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School gay stand draws protest

Gay rights advocates were present at Monday's Wayne-Westland Board of Education meeting. They objected to the board deleting references to sexual orientation in district anti-discrimination policies.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

High school senior Matthew Barton has suffered the indignity and harassment of being openly gay among bigoted peers.

"I've been called a faggot, a homo, a queer, a fairy and many more names that I don't want to mention," he told the Wayne-Westland school board

Monday night.

"But mostly," he said, "I'm human."

Barton attends Novi High School, but he stood up Monday for Wayne-Westland gay students who, according to their supporters, are afraid to speak out because they fear harassment and potential violence.

That fear, activists say, has worsened because Wayne-Westland school

board members in August omitted "sexual orientation" from policies aimed at protecting students and employees from harassment.

Students ignored?

"You are ignoring students and their right to an education," Barton warned board members. "You have said you do not care anymore. If you don't care about gay and lesbian students, what's next?"

Barton, whose car tires have been slashed at school, chided board members for abandoning sexual orientation policies following a recommendation from attorney Joseph Bennett, who

said the issue could spur lawsuits.

School officials conceded as much.

"We did it because we could leave ourselves open to a lawsuit," board member Martha Pitsenbarger said after Monday's meeting.

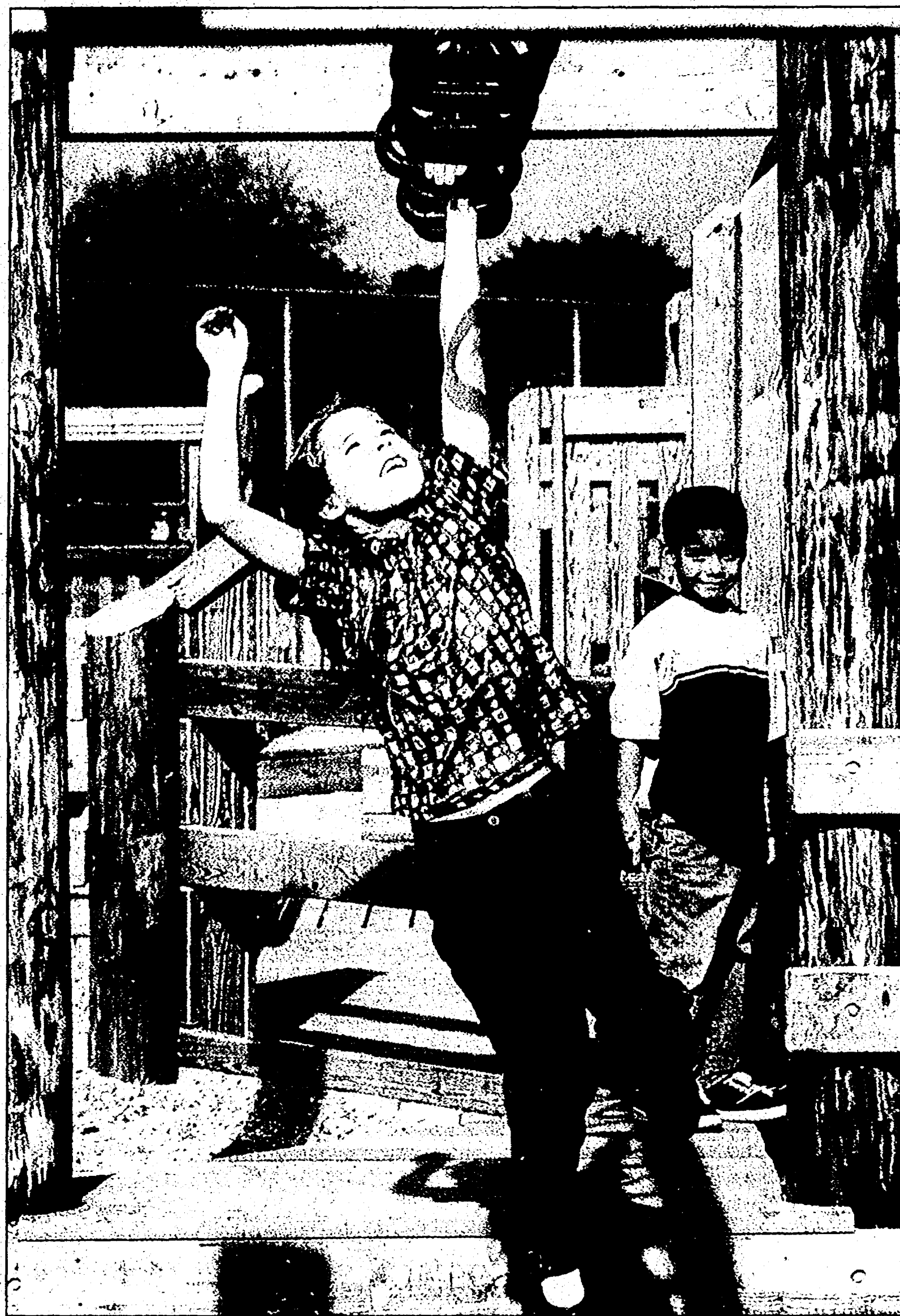
"We were told that it (the policy) opens us up to more liability," Superintendent Greg Baracy said.

Pitsenbarger said the policy change didn't mean the board is anti-gay. "I feel like we've been judged wrong."

School officials dismissed allegations that they are insensitive to gay students and employees, and they pledged

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Playscape fun



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

So happy: *Stephanie Tyler, 7, of Westland swings on the bars as Shawn Smith, 7, of Westland waits his turn on the new Playscape at Central City Park in Westland. For more on the project, see Page A3.*

Cable wars heat up

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Cable TV competition in Westland is on the upswing, with Mayor Robert Thomas' announcement Monday evening that Ameritech will soon enter the cable picture.

"We have struck a deal with Ameritech New Media," the mayor said in response to a question from Councilman Richard LeBlanc on retaining a telecommunications attorney.

"We'll be sitting down with the council," Thomas said later in the Westland City Council meeting. A contract with Americast, Ameritech's cable service, would require city council approval.

"At least things are now moving. That was a tough, slow process," Thomas said, adding that council review and approval will take time.

"I'm glad to hear about Ameritech," council President Sandra Cicirelli said, adding that she's unhappy about hikes in prices for movie channels. "I'm glad

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Woman pleads in theft case

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Romulus woman faces sentencing Oct. 1 after pleading no contest to charges that she embezzled thousands of dollars from two Westland-based health care businesses.

Sharon Faye Collins, 50, could face a maximum 10-year prison term, but Westland police Sgt. Donald Haigh said Tuesday that she is expected to be placed on probation and ordered to repay the money.

Collins, former office manager of Choice One Nursing Services and Encore Home Health Care, pleaded no contest to four felony embezzling charges, Haigh said. In return, a fifth

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No Town Hall

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas has canceled the Town Hall meetings for the remainder of the 1997 calendar year, including the Thursday, Oct. 9, meeting that was scheduled at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland.

The 1998 Town Hall meeting schedule will be announced as soon as it has been confirmed.

Donation time

A check for \$250 will be donated by 7-Eleven to the H.O.S.T.S. (Helping One Student To Succeed) program. An additional \$250 will be given to the Westland Playscape project Friday, Sept. 26, as part of the store's grand opening celebration at 31385 Joy in Westland, said Ed Gamble, local 7-Eleven market manager.

"Getting involved with what's important to Westland is part of the way we do business," said Mary Ingram, new 7-Eleven store manager. "Our contribution to the H.O.S.T.S. program and the Westland Playscape project is one way to demonstrate 7-Eleven's strong ties to the community."

The grand opening festivities are scheduled for 10

PLACES & FACES

a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27.

Members sought

The Franklin High PTSA is looking for new members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and community, and members need not have a student in the school.

Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should be made payable to Franklin PTSA and sent to: 31000 Joy, Livonia 48150.

On display

The fifth annual Fall Remodeling Show will be open Sept. 25-28 at the Novi Expo Center with David L. Inc., Thermal Engineering Corporation and Five Star Air Duct Purification of Westland as exhibitors.

David L. Inc. will display reproduction furniture.

Thermal Engineering Corporation will feature Trane furnaces and air conditioning and Five Star Air Duct Purification will show home air duct cleaning.

For show information, call (248) 737-4478.

Service to homebound

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland has been awarded a \$20,000 grant funded, in part, with a Federal Library Services and Construction Act grant, administered by the Library of Michigan. The grant will fund a program that will provide delivery service of library items to senior homebound residents of Westland. The service will emphasize large print books and books on tape.

Deliveries will be provided by the Westland Senior Resource Center. The library will provide the collection items, a catalog and a monthly newsletter mailed to homebound seniors.

The service will begin in late fall 1997. For information on services or on volunteering, call Joe Burchill, library administrative assistant, at (313) 326-6123.

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we're going to see the competition."

The plan could be in place as early as the end of the year, Thomas said after the meeting, but cautioned that it's hard to estimate. Thomas is thinking about a satellite for his own home, so isn't sure he'll sign up for the new cable provider.

"I've thought about that as an alternative also."

Talks have been taking place with Ameritech for more than two years, he said. Current provider MediaOne's exclusive agreement to provide HBO expires Jan. 1 of next year, and that helped to speed up negotiations.

Officials had hoped to be at this point by the end of 1997, so they are pleased with their progress. Thomas believes competition is good for the cable industry and its consumers.

"Absolutely. No doubt about it." There could even be a third cable provider in the city at some point, he said.

MediaOne customers in Westland have long sought a second cable provider; they complained about current service and said that competition would improve the quality of service.

Thomas has been talking about a competitor moving in for

the last two years, said Bill Black, director of public affairs for MediaOne. "They don't have an agreement if city council hasn't approved it."

Black said Tuesday he had seen nothing in writing.

"I would hope they would have the courtesy to send us a copy of it. It's premature for me to comment because we haven't seen the agreement," Black said.

Any such plan would go through the local cable commission and city council, he added. Black said he has no problem with competition.

"We have competition in several areas where we're doing business right now." MediaOne has moved into other service areas, he added, including telephone service.

"We spoke to Westland a couple of years ago. We're looking forward to working with them," said Geoff Potter, Ameritech New Media media relations manager. "We're certainly looking at finalizing our franchise."

Consumer response has been great in communities where Ameritech has offered service, Potter said. "We find that everybody wins with cable competition."

Construction could be postponed until 1998, Potter said.



Mayor Robert Thomas

In other action, the city council:

- Approved a bid of \$15,447.70 from Network One for police department computers.

- Voted 6-1, with Councilman Charles Pickering dissenting, to hold a closed study session 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, to discuss a city attorney opinion on the regional incinerator. Holding such a session doesn't preclude also holding an open study session, Cicirelli said.

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that other policies are in place to guard against violence and harassment.

"I think our policies as they stand ... are sufficient protection for all students - gay, straight or whatever," board Vice President Mathew McCusker said during the meeting.

Referring to sexual orientation, he said, "those two words don't protect anyone."

Different view

Gays and their supporters disagreed and said school officials should send a message of tolerance by adding sexual orientation to their policies - as they had done in January only to delete the term in August.

Board members reversed their position on sexual orientation after former board president Patricia Brown, a lesbian, lost her re-election bid in June. Brown supported the policies. Some district residents also strongly opposed the policies.

Former Wayne-Westland student Lisa Potter told board members she was "taunted" by anti-gay slurs simply because she was perceived as a lesbian. She attended Schweitzer Elementary and Stevenson Junior High.

"It got vicious," she said. "I was jumped by students, though not on school property."

Westland resident Carol Sharp, who has a gay son, said young people struggle to hide their own identity because of fear.

"We are taking our sexual preference and infringing it upon them," she said.

Westland resident Mike Chiumento, a Plymouth-Canton teacher involved in gay caucuses through the Michigan Education Association and National Education Association, said he receives phone calls and letters from gay employees "who are terrified of being discovered."

Job fears

He said gays fear for their job security and for their personal safety at work. An "inclusive policy" for gays "would do much to dispel those fears," he said.

Chiumento told board members that gay teens have a high suicide rate because of pressures. He told a story of a Utah student who hanged himself earlier this month, although he had "A" grades and was a gymnast.

The Rev. Marjorie Munger of the Cherry Hill United Methodist Church in Canton

Township described gays and lesbians as "persons of sacred worth" and said, "The pastoral heart will not rest as long as the vulnerable ones are at risk."

Oscar Mansour, an 18-year-old graduate of another school district, encouraged board members to restore the sexual orientation policy. Had his district enforced such a policy, he said, "it would have saved me countless days of harassment from other students."

Jeffrey Montgomery, president of the area gay/lesbian Triangle Foundation, said the board's shift amounted not to a change of heart, but "a change to a colder heart."

He said excluding sexual orientation will increase, not decrease, the likelihood of lawsuits. Despite school officials' pledge to protect gay and lesbian students, Montgomery said youngsters will now be afraid to seek help.

"Current and former students have lived through hell in this district," Montgomery said. "We know these students. They come to us for repair."

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R. D. SHOWALTER
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Marching bands headed for Westland

As many as 15 marching bands are expected in Westland for the 12th Annual John Glenn High School Marching Band Invitational, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, on the school's football field.

Bands from around the state will perform 15-minute routines and will be judged by band directors from across the country, according to the school's instrumental music boosters club.

Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Families can pay one entry fee of \$15 for immediate family members. Children under 5 get in free.

Judging categories will include marching, winds, percussion, execution and color guard. The

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invitational is one of many that bands will compete in on their way to state finals at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Bands will compete in various categories, depending on school sizes.

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count was dismissed.

The two businesses are located in the same office complex on the north side of Warren Road, between Wayne and Venoy.

Choice One provides temporary institutional staffing of medical personnel; Encore is a supplier of home health care services, according to a company official.

Choice One and Encore suffered combined losses of \$45,832 from money allegedly embezzled last year, according to company allegations against Collins.

Collins had been scheduled for a jury trial on Sept. 8 in front of Wayne County Circuit Judge William Lucas - a trial that was averted when she pleaded no contest to four charges.

Collins had been ordered in May to stand trial following preliminary hearings held in West-

land 18th District Court.

Haigh confirmed allegations raised by company officials that Collins:

- Used a company check to buy a computer, a printer and other supplies for personal use, rather than for the company.

- Used a check written from Encore Investment to deposit into a credit card account partly in her name.

- Diverted incoming company checks into her personal post office box, allowing her to embezzle the money for her own use while she acted as an agent or trustee of Choice One and Encore.

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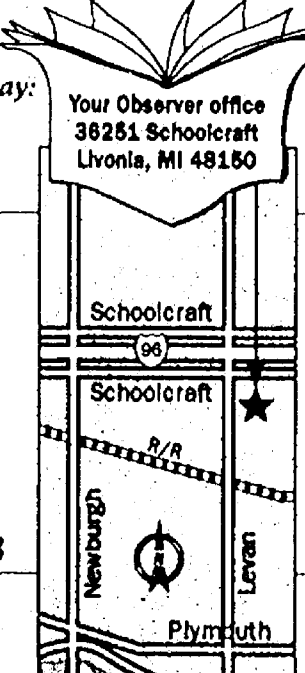
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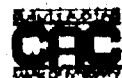
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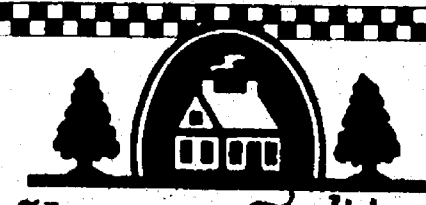
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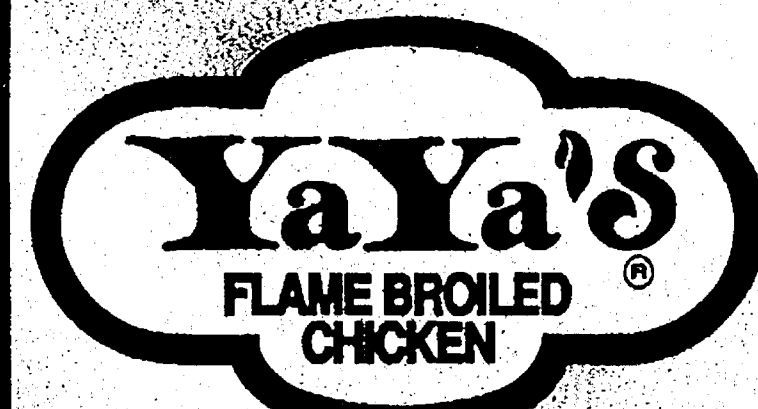
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GARDEN CITY TOWN CENTER

Children savor Playscape magic

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Many hands make light work, and many hands contributed to the Westland Playscape.

In addition to the volunteers who built the structure at Central City Park, others contributed financially.

"A lot of people gave us donations," said Bob Kosowski, Playscape chairman and Westland Parks and Recreation director. Last Thursday, Gwen North of North Brothers Ford presented a \$5,000 check on behalf of the auto dealership.

"We're just happy that we're offering something to children in the community," Kosowski said of the structure, which measures some 26,000 square feet. It's larger than similar structures in nearby communities.

