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Senior friend dies

Marie Jones, the 95-year-old woman featured in the Observer's July 13 edition, has died.

She was featured in a story with Westland youngster Briane Ritchie, 10, who developed a friendship with the resident of Hope Care Convalescent Center on Cherry Hill Road through daily visits to the center. Briane lives just behind the center, which is located in Westland.

According to family members and center staff, Marie was alert and seeing visitors during the day last Saturday, July 12, including a visit from Briane and family members. She passed away unexpectedly later that evening, said center staff member Marie Johnson.

Patricia Duwel of Northville, her only daughter, said she will carry fond memories of her mother. "She had a great sense of humor and was a wonderful person," Duwel said. "She'll be missed."

She will especially be remembered around the time of her birthday, as mother and daughter shared the same day of birth. "Mom had me on her 40th birthday," Duwel said. Celebrating future birthdays will be hard, she added. "We were very close, especially since my dad died 30 years ago."

Husband and father Herbert Jones passed away in 1957.

Marie Jones was born Jan. 31, 1902, in Detroit to the late Sebastian Kleiner and Regina Harbour. A homemaker, she was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth Township for 20 years. A funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, July 16, at St. Kenneth with the Rev. Joseph Mallia officiating. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Marie Jones is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Richard Duwel of Northville, and three grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was also preceded in death by six siblings.

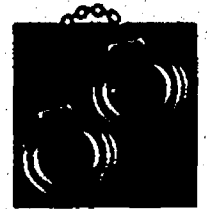
—Casey Hans



Briane Ritchie, 10 and Marie Jones, 95, shared a special friendship.

Man charged with stabbing

A 25-year-old Westland woman is hospitalized with critical injuries following a domestic assault. Her husband faces a preliminary hearing this week after being charged with attempting to murder her.



BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland man is accused of plunging a butcher knife through a bathroom door and stabbing his wife on the other side as she desperately struggled to keep him out.

Charged with trying to kill his 25-year-old wife, Ronald Fitzgerald Brown, 34, faces a preliminary hearing this Thursday in Westland 18th

Self-blame is common

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland woman who blamed herself for a stabbing allegedly committed by her husband isn't alone in trying to conceal an abusive relationship.

Domestic violence victims often view their attackers as "Godlike" and above the law, said Judith Barr, director of First Step, an agency that provides shelter and services for abused women and children.

First Step's 24-hour toll-free hotline number is 1-888-453-5900.

Victims often see abusive men as somehow having the power to avoid

District Court. He is jailed in lieu of a \$250,000 cash-bond.

Fearful for her life, the victim is recovering at an undisclosed hospital where she is using an assumed name, Westland police Sgt. Jon Handzlik said Friday.

The woman suffered a stab wound to the left side of her back, and the knife plunged deep enough to collapse one of her lungs, Handzlik said.

Although critically injured, he said, "she is going to survive."

The woman fears that she will be killed if Brown is released from jail, Handzlik said. The defendant could face life in prison — or any number of years — if convicted as charged of assault with intent to murder.

The stabbing occurred at 11:37 p.m. July 11, and it marks the latest incident in what Handzlik described as a long-term abusive relationship. The victim initially tried to dismiss the stabbing as an accident.

"These victims are very, very afraid," said Judith Barr, director of First Step, an agency that provides emergency shelter and other services for battered women. "Fear is the motivation that keeps them in these relationships."

The attack occurred in the 28900 block of Powers, where the couple had been staying with the suspect's mother, Handzlik said. The mother phoned police for help.

The suspect had become angry during an earlier argument in a car, Handzlik said. He was "enraged" when the victim told him that she believed her two children, ages 5 and 6, should be allowed visitation by their father — a man from a previous relationship, Handzlik said.

The victim had pointed out that her husband visits his daughter from a prior relationship, police reports said.

When the couple arrived at the Powers residence near Middlebelt and Van Born, the suspect began to beat the victim on her head and her shoulders with his fists — all the while yelling that he was going to kill her, police reports said.

The woman managed to flee into a bathroom, where she braced herself with her back to the door to try to

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'Bible court' clerk plans to resign post

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland man said he intends to resign as clerk of a so-called "Bible court," and he issued an apology for personally criticizing a former Wayne-Westland school board member for being a lesbian.

Peter James said he will step down Friday as clerk of a three-member, self-appointed panel that now calls itself "The Post-Industrial Monotheistic Reconstructionist Court of Wayne County."

James, a 30-year-old construction worker, said he lacks the public relations finesse to represent the court, even though he believes in its principles. He said he has received harassing phone

calls and death threats for his outspoken views.

James also told the Observer Friday that he regrets singling out former Wayne-Westland school board president Patricia Brown when the court sought to "upgrade the public discussion of homosexuality."

Brown was defeated in her bid for re-election to office in June.

"I'm very sorry I personalized an issue with a fine and upstanding member of my community," James said. "By doing that, I've disgraced this organization and my religion."

James said he never intended for an anti-Brown letter to be circulated publicly when he sent it to local minister Neil Cowling, who has spoken critically of the so-called religious court.

BIBLE COURT

Even so, James admitted that the fiercer contained language saying that its contents could be placed on the Internet. On Friday, he said the Bible court has no Web site.

"My mistake was not correcting it from the beginning," James said, adding later, "I'm really hurt by all this."

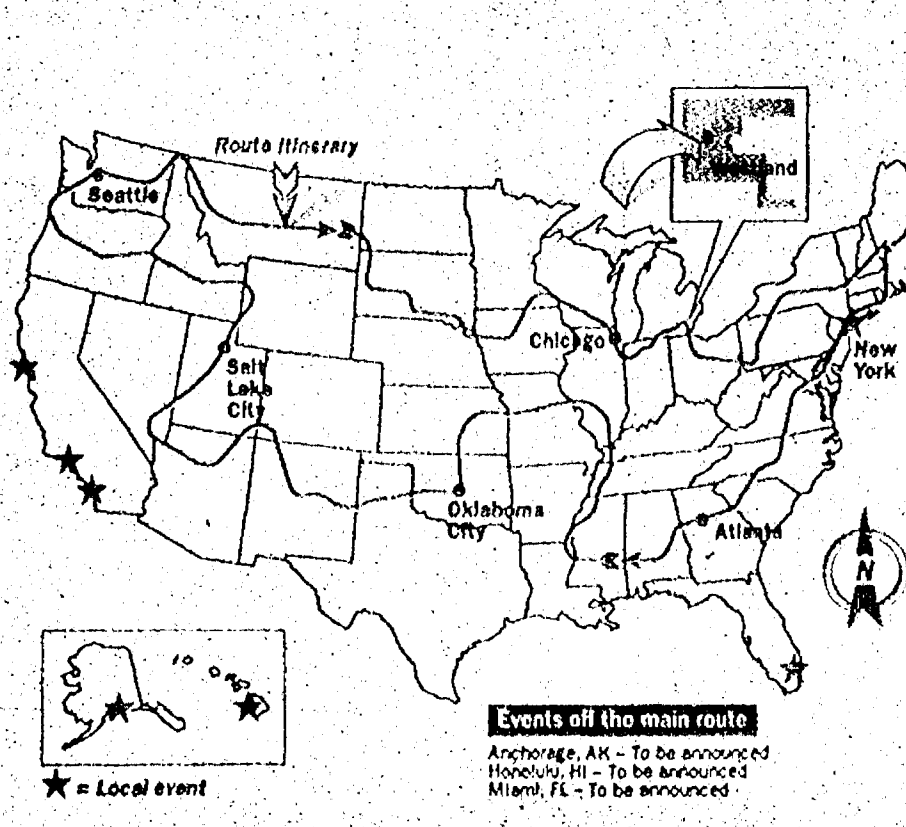
The letter said religious citizens had "a moral obligation" to oppose Brown because of her sexual orientation.

Brown was out of town Friday and couldn't be

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Sri Chinmoy Oneness-Home Peace Run

The global event will enter the state of Michigan at New Buffalo on July 25, travel through the southern part of the state, passing through many towns and villages. Ceremonies are set up in Three Rivers, Kalamazoo, Marshall, Grass Lake, Ann Arbor, Detroit and Rockwood. It will pass by Westland City Hall on Ford Road, Monday, July 28 — estimated time is 1:50 p.m. The runners will then continue east to Detroit.



Events off the main route:
Anchorage, AK - To be announced
Honolulu, HI - To be announced
Miami, FL - To be announced

Peace Torch Run dates by state:

New York, NY - Sat., Aug. 19
Elizabeth, NJ - Sun., Aug. 20
Philadelphia, PA - Mon., Aug. 21
Washington, DC - Tues., Aug. 22
Baltimore, MD - Wed., Aug. 23
Washington, DC - Thurs., Aug. 24
Richmond, VA - Fri., Aug. 25
Roanoke, VA - Sat., Aug. 26
Charlotte, NC - Sun., Aug. 27
Greensboro, NC - Mon., Aug. 28
Atlanta, GA - Tues., Aug. 29
Montgomery, AL - Wed., Aug. 30
Jackson, MS - Thurs., May 6
Los Angeles, CA - Fri., May 7
Escondido, CA - Sat., May 8
Memphis, TN - Sun., May 9
Cincinnati, OH - Mon., May 10
St. Louis, MO - Tues., May 11
Kansas City, MO - Wed., May 12
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Global run scheduled for Westland

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

An Olympic-style international relay run will make its way through Westland later this month, as part of a tradition organizers hope will help bring world peace.

"The world needs peace and there are many ways to bring it about," said Kapila Castoldi, coordinator for Michigan's participation in the 11,000-mile run across the United States. "The Peace Run was inspired by world peace advocate Sri Chinmoy, who is using running as the focus for peace through sports."

Opening ceremonies to light the torches, which are being carried through 70 countries, were held in New York City nearly three months ago.

The U.S. segment of the Peace

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TAMMY GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

Observer-area sailors grab the wind and go

BY RICHARD PEARL
AND KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITERS

Wind. Forget the wild boar ribs warming in the galley or the diesel engines awaiting below decks "just in case."

The sailboaters in this weekend's 73rd running of the venerable Port Huron-to-Mackinac race on Lake Huron say when it comes to winning, the wind is where it's at.

Being without it — "becalmed" — is the worst possible scenario for the 284 skippers and 2,000 crew members who today are off the second leg of the four-day race that is the world's largest fresh-water regatta.

Officially known as the Bacardi Bayview Mackinac Race and run by the Bayview Yacht Club

of Detroit, the race began Saturday and is to finish with a big party on Mackinac Island Tuesday — although the lack of wind postponed the party twice last year.

When the wind is up, the ribs can wait. True sailboaters use their diesels only as a last resort — and they have no fondness for powerboaters, either.

Sailboaters "don't even like talking to them," said one. Besides kicking up huge, annoying wakes, powerboaters aren't sailors in the purest sense of the word, say sailboaters.

The fickle wind presents challenges to a sail boater's skills.

"Sometimes, you see only two or three knots" of boat speed because of light wind "and you wonder why you're even out there," said Curt Nixon of Livonia, one of 10 Observerland sail-

PORT HURON TO MACKINAC

boat skippers entered in this year's "Mac".

Stormy seas

But Nixon, a 20-year racing veteran who was "sailing before I could walk," has also seen storms at sea like those that hit Detroit July 2. He's even seen "snow and sleet off Alpena at the end of June."

Skipper of a 40-foot cutter named Freedom that finished second in its class two years ago and has crossed the Atlantic Ocean four times, Nixon hopes to sail it around the world two years from now.

Another Livonian, Gerald Frabutt, says of the wind, "The more you're able to judge wind conditions, the better able you are to compete."

"There are so many different wind conditions, you want to try to be where the velocity is greater."

Frabutt, who is trying to win Victory No. 3 with Boat No. 3, knows whereof he speaks. The 20-year racing veteran, who's been in 17 Macs, won his class in 1994 with a J-105 "because I was able to skirt the edges of storm patterns and pick up a little wind." In 1990, he won his class and was second overall with a J-29.

Frabutt's new boat, a 30-foot Capo, uses lighter winds and

narrower tacking angles, thus covering greater distances in less time.

The skipper also tries "staying focused at night." Frabutt, 52, who sleeps little on main racing days, says "other boats seem to lose their focus" in the dark, but he makes some of his biggest gains then.

Another skipper who's tasted victory is Darrell Cope of Plymouth, sailing his 13th Mac on the same 34-foot racer-cruiser with which he won the overall championship in 1991.

"We got going real fast downwind," he recalls. "We made a great spinnaker run to Cove Island."

"We were surfing with the big boys, doing close to 12 knots" in beating 259 other boats for the big prize.

"We're out to win it bigtime, we want it again — but there will be fun to be had on the Limerick," said its captain, whose father Arthur is among his crew of nine.

Team challenges

What Charles Antal of Canton likes about sailing is "being able to master all of the elements."

He says his crew of 12 — his wife and friends — aboard his 38-foot Catalina sailboat, the Querencia, has "to be enthusiastic and they have to be able to work



Local faces: Some Observer-area residents sailing in this year's Port Huron-to-Mackinac race. Pictured are (top row, from left) Don Heller, Jochum Langenberger and Tim Arklander; (middle) Sybil Turin; and (bottom) Dave Walsh, Peggy Antal, Charlie Antal.



Under sail: Curt Nixon, a Livonia resident, is a 20-year racing veteran who was "sailing before I could walk." For this weekend's race, he is piloting a 40-foot cutter named Freedom that finished second in its class two years ago and has crossed the Atlantic four times.



All in the family: Darrell Cope, a Plymouth resident, is sailing his 13th Mackinac race on the same 34-foot racer-cruiser with which he won the overall championship in 1991. Family members pictured include: (from left) Barbara Cope, Ellen Cope, 3, Arthur Cope (in rear), Darrell Cope and Jonathan Cope.

intensely for short periods followed by long periods of rest until something else has to be done."

A sailor since age 20, the 47-year-old Antal says sailing "challenges all aspects of a person, their physical and mental abilities."

Trying to cut time is "where the intensity and enthusiasm comes in — you're constantly trimming the sails, making adjustments," he says.

While some have humorously likened sailboat racing to standing in a cold shower tearing up \$100 bills, Antal says, "True sailors know there's a lot more to it."

"I get a great deal of gratification from it," he said.

Antal has cruised the Atlantic coastline and would like to cross it someday.

Richard Asztalos, Sr. feels a boat's name is important.

A hairdresser with shops in Livonia, Novi and Ann Arbor who also has done Mackinac race color-commentary on Detroit radio station WWJ, Asztalos was looking over a 42-foot Endeavor when fellow broadcaster Gary Baumgarten buzzed him from the dock via walkie-talkie.

"Know what the name of that boat is?" Baumgarten asked excitedly. "Look over the side!"

The name was Charisma — same as Asztalos's three shops. "You gotta buy that boat," said Baumgarten, who's now with CNN Radio in New York. Asztalos now lives aboard the Charisma.

Asztalos says his cruiser is one of the heaviest. "Our best finish was seventh last year — we ran out of wind. I took a gamble on the short course" which follows the Michigan shoreline "and we sat on Presque Isle. There's a lighthouse there and we looked at it from sunrise to sunset."

But Asztalos, who is both skipper and chef, feeds his crew well. One year he served wild boar

ribs. This year, the menu includes hot cereal for breakfast, pasties for lunch and baked salmon with fresh dill for supper — "no cold sandwiches."

"That's the way to keep the crew coming back each year," he says.

Two other Livonia sailors are Charles Miller and Randall Kowalski, while Ed Bayer represents Redford Township.

Timothy Skillman of Plymouth is marking two anniversaries. His 46-foot sloop Aerie is 25 years old and his parents, Newton and Sally of Bay City, are celebrating 50 years of marriage. Newton joins Tim and his two brothers and sister as "the core crew of 10 people," says Tim.

The Aerie weighed 31,500 pounds, sleeps nine and has two bathrooms complete with showers. "For my boat, heavy air (strong winds) would be nicely appreciated," he said.

The boat, which docks in Bay City, was new to the crew last year. This year, however, Newton has "gone through all of the systems on the boat to make sure everything is perfect."

Dave Williams of Livonia, whose boat is a 33-foot Tartan-10 racer which competes without handicap, has been doing the Mackinac since 1966 and has lots of memories.

Among them are the 1950s-era sailing photos taken by the late Detroit Free Press photographer Tony Spina, which Williams and his friend, Joe Bauser, donated to the Port Huron Yacht Club. Bauser, former editor of the Detroit Yacht Club's Main Sheet, died this month of cancer at age 80.

Another cherished memory is a brief conversation Williams had years ago with George Van, veteran Detroit News boating editor who had covered 49 Macs.

At Van's 50th breakfast on Mackinac Island, Williams asked him for comments on the race.

"Damned silly way to travel," the newsmen said.

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DNR hosts open house

The Department of Natural Resources wants to know what you think.

The DNR will host a public listening and outreach open house 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 23, in the Livonia Civic Center Library, meeting rooms A-C, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

This is the sixth of a series of open houses to be held during 1997 at various locations statewide as a means of gathering input from the public on natural resource issues and programs. These are informal meetings which are designed to encourage questions and interaction between individual members of the public and representatives from every DNR resource division.

Those attending meet with DNR deputies, division chiefs and program staff.

Business lessons



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOFELD

Surfin' the Net: Guests of the Westland Community Foundation and the Westland Chamber of Commerce were treated to a special hors d'oeuvres reception at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland last week. Here, Patricia Goonis (left) explains the Library's Internet-access computers to the business group touring the facility Thursday night. Sitting at the computer is Laurelin Wilson, daughter of library director Sandra Wilson, and Lynette Hobyak (right). The library has five Internet-access computers with two more to come in the near future. This was the second such business event held in the community this year.

Multi-year prison term is ordered for Canton rest area sex crime

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland man who robbed a sex partner he lured from a Canton Township rest area has been sentenced to prison for three to 22 years.

Todd Stephen Nemeth, 31, is serving a sentence for bringing a 50-year-old Walled Lake man to his apartment for sex, then forcing him to drive to an automated teller machine and robbing him of several hundred dollars.

The incident began on the afternoon of Feb. 19 when the two men met at an I-275 rest area near Michigan Avenue in Canton.

"It all started off as a sexual encounter,"

Westland police Sgt. Scott Fetner has said.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Richard Hathaway recently sentenced Nemeth to three to 22 years in prison after the defendant pleaded guilty to unarmed robbery, according to court records.

The charge carries a maximum 15-year prison term, but Hathaway had authority to impose a tougher sentence because Nemeth also was a habitual offender.

Nemeth had been charged with robbing a second partner he brought home from the rest area, but that charge was dropped in return for Nemeth's guilty plea to one count of unarmed robbery.

Police said the suspect brought victims to his apartment in Westland, but some of

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them hesitated to report the incidents even though they knew where he lived.

While investigating the case, Fetner said allegations emerged that the suspect had taken photographs of the victims involved in sex acts. The suspect used the pictures to try to threaten the victims into silence about being robbed, Fetner said.

The victims likely hesitated to file complaints against Nemeth because they feared having their personal lives ruined, Fetner said.

The Walled Lake victim, for example, was married and had children, Fetner said.

Expulsion upheld by school board

A Wayne Memorial High student has been ousted from the Wayne-Westland school district amid allegations that he was among five youths who attacked two Marshall Middle School pupils May 8.

Ninth-grader Joseph McCoy, accused in a group attack on Marshall students Neil Young and Steve Young (no relation), lost an appeal Monday as Wayne-Westland school board members voted 7-0 to bar him from district schools.

McCoy was one of two Wayne-Westland students allegedly among the five assailants

involved in the attack. Another local pupil still faces possible expulsion, said Charlotte Sherman, assistant superintendent of secondary education.

Neil Young was stabbed four times and Steve Young was beaten and kicked all over his body during the attack that occurred on the afternoon of May 8 in a field behind Marshall school.

McCoy wasn't implicated in the stabbing; he didn't have a weapon but was accused of assault, Sherman said.

"He wasn't charged with weapons," she said.

The victims were crossing the field and walking toward a nearby Kmart when an exchange of words escalated into the attack and stabbing, Westland police have said.

The victims told the Observer that they had never seen their assailants before the incident occurred. Both victims survived the attack.

Criminal cases are pending against four juveniles and 16-year-old Timothy White, who has been charged as an adult for assault with intent to murder.

—Darrell Clem

Swim sessions continue at Westland YMCA

Program staff at the Wayne-Westland YMCA suggest Westland residents spend the end of the summer in the pool. Learn swimming techniques, gain confidence and have fun at the

YMCA's final two summer swim sessions. All children age 3-13 are invited to join these classes which meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday or Tuesday and Thursday for two weeks. Session

D will run July 28 to Aug. 8 and Session E runs from Aug. 11 to Aug. 22.

Call the YMCA at (313) 721-7044 for information. The YMCA is located at 827 S. Wayne Road.

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Complex earns credits

Adam Seniors Village in Westland was recently awarded low-income housing tax credits through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, according to information from state Sen. Loren Bennett's office.

"This is extremely good news for the residents of Westland," said Bennett, a Canton Republican whose Eighth Senate District also serves the city of Westland.

The tax credits will assist developers of certain rental properties in providing affordable rent to people with low incomes. Adam Seniors Village will receive a little more than \$1 million in credits.

"Everyone deserves quality, affordable housing. Those in a lower income bracket are no exception," Bennett added. "These funds will go a long way toward improving the lives of certain residents while improving relationships with the community."

Christmas In July

Celebrate a special "holiday season" in the middle of the summer, as the Westland Community Foundation hosts its third annual Christmas in July fund-raising event July 23. Designed to help the Salvation Army and

other worthy causes, it will begin at 6 p.m. at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland. Santa and the Salvation Army Band will greet guests at the door while wine and hors d'oeuvres are served throughout the evening.

Entertainment will include comedian J.R. Remick, magician Ted Schuve, Motown performers Horizon and Marty Viers and the Music Doctors, who will play reggae and blues.

The foundation asks that each guest bring non-perishables, including soup, peanut butter, crackers, cereal, spaghetti sauce, jelly, pork and beans, rice, instant potatoes, canned meat or fruit, boxed macaroni and cheese and powdered milk to donate to the Salvation Army food bank.

For more information on the event, call (313) 695-7727.

Wings fever

There's still a taste of Red Wing Fever in the air, and the Fan Zone at the center court of the Westland Center continues its series of visits from the hockey team.

Monday, July 28, Wings star Kirk Maltby will be at the store from 6-8 p.m. Autographs will be available for \$10. For more information, call (313) 762-9618.

Plans begins for two pools, Bentley site

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

LIVONIA SCHOOLS

Renovations begin on three fronts as Livonia Public Schools gears up to do the work voters approved in the June election.

Over the next few months, renovations will get under way at Stevenson and Franklin high schools, Bentley Center, and the old Perrinville school at Ann Arbor Trail and Farmington.

Pool renovations at the two high schools will not be done simultaneously, said Dave Watson, director of operations for the Livonia district. Work should begin at one pool in December and last for about four months. Similar reconstruction work at the second high school will begin in May and last throughout the summer of 1998.

Both pools should be back in operation by the start of the 1998-99 school year.

It has not yet been determined which pool will be deepened first, Watson said.

Voters in June agreed to a one-year-only 0.25-mill tax to raise the \$905,000 needed to do both pool jobs.

Voters also agreed to a one-year-only 0.30-mill tax to raise the \$1 million need to demolish parts of Bentley Center, enclose the areas left open, and landscape the grounds.

But a time line for this work is not as cut-and-dried as the one for the pool renovations. A huge Bentley program, Head Start, will be moved to the old Perrinville school. And Perrinville must first be renovated to make way for the federally funded child-care program.

"There's a chain of events which must take place," Watson said.

First is the departure of the Alano Club from Perrinville. The club is expected to relocate to Dearborn Heights by the end of July, Watson said.

Second is asbestos removal

from Perrinville school. A special education program housed at Perrinville also must be moved to Dickinson school. And water lines and sinks must be put in each classroom at Perrinville.

Renovations should be complete, and Perrinville ready for the Head Start program, by November, Watson said.

Head Start will occupy the south end of the school building. By September 1998, the north end of the school will be renovated to house the district's preschool special education program.

"For one-half year, Head Start will be the only occupant of the building," Watson said.

At a July 14 committee meeting of the Livonia Board of Education, newly elected trustee Patrick Nalley criticized the fence and landscaping at the old school. "The fence is horrible and the area needs landscaping," he said.

Watson agreed that, because Perrinville is not used as an active school building, that the grounds around it have been neglected.

A contractor also must be hired to demolish parts of Bentley. Demolition will begin as programs move out of the areas that are slated for demolition.

School administrators have said that the downsized, much-smaller Bentley will be kept open for only another three years.

After that, if a plan hasn't emerged for the site by that time, the entire building will be demolished, not just parts of it.



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Elvis impersonators 'all shook up' in competition

BY RICHARD PEARL
STAFF WRITER

Veteran Elvis Presley impersonator Ron Lawler often sees doing Elvis as more of an introduction than giving a full-fledged concert.

"It's an icebreaker — I make my entrance to the theme from '2001' and go into 'C.C. Rider,'" said the veteran performer who's been doing Elvis and leading The Sunrise Band for 20 years.

The Livonia man looks like the real thing, with pompadour hair and Las Vegas-style jumpsuit, singing and dancing on table tops, throwing scarves.

"The women like it," he said. But "Not everyone likes Elvis," he said, so his band also does country, rock and Top 40. It features Lawler on keyboard and veteran Whitney Houston and Madonna sound-alike Roseann Fisher on lead guitar.

Lawler was one of 29 Elvis impersonators who entered an Elvis Impersonator Contest put on by WXYZ-TV Channel 7 at

the studio recently.

The one deemed to most closely look, sound and act like the late, legendary performer will be featured during the station's special "The Woodward Dream Cruise" telecast Aug. 16 and also win an all-expenses paid trip for two to Hawaii.

The station is following its Cruise telecast with an airing of the popular Presley film "Blue Hawaii."

Lawler doesn't look like Elvis naturally. But the transformation is so good that audiences usually think it's his tall, long-haired drummer, Greg Campagna — even though Lawler is the one who's left the stage.

"I don't really look like him that much, but I do have his vocal style and sound," said Lawler, who "psychs" himself by thinking "how Elvis would do" a show.

Lawler, who performed "The Wonder of You" in a Vegas get-up that included a \$1,000 hairpiece and \$1,500 rhinestone-studded jumpsuit, is about the same height as The King — 6-

'I don't really look like him that much, but I do have his vocal style and sound . . . The women like it.'

Ron Lawler

—Livonia resident and Elvis impersonator

foot-1 — but weighs only 220 pounds.

"I don't eat as many 'nana sandwiches as he does," he joked, referring to Elvis's favorite food, peanut butter and banana sandwiches.

Lawler believes 1997 will be a banner year for those in his field, once people realize its significance: this August marks the 20th anniversary of the passing of the man known as The King of Rock 'n' Roll.

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STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BRISLER

His way: Livonia's own Elvis Ron Lawler adjusts his shades in the dressing room while waiting for auditions to begin.

who's also been in sales, Lawler, 48, grew up doing Elvis impersonations for his father, Joseph, a lifelong Presley fan from Kentucky. It became a part of Ron's act when he impressed a Halloween-party crowd.

Since then, he's done Elvis with the band or three-piece combo at weddings and festivals, at country clubs and yacht

clubs, on the Boblo Boat, at the swanky Roostertail Restaurant downtown and even before the Lions Quarterback Club at the Silverdome.

Singer-guitarist Fisher helps Lawler with the Elvis hair and makeup, as does Lawler's fiancée, Lee Mason, who also now finishes his jumpsuits, saving him money, he said.

Lawler let the Channel 7 folks in on his own plans for the Dream Cruise: He'll marry Lee there, "whether I win the contest or not." It would make good television, he noted.

And a honeymoon in Hawaii sure wouldn't be any "Heart-break Hotel," either.

But until Aug. 16, Elvis has left the building.

Feeling a kingship: Ron Lawler of Livonia sneers for the video camera during a recent Elvis Impersonator Contest hosted by WXYZ-TV in Southfield.



Help from page A1

prosecution. "These men are seen as omnipotent and being able to get around the law," Barr said. "The women believe that their best decision is to stay in the relationship."

Victims hope that by preparing a good dinner or by denying their own feelings to make abusive men happy, the relationship will go smoothly.

A 25-year-old Westland woman who was allegedly stabbed by her 34-year-old husband on July 11 initially told police that she accidentally backed into a knife on the kitchen counter.

Only later — when her husband had been arrested — did she admit that he had attacked her, Westland police Sgt. Jon Handzlik said.

Even then, however, she told police that she feared her husband would be freed and kill her.

Victims often don't know that a system is in place to help them, or they don't believe in that system, Barr said.

"It's like being stuck in mud or drowning in quicksand," she said. "They see no rope there to help them."

Rather than seeking help, vic-

tims tend to blame themselves for problems, and they try to make the relationship work.

They are terribly afraid, Barr said, and fear itself becomes a motivation for staying in an abusive relationship.

Often the problem has to be reported by someone outside of the relationship or — in the Westland woman's case — the abuse has to become life-threatening before it is reported.

Barr stressed that women need to know that help is available. Moreover, she said, prosecutors and judges have become more aware of the domestic violence problem; they go to greater lengths to protect victims and to hold defendants accountable.

Wayne County actually has a special prosecuting unit to handle domestic violence cases, Barr said.

All too often, abusive behavior can be fatal. Following are some statistics provided by Barr:

■ In 1991, more than 90 women were murdered each week, nine out of 10 by men.

■ Each year at least 4 million incidents of domestic violence against women are reported. Almost 20 percent involve aggravated assaults in the home.

■ Family violence kills as many women every five years as the total number of Americans who died in the Vietnam War.

■ In 1991, 28 percent of female murder victims died at the hands of their husbands or boyfriends.

■ Weapons are used in 30 percent of domestic violence incidents.

■ In 95 percent of all domestic violence assaults, crimes are committed by men against women.

■ Between 22 percent and 35 percent of women who visit emergency rooms are there for injuries related to ongoing abuse.

■ Medical expenses from domestic violence costs \$3 billion to \$5 billion annually. Businesses lose another \$100 million in lost wages, sick leave, absenteeism and non-productivity.

■ In Michigan, alone, domestic assaults reported by law enforcement agencies increased by 77 percent between 1989 and 1993, rising from 19,416 incidents to 34,505.

■ In Michigan in 1993, one domestic murder occurred every eight days.

Stabbing from page A1

keep the suspect out, Handzlik said.

The suspect pounded on the door, damaging it. He then got a nearly 8-inch butcher knife from the kitchen and plunged it through the door, stabbing the victim in the back and puncturing her lung, Handzlik said.

The suspect's mother phoned police, who found a trail of blood

from the bathroom to a hallway where the victim had collapsed, police reports said.

The suspect fled the house as officers arrived, but he was caught by police and arrested.

According to police reports, the victim and the suspect gave conflicting versions of the incident. The husband told officers that he had been holding the butcher knife in the bedroom and that his wife backed into it. When asked why he ran from police, he reportedly said that he was "scared."

The victim initially told police that she had "backed into a knife which was on the kitchen counter," police reports said, although she later admitted being attacked.

"It's the classic example of an abusive victim syndrome," Handzlik said. "She tried to say that everything was her fault. It was denial mixed with fear. She is afraid he will kill her."

The latest attack followed an

incident last September at a Romulus gas station where Brown was accused of hitting another woman with his car, believing she was his wife, Handzlik said.

Following an argument, Brown's wife had gotten out of their car with her two children and fled to a nearby gas station, Handzlik said. When the suspect saw another woman talking on a public telephone, he mistakenly believed that she was his wife when he drove at her and hit her with his car, Handzlik said.

Brown was convicted in Wayne County Circuit Court of leaving the scene of an injury accident. Circuit Judge Richard Hathaway sentenced him to six months in jail and placed him on probation.

He apparently didn't serve his six-month term, however. A court clerk said Brown was sentenced on March 4, less than five months ago.

STOR-N-LOCK NOTICE

Pursuant to state law, a sale will be held at Stor-n-Lock, 7840 N. Wayne Road, Westland, MI 48185-2009, (313) 261-6640, on August 28, 1997 at 12:00 noon.

