent were directing all or most of their personal bonus toward that purpose.

So what are they spending it on? For about 18 percent, it's almost entirely for paying off debts and for 12 percent, its travel. The rest set aside at least some discretionary income for purposes including charities, hobbies, buying items they couldn't afford before, home remodeling and their children and grandchildren, the Kemper survey found.

Tom Kloster, vice president for personal financial planning for Northern Trust Co. in Chicago, thinks stocks and stock mutual funds are a better alternative.

He says the average empty nest household should have an asset allocation that includes 5 percent cash, 20 percent to 25 percent bonds and the rest in equities. For those with lower incomes, mutual funds offer the best way to diversify.

Bonds and money funds are relatively safe and easy to access, but stocks and stock funds have higher returns over time, Kloster noted.

"I don't think it's ever too late," to start aggressively investing for retirement, Kloster said. "Over a 10-year period you can sock away a lot of money."

Still, the more time you give yourself the better. That \$5,000 parental bonus invested each year — \$416.67 a month — would grow to \$245,445 in 20 years, assuming an annual rate of return of 8 percent, according to Walker, of Arthur Andersen.

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"Most people this time of year are looking to change their lighting, particularly because it's getting darker so much earlier," says Scott Webb, an associate in the Home Depot electrical department. "We are also finding more and more people who are looking at track lighting because it's versatile and relatively easy to install."

Track lighting helps to accent points of interest, such as artwork or sculptures. Mini tracks are available with 40-watt reflector bulbs to show off objects such as a small wall hanging or a curio shelf.

There are a variety of globe styles and finishes available in track lighting. The rounded-back globe, which resembles a softball in shape and

size, is one of the most popular, says Webb. For a more contemporary look, you'll want to use the step cylinder, which is more tapered toward the back. The energy conscious home owner may want to look at low-voltage lighting, called the "gimbal ring" style, which is more expensive to purchase than the other models, but saves money in the long run.

Most fixtures are available in black, white and polished brass, although Webb says white is the most popular because it seems to fit into most surroundings.

If the do-it-yourselfer is familiar with the principles of electricity, track lighting is not difficult to install, particularly if the existing fixture is being replaced. Attaching the wires is easy if you know which colors to hook up to which.

There are two basic types of track lighting. The first kind has a power cord that is simply plugged into a receptacle. It is fairly easy to install, but the receptacle must be close to the track, otherwise an extension cord is needed.

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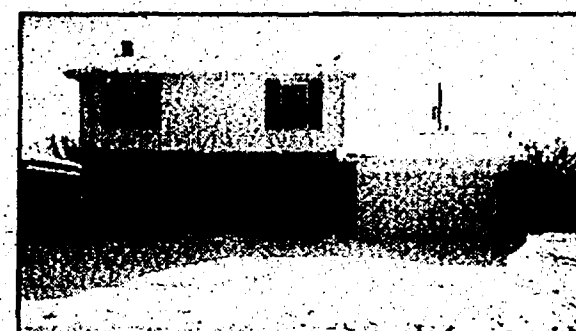
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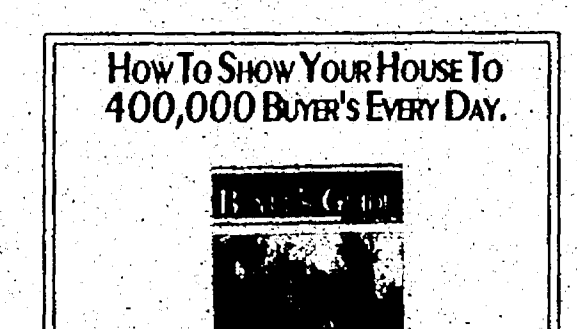
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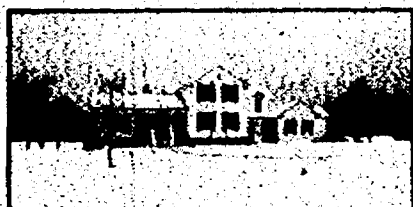


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appeal, an excellent floor plan and a
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CANTON

Fabulous home in new subdivision.
Beautifully decorated and landscaped
four bedroom Colonial with golf course
setting, better than new, extra features:
two tier deck, security system, air condi-
tioning, humidifier. Make your dream
come true. \$279,500 (10054) 981-3500

On The Move! Must see this one! Great
4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial with 21x17
master bedroom suite with walk-in closet,
country kitchen, full finished basement,
central air, 2 car attached garage, large
family room with fireplace, deck, pool.
\$149,900 (10070) 981-3500