The Playscape makes the park complete, he added. "Really, we didn't have enough equipment

■ Kosowski described the project Sunday evening as 98 percent done. Just a few details — a small car, a donor board for those who gave \$500 or more and landscaping work — remained.

out here for the kids. We're really excited about this."

As he spoke, a Bushel Center truck drove by, that business having donated \$5,000 in materials. Inrecon was the largest financial supporter of the project, Kosowski said.

Construction work began Sept. 9. About 200 volunteers came last Thursday to work on the

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Together: Emily, 3, and her mom, Loretta Brogan of Westland, walk in the maze of the Playscape.

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Kid stuff: Brittany Ping, 6, of Westland walks up the bars at the Playscape.

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Sleepy Storytime**

Join in this fun, family storytime. Gather around as participants get ready for bed with good stories, singable songs and loads of fun. There will be lots of opportunity for imagination and active participation. No registration is required. Children's Activity Room.

**10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.,
Wednesday, Sept. 24
Toddler Tales**

Enjoy this 20-minute storytime with your active 18- to 36-month-old. This activity time will include age-appropriate stories, songs, fingerplays, flannelboard, puppets and more to capture the attention of the young ones. Each toddler must be accompanied by an adult. No registration is required. Community Meeting Room A. There are two sessions, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

**10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
Just for Me Preschool Time**

This storytime for 3- to 5-year-olds will involve them in the world of stories through the use of visual, audio and interactive techniques. Participants will sing, read stories, perform action rhymes, watch flannelboard stories and have a great time. This storytime is intended to be an independent experience for the preschooler. No registration is required. Children's Activity Room. There are two sessions, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

**2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27
Beginning Bookies**

Kindergartners through second graders are invited to this activity time. It will include favorite stories, songs, books and activities that get the kids involved in the program. No registration is required. Children's Activity Room.

COMING SOON

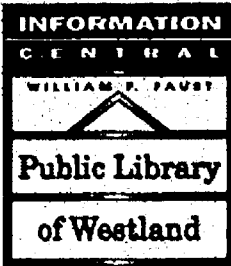
2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 - Get a bit crafty at the Creation Station. Stop in and make a craft. This activity is appropriate for preschool and elementary-age kids.

GET THAT CARD

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month. All kids from birth to age 12 who register for a library card at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland in September will receive a coupon for a free kid's meal at Applebee's. Special thanks go to Applebee's for supporting the library and literacy in the community.

LOOKING AHEAD

"A Night of Mystery," a panel discussion featuring four Michigan mystery writers, will be 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1. William Klenzie, Lee Meadows, Shirley Schenkel and Tom Grace will discuss their books. Seating is limited, and tickets are required for admission. Tickets are available free of charge at the Reception Desk.



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Playscape.

"The rain really hurt us the last couple days," he said last Thursday. Organizers set a goal of being done by approximately 5 p.m. Sunday, and finished up the bulk of the work around 7 p.m., with the Playscape available for kids to play on.

Kosowski described the project Sunday evening as 98 percent done. Just a few details - a small car, a donor board for those who gave \$500 or more and landscaping work - remained.

He was pleased that more than 1,000 volunteers turned out for Saturday and Sunday. "We had a lot of people even though the Michigan game was here."

Finishing up the project, which has been in the works for about a year and a half, was a great feeling for the organizers.

"The best feeling I ever had in my life besides getting married," Kosowski said with a smile.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Let's play: Caleb Clenney (left), 7, of Westland and Jimmy Dexter (right), 6, of Canton play on the tire swing at the Westland Playscape. Also on the swing was Caleb's sister, Joy, 4. The Westland Playscape at Central City Park is the result of more than a year's hard work by many people.

Westland police warn against fraud

Westland police warn that business owners and residents should be wary of buying merchandise from sellers on the street. A Westland photo shop incident reveals why.

It started at 8 p.m. Sept. 9 when a suspect, accompanied by a woman and young boy, went to a Ford Road photo shop and offered to sell the owner a television and a camcorder at discount prices. The owner didn't want the offer but called a friend who did.

The suspect and the buyer arranged a \$1,000 deal for a television and a camcorder, police said. But the suspect said he would have to complete the deal at Meijer, where he supposedly had contacts.

The buyer drove the suspect to Meijer while the woman and child waited at the photo shop. At Meijer, the buyer gave the suspect \$1,000 and was told to wait in the parking lot, police said. However, he became suspicious and accompanied the suspect inside.

The suspect told the buyer to wait at the service desk, but the buyer sensed problems, grabbed the suspect and demanded his

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money, police said. The two then walked outside and exchanged words.

The suspect returned to the store alone, and the buyer called the photo lab to learn that the woman and child who had accompanied the suspect had left the store, police said. The suspect filed a police report for the missing \$1,000.

Robbery reported

A knife-wielding bandit was accused of taking money from a Speedway gas station clerk at 110 S. Wayne Road shortly before 4 a.m. Sept. 8.

The clerk told police she was working alone when a suspect walked up to an open sliding window and asked for cigarettes. The clerk said the suspect then reached inside the window, grabbed her left wrist, demanded money and held a knife in a threatening manner.

The clerk told police she used her right hand to take bills from the drawer as the suspect continued to hold her left wrist. She gave him the money, and he fled southbound on Wayne Road, police reports said.

Animal cruelty

A mixed-breed kitten was reportedly killed by a Westland man during a dispute he had with his girlfriend, police reports said. The incident allegedly occurred at 10 p.m. Sept. 3 on Cheboygan.

Witnesses reported that the suspect and his girlfriend had argued and that the suspect picked up his girlfriend's 8-week-old kitten and threw it into a kitchen wall, causing it to go into convulsions and die. The suspect reportedly then took the kitten away from the residence and placed it in a trash compactor.

By contrast, the suspect told police he was tossing the kitten to his girlfriend and that she missed it. Moreover, he said the kitten survived after it hit the wall and that it ran out of the residence. The girlfriend supported the suspect's version.

School lease OK'd

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

Livonia school trustees Monday extended the lease for the Lowell Center in Westland to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, which uses the building as a middle school.

The new lease expires in July of 1999.

The district's original lease was signed on July 1, 1981, at a time when Livonia's enrollment was declining and Plymouth-Canton's was growing. The lease has been continually renewed on a two- and four-year basis at \$100,000 a year. The previous lease renewal was set to expire Oct. 31.

John Rennels, assistant superintendent for personnel in the Livonia schools, said the district has had an increase in students and is currently doing an enrollment study. They are also looking at options for relocating special education programs.

"It's always been in the lease that if Livonia need Lowell, the lease would expire," said Rennels. If that occurs, the Plymouth-Canton school district would have to evacuate the school by July 31, 1999.

However, Plymouth-Canton officials say students and teachers shouldn't have to worry

about being evicted any time soon.

"Livonia does not intend to sell. They feel very bounded by their district and are very careful about their properties," said Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Chuck Little at the school board's regular meeting on Sept. 9.

Lowell Middle School, located on Hix Road in Westland, was built as a junior high school by Livonia in 1956.

The Lowell lease is a critical arrangement for the district since the district's other middle schools, all located in Plymouth or Plymouth Township, could not easily absorb Lowell's 750 students, most of whom come from Canton.

Lowell principal Roche LaVictor said the school's enrollment has increased steadily over the past three or four years. Lowell once housed a ninth grade and had an enrollment of more than 1,000 students.

Plymouth-Canton district spokeswoman Judy Evola said it would be difficult for the district to predict a scenario without a continuation of the Lowell lease after 1999. "It would impact the entire district, and the district would involve the community in a process to decide what would be best for the community."

Madonna University students will again receive Catholic Student Awards. Each will receive \$800, renewable for four years. Debra Hayden of Westland, a sophomore studying psychology, is among the honored students.

The award is given to incoming freshmen and is for active Catholics who wish to combine a strong quality education with additional Catholic leadership training and experience. Recipi-

ents must maintain a 3.0 grade point average.

Students at the Detroit College of Business recently made the dean's list. Summer part-time students honored include

Holli C. Buck, Kyle H. Fisher, Susan Hicks and Donna M. Lamberti of Westland. Summer full-time students named to the dean's list at the end of the quarter include Carol Cooper, Tracy Saffian and Shirley

Marie Smith.

Alma College incoming freshman Laura Jensen recently received the Tartan Award. She is a graduate of John Glenn High School.

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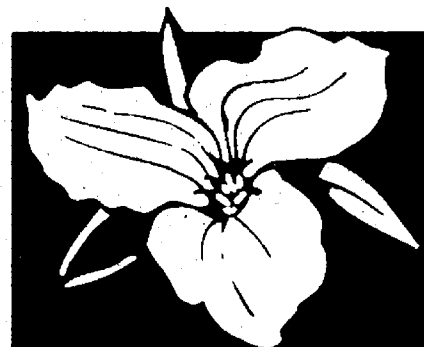
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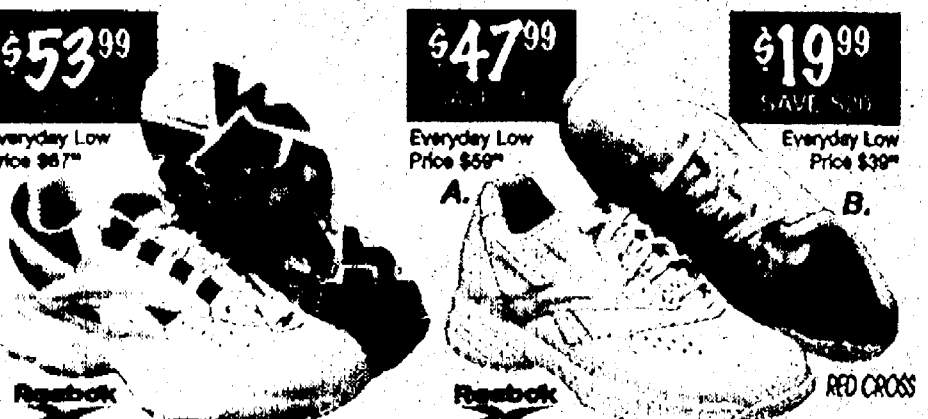
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Rouge cleanup deadline extended

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Since several communities won't meet goals to clean up the Rouge River by 2005, local communities, county officials and the state Department of Environmental Quality are expected to revise a remedial action plan to meet guidelines by 2012.

On Friday, the Conference of Western Wayne passed a resolution calling for the DEQ to immediately begin updating the plan, working with local officials, and recognizing the need for "realistic goals" to restore the Rouge. It was forwarded to the DEQ and the Wayne County Department of Environment.

The CWV is a legislative consortium of elected officials, mostly mayors and township supervisors from 18 communities in western Wayne County. It includes the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford,

Sumpter and Van Buren. It is chaired by Westland Mayor Robert Thomas.

"We feel it's time to reevaluate the goal of public health protection by 2005," said Vyto Kaunelis, director of the division of public works of the Wayne County Department of Environment.

The goals of the original plan of 2005 were not "technically feasible" and communities will be asked to pick up more expenses, Kaunelis said.

"It's time to review the planning process," Kaunelis said. "The resolution asks (the DEQ) to get back into the re-evaluation."

Kaunelis was present on behalf of Jim Murray, director of the Wayne County Department of Environment, who was out of town. In a letter, Murray said all Wayne County communities that had responsibilities to clean up combined sewer overflows — which are combined sanitary and stormwater systems — cannot meet the 2005 date.

"Further data collected as part

of the Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project clearly documents that even if all of the CSO concerns are addressed, the public health protection goal of 2005 is unreasonable and cannot be achieved," Murray said.

Regulatory decisions based on the recommendations and goals of the current RAP document are no longer "technically achievable or supported at the local level," Murray said.

Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Detroit, Inkster and Redford maintain that the plan of public health protection by 2005 by controlling points of CSO discharge "is not achievable" by them, Murray said.

The first phase of the project have cost nearly \$400 million and the next phase is expected to cost \$700 million to control CSO discharges.

"Discharges from illicit connections to storm drains, failing septic systems and contaminated sediment and contaminated storm water, all found to be significant sources of pollution to the Rouge River, will also have

to be addressed by all communities throughout the entire Rouge watershed if the 2005 date to meet public health protection is required," Murray said.

The original plan was completed in 1989, endorsed and supported by the 48 communities in the Rouge River watershed. "Since it was locally derived, it was felt the RAP process would provide the local support needed to truly move ahead on areas in the Great Lakes Basin that had severe, complex and persistent water quality problems," Murray said.

Canton Township Supervisor Thomas Yack said the resolution "seemed like a reasonable request and a reasonable approach."

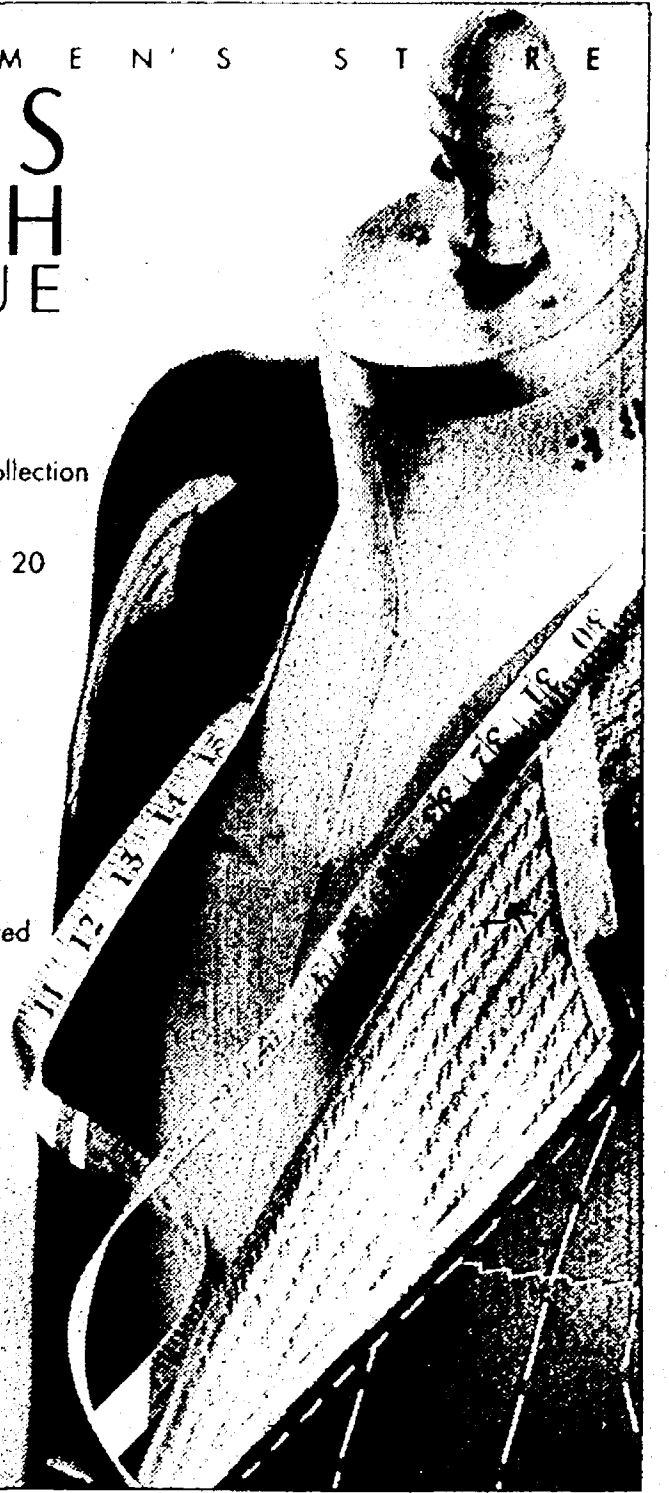
Kaunelis said the agreement is expected to be discussed within the next few weeks now that communities have been notified.

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Commission to act on land sale

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

County officials expect to officially sell land in Northville Township today, and a partnership of builders from Pennsylvania and Troy, a Southfield-based commercial developer and a Detroit banker may be the big winners in the western Wayne County land rush.

The county placed a 926-acre site on the selling block earlier this year, which housed a former Wayne County building complex between Five and Six Mile Roads, Beck Road and Hines Drive in Northville Township.

Toll Northville Limited Partnership, a partnership consisting of Toll Brothers, Biltmore Properties, Wineman Investments and Don Davis, bid \$18.4 million for 605.54 acres designated for detached single family residential homes and golf course. That bid equalled about \$61,000 an acre.

Commissioners received information on eight purchase agreements on Thursday. The agreements were placed on today's commission agenda for action. Once the county commissioners approve the sales, developers can review site plans with Northville Township officials.

The site is now a planned unit development, which allows the

land to be broken down into various plots instead of one large one.

Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, whose district includes Northville Township, said he was still examining the contracts earlier this week, but anticipated that the land sales would be approved. McCotter said he will base his decision on what Northville Township officials want with the property.

"The township board wants it, and they negotiated (the planned unit development) with the county," McCotter said.