The following goods will be sold:

Space Number: H-23, Christina Copland, 4444 Washington, Wayne, MI 48184, 1 vacuum, 1 kids toys, 1 dresser, 1 table, 1 household stuff.

Space Number: B-10 Irene Gatecliff, 23485 Tuck, Farmington, MI 48336, 1 mattress set, 1 miscellaneous yard tools, 1 entertainment center, 1 headboard, miscellaneous boxes.

Space Number: P-12 Melissa Barker, 1260P East Lake Dr, Novi 48377, 1 washer, 1 dryer, miscellaneous boxes.

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AUGUST 14, 1997

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Regular Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Commission at the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on Thursday, August 14, 1997, at 7:30 P.M., for the purpose of hearing and considering all comments of all persons interested in or concerned with the following request(s).

Item 7-97-007 - Solicitation of public comments on the Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment for the Central Business District.

The applicant's submittal materials are available for public review at the Garden City Planning Office, 6000 Middlebelt, Garden City, Michigan, (313) 525-8862.

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

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Police will monitor homes

Westland residents leaving town for vacation are being urged to call the Westland Police Department before leaving.

Residents can have their homes checked on by citizens who patrol Westland in vehicles provided by the city, through a neighborhood watch program, police Sgt. Dave Hooper said.

Hooper, who oversees the program, said citizens can report vacations by calling (313) 722-9600. Citizens involved in the neighborhood watch program will make a concerted effort to check on homes of vacationers, he said.

The program was started in August 1995.

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OBITUARIES

MARIE J. JONES

A funeral Mass for Marie J. Jones, 95, of Westland was held in St. Kenneth Catholic Church, Plymouth Township, with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Officiating was the Rev. Joseph Mallia. Local arrangements were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, Northville.

Mrs. Jones, who died July 12 in Westland, was born in Detroit. She was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church for 20 years prior to her death.

Surviving are her daughter, Patricia Duvel of Northville, and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert in 1957, and six siblings.

SHIRLEY R. GRIFFIN

Funeral services for Shirley R. Griffin, 58, of Westland were held in Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home with burial in Littlefield Township, Alanson, Mich. Officiating was the Rev.

Stanley Kruse from Temple Baptist Church. Memorial contributions may be made to Ora Arndt, missionary.

Mrs. Griffin, who died July 14 in Westland, was born in Detroit. She came to this community in 1960 from Detroit. She graduated from high school in 1985 and attended Schoolcraft College for one year where she completed a certificate program in photography.

Mrs. Griffin was a travel agent. She was manager of a gas station. Travel was her main interest the last few years and she enjoyed making handcrafts of every kind by the hundreds.

Surviving are: husband, Joseph, of 39 years; sons Joseph, of Plymouth, William of Belleville, Ronald of Belleville, Michael of Romulus and Scott of Westland; daughters, Cherie Griffin of Conway, Mich., and April Agnello of Ypsilanti; brothers Richard and Arthur; sister Nancy Causley; 21 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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JOHN P. MCKAIG

Funeral services for John P. McKaig, 62, of Westland were held in St. Damian Catholic Church with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Bob McGrath. Arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mr. McKaig, who died July 15 in Dearborn, was born in Detroit. He was a bank manager.

Surviving are: wife Donna; son John Jr.; daughters Kelly, Michele Stankus, Cheryl Paquette and Colleen; four brothers; three sisters; and four grandchildren.

HICKIE J. CLEVELAND

A memorial service for Hickie J. Cleveland, 76, of Westland was held in Uht Funeral Home under the auspices of the Wayne Lodge No. 112 F. & A.M. and Harris-Kehrer VFW Post No. 3323.

Mr. Cleveland died July 14 at his Westland residence. He was a driver.

Surviving are: wife Ann; daughters Helen Wiseley and Mary Cleveland; three brothers; three sisters; and two grandsons.

DOROTHY P. TANNER

Funeral services for Dorothy P. Tanner, 78, of Westland were held in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Springhill Township, Pa.

Mrs. Tanner died July 5 in Wayne. She was a homemaker and a former resident of Mapletown, Pa.

Surviving are: daughters Paula McMichael of Wooster, Ohio, and Janice Chekosky of Westland; brother Bernard Paugh; sister Beatrice Blaney; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by: husband Orville; son James; and sisters Evelyn Kaufman and Venus Morris.

Man comatose following accident

A Westland man remained comatose in critical condition at the University of Michigan Hospital nearly a week after he was thrown from his car in traffic accident.

Kevin Stampish, 36, suffered a closed head injuries and facial trauma in the accident near Cherry Hill and Venoy.

Police said Stampish was traveling westbound on Cherry Hill when he turned left into the eastern driveway of N and N Coney Island, striking a vehicle moving eastbound

in the curb lane.

After the collision, the two vehicles slid along Cherry Hill and came to rest on the western driveway into the restaurant.

Stampish, who police said wasn't wearing his seat belt, was ejected through the passenger side of his car and landed on the ground.

Both Stampish and the other driver, a Berkley man, both had been drinking prior to the accident, said Officer David Matheny.

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The Berkley man and a female passenger both suffered less serious injuries in the accident.

"The accident is still under investigation. Charges are possible against both drivers," said Matheny.

Peace run from page A1

Run will travel through all 50 states before ending up back in New York City Aug. 15.

The global event will enter Michigan at New Buffalo on July 25 and travel throughout the southern part of the state before going through Westland and Garden City on its way to Detroit.

The torch run will pass through the area on Monday, July 28, along Ford Road in Westland at approximately 1:50 p.m. and Garden City at 2 p.m. Castoldi said.

The Peace Run, which is held every two years, made an unheralded trek through the area a couple of years ago. However, Castol-

di said she would like to see residents take more of an active interest in celebrating the run.

Castoldi said no ceremonies are planned in either local community. "If a group would like to have one or anyone would like to run with the torch, it can still be arranged," she added.

There is a core group of 12 runners who are carrying the torch throughout the continental United States. However, just as in the Olympic torch run, representatives from every community will have a chance to carry the torch and run for peace.

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reached for comment.

Even though James said he plans to resign as clerk this Friday, he said he may remain as spokesman for a couple of weeks. Moreover, he said he didn't know if two of his colleagues will continue their efforts.

James indicated that his decision had nothing to do with an investigation that Detroit attorney Rudolph Serra requested of

the State Bar of Michigan's Committee on Unauthorized Practice of Law.

Serra told the Observer that he received a letter from the State Bar on Thursday confirming that an investigation would be launched.

James said he views the investigation as a "formality" that won't have serious consequences. James said Friday that he had

spoken with Serra and tried "to make peace with him" and convince him that "we're not hateful bigots."

Brown and her supporters disagree and have said the court's so-called efforts to raise moral issues amounted to a hate-based smear campaign.

The court also targeted for criticism an area psychic, Elizabeth DeSouza, who was mailed a

packet of questions that sought a response from her.

Meanwhile, James confirmed that his last name is actually Narsisian, but he said he is using his middle name in place of his last name to avoid being confused with his father. The two men have the same first and last names.

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Benchmarking MEAP

Teachers develop test to measure progress.

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests, those taken by elementary students to determine how they rank in several subjects, have lately become more than just a learning tool for educators.

In recent years, MEAP test scores have become very meaningful to parents who have used the results to determine everything from the best schools to the best place to live.

Wayne County officials are hoping to do away with the competitiveness of the test scores by developing a test of their own, written by teachers.

"We are not using the MEAP scores the way they were meant to be, to gauge where a child should be in certain subjects at different grade levels," said Mike Flanagan, superintendent of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency. "By developing the Benchmark Pro-

'Our goal is to come up with tests to give students in years they don't take the MEAP tests so we can determine if we are teaching toward the MEAP objectives.'

Helen Stanks
Wayne County RESA

ject, we will be able to get a snapshot of where a student is before the MEAP tests are given."

RESA has recruited a group of 72 teachers from throughout Wayne County to develop tests which will help teachers and school administrators determine where they need to make changes in curriculum and instructional methods.

"Our goal is to come up with tests to give students in years they don't take the MEAP tests so we can determine if we are teaching toward the MEAP objectives," notes Helen Stanks, director of educational services for RESA. "That way we can

decide what needs to be done to the curriculum. It will also make the MEAP tests less competitive."

Currently, Michigan elementary students take the MEAP tests in fourth and seventh grades for reading and math, with writing and science in fifth and eighth grades. State officials are also developing a social studies MEAP test to give to fifth and eighth graders.

The Benchmark Project is unique in that tests are being written by teachers to help them develop their curriculum.

"We need to make the Benchmark tests as close as we can to the MEAP format so as not to

confuse the students," said Pattee Rupert, a fourth-grade teacher at Plymouth-Canton's Field Elementary. "I have felt for years we've had to give up necessary curriculum hours to take time out to teach for the MEAP tests. The new tests will eliminate the need for that."

Teachers and administrators are finding the Benchmark Project a way to better educational standards in Wayne County.

"This is one of the most innovative and exciting things we have ever done," said Flanagan. "When we first shared this concept with local superintendents back in April, they immediately responded this type of test would be very useful to them."


"We're due to have the pilot tests ready for use at some schools in the fall," commented Flanagan. "We hope to have the Benchmark Project ready for use by all 34 Wayne County school districts next spring."

Social Security office to close

The Livonia Social Security Office will close temporarily Aug. 1 through Aug. 8. It will re-open Aug. 11.


If residents need services that week, they are advised to visit any of the following Social Security offices: 26840 W.

Seven Mile Road in Redford Township, 23580 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington or 2500 Hamlin Boulevard in Inkster. Residents also can call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, to schedule an appointment.



Dentistry in the 90s

by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S. & Martha P. Zinderman, R.N., D.D.S.



GRINDING TO A HALT

The first indication that many people have that they are grinding their teeth at night comes from bedmates who report the sound of gnashing teeth. However, because only 20 percent of people with this problem (called bruxism) actually make noise in their sleep, their dentists are usually the first ones to spot the signs of teeth grinding. They include worn-down teeth, damaged dental work, and even tooth fractures. Symptoms of bruxism that patients themselves may notice include waking up with aching jaws, muscle pain, or dull headaches. The culprit of all this grinding and its serious effects is usually tension. Until a change in lifestyle or a stress-management technique can be put in place to stop the cause of bruxism, the dentist can prescribe a plastic mouth guard to be worn at night over the upper or lower teeth to protect teeth from chronic grinding.

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Musicians to perform free concerts

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Some of the area's finest musicians from Schoolcraft College's Chamber Music and Piano Concert Performance program will perform three free concerts in August.

Schoolcraft's program is unique among summer institutes for young pianists as students learn and perform concertos with a professional chamber orchestra composed of musicians from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and other distinguished music groups.

Many of the student performers recently returned from a three-week trip to St. Petersburg, Russia, where they studied at the St. Petersburg Piano Institute and performed in czarist concert halls.

The Wednesday, Aug. 4, concert will feature Sanjay Mody, a talented 11-year-old from Birmingham. Mody will perform the Mozart Concerto in G Major as well as solo piano works by Scarlatti, Beethoven and Chopin accompanied by the Ambassador String Quartet.

The free performances at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 5 and Friday, Aug. 6, will feature excerpts from works by Mozart, Bach and Beethoven, performed by students and accompanied by the Ambassador String Quartet.

All concerts will be held in room 530 of the Forum Building at Schoolcraft College in Livonia beginning at 7 pm.

Library Network has new home

The library cooperative which services most municipal libraries in the Detroit area is moving its headquarters.

The Library Network, Michigan's largest library cooperative serving more than 2.5-million people in six counties, has bought a building in Southgate to become the organization's permanent home. The 26,000 square-foot, two-story office structure is located at 13331 Reock Road. The six-year-old building, on 3.5 acres of land, was purchased at a cost of \$1,525,000.

"While we would have preferred a new home to be more centrally located in our service area, it's the perfect building because we won't have to do much work to convert it to our needs," said Harry Courtright, director of the Library Network.

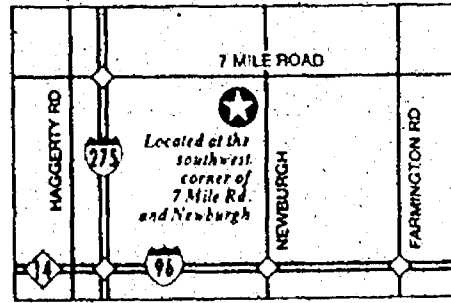
The network has leased office space from Wayne County the past 20 years at 33030 Van Born in Wayne. However, county officials will now use that structure for its own purposes.

The Library Network provides such services as computers, Internet connections and inter-library loans for municipal, school and college libraries.

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Resort government

A corporation of summer resort owners is a "public body" subject to the Freedom of Information Act, Attorney General Frank Kelley has ruled.

In an opinion requested by Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, Kelley looked at a group formed under the Summer Resort Owners Corporation Act of 1929.

Under that statute, he said, the group is "a body politic and corporate" that "shall have all the general powers and privileges and be subject to all of the liabilities of a municipal corporation and become the local governing body."

After the group has been incorporated, he said, an election may be called to determine whether the entire territory should incorporate. "As a consequence of this section, it is possible that at least some property owners may be involuntarily compelled to submit to the corporation's jurisdiction."

Even though the corporation has no powers over taxes, streets

and zoning, Kelley said, "The Michigan Supreme Court has characterized as 'quasi-governmental' the grant of . . . certain police powers over the lands owned by said corporation and within its jurisdiction' . . ."

That makes the resort property corporation a public body under FOIA and OMA, he said.

On the other hand, unincorporated groups of property owners aren't public bodies and therefore aren't subject to the sunshine laws.

Phone break

Michigan schools would get a phone bill break on their Internet and two-way interactive connections under a legislative bill awaiting Gov. John Engler's signature.

Senate Bill 637 would amend the Michigan Telecommunications Act to require that service providers that received federal "universal service" support to provide those intrastate services

at discounts.

Its value to schools is uncalculated, according to the Senate Fiscal Agency. But the Federal Communications Commission has provided for discounts of 20 to 90 percent with "disadvantaged" schools receiving even higher discounts. There would be no cost to the state.

Current the FCC requires telecommunications providers (phone companies) to offer discounts to schools on interstate services. The Michigan bill would require he discounts apply to intrastate (within Michigan) services.

The bill would apply to both public and private elementary and secondary schools.

Here's Internet

Rep. Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills, is sponsoring six bills to expand the amount of public documents available on Internet. His bills would require availabil-

ity on Internet of:

■ All state legislative bills and amendments.

■ House and Senate journals, the official records of votes on bills.

■ "Status" records. These tell the legislative history of a bill, when it was introduced, what committee it went to, what committee action was taken, and what floor action was taken.

■ All staff analyses (such as the Senate Fiscal Agency's) of a bill.

■ All postings of legislative committee hearings.

■ The Questor database.

Bill numbers were unavailable as of the close of the legislative session.

Lottery payoffs

Lottery winners would find it easier to collect more of their winnings immediately under a bill sponsored by Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville.

"Large lottery prizes are paid in annual installments over a

20-year period," said Geake. But that's too long a wait for the elderly and people who want to start a business, buy a home or pay extraordinary medical expenses.

"My legislation will amend the lottery act to clearly state that voluntary assignment of lottery prize payments, pursuant to court order, is allowed."

No bill number had been assigned as of the end of the legislative session.

Movie in Hines

Wayne County Parks officials have rescheduled "101 Dalmatians" for Wednesday, July 23, as part of the Movies in the Parks series.

The movie, rated G, was originally scheduled for June 25, but was canceled because of rain.

Admission is free. Nankin Mills is located on Hines Drive, just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Hines Park. Movie begin at dusk.

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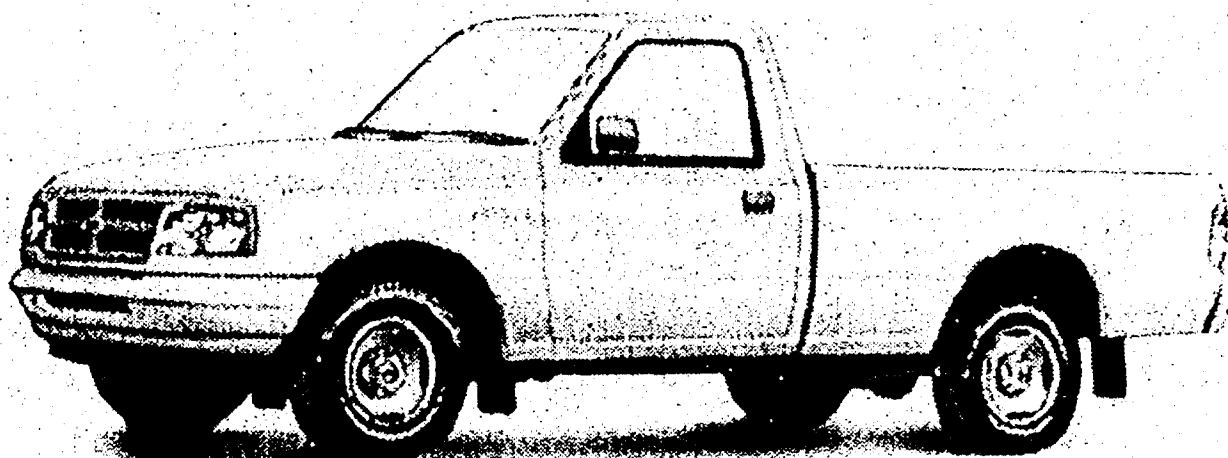
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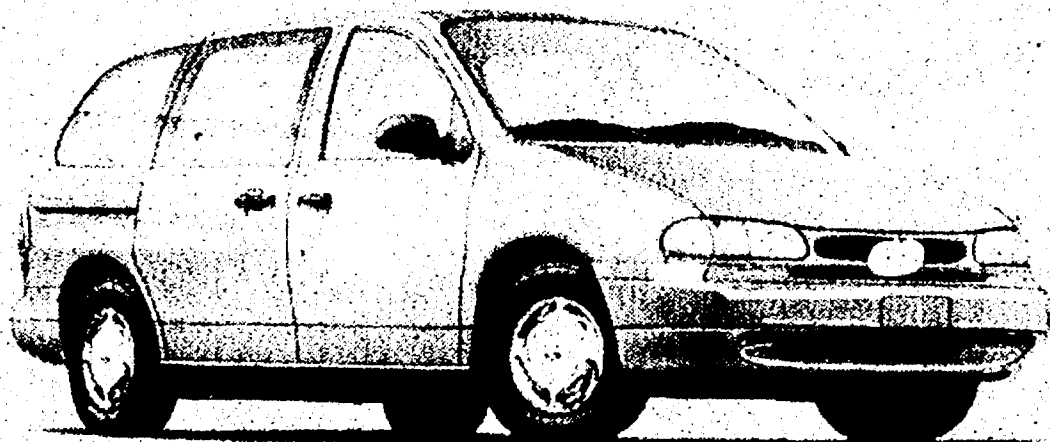
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SPECIALTY FOODS



KEELY WYGONIK

New frozen desserts are refreshingly cool

We were holding court at the kitchen table after an unexpected, but welcome last minute dinner with my brother and sister-in-law on a hot, muggy July Monday. Not wanting to make an issue out of what to bring for dessert, I grabbed two new products my co-workers and just I sampled - "Savino Italian Sorbet," and "Stroh's Homemade Ice Cream featuring Sanders' ingredients."

Before making a case for why readers should buy these products, I thought I'd send up another trial balloon, and let my husband and in-laws try them.

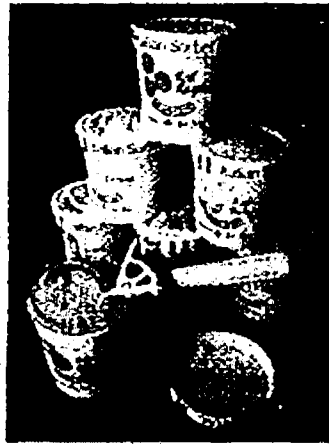
Savino Italian Sorbet

Chunks of orange and pineapple, shredded coconut and banana. Something this good can't be low in fat argued my brother-in-law the attorney as he sampled Tropical Banana.

Before passing judgment, we read the label - 106 calories per half cup serving, 0 fat. The verdict - "if I was on a diet, and counting calories and fat, I'd eat this," said my brother-in-law who regularly works out, and doesn't worry too much about fat and calories.

My sister-in-law liked it too, but David, my husband, wasn't interested. He sampled a spoonful, said "it's OK if you like that sort of thing," and ate his ice cream.

Introduced by Chef Lou DeCillis of West Bloomfield based Savino Sorbet, Tropical Banana is one of four new Savino Italian Sorbet flavors. The others - "Very Berry" - chunky strawberry with a blueberry ripple, "Orange" with mandarin orange pieces, and "Peacharino" - peach and tangerine swirled together, are just as good, contain 0 fat, and 106 calories per half cup serving.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Summer licks: Chef Lou DeCillis, maker of Savino Italian Sorbet, recently introduced four new flavors.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, DeCillis graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in 1970.

"I have been a frozen dessert hound dog since I was a kid," said DeCillis. "After I graduated I made ice cream, and had a catering business. At the time there was no company specializing in homemade ice cream or sorbet. I had friends out here, got a U-Haul trailer one way, and loaded my stuff."

In 1978 he opened a dessert parlor in Livonia at Seven Mile and Middlebelt, and began building his business. "In the '70s when I told people my sorbet contained no fat or cholesterol they would look at me and say 'so what, who cares.' I read a lot of inspirational materials. You gotta hang in there long enough."

His wholesale business grew, and he closed the store in Livonia in 1989. Lou DeCillis' time has come. People care about fat content, and cholesterol, but they also want desserts that taste good. Savino Italian Sorbets are smooth, fruity and creamy. They're made with all natural ingredients, and soothingly delicious on a hot day. Dieters, calorie and fat counters will whisper a silent "thank-you Lou" when they taste these sorbets, but those who can afford to indulge will also enjoy them because they taste so good.

Fans include President Bill and Hillary Clinton. Savino Lemon Italian Sorbet gets the president's vote, while Hillary prefers Michigan Cherry.

The Savino Italian Sorbet product line also includes Red Raspberry. Look for Savino Italian Sorbet at your favorite store. Savino Italian Sorbet, is sold in pints, in new resealable, recyclable containers, and retails for \$2.69. Check out the Savino web site - www.sorbet.com

Stroh's Ice Cream

My husband David is an ice cream man. He and his brother were reared on the best - Stroh's

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Chef Rick Halberg's Slow Food Manifesto
- Start Jammin'



NATIONAL HOT DOG AND SAUSAGE COUNCIL

Frankly speaking: Everyone relishes hot dogs in the summer. A platter of hot dogs with various toppings, including ketchup, mustard, corn relish, coleslaw and bacon is a surefire hit.

It's summer - Hot Diggity Dog!

BY RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON
SPECIAL WRITER

How do you explain our fascination with the simple hot dog? Our love for franks, appears to relate back to childhood.

According to a poll done by the National Hot Dog & Sausage Council "kids are the household members who enjoy hot dogs most." Regardless of who's eating them, Americans consume about seven billion hot dogs between Memorial Day and Labor Day - now that's a load of dogs!

Everyone seems to have at least one childhood hot dog story to share.

Linda Lagerstrom of Bingham Farms, enthusiastically shares her tale of Mom's Little Red Hot Dogs - "Mom served Little Red Hot Dogs with Macaroni and Cheese for dinner for me and my brother when Dad was out golfing. We loved it. It was comfort food, certainly not for guests, but definitely a real family food."

These bite-sized dogs immersed in ketchup and brown sugar were a real favorite at Linda's childhood home in Marshall Michigan. "Today, when I'm down in the dumps, I still make little red hot dogs - but as an adult, I've added barbecue sauce and onions!" Linda's husband Michael is the one making

the Mac & Cheese - "He's a wizard at that," says his pro-comfort food wife.

Judy Ostro of West Bloomfield relates her husband's old favorite - Cowboy Dinner. These bite-sized kiddy dogs were added to baked beans. Judy's mother-in-law Rose, made Cowboy Dinner on Saturday nights, when it was hot dog night at the senior Ostros. Judy admits to still making them occasionally, minus the crumpled bacon that one can add for a special treat.

"We don't eat this too often, watching fat intake at this point in life." Being a creative person and an art teacher, Judy also made "Hot Dog People" when her daughter was young, and wouldn't eat anything other than simple beefy dogs.

"I used lettuce for hair, cheese slices for clothes and the actual sliced dog as the body - condiments made a great face and sometimes cheese for eyes. I've always been artistic in the kitchen, you know, presentation is important!"

Hot dogs may be dietary staples for kids, but they are also a favorite at the ballpark - they even got their name there. In 1901, at the Polo Grounds in New York, a concessionaire was losing money selling ice cream and pop (they called it then, and still do - soda), so he sent his

salesman to buy up all the dachshund sausages (what they were called at the time). When the vendors went through the stands with their portable hot water tanks to keep the sausages hot, they yelled "Get your dachshund sausages while they're red hot!" Hearing the vendors shouting their slogan, sports cartoonist Tad Dorgan drew a cartoon of a barking dachshund sausage nestled in a roll - unsure of how to spell dachshund, he wrote "Hot Dog!" Not only coming up with an idea and making his deadline, Dorgan created an icon.

If all the hot dogs consumed in major league ballparks were laid end to end, they would stretch from Yankee Stadium in New York City to Dodger's Stadium in Los Angeles - that translates to 26 million hot dogs!

While ballpark franks are universal from stadium to stadium, many cities are famous for their preparation of hot dogs; Coney Islands (chili, mustard and onions) are special to Detroit.

New York City vendors offer steamed onions, sauerkraut, and pale yellow mustard with their steamed dogs. Chicago Dogs are served with dark green relish, chopped raw onion, tomato slices, yellow mustard, topped with a dash of celery salt, and served on a poppy seed bun. Don't forget batter-dipped corn

dogs, which are served at county fairs. Texas and Iowa both take credit for inventing corn dogs!

Many Easterners prefer beef franks, Westerners prefer poultry dogs (chicken or turkey), and Midwesterners eat more pork and beef hot dogs than any other region of the U.S. Vegetarians have even made their mark in the hot dog department with links made from either tofu or vegetable product. Our traditional favorite hot dogs now come in low-fat, lower fat, and no fat.

Toppings for hot dogs are almost endless; cheese, grilled or raw onions, sauerkraut, coleslaw, relish, pickle slices, chopped or sliced tomatoes, sliced jalapenos, chopped vegetables, bacon, salsa, ketchup, fancy mustards, and chutney. Despite all these choices mustard still comes in first.

Outdoor grilling is the favored method of cooking hot dogs for 41 percent of American adults. Boiling is the number two hot dog cooking method nationwide, except in the South, where boiling rivals the barbecue grill.

According to the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council twenty billion hot dogs are sold yearly. July is National Hot Dog Month - can you dig it?

See recipes inside.

Germans tout perfect wine and food matches

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

Why aren't German wines more popular? Probably because American wine consumers don't understand them. About 10 years ago, Germany's wine producers decided they'd stray from their tradition and attract more wine drinkers with drier wines. They labeled them Trocken (dry) and Halbtrocken (half-dry). They were dry, but also tart and rather lean in the mouth. American wine drinkers, in general, didn't like them.

The good news is that several German estate-wine producers are touting tradition, sticking

with their well-balanced wines, riesling in particular, and showcasing them as best wine matches with a broad array of foods.

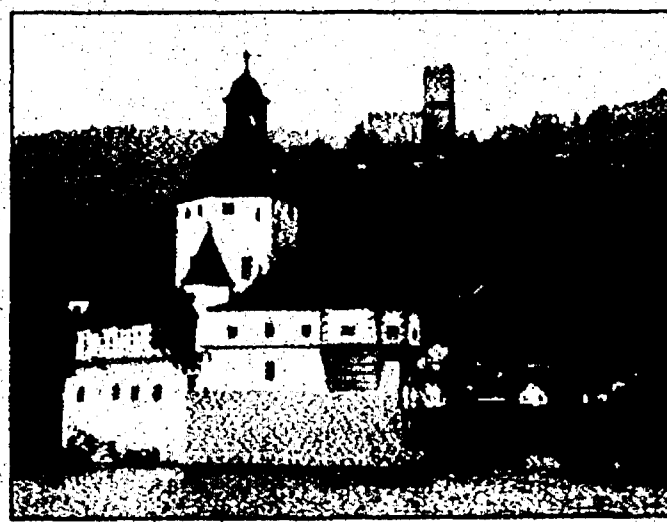
"Pradikat wines are making a comeback as matches with food," said Derek Vinnicombe, a major exporter of German estate wines. His portfolio of wine producers make micro quantities of wine. The largest may make only 1,000 cases of one wine while the smallest only 200 to 300 cases. Continuing good news - these wines are available in our market.

Gunter Theis, director of Weingut Schloss Schonborn in the Rheingau, discussed current vintages - "1993 and 1995 are quite similar in that we had very ripe grapes in both years. However, 1994 has more refreshing acidity upfront."

The biggest market for Schonborn wines is Asia. It's not difficult to tell why when tasting the 1994 Schloss Schonborn Erbacher Marco-brunn Riesling Kabinett \$13 with Japanese or Chinese food. Dungeness Crab Hong Kong style is a great match. For crab cakes, though, we like the Schonborn 1996 Riesling Kabinett \$11 because of its youthful fruit.

"For pork dishes, I like a spatlese quality level," Theis added. "Americans think spatlese are sweet wines. But if you talk about residual sugar offering sweetness, you have to discuss acidity at the same time. In a year like 1990, there's so much balance in riesling spatlese that they are perfectly matched to a pork dish."

Stefan Bollig of Weingut Bollig-Lehnert in the Mosel region pointed out that in the last 10 years,



RAY HEALD

German traditlon: Castles on the Rhine River of Germany co-exist with hillside vineyards.

"there has been an incredible string of quality vintages." While he says 1990 is tops in this decade, he also likes 1994. But among his offerings, the 1995 Trittenheimer Apotheke Riesling Kabinett \$9.50 sports delicious apple aromas and flavors and ends refreshingly clean. The higher, yet seemingly more balanced acidity, of the 1995 Bollig-Lehnert Piesporter Goldtropfchen Riesling Kabinett \$10 gives it a bigger aftertaste portending a broad range of food matches such as scallops, cream of asparagus soup or vegetable risotto.

"We've been sleeping in the market until

Please see **GERMAN, B2**

Wine Picks

- **Wowee** Maui Hawaii has a winery. Teleschil Vineyards on Maui has made wine for over 20 years. For the first time, it's available in Michigan. There's pineapple wine, both sparkling and still and wines made from the Cabernet grape variety. All are lower in alcohol and light on the palate. Hawaiian Pineapple Sparkling Wine (makes a dynamic Mimosa with fresh orange juice), Maui Brut and 1994 Rose Ranch Cuvée are each \$16. Maui Blanc, a fruit infused pineapple wine and Maui Splash, pineapple and passion fruit are \$9.75, Maui Blush \$10 and Plantation Red \$15.75 showcase the versatility of Cabernet to produce both a pink and dry, well-balanced red with a kick of spice. Blushakua Red \$10 is a sweet red wine.
- **Reasonably priced Italian whites** for lighter food styles: 1996 Coretto Anelis Blange \$15 for simply roasted chicken or smoked trout; 1996 Anselmi San Vincenzo Soave Classico Superiore \$10, crisp and dry; and 1994 Anselmi Capital Croce Soave Classico \$15, match with shellfish or lobster.

Specialty Foods from page B1

Ice Cream and Sanders Hot Fudge. As far as they're concerned, the recent blending of extra premium Stroh's Ice Cream, and top-quality Sanders products, is a match made in dessert heaven.

Stroh's and Sanders teamed-up to create eight new ice cream flavors - Bumpy Cake 'N' Cream (butter cream flavor with devils food cake and fudge icing), Hot Fudge Sundae (vanilla ice cream with Sanders milk chocolate hot fudge), Butterscotch Caramel Sundae (vanilla ice cream with Sanders Butterscotch caramel), Old-Fashioned Vanilla, Cookies 'N' Cream, Double Fudge Brownie, Pralines 'N' Cream and Old Fashioned Butter Pecan.