Great 3 bedroom Colonial in family sub-
division with large kitchen, dining room, living
room and family room with fireplace.
Built-in oak shelves, master bedroom
with walk-in closet, privacy fence, built-in
heated pool with deck, cul-de-sac, large
lot, all for only \$148,900 (10071) 981-
3500

Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom
ranch! With master bath, freshly painted
throughout, 2 full baths, 1st floor laundry,
vaulted ceilings in great room, gas fire-
place, central air, backs to woods with
proposed park in spring, privacy fence,
garage door for van! \$147,900 (10069)
981-3500

GARDEN CITY

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yard, newer windows and hot water
heater, partially finished basement with
full bath, sprinkler system, large covered
back porch. \$101,000 (50137) 458-4900

WESTLAND

Three bedroom brick ranch in beautiful
Westland neighborhood, close to shop-
ping & schools, updates: new furnace,
electrical, carpet, roof & partially finished
basement. Great buy! \$87,900 (50141)
458-4900

Beautiful home - just move in! Three
bdrms ranch w/many extras: vinyl thermal
windows, doorwall to deck, drywalled fin-
ished basement, carpet, room for fourth
bedroom or ofc, updated furnace, central
air, ceiling fans. Must see! \$94,900
(50136) 458-4900

Tons of updates on this ranch! Large lot,
"91" roof, updates: water heater, circuit
breakers, fence, copper plumbing, gut-
ters, water filtration system, master bath
remodeled, bring all offers. \$81,000
(50150) 458-4900

Darling 3 bedroom ranch - call now!
Newer furnace, fenced yard, deck, updat-
ed bath with oak cabinets, large laundry
room, kitchen with separate dining area,
nice neighborhood! \$73,500 (50128)
458-4900

Sharp Tonsilham bargain! Immaculate 3
bedroom b-level, 2 car garage, lower
level with half bath, New kitchen, new
carpet and paint throughout, new win-
dows, doors, walk-in lower level. Don't
pass up! \$89,900 (50142) 458-4900

Gorgeous fieldstone fireplace in spaci-
ous 3 bedroom tri-level in popular
Surrey Heights subdivision. Many
updates: carpet, vinyl siding, new cabi-
nets, bright and airy breakfast nook,
large yard, patio. \$109,900 (10061)
981-4900

Westland brick ranch. This home has
extra large bedrooms, remodeled interior
and it sits on almost 1/2 an acre. Newer
windows, carpet, paint, ceiling fans &
bathroom. \$54,900. (50089) 458-4900

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Three br. ranch w/huge kitchen, newer
windows, furnace, C/A, roof & more!
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bungalow being renovated. Good loca-
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Mint home - cream puff! Beautiful three
bedroom ranch totally redone. Must see!
All new vinyl siding throughout, thermo
windows, carpet, paint, furnace, central
air, custom cabinets, patio. \$129,900
(10049) 981-3500

Great neighborhood! Large 3 bedroom,
2 bath home with 2 1/2 car garage.
Basement. Many updates. Needs some
work, but great potential. Take a look,
priced to sell. \$59,900 (10065) 981-3500

Lovely 3 bedroom ranch. Finished
basement, two car garage, ex-large
fenced yard, close to schools, new paint
in & out, new carpet, central air, all ap-
pliances included, new story drs, clean,
clean! \$91,500 (50131) 458-4900

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totally remodeled Northville 6 br. (1st
floor master bedroom or fourth bedr &
den) has loft library, family room w/fire-
place, great room w/tp, ground hid
pool. Must see! \$329,900 (10036)
981-3500

Walking distance to schools, three bed-
room Ranch with many improvements:
vinyl windows, new door, new furnace
with humidifier, central air, newer carpet,
family room, finished basement, custom
window treatment. \$81,900 (10062)
981-3500

Owner says sell! 3 bedroom aluminum
bungalow with finished basement, hard-
wood floors, new kitchen floor, stove,
refrigerator, washer, dryer included, 1 car
garage, all for only \$29,750 (10069)
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CONDOS