The Wayne County Economic Development Corporation released the following information on the bidders:

In Toll Brothers, of Huntingdon Valley, Penn., specializes in selling luxury homes to "move-up" and "empty nester" buyers. The firm designs builds, markets and arranges financing for homes in 13 states. The 13-year-old firm went public in 1986. It has over 1,000 employees and worked in over 140 communities.

Its average value home settled in 1996 was \$360,000. Toll Brothers won an award as America's Best Builder in 1996 from the National Association of Home Builders, National Housing Quality Award in 1995 from the NAHB and Professional

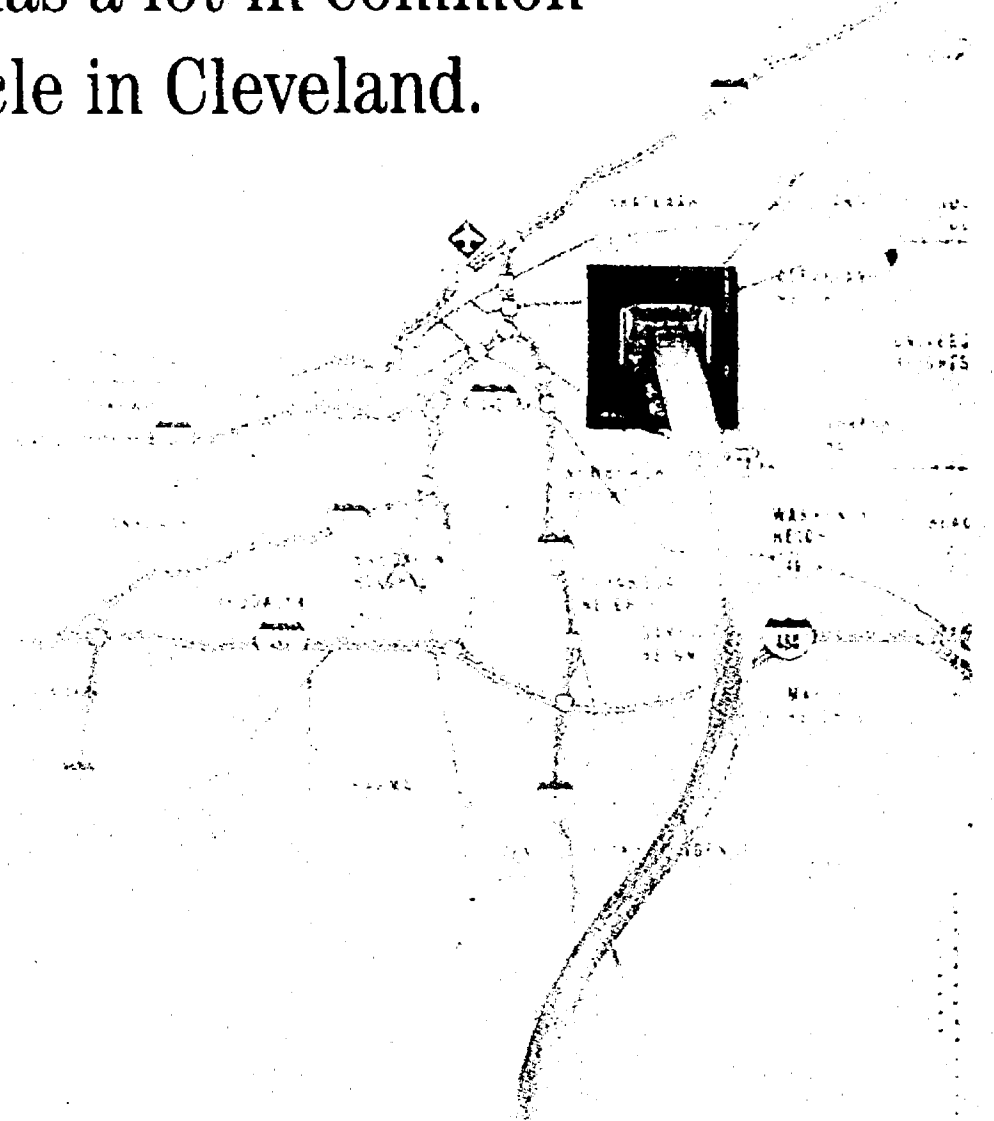
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Franklin visitor urges listeners to be prepared

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

The Franklin High community was offered "one enormous challenge" last week.

Change the school's curriculum to teach the types of skills graduates will need in a high-tech and global business world, challenged Willard Daggett, an internationally-known educator and author.

"Our challenge now is to find out what we want to turn out at the end of the 12th grade," said Franklin principal Michael Fenichel, addressing the throng of parents, educators and students who filled Franklin's little theater Wednesday to hear Daggett's two-hour talk.

He spent two days with the Franklin community.

Daggett, president of the International Center for Leadership in Education and author of 12 textbooks, is known worldwide for his work to make schools more relevant and rigorous in math, science, and language arts.

Addressing problems

In his message, Daggett struck at the heart of the nation's educational system as it exists today.

"What's wrong with American education lies not with the educators or the students," he said.

"What's wrong with American

education is the system itself, which is fundamentally unable to deliver the skills and knowledge that graduates need today."

Fenichel said students should ask their teachers the following questions: "What is there about what you're teaching me that will help me? Why is this important?"

In accepting Daggett's challenge, Fenichel said Franklin teachers have agreed to answer these two questions when they are asked.

On Thursday, Daggett went into the school and spoke to ninth- and 10th-graders. Franklin staff especially wanted freshmen to get the message that learning in high school is critical.

Brent Accurso, a senior planning a career in medicine, echoed the Franklin staff's concern over ninth-graders.

"The freshman year is the most important year GPA-wise," Accurso said. "If they get good grades in their freshman year, it will carry on through their entire high school career. It builds the foundation."

Part of the challenge Franklin teachers have agreed to take on is to get freshmen "to develop a plan for their life," said Fenichel, adding that parents must take a big role in putting together this plan.

International view

Many students, Accurso said, still haven't heard about the global marketplace.

Daggett stressed this repeatedly last week. He said educated residents of faraway countries are willing to work at a fraction of what the American worker wants.

The problem is compounded, Daggett said, because technology now allows this educated worker to easily hook into American business systems.

"Where this is all going frightens me," Daggett said. "They can now move the work to a worker anywhere in the world. This will be 44 percent of the jobs in five years. And in the next five years, there will be more change in technology than the total amount that has occurred in this century."

"We are doing little in America to get ready for this," he added. "If our students don't prepare, they will wind up on the outside looking in. Our kids don't have a clue as to what communications technology is going to do."

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"A lot of kids are confused; it's a hard connection for them to make," she said.

Get competitive

Despite the confusion, Janet Haas, principal of the Livonia Career/Technical Center, said the connection must be made.

"Global competition necessitates that we ask 'Are we teaching the academic skills necessary to be competitive in a global economy?'" she said.

"Business and industry requirements for entry-level jobs support the notion that skills sufficient to earn a good living in 1970 are not good enough today. What are the shifts we need to make in math, science, language arts and world economics as we begin to look at preparing children for the 21st century?"



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Listening: Educator and author Willard Daggett challenges students at Livonia Franklin High School to face the future without fear. He is president of the International Center for Leadership in Education and author of 12 textbooks.

A world where technology changes by the minute mandates schools to change, Daggett said. "We are still in the denial stage," he said. "We need new answers, because the best and the brightest kids are now coming back home to live with their parents because they can't get jobs."

Yet, he said, the best jobs are going unfilled. "Both the schools

and the public have lost track of what they think schools should do," he added.

"The highest rates of suicide and alcoholism are in the 21-29 age group, people with degrees. These kids played by the rules; they made it. But they were sold a bill of goods by schools, colleges, adults."

"When they got out into the real world, they hit a brick wall."

Teachers trained to surf the Internet

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

Eighty Livonia Public Schools' teachers now have the training — and the secret password — allowing them to surf the Internet in district schools.

No students, except those in Stevenson High's global education program, have the password yet. The district wants to train teachers fully before students are trained to climb on board the Net.

"The goal for teachers is that every teacher have the training to get the password; our goal for students is that, when the use is appropriate, they use the Internet as another instructional tool," said Clare Howell, educational media and technology coordinator for the Livonia district.

The work done by Stevenson's global education project students and the experiences they have had served as a guide for launching district wide access to the Internet.

Every school in the district is now linked to the Internet, with access through password or code.

Included in all installations are such security measures as fire walls, content filters and protections against software virus attacks.

The district has approached the Internet cautiously, making sure it is used for educational purposes and not abused by either students or staff, officials said.

The district also wants to make sure students have a "safe" ride.

"We'll teach them the same safety measures that they would have for strangers," Howell said.

"They must give out no personal information. They must tell their parents if they find information that makes them feel uncomfortable. And they must not get together with anyone they meet on line."

Most teachers with access are either in the middle or high schools. Once they are trained, the focus will shift to the elementary, Howell said.

"Training will continue into next year," Howell said. "I'll be amazed if we train the entire staff this year."

Assault reports rise

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

The number of assaults in Livonia Public Schools has more than doubled in the last year.

"We are getting more incidents with kids being aggressive with each other, incidents where kids say 'He pushed me, grabbed me, threatened me,'" said John Rennels, assistant superintendent for personnel.

In 1995-96, there were 39 threat/weapon/assault-type incidents in the district. In 1996-97, the number jumped to 93, according to figures released recently in a report on building security in the district.

The report, compiled by Mark Schultz, the district's supervisor of public safety, will be discussed Oct. 13 by the Livonia Board of Education.

The report shows a drop in gang activity and suspicious person reports. Reports of larcenies stayed the same. Threats/assaults, vandalism and drug/alcohol situations all showed increases.

In the last two years, gang incidents dropped from 66 in 1995-96 to 42 in 1996-97.

"There has been a continuous decrease in gang activity as a result of police support, increased staff awareness, and a zero tolerance approach by the district," Rennels said.

The number of suspicious person reports also has dropped, from 19 in 1995-96 to 5 in 1996-97.

The number of larcenies stayed the same — 33 were

reported both years.

In 1995-96, the number of vandalism reports was 45; in 1996-97, 51. In the same period, the number of drug/alcohol reports nearly doubled, from 16 to 30.

Trustees asked for the report to determine the effectiveness of Schultz, the district's first supervisor of public safety.

Schultz, a former Livonia police officer, has kept close ties with the department and is skilled in investigative techniques.

"Having Mark is essential," Rennels said. "We have to do a lot of our own investigation and we use his background here."

The increase in reports of threats, weapons and assaults is primarily due to an increase in involving Mark's expertise in more situations."

Schultz visits schools to talk to staff and parents on various security issues. Issues include gang awareness, alcohol and drugs, illegal drug identification, the occult, dealing with intoxicated parents, parent custody issues and workplace violence.

"All large organizations need a heightened awareness of the risk of violence in the workplace," Rennels said.

Livonia students can be expelled for seriously hurting another student, for weapons violations or for attacking a teacher or another adult in school.

The district's only expulsion last year involved a student who threatened another student with an iron bar, Rennels said.

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County courts

Family court is part of state's plan for merger, reorganization

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County residents can expect to see a new family division in Wayne County Circuit Court to handle divorce, child custody and juvenile delinquent cases.

Wayne County's Circuit and Recorder's courts will be merged, and Probate Court reorganized. The changes are effective Oct. 1, but case reassignment will occur between that date and February 1998.

The merger and reorganization approved by state lawmakers in 1996 forces the removal of divorce and child custody cases from the circuit court docket, and removal of juvenile delinquency cases from Probate Court.

"It's a real challenge," said Michael Sapala, new chief executive judge of Wayne County Circuit Court who is overseeing the court merger and reorganization. "But we want to be sure that if people walk in with a custody case or divorce, we want to make sure we can do it."

An estimated 300,000 cases, many of which are divorce cases, will be reassigned to the family division, Sapala said.

Efficiency is goal

Sapala hopes Wayne County residents can access and obtain efficient court action with the merger of the Third Circuit and Recorder's courts. In essence, the Recorder's Court system has been abolished, though the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice still will house criminal trials for

the time being.

Sapala calls the reassignments of cases — and judges and employees — a massive undertaking for the courts with relocation of clerks, judges and other employees. "It is gut-wrenching for 1,000 employees," Sapala said.

Seven judges — five from circuit court and two from Recorder's — will be assigned to the new family division. The Michigan Supreme Court appointed Judge Kirsten Frank Kelly to lead the Domestic Relations Section in the family division of the merged Third Circuit Court, while Judge Freddie Burton Jr. will lead the juvenile section.

Judge James Rashid will head

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Commissioners want council to coordinate court services

Two Wayne County commissioners want to create a local court management council to coordinate the delivery of court services under a reorganization of the Wayne County Circuit, Probate and Recorder's courts effective Oct. 1.

Commissioners Ken Cockrel and George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, introduced a resolution earlier this month that would create a seven-member Wayne County Court Management Council.

Commissioners referred the resolution to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, which Cockrel chairs, and the Committee of Ways and Means, which Cushingberry chairs.

The commissioners want the following seven public officers to serve on the council:

- the chief judge of the combined courts, who is Judge Michael Sapala;

- a judge designated by the chief judge of the combined courts;

- chief of the Probate Court, who is Freddie Burton Jr.;

- Wayne County Clerk Teola Hunter;

- County Executive Edward McNamara;

- Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, or Commissioner Ken Cockrel;

- and the chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means, Commissioner Ken Cockrel.

In August Cushingberry introduced a plan to convert the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice into a parking garage and erect

a new building to house the county's court system. Stephen Kirk, vice president and director of facility economics with the architectural firm of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates, has estimated that a new building with 87 courts, and 994,000 gross square feet at \$165 a square foot would cost \$164 million. With parking and site work, it would cost a minimum of \$220 million.

That measure was sent to Cushingberry's Committee on Ways and Means for study and has yet to be returned to the 15-member commission with recommendations.

Cushingberry could not be reached for comment earlier this week on the resolution or his courthouse proposal.

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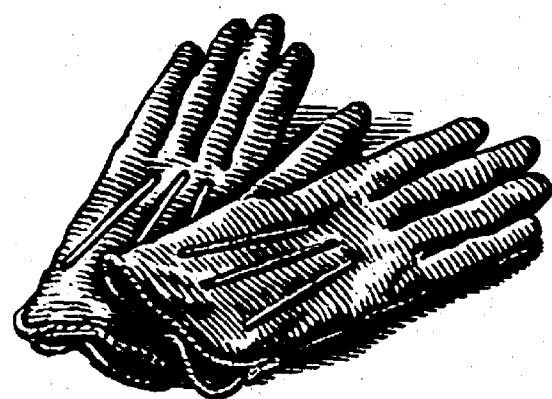


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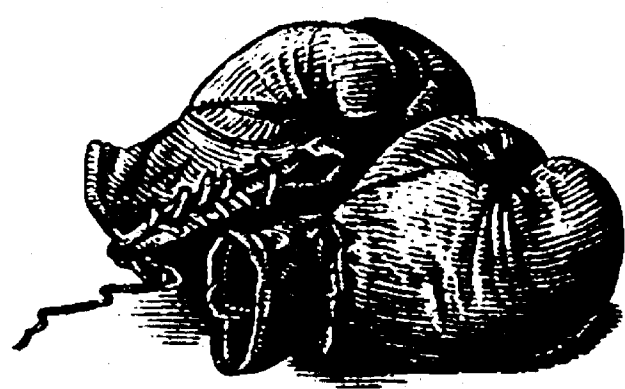


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Clowning around: Pam Smith, "Prof the Clown" and David Nadeau, "The Magic Man," will be at Oak Plaza Mall on Sept. 27 to participate in a benefit for the Leukemia Society of America.

Businesses plan celebration to benefit Leukemia Society

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Mary Denning's like a lot of people celebrating their anniversary, she wanted to do something really special, and share it with friends.

On Sunday, Sept. 27 Denning who is celebrating the fifth anniversary of the opening of Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe, and her neighbors at Oak Plaza Mall, 8020 N. Wayne Road (next to Wendy's), are hosting a benefit for the Leukemia Society of America.

The fun-filled day, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 benefits Leukemia Society of America.

"I like to give back to the community," said Denning. "Everyone knows I'm a soft touch. We're trying to focus on charities, which help kids. We love kids here. All the little kids think I'm their grandma."

■ The fun-filled day, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 is a cooperative effort of businesses at Oak Plaza Mall, 8020 N. Wayne Road.

Denning is part of a community of businesses in Oak Plaza Mall, 8020 N. Wayne Road (next to Wendy's) in Westland, who share her desire to give something back to the community.

"Everyone has been so nice about helping," said Denning. "Everyone is participating."

There will be face painting at Fantastic Sam's; a pizza eating contest 1 p.m. at Toarmina's Pizza, limbo contest 3 p.m. at Ms. Helen's Dance Academy,

and a cake walk at Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe.

You can have your picture taken with your favorite mice at Cleopatra's Restaurant. The costumes were donated by Bee's Costumes in Westland.

David Nadeau "The Magic Man," will have a few tricks up his sleeve, and "Prof the Clown" is bringing her fancy balloons to Paperbacks & Things.