The brothers sampled Pralines 'N' Cream, which has a ribbon of caramel running through it. It was a little sweet for their taste, but they liked the concept.

To boost my case for this new product I picked up another flavor - Hot Fudge Sundae and submitted it for judging. This one got their vote, and was judged outstanding.

If you're an ice cream and Sanders fan you'll want to scoop

these up. They're sold in half gallon containers for \$4.99. Look for the familiar Stroh's Ice Cream and Sanders brand labels

While it's true many people are concerned about calories and fat, steak houses and martini's are making a comeback. Go figure.

"The indulgence segment of the market is increasing," said Gary Giller of Bloomfield Hills president of Stroh's Ice Cream Co., which still makes its home in Motown. "People want to reward themselves, and low-fat really doesn't taste the same. Therefore, we viewed this as the right time and the perfect opportunity."

Giller's favorite flavor is Bumpy Cake 'N' Cream. "I have the pounds to prove it," he said. "It's loaded with good stuff, thick fudge, devils food cake, real butter cream icing. It's different."

"The pairing of Stroh's Homemade Ice Cream and Sanders is a great fit. Between the two of us we have 200 years in the dessert industry."

Decide for yourself. Look for Savino Italian Sorbet and

Stroh's Homemade Ice Cream Featuring Sanders Hot Fudge at your favorite grocery store. Both products won our favor, and my coworkers liked them too.

You'll just have to taste Stroh's Ice Cream with Sanders for yourself to see how good it is. It will remind you of those great hot fudge sundaes they served at Sanders downtown, or special Sundays and birthdays spent with relatives. In fact, here's a scoop.

"People always tell us about how when they were little they would go to Hudson's for a special event and then to Sanders for a hot fudge cream puff," said Giller. "We're working on a new flavor - Hot Fudge Cream Puff."

Keely Wygonik is editor of the Taste section for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Look for her Specialty Food column on the fourth Sunday of the month in Taste. Send information about made in Michigan products for consideration in this column to Wygonik at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax (313) 591-7279.



STROH'S ICE CREAM COMPANY

Yummy: Justin Brady (left) Kelsey Grigal and Ben Giller enjoy Hot Fudge Sundae, one of the newest ice cream flavors introduced by Stroh's Homemade Ice Cream and Sanders.

German from page B1

recently," admitted Alice Fitz (a native of Massachusetts) and married to the owner of estate Fitz-Ritter in the Pfalz region.

This is true, the story has not been adequately stressed that the estate is exceedingly environmentally friendly and organically farmed.

Here, one finds chardonnay planted on lime and sandy loam soils. The Pfalz has the greatest amount of sunshine of any of the 11 German wine regions making ripening of chardonnay possible. However, this estate is best known for its gewurztraminer.

Try the 1995 Durkheimer Norntengarten Gewurztraminer Spätlese \$9.50. "I serve it as an aperitif with paté or as a first course with fish or chicken in a cream sauce," Fitz said. "It's also great with fresh greens and a honey-Dijon mustard vinaigrette."

Friedrich Baumann, owner of the wine estate bearing his name, has a 300-year family winemaking tradition. He likes the 1995 kabinet level wines from his estate with ham, chicken or turkey. "For fish, 1994 is better," he said. "I like riesling spatlese wines served alone or with cheese. I have a rule, the sweeter the wine, the stronger the cheese."

Dorothee Anheuser of Weingut Paul Anheuser in the Nahe region, likes the 1995 Anheuser Kreuz Kahlenberg Riesling Spätlese \$11.50 with an apple tart. "When you make the tart, use the wine to replace some or all of the lemon juice called for in the recipe," she counseled.

Tasty pairs

■ If you'd like to learn more about successfully pairing Ger-

man wines and foods, the 16-page booklet "Balance of Flavors" is available free from the German Wine Information Bureau, 79 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10015. (212) 213-7028.

■ Bolla wines celebrates 50 years in America with a sizzling sweepstakes grand prize, a massive Ducane Par-T-Grill valued at \$2,800. Enter by completing forms available at participating retailers or through Bolla's Internet site <http://www.bolla.com>. Online you'll also find recipes and tips for great grilling.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

Give hot dogs the tasty treatment

See related story on Taste front.

"This recipe will serve two or one really hungry kids," said Linda Lagerstrom. It's the ultimate in comfort food served alone or with Macaroni and Cheese.

LINDA LAGERSTROM'S LITTLE RED HOT DOGS

- 4 beef franks cut into 1-inch pieces or smaller
- 1/2 medium onion minced finely
- 1 cup ketchup
- 1 cup barbecue sauce
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar

Mix this concoction together in a pot and heat on the stove top until the dogs are puffy and done. If you need to, add more ketchup and barbecue sauce until you get the consistency you desire.

JUDY'S COWBOY DINNER

- Boil hot dogs (as many as you like)
- Cut into bite-sized pieces
- Add 1 can Vegetarian Baked Beans (or more according to taste, and number of hot dogs)
- Optional - crumpled cooked bacon

Warm mixture until the beans are hot

This is the low-fat version of Cowboy Dinner, or you can use all the full-fledged fat ingredients if you like.

DOG-A-DILLAS

- Makes 12 sandwich rolls
- 12 flour tortillas
- 12 fat-free hot dogs
- 1 cup fat-free refried beans
- 4 ounces grated reduced-fat cheddar cheese (1 cup)
- 1/2 cup salsa for dipping

Preheat oven or toaster oven to 350 degrees F.

Spread out tortillas and place a frank in the middle of the tortilla. Add three teaspoons of refried beans and a sprinkling of cheese.

Roll and hold with a toothpick.

Bake until tortilla is browned. Dip in Salsa and enjoy.

Recipe compliments of the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council.

WOWZONES

- 1 tube refrigerator roll of pizza dough
- 1 cup grated part-skim mozzarella cheese

- 1/4 cup Parmesan (part-skim cheese)
- Non-stick cooking spray
- 4 tablespoons pizza sauce or pasta sauce
- Sliced hot dogs
- Optional pizza toppings: green peppers, olives, onions, 1 tablespoon Italian herb seasoning (or a mixture of oregano, thyme, parley, etc.)

Open package of pizza dough, gather ingredients, grate cheese, chop vegetables, preheat oven to 300 degrees F.

Spray cookie sheet with non-stick cooking spray. Place pizza dough on sheet and cut into 8 squares. Press dough thin with fingers. Add pizza sauce to four squares. (The other four will make the tops).

Add other pizza toppings and pizza herbs to taste. Place the other four squares to cover the mini-pizzas and crimp edges.

Cooking: Bake for approximately 15 minutes or until crust begins to brown. Serve with warm tomato sauce for dip.

Recipe compliments of the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council.

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Smooth drinks made with Savino Sorbet

See related story on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Chef Lou DeCillis maker of Savino Italian Sorbet.

PEACHARINO SMOOTHIE

- 1 cup-up banana
- 4 ounces orange juice (1/2 cup)
- 2 scoops Savino Peacharino Sorbet

Put ingredients in blender. Run only until smooth and serve immediately. For a thinner drink add 2 ounces (1/4 cup) more juice. For a thicker shake cut back 1-2 ounces. Yield approximately 16 ounces.

LEMON FIZZ

- 6 ounces (3/4 cup) Sprite or 7-Up
- 3 scoops Savino Lemon Sorbet

Put ingredients in blender. Run only until smooth and serve immediately. For a thinner drink add 2 ounces (1/4 cup) more juice. For a thicker shake cut back 1-2 ounces. Yield approximately 16 ounces.

RASPBERRY SHAKE

- 6 ounces skim milk (3/4 cup)
- 3 scoops Savino Raspberry Sorbet

Put ingredients in blender. Run only until smooth and serve immediately. For a thinner drink add 2 ounces (1/4 cup) more juice. For a thicker shake cut back 1-2 ounces. Yield approximately 16 ounces.

MICHIGAN CHERRY BLOSSOM

- 6 ounces (3/4 cup) Sprite, 7-Up or Orange Juice
- 3 scoops Savino Michigan Cherry Sorbet

Put ingredients in blender. Run only until smooth and serve immediately. For a thinner drink add 2 ounces (1/4 cup) more juice. For a thicker shake cut back 1-2 ounces. Yield approximately 16 ounces.

Enjoy the flavorful rewards of your garden

You tilled, you planted, you fertilized, you watered, you weeded, you waited. Now it's time to reap the harvest of your summer garden - whether it's a plot in your backyard or a herb garden in your window box.

These are the days of plenty, as green beans, corn, tomato, sweet pepper, zucchini, and eggplant reach their peak.

Now is the time to plan an entire meal around vegetables. Start with a colorful and quick Spanish stew. Boil a pound of trimmed and halved beans for four minutes, until partly cooked. Grill, peel and cut two red peppers into strips. Saute chopped garlic briefly in a tablespoon of olive oil; add the green beans and salt and pepper to taste and saute two minutes longer. Stir in pepper strips and two tablespoons of chicken broth, cover and cook three minutes, or until the beans are tender. Add two tablespoons of chopped parsley and serve.

When you cook corn Cajun-style, you'll have no trouble making it disappear. Saute a chopped onion and 1/2 of a chopped green bell pepper in two tablespoons of vegetable oil for five minutes. Cut the kernels off six ears of corn and add to the pan with a chopped tomato, a teaspoon of sugar, and salt, ground black pepper and

cayenne pepper to taste. Cover and cook 20 minutes, or until the corn is tender. Remove the lid, stir and cook two to three minutes more.

Since the tomato is technically a fruit, why not try it in a traditional fruit-based recipe like marmalade? Start by skinning, seeding and chopping 15 Roma tomatoes. Then peel and cut three lemons into segments, removing the white pith and seeds and saving the zest. Layer an oven-proof dish, alternating tomatoes with lemon segments, zest and a teaspoon of fresh, finely-grated ginger. Drizzle the entire dish with a teaspoon of lemon juice and sprinkle evenly with two cups of sugar. Cover and bake at 350 degrees F. until the mixture has thickened to a marmalade consistency, about four hours. Stir in two tablespoons of fresh, chopped basil and serve as a savory accompaniment to grilled fish.

What to do when the garden explodes

Ratatouille, a well-known specialty of the Provence region of France, is one of the most popular and versatile dishes using large amounts of summer's bountiful produce.

RATATOUILLE

1 small eggplant, cut into 1/2-inch cubes

Salt, to taste

- 2 Tablespoons olive oil
- 2 large red peppers, cut into 3/4-inch pieces
- 4 small zucchini, sliced
- 1 onion, coarsely chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 pound tomatoes, chopped or 1 can (28 oz.) whole tomatoes, drained and chopped
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh basil

Sprinkle the eggplant with salt and place it in a colander to drain for 30 minutes. Pat dry with paper towels.

Heat a tablespoon of the oil in a nonstick skillet. Add the eggplant, stir and cook six to seven minutes, or until soft and brown.

If more cooking liquid is necessary, add two tablespoons chicken broth.

Push the cooked eggplant to the side of pan before adding red peppers, zucchini, onion, and garlic to the center of the pan.

Cook the vegetables, stirring, three to five minutes or until tender.

Add the tomatoes to the pan, mix in with the other vegetables and cook on low heat between 15 to 20 minutes, or until all of the vegetables are very tender, stirring occasionally.



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French specialty: Use freshly harvested eggplant, red peppers, zucchini, tomato and basil to make Ratatouille.

Stir in the basil and serve.

Each of the six servings con-

tain 110 calories and five grams of fat.

Recipes and information from

the American Institute For Cancer Research.

WHAT'S COOKING

Send or fax items for consideration in *Cooking Calendar* to: Keely Wygonik, Taste Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, (313) 591-7279.

SPECIAL DINNER

EMILY'S
Third annual Almost All Seafood Dinner, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 23 at Emily's Restaurant, 505 N. Center, Northville, cost \$95 per person, inclusive of tax and gratuity, call (248) 349-0505 for reservations. Imagine yourself dining around the Mediterranean in search of great seafood and wine courses. Chef Rick Halberg will try to produce some of those memories for you without having to validate your passport.

NEW GROCERY STORE

KROGER CO.
Grand Opening ribbon-cutting celebration 8 a.m. Sunday, July 27 for new store at 31300 Michigan Ave. in Westland. The store will be open 7 a.m. to midnight, seven days a week, the new 63,511 square foot store features a variety of customer conveniences including full-service pharmacy, deli, and floral departments, a full-service First Federal of Michigan Bank

branch, PageTec cellular phone and pager center, and the Kroger Co.'s first drive through pharmacy in Michigan.

CONTESTS

UNCLE BEN'S

Children ages 12 and under are invited to enter the contest by sending an essay of 150 or less describing why their mom or dad is a good cook. If you're chosen as one of the lucky eight regional finalists, in September, you and your parent will be whisked off to New York for the fun-filled contest. Grand prize is \$5,000, second prize \$2,000, third prize \$1,000. The contest gives parents a chance to show off their cooking talent in the kitchen by pulling together a family dinner in 30 minutes or less. All entries must be submitted by Aug. 31 to: Uncle Ben's Good Cooks' Cook Off, P.O. Box 11172, Chicago, Illinois 60611. The eight finalists will be notified by Sept. 12. To obtain a copy of the official rules, write to the above address.

CREATIONS CONTEST

Sponsored by Shedd's Spread Country Crock. Using at least one Country Crock container - tub, squeeze bottle or stick carton - cut, paste, build and glue a new object or thing. Make a toy, hanging mobile. The most imagi-

native entry of this national contest will have the chance to create their own vacation, with a

value of \$10,000. For contest rules, send a self-addressed stamped envelope by Oct. 31 to

Contest Requests, P.O. Box 5141, Department A, Parsippany, NJ 07054-6141. All entries

must be received by Nov. 21.

Toss-up a steak salad

AP - For a fast family meal, make a main dish salad. It's easy when one of the prepackaged salad mixes now available in the supermarket is teamed with a quick-cooking beef cut.

Caesar is among the favorite salad choices these days, but instead of serving it as a side salad, make it the main dish by adding stir-fried strips of beef top sirloin steak.

Great-tasting Steak Caesar Salad is ready in 15 minutes because all you do is stir-fry strips of beef with flavorful, convenient garlic oil.

Then toss the beef with the greens and dressing from the Caesar salad mix. Sprinkle with the croutons and some Parmesan cheese to garnish.

Add warm, soft bread sticks and sorbet with berries to round out the menu.

STEAK CAESAR SALAD

Total preparation and cooking time: 15 minutes

- 1-pound boneless beef top sirloin steak, cut 1-inch thick
- 2 teaspoons garlic-flavored olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 10- to 11-ounce prepackaged Caesar Salad Mix
- Shredded Parmesan (optional)

QUICK DISH

Great-tasting Steak Caesar Salad is ready in 15 minutes because all you do is stir-fry strips of beef with flavorful, convenient garlic oil.

Cut beef steak lengthwise in half and then crosswise into 1/4-inch thick strips.

In medium bowl, combine beef, oil and pepper. Toss to coat.

Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add beef, one-half at a time, and stir-fry 1 to 2 minutes or until outside surface is no longer pink.

Do not overcook. Remove from skillet; season with salt.

In large bowl, combine beef with lettuce and dressing from mix; toss to coat.

Arrange salad on large platter, sprinkle with croutons and, if desired, Parmesan cheese. Serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 309 cal., 28 g pro., 7 g carbo., 18 g fat, 3.5 mg iron, 689 mg sodium, 79 mg chol. Percentage of calories from fat: 52 percent.

Recipe from: National Cattle-men's Beef Association

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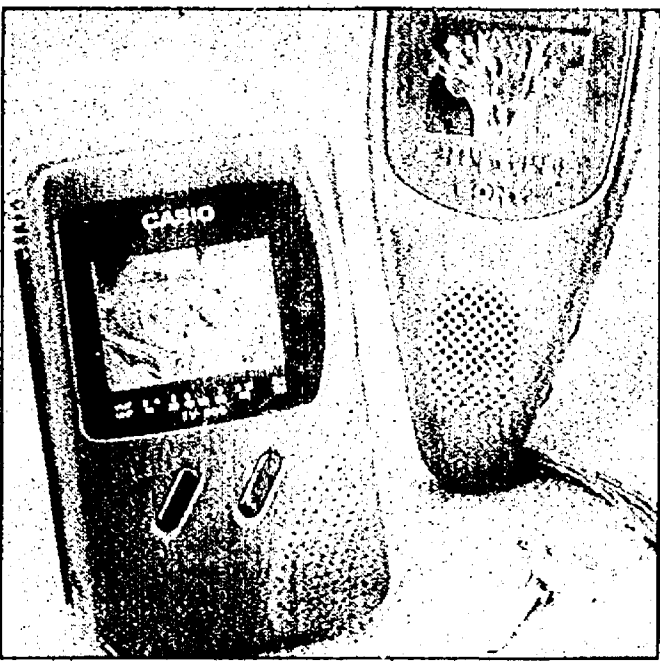
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Power out? Handy new products can save the day

The storm that tore through Southeast Michigan July 2 left an estimated half million homes without power, including mine.

Compared to people in other areas - especially those in Hamtramck, Highland Park, the Grosse Pointes and Clarkston, where lives and homes were lost - my neighbors and I got off easy. We only lost power for two days. We could have lost much more.

Still, power outages are inconvenient. What, besides a generator and perhaps a fully-charged laptop computer, can make them less of a nuisance? I went shopping for answers and here's what I found.

To light your home, you could use candles or oil lamps. But a safer option, especially if you have young children in the house, is a battery powered lamp, like the plastic Coleman Table Lamp. It gives off enough light to read by and I found it at Kmart for \$8.99.

SHOPPING CENTERED



DONNA MULCAHY

A battery-powered AM/FM radio is one of the most important things you can have during a storm, for weather and other information. Radios that can pick up television audio signals are even better and start at about \$20.

Hand-held, battery-powered televisions are also nice. Sony and Casio color TVs cost about \$110 to \$130 and run on three or four AA batteries. They're available at department and electronics stores.

According to Detroit Edison, food can be kept at a safe temperature in a refrigerator for about 12 hours and in a freezer for two to three days, when the power is off and the doors are kept closed. What happens if that time is up and your power is still out?

You could buy an "iceless cooler." They look like a cross between a regular ice chest and a mini-refrigerator. They are made to be powered by a car's cigarette lighter when the car is running. With special, separately-sold adapters, they also can be powered by a 12-volt battery or regular household electric current.

They cannot freeze items, but they can keep previously chilled items cold. They also have a food warming mode.

The Igloo Koolmate 32, for example, cools to 40 degrees below the outside temperature, and in the warming mode, it can heat to about 155 degrees Fahrenheit. It can keep pre-frozen foods solid if the outside temperature remains below 72 degrees.

Iceless coolers sell for about \$80 to \$100, and Coleman makes them, too. They can be found at Kmart, Service Merchandise and Target. I found the converter for household electricity, which would be useless during a power outage, at Target and Service Merchandise for about \$34.

I could not find the 12-volt battery converter that is made by those manufacturers, but I did find a similar 12-volt converter that would probably work at Radio Shack for about \$6. Radio Shack also sells 12-volt batteries.

A much cheaper way of preserving food is to put it in a regular cooler and keep it iced down. Instead of regular ice, you could use dry ice, but be sure to wear gloves when handling it. According to Detroit Edison, 15 to 20 pounds of dry ice can preserve food for about 24 hours.

One source of dry ice is Holiday Market at 1203 S. Main Street in Royal Oak (313) 541-1414. A seven- to 10-pound block there costs \$5.98.

Being without power doesn't mean you have to have a bad hair day. Conair and Braun both make cordless curling irons. They cost about \$20 and are powered by butane cartridges, which cost \$4 to \$5 for a package of two. They're available at Kmart, Service Merchandise and other stores.

Finally, if you're worried that you might lose data if you're working on your computer when a power outage strikes, you could buy an uninterruptible power source (UPS) system.

Depending on the type you get, a UPS can power a computer system for five or more minutes, which is usually long enough to close files and turn off a computer safely. They cost \$130 or more and can be ordered through Radio Shack and computer stores.

Donna Mulcahy is a Livonia resident who writes frequently about new merchandise.

Jeffrey Bruce's guest beauty and make-up column appears here next week.

Shops for women offer TLC

Women's health boutiques take on insurance companies for the right to sell medical aids.

BY DONNA MULCAHY
SPECIAL WRITER

When Harriet Dunsky bought the Bobette Lingerie Shop in Waterford 13 years ago and decided to focus on products to help women with breast cancer, she wasn't sure what to expect.

"I didn't know if we were going to cry or laugh with our customers," she said.

To be on the safe side, she put boxes of tissue in each of her fitting rooms. She had to restock those boxes quite frequently in the beginning. But now, so few of her customers cry in the fitting room that she finds herself dusting off the tissue boxes every week instead of replenishing them.

She says that change is due to breast cancer awareness programs and improved cancer treatments, which help survivors feel better about themselves and their bodies.

Still, no one is denying that breast cancer is traumatic.

"It takes a special kind of person to be in this line of work," said Barbara Milinko, of the Women's Health Boutique in Lathrup Village. Besides good business skills, the job requires compassion and sensitivity.

The best part about their jobs is helping women who have undergone breast cancer surgery feel like themselves again, agreed Dunsky, Milinko, Koss and Annette Newman, who owns Annette's Unique Boutique in Troy.

The worst part, they all said, is dealing with the health insurance industry.

Breast prostheses, pocketed bras and other such products for breast cancer survivors can be expensive, and are often covered by health insurance. The problem is most HMOs and PPOs designate which



PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Special care: Harriet Dunsky poses with her collections at The Bobette Shop in Waterford.

stores their clients can go to for such products.

Those insurance contracts usually go to big medical supply stores because they are more well-known, Dunsky said. "A lot of times, we're not even given a chance to show whether or not we can match or beat their prices," she said.

While medical supply stores may be able to handle a breast cancer survivor's physical needs by fitting her with the correct prosthesis, "they are not set up to deal with the emotional needs of women," Milinko said.

For example, at those stores, a man may be the one who does the fittings, privacy may be at a minimum, and the environment may be cold and sterile.

Milinko's boutique, on the other hand, is specifically designed to make women, and especially women who have had breast cancer surgery, feel comfortable. The decor is very feminine, with pink and white striped wallpaper and floral borders

on the walls. Padded fabric hangers display clothing and potpourri delicately scents the air.

Prosthesis fittings are done by women who are trained, certified fitters. Also, the fitting rooms are located in the back of the store and are connected to the stock room via doors, to provide the utmost in convenience and privacy during fittings.

Some independent boutique owners, including Dunsky and Newman, are banding together in an effort that they hope will eventually win over the insurance industry.

Dunsky and Newman both belong to the Women's Healthcare Education Network. The group is comprised of women throughout the country who own independent boutiques that specialize in products and services for women with special needs.

The group is working to become accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Home Care Inc. The commission accredits home care facilities in different areas, but this

is the first year that it is offering accreditation in mastectomy fittings, Dunsky said.

If Women's Healthcare Education Network becomes accredited, then all of its member boutiques will be accredited too, said Dunsky, who is the network's travel committee chairwoman.

Dunsky said that she hopes that one day insurance companies will let policy holders go to any accredited shop for a post-mastectomy prosthesis, rather than only one or two designated stores.

Boutique owners would like that, to prevent them from being squeezed out of the market. But more importantly than that, Newman said, it would empower women, by giving them the freedom to receive the type of care that they want.

Milinko said her franchise founder is looking into whether it should pursue accreditation, which can be costly.

Somerset Collection hires new marketer

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
EDITOR

The Somerset Collection has a new marketing director, Linda McIntosh, formerly of the Taubman Co.

Before joining Forbes/Cohen Properties last week, McIntosh served as marketing director at both Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn, and Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor, both Taubman centers.

She has also owned her own media-buying company, handled public relations for Ethan Allen, and worked as an account executive at Campbell-Ewald, serving 15 different accounts.

A single mom, McIntosh, 40, resides in Livonia with her son, 13, and daughter, 15.

"I'm thrilled to join the Somerset staff - it's amazing retail with awesome merchants," she said. "Right now my top priority is getting to know these merchants and their customers."

McIntosh was selected after a nation-wide search to replace Sally Victor, who left the job to direct marketing and communications at Air Touch Cellular.

McIntosh will supervise a marketing staff of four, including events manager Liz Barrett; customer service manager JoAnn Powell; marketing events assistant Julie Kuskin; and fashion director Amanda Turner.

She is a Detroit native who graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in advertising and marketing. A novice tennis play-

er, she said most of her free-time belongs to her children who play traveling hockey and figure skate.

McIntosh said the Somerset Collection is more than a shopping center and as such must be marketed differently than most.

"This place is a destination for tourists and a place of entertainment for thousands of people outside the 10-mile radius of the mall. To stay on top, maintain this position, our priority must be to remove any obstacles that hinder mall employees from performing their task of exceeding customer expectations. Being satisfied after a trip to Somerset is not enough. We must continually, consistently stand out."

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

ing at the inns across the U.S./ Europe, 7:30 p.m. Somerset Collection North. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 816-9681.

FRIDAY, JULY 25

Summer Family Series

Birmingham's Principal Shopping District hosts "Megamasks, Monsters and More!" with Whitley Setrakian 6:30 p.m. Free for families on the steps of city hall, Martin/Pierce. From 6-11 p.m., all around town, the city's annual sidewalk sales event with entertainment, refreshments and plenty of clearance bargains. Many streets closed to traffic.

Downtown Birmingham. Maple/Woodward. (248) 433-3550.

Evening Concerts

Horizon performs Motown hits, sponsored by the Farmington Downtown Development Authority and Dubin Optometric! Free, beginning at 7:30 p.m. under the Gazebo.

Grand River/Farmington. (248) 473-7283.

Outdoor concert

Country night features Rodeo Drive and Suzie Dickinson, 6:45-10:45 p.m. Free in Kellogg Park. Sponsored by Plymouth Downtown Development Authority.

Ann Arbor Trail/Main. Plymouth. (313) 416-4278.

Shoe fit clinic

Easy Spirit fitters answers questions and assist shoppers 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Hudson's. Twelve Oaks. 12 Mile/Novi. Novi. (248) 344-6800.

SATURDAY, JULY 26

50s festival

10th anniversary celebration features dusk

fireworks show from the parking lot of Twelve Oaks mall. Hula-Hoop demonstration and contest noon-1 p.m.; rock 'n roll musical with Janet Marie & Archibald from Children's Theatre of Michigan, 1-1:30 p.m. repeated 3-3:30 p.m.; Double-dutch jumping competition, 3-3:30 p.m.

The Novi 50s festival runs through July 27 at the Novi Expo Center with vintage autos, souped-up street rods, sidewalk sales, sock hops. 12 Mile/Novi Roads. Novi. (248) 348-9438.

Family entertainment

The Castle Family performs 4 and 7:30 p.m. on stage near Crowley's. Talented harmonies, dozens of musical instruments, dazzling costumes and theatrical antics, plus much more. Complimentary shows.

Livonia Mall. Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

Farmer's Markets

Both downtown Plymouth and Farmington offer fresh produce, bakery goods, flowers and herbs, plus much more through Oct. 25. Hot coffee and cold lemonade in Plymouth's gathering across from Kellogg Park. Ann Arbor Trail/Main. (313) 453-1540.

Farmington. Grand River/east of Farmington. (248) 391-7283.

Oldies days

Olde World Canterbury Village presents sock hop to raise funds for the Boys & Girls Clubs, Corvette car show, hula hoop contest through July 27.

Exit 83 North to Joslyn/Lake Orion. (248) 391-5700.

Ice cream social

Eaton Nursery hosts 12th annual ice cream social to benefit Multiple Sclerosis Society, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Live music, beautiful walkways. Co-hosted by Jasso Tree Service and Gerich Bros.

5899 West Maple. West of Orchard Lake. (248) 851-5440.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o The Observer & Eccentric 805 East Maple, 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

Children's program

"The Monster That Ate Your Garden" presented by the Mask Puppet Theatre. 10:30 a.m. and noon under the park tent. Free.

Grand River/east of Farmington. Downtown Farmington. (248) 473-7283.

Fairy Tale Musicals

Mall's Giggle Gang returns with three productions by Henry K. Martin Co. of Birmingham, Wednesdays through Aug. 6. Snow White takes center stage today 1 and 6 p.m. Come early for the best seats. Free program.

Oakland Mall. 14 Mile/John R. Troy. (248) 585-6000, ext. 4.

THURSDAY, JULY 24

Concert Series/Jazz Festival

Bring a picnic supper, lawn chairs or a blanket to enjoy a free concert by flutist Alexander Zonjic. 7:30 p.m.

On July 25-26, JAZZFEST '97 in Shain Park, noon to 9 p.m.

Shain Park. Bates/Townsend. Birmingham. (248) 433-3550.

Sidewalk sales

Savings throughout the mall through July 27. Customers can register to win \$500 shopping spree at Information Booth. Visit 25-ton sand sculpture "Annabelle's Wish." Coins dropped in the wishing well go to Make A Wish Foundation.

Travel talk

Eastern Mountain Sports hosts Lisa Goldstein of American Youth Hostels speaking about stay-

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find items in the marketplace. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Malls & Mainstreets at (248) 901-2567. Just leave a message and your phone number (slowly and clearly, please!) and each Sunday we'll print caller solutions and new quests.

Thanks to all the readers who have expressed their appreciation for this column. Yes, it is a lot of fun!

What we've found:

■ Three readers called in sources for blueprints for wooden Adirondack chairs. Andrew of Livonia said he bought some through the Lee Valley Tools catalog for \$7.50. To order or receive a catalog call 1-800-871-8158. "They also have patterns for porch swings and tables," he reports.

■ An anonymous caller suggested U-Build at 1-800-828-2453. "The blueprints are \$6.50, and they have them for foot rests and end tables, too."

■ Lou offered blueprints he no longer needs.

■ Dolores said she has the long-sought, out-of-print "Encyclopedia of Cooking" in all 19 sections.

■ Three readers offered up their stamp embroidery patterns, plus Joyce of Livonia said the Mary Maxim craft/needlepoint catalog out of Port Huron has many such patterns and products. To order one, call 1-800-962-9504.

■ Mary, an Amway associate, said the company sells "an awesome product for removing oils, grease, paint, etc. . . from concrete, brick and fieldstone. And it's 100-percent guaranteed," she insisted. It's available in a 7-pound or 50-pound size. Just call her to order at (313) 927-6245.

We're still looking for:

■ A copy of a 1960s children's book, "The Bobsy Twins at the Seashore" for Karen of Redford.

■ A book about the Calumet mining hall fire of 1913-14, called "Tinsel and Tears" for Joyce Skindell.

■ A store that sells Anne Klein II cologne for two new callers.

■ Pieces from the Denby dish collection, "Camelot" pattern, for Linda Anderson.

■ Believe it or not! a ceramic chicken lamp for Shirley of Redford. "The chicken is lying down and the fluted shade has eyelet holes in it," she described.

■ Sun goggles by "Compy" and a "Cosco highchair that folds up" for Mary Ann.

■ A place to buy outdoor bentwood furniture for Dorie House.

■ A cleaning product that will take off the sticky outline left in the bottom of the bathtub after removing Rubbermaid decals for Lydia of Westland.

■ A pattern for a knitted/crocheted bootie slipper in adult sizes for Shirley who lost the one she used to knit her elderly mother these warm "socks."

■ A product for removing mildew from covered boat seats that won't harm the foam rubber padding for Henrietta of Livonia.

RETAIL DETAILS

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Saks welcomes manager as it readies renovation

Susan Gorman has been appointed assistant general manager of the Saks Fifth Avenue store at Somerset Collection South in Troy. Gorman has had an extensive east-coast



Susan Gorman

retail career, including positions at U.S. Shoe/Casual Corner, Woodward & Lothrop, and Neiman Marcus. Gorman divides her spare time between golfing and caring for her Golden Retriever, Augustus.

Saks Fifth Avenue is about to begin groundbreaking on a 40,000-square foot expansion and complete renovation of the 30-year-old store.