Two bedroom ranch Canton condo in
Lilley Pointe. Fresh neutral decor, dream
kitchen, vaulted ceiling, master bath, pri-
vate entrance, kitchen appliances and
central air included, carport, must see!
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ing fans, covered patio deck overlooking
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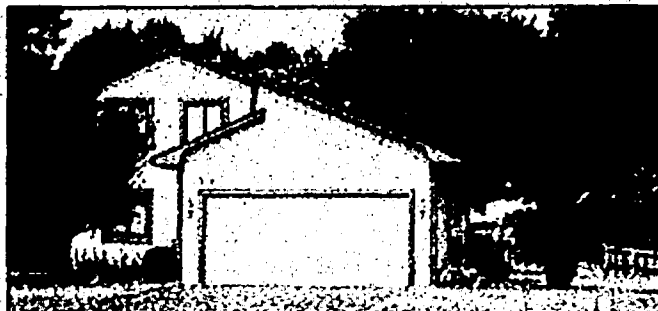
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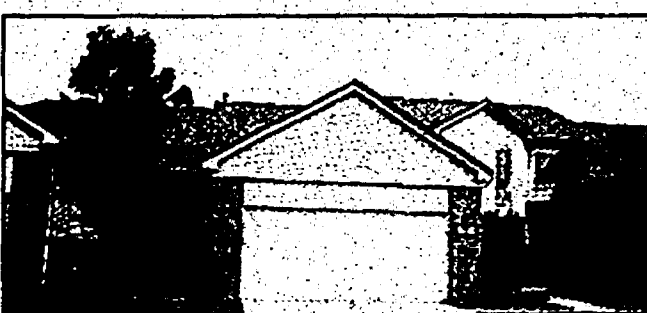
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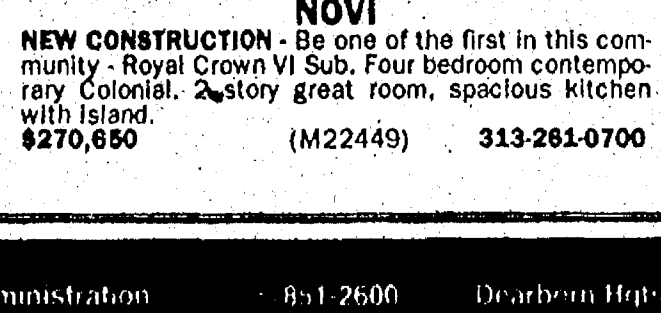
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IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY - Sharp, 3 bedroom Ranch is in move-in condition. Ideally located near all your family needs. Don't Delay. This Won't Last!
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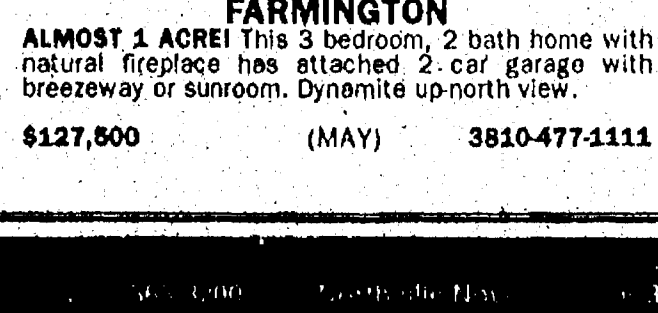
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IMMACULATE CONDITION - Three bedroom, brick & vinyl Colonial. One and one half baths, full finished basement, family room w/fireplace, two car attached garage, central air.
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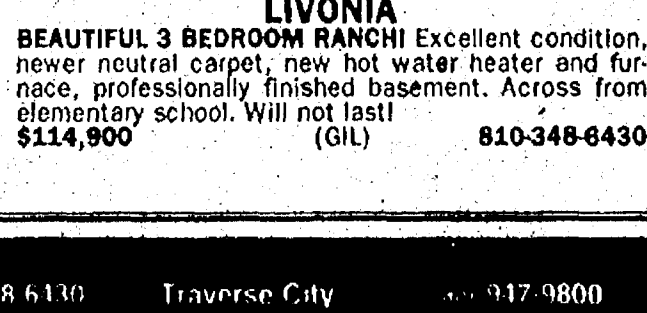
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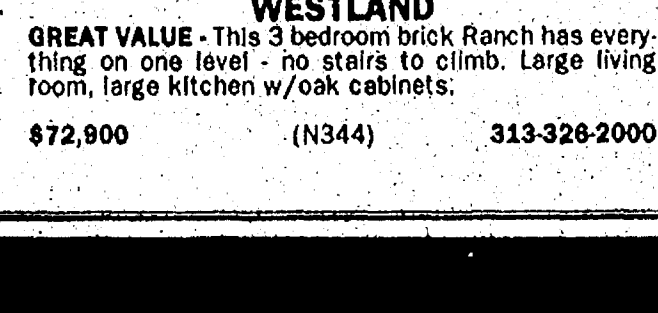
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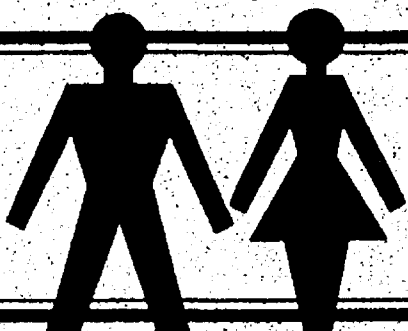
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BOOKKEEPERS \$10/hr.
2 positions open for our client in Walled Lake. Experience required.