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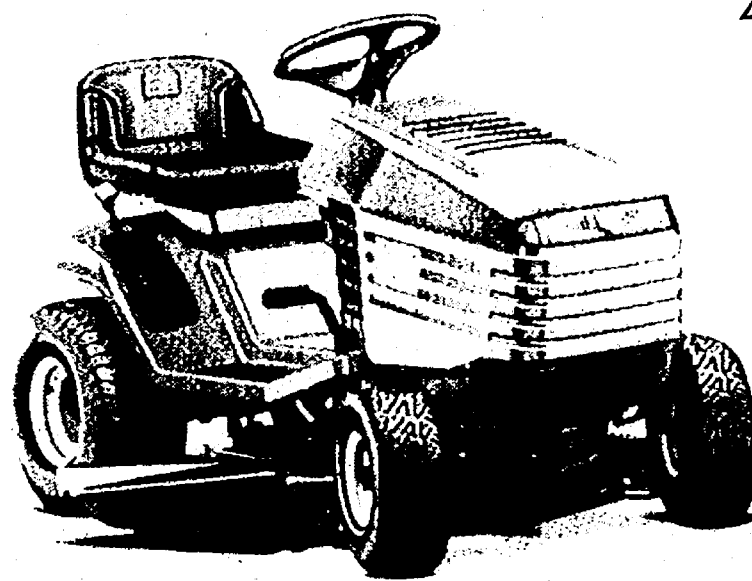
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ional Builder Magazine.

- Biltmore Properties, of Troy, and its affiliated companies have developed over 20,000 residential lots. Biltmore has built and sold more than 10,000 single-family homes and condominium units.
- Biltmore developed and constructed the Somerset Park development in the city of Troy, which contains 2,226 rental apartments surrounding a nine-hole golf course, the Somerset Mall and Somerset Plaza.
- Wineman Investment Co. of Southfield is a joint venture partner in the development of a number of shopping centers in the metro Detroit area, including Summit Place Mall in Waterford, and owns residential and commercial lands in the Detroit area.
- It received The Engineering Society Outstanding Achievement Award for building design and construction for 1988 and 1991.
- Don Davis, of First Independence National Bank in Detroit, has supported Detroit by funding commercial and residential developments. Davis is a general partner in the development of the Cultural Gardens Townhouse Development, located in Detroit's cultural center.
- Here is a summary of the remaining bids according to land use, recommended by an evaluation committee of county officials and the county's Economic Development Corporation:
- Commercial: The Toll group also offered to purchase 13.5 acres for \$1,746,180 for commercial property. No other cash offers were received on this property that met the minimum price of \$1.75 million.
- Research and development: Hayes Wheel International, Inc. of Romulus, bid nearly \$1.6 million for 13 acres, plus a one-year option for an additional five acres for \$653,400 for a corporate headquarters and research and development facility. Hayes Wheels International designs and manufactures steel and alu-

- minum wheels for passenger car and light truck manufacturers in the United States and Europe, including General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, Japanese automakers Mazda, Nissan, Honda and Isuzu and European automakers.
- Apartments: Lake Village of Northville Limited Partnership, a joint venture between the Silverman Co. of Farmington Hills and Painia Development Co. Silverman has developed and built single and multi-family properties, while Painia has developed "housing alternatives" in property management and marketing. Silverman and Painia will pay \$4.1 million for 40 acres of property, or \$12,700 per unit.
- Adult living community: Robertson Brothers, of Bloomfield Hills, has offered to purchase 26 acres for about \$1.9 million, or \$72,600 an acre, for senior residential housing. Robertson's current projects include single-family communities, detached condominiums, attached master-planned communities and single-family homes.
- Senior residential: Waycor Development Co. of Detroit bid \$1.2 million on 11.5 acres or \$108,000 an acre. That entity will consist of Don Barden of Barden Companies and Bob Gillette of American House. Barden Companies in Detroit operates in real estate development, broadcasting and entertainment industries. American House of Birmingham has developed 14 adult congregate living centers — including Westland and Livonia — with 1,100 units since 1979.
- Public and recreational facilities usage: Northville Township bid \$1 million on 45 acres.
- Single family residential: St. John's Golf Club, Archdiocese of Detroit, will purchase 10.58 acres to expand the current golf course for \$370,000.

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the civil division and 24 other judges, six who are moving from Recorder's Court at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice to the City County Building. About 5,000 civil cases need to be reassigned.

Judge Vera Massey Jones will lead the criminal division and 32 judges. Six circuit judges will move to the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice from circuit court in the City County Building.

Diverse bench

"The silver lining is we will have a more diverse bench," said Sapala, meaning that African-American judges will hear more cases of Wayne County residents. "There are more African Americans sitting countywide."

Juries will consist of the same demographics of Wayne County's population, close to the 55 percent white, 45 percent black makeup.

"Jury pools will be the same

proportion," Sapala said. "The effect on cases — and my speculation is not better than anyone else who is familiar with the court — is I don't see any changes in jury decisions (based on racial makeup)."

Suspects who have been arrested and charged with felonies in Detroit prior to Oct. 1 currently receive a jury of Detroit residents while suspects arrested outside of Detroit receive an outcounty jury, but that will change. "It will mean a Wayne County jury hears the case, whether it is a Detroit or a Dearborn case."

Sapala was to meet with court employees today to hear some of their concerns. He hopes the transition can be as smooth as possible.

"None of us had any idea how complicated this process would be," Sapala said.

Circuit Judge Sean Cox will be moving from the 10th floor of the City County Building to the sixth floor of Frank Murphy Hall of Justice. Cox, who lives in Canton Township, will hear criminal cases for all of Wayne County, a change from his current civil cases and outcounty felony cases.

"I'm going to enjoy it, I think," Cox said. "I think it's good because it gives us diversity in the criminal and civil division."

Judges in Recorder's Court who switch to the Circuit's civil division will have to move from criminal to the multiple areas of product liability, medical and environmental laws. "Every Thursday night, I would be up late reading motions for Friday motion call," Cox said. "There's a lot of reading to do."

Bryan Amann, an attorney who lives in Canton Township and a former deputy county clerk, assistant county executive

and county commissioner, wonders how efficient the court will be in the early going, particularly with a criminal judge handling liability cases.

Amann likened it to when he moved to Canton. One of Amann's children complained that he didn't have to worry about a new job or making new friends like the children did.

"(The court reorganization) will be a little like arriving at a new school," Amann said. "Some judges know which attorneys are responsible and which ones are jerks."

Those judges eventually will learn about attorneys on the new dockets, Amann said.

Cox believes the merger should run smoothly with Sapala as chief judge, who Cox said was "doing an excellent job."

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Parks complaints

Rep. Tom Alley is fishing for complaints about the State Parks campground reservation system, and he expects to find them Wednesday, Sept. 24.

His House Conservation Committee will hold a public hearing at 10:30 a.m. in 424 Capitol Building, Lansing. He has the room until 2 p.m. and expects a lot of comment.

The system, operated by a private contractor, offers a toll-free telephone number, 1-800-44-PARKS. The caller pays in advance by credit card for camping plus a \$5 reservation fee.

The system has "crashed" several times this summer, and an estimated 3,600 reservations have been lost, said Alley.

The 1996 contractor, DPCS of Livonia, was replaced this year by Consolidated Market Response Inc. of Charleston, Ill., whose operators reportedly have no home-town knowledge of Michigan parks.

to challenge the Great Lakes Fishery Trust and tribal interest to support the \$18 million in state hatchery renovations Engler recommended.

Meanwhile, attorney general Frank Kelley said he has filed a motion in federal court in western Michigan to "clarify the limits on commercial tribal salmon fishing" in Grand Traverse Bay.

The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians issued 1997 tribal regulations more than doubling the allowable salmon take from 40,000 to 90,000 pounds. The tribe also expanded the areas where permit holders may fish for salmon in Lake Michigan and raised the amount of nets and number of commercial fishing permits it will issue.

Kelley says the tribe's actions violate a 1985 consent order that limits areas and amount of fish tribal permit holders may take.

Bigger shares

Local governments are "big winners" under the a new general government appropriations bill signed by Engler.

They will get \$66.1 million more for a total of \$1.4 billion in state general revenue sharing payments, up 4.7 percent. It plunks \$10 million into a state community policing program and \$5 million into special censuses for local units of government.

The \$2.3 billion bill contributes \$18.6 million to the budget stabilization ("rainy day") fund.

DNR bill signed

The Department of Natural Resources will operate next fiscal year on a \$218 million budget, as signed by Gov. John Engler.

It will allow DNR to replace employees who elect to take early retirement on a 1:2 basis. Other departments are being allowed to replace only one in four early retirees.

Highlight of the budget bill is creation of a \$750,000 Great Lakes Fishery challenge grant

Get pneumonia, flu shots at local sites

For the first time ever, the Wayne County Health Department is offering pneumonia shots along with flu vaccinations at 18 locations during its annual fall immunization drive.

Health Department officials urging people 65 and older and those persons with certain chronic conditions who want to avoid illnesses linked to pneumococcal pneumonia to get immunized.

"Pneumonia infection causes as many as 40,000 deaths a year in the United States," says Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, medical director of the Wayne County Health Department. "Our goal is prevention, but it's a tough battle because so many strains of bacterial pneumonia have become resistant to antibiotics

such as penicillin."

The pneumonia vaccine can help prevent pneumonia, bronchitis and a bacterial infection of the blood called bacteremia. A \$10 donation for the pneumonia shot is requested, but indigent residents may receive a fee waiver.

Flu shots offered

Flu shots will be offered by the Wayne County Health Department for a \$5 donation, but no one will be turned away due to an inability to pay.

Senior citizens, adults and children with chronic illnesses are also candidates for the flu vaccine. "A good time to get protection against pneumococcus pneumonia is when you are getting your flu shot," Lawrenchuk

said. "In general, if you're at increased risk for the flu, you're also at risk for the pneumococcus pneumonia."

The 1997-98 trivalent influenza vaccine has been developed to protect against certain strains of viruses. The typical influenza season runs from November through April, but the maximum protection provided by the vaccine occurs when it is given early, before the flu season starts.

For additional information, call the Wayne County Health Department Disease Control Division Office at (313) 467-3325.

Fall schedule

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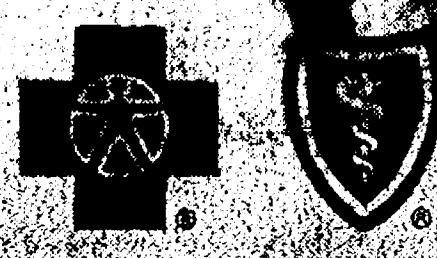
locations include:

■ For Canton Township seniors, Wednesday, Oct. 29, by appointment only, at the Canton Senior Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Call 397-5444.

■ Livonia seniors, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 23 and 24, by appointment only, Sheldon Park, 10800 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call 422-5010.

■ Plymouth, Thursday, Oct. 16, by appointment only but walk-ins accepted, Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Call 455-6627.

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OBITUARIES

LAVONA I. DAHN

Funeral services for Lavona Dahn, 72, of Westland were recently in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne. Officiating was the Rev. Roy Forsyth.

Mrs. Dahn died Sept. 6 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center- Wayne. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: husband, Frank; sons, Jim, Bob, Joe, Randy, John; daughters, Shirley and Laura; brothers, Bill and Richard; sisters, June and Mary; 20 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren. Mrs. Dahn was preceded in death by son Carl.

CHARMA J. HUFFMAN

Funeral services for Charma Huffman, 40, of Westland were today, Sept. 18, in Uht Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation or the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Huffman died Sept. 15 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center- Wayne. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: husband, John; son, James; father, Lonnie Schafer; mother, Pamela Prokop; brothers, Ron, Randy, Rob and Dan; and sisters, Diana, Melissa and Alisha.

JEAN ENGLE

Funeral services for Jean Engle, 83, of Westland were recently in Neely-Turowski Funeral Home, Livonia and St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Francis Reiss.

Mrs. Engle, who died Sept. 11 in Ann Arbor, was born in Poland. She lived in this area many years. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: daughters, Virginia Ericson and Elsie Sukockas; sister, Virginia Dzbanski; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

ELIZABETH A. DANSBY

Funeral services for Elizabeth Dansby, 89, of Westland were recently in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Michael Meyer. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Mrs. Dansby, who died Sept. 14 in Garden City, was born in the Village of Wainola, Mich. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: sons, Kenneth Dansby, Fred Dansby, George Dansby; daughters, Mildred Riley, Lois Lovelace; sisters, Ileen Lahti, Ina Uitti, Iva Byczek; 15 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Mrs. Dansby was preceded in death by her grandson, Joel Dansby.

JEAN W. THIBODEAU

Funeral services for Jean Thibodeau, 82, of Plymouth were recently in St. Theodore of Canterbury Catholic Church, Westland, with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's research.

Mrs. Thibodeau, who died Sept. 15 in Heartland Health Care Center-Plymouth Court, Plymouth Township, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. She was a former Westland resident. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: husband, Joseph of Westland; sons, Thomas, William, Dennis, Robert; sisters, Frances Savage and Nancy Colosanti; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.



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A reunion is planned for Nov. 28.
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Madonna, area groups to sponsor video, discussion on prejudice

Madonna University in Livonia and the People of Livonia Addressing Issues of Diversity (PLAID) along with ACORD of Northville and the Lilly Endowment Grant are sponsoring a video presentation on discrimination titled "Blue-Eyed" on Thursday, Sept. 25 at Madonna University in Room 2409.

The event will be held at 6 p.m. and is free of charge.

The video follows Jane Elliott, one of America's most celebrated and dynamic diversity trainers, as she conducts an exercise with a group of adults

attempting to teach them about discrimination and prejudice.

Elliott, who spoke at Madonna University's campus in January, is the creator of the Eye-Color discrimination experiment. In 1970 Elliott, then a public school teacher in Riceville, Iowa, divided her all-white class of third-graders into blue- and brown-eyed groups for a lesson in discrimination. On successive days, each group was treated inferior and subjected to discrimination.

Through this video presenta-

tion, many white people become acquainted with the feeling of belonging to a condemned group. They experience the feeling of being discriminated against, in the same way that society today discriminates against women, people with different skin color or the disabled.

Following the presentation will be a discussion period.

For information call Madonna University's Office of Multicultural Affairs at (313) 432-5541.

U-M forum to focus on Metro Airport

The University of Michigan will focus on the expansion of Wayne County's Detroit Metro Airport and nearby development opportunities at the university's annual real estate forum on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 13 and 14.

Wayne County will host the first day of the forum at Metro Airport.

In addition to presenting expansion plans at the airport, the Department of Jobs and Economic Development will also present the Airport Area Development Plan. The plan focuses on development opportunities in areas surrounding the airport, including the communities of Romulus, Taylor and Huron Township.

The forum annually attracts hundreds of professionals in the fields of real estate, urban planning and architecture — a key target audience for the department as it aggressively markets the airport area.

For registration information, call (313) 764-4276.

Madonna to sponsor blood drive

The American Red Cross will accept blood donations 2-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7 and Wednesday, Oct. 8 in Madonna University's Take 5 Lounge.

To make an appointment, call the office of student life at (313) 432-5428. Walk-in donors are also welcome.

Eligible donors must be at least 17 years old and may donate every eight weeks or no more than five times a year. The Red Cross will distribute all donated blood to 75 area hospitals in southeastern Michigan.

Madonna University is located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

Pedalfest '97

Fund-raiser to benefit Rouge projects

People who want to support efforts to educate the public about the Rouge River can participate in Pedalfest '97 at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Westland on Saturday, Sept. 27.

People can ride bicycles, roller-blade, run or walk on Hines Drive to support environmental education and stewardship programs of Friends of the Rouge, a 12-year-old non-profit volunteer community organization.

The route begins and ends at Nankin Mills with 10-, 20- and

50-mile rides offered to bicyclists along westbound Hines Drive and continuing onto Seven Mile and Beck roads with a turnaround offered at Maybury State Park. The 50-mile ride continues to South Lyon, where riders turn around to return to Westland.

The 50-mile ride and registration begins at 8 a.m. The 20-mile ride and registration starts at 9 a.m. The 10-mile ride registration begins at 10 a.m. Five-mile fun ride, bladders, runners and walkers register at 10 a.m.

Bicyclists can start until 11 a.m., others until noon. The Pedalfest finish closes at 4 p.m.

Individual participants must pledge a minimum of \$15. Families must pledge a minimum of \$25, while teams (three to 10 members) must pledge \$30. Pedalfest t-shirts and Sports Authority water bottles will be available for everyone who registers.

For more registration information, call Friends of the Rouge at 961-4050.

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Posthumus, Ross spar over how to regulate charter academies

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Two gubernatorial hopefuls sharply disagree over the purpose of public schools and how to regulate charter academies.

Republican Dick Posthumus, the state Senate majority leader, focuses on parents. He wants to meet parents' needs and give parents "more options... more ability to determine what their children ought to do."

Democrat Doug Ross, former state and federal Labor Department official, focuses on students. He wants kids to be better prepared for the future world of work by meeting high state assessment standards.