Some of the improvements planned include: introduction of designer resources, an in-store restaurant, a beauty spa, new menswear area, a luxurious Chanel Boutique, an all-designer sportswear floor, and a new shoe salon.

The store will remain open for business during the renovation.

Wake Up Your Face

Reba Sullivan of Plymouth got herself a new pair of glasses, a new look, and a \$500 prize at D.O.C. The optical chain's summer promotion offers customers the chance to win weekly, and then square off against other



winners for a grand prize of \$10,000 and a guest appearance on an upcoming commercial. The contest ends on Aug. 6 at all D.O.C. locations.

Jewelry for the shoes

Shoe charms that clip onto the lace holes, add pizzazz and fun to a child's steps. Just \$1.95 per charm, the golden tokens come in the shape of flowers, sport balls, musical notes, cartoon characters and celestial symbols. Available at Carlton Cards, Somerset North in Troy or Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn.

Salon sells hair mascara

MarioMax Salon in the Crosswinds Mall, West Bloomfield is offering hair color in a tube, \$19.50. A tiny brush adds the streaks in colors of cinnamon, chestnut, cobalt blue and light blondes. For more details call (248) 855-5055.

Paws for a visit

Hudson's stores present the Detroit Tiger Mascot "Paws" for visits and pictures with shoppers. Look for him on July 20 at Westland from noon to 1 p.m.; and on Aug. 23 at Lakeside in Sterling Heights from 3-4 p.m.

Dream Cruisers plate available

The Woodward Dream Cruise committee unveiled a

Fash Bash tickets on sale

Ticket's for Detroit's 28th annual preview of the fall season according to Hudson's "Fash Bash," go on sale June 16 for \$150, \$35 and \$25 by calling (313) 833-2323. Proceeds from the Wednesday, July 30 event will benefit the Founders Junior Council of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The fun begins at 6 p.m. with a pre-party and live auction of one-of-a-kind merchandise and events at the State Theatre. The party moves next door to the Fox Theatre for Hudson's theatrical fashion presentation about 8 p.m.

Post parties feature Detroit's most-fashionable enjoying dessert and the show. For more details call the Fash Bash hotline (313) 833-6760.

Chef of the week

"Famie's Finds" cooking segments are being aired on Channel 4 (WDIV) for the next four weeks at 12:15 p.m. Forte chef Keith Famie a crew spent

time in the south of France filming these entertaining and informative segments.

Stylist chosen for premier

Nordstrom selected Jeffrey Beaton of the Beaton Colors salon in Birmingham to be hair designer behind their gala opening show in the Cleveland market this August. Beaton had the same job when Nordstrom opened at Somerset Collection North last year.

Can drive at mall for tornado victims

Through July 31, shoppers at Universal Mall, 12 Mile and Dequindre in Warren, are asked to assist the community of Hamtramck hit by the recent tornado. Cans and other non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the Customer Service Booth. The effort is being coordinated by United Way and First of America Bank, 11300 Joseph Campau, which is handling monetary donations. For more details call Christine Palmer at (248) 751-3161

Doll design wins award

As a result of Target stores' efforts to "bring the hobby of doll collecting to the masses," one of the store's dolls won a "best costume award" from Doll Reader Magazine, a Cowles Enthusiast Media Publication. "Benjamin" of the Faithful Friends line of dolls, won the DOTY Award. It was designed by Swiss doll creator Heidi Ott.

Electronic pet game debuts

Tamagotchi the game is a new interactive board game from Cardinal Industries, of New York. The game is one of the first licensed follow-ups to the successful Tamagotchi Cyber Pet from Bandai Industries. The game lets players raise a two-dimensional cyber pet to full-size. No batteries required. Comes complete with 72 Attention Cards, four Growth Meters, four playing pieces, die and board. For ages 7 and up. \$12.99 at Toy R Us in mid-August.



Wonderland Mall fire contained

Hundreds of patrons were evacuated from Wonderland Mall Friday evening after an electrical fire ignited in an area of construction located within the Livonia shopping center.

Fire department officials advised the mall's security staff to evacuate the facility as a precautionary measure and close the shopping center for the evening.

Fire Inspector Randy Tromblay said it is undetermined if the fire was the result of a maintenance, mechanical or electrical failure. No damage or injuries occurred and the fire was contained to the sump pump area.

The mall opened for business the next day.

It sure ain't kitty litter

The area's largest outdoor sandbox fills the center court at Twelve Oaks mall in Novi.

Artists are recycling the 300,000-pound tropical rainforest sand sculpture that drew crowds to the mall since May - creating a new schoolhouse sculpture in its place.

The "World of Knowledge" sculpture should be complete by July 21. It includes a giant bell-topped schoolhouse, books with pop-out characters, a chalk board and computers. It'll remain in place through September - the perfect backdrop, according to marketing director Elaine Kah, "for the third year of our Be True To Your School Program" which kicks off Aug. 1.

Malls launch credit card

The July issue of trade journal "Shopping Centers Today," reports that seven of the largest U.S. mall operators joined forces to issue a credit card that would offer shoppers incentives and rewards to shop at their malls. Developers include: Simon DeBartolo Group, Indianapolis; General Growth Properties, Chicago; The Rouse Co., Columbia, Md.; TrizecHahn Corp., San Diego; the Wells Park Group, Mass.; Richard Jacobs Group, Cleveland and Urban Shopping Centers Chicago.

The card is expected to be launched in mid-August and used in 400 malls by year-end.

PNC bank and Visa are paying the costs to start the program.

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Rivers praises move to block toxic waste

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-13th District, applauded a decision by a federal appeals court that blocks an Environmental Protection Agency decision to allow the importation of toxic chemicals, including polychlorinated biphenyls for disposal in the United States.

The U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, ruled Monday the EPA's decision violated the Toxic Substances Control Act, which forbids the manufacture and

importation of PCBs. The U.S. banned the manufacture and use of PCBs in the 1970s after they found to cause cancer, reproductive disorders and birth defects. In March 1996 the EPA reversed a 16-year ban on the importation of PCBs so that stockpiles from other nations could be imported into and stored in the United States.

Last year the EPA decided to allow PCBs to be brought into the U.S. for disposal. Rivers

joined with U.S. Rep. Ken Bentsen, a Democrat from Texas, and succeeded in passing legislation in the House of Representatives to block that EPA decision.

That legislation did not pass the Senate.

Rivers introduced a House Bill this year, legislation which would require that the EPA re-establish its ban on the importation of PCBs.

Last week, Rivers praised the court ruling.

"The court's decision vindicates my position that lifting the ban on importation of PCBs is not in the best interest of the country," Rivers said. "The court has acted correctly to uphold the law and ensure that the environment and public health of our communities are not put at risk due to other countries' toxic waste."

Crafters needed for art show planned at Madonna University

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 13th Annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Showcase for the first weekend in November.

The show will be held 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 1 and 2, in the Activities Center on campus. The show will feature a variety of hand-made arts and crafts including pottery, jewelry,

paintings, textiles and wood-working.

Booth space measuring 9- by 6-feet with two chairs and one 6-foot or 8-foot table is available for either Saturday or Sunday or, for \$90, for both days. Booths with electricity are limited and are an additional \$5. Exhibitors may purchase up to three spaces.

For an application or information, call (313) 432-5603.

Picking highway flowers might net you a fine

The Michigan Department of Transportation is asking motorists: Please don't pick the daisies.

As motorists drive Michigan highways, they are often taken by the beauty of the roadsides. The beautiful wildflowers are not there by mistake or happenstance.

These flowers have been planted and carefully cultivated on more than 250 acres of Michigan highways in partnership with local and statewide gardening organizations. The acres of beautiful wildflowers beautify the highways and reduce roadside maintenance costs and reduce spraying to maintain visibility along the roadsides.

State Transportation District Jim DeSana said MDOT was pleased with the results of partnerships and efforts to beautify the roadsides while reducing costs. "But motorists need to recognize those flowers are for everyone's enjoyment," DeSana said. "Stopping to dig them up is unsafe and illegal."

State and federal laws reserve the shoulders of interstate highways for emergency stopping only. Motorists stopping to pick or dig up wildflowers create unsafe highway conditions for other motorists and themselves.

The fine for illegally stopping in an emergency lane is \$100 and/or 90 days in jail. The plants and plantings were funded through the Intermodal Surface Transportation and Efficiency Act of 1991.

Kids can munch lunch for free at local sites

Even though school is out, children who need a balanced midday meal can still get it through the Wayne County Health Department's summer food program.

Children 18 years and younger considered mentally or physically challenged by a state or local educational agency are eligible for free lunches five days a week at 30 locations across Wayne County. Nearly 1,700 children can get lunches in Canton Township and Westland, and seven other Downriver and western Wayne County communities, including Dearborn, Ecorse, Inkster, Romulus, Taylor, Wayne and Wyandotte.

"Children are given well-balanced meals that are low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol while containing moderate amounts of salt and sugar," said Patricia Soares, Wayne County public health director. "No child eligible for the program will be turned away."

Wayne County's summer food program is a federal-sponsored program aimed at reducing malnutrition and hunger in school-aged children. Children do not have to register in advance. Staffers note that food must be eaten at the site and is not allowed to be carried out.

The food is served through Aug. 22 at the following locations in Observer communities:

In Canton, food is served from 12:20-1:50 p.m. at Canton Commons, 1668 Stacey. In Westland, lunch is distributed at noon-1 p.m. at the Daisy Girl Scout/Head Start, 34801 Marquette. Lunch is also served at 11:40 a.m.-1:40 p.m., Jefferson Elementary School, 32150 Dorsey; and at 11:50 a.m.-1:50 p.m. at Lincoln Elementary, 33800 Grand Traverse.

For more information on this program, call the Wayne County Health Department at (313) 463-3481.

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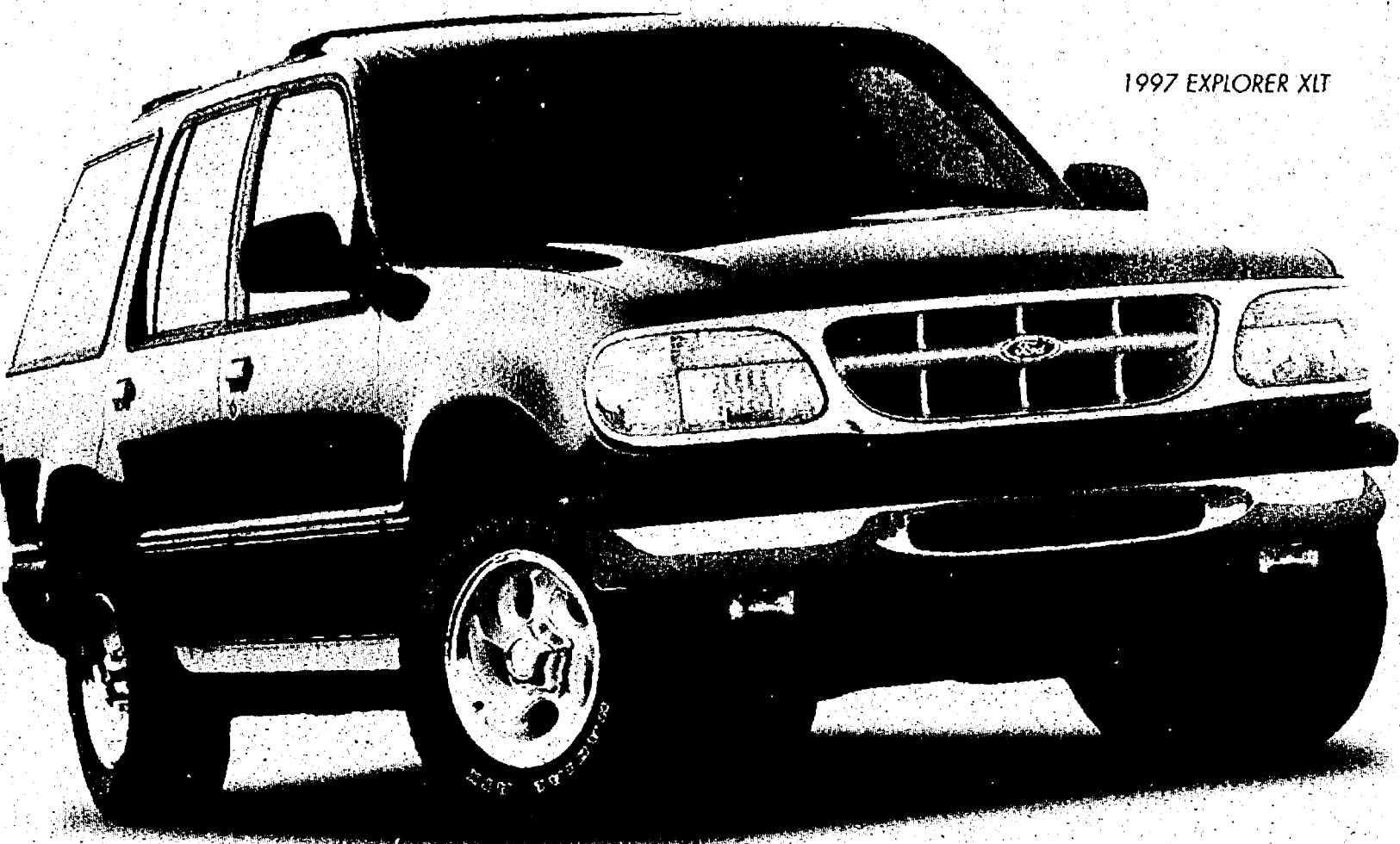
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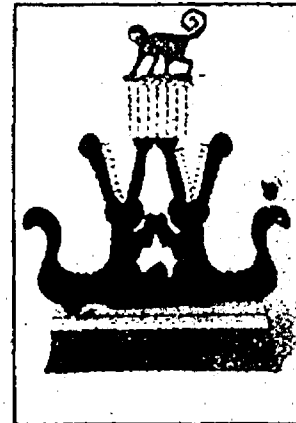
LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Art fairs track artist's progress

Every July, the Ann Arbor Art Fairs with 1,000 artists assembled in the same place at the same time, provides a comprehensive look at techniques, mediums and trends in contemporary art. Last week's arts extravaganza was no exception.

Artists are creating more pastel drawings, ceramic tiles and etchings, which are increasing in popularity with art lovers. For the last few years, abstracts have steadily declined while figurative works have emerged.

Mary Buchbinder of Livonia first visited the Ann Arbor Art Fairs 25 years ago while attending school in Ann Arbor. Buchbinder, a nurse, arrived 8:30 a.m. Wednesday and started her regular route at the bell tower.



Bitting commentary: *George Landino of West Bloomfield will bring his whimsical folk art to Art on the Green in Franklin and Art in the Park in Birmingham.*

"It's grown over the years," said Buchbinder. "I love the variety. I've bought paintings, vases, mantle clocks, clothes, jewelry. I've been to a lot of fairs, but Ann Arbor's my favorite because it's the 'creme de creme.'"

While Ann Arbor is the biggest fair, there are still more to come. Many local artists who participated in the Ann Arbor Art Fairs will be also exhibit their newest works around town through September.

On a roll

Tom Hale has been painting up a storm in preparation for the State Street Area Fair in Ann Arbor, and the Concours d'Elegance at Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Aug. 2-3. Fifteen of the Farmington Hills artist's paintings will be on exhibit at the Somerset Collection through Aug. 1 as a preview of the classic car show and art auction taking place the first weekend in August. Hale will also display his paintings at Art & Apples in Rochester this September.

Purples and blues merge and mingle in a 1937 Lincoln Zephyr. A white calla lily provides a strong reflection in the body of the car luring the viewer to seek out its curvaceous lines. Hale began incorporating flowers into his classic car paintings about four years ago. His newest body of work deals boldly with the floral subject.

"Why flowers and cars," said Hale. "I paint this in a surreal way. Over the years, I've noticed all of the reflec-



Watercolor wonders: Electra Stamelos' painting of day lilies captures different views of the orange colored beauties with inset spheres.

Painter brushes contemporary art scene

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

How does Electra Stamelos of Livonia think her paintings fit into the contemporary art scene? What does she hope their long-term affect will be?

"It's hard for me to judge," said Stamelos. "About five years ago I visited New York and didn't like what I saw happening on the contemporary scene. If beauty is wrong, I didn't fit in. There are certain basics to be adhered to. What I saw denied or threw them in your face."

From sailboats at rest in a harbor to sugar cane fields, Stamelos' paintings reveal a love of color. Many were inspired by travels to the southwest and the six months a year she lives in Florida. A blue heron in his natural habitat is no ordinary representational landscape. Stamelos throws in a coral band of color to nearly span the width of the paper at the skyline. A still life featuring day lilies is inset with three spheres, each bearing different views of the orange colored beauties.

It is fitting that her work be featured in an exhibition sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission as Stamelos was the first Livonia Arts Commissioner appointed by former Livonia Mayor Edward H. McNamara. "Directions Revisited - Past Influences" continues in the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery through July 30.

Stamelos, an instructor at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art

Association since 1980, has works in the collections of the Jesse Bessard Museum in Alpena, National Watercolor Society, Los Angeles; Kresge Foundation, Troy; Dennis Art Museum, Traverse City; Grand Rapids Museum of Art; Flint Institute of Art, and the city of Livonia. Her effect on the art world is apparent by her listing in "Who's Who in American Art" and "American Artists of Renown," to name a few.

Stamelos has a history of creating art grounded in the basics. Early training at the National Art School in Washington, D.C., Wayne State University, Society of Arts and Crafts (now Center for Creative Studies), and Eastern Michigan University instilled a respect for drawing skills, painting techniques, color theory, and composition. After earning a master of fine arts degree from Eastern Michigan University, Stamelos passed these basics on to students at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Her work though, is not all landscapes and still lifes. She painted an abstract collage of images as a sign of the times on New York's 42nd Street. Picasso-like forms figure in a large scale painting that is as much an exercise in Cubism as a statement against Picasso's penchant for misusing and abusing women.

Stamelos works on larger compositions than she has in the past. Her interest is definitely contem-

Directions Revisited - Past Influences

What: A one-woman show by Electra Stamelos featuring nearly 40 paintings.

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

When: Through Wednesday, July 30. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

porary with elements of abstraction, some obvious, others hidden.

Paintings from 1978 to the recent painting "Purple Cabbage" show past influences and revisit subject matter. The intricate portrait of the cabbage is after a similar painting in the collection of the city of Livonia.

"Color inspires me," said Stamelos, president of the Watercolor U.S.A. Honor Society and a former president of the Michigan Watercolor Society. "I like to go to galleries and museums. I look at what other artists have done and start to think and finally come up with something I'd like to do."

Stamelos describes her work as strong floral subject matter which comes from a deep understanding of negative and positive space and shows how true realism incorporates aspects of abstraction and unites color, value and form to create very individualistic paintings.

"Everything's a development. One idea begets another. I don't

deliberately paint for people, but try to bring what beauty there is. And they're not boring, you keep seeing new things. But no matter how intricate they become, you're still telling stories about time, color, space."

Stamelos was one of the first artists to exhibit at Habatat Galleries in Dearborn. When Tom and Linda Boone, and Ferdinand Hampson moved the gallery to Southfield, the debut exhibition featured Stamelos and Herb Babcock, nationally known glass artist and chair of the crafts department at Center for Creative Studies. Boone now owns Indigo in Boca Raton, Florida where Stamelos' paintings are on exhibit.

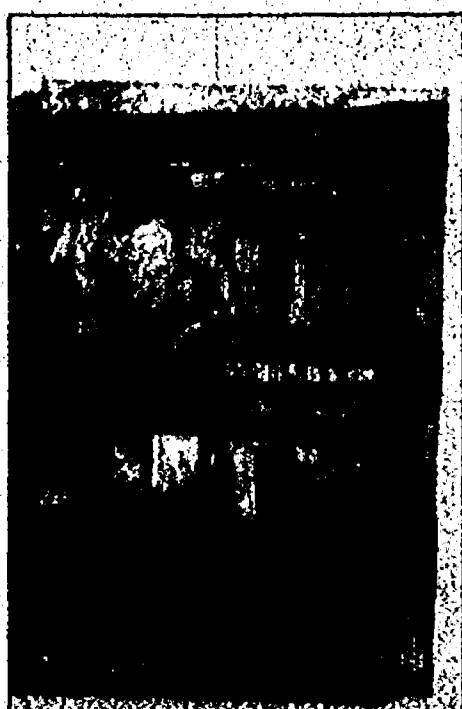
Born in New Jersey, Stamelos knew from a young age that she wanted to become an artist. Frequent trips to New York in her early teen confirmed a future in art.

"My father used to send me on a train to New York," said Stamelos. "I'd visit the museums and galleries, and think wow, that's what I want to do."

Now it is Stamelos' turn to affect the next generation of artists. She recently juried the Illinois State fair and shortly will be judging the Wayne County Council for the Arts, a collaborative exhibition, "Wayne County-The Artists Among Us," sponsored by the WCCA, the Grosse Pointe Arts Council and Ambleside Gallery, Grosse Pointe, Sept. 12 to Oct. 4.

EXHIBITION

Night light: Charles Aimone experiments with the light at night in this painting of the Atrium Gallery's exterior.



Cinematographer paints with light

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Charles Aimone sees light like a camera and his paintings show it.

As a cinematographer and artist, Aimone synthesizes art history and film to paint landscape, architecture, everyday objects, and figures in his Plymouth studio.

"In cinematography, you're painting with light," said Aimone, who teaches at Center for Creative Studies. "In painting, you're working with color to interpret light. Lots of cinematographers study art trying to make a color scheme."

Aimone frequently refers to art in the context of history. His paintings do the same. An exhibition of his paintings, from a body of work created for a

Paintings by Charles Aimone

Where: Atrium Gallery, 109 N. Center, Northville, Cal (248) 349-4131.

When: Through Friday, Aug. 15. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Saturday, until 8 p.m. Friday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

film in progress, continues on display at the Atrium Gallery in Northville through Aug. 15.

"The Town" was created as a backdrop for "Flying High," a celluloid comedy in the spirit of Harold Lloyd and Charlie Chaplin. Puppets performed in front of the 6-by-6-foot village scene. The lower portion of the canvas scans the roofs of a German village. The upper portion changes

direction to show the front of an Italian structure. "People are buying them because they make them feel good," said Aimone. "The film is a comedy and that comes through in the paintings. I took a Cezanne type of approach working with planes of color, to give you a feeling of sweeping back into the painting. The camera panned up the paintings, like you're moving through different planes. The planes give movement almost as if you were moving about a checkerboard. So you're eyes will do the same thing. There's a sense of playfulness about it. It has some aspects of a maze. You can wander around in this city. It gives people looking at it a while, a chance to play with this in their

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Cinematographer *from page C1*

imagination." Before beginning the painting, Aimone looked at a combination of aerial shots of Europe, then at how other artists handled the subject before formulating a composition. The palette is similar to Cezanne as well. Blue, green, violet, and brown intermingle on the canvas in this sleepy little town. "You have to put a lot of research in a painting, to have an insight as to why you're doing what you're doing," said Aimone. "You learn as a cinematographer

to look at the light. Artists who become important are aware of the direction of light. Cinematography has you constantly evaluating light, where it falls, the shadows." Subject matter varies as does painting technique in Aimone's exhibition. "The Piano" is very impressionistic, almost Matisse like. An acrylic of a toy boat, modeled after an antique, softly washes over the paper. Another work experiments with evening light in a portrait capturing the Atrium Gallery's exterior. "Town

Bridge" begun as a mathematical exercise, captures the mystery of Venice's canals and bridges. Aimone tries "to see a lot of art." The Northville resident has been to all of the major museums in the United States, Venice, Florence, Madrid, Budapest, Moscow, Paris, and London. "I've studied van Gogh and Gauguin, how they put the paint on and scraped it down," said Aimone. "Taking paint away was as important as putting it on.

Rembrandt used his rags as much as his brushes." Aimone began painting more than 30 years ago. He studied art with Clifton McChesny at Michigan State University, pursued graduate studies at the University of Michigan with Guy Palazzola, and post-graduate studies at the University of Saskatchewan with Otto Rogers. He has taught in the film department at Center for Creative Studies in Detroit for 15

years. A previous series of paintings dealt with the stone age cave paintings of Lascaux, France. The works were backdrops for the film "Changing of the Gods." "I've studied van Gogh and Gauguin, how they put the paint on and scraped it down," said Aimone. "Taking paint away was as important as putting it on. Rembrandt used his rags as much as his brushes." Pat Jania decided to show this body of work after a visit to

Aimone's 1,500 square foot studio in Old Village because the works contain Impressionist and contemporary characteristics. "There's certainly an Impressionist quality to his work," said Jania. "He uses an unusual technique. He has layers of color and even though you're looking at different subject matter, you can identify it as his work." Aimone's paintings are also on exhibit at the Artful Exchange in Ann Arbor where a tall, blue dog takes on the style of Miro.

Artistic Expressions *from page C1*

tions in my paintings were organic and free flowing. It seemed a natural. The sensuous qualities of flowers are the same as cars." **Whimsical wood** People were standing in line to buy George Landino's folk art at the Summer Art Fair in Ann Arbor. Landino, who recently retired after teaching art for 40 years at Birmingham Groves High School, was his usual witty self. That same whimsy comes through in the West Bloomfield artist's wood sculptures, boxes, bookmarks, and pins. Landino

will bring his work to Art on the Green in Franklin on Sept. 1 and Art in the Park in Birmingham in early September. Look for larger sculptures from Landino as they have proved popular with customers. Two hours into the Ann Arbor show, all of these had already sold. "I recently applied to a show in Chicago and I'm calling them contemporary folk art with humor," said Landino as he wrote up sales in Ann Arbor. "So far, I haven't needed a sign 'Please do touch.'"

Plymouth artists Tom LeGault is experimenting with new designs in his latest paintings. The Plymouth artist used a truck full of work after his first hour at a fair in Muskegon in early July. He did almost as well at Art in the Park in Plymouth July 12-13 despite temperatures in the 90s. LeGault will sell contemporary works featuring lighthouses, sailboats, northern Michigan lake scenes, and abstract florals 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 24 at the 23rd annual Art on the Lake at Coolidge and Long Lake Road in Troy. Admission is free. For

more information, call (248) 641-9070. Williamston sculptor Mark Chatterley, brought his primal figures, animals, birds, and abstracts to the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair. Chatterley, who grew up in Plymouth, has exhibited in the Ann Arbor fairs for the last eight years. Chatterley's large scale sculptures with the bubble glazes won't be in any local shows in the near future because he's exhibiting at art fairs in New Orleans, Louisville and North Carolina through the rest of the summer. One of his sculptures is currently on loan to

the Plymouth Community Arts Council Building where it is exhibited in the lobby. **Pretty pastels** Pastel drawings continue to make a comeback in ever increasing numbers at the Ann Arbor Art Fairs. Patricia Bombach brought her oil and pastel portraits to the Summer Art Fair where the booth was packed with fairgoers. Bombach, originally of Livonia and now living in Northville, is entering the Canton Project Arts Fine Arts Exhibition Oct. 18-24 at Summit on the Park.

After working 30 years as an artist, Bombach would like to make her hometown communities aware of the precious memories she creates. Presently, she only shows in the Ann Arbor Art Fairs. "I want to be a little more known locally, that's why I'm entering the Canton show," said Bombach, whose work has been featured in Metropolitan Woman magazine. Linda Ann Chomin is an arts reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at (313) 953-2145.

ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send news leads to Linda Ann Chomin, Arts & Leisure

reporter, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

ANGELS TAKE FLIGHT Michael's Angel Attic has moved to 33033 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. The popular store features angels of every kind from limited edition collectibles to note cards, garden accessories, soaps, posters, and works by local artists. If it's in the shape of an angel or has the image of an angel on it, you'll find it at Michael's Angel Attic. "I'm really excited about the move, and now we really do have

an attic," said owner Lisa Reed, who opened the store in memory of her three-year-old son Michael who died from a virus. Plymouth artist Debbie Malek worked her painting magic on the exterior and interior of the new shop. Malek's painted furniture and other items are also on display. Other local artists featured are Betty Jo Woodworth (soft sculpture bunny, bear and giraffe angels), Donna Pilot (whimsical angel dolls and bears) and Mary Stafford (angel pins) of Livonia, Kathy Chemotti (birdhouses, garden stakes), Northville and Shelly Pluchino, Flat Rock. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.


to 5 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call (248) 442-7080. **MUMMY ART** Batik silk scarves with an Egyptian theme by Chrystyna Nykorak, a Farmington resident and director of membership for the Livonia Chamber of Commerce, will be available at the Detroit Institute of Arts in conjunction with the museum's new Egyptian exhibition. "Splendors of Ancient Egypt," one of the largest Egyptian art exhibitions to visit the United States in decades, will fill 18 galleries with mummy cases, statues, jewelry, wall relief, and ceramics from July 16 through Jan. 4.

An outpost Museum Shop in the North Court will offer everything from jewelry reproductions, T-shirts, baseball caps, tote bags, and tiles from Rick Pruckler and the Whistling Frog Tile Co. in Ferndale. Nykorak, a Ukrainian artist whose scarves have been sold at Nordstrom at Somerset, was commissioned to create dozens of silk scarves batiked with Egyptian symbols such as Bastet the Cat, and the jackal-headed god Anubis for the DIA Museum Shops at the Museum and the Somerset Collection in Troy. The Detroit Institute of Arts is at 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please See ARTBEAT, C5

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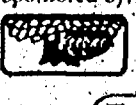

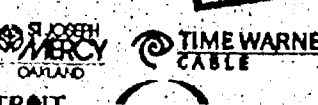


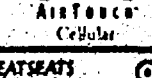
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AUDITION/ CALL FOR ENTRIES

OUR TOWN 1997
An all media exhibit and sale for Michigan artists at the 12th Annual Our Town exhibit and sale held Oct. 15-19 at The Community House in Birmingham. Submit slides of work by Friday, July 25, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham; (248) 644-5832.

BOY SOPRANO
7 p.m.-9 p.m. Monday, July 28 audition for boys, age 7-12 with theater and music experience for production of "Amahl and the Night Visitors." Production dates: January 10, 11 & 18. For appointment and information, call Detroit Performing Artists, (313) 882-0118.

MASTER DANCE WORKSHOPS
Founder of the Academy of Dance and Theatrical Arts in Florida, Paula Gale, will teach Master Dance Workshops Saturday-Sunday, August 16-17 at St. Mary's College at Orchard Lake. For information, call (248) 683-0507.

YOUNG ARTISTS
77th annual Detroit Festival of the arts is looking for artists aged 8-18 to participate in the festival's Youth Artists' Market, September 20-21. Prospective artists may sell their collection of drawings, paintings, sculpture and jewelry. Entry fee: \$8. For applications and information, (313) 577-5088.

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BBAA HOLIDAY SHOW
Artists for 1997 Holiday Sales Show sought. Jury date Wednesday, Aug. 6. Deliver samples to BBAA Tuesday, Aug. 5, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. Call Pam Way/Cynthia Mills (248) 644-0866.

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THE POLK COMPETITION
Juried art competition to showcase art of Michigan artists. Work must demonstrate influence of art on technology and vice versa. Mail entry form and slides to: Greg Scott, Polk, 26955 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, 48034. All entries must be postmarked by July 31.

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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

SCREENWRITING SEMINAR
Award-winning writer Harvey Oshinsky returns to The Community House 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, July 20, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. Enrollment limited. Cost: \$150. To register, call (313) 886-8011/(248) 644-5832.

PERFORMING ARTS STUDENT CAMP
The Community House in Birmingham offers performing and visual arts summer camps open to students grades 2-8 on weekdays 9 a.m.-3 p.m. July 28-August 15. Cost: \$344. To register, call (248) 644-5823.

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10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale; (248) 541-3444.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY
Through July 26 - Works by Nadine Slowik, Stephen Canaday and Susan Haynes 4 p.m., 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

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Through July 26 - New work by Jeri Hoffister, first place recipient, 1996 Monarch National Ceramic Competition, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 470 N. Old Woodward Ave., Birmingham, (248) 642-4795.

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BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION
Through July 31 - Pastel landscapes and seascapes by Regina Dunne, July Artist of the Month, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY
Through July 31 - "Myth & Ritual" by Lynn Rae Lowe, and "Pastel Paintings" by Joan Rosenblum 8600 Maple Road, W. Bloomfield, (248) 661-7841.