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Farmington Hills location. Some accounting experience needed. Experience with real estate a plus.

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A Division of Western Staff Services
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Fax: (810) 650-9280

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5 yrs. minimum detail experience. Excellent wage & benefits. Call: Auto Manufacturing, (313) 641-8800

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Full time. Apply in person: 26553 W. 7 Mile Rd. in Redford.

BURNER
FOR electric eye from 1/2 inch to 8 inch plate for fabricating shop. Over 10 years experience. Apply in person. National Steel and Aluminum Fabricators, 12725 Fairlane, in Livonia.

BUS DRIVERS WANTED
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CABLE TV INSTALLER
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CABLE TV INSTALLER
Full time with benefits. Candidate must possess a valid drivers license. Electronics and/or previous cable experience a plus. Please apply in person Mon-Fri or send resume to:
TIME WARNER CABLE
15200 Mercantile Dr.
Dearborn, MI 48126
Attn: Human Resources

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Prototype sheet metal automotive support, 2-3 years experience with manufacturing. CAMAND & Autocad. GD&T knowledge is a plus. Send resume & wage requirements to:
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for people with developmental disabilities. Need reliable caregivers with Broomfield and Southfield areas, full & part-time. Days, Afternoons & Weekends. Training provided. Must be highly motivated & have high School diploma or GED and valid driver's license. (810) 350-2203

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contractors needs reliable carpenters with fresh experience. Tools & transportation a must. (313) 453-7422

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Full time/part time. Flexible hours. Competitive wage/bonus program. In Criminal Justice with two (2) years of the above experience. Must be LSC or Certified Social Worker. IMMEDIATE. Call to: 810-551-3434

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Afternoons & Mornings.
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If you are a career oriented child care professional with a BA in Early Childhood Education or related field, become part of the largest nationally accredited child care center in Michigan. We offer great benefits including health insurance, 50% company match, profit sharing, medical, dental and vision.
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Immediate positions available for part-time treatment specialists including weekdays and weekends. Up to \$8 an hr. Bachelor's degree preferred in related human service area. Send resume to: Boys & Girls Republic, 28000 W. 9 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48336

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Accepting applications for a part-time Van Driver (14) for Farmington Hills Youth Services Program to transport teens in 18 passenger vans from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to various locations in the city of Farmington Hills and Farmington Hills Youth Center. Must have a valid Michigan Driver's License (CDL) or have the ability to obtain one. hrs. Possible 5 days a week. Schedule: 2:30-3:00pm and 5:00-5:30pm. Hourly rate: \$10.00 per hr. Applications will be accepted until position (14) is filled. Apply in person or in writing to:

Personnel Department
City of Farmington Hills
31555 W. 11 Mile Rd.
Farmington Hills, MI 48336

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Now Accepting Applications for:
• Operations Manager
• Maintenance Supervisor
• Janitor
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• Security Guard
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For large office park, 5pm - 1am, Mon-Fri. Minimum 2 years experience in all areas. Health Insurance, 30,000 per year.
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Evenings or weekends. Competitive salary.
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Mon-Fri. early morning in suburbs. 3+ hours. Plymouth or Farmington area. Call (810) 615-3554

CLEANING PERSON

Needed for apt. complex in Westland. Full-time, permanent position.
Call 313-522-3364

CLEANING PERSON

Needed for beautiful Farmington Apt. complex. 40 hrs. per wk. \$6 per hr. 36155 Grand River. Call 810-478-5000

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Join the industry of the 90's
We are a national telephone help service looking for energetic, motivated individuals to staff our Livonia & Detroit Metro branches. Responsibilities include: interviewing applicants, placing employees on work assignments & daily on-call. Must be able to work independently. Salary and excellent benefits. Send resume and salary requirements to:
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CSRH/HR
P.O. Box 227
Eastpointe, MI 48021
or fax: 810-775-7665

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Immediate openings for 15 people for all skill levels. 6am-6pm. Both shifts have some Saturday work. Paid Insurance. Bonus program and 401K.

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Set up capability required. Air conditioning. Good benefits. Call for app. (810) 471-0505

MOELLER MFG. CO.