To Posthumus, 47, of Alto, the "basics" means "providing parents with the ability to provide their children with the best education."

To Ross, 54, of West Bloomfield, the "fundamentals" means "defining performance" of students and getting "results" from classrooms because "suddenly we have to educate everybody to a much higher level."

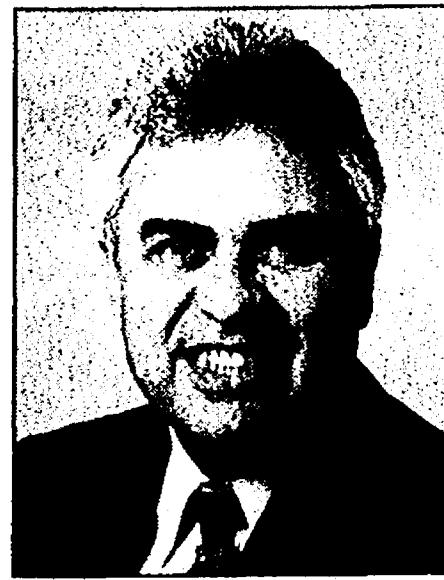
Allow parochial?

Ross, onetime consumer lobbyist and a state senator from 1979-82, is flatly opposed to amending the Michigan Constitution to allow vouchers and parochial aid. "I don't want to put my money into Michigan Militia High or Skinhead Intermediate where they're teaching racial or religious hatred. Under the constitution, you can do it, but not with my money," he said.

Posthumus, who has worked 14 years in the shadow of incumbent Gov. John Engler, didn't



Dick Posthumus



Doug Ross

directly answer the parochial question. "I won't support taxpayer dollars for religious education," he said, indicating a line between supporting parochial schools when they teach academics but not when they teach religion.

The pointed but polite exchange will be broadcast Sunday on Channel 7's "Spotlight" public affairs program. The sole topic was issues in public education.

Posthumus is known to be itching to succeed Engler as governor and may be the lieutenant governor running mate in place of Connie Binsfeld, now 73, next year, though Engler has made no announcement.

Ross has announced he is seeking the Democratic nomination - an uphill "citizens' campaign" because rival Larry Owen has locked up many key labor endorsements a year before the primary.

They differed on public school academies, or "charter schools."

vouchers. It's siphoning dollars from public schools for private and parochial schools," Ross said, adding:

"I think what the governor and Sen. Posthumus are trying to do is replace public schools with a voucher plan."

Replied Posthumus: "We brought charter schools into being for a couple of reasons. We need to provide parents with an option. When their local public school wasn't doing the job, we needed to provide another public school alternative - charters."

He added, "Fifty percent of kids going to charter schools today are minorities."

"That means we're meeting the needs of parents who felt their local school wasn't safe for the child or wasn't providing for its academic needs. If that parent decides it (charter school) isn't doing the job, they'll take their kids out."

Plug loophole

Ross wants to amend the charter school law so that private and parochial schools can't qualify for charter status.

Replied Posthumus: "That can only happen if a public entity - like a university or community college - charters that school. That can only happen if it (charter applicant) meets public school academic requirements."

"We have to stop bashing teachers," said Ross. "This governor has declared war on virtually everybody connected with our kids' education."

Posthumus said legislative "listen-ins" show teachers favor Republican policies even if teachers' unions are opposed.

Low MEAP scores

They were asked about the low MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) scores in science and writing that three-fourths of charter schools turned in compared to regular public schools, even in urban areas.

"The idea behind charter schools," said Ross, "was that they were places within the public school system where you could innovate and experiment. It's a worthwhile objective."

"My biggest objection is that Michigan is one of the very few states that allows money to go to pre-existing private and religious schools that convert themselves to charter schools. It's like

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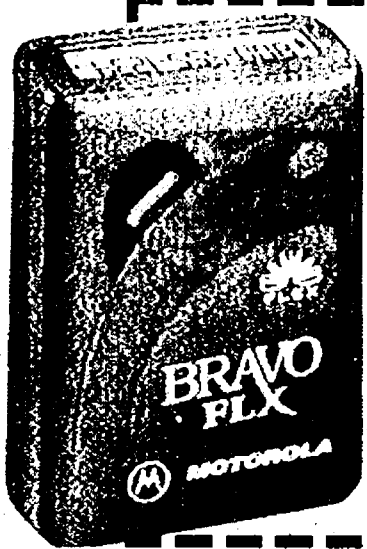
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Justice delayed Sewer victims seek a solution

Sandy Belisle, Mary Lou and Don Maren-da and their neighbors have been waiting a long time for justice. More than 400 Westland homes were damaged Feb. 20-21 when heavy rains caused a faulty new sewer system to back up into basements. Some residents are still stuck with piles of salvaged belongings, waiting for life to get back to normal. Two lawsuits have been filed against the city of Westland, two contractors and an engineering firm involved in a sewer separation project. Workers mistakenly blocked a 6-foot water main with a concrete wall, leading to

the horrendous damage. City Attorney Angelo Plakas reports claims have been resolved for 337 of the 447 residences. Plakas said negotiations are stalled for homeowners involved in the lawsuits. Justice delayed is justice denied. These residents are entitled to fair settlements of their claims. The photographs and story in the Sept. 11 Observer showed just how disrupted life has been for the residents. It's time for all those involved to set aside their differences and help these homeowners get back to normal.

Election tone should be civil

Now that the dust has settled, it's time to look forward to the Nov. 4 general election in Westland, in which Mayor Robert Thomas will face challenger Kenneth Mehl, a former Westland City Council member. Council candidates will also face off. Thomas took nearly 68 percent of the votes, with 4,002 out of 5,945. Mehl was second and earned a spot on the general election ballot with just over 25 percent, or 1,502 votes. Unsuccessful candidate Dixie Johnson McNa had just over 6 percent, or 375 votes. These numbers show overwhelming support for Thomas, although it must be remembered that relatively few of Westland's registered

voters, 10.7 percent, turned out for last week's election. Thomas should not become over confident and assume that he faces smooth sailing into November. Both men should strive for a civil tone in their dealings with voters and with each other. Rancor does no one any good. Both Thomas and Mehl should aim to discuss such issues as quality of city services, without sinking to the level of the gutter. Nov. 4 is a ways off still, and we hope that time will be marked by civil discourse among Thomas, Mehl and others involved in the campaign and election.

Wetlands vital part of nature

Two signs of progress, in the early 19th century, were 1) killing the buffalo and 2) draining the "swamps." The buffalo left the woodlands quickly. Draining swamps proved a bit tougher. Today we know better. The buffalo are gone except on a few farms, but the state is protecting "wetlands" because we have learned their value. Wetlands are home to basic fish and waterfowl in the food chain. They filter water running off into rivers and lakes. They prevent too-rapid runoff. Wetlands today are seen as resources and even as things of beauty. Consider the man-made wetlands in Sumpter Township near Detroit Metropolitan Airport - a Wayne County park preserving nature amid burgeoning industry. Consider the wetlands mitigation project on the northwest corner of Warren and Sheldon roads. The job of protecting wetlands fell to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Folks who have yet to learn to appreciate wetlands also don't appreciate DNR. It gained a reputation as being foot-dragging and contrary in dealing with permits. It turns out the reputation was false. The evidence comes from an environmental watchdog, Michigan United Conservation Clubs. MUCC, with 120,000 members in 480 clubs, is more than the classical hunting-fishing lobby. It has shared with bird-watchers and nature lovers a fierce desire to protect the environment. "The controversy over wetlands protection is often long on accusation and short on fact," said Richard X. Moore, MUCC's senior resource policy specialist and author of the report entitled "A Review of Michigan's Performance in Wetlands Regulation." Today wetland regulation is under the new Department of Environmental

Quality, but DEQ staffers are largely carry overs from DNR. Four laws regulate the environment, wetlands, inland lakes and streams, and Great Lakes submerged lands and flood plains. Basically, a property owner needs a state permit for dredging, filling, or altering structures on bottom lands; creating, enlarging or diminishing a lake or stream; building a marina; connecting an artificial waterway over bottom lands, and creating artificial lands. As MUCC points out, many permit applicants have little experience in the area of environmental changes, and professional staff judgments are involved. So the process is ripe for misunderstandings. Nevertheless, MUCC found:
 ■ 75 percent of permit applications (275 out of 368) were granted. Firm denial was the result in 24 cases, or 6.5 percent. The others were either withdrawn or otherwise closed.
 ■ 64 percent were processed to final resolution in 90 days or less, many in less than 30 days.
 ■ 18 percent took 151 days or more to process, but more than half were granted though mostly in modified form. In the 1984 and 1995 studies, processing time was quicker.
 Did the agencies routinely deny permits, depriving owners of reasonable prices of their properties? "Clearly, no," said the MUCC study.
 Are the time frames for deciding reasonable? "Not so clear," said MUCC. Many files took longer than 90 days to clear because more information was needed. Often the delay occurred "because the department was willing to work with the applicant to resolve disputes." Did DNR ask irrelevant or unnecessary information? MUCC "did not uncover a single instance" of an unreasonable state request.

If you build it ...



They will come: Work on the Westland Playscape at Central City Park started from the ground up. The structure is ready for kids to play on, thanks to many volunteers.

LETTERS

Speed kills

Attempts to blame photographers for the death of Princess Diana are seriously misplaced. Diana and her companions were killed by high-speed reckless driving, pure and simple.

The photographers were "chasing" Diana's automobile with nothing more dangerous than cameras. Their motorcycles were no match for the large Mercedes in which Diana was riding. If there is a lesson to be learned here, it is that celebrities should not overreact to the inevitable presence of photographers. It just isn't worth it.

Any attempt to restrict photojournalists or reporters would be tragic and ill-conceived. A free and aggressive press is our most important right!

Celebrities are well able to protect their privacy if they really choose to do so. Unfortunately, many celebrities choose to play a "cat and mouse" game with the press. But seldom with the tragic consequences that occurred last week.

Photographers are easily controlled by trained security personnel, who are usually present. Besides, only a tiny percentage of celebrities have a serious problem with photographers.

In any event, hitting a concrete wall at 100 miles per hour is likely to be fatal whether you are in a Ford or a Mercedes, whether your blood is red or blue. Speed kills, not cameras!

Walter Warren
 Westland

vote of the people as required by law. Let us not resort to communist tactics to achieve goals, no matter how laudable those goals.

Beatrice Scalise
 Westland

School concerns

I have some serious concerns about my grandchildren attending school in Wayne-Westland. This district seems to go from bad to worse. I've never seen anything like it in the 30 years I have lived here. My daughter is looking for a new home in Westland and I'm hoping she finds one in the northern portion so that my grandkids can go to Livonia schools.

The lady who runs the meetings is so embarrassing to watch. Her comments in your newspaper and the other daily newspapers are even more embarrassing. In The Detroit News, she was quoted as saying she didn't know what she was voting for last January on a policy. She said in the article "Dumb us."

Well, at least she got that much right. As far as intelligence is concerned, Debbie Fowlkes and the rest of her board cronies fit that description and more. The school district is so important to the future of our community. Anyone interested in running needs to take a hard look at it now. The quality of the individuals is at an all-time low. Next June, I look forward to voting for a new board member to replace Debbie Fowlkes. Anyone would be better than her.

I just hope some intelligent individuals throw their names into the ring and give us some choices. Debbie Fowlkes and her board cronies are destroying this school district piece by piece.

Irvin Karrick

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Monica Church



"I agree because there are a lot of kids to play with."

Robert Laichalk



"I agree. We have a lot of shops and businesses that are real accessible, and the neighborhood where I live is kept up good."

Paul Green



"I agree. I was born in Nankin Township (which became Westland), and I'm raising my family here. I like it."

Leslie Kirke

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POINTS OF VIEW

Hometown heroes make communities better

It was an Observerland kind of weekend.

Saturday morning, our friend, Pam Young of Redford Township, called from her job at Eastern Michigan University. She had another commitment and wouldn't be able to visit. We also didn't get over to Livonia, to see my in-laws on Munger Court.

We did, however, get to the library in Plymouth, in search of good books. I chose "Plum Pie" by P.G. Wodehouse and my husband, Mark Rembacki, looked through a baseball uniform reference book.

I noticed that the library is seeking donations in honor of its 75th anniversary and move into its new building next to City Hall next year. I thought such a donation would be perfect for my parents' 50th wedding

anniversary later this year.

From the library, it was on to the Coffee Studio for some decaf and conversation with Scott Lurain, owner. We'd just had major plumbing woes at our Plymouth Township home. Scott could relate, having had to deal with the road project just outside his business along Ann Arbor Trail.

Sunday morning found us at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton Township, where I am a member. We saw the hard-working Sunday school teachers, instructing their young charges just as they do week after week.

After a walk through our neighborhood, it was time for a barbecue, the second of the weekend (burgers on Saturday, chicken and corn on Sunday). The evening saw us stopping by Central City Park in Westland to



JULIE BROWN

check on the progress of the Westland Playscape.

Chairman Bob Kosowski was pleased to report that work was 98 percent done, and the Playscape would momentarily be available for kids to play on. He credited the large number of volunteers who turned out, particularly on the weekend.

The Westland project reminded me of the similar structure at Plymouth Township Park and of others in neighboring communities.

From Central City Park, it was off to Wayne Bowl on Michigan Avenue, for some league bowling with the Geneva group.

Our partners, Ben and Nola Bonandrini of Canton Township, were in fine form and our bowling skills hadn't gotten too rusty over the summer. Nola and I discussed her concerns about animal care and welfare, and what the newspaper could do to help animals. She volunteers at the Michigan Humane Society shelter in Westland.

It all got me to thinking about what great communities these are to live and do business in. The dedicated Sunday school teachers, the enthusi-

astic businesspeople, the motivated volunteers who put the Playscape together and aid all sorts of people and causes all deserve a round of applause.

Without their efforts, it's hard to imagine what these communities would be like. They'd certainly be a good deal less livable.

The death of the Princess of Wales and others in her car, tragic event that it is, has put great emphasis on Diana's contributions. I couldn't help but think, however, that there are many more who make equal or greater contributions but don't get the limelight.

Let's hear it for our hometown heroes!

Observer staffer Julie Brown is a Plymouth Township resident.

Gasoline tax lawsuit comes down to fairness issue

More people have expressed bewilderment over the gasoline tax lawsuit than any other court case in recent memory.

What, they ask, is all this stuff about a two-thirds vote in the Legislature?

First, I am frankly sympathetic to hiking the fuel tax to fix roads. Govs. Jim Blanchard and John Engler were both derelict in not endeavoring to do it earlier than 1997.

Second, at times like this, I miss Earl Warren, chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court in the 1950s and '60s. Warren, famed for his civil rights decisions, would listen to a lawyer pontificate about intricate legalisms and snap: "Yes, but is it fair?"

So let's look at the Aug. 1 fuel tax hike for fairness.

The law began life as House Bill 4872, an appropriations bill for the Department of Transportation. Its sponsor was Rep. Clark Harder, D-Owosso, a member of the House Appropriations Committee. The bill was referred to the Appropriations

Committee.

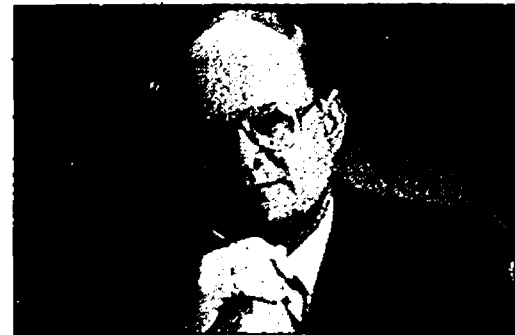
On June 26, the House passed it 70-35. A bill usually doesn't become law until 90 days after the Legislature adjourns - about April 1 of the following year. But the state fiscal year begins six months earlier, on Oct. 1.

So the state constitution requires that, for a bill to have "immediate effect" (or i.e.), both chambers must give it a separate two-thirds vote. This the House routinely did on June 26.

The bill went to the Senate but never went to a committee - Appropriations or otherwise. The Senate did a lot of amending, producing S-8, the eighth Senate version.

Moreover, the Senate amendments included adding a four-cents-a-gallon tax on gasoline. On July 10, the Senate passed it on a 20-16 vote but also gave it a two-thirds for "i.e."

One could raise an eyebrow at the lack of Senate hearings, committee work and the transmutation of a



TIM RICHARD

spending bill into a taxing bill. But that's beyond our scope here.

The constitution also says both chambers must pass exactly the same version of a bill for it to become law, so HB 4872 found itself before the House again on July 16 for "concurrency in Senate amendments." This time, however, there was a donnybrook, and the bill barely squeaked by, 56-48.

Some members, led by gadfly maverick Rep. Dave Jaye, R-Macomb County, petitioned for a roll call vote

on "i.e.," but Speaker Curtis Hertel, D-Detroit, didn't take it. Engler signed the bill July 24, and we started paying Aug. 1.

So a group of anti-tax folks called Michigan Taxpayers United asked Ingham Circuit Judge Lawrence Glazer for an injunction to prevent collection of the tax. Defendants are Engler and state treasurer Doug Roberts. MTU argued there should have been a separate two-thirds vote for "i.e." on July 16, or else the tax couldn't take effect before next April 1. That would be a \$134 million revenue loss to our roads.