BOTANICALS AT OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY
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SOL LE WITT PRINTS AT DIA
Through Aug. 4 - Sol LeWitt Prints: 1970-1995, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Through Aug. 8 - Chance Images by Patricia Bernard, first floor gallery, "Eight by Eight," all media no larger than 8 by 8 inches in any direction features Barbara Abel, West Bloomfield, Judith Ann Corba, Bloomfield Hills, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, (248) 651-4110.

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Through Aug. 9 - New paintings by Wojtkiewicz and new glass sculpture by Chris Hawthorne 6 p.m., 107 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 642-3909.

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Through Aug. 16 - "Treasures from the Backroom," featuring a range of artists and mediums: 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

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Through Aug. 23 - "Summer Dreams," a new collection of acrylic, oil and water-color paintings, drawings, prints, pottery, ceramic, sculpture, jewelry and furniture by area artists. 6 N. Saginaw, downtown Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

LEMBERG GALLERY
Through Aug. 23 - "Summer Selections," a mixed media exhibit including works by Jim Dine, Bill Jensen, Sol LeWitt, Jennifer Reeves, Kiki Smith, 538 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-6623.

PEWABIC POTTERY
Through August 23 - The ceramic works of artists-in-resident John Cate and Tim Rowan, 10125 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

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Through Aug. 31 - Featuring art work of recent graduates, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3323.

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through Aug. 31 - "Far from Home: New Definitions of Domestic Living," Michigan-based artists and architects explore the notion of home. Hours: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun., noon to 5 p.m. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 645-3323.

MATRIX GALLERY
Through Aug. 31 - "Hair: The Lines Between" by Angela Taylor. An investigation of hair as a subject and object, 212 Miller Avenue, Ann Arbor; (313) 663-7775.

SUMMER FLORAL ART SHOW
Through Aug. 31 - Six watercolorists at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Artists include Marjorie Chellstorp, Johnnie Crosby, Joanne Porter, Kay Rowe, Mary Stephenson and Donna Vogelein. Hours: 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, 774 Sheldon Road, Plymouth, (313) 455-4681.

BOOK BEAT
Through Sept. 13 - "The End is Here: Visionary Artists at the End of Time," featuring Duchamp, Masson, Brecht and many others, 26010 Greenfield Road, Oak Park; (248) 968-1190.

SWAKS INTO PLOWSHARES PEACE CENTER AND GALLERY
Through Oct. 10 - Georges Rouault's "Miserere" series, 33 E. Adams on Grand Circus Park, Detroit. Continues through Oct. 10, hours 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, (313) 963-7575.

"SPLENDORS OF ANCIENT EGYPT"
Through Jan. 4 - Mummies, pyramids and mysteries of Egypt. Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-7900.

FESTIVAL

ARTS & CRAFTS
Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm presents the fourth annual "Summer Arts and Crafts Festival," Saturday-Sunday, July 26-27. Hours: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission: \$3.

MEETING & SEMINAR

FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB
Every Saturday in Heritage Park, near Spicer House and Visitor Center on Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile. Free. Bring own materials. (248) 661-5291.

FAITH & ART
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, July 26 British theologian and philosopher John Peck at Trinity House Theatre's Arts Conference. Cost: \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Located at northwest corner of I-275 and Six Mile Road, Livonia; (313) 464-6302.

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FINE ARTS PHOTOGRAPHY
Annual photo sales at the studio of photographer Marji Silk, July 20, 14261, Nadine, Oak Park; (248) 544-1203.

ART GALLERY STORES

THE ANDERSON GALLERY
Distinctive textiles and fiber art. Oakland Arts Building, 7 N. Saginaw in Pontiac; (248) 335-4611.

THE ANDY SHARKEY GALLERY
Exhibit of Michigan artists, featuring pottery, ceramics, wood, glass, silks, dolls, children's clothing and jewelry, 204 W. Fifth, east of Washington in Royal Oak (248) 546-6770.

THE ART EXPERIENCE
New experimental studio offers classes, workshops and support groups, and art and creative therapies by appointment, 17 W. Lawrence, Pontiac; (248) 332-3920.

ART LEADERS
Over 3,000 works of fine art. Contemporary to traditional, 33216 W. 14 Mile Road at Farmington Road; (248) 539-0260, the artist's outlet

Featuring artists' visions of Utopia, 17627 E. Nine Mile, Eastpointe; (248) 777-6985.

ANIMAL ODYSSEY
Animals of the wild portrayed stained glass by Plymouth artist Jenna, 971 N. Mill, Plymouth; (313) 453-5764.

ARCHIVES A.D.
Hand-painted furniture, art pillows, faux painted walls and columns, murals and screens, recycled metal garden stakes, sculpture, and handmade lamp-work, 114 W. Third, Rochester; (248) 651-1485.

ART ADVOCATE
Framed art prints and custom framing, 44368 Cherry Hill Road, Canton; (313) 844-0155.

ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS
Silk and dried flora in unusual containers. Adams Plaza at 725 S. Adams, Birmingham; (248) 644-8349.

ARTQUEST GALLERY
Contemporary works of art for the home. Gift certificates and bridal registry available, 185 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 540-2484.

ARTSPACE II
Specialists in reselling fine art works and antiques; historic Pewabic tiles, African artifacts, and unusual lamps for the home, 303 E. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 258-1540.

ATRIUM GALLERY
"Products of the Glory," a glass exhibit. Located at 109 N. Center, Northville; (248) 349-4131.

AVENUE GALLERY
Michigan's only gallery showing exclusively Thomas Kinkadee, including limited edition canvas lithographs. Located at 167 N. Woodward, Birmingham, (248) 594-7600.

BRIDGE STREET GALLERY
Alaskan art and designer glass. Seeking new artists of all mediums. Call or write for an appointment. Slides and resumes aren't required but welcome, 208 N. Bridge, Linden 48451; (248) 735-1393.

CLARKSTON FINE ARTS GALLERY
Florals and collage by Ruth Allen, oil paintings by Julie Smith, sculpture by Linda Smith, pottery by Joanie Ugelo, 7151 N. Main, Clarkston; (248) 525-8439.

CLIQUE GALLERY
The gallery of Eve and Elaine Redmond features photography, 200 W. Fifth, Royal Oak (248) 545-2200.

COLANGELO'S RESTAURANT
Supporting Pontiac arts explosion by featuring artists from the Lawrence Street Gallery, 2 N. Saginaw at Pike, Pontiac; (248) 334-2275.

CONCEPTS GALLERY
Specializes in African-American Art, open-edition lithographs, custom framing, 21766 W. Eleven Mile Road, Harvard Row Mall, Southfield; (248) 357-2763.

COWBOY TRADER
Wild West gallery offers cowboy and Indian antiques and collectibles, including saddles and chaps, Western art, Navaho rugs, Plains Indian artifacts, turquoise and silver jewelry, books and rare photos and antique firearms, 251 Merrill, Suite 209, Birmingham; (248) 647-8833.

DANCING EYE GALLERY
Decorative and functional tiles at 150 N. Center Street, Suite A in downtown Northville; (248) 449-7086.

DEBORAH ROBERTS DESIGN ROOM
Selection of tin toys, blown glass, mini tea sets, funky pajamas and ceramics, 206 W. 11 Mile, Royal Oak; (248) 543-7372.

DO GRIMME GALLERY
Large collection of European oil paintings, lamps and chandeliers, 1700 Stutz Dr., Ste. 102A, Troy; (248) 649-4664.

DOS MANOS
Folk art of Latin America, including high-fire ceramics and dinnerware from Mexico, handcrafted "oil drum art" from Haiti, earrings and jewelry from Peru and Mexico, colorful "apilpera" tapestries from Chile, 210 W. Sixth, Royal Oak; (248) 542-5856.

EUROPA ART GALLERY
Original oils, pastel, drawings and sculptures of European and American artists, 6335 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 855-2160.

FAITH GALLERY
A photographic exhibit of Michelangelo continues at 315 Center, Royal Oak; (248) 541-3979.

FIELD ART STUDIO
Mixed media by Ellen Moor. Also a selection of custom picture framing, 24242 Woodward, Pleasant Ridge; (248) 399-1320.

GALERIE BLU
Original and limited edition by Romero Britto, an artist recognized for his contributions to the Absolut Vodka advertising campaign, 568 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 594-0472.

GALLERY ANIMATO
Vintage and contemporary animation cells and drawings from animated film classics, 574 N. Woodward in Birmingham; (248) 644-8312.

GALLERY BIRMINGHAM

Local and international fine art, specializing in representational works, paintings, sculptures, graphics, custom framing, 390 E. Maple, Birmingham, (248) 540-8505.

GALLERY FUNCTIONART
Traditional sculpture, fiber hangings and decorative accent pieces along with artist designed lighting, furniture, 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; 333-0333.

GALLERY NIKKO
Colorful hand-crafted gift items, home accessories, including vases and marjani glasses by Michael Jaross, silver garden jewelry by Sue Sachs, and wearables, 470 N. Woodward Ave., Birmingham; (248) 647-0680.

GALLERY SHAANTI
Arts and crafts of India, 361 E. Maple in Birmingham; (248) 647-9202.

GROSSE POINTE GALLERY
Still life oil painting monographs by Anna Jaap, 19869 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods; (313) 884-0100.

HAIG GALLERIES
Specializes in ancient, Asian and tribal arts, 311 Main, Rochester; (248) 656-3759.

HARRIS STREET FOLK ART GALLERY
Folk art from 19th century and today, 255 S. Main Street, Rochester; (248) 651-8092.

HERMITAGE GALLERY
New exhibit of paintings and sculptures by a range of artists, including Robert Lebron, Fiktor Shvaiko, 235 Main Street, Rochester; (248) 656-8559.

JANE SPEAKS MODERN ART
Shows video and installation art exclusively, 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

KAPUT KAPOT
Ceramic studios, features ready-made bisqueware. Paint freehand or use the studios' stencils, glazes and sponges, 151 S. Bates, Birmingham; (248) 594-8423.

THE LOCAL SCENE
Range of items from jewelry to furniture, 425 1/2 Main, above King's Bikes in Rochester; (248) 651-4690.

LUDA ART GALLERY
New collection of paintings of nudes by artist Luda Tcherniak, 103 B E. Fourth, Rochester; (248) 652-7052.

MARCIA CLEMENT ART STUDIO
Variety of art classes for students of all ages and abilities, and one- or two-day workshops, 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township. To register, call (248) 360-1216.

MESA ARTS
Collection of crafted jewelry, traditional and contemporary, 32800 Franklin Road, Franklin; (248) 851-9949.

METROPOLITAN CENTER FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS
"Images 8," by photographers Mark Glenn, Elaine Gross, Michael Jones, Rob Kangas, Loraine Meyers, Julio Perazza, Carole Rich and Pam Aldred Schofield, 6911 E. Lafayette, Detroit; (313) 259-2400.

MOORE GALLERY
Presentation of internationally renowned contemporary African art with ancient traditional roots. In June, "Pride, Color & Motion," paintings by Enock Ifunga of Zambia, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

NATIVE WEST GALLERY
Handcrafted American artwork from the Southwest, including sculpture, pottery, sand painting and fine sterling silver jewelry, 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth; Call (313) 455-8838.

NEXT GALLERY
Contemporary art or \$1,000 or less, 23 W. Lawrence, Suite 102, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

NEXT STEP STUDIOS
New works in clay by Kaiser Sudan, Rick Pruckner and Carolyn Wilson, 477 W. Marshall, Ferndale; (248) 414-7050.

OBJECTS OF ART
Unusual and eclectic collection of art to wear. Pieces include glass, metal sculptures, clay statues; 6243 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 539-3332.

ON THE MOVE
Commercial and fine art photographic services with a strong emphasis in digital technology, 206 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-2116.

THE PAINTED POT
Over 100 bisque ceramic pieces read to paint and selection of paint for crafts hobbyist. Studio rates available, 421 Walnut, Rochester; (248) 652-8255.

PIERRE BITTAR GALLERY
Impressionist painter Pierre Bittar original oil paintings of local Detroit area landmarks depict Birmingham, Bloomfield and Grosse Pointe. Paintings from northern Michigan, France and the Caribbean Islands are also displayed, 296 W. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 433-9917.

PONTIAC GLASS COMPANY GALLERY
Michigan Glass Guild members displaying blown, fused and flat glass sculpture, decorative and architectural items, 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac; (248) 332-6619.

THE POSTER GALLERY
Eclectic mixture of art and artists, posters and unusual art offerings. Main floor of the Fisher Building in Detroit; (313) 875-5211.

THE PRINT GALLERY
A range of art posters and gift items, 29203 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 356-5454.

ROOM WITH A VIEW
Vintage prints dating from the '20s. Contemporary photographers include Lisa Spindler, Michael Edwards, Rodney Smith and Tom Van Dyke, 803 N. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 548-1446.

RUSSELL KLATT GALLERY
Now showing the works of impressionist artist, Henri Plisson, 1467 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-6555.

SPIRIT IN THE PARK GALLERY
Ongoing exhibit of paintings, drawings, batiks, masks, textiles and quilts from local, national and international artists, 635 Beaubien, near Greentown, Detroit; (313) 965-4919.

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

General Cinemas
Bargain matinee daily plus \$3.25 (Two-Lite) show daily.

Canton 6
Ford Rd. 1.1 mi. west of 275+ (313) 981-1900
Advanced same-day tickets available
*Denotes VIP restrictions

***NOTHING TO LOSE (R)**
12:15, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:30

***OUT TO SEA (PG-13)**
12:05, 2:20, 4:35, 6:50, 9:15, 11:35

***FACE OFF (R)**
1:00, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30

***MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)**
12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00, 11:15

***HERCULES (G)**
12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 6:55, 9:15, 11:30

***OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)**
12:45, 4:10, 6:35, 9:00, 11:25

Noxi Town Center 8
New Rd. Scummet 866 (810) 344-0077
Advanced same-day tickets available

***CONTACT (PG)**
12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 6:55, 9:15, 11:30

***MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)**
12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15, 12:45

***GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)**
1:00, 1:45, 3:15, 4:30, 5:30, 6:45, 7:55, 9:00, 10:15, 11:30, 12:45

***SIMPLE WISH (PG)**
12:10, 2:20, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00

***HERCULES (G)**
12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
12:05, 2:20, 4:45, 6:55, 9:10, 11:25

Keego Twin Cinema
Orchard Lake Rd. at Cass Lake Rd. 682-1900
Sat. & Sun. 7:15 All Seats \$1.50 in Advance \$2.50 after

SPEED II (PG-13)
SUN 4:30, 7:15, 9:45
MON-THURS 7:15, 9:30

AUSTIN POWERS (PG-13)
SUN 9:30
MON-THURS 9:35

SLING BLADE (R)
SUN 7:00
MON-THURS 7:00

National Amusements Showcase Cinemas

Showcase Auburn Hills 1-14
2150 N. Opdyke Rd. Between University & Watson Blvd. 810-373-2660
Bargain Matinee Daily, All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily, Late Shows Fri. & Sat. THRU THURSDAY

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
10:50, 12:55, 3:00, 5:10, 7:15, 9:20

***NOTHING TO LOSE (R)**
10:45, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00

GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)
10:30, 12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:10, 9:15, 11:30

CONTACT (PG)
11:45, 12:45, 3:00, 4:00, 6:15, 7:15, 9:30, 10:30

A SIMPLE WISH (PG)
11:00, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30

OUT TO SEA (PG-13)
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:35, 10:05

MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
11:10

11:40, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 3:10, 3:50, 4:20, 5:20, 6:45, 7:50, 9:00, 9:30

FACE OFF (R)
10:30, 11:00, 1:20, 1:50, 4:10, 4:40, 7:10, 7:40, 10:00, 10:30

BATMAN (PG-13)
10:25 A.M.

MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)
11:20, 1:35, 4:15, 7:20, 9:40

CON AIR (R)
7:50, 10:20

Showcase Dearborn 1-8
Michigan & Telegraph 313-561-3449
Bargain Matinee Daily, All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily, Late Shows Fri. & Sat. THRU THURSDAY

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
11:30, 1:25, 3:20, 5:15, 7:10, 9:15

***NOTHING TO LOSE (R)**
10:45, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00

GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)
10:30, 12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20

A SIMPLE WISH (PG)
11:00, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30

CONTACT (PG)
12:00, 3:10, 6:30, 9:45

MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
11:10, 1:10, 3:10, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15, 11:15

HERCULES (G)
10:25, 12:05, 2:40, 4:30, 7:00, 9:00

BATMAN (PG-13)
10:25 A.M.

Showcase Pontiac 1-5
Telegraph & Lake Rd. W. Side of Telegraph 810-332-0241
Bargain Matinee Daily, All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily, Late Shows Fri. & Sat. THRU THURSDAY

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
10:50, 12:55, 3:00, 5:10, 7:15, 9:20

GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)
10:30, 12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20

MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
10:40, 11:10, 12:50, 1:30, 3:00, 3:50, 5:20, 7:10, 7:40, 9:10, 10:10

OUT TO SEA (PG-13)
11:20, 1:40, 4:00, 7:10, 9:20

Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2435 Telegraph Rd. East Side of Telegraph 810-334-6777
Bargain Matinee Daily, All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily, Late Shows Fri. & Sat. THRU THURSDAY

***NOTHING TO LOSE (R)**
10:45, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00

CONTACT (PG)
11:45, 12:45, 3:00, 4:00, 6:15, 7:15, 9:30, 10:30

FACE OFF (R)
11:00, 1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30

HERCULES (G)
10:45, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20

MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)
12:00, 2:20, 4:50, 7:30, 9:45, 11:45

A SIMPLE WISH (PG)
12:45, 3:15, 5:30

BATMAN (PG-13)
10:25 P.M.

Quo Vadis
Warren & Warren Rd. 313-425-7700
Bargain Matinee Daily, All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily, Late Shows Friday & Saturday THRU THURSDAY

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
10:50, 12:55, 3:00, 5:10, 7:15, 9:20

***NOTHING TO LOSE (R)**
10:45, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00

A SIMPLE WISH (PG)
10:45, 12:45, 2:50, 5:00

OUT TO SEA (PG-13)
10:40, 12:50, 3:05, 5:20, 7:35, 9:50

FACE OFF (R)
10:50, 11:20, 4:10, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 9:45, 10:15

BATMAN (PG-13)
11:05, 1:45, 7:15, 9:50

Showcase Westland 1-8
6800 Wayne Rd. One Block S. of Warren Rd. 313-729-1060
Bargain Matinee Daily, All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily, Late Shows Fri. & Sat. THRU THURSDAY

GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)
10:30, 12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20

CONTACT (PG)
11:45, 12:45, 3:00, 4:00, 6:15, 7:15, 9:30, 10:30

HERCULES (G)
10:25, 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10

FACE OFF (R)
10:30, 11:00, 1:20, 1:50, 4:10, 4:40, 7:10, 7:40, 10:00, 10:30

BATMAN (PG-13)
10:25 A.M.

MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)
11:50, 2:10, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30

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NP MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30, 4:15, 5:00, 5:45, 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 8:45, 9:30, 10:15, 11:00

NP HERCULES (G)
11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 5:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30

NO NP TICKETS

NP BATMAN AND ROBIN (PG-13)
11:50, 12:45, 2:15, 4:00, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:05, 11:10

NO NP TICKETS

SPEED 2: CRUISE CONTROL (PG-13)
12:05, 3:00, 6:15, 9:00

NO NP TICKETS

CON AIR (PG)
10:50, 1:45, 4:30, 7:45, 10:40

THE LOST WORLD (PG-13)
11:55, 3:15, 6:45, 9:45

Star Rochester Hills
200 Barclay Circle 853-2260
SUNDAY THRU WEDNESDAY
No one under age 6 admitted for PG-13 & R-rated films after 6 pm

NP MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
10:45, 11:30, 12:15, 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, 3:15, 4:00, 4:45, 5:30, 6:10, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:20, 9:55, 10:40

NO NP TICKETS

NP FACE OFF (R)
11:10, 12:40, 2:15, 3:45, 5:05, 6:40, 8:05, 10:10, 11:10

NO 6:40 & 7:00

NP BATMAN & ROBIN (PG-13)
11:20, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 9:05, 10:25

NO NP TICKETS

NP MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13) NV
11:00, 11:45, 1:20, 2:50, 4:15, 5:50, 7:20, 8:50, 9:35, 11:00

NO NP TICKETS

CON AIR (R)
12:00, 3:30, 6:00, 10:50

Star Southfield
12 Mile between Telegraph and Northland 248-353-STAR
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NP CONTACT (PG)
10:50, 10:30, 11:20, 12:10, 1:00, 1:50, 2:30, 3:30, 4:20, 5:00, 5:40, 7:10, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 9:40, 10:20, 10:45

NO NP TICKETS

NP GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)
10:30, 11:00, 12:30, 1:35, 2:50, 4:00, 5:15, 6:35, 7:35, 9:55

NO NP TICKETS

NP NOTHING TO LOSE (R)
10:45, 11:45, 1:25, 2:15, 3:35, 4:45, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30, 9:30

NO NP TICKETS

NP OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
10:50, 12:45, 3:00, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30

NO NP TICKETS

NP ULEE'S GOLD (R)
11:25, 2:00, 4:35, 7:25, 10:10

NO NP TICKETS

NP SIMPLE WISH (PG)
12:00, 3:10, 6:25

NO NP TICKETS

MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
10:20, 11:10, 12:10, 1:00, 1:40, 2:40, 3:30, 4:10, 5:25, 6:00, 6:45, 8:00, 8:45, 9:20, 10:30

FACE OFF (R)
10:15, 12:20, 1:15, 3:45, 4:35, 6:05, 7:00, 9:10, 10:00, 10:40

MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)
10:35, 12:50, 3:20, 5:45, 8:10, 10:35

HERCULES (G)
10:00, 12:05, 2:20, 4:50, 7:05, 10:35

OUT TO SEA (PG)
11:15, 2:05, 4:30, 7:30, 10:05

BATMAN AND ROBIN (PG-13)
11:35 A.M. & 6:00 P.M. ONLY

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11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 5:30, 6:30, 7:40, 8:40, 9:50

NO NP TICKETS

NP OPERATION CONDOR (R)
11:10, 1:20, 3:40, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00

NO NP TICKETS

NP ULEE'S GOLD (R)
11:30, 2:00, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40

NO NP TICKETS

NP A SIMPLE WISH (PG)
10:45, 12:50, 3:00, 5:20, 7:30, 9:20

NO NP TICKETS

OUT TO SEA (PG-13)
11:20, 1:40, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30

WILD AMERICA (PG)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00

BATMAN AND ROBIN (PG-13)
7:20, 10:10

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OUT TO SEA (PG-13) NV
12:45, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45

FACE OFF (R) NV
11:20, 4:10, 7:15, 10:05

+2:20, 5:00, 8:00

BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13) NV
11:10, 3:05, 5:15, 7:40, 9:55

+2:15, 4:20, 6:55, 9:10

SWAN PRINCESS 2 (G) NV
1:10, 3:00, 4:50, 7:05, 9:00

FIFTH ELEMENT (PG-13) NV
12:50, 3:45, 6:40, 9:20

BREAKDOWN (R) NV
1:30, 4:35, 7:20, 10:10

CON AIR (R)
1:40, 4:30, 7:25, 10:15

LOVE, VALOR, COMPASSION (R)
1:00, 3:55, 6:45, 9:25

United Artists Oakland
Inside Oakland Mall
810-585-7041
ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13) NV
12:20, 2:30, 5:10, 7:20, 9:50

OUT TO SEA (PG-13) NV
12:40, 3:10, 6:50, 9:30

FACE OFF (R) NV
11:12, 12:00, 3:00, 7:00, 10:00

+2:20, 5:00, 8:00

ENGLISH PATIENT (R)
12:10, 3:40, 6:40, 9:40

United Artists 12 Oaks
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall
810-585-7041
ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

NOTHING TO LOSE (R) NV
1:00, 3:20, 5:30, 7:50, 10:15

BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13) NV
12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:35, 9:55

OUT TO SEA (PG-13) NV
1:10, 4:40, 7:30, 10:00

FACE OFF (R) NV
11:12, 4:15, 7:15, 10:10

+2:8-3

SWAN PRINCESS 2 (G) NV
12:30, 2:15, 4:00, 5:45

United Artists West River
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ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

NOTHING TO LOSE (R) NV
12:00, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13) NV
1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:15

CONTACT (PG) NV
12:20, 3:40, 7:00, 10:05

MEN IN BLACK (PG-13) NV
11:12, 12:00, 2:20, 4:40, 7:05, 9:30

+2:12:50, 3:05, 5:25, 7:50, 10:15

OUT TO SEA (PG-13) NV
11:45, 2:05, 4:20, 6:50, 9:40

HERCULES (G) NV
11:55, 2:15, 4:35, 7:10, 9:20

FACE OFF (R) NV
12:30, 4:00, 7:15, 10:00

SIMPLE WISH (PG) NV
12:45, 3:10, 5:20, 7:35

LOST WORLD (PG-13) NV
9:45

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Downtown Birmingham
644-FILM
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NP GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)
10:50, 12:50, 2:55, 4:55, 7:10, 9:15

NP CONTACT (PG)
12:35, 3:45, 7:00, 9:55

NP MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
10:50, 11:20, 12:55, 1:30, 3:05, 3:40, 5:15, 5:50, 7:20, 8:00, 9:30, 10:05

NP MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)
12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 9:55

HERCULES (G)
10:50, 12:50, 2:50, 4:50, 6:55, 9:00

NP OUT TO SEA (PG-13)
11:45, 2:05, 4:25, 6:45, 9:05

FACE OFF (R)
1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:30

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DAILY AT 1:00, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30

TRIAL AND ERROR (PG-13)
DAILY AT 1:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20

LIAR, LIAR (PG-13)
DAILY AT 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15

BREAKDOWN (R)
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DAILY AT 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00

OPERATION CONDOR (PG-13)
DAILY AT 12:30 (4:45 & 5:25), 7:15, 9:30

SWAN PRINCESS (G)
DAILY AT 11:20, 12:45

NOTHING TO LOSE (R)
DAILY AT 12:00, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10, 9:45

CONTACT (PG)
Fri. & Sat. at 12:15, 1:00, 4:00 & 4:30 & 5:25, 7:00, 7:30, 9:50, 10:20

SUN-THUR AT 12:15, 1:00, 4:00 & 4:30 & 5:25, 7:00, 7:30, 9:50

MEN IN BLACK (PG-13)
DAILY AT 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00

OUT TO SEA (PG-13)
11:30, 2:00, 4:40, 6:55, 9:25, 7:40, 10:00

HERCULES (G)
DAILY AT 11:10, 1:30, 3:20, 5:20, 7:20, 9:15

FACE OFF (R)
DAILY AT 12:40 (4:15 & 5:25), 7:20, 10:00

BATMAN & ROBIN (PG-13)
14:10 @ \$3.25, 6:50, 9:30

MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG-13)
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12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:20, 9:35

SLINGBLADE (R)
12:00, 2:50, 7:00, 9:50

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12:10, 2:25, 4:30, 7:15, 9:25

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ULEE'S GOLD (R)
1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:40

LOVE VALOR COMPASSION (R)
3:30, 7:30
(nos 7:30 on 7/21 and 7/23)

ALL OVER ME (R)
4:30, 10:00

BOOKS

Undertaker takes poetic view

The Undertaking: Life Studies from the Dismal Trade
By Thomas Lynch
(Norton, \$23)



VICTORIA DIAZ

In those darkest of hours, when survivors need the services of an undertaker in Milford, Mich., the chances are excellent that they will be calling on Thomas Lynch. The people of Milford have been doing so for years now and, in earlier times, they called on his father, Edward.

Growing up in a large Irish-American family there at mid-century, Lynch's everyday existence was tinged with the rituals of death early on. As an adult, he eventually made his mark as a critically acclaimed poet ("Skating With Heather Grace"), but he has never given up the day-and-night job he (along with brothers and sisters) "inherited" from his father.

Perhaps, if he had, these graceful, moving observations on matters of life and death would never have been written. As readers of fine and glorious words, let us perish the thought.

Lynch begins "The Undertaking" with a friendly piece called "The Undertaking," in which he tells us something of the funeral business in general, and his own work in particular, right down to the profit he hopes to make during "a

good year" (5 percent of approximately a million dollars). Also, right down to how it is to embalm one "Milo Horsby" in the wee hours of a cold February morning, what he hears as he heads out to pick up the body at the hospital morgue, what he drives to get there and what Milo's remains look like on arrival.

None of what he does is done for the dead, he stresses throughout. The reason is simple: "the dead don't care." What he works for are the living - those who, like Milo's surviving widow, "still can cry and care and pray and pay my bill."

In another "life study," we suddenly find ourselves eyeball witnesses to a startling event: the preparation of the elder Lynch's body for burial - by his own sons. It is sterling testimony to Thomas Lynch's way with words that he can not only move us profoundly via this peculiar tableau, but even provoke a smile or two, and bring us to willingly consider matters that we often sidestep.

"There's this 'just a shell' theory of how we ought to relate to dead bodies," he writes, and, if you have ever even thought of offering this "consolation" to the newly bereaved, you will surely think again after reading this gentle but arresting piece.

Through his unique life experiences with death up-close-and-personal, Lynch touches on subjects as diverse as abortion (her is not pro-choice), a fantastical graveyard/golf course; survivors who neglect to claim loved ones'

cremated ashes; life in Milford; hypochondriacal Irish friend Matthew Sweeney; what goes on at a funeral directors' conference; the aftermath of a particularly gory suicide scene (after helping with the cleanup, Lynch painted the walls of the sad room); Jack Kevorkian; language ("of all God's gifts, the best") ...

He also shares with readers, in a piece simply titled "Craper," a thorough-enough history of the flush toilet, which seems not the slightest bit out-of-place in a book focusing on matters of life and death.

If, by some sad chance, you can read only one piece in this literary counterpane, make it Lynch's finale. Titled "Tract," and not quite five pages in length, it reveals with a kind of eloquent brevity the writer's lyrical soul and the value he has come to place on life itself.

"Tract" take the form of an open letter to his children, in which the funeral director looks toward a time when he himself will die.

"I'd rather it be February," he begins, "... the hope of spring-time, gardens, romance dulled to a stump by the winter in Michigan ... with the cold behind and the cold before you and the darkness stubborn at the edges of the day."

Though posing as prose, this is surely a poem if ever there was one, with Lynch's Irish heritage unmistakable at every turn.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia freelance writer. You can reach her by voice mail at 953-2045, then press 1854

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features various happenings at suburban bookstores. Send news leads to Hugh Gallagher, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOK-SELLERS (WEST BLOOMFIELD)
Storytime reading of "Martha Speaks" by Susan Meddaugh, 10 a.m. Monday, July 21 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 22; Lee Meadows

discusses and signs his mystery novel "Silent Conspiracy," 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 23; senior men's club meeting on "Don't Let Car Insurance Drive You Crazy," 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 24 at the store, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. (810) 626-6804.

BARNES & NOBLE (NORTHVILLE)
"The How, When and Where of Vacation Cruises," Elliott Travel offers in-depth exploration 7 p.m. Thursday, July 22; Michigan '50s Festival with mallets and a sock

hop 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 23; "It Came from Outer Space" children's program 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 22 and 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 23 at the store 1711 Haggerty Road, 810-348-0696.

CRANBROOK
Poet Thomas Lux, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 23; essayist John Skoyles, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 24 at Cranbrook Schools Kingwood Campus Common Room, 1221 N. Woodward Ave. Call 248-645-3664.

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p.m. Wednesday through Friday, until 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call (313) 833-7900.

Admission: Reserved date and time tickets are \$10 adults, \$5 children ages 5-12, no ticket required for children age four and under. DIA Founders Society members free. Tickets available through Ticketmaster and the DIA box office at (313) 833-4005. Tickets for groups of 15 or more, and school tours available by calling (313) 833-7416.

WORLD BEAT

Mix American jazz and rhythm and blues with the African-influenced Latin rhythms of South America and throw in a touch of Motown, and you've just begun to touch upon the musical stylings of the Amigo Latin Jazz All-Stars.