Call 313-416-2200

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Needed immediately. 60 to 70 hrs a week. Full benefits. Days & night shift available. Please apply in person. Marquette, 39005 Webb, Westland.

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Need SH and OTR Drivers for growing business. Paid freight, good pay, insurance, direct deposit, pension plan and more. Must have Class AHI CDL. Call Doug at 1-800-282-5191

COLLECTOR

Full-time collector needed for progressive, state wide credit union. Must have 2 years recent financial institution collection experience. Excellent benefits. Call 313-453-2300

COLLECTOR

For Livonia firm. Ideal candidate will possess 3+ years of collection experience. Must be a native English speaker. Legal experience a plus. Our company offers a full benefits package with a competitive salary. Send resume and salary history to: 31778 Enterprise Dr., Livonia MI 48150

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CONSTRUCTION FOREMAN

Grade foreman & underground foreman. Experienced in excavation, grading & sewer work. Union benefits. Send resume to: 313-453-2300

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COMMERCIAL CABINET/GENERAL CONTRACTOR
DRAFTSMAN/ESTIMATOR
For a growing manufacturing company. Must have 5+ years experience in commercial cabinet/woodwork construction. Must be able to read blueprints and estimate. Send resume to: 313-453-2300

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is expanding and the following positions are available:
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CONTACT LENS CLERK
Entry-level position. Will train. Organizational skills a must. Located in Farmington Hills. Interview at time of applying.
1603 E. 9 Mile Rd.
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We are a growing manufacturing company seeking a Controller. We need a real go-getter - someone to interface with all levels of management, sales, bank relations, etc. BS accounting and 5+ years of experience in manufacturing environment required. Top money compensation. Send resume and salary expected to: 313-453-2300

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RECEPTIONIST for Real Estate Dev. Co. in Southfield. Multi-line phone experience necessary. Microsoft and Excel a plus. Salary commensurate with experience. Suite 110, Southfield, MI 48034

RECEPTIONIST Full-time for busy law office in Farmington Hills. General office duties and light typing. \$7.50/hr. 810-489-8787

RECEPTIONIST Full & part-time positions available. Answering phones, filing, managed care. Birmingham/Southfield area. Jackie or Louise. (313) 447-5320

RECEPTIONIST Full time for veterinary clinic. Experienced preferred, but no experience necessary. Application or send resume to: West Oaks Vet, 2150 N. Dixie Rd., Novi, MI 48377, attn: Marianne

RECEPTIONIST, full time, must have excellent communication skills & professional phone manner. Capable of handling multi-line phone system. Send resume to: P.O. Box 869, Bloomfield Hills MI 48303-0869

RECEPTIONIST - full & part time (810) 349-7120 ask for Roxanne.

RECEPTIONIST Full time for Troy law firm. Reply: Box #1512 Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

RECEPTIONIST High energy person needed for Farmington Hills CPA office. Call Peg at: 810-626-2400

RECEPTIONIST Knowledge Business Systems has an opening for a receptionist in our Novi office. We are seeking a dynamic, professional individual with excellent communication and client relations skills. Prior office experience or related education necessary. Job duties include answering multi-line incoming telephone calls, greeting customers in the showroom, client relations, and general office duties. As a Fortune 100 company, we offer excellent benefits including a comprehensive medical and dental plan, profit sharing and a company sponsored pension plan. If you desire to work in a positive, fast-paced environment with an emphasis on customer service and teamwork, please send your resume and cover letter to: MA Manager, HOVINGA BUSINESS SYSTEMS, 41180 Bridge Street, Novi, MI 48375. EOE

RECEPTIONIST Immediate Receptionist needed! A company in Novi with an outgoing and energetic work environment seeks a candidate to match. Successful candidate possesses excellent phone etiquette and excellent work processing skills. Knowledge of E-Mail and the Internet helpful. Please call today for an interview!

PERFORMANCE PERSONNEL 313-513-5823

RECEPTIONIST Investment management firm in Bloomfield Hills needs full time receptionist with good phone voice & excellent computer skills (Word and Excel). Salary negotiable. Send resume to: Planning Alternatives, Ltd. 838 W. Long Lake Rd., #100, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

RECEPTIONIST Join a growing animal company in South Farmington Hills in this front office position. Experience in answering multi-line phones & other clerical duties. Full time. Benefits including profit sharing. Resume to: Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

RECEPTIONIST - LAW OFFICE Immediate need for Receptionist. Office receptionist in Dearborn. Office experience required. Call (313) 945-6181

RECEPTIONIST NEEDED part time for busy Farmington Hills real estate office during evening hours. Must be type 45 wpm and have knowledge in Microsoft word. Experience helpful on multi-line phone system. Please call Colleen at 810-851-5900.

RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE COORDINATOR for growing firm in Farmington Hills. Challenging position for a detail minded, organized and professional individual. WordPerfect, Microsoft Word & Excel experience helpful. MS Office a plus. We are looking for a reliable, motivated person who enjoys a team player. Send resume with salary requirements to: Box #1489 Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASSISTANT Looking for experienced individual to handle computer & secretarial functions for the insurance office. Fax resume to: 810-433-2604

RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE CLERICAL Growing manufacturing company has an excellent opportunity in its corporate headquarters in Bloomfield Hills for an energetic individual who is detail oriented & a team player. Experience in answering multi-line phones and general clerical work required. Must be a pleasant and professional telephone manner. Please send resume to: AJM Packaging Corporation 24111 Anderson Park Blvd. Bloomfield Hills MI 48302 ATTN: HR-AM Fax (810) 901-0050

RECEPTIONIST Part-time Receptionist/Insurance office in the 13 West/Telegaph area. Pleasant atmosphere/WordPerfect skills helpful. Please call Peg at 810-540-9300 for an appointment.

RECEPTIONIST PART TIME for veterinary office. Must be responsible and dependable. No experience necessary. Will train right person. Apply at: Peace Veterinary Hospital 30757 Greenfield Road, Southfield, MI 48034-5528

RECEPTIONIST Part time for Farmington Hills Real Estate Office. Mon-Fri 9pm to 5pm. Some typing, multi-line office work. Send resume to: Prudential Great Lakes Realty, 6000 Northland Hwy. Ste. 101, Farmington Hills, MI 48334, Attn: Carolyn or call 810-626-9100.

RECEPTIONIST Plymouth Chamber of Commerce has an opening for a full-time receptionist. Proper grammar, typing, flexible, able to work on several projects at one time. Considered working 40.00/hr. Part-time help also available. (313) 453-6090

RECEPTIONIST Plymouth firm seeking experienced professional receptionist for busy office. Full time position. Starting pay \$7.50/hr. + benefits. Send resume to: P.O. Box 70204 Plymouth, MI 48170

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY Southfield property management company needs receptionist/secretary for office. Light typing, good communication skills. Send resume to: 24800 Lahar Rd., Southfield MI 48034

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY Major firm has immediate opening for dependable person with excellent communication. Must have a friendly attitude. This person will assist with computer & general office duties. **Downloaded Recruiters** 810-344-8700 Fax 810-344-8704

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY in a material handling dealership. Part time. Please send resume and salary history to: Rick Jadozo, 4398 Plymouth Oaks Blvd., Plymouth, MI 48170

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY LAW OFFICE. Some computer skills. Prefer legal experience. Plymouth. (313) 455-4560

Receptionist/Secretary Busy, friendly Farmington Hills office. Requires WordPerfect, Excel, great personality & ability to handle busy phone lines. Send resume to: 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY 930-932-1170. Fax: 810-932-1214. Harger Associates, 29801 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY Friendly & quality oriented fast paced real estate firm seeks individual with good phone & people skills. Insurance, plan available. Please call Sandy Jones:

Century 21 TODAY 313-462-9600

RECEPTIONIST Small Bloomfield Hills executive office is seeking a receptionist. Monday through Friday, who is a self-starter with telephone skills, as well as Microsoft office experience. Call 810-544-5222 and ask for VICKI O'CONNOR, Administrative Assistant, your resume to: 810-544-0555.

RECEPTIONIST Southfield insurance defense firm seeks experienced receptionist. Must have talent in operating multi-line telephone system, strong organizational skills & knowledge of WP 5.1. Good benefits. Competitive salary. Non-smoker. Resume to: Box #1455 Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

RECEPTIONIST Suburban accounting firm is looking for an experienced receptionist to handle phones, computer processing, filing, etc. Looking for a team player, flexible and outgoing - dependable. Must have at least 2 years experience. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume to: 27777 Franklin Rd. Suite 1200 Southfield, MI 48034 No phone calls please!

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY For busy sales and engineering office. Minimum 1 year related experience and familiarity with PC and word processing. Excellent benefits. Multi-national auto supplier located in western suburbs. Send resume with salary requirements to: Box #1450 Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 An Equal Opportunity Employer

RECEPTIONIST Use your skills and move into insurance. \$200-300/week. Call Monica: (313) 455-0186

RECEPTIONIST Woodward Hills Nursing Center is seeking a receptionist for every other Saturday and Sunday, 8AM - 2PM. Job duties include greeting visitors, answering phones, and general office duties. If you enjoy working with the public and possess good communication skills, please send your resume with salary requirements to: Linda Donaldson, Assistant Administrator.