Glazer said the tax was properly passed and refused an injunction. I don't have a written opinion from Glazer, but I have Attorney General Frank Kelley's written brief on behalf of Engler and Roberts. It said:

"Plaintiff's assertions, although technically correct, are not legally significant because well-established Supreme Court authority clearly indicates that the bills do not have to be

exactly the same but in fact can have 'substantial difference in both content and impact.'"

Wow! An appropriations bill gets an "i.e." vote and then is turned into a tax bill. That's more than a "substantial difference." In the world of commerce, that's called "bait and switch." But in the world of legislative politics, it's OK.

Earl Warren's ghost would ask, "Yes, but is it fair?"

The case isn't over. The anti-tax people are likely to appeal Glazer's ruling. There are other questions, such as whether the state has reached its tax limit without requiring a vote of the people. I leave those for the lawyers and courts.

But I know unfairness when I see it, and the anti-tax people, with whom I have a healthy policy disagreement, were treated unfairly in the Michigan House.

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

Merian's Friends seeking solution to tough question

What is it about the debate over physician-assisted suicide that brings out the worst in everybody?

Grimacing and capering on one side we have Dr. Jack Kevorkian, whose original contribution to our civic life was to force the matter into public discussion but whose subsequent antics have cast grave doubt on his credibility. Two weeks ago, for instance, he attended the suicide of a 43-year-old Texas woman who was chronically - not terminally - ill with multiple sclerosis and, according to her family, emotionally unstable.

Grandstanding on the other side we have various politicians who believe, apparently sincerely, that passing a law banning physician-assisted suicide will forever put an end to the practice. State Sen. William VanRegenmorter, chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, has been holding a series of emotional hearings on such legislation, eliciting in some cases interesting testimony from people who fear that confirming the right to die will instead morph into responsibility to die.

In the middle we have the doctors who, in the old days, dealt with exquisitely terrible issues of bringing life to a close in the responsible intimacy of the family circle. In today's supercharged and confused public policy environment, however, physicians are deterred from exercising their ethical obligations to their patients by threat of lawsuits and public exposure.

All of this leaves the countless numbers of Michigan folks who are trying to struggle responsibly with the pressing dilemmas of life and quality of life and death of immediate family members with no clear way to resolution.

There is a way out of this mess that is simple, logical, reasonable and responsible. It is to put on the ballot a proposal that authorizes physician-assisted suicide, with carefully drawn safeguards. And then let the people decide.

That's why some 1,400 volunteers are out circulating petitions to get enough signatures (250,000 are required, but they're shooting for 350,000 just to be safe) to get exactly such a proposal on the 1998 ballot. They're working for an organization called Merian's Friends, headed by Ann Arbor physician Ed Pierce.

The proposal legalizes physician-assisted suicide, but it would limit proactive termination of life to terminally ill patients who request it themselves. Both the attending physician and a specialist in the patient's disease must certify that the patient has no more than six months to live, and a psychiatrist must certify that the



PHILIP POWER

A lot of decent and thoughtful people are supporting the drive, including former Michigan Gov. William G. Milliken.

patient is a mentally competent adult, acting neither from depression nor mental illness. "Many of the patients Dr. Kevorkian has assisted would not qualify under our proposal," says Dr. Pierce.

Perhaps that's one reason the proposal is receiving broad public support. A recent statewide poll that described the proposal indicates that some 59 percent of Michigan voters support such a measure, while 33 percent are opposed. The poll also found that a whopping 75 percent of respondents feel that current Michigan laws dealing with the rights of terminally ill patients are not working well.

A lot of decent and thoughtful people are supporting the drive, including former Michigan Gov. William G. Milliken, who is an honorary co-chair of Merian's Friends. (To set the record clearly, so am I.)

We believe that now is the time to get the debate out of the quagmire of egotism, politics and passionate ideology that so far has characterized this issue and put a simple, carefully drawn proposal on the ballot for a public vote. This is a public policy initiative that is long overdue and deserves to be addressed at the ballot box by the voters of Michigan.

Getting enough signatures to put a proposal on the ballot is tough and expensive work. Merian's Friends is looking for volunteers. Their toll-free telephone number is 1-888-217-0700. I urge you to call and help out.

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

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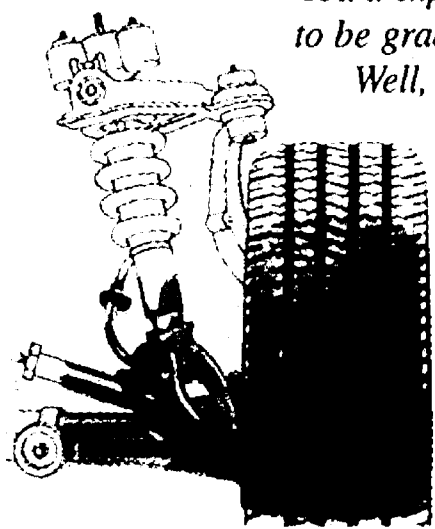
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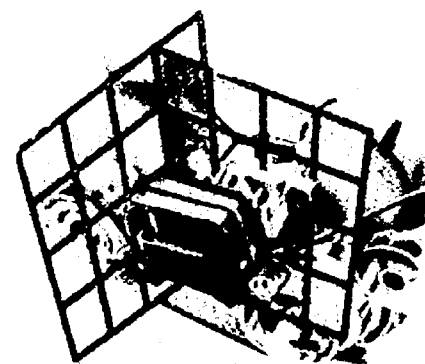
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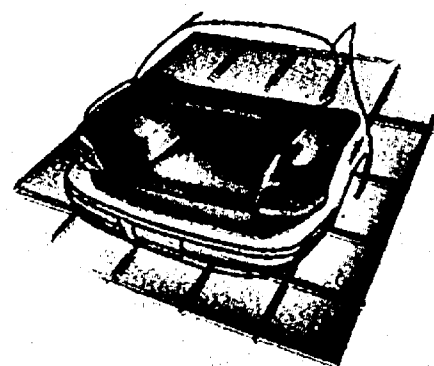


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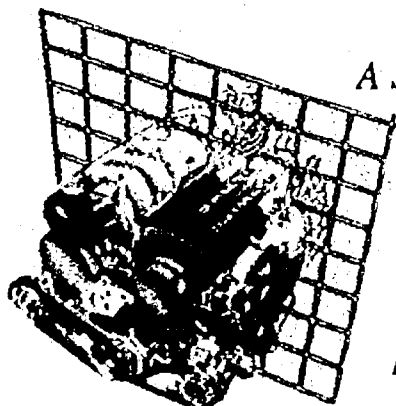


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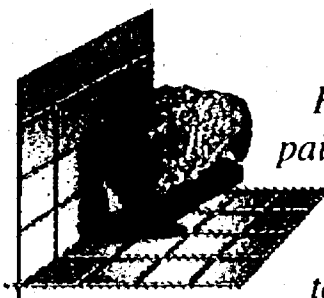
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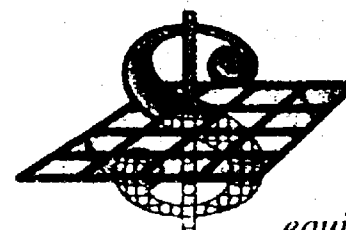
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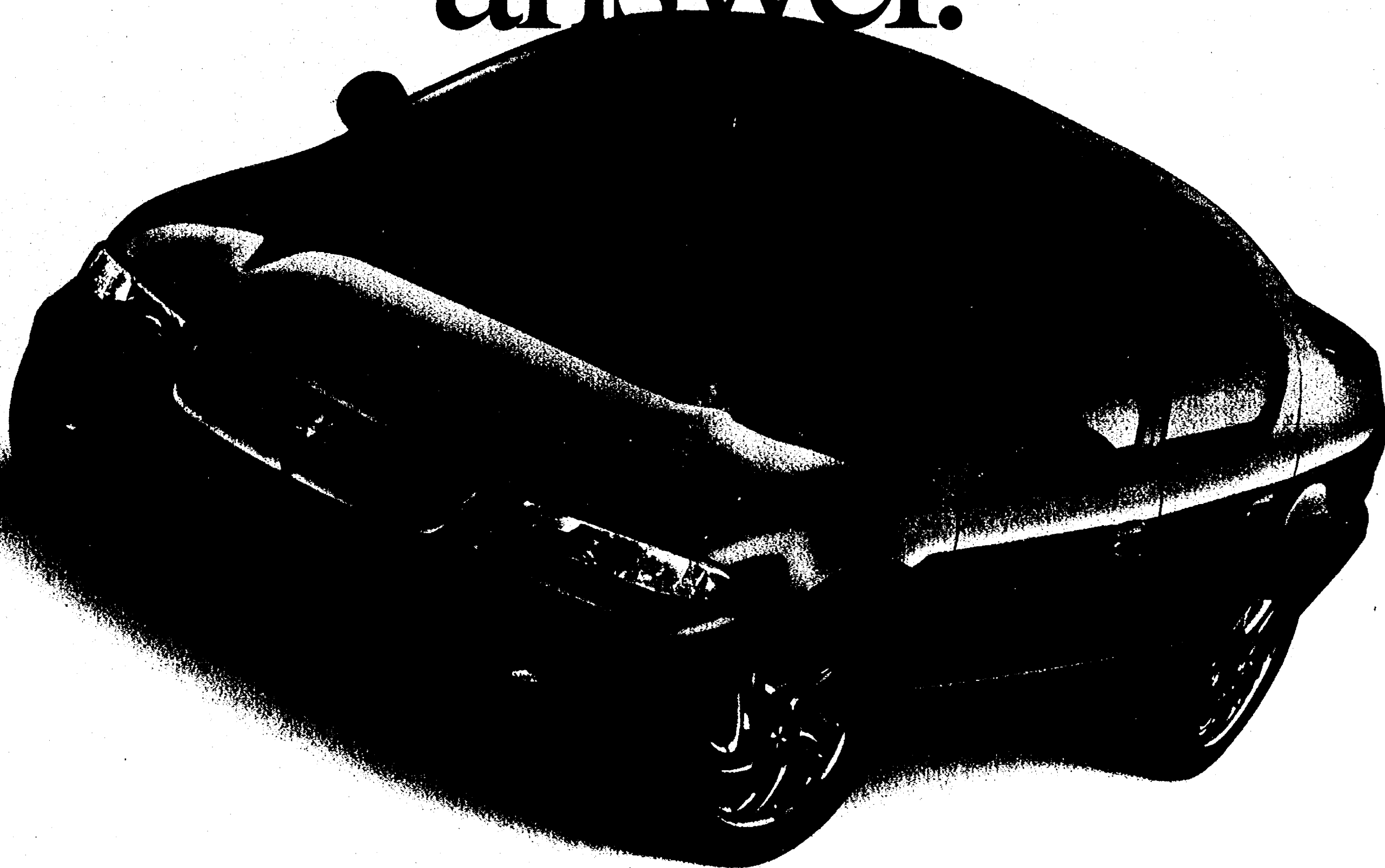
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Can stress kill you?

Who might you think are the people who end up in the medical clinics having invasive procedures done to determine why they are having stomach and chest pains? I used to think that it was the people who did not eat properly, exercise enough or who smoked and drank excessively. Much to my surprise, I found out I was wrong. Doctors will, off the record, candidly admit that they believe these diseases crop up because of STRESS. Yes, that ugly little six letter word that may flare up with the arrival of your mother-in-law on Thanksgiving. Stress can literally "eat you up." Some of the stress hormones to blame are epinephrine and norepinephrine. In a study, Dr. Redford Williams, chief of behavioral medicine at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C., that "elevated levels of stress hormones have been shown to suppress immunity." When immunity is down, you struggle to keep viruses

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Happiness is celebrating 70 years

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

"Oh goodness, no," says Leona Stephens, a sentiment shared by her husband Glenn, although he admits he thought he might live to be 100 years old until hip replacement surgery a year ago.

The answer is in response to a question about their marital longevity. At ages 92 and 94 respectively, the Livonia residents recently celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

The Stephens exchanged vows on Aug. 11, 1927, in Ironwood, Mich., one of the places they stopped at once a trip through the Upper Peninsula. Serving as their witnesses was her parents who had come along for the ride.

"I stayed in good with her father until he died and then with I stayed in good with her stepfather," Glenn recalled. "When I told her mother we planned to get married, she said fine. Her dad told me she could never come home and say you were mean to her."

Glenn and Leona have known each other for most of their lives. They grew up in Prescott, north of Bay City. He lived on a farm 2 miles outside of town; she lived on a farm in town. They both worshiped at the Baptist church and attended Prescott School.

Their memories of the early years are special. Glenn recalls his family buying a gramophone and on a clear night putting it outside and aiming it at the neighbors a half mile away.

The Stephens' farm had an out-house, no running water and used oil lamps for light, while the Currie farm in town had electricity. In fact, it

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Happiness is: There was no big church wedding or reception, just her parents as witnesses when Leona and Glenn Stephens said "I do" in Ironwood, Mich., on Aug. 11, 1927.

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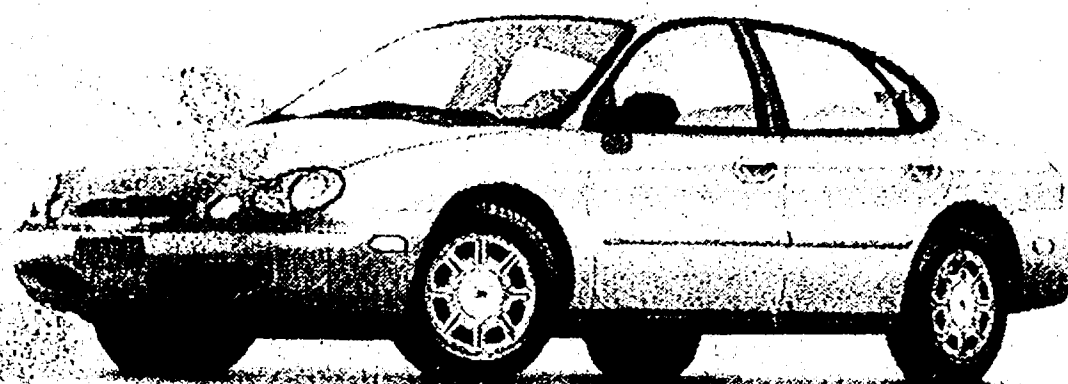
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and germs in check. Dr. Williams' work also concluded that the working moms in his study had levels of epinephrine and norepinephrine that rose during the day, but, by contrast, men, did not decrease in the evening as they did for men.

I sadly remember a period of time when my father worried or ruminated over a potential directorship he thought he was going to get at a major university, and how he stressed himself out because of the politics surrounding the appointment.

After two years of uncertainty and tension, he finally learned that he was not going to be appointed director, and simultaneously (and coincidentally?) also found he had lymphoma, dying a short time later. There have been studies that have

shown the link between a stressful event (divorce, death, loss of a job) and a two-year window before a person then comes down with a major disease.

My sister-in-law told me one time, "Get your stress under control because stress can kill you. We all have to harness it and not let it eat at us." She should know because she works in the section of the hospital where patients are admitted for procedures for gastrointestinal disorders. She puts the bulk of her patients into one category ... under too much stress.

And what creates stress? Worry, tension and anxiousness about the future. Do we have too much on our plates? Are there relationships that are strained? Unhappy at work?

A study out of the International Center for Health and Society

in London tracked 7,372 people from 1985 to 1993 to discover that their feelings of little or no control at work put them at a 50 percent higher rate for heart disease than others. Any of the daily pressures we experience can be the source of one's stress. But you already know all this ...

WHERE ARE THE ANSWERS?

One of the answers is easy - it's motion. When you get moving, for example exercise, the endorphins in your brain kick in and give you a great feeling of peace. I just wish I could activate those endorphins on those nights when my eyes pop wide open at that miserable hour of 3 a.m. You probably know those nights. They're the ones that make the next day drag on and on because you've spent a couple of fitful hours perseverating over the stress currently haunting

you. The experts say that if you don't get up in the middle of the night and do something, at least get the worries written down on paper next to your bed. I keep a flashlight on the night table and when the "worries" hit, I scribble them down. Surprisingly, just getting them out of your brain and onto the paper is a good stress reliever.

Other stress busters:

- Slow down ... must we race out of work to race into our homes to make dinner or do laundry? Get other members activated to do some of the jobs.

- Sit ... sit in the tub, in front of the fire, on the front porch with your feet up. Just sit and do nothing for 15 minutes - bet you can't do it.

- Read ... 12 minutes a day of reading something you enjoy,

can bring the blood pressure and pulse down. Or better yet, sit and read while you're in the bathtub (my all time favorite).

- Do something constructive other than eat ... plant flowers, play an instrument, call a friend, organize a tool bench, cupboard, garage. Try praying.

- If your marriage is strained, do something about it. Seminars, counseling and books help us to view our marriages differently. (See related story on the Sept. 27 seminar, "It's All in the Way You Say It.")