The band will bring its infectious rhythms to Bell Creek Park in Redford 7 p.m. Thursday, July 24 as part of Wayne County's "Concerts in the Park" series. The Latin Jazz All-Stars will be led by Eileen Orr, pianist and arranger for the Grammy-nominated jazz ensemble Straight Ahead.

The "Concerts in the Park" series is part of Wayne County's Summer Entertainment series of concerts, children's entertainment and movies in the park.

Bell Creek Park is at Five Mile Road and Inkster in Redford. For more information, call (313) 261-1990.

If you're not in the mood for music, Disney and Wayne County Parks offer a movie and free family entertainment. In fact, the two join forces to present a series of four nights of Disney films July 24-27 at the Hines Park-Nankin Mills Area in Westland. All shows begin at sundown; games and activities start at 7 p.m.

Disney Channel PremEARS in the Park offer families the chance to pack a picnic and celebrate summer together with games, activities, costumed Disney characters, and screenings of films on a 30 by 40 ft. Mickey Mouse-eared movie screen.

Also, families may make canned food donations on site to the "Can Film Festival," a campaign in support of Gleaners Community Food Bank. Food Bank of Oakland, and Red Cross of Wayne County.

The four films to be presented are:

Thursday, July 24 "The Return of Jafar" (Aladdin sequel)
Friday, July 25 "The Big Green"

Saturday, July 26 "D3: The Mighty Ducks"

Sunday, July 27 "First Kid" (starring Sinbad)

HOT GLASS

Joe Wisniewski and Christine

Fleischer will demonstrate kiln-fusing techniques 2-7 p.m. Saturday, July 26 and 3-7 p.m. Sunday, July 27 at DNM Art Gallery, 43450 Grand River at Novi Road. For more information, call the gallery at (248) 380-7059.

The two Livonia glass artists, who recently exhibited work at Art in the Park in Plymouth, will make paperweights from clear glass.

Also of note:

Wisniewski and Fleischer will hold their second annual Glass Garage Sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9-10 at 19030 Merriman between Six and Seven Mile Road in Livonia.

Glass flowers, paperweights, vases, and bowls will be offered. For information, call the two glass artists at (313) 474-5022.

VAAL STUDENTS

Edee Joppich, a long-time and popular instructor at the Visual Arts Association of Livonia, is showcasing the watercolor works of her students through July 30 at Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive at Farmington and Five Mile.

Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call community resources at (313) 466-2540.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Village Fine Arts Association is looking for artists to enter its "Views and Visions" exhibit/competition Sept. 19-21 at the Masonic Temple on Union Street in Milford. The show is



Mummy art: Batik silk scarves with an Egyptian theme by Chrystyna Nykorak will be available at the Detroit Institute of Arts in conjunction with the museum's new Egyptian exhibition.

coordinated with the Milford Historical Society's Annual Home Tour Sept. 20-21.

All media are eligible. Deadline for entry is Sept. 6.

The 1997 competition features a new category called Fresh Views. It is specifically designed for artists under age 18.

For an application or more information, call (248) 685-8823.

Russian artist born again in America

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

After a mere mention of Communist politicians and Soviet-style social realism to artist Felix Braslavsky of Farmington, his placid Russian immigrant's face grows tense. His soft eyes become transfixed, and a spark of indignation flashes.

"Throughout his life he had pressure from the government," explained his wife, Veronika, who also worked as an artist in the former Soviet Union.

In response to most questions, Braslavsky can barely wait for Veronika's broken-English translation. "He says, in Russia, he couldn't do what he wanted to do."

The Posner Gallery in Birmingham, among others, has been convinced about the appeal of the artwork from a free-spirited Braslavsky.

"We loved his use of color and his versatility," said Karen Posner, who runs the gallery along with her mother, Madeline. "Some pieces are pretty serious, and others are whimsical. All of his work has a lot of energy."

Since the melting of the Cold War and dissolution of the Soviet Union, Braslavsky has been freed from the imposition of pleasing the state's aesthetic. Today, he speaks openly, criticizing those who ran the Soviet empire and the current anti-Semitic sentiment ignited by those looking to ascribe blame for the country's plight.

What: Group exhibit featuring the work of Felix Braslavsky
When: Through Wednesday, July 23
Where: Posner Gallery, 523 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-2552

"In Russia, most people don't look at art," said Veronika. "They're too busy looking for food."

No longer having to keep his own art away from the scrutiny of state censors, Braslavsky feels a sense of urgency that translates into 10-12 hour days in front of an easel.

Now in his late 50s, an age when most thriving artists have achieved acclaim, Braslavsky is starting over. But he's hardly complaining.

In his modest Farmington apartment, Braslavsky is creating a diverse range of works of oil, pastel, acrylic and charcoal, from visions of vibrant hues to stark mono colorings an invented oil-bar medium. Some work reflects the graphic qualities he developed working as a poster and brochure artist for the Soviet state. Other pieces are infused with the influence of western artists such as Picasso, Matisse and Pollock.

While Braslavsky hasn't quite mastered the basics of English, there's no mistaking that in attitude and ambition, he has a strikingly western outlook. And as of July 4, he now has U.S. citizenship to go along with a peculiarly modern frame of mind. "It's like we're born again here,"

said Veronika.

For the last five years, Braslavsky and Veronika have settled in Farmington with the help of friends, relatives and the supportive Jewish community. Initially, the couple survived on Veronika's seamstress work. But as Braslavsky's work gained recognition locally, she decided to spend full time promoting his work.

Two years ago, Veronika contacted the Michigan Opera Theatre to suggest that Braslavsky design posters for the company. In Russia, he created placards for children's theater, modern ballet and puppet theatre companies.

By the time MOT opened in the renovated Detroit Opera House last year, Braslavsky was hard at work on poster designs for "Rigoletto," "Flying Dutchman," and most recently, the upcoming "Aida," which opens the 1997-98 season.

While commercial art has been Braslavsky's livelihood, he's doggedly committed to his fine art. With interest growing in the local and New York gallery scene, he's hoping for a one-person show in the near future.

Today, while he works in his Farmington studio filled with his paintings and collection of books, Braslavsky either has the radio tuned to a classical music station, or listens to jazz. "America is a place of world culture," he said.

No translation is needed. For Braslavsky, the birthplace of Jefferson is now a place he calls home.

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Bidding Documents will be available Monday, July 14, 1997 at the office of the Architect/Engineer, Ghafari Associates, Inc., 17101 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan, 48124. A deposit of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) in the form of a check made payable to Ghafari Associates, is required and will be refunded upon return of the Bidding Documents within ten days after opening of bids.

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Outgoing WWCF, 53, 5'2", red hair, green eyes, professional, lives in Westland, seeks SWCM, 55+, ready for a new relationship, possible commitment. Ad# 3393

COLLECTS TEDDY BEARS

Friendly SWCF, 52, 5'6", enjoys biking, walks, movies, concerts, camping, writing poetry, seeks sweet, kind, caring SWCM, 23-35, with same interests. Ad# 4545

WARM-HEARTED

Methodist SWF 58, outgoing, pleasant, enjoys Christian activities, boating, long walks, traveling, gardening, seeking honest, mature, physically fit SM, with integrity. Ad# 5800

MONOGAMOUS RELATIONSHIP

Catholic SWF, 50, upbeat, enjoys people, diversity, writing, pottery, ceramics, her dog, seeks sincere, intelligent, humorous, down-to-earth SM. Ad# 4304

GREAT SMILE

SWF, 40, tall, enjoys running, working out, dancing, seeking SWM, tall, 38+, who is genuine, caring, athletic, for possible relationship. Ad# 3333

LET'S MEET SOON

SWCF, 33, very direct, enjoys salsa, diving, traveling, tennis, skiing, movies, dining out, seeking confident, secure, good-looking, financially stable, monogamous SM. Ad# 9497

ARE YOU FAITHFUL?

Baptist SW mom, 27, easygoing, shy, outgoing, sensitive, enjoys the Red-wings, the outdoors, softball, fishing, seeking trustworthy, monogamous SM, who likes kids. Ad# 8369

SHARE MY LIFE

Baptist SBF, 23, sincere, fun, attends Christian concerts/plays, enjoys picnics, movies, in search of an honest, caring, dependable, handsome SM. Ad# 1205

ADVENTUROUS

SWF, 26, 5'6", 125lbs, degreed, fun-loving, likes the outdoors, water-skiing, rollerblading, the zoo, seeks clean cut, educated, family-oriented, nice SM. Ad# 1541

SPIRITUAL VALUES

Baptist SWF, 42, 140lbs, enjoys long walks, spending time with friends, candlelit dinners, reading the bible, seeking understanding, sincere SCM. Ad# 1355

WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?

Catholic SWF, 50, reserved, practical, enjoys skating, walking, photography, dancing, music, theatre, looking for supportive SM. Ad# 3839

HAS HER LIFE TOGETHER

Non-denominational SBF, 19, enjoys going to the mall, movies, walks in the park, listening to the radio, searching for honest, trustworthy, mature, responsible SM. Ad# 1088

NEED A FRIEND?

Non-denominational SH mom, 45, easygoing, loves dancing, sports, seeks sensitive, non-drinking, NS SCM, who enjoys family activities. Ad# 4343

SHY AT FIRST

Methodist DWF, 62, full-figured, romantic, honest, enjoys stamp collecting, reading, crossword puzzles, seeking honest SM, for possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1934

MANNERLY

Baptist SWF, 18, fun, bubbly, outgoing, sincere, honest, attends church activities, plays violin, likes swimming, dancing, horses, the zoo, seeks open, compatible SCM. Ad# 2050

NO GAME PLAYING

Catholic SWF, 34, 5'2", enjoys bowling, movies, dancing, walks in the moonlight, animals, looking for employed, humorous, honest SM. Ad# 5724

HOPE THIS IS MY LAST AD

SWF, 28, open-minded, easygoing, hobbies include hockey, football, wishes to meet honest, sincere, humorous SM, who's easy to talk to. Ad# 1220

WARM & LOVING

Communicative, semi-retired, SWF, 55, enjoys Christian activities, reading, traveling, sewing and more, seeks kind, humorous, monogamous SM. Ad# 3222

A GOOD PERSON

Non-denominational SBF 44, sincere, faithful, educated, enjoys walking, biking, movies, family and church activities, seeks honest, intelligent, faithful SM. Ad# 8819

VERY FRIENDLY

Catholic SWF 21, outgoing, attends Christian activities, enjoys the outdoors, seeks honest, sincere, romantic, Catholic SM, with a good sense of humor. Ad# 1572

SPIRITUAL

Catholic SWF, 42, 5'1", 118lbs, outgoing, bubbly, likes dining movies, fitness, walks, cycling, seeks considerate, open, attentive, compassionate SM. Ad# 4330

GENTLE WAYS

Shy SWCF, 48, fun-loving, enjoys cooking, outdoor activities, walking, seeks humorous, caring, sharing SM, with similar interests. Ad# 5223

FIND THE ANSWER

SWCF, 18, fun, outgoing, enjoys Christian concerts, sports, hanging out with friends, would like to meet a Born-Again SCM. Ad# 8888

GOOD-HEARTED

Catholic SWF, 45, warm, caring, independent, enjoys Christian activities, walking, traveling, reading, movies, cooking, seeking honest, loyal, dependable, affectionate SM. Ad# 5343

A LITTLE QUIET

SWF, 25, enjoys going to church, sports events, talking on the phone, spending time with friends, Bible studies, hockey games, seeking communicative SM, to spend time with. Ad# 1212

A GIVING HEART

Protestant SWF, 59, upbeat, loving, laid-back, kind, hobbies include walks, reading, golf, religion, seeks honest, open SM, integrity a must. Ad# 5557

A SPIRITUAL LADY

SWF, 41, full-figured, bubbly, active, outgoing, enjoys animals, walking, refinishing furniture, decorating, seeks dependable, sharing SM, to spend time with. Ad# 9336

DESIRE PERKY & LIVELY?

Baptist SWF, 38, emotionally healthy, positive, professional, enjoys Christian concerts, dancing, reading, seeks wholesome, caring SCM, NS. Ad# 9229

LET'S MEET-OVER COFFEE

Presbyterian SWF, 23, honest, humorous, enjoys the outdoors, the theater, plays, seeks outgoing, humorous, honest SM, for possible relationship. Ad# 1402

THOUGHTFULNESS

Born-Again SWF, 23, outgoing, independent, enjoys attending Christian activities, reading, long walks, rollerblading, seeking fun-loving SCM, who enjoys life. Ad# 1973

SOULFUL

SF, 59, casual, intelligent, professional, enjoys Christian activities, exercising, dancing, massage therapy, jazz, reading, meditation, seeking balanced, secure, comfortable SM. Ad# 7070

READS HER BIBLE

Non-denominational SWF, 46, honest, sincere, musically, enjoys music, dancing, seeks intelligent, communicative, hardworking SCM, with same traits, who loves the Lord. Ad# 6522

QUALITY TIMES

Protestant SWF, 70, enjoys cooking, reading, gardening, seeks intelligent, honest, easygoing SM, who enjoys traveling. Ad# 5445

A FRENCH LADY

SWF, 68, outgoing, good attitude, enjoys painting, reading, sewing, seeks SM, with good morals, for possible relationship. Ad# 7538

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Lutheran SWF, 42, 5'6", 180lbs, smoker, witty, funny, serious, attends Christian activities, enjoys videos, shooting pool, bowling, seeks honest, caring, sensitive SM. Ad# 3845

ENJOY LIFE WITH ME

Methodist SWF, 55, outgoing, enjoys socializing, camping, weekend trips, flea markets, movies, walks, seeks happy, honest SM. Ad# 7869

TRY NEW THINGS

Protestant SWF, 44, easygoing, humorous, enjoys Christian activities, concerts, rollerblading, bike riding, seeks funny, casual, active, NS SM, who attends church. Ad# 3436

LET'S TALK

Protestant SWF, 49, outgoing, attends Christian activities, hobbies are traveling, aerobics, movies, plays, seeking honest, giving, NS SM, who enjoys life. Ad# 2305

LOVES TO LAUGH

SWF, 40, outgoing, funny, likes painting, music, arts and crafts, seeking caring, gentle, kind, considerate SM. Ad# 1125

SAME INTERESTS?

Baptist SWF, 25, 5'3", hazel eyes, full-figured, outgoing, energetic, attends Christian activities, enjoys biking, bowling, shopping, seeks honest, sincere, romantic SM. Ad# 9624

GOOD ATTITUDE

SWF, 40, Baptist, optimistic, upbeat, enjoys working out, bowling, dancing, roller-skating, running, seeks Christian activities, enjoys traveling, dancing, golfing, seeks understanding, considerate, respectful SM. Ad# 7513

QUALITY TIME

Protestant SWF, 57, fun-loving, positive, attends Christian activities, enjoys traveling, dancing, golfing, seeks understanding, considerate, respectful SM. Ad# 5585

COMMUNICATIVE

Roman Catholic SWF, 42, friendly, personable, enjoys life, quiet times, seeks sincere, faithful, happy-go-lucky fun SM, for potential partner. Ad# 5407

MANY INTERESTS

Protestant SWF, 53, witty and funny, enjoys good music, playing piano, cooking, dining out, antiques, old cars, decorating, seeking educated, outgoing, clean, well-groomed, thoughtful SM. Ad# 3334

HOLD MY HAND

Lutheran SWF, 25, brown hair, blue eyes, employed, student, enjoys dancing, skiing, movies, seeks sincere, honest, family-oriented SWM, 25-35. Ad# 1422

I'M THE ONE

SBF, 24, quiet, down-to-earth, enjoys movies, long drives, seeks honest, caring, communicative SM, for a relationship. Ad# 3795

COUNTRY MUSIC

SWF, 45, laid-back, attends Christian activities, enjoys reading, walking, garage sales, crafts, seeks honest, communicative, compassionate SM. Ad# 7342

QUIET TIMES

Presbyterian SWCF, 47, outgoing, enjoys bowling, dancing, reading, seeks open, sincere, caring, loving SM. Ad# 1949

LIKES TO TRAVEL

Catholic SWF, 56, easygoing, attends Christian activities, enjoys auctions, flea markets, play cards, seeks SM, with similar interests, for companionship. Ad# 8950

HONEST PERSON

Protestant SWF, 36, outgoing, carefree, enjoys outdoor activities, rollerblading, horseback riding, seeks fun-loving SM, with good Christian values. Ad# 8902

SWEET

Baptist SBF, 28, down-to-earth, outgoing, enjoys Christian activities, shooting pool, singing, church, seeking honest, respectable SM, for possible relationship. Ad# 2233

GOOD VALUES

Catholic DWF, 32, independent, positive, enjoys exercise, music, outdoor activities, sports, seeks intelligent, patient SM, with integrity and a positive outlook. Ad# 1888

VERY BUBBLY

Catholic SWF, 55, romantic, honest, secure, attends church, enjoys flea markets, fine dining, walking, seeks honest, sincere SM, 6', 200lbs+, with similar interests. Ad# 9378

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Catholic SWF, 42, bubbly, outgoing, sensitive, attends Christian concerts and activities, enjoys working out, running, sports, seeks honest, loyal SM, with family values. Ad# 4277

CONVERSATION

Religious SBF, 33, 5'7", enjoys movies, dancing, traveling, working out, cooking, 135lbs, enjoys seeks dedicated, attractive, free-spirited, moral SM. Ad# 2850

JOYFUL LIFE

Baptist SBF, 39, moody, sincere, enjoys reading, listening to music, movies, seeking clean, mature, physically fit, handsome, honest SM. Ad# 6238

LET'S MEET

SB mom, 25, friendly, and caring, enjoys concerts, plays, reading, writing, spending time with my son, seeking honest, sensitive, intelligent, loving SM. Ad# 1031

FUN, FRIENDSHIP

SCF, 18, enjoys walking, playing volleyball, TV, club life, seeks caring, fun to be around SM. Ad# 1379

WIN MY HEART

Pleasant SB mom, 49, motivated, enjoys bowling, cooking, dining out, attending Christian functions, seeks honest, responsible, fun-loving SM, 45-60. Ad# 2424

LOVES MUSIC

Baptist SWF, 22, outgoing, bubbly, enjoys Christian concerts & activities, reading, poetry, seeks honest, trustworthy, respectful SM. Ad# 1122

LOVING HEART

Catholic SWF, 45, quiet at first, hobbies are reading, gardening, movies, social events, seeking sensitive, caring, easygoing SM. Ad# 1028

POSITIVE ATTITUDE

Catholic SWF, 52, 5'5", blonde hair, outgoing, enjoys reading, long walks, dancing, music, seeks humorous, open, outgoing SM, for casual dating. Ad# 3344

TALK OVER COFFEE

Classy, romantic, loyal Born-Again SWCF, 48, slim, blonde hair, enjoys videos, dancing, seeks Born-Again SCM to share life's ups & downs & prayer. Ad# 8883

CALL ME!

Protestant SWF, 39, outgoing, attends Christian concerts and activities, enjoys anything fun, seeks SM, with good qualities. Ad# 3639

WALKS WITH THE LORD

Born-again DWF, 48, 5'5", Auburn hair, blue eyes, reserved, volunteer, open, honest, enjoys crafts, Christian concerts, sports, seeks gentle SM, NS. Ad# 5279

CREATIVE

SWF, 45, 5'5", 128lbs, blonde hair, green eyes, Presbyterian, likes family activities, sports, seeks honest, trustworthy, Christian, educated SM. Ad# 3257

ROMANTIC

Professional SWF, 27, loves long walks, fires, old movies, holding hands, seeking educated, NS SM, 25-35, with similar interests. Ad# 5145

TIME WITH HER

SW mom, 33, 5'7", 285lbs, reddish brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys church, music, camping, movies, fireplaces, seeking SM, for relationship. Ad# 1020

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Full-figured SWF, 32, 5'2", blond hair, green eyes, enjoys horseback riding, kids, music, movies, animals, nature, seeking honest, loyal, cuddly SM, similar interests, for dating. Ad# 5564

SHY AND QUIET

SWF, 22, 5'6", blue-eyed blonde, full-figured, easygoing, loves animals, kids, movies, cuddling, walks, seeking romantic SM, for dating. Ad# 4985

A KIND HEART

DW mom, 31, 5'9", brown hair, hazel eyes, kind-hearted, good sense of humor, two kids, enjoys movies, dining, camping, traveling, sitting and talking quietly, seeks SM. Ad# 7146

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BE HAPPY WITH ME

Catholic SWM, 34, 5'10", reserved, employed, enjoys sports and a variety of other things, seeks Catholic SWF. Ad# 2034

TWO WAY STREET

Outgoing, friendly SWM, 24, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys the outdoors, working out, seeking SWF, 18-26. Ad# 7873

SEEKS BEST FRIEND

TRAVEL

New UP guidebook rich with good stories

Hunts' Guide to Michigan's Upper Peninsula
By Mary and Don Hunt
(Midwestern Guide, \$15.95)

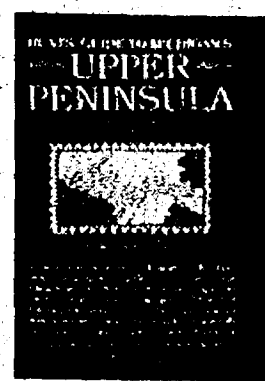
By HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The Hunts have done it again. This superb, large format book is the definitive guide to the UP. It provides the usual tour guide material and then goes many miles further, literally, to take readers to roads less travelled, sights less seen and even bars less frequented.

The Hunts have produced several other outstanding guidebooks, notable for their lack of chamber of commerce cheerleading. The Hunts tell it like it is. They communicate easily and directly and know how to pass along a good story.

This is more than a tour book. It's also a history book, a bit of current events, an ecology book and a story book. As the Hunts move west to east from Isle Royale to Drummond Island, they savor the beautiful landscapes and the hard scrabble towns, the high tech universities and the rugged hiking trails.

The Upper Peninsula may soon be metropolitan Michigan's last safety valve against the pressures of urban living as the northern Lower Peninsula falls prey to the developers who are



killing everything that once made it attractive. The UP is still about deer and moose and trout streams. It is still very small towns, raging rivers, dramatic waterfalls and Superior's rocky, stunning shoreline. Unfortunately, even here, the modern world is beginning to intrude with the advent of casino gambling.

The guide has black and white photos and extensive, helpful and detailed maps. The Hunts divide the "Superior peninsula" into 14 areas after giving a brief overview. As most guide books do, the Hunts list where to stay and where to eat. Unlike most guide books, the Hunts steer away from the large chain operations in favor of places with lake views and local food. The Hunts also make clear, honest evaluations without the usual over-

statements.

The book also walks you through the various towns, stopping at the interesting shops and restaurants along the way and talking with the local business people and cracker barrel philosophers.

Take these nuggets:

Michigan Technological University in Houghton has the A.E. Seaman Mineral Museum of which the Hunts say: "Rockhounds and visual artistic types will be dazzled by the sumptuous patterns and colors of this very large, artfully displayed mineral collection."

Calumet which now has 800 residents once was the center for a population of 40,000 and had trolleys, movie theaters and a grand opera house that is still

used for theater and dance performances.

Isle Royale is the largest Lake Superior island and the most remote island in any of the Great Lakes. The boat ride from Houghton or Copper Harbor is 6 1/2 or 4 1/2 hours.

The Porcupine Mountains is described in detail with hiking trails and suggested methods for exploring what the Hunts describe as "one of the Midwest's few great remaining wilderness tracts."

The tiny town of Rockland is described as a beautiful village and the Hunts tell you some of its history and how to find out more: "Stop by Henry's on U.S. 45 in downtown Rockland. There Sally Gagnon, who is Henry's wife as well as daytime bar-

tender, co-owner, cook, local historian and promoter extraordinaire will fill you in on Rockland's history, alluding to how Ontonogan stole everything, including the famous boulder and the county seat."

That's typical of what you'll find in this delightful, pick-it-up-anytime, turn-anywhere book. You'll learn all about pasties, the Finnish settlements, the Soo Locks, Iron River, Iron Mountain and Ironwood, the metropolis of Marquette (the "Queen City of the North"), Picture Rocks and much, much more. The Hunts take side trips, odd excursions and hikes in the woods with some interesting people.

This is a travel guide for people who enjoy reading as much as they enjoy being well informed. The Hunts are guides you can trust.

GREAT ESCAPES

Great Escapes features various travel news items. Send news leads to Hugh Gallagher, assistant managing editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

EYPTO-MANIA

Butcher Community Center in Warren is presenting "Anton's Egyptology for Travelers" 2-4 p.m. Mondays beginning Sept. 15 for six weeks with Anton Andersen. Andersen fell in love with ancient Egypt when he visited Cairo and sailed down the Nile to the Valley of the Kings and rode over the sands in Giza to the Great Sphinx and pyramids. In this class, Anton shares his passion for Egypt from a traveler's point of view. You will also learn basic Egyptian Arabic phrases. Cost \$49. Call 810-574-3207.

NEW YEAR'S IN THE DESERT

Loew's Ventana Canyon Resort is preparing a special New Year's "Snow Ball" on New Year's Eve 1999. The "welcome

to a new millennium" ball will feature an elegant five-course meal, a champagne toast and music by 50s/60s rock and roll bands The Coasters and The Drifters and Sammy Fortune's dance band. This year's "Snow Ball" features Chubby Checker and Sammy Fortune.

The Ventana Canyon Ranch is near Tucson in the Catalina Mountain Foothills and has 398 guest rooms, a spa and a PGA championship golf course. For information, call 800-234-5117.

THEATER PACKAGES

Livent Inc, the Tony Award-winning producer, is offering a package of Toronto theater and travel starting as low as \$99 U.S. on the Livent Express. Customized travel packages will be offered. The daytrip package (\$99 U.S.) includes round-trip VIA Rail train transportation to Toronto and theater ticket and the overnight packages (starting at \$129 U.S. may include round-trip transportation to Toronto, theater tickets, preferred hotel accommodations. Current Livent productions in Toronto are the long-running "The Phantom of

the Opera," "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and the Broadway bound "Ragtime" (which closes in Toronto Aug. 31). For information, call Keytours at 1-800-265-5888.

TORONTO FILM FESTIVAL

The Toronto Film Festival, Sept. 4-13, will hold galas for five films. The Opening Night Gala will feature the Canadian premiere of Atom Egoyan's "The Sweet Hereafter" which won three awards at the Cannes Film Festival. The Gala slate also includes "L.A. Confidential," "Mrs. Dalloway," "Regeneration," and "Marquise."

For tickets, Visa holders call use the Bell Infoline at 1-416-968-Film.

HOODED SEALS

Sea World of Ohio's animal care specialists released a rehabilitated, juvenile, female hooded seal that had beached off the coast of Virginia last September. Members of the Marine Animal Rescue Program at the National Aquarium in Baltimore initially rescued her from definite

peril, then transported her to Sea World of Ohio where she completed her rehabilitation. Following the success of her recuperation at Sea World of Ohio, the female hooded seal and a juvenile harbor seal, rehabilitated by the National Aquarium in Baltimore, were released off the coast of New England on July 9, 1997 in cooperation with the National Aquarium in Baltimore and the New England Aquarium. The seal has been outfitted with a transmitter so that she can be tracked by satellite. Once she moults in about a year, she will lose the transmitter. The seals movements can be tracked along with the scientists via the Internet at www.seaworld.org

JAZZ NORTH

Saturday, July 26, the fifth annual Sutton's Bay JAZZFEST will feature classic jazz and big band music noon to 9 p.m. at the Sutton's Bay Marina Park. JAZ-

ZFEST continues to gain recognition as an outstanding musical experience where prominent musicians from around the country come together once a year to play and share the music they love. This year's lineup includes: the Slabtown Marching Society,

the Steve Sander Trio, Jeff Haas Trio, Marcus Belgrave and Marvin Kahn joining the Haas Trio, the Harry Goldson Quintet and the Gary Carden 17-piece big band. For tickets, \$7 in advance, \$10 at the gate, call 616-271-4444.

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TRAVEL

Nautical adventure awaits on car ferry

BY MARY QUINLEY
SPECIAL WRITER

Lake Michigan is playing host to a centennial birthday bash and you're invited.

It's a simple affair. Just make a reservation on the S. S. Badger, the only steam-power auto/passenger ship on the Great Lakes, and you're automatically included in the celebration.

The ship sails out of the west Michigan port of Ludington for a four-hour cruise across to Wisconsin.

Ruth Monstur, a Redford resident since 1944, sailed on the Badger a few years ago and got a taste of Great Lakes cruising.

"I remember that the ship was very pleasant. We enjoyed it very much," she said.

Monstur belongs to a "PRIME TIMERS Saints over 60," a group of adult seniors from Brightmoor Tabernacle, a church in Southfield.

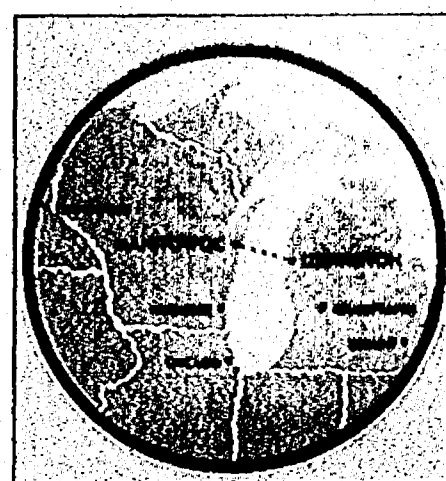
The cruise on the Badger across Lake Michigan brought back memories of a similar experience with her family.

"Almost 40 years ago, when our two boys were small, we took a ship to Duluth (Minnesota). We stayed overnight on the ship. It was very exciting."

The tradition of a ferry service across the lake began 100 years ago. In February, 1897, the Pere Marquette, the first steel car ferry on Lake Michigan, sailed from Ludington on her maiden voyage to Manitowoc (pronounced MAN-i-tu-wok), Wis.

The 19th century "titan of size and power," carried 22 freight cars, railroad officials, and a brass band to celebrate the new type of vessel. The 20th century version, the S.S. Badger, accommodates more than 600 passengers and 180 automobiles.

Once aboard the ship, consider a leisurely stroll outside on the deck. One whiff of the gentle breezes from the clear, teal-colored lake furnishes an instant cure for the harried passenger.



In the one-room maritime museum, youngsters sit cross-legged on the floor, engrossed in a tale of two bear cubs who tried to swim across Lake Michigan. Sometimes, moms and dads join the story telling scene.

Other passengers head for the movies, play Badger Bingo or join the lively karaoke gang during the journey. The Badger Boutique draws souvenir-seekers to a modest shop.

"I played bingo," said Monstur, a great grandmother. However, "for the most part we sat, relaxed, and enjoyed" the ride.

Ruth Ratz, the social coordinator for Brightmoor Tabernacle, organized the PRIME TIMERS four-day trip which included the Wisconsin Dells, a brief stop in Chicago, and dinner in the Amish community of Shipshewana, Ind.

"We did a circle trip and stopped in Ludington our first night," said the Farmington Hills resident.

The next morning the group of 38 seniors boarded the cruise ship.

"I love the water and I love boats. It was neat that we could move around. I was quite happy leaning over the rail. It was a comfortable trip." An added bonus, Ratz said:

"It was no problem getting the (tour) bus on the ship."

If you're hungry while sailing, choose either the Upper Deck

Cafe, a cafeteria-style dining area, or the Badger Galley on the main deck which serves sandwiches, salads and snacks.

Mini cruises without your vehicle, sunset two-hour cruises, and discounts on a red-eye departure from Manitowoc provide travelers with several sailing options. For an extra charge, guests are invited to spend the night on the ship at the Badger Boatel in an authentic car ferry stateroom.

And the two ports which serve the Badger supply great excuses for before-or-after-sailing get-aways.

On the Michigan coast, the town of Ludington lures travelers to savor the long stretches of

smooth, sandy beaches. Swimming, boating and fishing are popular sports.

On the western edge of the lake is the port of Manitowoc, home to the largest maritime museum in the Midwest, the Wisconsin Maritime Museum. Of particular interest to kids of all ages is a tour of the S.S. Cobia, a World War II submarine docked just outside of the museum.