RECEPTIONIST 2-4:00pm, Mon-Fri. Bloomfield Hills executive office. Excellent income for a motivated individual. Must have pleasant phone manners & computer experience for occasional correspondence. Call Diane: (810) 647-6775

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Livonia based automotive supplier has an immediate need for an administrative assistant to provide administrative support to the Director of Marketing. The selected candidate will have a minimum of ten years general secretarial experience in a marketing environment and will support marketing staff with purchase orders, customer follow-up and maintaining a customer data base. Must have excellent verbal and written communication skills, including on going customer contact.

RECEPTIONIST If you have the skills and desire to join a growing industry leader that still offers a family environment, send your resume to Box #1492 Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 Excellent wage and fringe benefits

SECRETARIAL POSITION - Real estate/property management experience required, salary based on qualifications. Benefits: (810) 737-0743

SECRETARIAL Position for a person with good organizational skills, excellent communication skills mandatory. Insurance, typing, filing and accounting. Apply in person to: D.L. Brown, 31400 West 7 Mile, Livonia.

SECRETARY Administrative Assistant. Interact with clients in the high tech executive offices of international corporations. Windows software plus 2-3 years experience required. Long term assignment. Please send resume to: Birmingham 646-7661 Fax: 473-2931

Advantage Staffing SECRETARY/ADM Software firm, full time. Must possess strong general office skills. Please call or send resume to: 24472 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 200, Southfield MI 48075, 810-352-7040

SECRETARY A self-motivated full-time experience needed for small office. Experience helpful. (810) 547-3300

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT with knowledge of Word Perfect, Excel, Pro and Graphics a must. Full benefits. Send resume with salary requirements to: Human Resources P.O. Box 2106 Southfield, MI 48037 Fax: (810) 359-5382

SECRETARY FOR BUSY construction office. Full time. Computer & accounting experience necessary. Send resume to: American Drywall, 36251 Schoolcraft, Suite K, Livonia, MI 48150

FOR computer products distributor Grand Rapids and Livonia. Mon-Fri 9AM-5PM. Monday - Thursday. Please call between 8:00-9:00AM. (810) 477-5230

SECRETARY for Farmington church. Full time. Variety of tasks. Must have working knowledge of WordPerfect. Computer literate in windows. \$9.00 hour. Call: 810-848-1760 or Fax: 810-848-1752

SECRETARY for John C. Casablanca Modeling and Career Services. Typing, computer and office skills required. Starting \$10-795-7800

SECRETARY Full-time for out-patient mental health assistance office. Must possess excellent organizational skills and be a team player. Benefits provided. Please call: 810-481-1270

Full time secretary for computer/light typing/computer. Call for interview. (810) 626-1277

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

SECRETARY Full time position for an experienced, organized individual. Must be professional, self-motivated, and possess excellent communication skills. This person will be responsible for the Vice President and must present themselves well both in person and on the telephone. Send resume with salary history to: 25333 Inlandwood Ct., Farmington Hills, MI 48335, Attn: L. Sinclair or fax to 810-477-2218

TELEPHONE INTERVIEWER to work in the Birmingham area. Some legal background and computer experience helpful. Non-smoker. Ask for Linda: (810) 737-8400

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TEMPORARY RECEPTIONIST A Novel Manufacturers Representative is looking for a temporary telephone receptionist to fill in during a pregnancy leave. This is a professional position. Working environment that will require two to three months of 8am to 5pm to 6pm. Please send your resume to: Greg Rappaport, P.O. Box 3361 Farmington Hills, MI 48333

MARKETING CONSULTANTS Creative and client services departments of international agency have immediate openings. Macintosh or Windows. Temp to Hire. Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Advantage Staffing SECRETARY Michigan Special Olympics, half-time position, located in Wayne, Mich. thru Fri 9:00am. High school diploma, minimum 2 yrs. experience, typing 50 wpm, good communication & professional skills, wordprocessing & database/spreadsheet experience. Windows 95 or WordPerfect 6.0 preferred. Commensurate w/experience. Apply by 1-31-97. Send resume to: Michigan Special Olympics, 35500 Van Born, Wayne, MI 48184-2497. Fax: 313-728-4567 Equal Opportunity Employer

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DENTAL ASSISTANT Start the New Year off right with a great new job opportunity. Northville family practice looking for experienced dental assistant. No evenings or Saturdays. (810) 816-7991