Our kids live in a very stressful world today. Outside (and sometimes inside) our homes, children are barraged with unpleasant things, from violence to media overload. If kids don't see some peace and tranquility in the home, where will they see it? It is our responsibility to pro-

vide that place for them where they can feel safety, comfort and security. But remember, it can't happen for them when they "wear" the tension we feel. Kids are extremely perceptive and when you're hurting and stressed, they feel it and don't know what to do with it.

As George Bernard Shaw said, "People are always blaming their circumstances for what they are. I don't believe in circumstances. The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want, and, if they cannot find them, make them."

If you have a question or comment for Jacque Martin-Downs, a prevention specialist and the director of Hegira Prevention Programs, write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

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wasn't hooked up to the water system until 1952, according to their daughter, Gladys Smith of Livonia.

They dated for several years, meeting at family-style socials at the Macabees Hall and in town on Saturday nights, before taking the trip up north that included stops in Gaylord and Mackinaw City before taking the ferry to the UP.

"Saturday night was a big night for the town," said Glenn who worked in one of the stores. "On Saturday night, the people would go to the show and then do their shopping. All the little farms are gone now and that's what made the town."

At age 16, Glenn packed up and headed for Detroit to work

on the railroad. He did that for four years, but had to return home in 1922 when he became sick.

In 1924, it was a good year, if you made \$2,400 for the year," said Glenn. "Now these guys are making what we made in a week in a day and more."

At the time they married, Leona was a liberated woman for the times. She taught first, second and third grades at Prescott School and drove a 1926 Chevrolet.

Glenn again left for Detroit to work for the Michigan Central Railroad, leaving Leona in Prescott to complete her second year of teaching.

Leona followed Glenn to Detroit in 1928 and a year later

their first child, Arthur, was born.

"I can remember going to see her and having to leave at 4 p.m. to get to work by 10 and just making it," Glenn said. "It was two-lane solid traffic on the Dixie Highway."

Glenn started out as a fireman, working trains between Detroit and Bay City and Toledo, the Windsor train tunnel and on the switch engines in the yard before the Depression took hold and they were forced to leave Detroit and return to Prescott, where Gladys was born.

"It was a lot of hard work," said Glenn who worked his way up to an engineer before retiring after 47 years. "The local

between here and Bay City was called the Cannonball, and I'd shovel 12 ton of coal one way."

After the Depression they returned to Detroit, where their third child, Donald, was born, and Glenn resumed working for Michigan Central, working on passenger trains, one in particular that left him with a bit of presidential notoriety.

Called to be the engineer on Dwight D. Eisenhower's campaign train, Glenn was told not to rely on whistle signals, but hand signals during campaign stops.

The plan worked in Bay City and Saginaw, but in Lapeer, the signal came early and the train pulled out, with Glenn at the controls, before Eisenhower had

finished his speech.

The Stephens still have a newspaper clipping about the faux pas and a letter from the 34th president of the United States saying he understood the mixup.

The mixup also is grounds for a good laugh related to a telephone message Leona took for Glenn - an invitation for the couple to go to New York and appear on a television show. In her excitement, Leona forgot to ask which show and now, more than 30 years later, neither still can't recall which show.

The Stephens lived in Detroit until 1970 when they moved to Livonia, where they now live with their son Don.

Aides and therapists help the

father and son care for Leona, who is confined to a wheelchair because of a stroke.

Glenn, who does much of the talking, has slowed down since he broke his hip last December. He no longer drives a car or climbs up on the roof of their house to shovel off the snow.

They have seen a lot of changes since they were married, the most important, they say, were the Apollo missions to the moon.

They've been witness to good times and bad times and have taken them in stride.

In fact, they credit their longevity to realizing that "everyone has their ups and downs," advice they offer to people marrying today.

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

ST. THEODORE

St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women will hold their annual Busy Bee Boutique craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 11 at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Table rental is \$20. For information, call (313) 425-4421 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

GARDEN CITY AFROTC

Crafters are needed for the Garden City High School AFROTC craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11 at the high school, 6500 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. For space information, call Jerry at (313) 427-2540.

FRIENDSHIP CENTER

Crafters are needed for the

Senior Resources Department and Superior Arts sponsored arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 18 and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 19 at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh Road, Westland. For information, call the department at (313) 722-7632, Doris at (313) 326-0146 or Donna at (313) 453-5719.

FIRST UNITED-WAYNE

Table rentals are available for the First United Methodist Church of Wayne's fall bazaar Oct. 18. Cost is \$25 for one space, \$40 for two. For more information, call (313) 721-4801.

REDFORD SUBURBAN

Crafters are needed for the Redford Suburban League's annual Fall Festival of Fashion show, beginning at 10 a.m. Oct. 22, at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia. For an application or more information, call Peggy at (810) 477-8902 or Margaret at

(313) 261-3737.

ST. JUDE CIRCLE

The St. Jude Circle of St. Robert Bellarmine Church will have a craft show Oct. 25 at the church, 271010 W. Chicago at Inkster Road, Redford. For more information, call Joann at (313) 937-0226 or Josie at (313) 522-2963.

WILDWOOD ELEMENTARY

Crafters are needed for Wildwood Elementary School's annual arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school, 500 N. Wildwood, Westland. Admission will be \$1. There also will be a bake sale, raffles and lunch. For table information, call (313) 721-3454.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

The Livonia Churchill High School PTSA will have its sixth annual arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 523-0022 or (313) 523-

9200.

at (313) 278-7270 until 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday or Judy at (810) 348-5887.

ST. MEL'S

Crafters are needed for St. Mel's annual fall arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1 in the school gymnasium, 7520 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. There also will be a bake sale, raffles and lunch. For table information or an application, call (313) 261-6881 or (313) 274-6270.

SS. SIMON AND JUDE

The Mother Cabrini Guild of Ss. Simon and Jude Church will sponsor its 15th annual arts and crafts boutique 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at the church, 32500 Palmer Road, west of Merriman Road, Westland. There will be crafts, a free raffle every hour, snack food, bake sale and 50/50 raffle. Table space (8 feet by 2 1/2 feet) costs \$25. For table rental, call Winnie at (313) 722-

8098 or (313) 722-1343.

KETTERING ELEMENTARY

The Kettering PTA will have its 11th annual craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 8 at the school, 1200 S. Hubbard, Westland. For more information, call Kathy at 722-7433 or Jamie at 467-8085.

GOOD SHEPHERD

Crafters are needed for Good Shepherd Reformed Church's craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 15 at the church, Wayne and Hunter roads, Westland. Round tables cost \$20; long tables are \$25. For an application, call Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (313) 722-7225.

GRACE LUTHERAN

Exhibitors are wanted for Grace Lutheran Church's annual art and craft show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 15. Booth sizes are 6 by 9 feet and 8 by 10 feet. Call Tina Greniewicki at (313) 591-3099 or (313) 464-2727 for more information.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

The Livonia Franklin High School Patriots Club will sponsor a craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 15, at the school, 31000 Joy Road, Livonia. Admission is \$1 for those over age 5. For more information, call (313) 425-0603.

PRCUA SYRENA

The PRCUA Syrena Parents Club will have a craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Dearborn Heights Community Center, 1801 N. Beech Daly Road. Table rentals are \$19 and \$22. For more information, call (313) 565-9865 or (313) 383-1821.

ST. VALENTINE

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Tatrow-Bright

Gregory Thomas Tatrow and Michelle Lynn Bright were married May 31 at Central United Methodist Church in Traverse City by the Rev. Dean Bailey.

The bride is the daughter of Michael Bright and Harriet Bright, both of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Thomas and Jean Tatrow of Stephenson, Mich.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and a 1993 graduate of Michigan State University. She is a teacher at Sault Ste. Marie Junior High School.

The groom is a 1986 graduate of Stephenson High School and a 1992 graduate of Northern Michigan University. He also is a teacher at Sault Ste. Marie Junior High School.

The bride asked Amy Martinez to serve as maid of honor with bridesmaids Stacey Bosworth, Carol McGlenn, Diana Howell, Carley McCully, Amanda McCully and Kristi Partain. The flower girl was Lauren McGlenn.



The groom asked Bill Parrett to serve as best man with groomsmen Scott Bright, Leigh Howell, Bill Menard, Russ Rivard, Rob Tatrow and Kris Wangerin. The ring bearer was Trevor Wangerin.

The couple received guests at a reception at Traverse City Elks Club. They are making their home in Sault Ste. Marie.

Oliveri-Hendrian

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Oliveri of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Dianne Elizabeth, to James Douglas Hendrian, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hendrian of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Farmington Harrison High School and Oakland Community

College. She is employed as a designer at GT Automotive Systems.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and is currently attending Schoolcraft College. He is employed as a sales associate at Computize of Michigan.

A fall wedding is being planned.

Painter-Ruzicka

Don David Painter and Jennifer Anne Ruzicka were married April 4 at Kirk of Our Savior Church in Westland by the Rev. Neil Cowling.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Bev Ruzicka of Dearborn Heights. The groom is the son of Don and Carol Painter of Westland.

The bride is employed by Exhibit Productions Inc. in Dearborn.

The groom is a graduate of Ferris State University and Schoolcraft College. He is a police officer for the Detroit Police Department.



The bride and groom asked Joseph Painter to serve as best man and Andy Sapienza, Gary Mann, Dean Ceifetz and Mark Papierski to serve as attendants.

A reception followed at the Karas House in Redford. Following a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple is making their home in Detroit.



Thompson-Oldham

Bruce Steven Thompson and Julie Christine Oldham were married May 23 at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth by the Rev. Dr. James Skimmings.

The bride is the daughter of Neil and Joann Oldham of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Lawrence and Patricia Thompson of Studio City, Calif., and Dr. and Mrs. Howard Dubin of West Bloomfield.

The bride is a 1992 Plymouth-Canton High School and a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of science degree in urban planning. She is a planner for Northville Township.

The groom is a 1981 graduate of Birmingham Groves High School and a 1992 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in land use planning. He is a planner for the city of Westland.

Heather Oldham served as the bride's attendant, while Michael Thompson was the groomsmen.

A reception was held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Dearborn. Following a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple makes their home in Westland.

McWhirter-Preston

Will and Carolyn McWhirter of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Sonya Marie, to Leiph Alexander Preston, the son of Janice Preston of Broken Arrow, Okla.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She will graduate in December from Purdue University with a degree in psychology.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Broken Arrow High School and a graduate of Purdue University with highest distinction in honors physics. He is pursuing his doctoral degree in geophysics at the University of Washington at Seattle.

A summer 1998 wedding is planned at the First United



Methodist Church in Plymouth.

Thomas-Nagy

Laurence and Sharon Fichter of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Courtney Brie Thomas, to Karl Nagy, the son of Geza and Edith Nagy of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a degree in recreational therapy/biology.

Her fiancé, a 1993 graduate of Lawrence Technological University with a degree in electrical engineering. He is employed as an engineer at American Yazaki Corporation in Canton.

A July 1999 wedding is planned.



Smith-Catallo

Charles and Julie Smith of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Denise Marie, to Scott Christopher Catallo, the son of Pam Fedea of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Redford Thurston high School. She is a receptionist with Associates in Internal medicine-Specialties.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lawrence Technological University with an architectural degree. He is employed as an architect by Architects Design.

An October wedding is planned at St. Robert Belarmine Catholic Church in Red-



ford.

Tianen-McQuillan

Carl and Susan Tianen of Livonia announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Marie, to Kenneth Michael McQuillan, the son of Ken and Lenore McQuillan of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Ladywood High School and a 1995 graduate of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé is employed as a news photojournalist with WXYZ-TV Channel 7.

An October wedding is planned for St. Sabina's Church in Dearborn Heights.



McKillip-Beese

Tonya Ann Beese and Christopher Lawrence McKillip exchanged vows during a ceremony in the backyard of their Charlotte, N.C., home on July 26. The Rev. Patrick Maloy officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joy Raun Beese of El Campo, Texas, and G.R. Beese of Kemah, Texas. The groom is the son of Greg and Kathy Gephart of Livonia and Larry and Ginny McKillip of Ypsilanti.

The bride is employed as a computer consultant with Alltel. The groom is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is employed as a computer consul-



tant by Anderson Consulting. The couple is planning a spring honeymoon trip to Europe.

Barrios-Adams

Miwon Barrios and James Barrios of Detroit announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Barbara, to Douglas Hamilton Adams, the son of Judith Adams of Livonia and Charles Adams of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Cass Technical High School and a 1994 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She is enrolled in the electroneurodiagnostic program at the Carnegie Institute.

Her fiancé is a 1989 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School in 1989 and a 1997 graduate of the Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts. He is employed by Caverley Heating and Cooling.



An October wedding is planned at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia.

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BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

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And that's the point of the latest "WHY" Series workshop, "It's All in the Way You Say It," presented Saturday, Sept. 27, by Dr. Gail Majcher and Jacque Martin Downs.

"The goal is to improve relationships," said Majcher, a licensed clinical psychologist and certified marriage counselor. "People will learn how to have realistic expectations about themselves and about others."

"If you can become successful in getting what you need without being aggressive or passive," said Martin-Downs, prevention director of Hegira Programs in Livonia. "And that's what this is about. It's all about finding the right balance."

"In not having a happy relationship, everything suffers - the family, work - so we hope to give them specific tools they can use instantly ... on their way home in the car."

The workshop will be 9-11:30 a.m. in Suite 455 of the east building of Seven Mile Crossings, 38701 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. The cost is \$30 per per-

son and includes a continental breakfast.

The workshop can accommodate up to 80 people, but registration must be in advance by Tuesday, Sept. 23. There will be no registration at the door.

Interested people can send their name, address, telephone number and a check, payable to Gail Majcher Inc., 38705 Seven Mile Road, Suite 435, Livonia 48152.

The workshop is for spouses, co-workers, parents and teens, partners or siblings, even single people. It will look at personality styles, or temperaments, how they clash or blend, and how communication styles can break people apart as well as provide new tools to get the point across and get needs met.

There also will be some voluntary role playing and laughter with a healthy dose of knowledge, according to the women.

"We give people the opportunity to blossom, to become secure with their personalities," said Martin-Downs. "It does something to their self-esteem when they understand the personality and other's personalities."

"It will not only be educational, it'll be fun," said Majcher. "There'll be a lot of laughter. It's cheaper than a therapy session and educational."

Majcher and Martin-Downs teamed up in January to offer the "WHY" Series, conducting workshops on communication and the different ways of communicating, every few months. Both had been doing similar pro-

grams independent of each other for about four years before combining their talents.

It was Martin-Downs's husband Doug who alerted Majcher to the fact that his wife did the same thing she did after attending one of Majcher's seminars. But it was through a mutual friend that the two women met and decided to join forces.

Majcher has been in private practice for more than 19 years, focusing on healing broken relationships. She also specializes in communication training for groups, businesses, families and couples.

She also is the author of the recently published "A Worthy Woman," available at Little Professor Bookstores, which chronicles her escape from domestic violence to a successful life as a wife, mother and professional.

Also in private practice at the Northville Counseling Center, Martin-Downs's focus is on parenting education. A columnist for The Observer Newspapers, she has hosted a radio show on WCAR, a cable television show, "One Kid at a Time," and authored "The 10 Best Values Every Child Needs," available through Hegira Prevention, 15100 Hubbard Dr., Livonia, for \$5 per copy.

Martin-Downs and her husband also conduct workshops on remarriage and blending families.

"One of the reasons we work so well together is that sometimes people struggle to be cen-



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Team work: After four years of doing similar seminars, Dr. Gail Majcher (left) and Jacque Martin Downs have joined forces to offer the 'WHY' Series, workshops that focus on communications.

ter stage, but we don't," said Majcher. "If one of us is talking, that's OK with the other."

"Where one leaves off, the other picks up," added Martin-Downs. "And we adlib a lot ...

and we're entertaining." For more information, call Gail Majcher at (313) 432-3133.

N'ville Town Hall offers variety

Pat Vivo, an author and nationally known speaker, will kick off Northville Town Hall's 37th season on Monday, Oct. 13.

The first-born child of deaf parents who could sign before she could speak, Vivo will blend humor and thoughtful inspiration in relating her experiences as the wife and mother of popular politicians, the mother of eight children, career woman and author.

A resident of Youngstown, Ohio, she is the recipient of

many awards for her work with the deaf and her talks on cancer prevention. The title of her talk is the same as her 1991 book, "Turn Right at the Next Corner."

The Nov. 10 Town Hall program the Michigan Opera Theatre's "Broadway Babies and Phantoms" show, a popular adult, cabaret-style revue of songs from Broadway's greatest composers.

It will feature sopranos Maria Cimarelli and Betsy Bronson,

tenor Karl Schmidt, baritone Mark Vondrak and pianist Kevin Bylsma. Musical highlights include selections from scores of Jerome Kern ("Show Boat"), Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Rogers and Hammerstein, Andrew Lloyd Webber and newer Broadway shows.

Larry Hedrick will speak about "The Crown in Crisis," an authoritative analysis of the British monarchy on March 9. He will discuss how the Windsors plunged from dignity to notoriety with humor, wit and photographs.