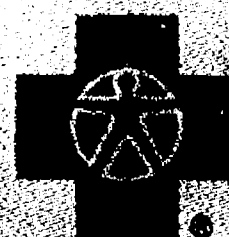
Even if your family decides not to check out the shoreline attractions, plan to participate in the centennial maritime tradition, and sail across Lake Michigan.

Mary Quinley is a free lance writer who specializes in travel stories. She lives in Livonia.



On Deck: Ruth Monstur, a Redford resident, enjoys the breezes as the S.S. Badger crosses Lake Michigan. The trip takes about four hours.

PHOTOS BY MARY QUINLEY



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Car ferry: The S.S. Badger arrives in port city of Manitowoc, Wis. If you are planning a trip on the ship, reservations are recommended.

Where to get information

The S.S. Badger operates through Oct. 12. Passengers and their vehicles or bicycles are transported 60 miles across Lake Michigan between Ludington and Manitowoc, Wis. The trip takes four hours.

A sunset shoreline cruise is scheduled for Aug. 30 from Ludington. Allow about 4.5 hours to drive to Ludington from the Observer & Eccentric areas.

Roundtrip fees: \$57 adults, \$52 seniors older than 65, \$27 children 5-15, free for children under 5.

Auto, van and pickup transportation is \$90 roundtrip and does not include the passenger fee.

A special roundtrip mini cruise

without a vehicle which must be completed within 48 hours costs \$40 adult, \$20 children.

For Badger information, call Lake Michigan Carferry, 800 841-4243, or 616 845-555, or write to the firm at 700 S. William Street, Ludington, MI 49431. Reservations recommended.

For information on the Ludington area, contact the Ludington Area Convention & Visitors Bureau, 5827 West U.S. 10, Ludington, MI 49431, 800 542-4600.

For information on Manitowoc, contact their visitors bureau, P.O. Box 966, Manitowoc, WI 54221-0966, or call 800 627-4896.

Weekend getaways

(NAPS) - The trend in vacations is to take more one, two, or three-day mini-vacations instead of week-long vacations, travel experts say. They're easier to plan, and require less packing. Here are tips from experts at Kampgrounds of America on preparing for your next weekend getaway.

1) Decide where you want to go. It doesn't have to be far, but it should involve a change of scenery - the beach, mountains, or a nearby point of interest or attraction.

2) Plan your route to get there. Look for scenic, rather than the

fastest, routes. Trips that offer roadside curiosity shops, mom and pop cafes and places to view geologic formations or natural wonders may be the most fun and memorable.

3) Relax. A getaway is an escape from daily routines, not an exercise in minute-to-minute timetables. Better to pick out an activity or two and take the rest as it comes, than to pack too much into your schedule and exhaust yourself trying to do it all.

4) Camping is a great way to escape the confines of the work-a-day world.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Briggs returns to Ocelots

Former cage star turns coach; Tolstedt gets girls job

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

The vacancies are filled — finally. The question now is, what will the vacancy-fillers do to fill the vacancies they've inherited?

Schoolcraft College athletic director Ed Kavanaugh announced Thursday the hiring of Carlos Briggs as men's basketball coach and Bill Tolstedt as women's soccer coach.

"We understand it's late, they're going to be basically starting over," Kavanaugh said, referring to rosters

depleted by the absence of recruiting. "We've had a lot of people call in the last few weeks and say they were going to be going to school here.

"So they've got some numbers to call."

Both coaches will have to start calling fast. School starts in six weeks.

In SC circles, both coaches have familiar names. Briggs was the school's biggest male basketball star, attaining NJCAA All-American status before graduating to NCAA

Division I Baylor.

Tolstedt's daughter, Cindi, played soccer at SC through the 1993 season.

Kavanaugh, who has coached women's basketball at SC off and on for more than a decade, was there during Briggs' tenure. He felt the SC grad would be a proper choice to replace Greg Thomas, an interim coach who was not brought back.

"A big factor is, he's a great role model for the kids," Kavanaugh said of Briggs. "He came out of our program and went on to play Division

I." Briggs was unavailable for comment. He's been coaching high school basketball in Texas, where he also teaches, and was in the process of relocating back to Michigan.

Briggs graduated from Detroit Benedictine. "He brings a lot of experience and enthusiasm to the job," Kavanaugh said. "We thought he was ready for it."

The same feeling existed for Tolstedt. Like Briggs, he's never coached at the collegiate level, but he figures

Rigley on fire

Pitching can be hard on the arm, but not so demanding on the knees.

Matt Rigley probably can't comment on the arm strain yet, but his knees are definitely grateful for a rest from his catching duties.

Rigley, normally a catcher, made his second pitching appearance in less than a week for the Michigan Braves, who play in the Mickey Mantle Division in the Little Caesars Baseball Federation.

It was Rigley's second-straight impressive start as he threw a four-hitter in a 5-1 complete-game victory over Birmingham.

He struck out seven and walked three as the Rams managed to break a tie with Birmingham in the standings.

Adam Fozzio went 2-for-4 to help the Rams' cause.

The pitching stints were nice, but Rigley knows better than to throw out his catcher's equipment.

Mentadent qualifying

The third-annual Mentadent Champions Tennis Tournament, held in Aug. 21-25 at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn, will have a qualifying Doubles Tournament for United States Tennis Association male players.

The Qualifier will be held Aug. 1-3 at the Birmingham Athletic Club. Entry fee for the Doubles Qualifying Tournament is \$70 per team. Players must be 35 or over.

For more information, contact Zori Dada at the Southeastern Michigan Tennis Association at (313) 421-1025.

Power-Bilt Results

Stephen Polanski's round of 70 July 15 helped the Livonia youngster capture the boys 16-up division Junior Championship at Eagle Crest GC in the Power-Bilt Michigan PGA Junior Tour event in Ypsilanti.

Mike Lightbody of Livonia shot a 77 to tie for sixth in the same event while Chris Thompkins of Westland tied for 11th with a 79. Gregory Berger of Livonia shot 83 and John Corey of Redford an 84.

Katherine McDonald of Livonia had a 105 at Eagle Crest to place sixth in the Girls 14-15 division of the event. Evan Chall of Westland's 84 put him fifth in the boys 14-15 division while Steven Robinson of Livonia tied for 18th in the boys 13-under section with a 118.

On July 14 at Travis Pointe CC in Ann Arbor, Heidi Alttama of Livonia was runnerup in the girls 13-under division with 45 points. Gary Kraus of Livonia scored seven points in the event's boys 16-up division to tie for 11th. Ben Kristy of Livonia scored 6 points to finish 13th in the boys 13-under category.

Madonna hoop camps

Madonna University will host a pair of girls basketball camps beginning next week. Both will be conducted by Lady Crusaders' women's basketball coach Marylou Jansen.

The first is for ninth through 12th graders and will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 21-25. The second is for fifth through eighth graders from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 28-Aug. 1.

Fundamentals will be stressed in both. Participants are asked to bring their own lunches.

Cost is the same for both camps — \$100 per person. Participants may register at the door on the first day of camp.

For further information, call (313) 432-5606.

GC Girls Hoops Camp

A basketball camp for Garden City girls entering fifth through ninth grades this fall will be held July 29-31 at Garden City Junior High.

The daily camps will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and total cost is \$40. Each player gets a T-shirt and camp certificate. Deadline for registration is July 25. Forms can be obtained from the high school or girls basketball staff. Call 421-7402.

Titan golf outing

The University of Detroit Mercy Titans will hold their annual golf outing Monday, Aug. 25, at Fox Hills Golf Club in Plymouth.

The event begins with a continental breakfast at 7:30 a.m. followed by a scramble shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. then a buffet lunch.

There will be golf prizes, door prizes and gifts for all participants.

Cost of the outing is \$80 per person. For more information, call the UDM athletic department at (313) 993-1700.

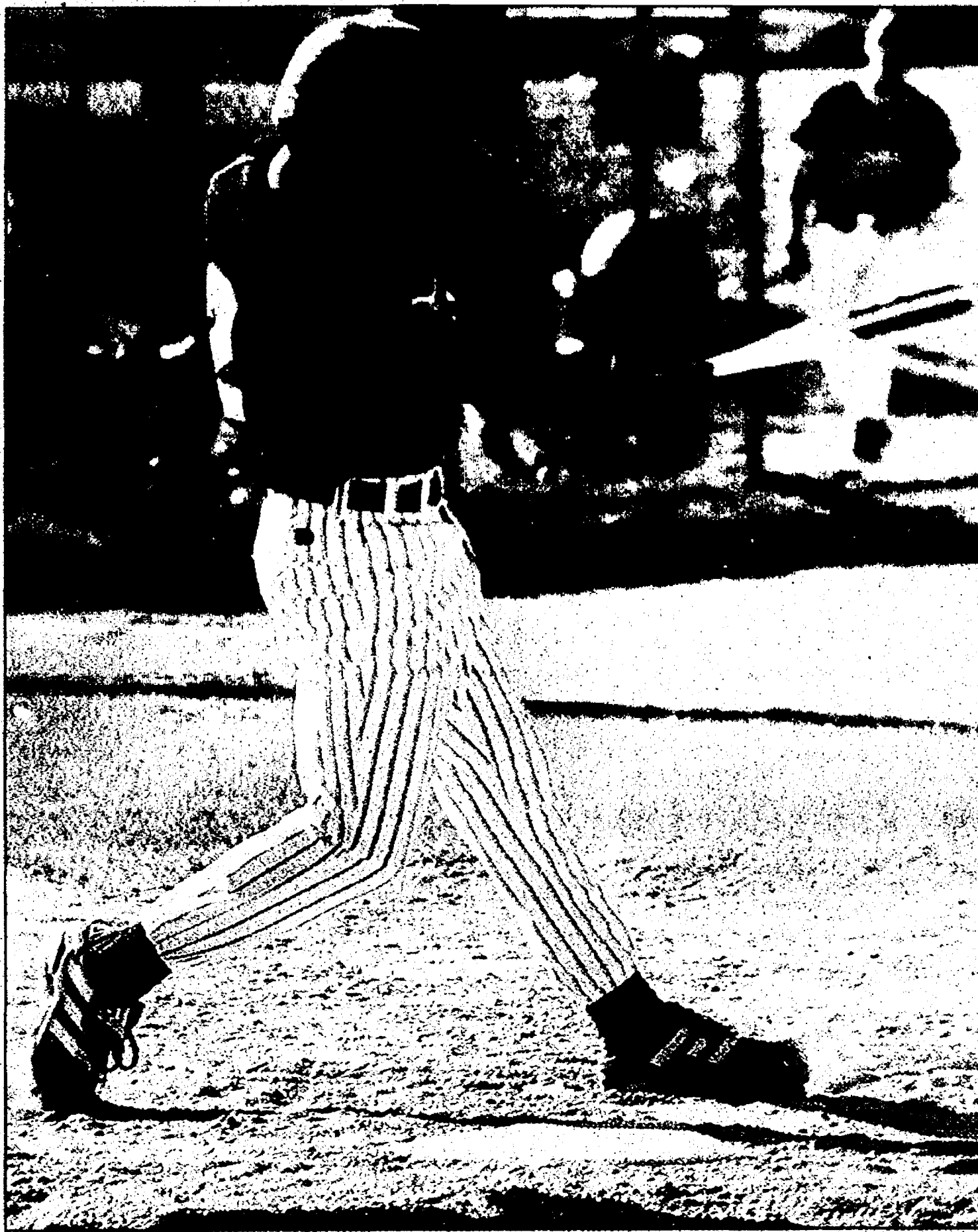
Soccer tournament

The Rochester Youth Soccer League (RYSL) is sponsoring a three vs. three soccer tournament at Borden Park in Rochester Hills, Saturday, Aug. 2 and Sunday, Aug. 3. The event is open to all players.

Registration forms can be picked up at the following locations: Rochester Youth Soccer League Office (612 University) and Dunham's locations in Rochester Hills, Lake Orion or Madison Heights.

Call (248) 423-7934 for additional information.

Ram charged



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Sweet swing: Michigan Lake Area Rams centerfielder and leadoff batter Schuyler Doakes takes a swing in Wednesday's Adray Metro Baseball Association game against Troy Jet Box at Livonia's Ford Field. The Rams lost to Jet Box, 3-2. See story, D2.

Livonia Travel wins league

Rush hour's a breeze compared to what people must deal with when they encounter Livonia Travel.

We're talking about the 16-year-old baseball team, not the roads people drive in Livonia.

Livonia Travel won the Little Caesars Mickey Mantle Open Division with a 19-2 record, winning its final 16 regular season games.

South Farmington was its nearest competitor, finishing the regular season in second place with a 17-4 record.

Travel has an overall record of 41-7, winning one tournament (the Cincinnati Invitational) and finishing second in three others.

It's been the same success story the last six seasons for Travel coach Bill Rabe whose roster has hardly changed in that time. Assisting Rabe are Bob Malek and Bob Murray.

Most of the players have been together since they were 11 years old. Playing on the Pee Wee Reese, Sandy Koufax and Mickey Mantle circuits, Rabe's teams have won one regular season championship, tied for first twice, won three district titles and one regional.

Last year, playing as a 15-year-old team in a 16-year-old division, Travel won theregional and finished fifth at the NABF World Series in Northville.

No one has had an answer for Travel's awesome hitting attack this year.

"Our pitching is fine, defense was certainly good, but we had the reputation of the best hitting team in the league," Rabe said. "We've had the nucleus of this team since they were all 11. We've tweaked it a little bit here and there, but it's basically been the same each year. Nothing speaks louder than past performance."

Rabe said the key to his players is their dedication and discipline.

"We started practice indoors in October and they are unbelievably commit-

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Priorities slow O'Donnell — for now

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Now's not the time. Not quite yet.

Jennifer O'Donnell knows it. She knows when she steps up to compete at the U.S. National Target Championships, to be held in Canton Aug. 3-8, she won't be among the favorites to win.

Because she won't be in top form. "I'm not setting my goals too high," O'Donnell said. "I'm kind of like the wild card, because I have nothing to lose. I'm not expected to do anything."

It wasn't always like that for the Farmington native who currently lives in Livonia. Now 23, when she was 18 she was a member of the U.S. Olympic archery team that competed in Barcelona; a year later, she claimed the World Indoor Championship when she outdueled Russia's Natalia Valeeva.

"Even though the Olympics were great, that was just awesome," O'Donnell said in describing what has become her career highlight — tying Valeeva (who had eliminated her a year earlier at the Barcelona Olympics) for the gold after 12 arrows, then beating her on the eighth overtime shot.

The question begs to be asked: What happened? It seemed O'Donnell had just one direction to go — up. She was 19, she had been competing internationally since '91, she had been ranked second in the U.S. on the recurve bow (the more traditional of the bows,



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Objective targeted: Jennifer O'Donnell, of Livonia, hasn't devoted as much time to her sport as she'd like in the last two years. But she promises to be back in top form in plenty of time for the 2000 Olympic Team Trials.

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the only one allowed in Olympic archery competition). But something happened, something even O'Donnell has trouble fully explaining. "I was working and going to school and competing — it got to the point where I wasn't doing that well in any of them," she said. Her competitive spirit sagged. "My heart wasn't into it because I was getting discouraged," she said.

The most telling, harshest blow came at the Trials for the '96 U.S. Olympic Team. Sixteen spots were open; O'Donnell, one of America's brightest stars, finished 17th.

"It was a very big disappointment," she recalled. "I think I just got a little too careful, I lost that edge to go out and rip everybody apart and really go after it. School got to be an excuse for me."

"It was more a loss of confidence in myself, and I don't know how it came about."

O'Donnell made her decision shortly after that, and it wasn't an easy one: school first. A student at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield studying interior architectural design, she has two years of schooling left.

And for the past 18 months, O'Donnell has hardly competed. She was at the U.S. Indoor Nationals a year ago, and competed again at the same event this year, last March in East Lansing.

But that's it. So is it over? Are her days of competition at an end?

Not by a long shot, O'Donnell insists. The appearance of a major international archery event like the U.S. National Target Championships in her own backyard has reignited her competitive flame.

"I'm really looking forward to it," she said. "I really miss it, the camaraderie and my friends. I've been practicing a bit more, because it's summer and I have more time to."

She's not at her former level, to be sure. When traveling the world for international archery events, O'Donnell would spend three-to-five hours a day practicing, including running and weight work.

All of it was necessary. Archery combines delicate precision with endurance; the National Target Championships will last five days, with archers shooting 80-to-100 arrows a day at distances varying in the preliminary rounds (70, 60, 50 and 30 meters for the women; 90, 70, 50 and 30 meters for the men) before the final round, which is competed at 70 meters.

Preparing for an outdoor event like this isn't easy.

"It's more a matter of endurance for me, because I haven't been shooting distance much, because there's not many places to practice," she said. "The heat takes a lot out of you. There are just more factors to take into account outdoors."

The factors in O'Donnell's life that have prevented her from chasing international fame in her sport are being addressed; she hopes to be back into competition within 18 months, with an eye focused on the 2000 U.S. Olympics Team.

And when O'Donnell sets her sights on a target, there's no argument over her accuracy.

TRACK AND FIELD

JUNIOR AND SENIOR OLYMPICS Tuesday at Howard Kraft Field

In Redford

Bantam Boys (5 and under)

Softball Throw

1. Chris Horger, 12-feet; 2. Tony Horger, 11-0; 3. Dan Conner, 10-0; 4. Tyler Dunn, 9-0; 5. Andrew Peterson, 9-0; 6. Joey Parzyeh, 8-0.

Long Jump

1. T. Dunn, 7-0; 2. T. Horger, 6-6; 3. C. Horger, 6-5; 4. Ben King, 5-6; 5. Kyle Wrathall, 4-8; 6. D. Conner, 4-6.

Bantam Girls (5-under)

Softball Throw

1. Samantha Hill, 7-0; 2. Ryley Wood, 7-0; 3. Bethany Rothley, 6-0; 4. Corena Wenczak, 5-0; 5. Sarah Koehn, 5-0; 6. Ashley DeRubbo, 4-0.

Long Jump

1. R. Wood, 6-0; 2. S. Hill, 4-10; 3. Sara Howard, 4-9; 4. S. Koehn, 4-8; 5. Chelsea Gehan, 3-11; 6. Julie Bushart, 3-9.

Squirt Boys (6-7)

Softball Throw

1. Lloyd Praedel, 28-0; 2. Steven Ostrovich, 28-0; 3. John Iltis, 25-0; 4. Matt Bessenen, 24-0; 5. Andrew Connolly, 22-0; 6. Trevor Gorman, 20-0.

Long Jump

1. Reece Boyd, 8-7; 2. Parker Wood, 7-11; 3. Douglas Raymond, 7-9; 4. Matthew Bessenen, 7-6; 5. Brandon Copitz, 7-5; 6. Chris Nowak, 7-3.

Squirt Girls (6-7)

Softball Throw

1. Kelsey Weekley, 15-0; 2. Melissa Madox, 12-0; 3. Clare Meernik, 11-0; 4. Jessica Marnon, 11-0; 5. Stephanie Conner, 10-0; 6. Noel Mancuso, 10-0.

Long Jump

1. Sarah Laberge, 8-4; 2. Clare Meernik, 6-10; 3. Katie Tulpa, 5-2; 4. K. Weekley, 4-8; 5. S. Conner, 4-0; 6. N. Mancuso, 3-8.

Peewee Boys (8-9)

Softball Throw

1. K. Morris, 30-0; 2. Matt Holdenberg, 30-0; 3. Judson Rothley, 28-0; 4. Michael Bessenen, 27-0; 5. Alex Ostrovich, 26-0; 6. Jesse Boyd, 26-0.

Long Jump

1. K. Morris, 11-6; 2. Trevor Rice, 10-9; 3. J. Boyd, 10-8; 4. M. Holdenberg, 10-7; 5. Steven Stahl, 10-6; 6. Judson Rothley, 10-0.

High Jump

1. Andrew Laberge, 3-9; 2. K. Morris, 3-8; 3. J. Rothley, 3-6; 4. J. Boyd, 3-4; 5. Ju. Rothley, 3-4; 6. M. Holdenberg, 3-3.

Peewee Girls (8-9)

Softball Throw

1. Valerie Harris, 19-0; 2. Karen Mooradian, 17-0; 3. Kelly Horger, 16-0.

High Jump

1. Jason Crosby, 1:01.52; 2. C. Ware, 1:08.77; 3. Justin Lee, 1:10.34; 4. Bre. Beverly, 1:22.67; 5. Brashan Beverly, 1:25.88.

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1. J. Crosby, 2:26.73; 2. M. VanMeter, 3:00.52; 3. Bre. Beverly, 3:22.49; 4. Bras. Beverly, 3:25.31.

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1. Charles Hardy, 13.29; 2. C. Ware, 13.30; 3. Ju. Lee, 13.67; 4. Timothy Randolph, 14.80; 5. I. Weaver, 15.20; 6. Bras. Beverly, 15.22.

Junior High Girls (12-14)

Discus

1. Ariel Loller, 30-7.

Long Jump

1. Kelley Sampson, 13-3; 2. Ashley Kinzel, 11-0; 3. A. Loller 9-9.

High Jump

1. A. Kinzel, 4-2; 2. A. Loller, 4-2.

110 low hurdles

1. Jenel Smith, 20.74; 2. A. Loller, 27.03.

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(Heat 1) 1. J. Smith, 1:07; 2. Yvonne Rush, 1:08; 3. Quena Bradley, 1:12; 4. Raquel Stewart, 1:15; 5. Tiffany Rudison, 1:17.

(Heat 2) 1. Twansi White, 1:07; 2. Whitney Johnson, 1:23; 3. E. Leyia Rudolph, 1:25; 4. Neoll Pinchum, 1:37.

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1. K. Sampson, 2:49.55; 2. Shante White, 3:19; 3. Courtney Bender, 3:33.

100

(Heat 1) 1. Maya Jones, 12.09; 2. Kenya Swann, 12.40; 3. Marjani Jackson, 13.05; 4. R. Stewart, 13.40; 5. Y. Rush, 13.59.

(Heat 2) 1. J. Smith, 13.21; 2. E. Rudolph, 14.40; 3. S. White, 14.76; 4. W. Johnson, 14.79; 5. T. Rudison, 14.83; 6. K. Sampson, 14.92.

High School Boys (15-17)

Shot Put

1. Nick Tipvisan, 33.9.

Discus

1. N. Tipvisan, 104.6 1/2.

Pole Vault

1. Dan Clouser, 10-6; 2. Matt Weber, 10-6; 3. Brian Lee, 10-0.

Long Jump

1. Richard Lee, 18-11; 2. Rick Yee, 17-6 1/2; 3. Jim Wallis, 11-3.

High Jump

1. Joe Damen, 5-8; 2. David Wirth, 5-4; 3. D. Clouser, 5-4.

110 low hurdles

1. B. Lee, 15.30; 2. M. Weber, 15.36; 3. J. Damen, 16.20; 4. Jason Gray, 19.61.

Mile

1. David Wirth, 5:27; 2. Jimmy Opalicky, 5:35; 3. Jamie Pringo, 5:45.

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1. Ian Searcy, 52.42; 2. Terrante Wade, 54.32; 3. Bruce Thompson, 57.55; 4. Demetrius Vaughn, 59.10; 5. J. Pringo, 59.24.

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1. I. Searcy, 2:06; 2. T. Wade, 2:13; 3. J. Opalicky, 2:15; 4. Dan Burk, 2:23; 5. J. Wallis, 3:00.

100

1. Jemel Lee, 10.60; 2. R. Lee, 11:20; 3. Omar Jackson, 11.22; 4. Walter Hayward, 11.46; 5. B. Lee, 11.54; 6. N. Tipvisan, 11.56.

High School Girls (15-17)

Pole Vault

1. Lisa Chapman, 30-0; 2. Kimberly Sampson, 28-0.

Discus

1. K. Sampson, 85-9 3/4; 2. Kristy Kazmierczak, 71-8; 3. L. Chapman, 57-10.

Long Jump

1. Brandis O'Neal, 16-3; 2. Michiko Yonezawa, 13-10; 3. L. Chapman, 12-5; 4. K. Sampson, 12-0; 5. Cristine Lupowski, 11-2.

110 low hurdles

1. Mieke Yonezawa, 19.76.

Mile

1. Mallori Thomas, 6:02; 2. C. Lupowski, 6:24; 3. Rashida Bradley, 6:43; 4. Rhashida Rudolph, 6:49.83; 5. Simone Chapman, 6:49.94; 6. Mic. Yonezawa, 7:26.

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1. Angka Morris, :58; 2. Lauran Dozier, 1:01; 3. R. Bradley, 1:02; 4. S. Chapman, 1:03; 5. B. O'Neal 1:04.50; 6. Kia Walker, 1:04.55.

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1. A. Morris, 12.06; 2. Lashawnda Stalings, 12.94; 3. Rachele Rush, 12.95; 4. B. O'Neal, 13.22; 5. L. Dozier, 13.59; 6. K. Walker, 13.71.

Co-Ed Mile Relay

1. Terrante Wade, N.A., N.A., N.A.; 4:14.77; 2. (Simone Chapman, Angka Morris, Rachele Rush, Brandis O'Neal), 4:26.30; 3. (David Wirth, Sean Donaldson, Mike Lovati, Masayuki Yonezawa), 4:44.72; 4. Isalah Weaver, Nicolas Anderson, Tiffany Rudison, E'Leyia Rudolph), 5:09.66.

Open Mile

1. Jimmy Opalicky, 10:50.21; 2. Mike Unger, 11:10.33; 3. Demetrius Vaughn, 12:53.31; 4. Kelley Sampson, 14:07.52; 5. Miles VanMeter, 15:03.86; 6. Charles Sherk, 15:50.49.

College Men (18-20)

Shot Put

1. Steve Niemczewski, 31-10; 2. Dave Loller, 29-10; 3. Jason Burk, 28-1.

Discus

1. D. Loller, 120-4; 2. S. Niemczewski, 120-1 1/2.

Long Jump

1. Tony Antal, 21-7.

High Jump

1. D. Loller, 6-2; 2. Joe Niemczewski, 5-6; 3. Masayuki Yonezawa, 4-6.

110 low hurdles

1. Robert Ralston, 15.92; 2. M. Yonezawa, 18.12.

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1. Jamar Lee, 55.14; 2. Walter Hayward, 56.21.

Mile

1. M. Yonezawa, 5:24.

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1. J. Lee, 10.69; 2. D. Vaughn, 11.27; 3. J. Niemczewski, 11.35; 4. J. Burk, 11.86; 5. D. Loller, 11.95; 6. S. Niemczewski, 12.01.

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1. N.A.; 2. N.A.; 3. Mason Spain, 2:17; 4. M. Yonezawa, 2:26.

Open 440 Relay

(Heat 1) 1. (Jamar Lee, Omar Jackson, Jemel Lee, Walter Hayward), 45:04; 2. (Gene Skalsky, Steve Niemczewski, Joe Niemczewski, Tony Antal), 45:78; 3. (Maya Jones, Kenya Swann, Marjani Jackson, Raquel Stewart), 54:45; 4. (Yvonne Peoples, Mavis Chapman, Raycene Weaver, Kim Bradley), 55:29.

(Heat 2) 1. (Brandis O'Neal, Angka Morris, Rachele Rush, Simone Chapman), 51:02; 2. (Lashawnda Stalings, Quena Bradley, Twansi White, Yvonne Peoples), 54:03; 3. (Tiffany Rudison, Whitney Johnson, E'Leyia Rudolph, Yvonne Rush), 55:61; 4. (Isalah Weaver, Christopher Cole, Brian Peoples, Nicolas Anderson), 1:01.

Class A Men (21-27)

Pole Vault

1. Gene Skalsky, 13-6.

Class B Men (28-34)

440

1. Steve Ostrovich, 1:09.65.

Class C Men (35-41)

440

1. Carlos Horn, 1:00.87.

Class C Women (35-41)

Shot Put

1. Becky Freedman, 25-4.

Discus

1. B. Freedman, 69-11.

Class D Men (42-over)

Shot Put

1. Thomas Burk, 35-9.

Discus

1. Bill Rothley, 88-6; 2. T. Burk, 82-10.

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1. Charles Sherk, 1:22.95.

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1. C. Sherk, 7:09.

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1. C. Sherk, 3:16.

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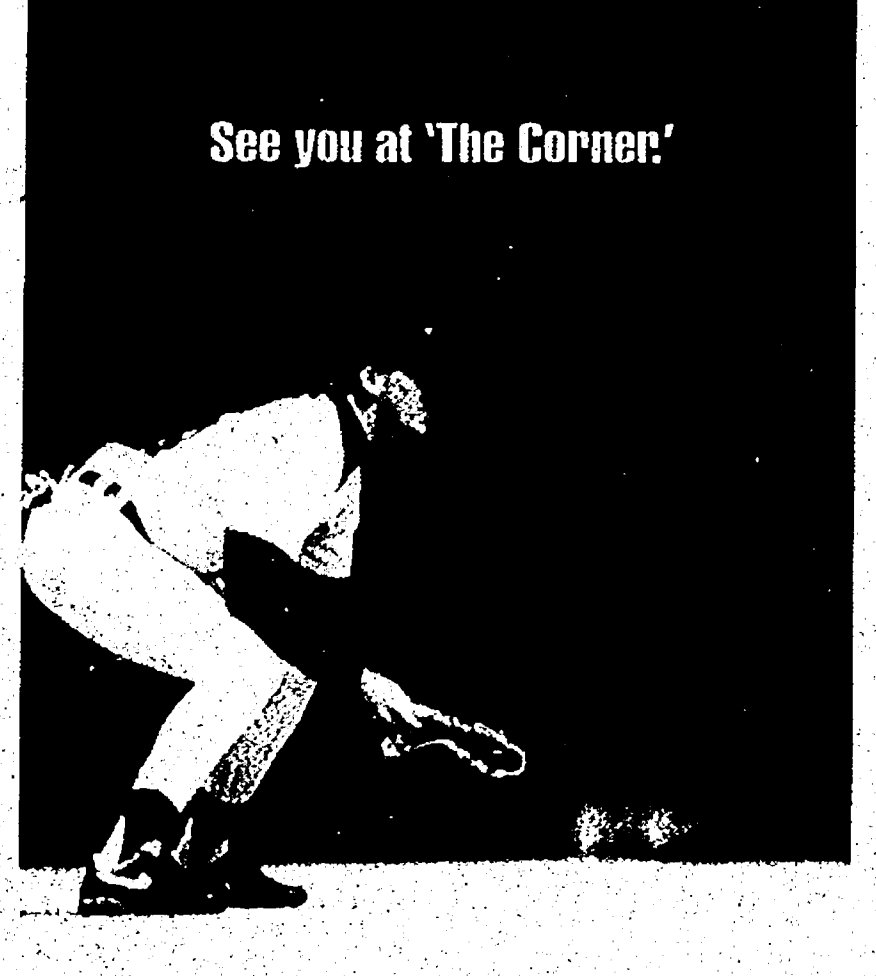
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DCI wins on Quinn homer

A pitcher's duel Friday night between Livonia Adray and Livonia DCI ended for all intents and purposes with one swing of the bat.

DCI's Pete Quinn, a Redford Thurston graduate who plays for Madonna University, hit a three-run home run with two outs in the top of the seventh inning for a 3-1 victory over Adray at Livonia's Ford Field.

The heartbreaking loss dropped Adray's record in the Adray Metro Baseball Association to 8-17 overall.

Adray pitcher Dave Rossow, who took a two-hitter and a shutout into the seventh inning, suffered the loss. DCI finished with four hits against him.

Mitch Jabczynski also went the distance to earn the win for DCI. He scattered eight hits, walked two and struck out 10.

Adray's only run came in the fourth. Kevin Uzarski singled and went to second on a passed ball. He took third on Chuck Yessaian's single and came home on Aaron Racey's single.

JET BOX 3, RAMS 2: Troy Jet Box stopped the Michigan Lake Area Rams' seven game winning streak in the

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ted to the game," he said. "We had a lot of winter workouts - and a lot of these boys are multi-sport athletes. I have all-state wrestlers, golfers, hockey players.