DENTAL ASSISTANT Bloomfield Hills family practice looking for experienced dental assistant. Variable hours. Please call: (810) 332-6106

DENTAL ASSISTANT - part time, needed for downtown Rochester office. 2 days/week. 1 late evn 5pm. Send resume to: Box #1455 Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

DENTAL ASSISTANT Livonia dental office seeks a motivated person for a full time position. On the job training provided. (313) 261-7022

DENTAL ASSISTANT One doctor dental office seeking immediate dental assistant. Excellent benefits. Full time. Mon-Thurs. Call: (313) 459-5353

DENTAL ASSISTANT needed for busy, multiple doctor office. Must have experience. Full time. Full benefits. 313-697-4400

DENTAL ASSISTANT Busy W. Bloomfield office looking for career oriented assistant. Willing to train the right person. (810) 661-3061

DENTAL ASSISTANT Friendly & quality oriented Dearborn Dental Specialty Office is looking for a full time dental assistant who is dependable, mature, & enthusiastic. Call Ann: (313) 277-0510

DENTAL ASSISTANT Join our team in Livonia. Experience preferred but willing to train the right person. Full time. 810-363-7177

DENTAL ASSISTANT & RECEPTIONIST - Needed for busy specialty office. Multiple locations. Experience preferred but willing

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PROPOSALS ARE INVITED FOR: A single contract for the Berry International Terminal Expansion at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

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INFORMATION PACKETS: Will be prepared by Sims-Vanar & Associates and can be obtained at no cost between January 22, 1997 and February 19, 1997, from Sims-Vanar and Associates, Inc. office Contact Mr. Geoffrey Harrison, Tel: (313) 961-9000.

BID DUE DATE: Until 4:00pm C.S.T., on Thursday, March 13, 1997. The Owner will receive sealed bids for work as here in said form in office of the Owner, at which time all bids will be opened and reviewed. All bids must be on letters headed and include the following:

- * Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the total bid amount.
- * Bidders to provide a current copy of their Certificate of Insurance.
- * Bidders to submit a complete AIA form A305, a Narrative and Specific History of performing similar projects in excess of \$10,000,000 over the past(5) five years.
- * A copy of bidder's most recent Financial Statement.
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- * A copy of bidder's most recent Financial Statement.
- * Name and resumes of proposed Project Managers, Superintendent and responsible Executive for project.

BID DOCUMENTS: The Contract Documents, Drawings, and Specifications under which work will be done will be on file and may be examined on or after 10:00am (local time), February 20, 1997 at the following locations:

1. Sims-Vanar & Associates	2.F.W. Dodge Reports	3.Daily Construction Reports	4.Construction Association of Michigan
10000000 Building	10 Oak Road	10000000 Building	500 Stephenson Highway
Detroit, MI 48226	Southeaster, MI 48034	25228 Dodge Road	Troy, MI 48063

Det. (313) 961-9000 Tel. (313) 799-3300 Madison Heights, MI 48071-4211 Tel. (313) 585-9785
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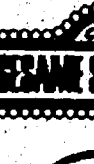
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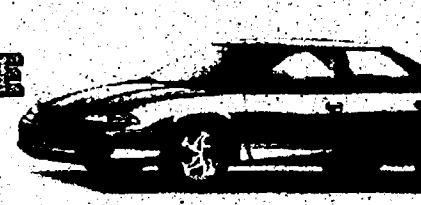




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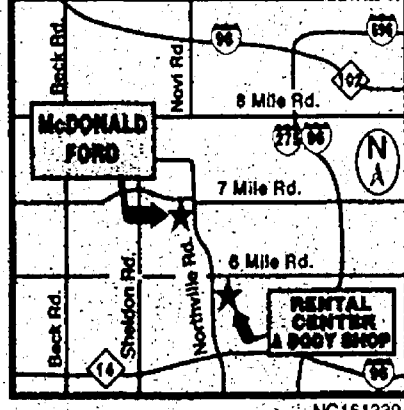
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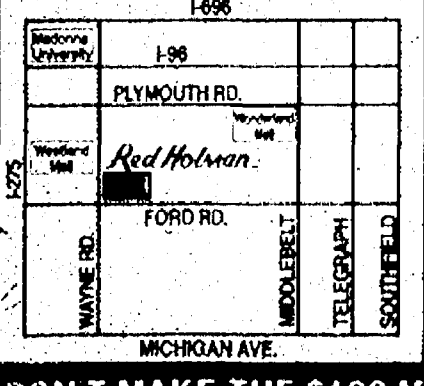
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