"They have established themselves among their peers as the top group around. All are good students, no head cases, a real joy to coach. In five years I've never heard two guys argue, and I have a real short fuse when it comes to head cases. They're just good eggs."

A good example of dedication comes from shortstop Derek Fox, who plays at Farmington High School. He is hitting .321 with only six strikeouts in 140 at bats.

He's also an accomplished golfer. "Sometimes he drove 150 miles from a golf tournament to play for two hours, and then drove back for the tournament," Rabe said. "He plays good defense, comes to play every day."

Fitting right in to the lineup was a new player, first baseman Mike Fisher, from Farmington Hills Harrison. He is hitting .510 with eight home runs and a dizzying 81 RBI in games.

The 6-foot-4, 250-pound Fisher has only 11 strikeouts in 155 at-bats.

"He is the best hitter at age 16 that I've ever seen," Rabe said.

Five of the Travel players are from Livonia and Catholic Central (Casey Rogowski, Mario D'Herin, Chris Woodruff, Bob Malek and Matt Niemece).

Rogowski plays left field and bats .403 with five homers and a slugging percentage of .597.

"He is the best athlete on the team," Rabe said. "If you want to



Potent lineup: Livonia Travel won the Little Caesars League Mickey Mantle Division and looks forward to the National Amateur Baseball Federation regional Thursday at the University of Toledo.

get a team fired up, you ask Casey to do it for you. He's a true competitor."

D'Herin is the starting second baseman. He is hitting .342 in the second spot in the lineup.

He has 31 RBI and 57 runs scored, which is second on the team.

"He's been Mr. Hustle, the anchor of the infield," Rabe said.

Malek is the starting centerfielder, carrying a .416 average with an on-base percentage of .520 in the leadoff spot. He leads in at bats (187), runs (64), walks (33) and has only nine strikeouts.

"He's really Mr. Baseball of this team," Rabe said. "He's a one sport athlete, literally works on his game 12 months a year. We play eight games in a week and on the only

off day he'll be in a cage somewhere."

Woodruff shares catching duties with Brandon Gajda of Livonia Stevenson. Woodruff is hitting .286 and Gajda .302.

"Both match up to different pitchers better," Rabe said.

Joining Gajda with Stevenson ties are starting third baseman Roy Rabe and part-time rightfielder Jon Ritzler.

Rabe is batting .384 with 51 RBI in the fifth spot in the order. He has 22 doubles and about a .600 slugging percentage.

He's also 10-2 as a starting pitcher.

"He's gritty, a tough competitor, always want the ball," Rabe said. "He's hard to get off the mound."

Ritzler shares right field with

Andrew Blackmore (Churchill) finished up with two innings of one-hit relief in a 6-0 win.

Jeff Winkler (Churchill) went 2-for-4 and Ricky Strain (Churchill) went 3-for-3 in the game.

LBC went to Birmingham to avenge an earlier loss, winning Tuesday, 8-1, with Colin Cook (Stevenson) going the distance.

Cook, 3-0, gave up just three hits, walked four and struck out six.

Strain and Dave Scieluna (Franklin) made some outstanding catches in the outfield to help Cook and Jon Grad (Catholic Central) made a diving catch with the bases loaded to stop a late threat.

Ryan Vickers (Churchill) was 3-for-4 and drove in two runs while Strain drove in two runs in a 2-for-4 game.

LBC is now 9-6 with six games remaining.

went 2-for-2 and drove in two runs. LCS drilled out 18 hits.

Against Steele's, Garden City's Eric Drieselman raised his record to 7-0 with a four-strikeout, three-hit performance. Shay went 3-for-3 and drove in two runs while Jeff Richard of West Bloomfield went 2-for-2 with two RBI.

Livonia Concealed Security entered the weekend the lone undefeated team remaining.

LBC resumes winning

The Livonia Baseball Club, a Little Caesars Mickey Mantle Closed Division team, ended a four-game losing streak with victories over Northville and Birmingham.

LBC held Northville to just one hit Monday with Justin Draughn (Churchill) pitching five innings of no-hit baseball to raise his record to 3-2.

at all," was his answer when asked if he had any possible players lined up, "and I'm a little nervous about it."

"But we are alive. We're just struggling a bit."

One reason Kavanaugh brought Tolstedt in were his connections in the Little Caesars league. "We felt, with his contacts, he'd be able to recruit pretty well," the Ocelots' athletic director said.

With team workouts to start in less than two weeks, if Tolstedt just manages to put a team on the field, it will be a major accomplishment.

Anyone interested in obtaining information on playing men's basketball or women's soccer for Schoolcraft College may call the athletic office at (313) 462-4400, ext. 5249.

Women's soccer coach Bill Tolstedt invites those interested to call him at the same listing, ext. 5255, or at home at (248) 348-9409.

seven and walked none.

Jenny Stralko had three hits and four RBI. Doyle had two hits and Kelly Stahley two hits and four RBI.

Christine Fones had a bases-clearing triple.

Tara Muchow pitched a one-hitter with six walks and six strikeouts to win the second game that lasted six innings.

Stralko was 2-for-2 with two RBI. Sarah Hennessey had two hits and two RBI and Danielle Bushey had a two-run double.

In a double-header split Tuesday against the Canton Mold, Doyle earned the pitching victory in the second game - a 4-3 outcome.

The Knights lost the first game, 4-1.

Doyle scattered nine hits, struck out three and walked one in seven innings.

Stralko and Stahley had two RBI each.

Lakers rally, win 11-10

The Lakers staged a furious third-period comeback to overcome a four-goal deficit and beat the Huskies 11-10 Wednesday at Plymouth Ice Arena.

Jason Larys, who also had three assists in the game, scored two of the third-period goals, including the game-winner with 2:58 left.

The Huskies led 9-6 after two periods, thanks in part to Jeremy Klosowski's three second-period goals. Klosowski (from Livonia) also had two assists. Corey Swider (Livonia), who collected five assists in the game, scored a goal with 13:01 to play in the game to push the Huskie lead to 10-6.

But after that, it was all Lakers. Mike Klinger (Southfield) also scored twice for the winners.

For the Huskies, Wes Blevins (Westland) and Kevin Swider (Livonia) each had two goals and two assists. Dominic Catanzarite (Livonia) had a goal and an assist, and James Yonemura (Garden City) got a goal.

Rick Marnon (Canton) and Thomas Taylor (Westland) were in goal for the Lakers. Jordan McCormack (Livonia) and Joe

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Sorrentino were in the nets for the Huskies.

Wildcats 8, Wolverines 6: A goal by John Fontana (Livonia) goal early in the third period had put the Wolverines in front by a goal, but the Wildcats rallied to put three unanswered markers on the board and grab the win Thursday at Plymouth.

Jason Durbin had three goals for the 'Cats. Keith Pietila led the Wolves with two goals. Abran Smith (Redford) got a goal.

Falcons 8, Broncos 6: Matt Henderson (Livonia) netted two goals and four assists to pace the Falcons past the Broncos Thursday at Plymouth.

Jesse Hubenschmidt (Redford) got a goal and three assists. The Broncos' Brian Calka (Livonia) had four assists.

The Falcons built a 7-4 lead after two periods and held off a Bronco comeback attempt. Jason Hubenschmidt (Redford) was in goal for the Falcons.

Concealed gets off to fast start

Livonia Concealed Security took the first two games of the AABC District in Macomb and needed two more during the weekend to advance to the East Central Regional in Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Lou Pirronello-managed Willie Mays team of 10-year-olds and under drubbed Goodrich, 20-0, before taking a mercy victory from Steele's of Sterling Heights, 10-2. The team is now 45-2.

Chris Rusin, a drafted player from Wayne, and Zach Flavin, a drafted player from Novi, split a four-inning no-hitter against Goodrich. Each worked two innings, striking out two and walking one.

Pat Rusin went 2-for-3 and drove in two runs, Andrew Stafford of Sterling Heights went 2-for-4 and drove in a run, Ryan Shay of Garden City went 2-for-2 and had an RBI and Casey Sargent of South Lyon

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he's ready to move on up.

"I'm looking forward to it," the optimistic Tolstedt said. "What interested me in coaching at this level is that, as girls get older and more mature, they're much easier to communicate with."

"I know it sounds strange, but I like it because they challenge me and ask why I'm doing something."

Tolstedt has plenty of coaching experience, to be sure. He began 19 years ago in an instructional league, handling under-8 and under-10 year-olds. He started coaching boys' teams in the Northville area in 1981, then switched to girls in '87.

The team he started with progressed through the recreation league ranks into select play, finally reaching the Little Caesars premier division. Tolstedt has coached his Northville Sting age-group premier team since '90.

Jendrusik leads Lasers; Knights sweep

Lori Jendrusik keeps showing again and again why she's considered one of the top softball pitchers in the area.

Jendrusik struck out 20 batters in 10 innings Thursday to lead the Livonia Lasers to 4-2 and 5-2 victories over the host Livonia Lancers in Girls Incredible Fast Pitch Softball League action.

Jendrusik fanned 12, walked two and gave up five hits in five innings in the opener.

Oh, and she's not bad with the bat, either. She had a two-run triple in the second and scored the Lasers' other run of the inning on a passed ball.

Jackie Ziem had an RBI double in the fourth for the Lasers' other run. The Lancers scored in the fourth and fifth.

In the second game, Jendrusik struck out eight, walked one and allowed two hits. She had an RBI single in the two-run fifth and Ziem got the other run in with a single.

The Lasers, now 13-4, scored three times in the opening inning without a hit. Four walks and two hit batters pushed the runs across.

KNIGHTS 16-11, ORIOLES 1-1: The Livonia Knights continued to keep pace with the best teams in the Girls Incredible Fast-Pitch Softball League with a 16-1, 11-1 double-header sweep Thursday over the Northville Orioles.

The Knights are 11-3 overall. Adrienne Doyle earned the pitching victory in the first game, which lasted only three innings due to the mercy rule.

She allowed three hits, struck out

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By Anne Fracassa
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For a company that seemed on its last leg a mere five or six years ago, this 1997 Oldsmobile Cutlass is a breath of fresh air.

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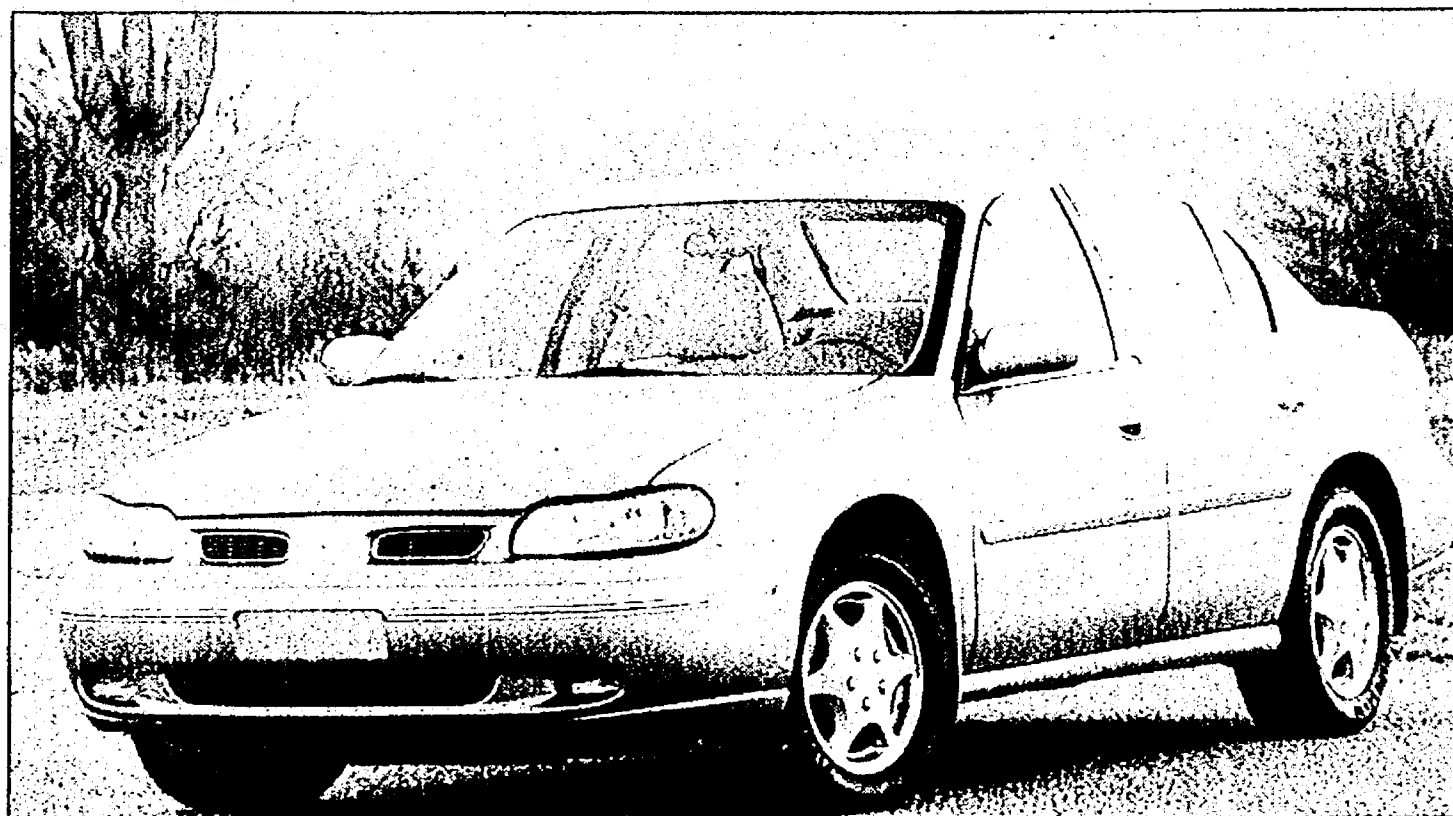
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Let's get that out of the way first. Test-driven was the Cutlass GLS sedan outfitted with the 3100 V6 engine and 4-speed automatic transmission. That's the top end of the Cutlass lineup. It has everything but the kitchen sink — including full leather seating and the price at the bottom of the sticker read an incredible \$19,225.

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And speaking of kids, the Cutlass has a patent-

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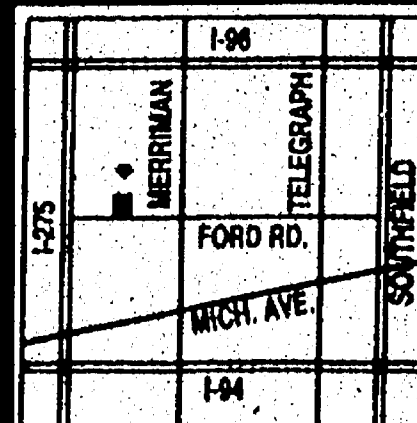
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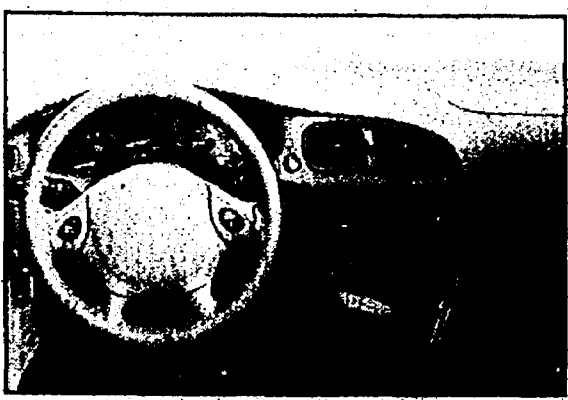
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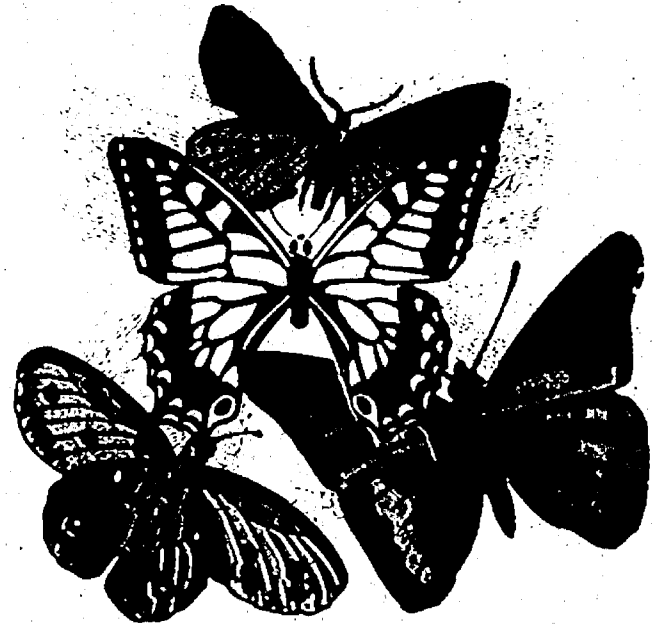
TIM NOWICKI

During the past six years, 47 different species of butterflies have been identified at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills.

The diverse habitats of forest, wet meadow and abandoned fields allow such variety.

One species seen frequently, and sometimes in large numbers, is the Baltimore checkerspot. It's not a large butterfly, like a monarch, it's about 2 to 2 1/2 inches across when the wings are open.

But like the monarch, it has colors of orange, black and white. Unlike the monarch, the Balti-



more is mostly black with a checkered pattern of orange and white spots on the wings.

They like wet habitats where the caterpillar feeds on turtlehead. I've frequently seen them sipping water from woodchips on the trail that were wet from summer rain and rain puddles. Butterflies will seek out puddles where salts have concentrated due to evaporation.

Just the other day, I watched two Baltimores courting. One was directly behind the other butterfly, which was rapidly fluttering its wings. The fluttering butterfly in front was not trying to chase the other one away. On the contrary, it was probably trying to fill the air with a scent that is irresistible to the other butterfly.

At a meeting of the North American Butterfly Association last August in Tucson, Ariz., one of the speakers showed some remarkable videos of courtship in one of the medium-sized white butterflies and the gulf fritillary.

In the white, the male intentionally moved the leading edge of its wing over the female's antennae. On the wing are scales that provide a very specific scent to attract the female and convince her to mate. The fritillary flapped its two wings so the female's antennae were in between the two wings that slapped together. This behavior was again designed to engulf the female in a scent for sex.

As you may have guessed by now, butterflies and other insects use their antennae to smell. Some use them to feel confined areas in the dark, so those of us who used to call them feelers when we were young were not too far off the mark.

Watching the actions of these and other butterflies I saw on my walk reinforced the idea that butterflies, like birds, mammals and just about any other kind of animal I can think of, move or act in different ways.

If you take note of these differences, it will help you realize how varied and diverse the natural world is.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

Bowling, like many other sports, has entered the age of computerization.

Automatic scoring is a perfect example, as most people are already familiar with it.

But now comes computerized coaching in the form a program called "A-Star."

This is a system which is now being used for several other sports, particularly golf.

It goes into the hard drive of a computer system and after watching a demonstration put on by Sean King of I.M.A. Sports Training Systems Inc., it's clear bowlers could improve on their game at a faster pace by getting with an instructor who is using the system.

According to King, "one lesson with this system is equivalent to three, four or perhaps five instructional sessions without."

Tim Wiczorek of the Rack Attack Pro Shop at Thunderbird Lanes in Troy has put the program to work for his students and he said "it will help people become better bowlers quicker."

According to Jerry Harris of Rack Attack, "using the system provides instant feedback and increases the learning tempo. Bowlers will achieve more consistency."

The program has all kinds of features which allow the user to compare the delivery with an instant analysis provided by information fed in by the instructor.

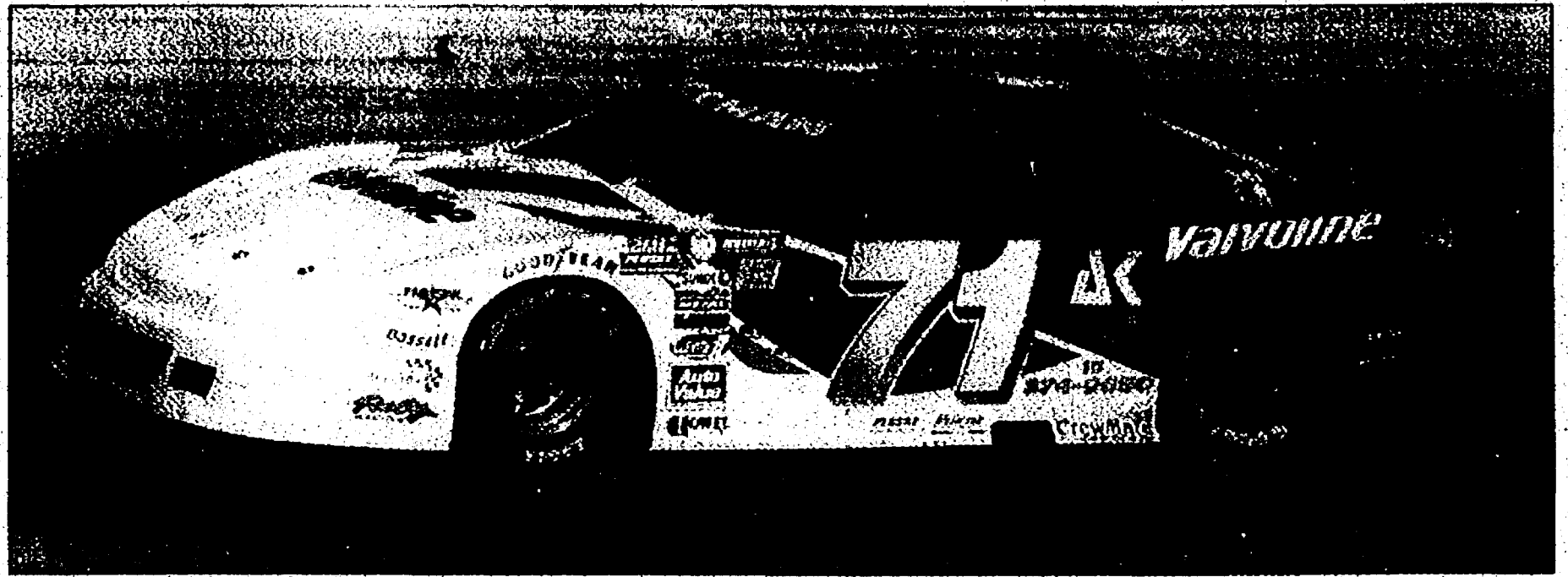
The story board can be used to compare different bowlers. It will analyze such things as the swing, footwork, body position, release, track of the ball, speed and entry angle.

It features slow motion, stop action and breaks down the game into several components.

There are several screen options and layouts available for use during the session. The system requires a camcorder to be hooked up.

The "A-Star" system will make a lot of good bowlers better bowlers.

At this time, it's only in use at Rack Attack. For information, call Tim, Debbie or Jerry at (248) 362-2212. Any pro shop operator interested in the system can contact Sean King at 800-709-9620 or (248) 774-2690.



Family affair: For Harold Fair Sr. and his son, Harold Fair Jr., of Redford, auto racing runs in the family. Both race on the American Speed Association circuit.

Fair duo gets checkered flag

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Harold Fair Sr. didn't need any outside advertising back when he owned a Shell Gas Station on Clark and Vernor roads in southwest Detroit.

Half the time, it seemed, one of Fair's fleet sat in the parking lot ready to occupy a bay at night.

If the work was good enough for his investment, imagine how comfortable the customers felt with their car in the shop.

Fair has been driving race cars for 35 years, the last 17 on the American Speed Association. He ranks fifth on the all-time career money winner's list in the ASA, taking second in the overall point standings twice.

Fair, 50, sold his station a couple years ago, but his racing career is still going strong. Fair and his son, Harold Fair Jr., lead the Fair Racing Team that around these parts is as popular as the Allison.

A family affair

Racing has been in the family for more than 50 years.

Not only did Fair Sr.'s father race, so did his mother. Growing up, he was more of a momma's boy.

"Worst thing I ever saw was when my mother's car flipped - I actually cried," Fair Sr. said. "My dad flipping, that was no big deal."

Fair Sr.'s mother died in 1963 of hepatitis. His father, Hugh, 71, still lives in Las Vegas.

Fatherly advice is welcomed, but the way his sport has advanced, not needed.

"The tips he can offer wouldn't help us anymore," said Fair Sr., formerly of Livonia, now living in Taylor. "Things have changed that much."

Fair Jr., 28, and a 1987 Livonia Franklin graduate, is a Rookie of the Year candidate on the United States Auto Racing Hooters Cup Series, which races mostly in the south. He's lived in Redford Township the last five years.

The Fair Racing Team is

sponsored by CAR QUEST and AC Delco but is looking for new sponsors.

Fair Jr. ranks 17th in the current point standings despite a setback a couple weeks back at race in Lakeland, Fla.

Cracking up

Fair Jr. hit the wall, avoided major injury, but totaled his car.

Insurance companies don't like insuring race cars so it's a cost the team must absorb with help from their sponsors.

Fair Sr. and Fair Jr. have spent the better part of the last two weeks building a new ride at Fair Enterprises in Romulus, a shop they own strictly for rebuilding race cars.

A new car without motor costs at least \$10,000 and the motor is \$25,000, Fair Jr. said.

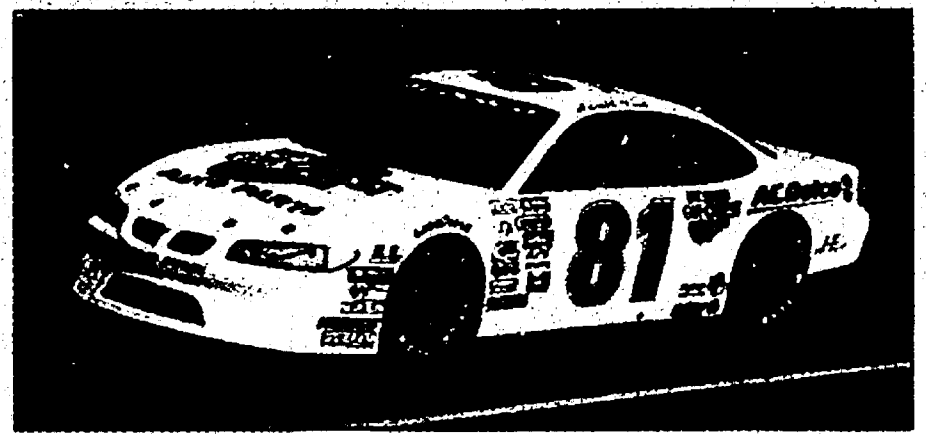
"I'm looking to put something else (more sponsors) on my car - we don't have anything on Harold's car," Fair Sr. said. "That's what it all comes down to - money. The (crew) team is working real hard, but I can't afford to pay these guys (except for their travel expenses)."

A member of the Michigan Auto Racing Hall of Fame, Fair Sr. made his racing debut at the Mt. Clemens speedway in 1963.

Being part of the racing scene wasn't something Fair Jr. chose.

Crewing

He joined his father's pit crew at age 11 and by the age of 18 he was crew chief. His racing career began in 1992 and a year



later captured the Toledo Late Model Championship.

"I spent my second birthday at MIS (Michigan International Speedway)," he recalls. "I've seen pictures, but I can't remember back that far."

The two are in the shop during the week, racing on the weekends.

"I came home a couple weeks ago from a race and my wife (Hilda) said, 'Oh, you remember where you live,'" Fair Sr. joked.

All of the Fair offspring have connections to auto racing. His son, Jonathan, 21, is the crew chief for Fair Jr. when home from Michigan Tech University.

His daughter, Toni Lynn, is married to Jeff Neal, an ASA racer in the south.

Fair Jr.'s wife, Trish, didn't know a thing about racing before they met as undergraduates at the University of Michigan. A school teacher in Detroit who teaches summer school in the South Redford school district, she helps promote the

team in her spare time.

Fair Jr. earned a business degree from U-M and is working on a second degree in mechanical engineering.

Racing goal

His goal in the next three years is to make the Busch Grand National Tour, one step below the prestigious Winston Cup Series.

He's come a long way from his high school days when he "could get in a lot of trouble" as owner of a Ninja 900 motorcycle and 1979 Camaro Z28 with a 327 motor.

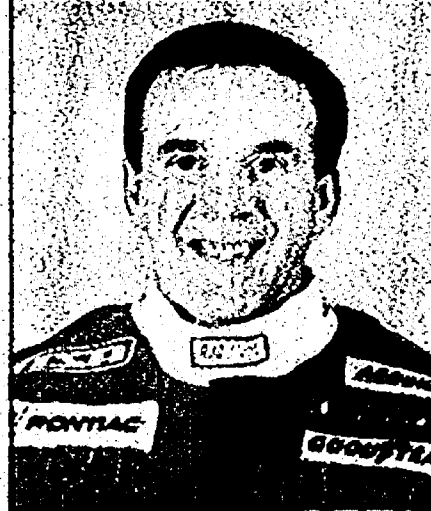
"The industry is going toward drivers like myself who have a knowledge of the engine," Fair Jr. said. "Some drivers you give them a good car and they're good. But give them a 'loose or tight' car and they're all over the road."

Sixteen of Fair Jr.'s races are on ESPN 2, while several of Fair Sr.'s races are shown on the TNN cable network or picked up by Fox and PASS.

Fair Sr. suffered a major injury in 1981 when another car's bumper went through his side panel and punctured his lung and ribs. A new rule was adopted after the accident to make for safer riding - they call it the Harold Fair-Play rule.

Fair Sr. spent 22 days in the hospital, four in intensive care, but he still feels safer on an oval track than in rush-hour traffic.

"I feel safer on a race track than the street," he said. "You never know where they're coming from, all four corners, on the street. On the race track, they're all going one way."



Harold Fair Sr.



Harold Fair Jr.

OUTDOOR NOTES

For folks headed out of the heat of western Wayne County and into the cooler areas of the state, there are some special wildlife sights awaiting them this summer.

MOOSE SPOTTING: For folks who travel in the Lower Peninsula, seeing a road side sign with jumping deer on it comes as no surprise.

It means slow down, there's a deer crossing. But these days in the Upper Peninsula, a traveler will be a bit surprised to see moose on similar signs.

There are moose in the Upper Peninsula, and the state Department of Natural Resources is asking the public for help in keeping track of their numbers.

Those who see a moose or sign of moose are being asked to call any DNR office in the Upper Peninsula to report the information or fill out a DNR Moose Report.

The report asks for the date and location of the moose observation, as well as habitat and the type of moose sign located.

"It's not often that someone will actually see a moose, but it is more likely that someone may discover tracks, antler rubs, or areas browsed by moose," said Jim Hamill, an Upper Peninsula wildlife biologist.

"This type of information is also important to us, since it indicates the presence of moose in that general area," he said.

The DNR and Michigan Technological University conducted an aerial survey last winter to

count moose. The survey produced moose population figures contradictory to previous totals reached through other survey methods.

Last summer, biologists were estimating the moose population in the western Upper Peninsula to be around 450 animals, with another 150 in the eastern Upper Peninsula.

However, the 1996 winter survey revealed about 100 moose in the western Upper Peninsula.

"We believe that the disparities between the



previous surveys and those conducted last winter are the result of a number of variables," said John Hendrickson, a DNR wildlife researcher.

"The surveys were done after heavy snow had already blanketed the region, and we believe the moose sought out heavy cover to avoid having to move in the deep snow, making them very difficult to spot from the air."

The DNR would like to keep track of the numbers and is asking the public to help until winter when there are snows on the ground and another count can be done.

BIRD WATCHING: This is the summer to keep an eye out for the Kirtland's warbler, a rare song bird that nests only in jack pine stands in northern Michigan.

According to the DNR, numbers are up. Biologists, volunteers and researchers counted 728 singing males during the official 1997 census in early June, compared to 692 counted in 1996.

The census was started in 1951, repeated in 1961 and has been done annually during the first two weeks of June since 1971. A record high of 765 singing males was established in 1995.

The number of singing males found in 10 northern Lower Peninsula counties were: Alcona, 50; Clare, five; Crawford, 119; Iosco, 23; Montmorency, two; Ogemaw, 187; Oscoda, 264; Otsego, 26; and Roscommon, 10.

The warbler is a small, blue-gray and yellow, sparrow-sized bird.