Hedrick has traveled extensively throughout the British Isles and has produced commentaries on royal figures, ranging from King Arthur to Prince Charles. The author of 1993's "Rogues Gallery," Hedrick's forthcoming book is called "The Last Royal Family Album."

A former Air Force intelligence officer stationed in London, his shorter works have appeared in such magazines as "World Monitor," "Woman's World" and "Harvard Magazine."

Closing out this year's Town Hall series on April 20 is "The God Squad," featuring Rabbi Marc Gellman, a Jewish Chief Rabbi from Dix Hills, Long Island, N.Y., and Msgr. Thomas Hartman, a Catholic priest from Elmont, N.Y.

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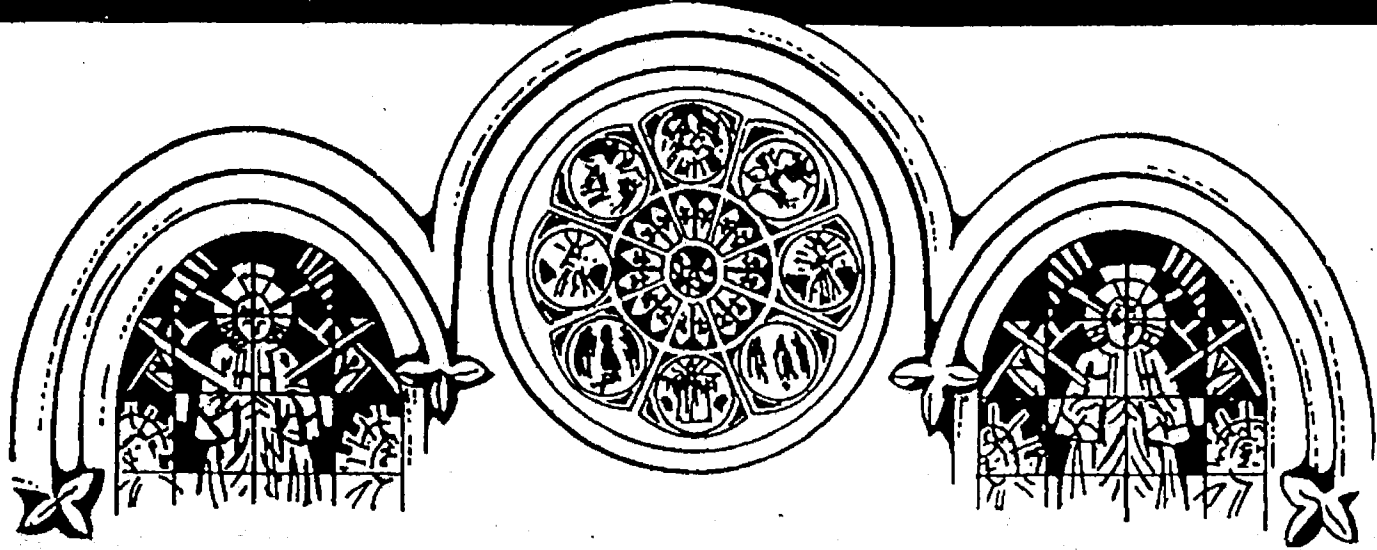
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SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Adult Ministries will present "Successfully Single" with Cynthia Koppin or an Open Forum on "Commitment: The Big Question" with Larry Austin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Cost will be \$4. For more information, call the church at (248) 349-0911.

NEWBURG NIGHT OUT

Newburg United Methodist Church's Newburg Night Out, an evening program of church activities for people of all ages, resumes at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. There will be choirs and drama for children and youth, interesting adult classes, a program for young children and child care. Dinner also will be available 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Gutherie Hall. Cost is \$3 for adult, \$2 for children.

For more information, call the church at (313) 422-0149.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church is hosting a fashion show at 7 p.m. Sept. 19 (tickets cost \$5 and include the show and a light meal) and a 7-week fall divorce recovery workshop at 7 p.m. Thursdays, beginning Thursday, Sept. 18, both in Knox Hall of the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Cost is \$25 in advance, \$30 for those who register the first night of the workshop and \$15 for those repeating the program. Registration can be completed by mail or at the Single Point office.

For more information, call Single Point Ministries at (313) 422-1854. Ward Presbyterian Church is at 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Presbyterian Women of Garden City will have their annual fall rummage sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, south of Ford Road. There will be a bake sale and lunch and beverages will be available. Clothing, furniture, household goods, kitchenware, sewing needs, games and toys will be sold, with the bag sale starting at 3 p.m.

• St. Valentine Parish will

have its fall rummage/bake sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at the church, 25800 Dow, off Beech Daly, south of Five Mile Road, Redford.

• Newburg United Methodist Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 4, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. There will be tools, clothing, housewares, domestics, furniture, toys, small appliances, Christmas shop and boutique.

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, monthly meeting will be at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, Haggerty south of Five Mile Road. The speaker will be the Rev. Dave Blake. For information, call Rose at (313) 464-3325.

The group also meets on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m. at St. Aidan's Church, Farmington Road north of Six Mile Road, Livonia - call Val at (313) 729-1974; and for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Restaurant, Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia, and for pinochle at 7 p.m. every other Friday - call Rose at (313) 464-3325.

SINGLE SPIRIT

Single Spirit of Ward Presbyterian Church will host a coffee house at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, on the second floor of the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Singles ages 20-35 will enjoy coffee and dessert and listen to Son of Adam, a Christian band with an "alternative" sound. Cost will be \$8 per person. For more information, contact Jennifer at (248) 649-2904 or the Single Spirit office at (313) 422-1809.

FLEA MARKET

Rice Memorial United Methodist Church will have a flea market 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, in the south parking lot of the church, 20601 Beech Daly Road, Redford. Baked goods will be available and there will be a food concession. For more information, call the church office at (313) 534-4907 or John Firth at (313) 534-4907.

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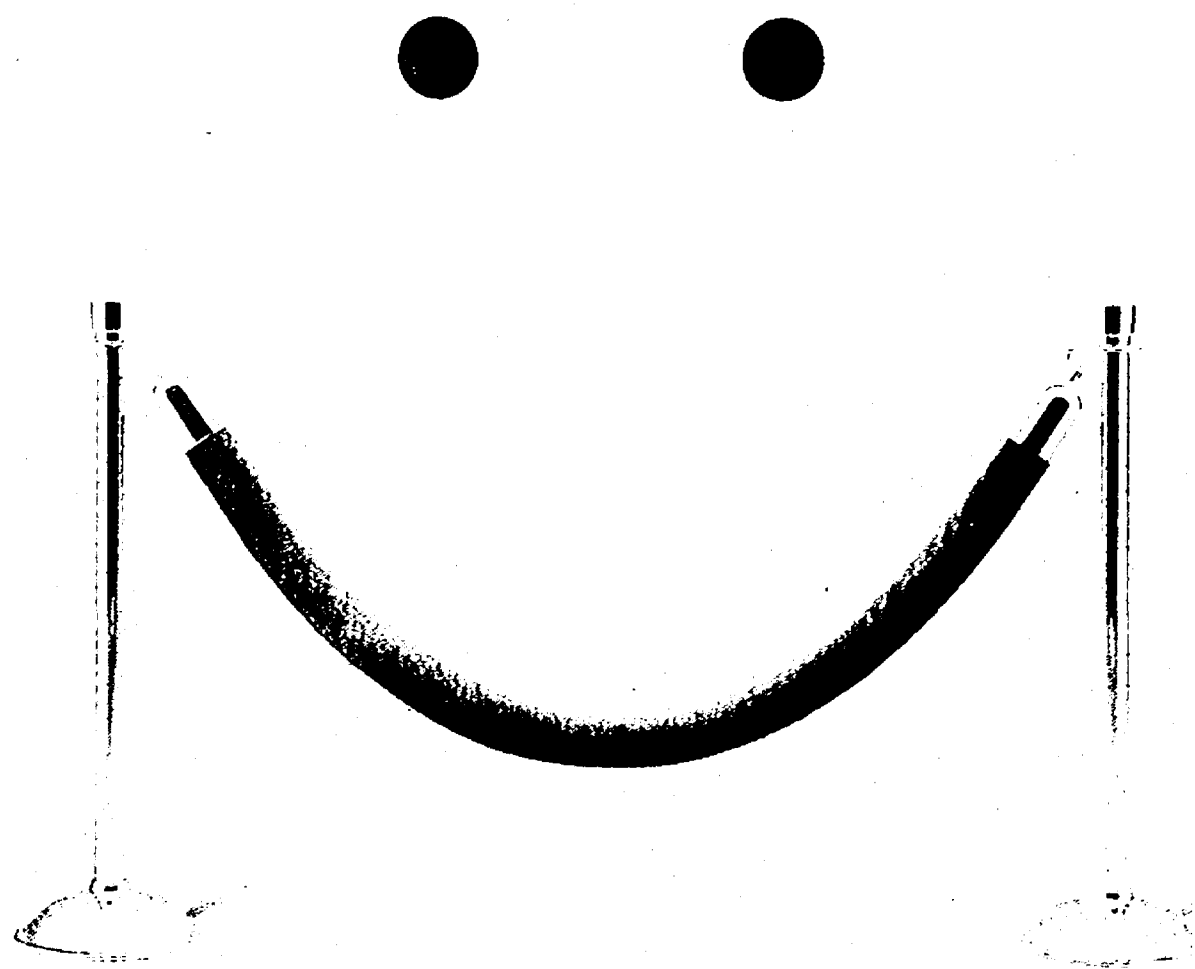
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"slim and petite"? Heavy set DWF needs companionship. too. Loves outdoors, dining out, fast cars, motorcycles, would like to hear from S/DWM, over 50. If you're like Renegade or Steven Segal, please call. #5912

LOVES BALD MEN

Petite SWF, 24, 104lbs, blonde-brown/blue, one child, seeks someone who knows how to party. 24-28, is emotionally/financially secure like me. N/Drugs. #5930

HONEST HARD WORKER

Attractive, passionate, caring, honest DWF, 38, 57, 185lbs, long red hair, enjoys bowling, camping, fishing, dancing, quiet evenings and moonlight walks. Seeking a companion for possible LTR, in Plymouth area. #5921

WARM-HEARTED COUNTRY GIRL

Attractive BPF, mid-40s, 5'4", big brown eyes, you'll find me to be caring, affectionate, sensitive, attentive, witty, enjoys fireside chats, walks along the riverfront. Seeking personality plus, ethnically unimportant. #5929

SBF SEEKS

SWM, for dating and friendship. Needs age 38-41, 5'10"-6", N/S. N/D. Brunettes preferred. #5937

SCORPION WOMAN

HF, short, sassy, doesn't need any lies, so be honest, kinda lonely, seeks a fun, outgoing companion to go out and have fun. If you are positive and intelligent individual, I hope to hear from you. #5940

SEEKING SOULMATE

Affectionate, warm sensitive SWF, 46, enjoys movies, plays, music, dining in and out, sports, and quiet times. Seeking loving SWM, 44-55, with sense of humor, with similar interests, for LTR. #5950

ABOVE AVERAGE

are you? 36, 5'8 1/2", 131lbs, golden-brown/green, single, I love heels and dogs too, Kensington to C.S.O. You are 5'11"- WM, college-educated, slender. I can laugh at my short comings, can you? #5645

PRETTY PROFESSIONAL

Independent female, 34, 57", slim, long brown hair, enjoys sports, dining, dancing, traveling. Seeking thoughtful SW gentleman, 30+, N/S. #5647

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH

Athletically built SBF, 34, physically fit, seeks SWPM, 35-40, 6'2"+, fit and athletic, enjoys movies, walks, etc. N/S, social drinker. #5605

NEW TO THIS, ARE YOU?

Humorous SWPF, 32, 57", physically fit, enjoys cooking, camping, going up North, boating, amusement parks. Seeking humorous, trustworthy, sensitive, Catholic SWPM, 29-36, 5'10"+, physically fit, N/S, for friendship first. Plymouth/Novi area. #5948

LOOKING FOR A HERO

Cute, nice DWF, 35, 57", 126lbs, fun, down-to-earth, one son, N/S, enjoys jogging, biking, camping, travel. Looking for SWM, 25-49, who's fun, caring, financially secure, N/S, to enjoy life with. #5818

SOMEONE SPECIAL

DWF, 37, 59", attractive, full figure, N/S, one child, secure, various interests, open to suggestions, seeks honest, affectionate, financially secure S/DWM, 34-50, 5'9"+, N/S. #5698

HI

Professional SWF, 27, who likes camping, football games, concerts, the beach, and other fun stuff. Seeking someone who's silly and fun, values friendship, motivated and responsible. #5470

LOOKING FOR FUN

Seeking WM, 28-40, to share fun times with. If you want to know more leave a message, all calls answered. #5471

MOST WANTED

Him: seriously good-looking, professional SWM, HW proportionate, active, with killer sense of humor. Me: pretty, slender, brunette SWPF, 40-something, great smile and heart, but clueless. Help me locate this fugitive. #5827

SOUTHERN LADY

Widowed black christian lady, 40 seeks christian black male, 45-55 for friendship and laughter only. #5817

SHALL WE DANCE?

Sweet, slender, shapely, smart, independent blonde beauty. Seeking good-looking, in shape, cultured, young 50s gentleman, for ballroom dancing. #5916

WARM, IRISH HEART

Intelligent, attractive, slender, vivacious DWF, 28, 57", dark/green hair, tall, handsome, N/S, S/DWPM, 33-45, college-educated, with kind heart, for conversation, friendship, possible LTR. Race open. #5737

LOOKING FOR MR. WONDERFUL

DWF, 45, blonde/blue, single mom of 11 year-old, responsible, but with a great sense of humor. Seeking that wonderful guy, with similar qualities, N/S, N/D, for a great relationship. #5519

I'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES

Attractive, slender, intelligent, refined, affectionate, humorous JF, 54, blonde/green, 5'5", seeks classy gent, who is sweet, intelligent, honest, polite, for a real relationship. #5421

ANTIQUE HUNTER

Cute, outgoing, fun lady, 5'3", long red hair, slim, wants to meet great guy, 55-62, to share love of antique markets, antique shows, travel, etc. Oakland County area only. #5846

HELLO FRIEND

Attractive, intelligent, refined yet fun, slender, tall SF, 51, smoker, enjoys intimate dining, movie, interesting conversation, home life. Seeking intelligent, tall, classy, marriage-minded gentleman, 50+. #5745

WITHIN 10 WEEKS

Psychic says I will meet Taurus teacher/counselor with nice hair. Don't make me wait 10 weeks. Me: 5', blonde/green, 125lbs, health-conscious, N/S, social drinker, likes to laugh, cute and sexy. S/DWM, 45-50 only. #5664

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

SWF, 41, petite, blonde, single parent of one, seeks marriage-minded male, 42-46, that knows how to treat a lady. Must be honest and loyal. Give me a call. #5633

THAT CERTAIN CHEMISTRY

Attractive, slim SWF, 56", blonde/blue, seeks attractive, muscular SWM, 37-44, 5'10"+, N/S. Emotionally and financially secure a plus. If you're fun, you might be the one. #5642

LOOK NO FURTHER

DWF, late 30s, attractive, the ultimate "bra", with the devil in her eye. Would like to meet DWM, athletic-type, who likes music, boating, and movies. Royal Oak area. #5611

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND

Tall, slim, (young) 50, N/S, social drinker, professional likes golf, cross-country skiing, dining out, travel, would like to meet male with similar interests. Children ok. #5557

SLEEPLESS IN LIVONIA

DWF, 41, 5'5", blonde/hazel, full-figured, mom of two, N/D, N/S, enjoys dancing, playing cards, movies, easy listening music. Seeking tall, romantic, caring, trusting SM, 40-45. #5455

LOOKING 4 SOMEONE SPECIAL

Down-to-earth, caring, giving, attractive, sense of humor, easy-going, enjoys bike, going for rides, dancing, shows, open to new things DWF, 5'11", blonde, nice-looking. Seeking man 45-55. #5475

PRETTY BLONDE

Will be your best friend and more, as will you. We are equal, we respect and cherish life and each other. Affectionate, upbeat lady, seeks financially secure, tall gentleman, 45-60. #5925

51 YEAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR

Pretty, successful, giving, loving, likes movies, plays, concerts, traveling, boating, swimming. Looking for her knight in shining armor. Any single, successful, caucasian gentleman, 45-70, please reply. #5945

LOOKS UNIMPRESSED; BUT

Intelligent, spiritually and healing naturally and George Clooney look-a-likes are welcome. SW pretty, petite, youthful, non-smoking activist, 47, seeks non-prejudiced, politically left WM, 35-57, for fun, art, lectures, friendship/relationship. #5726

SOULMATE, WHERE ARE YOU?

SWF, mid-40s, dark hair/eyes, seeks outgoing, fun-loving SWM, mid-30s to mid-40s. My interests: bowling, golf, auto races, spectator sports, gambling, travel, walking, funny movies. #5727

SEXY BUT WHOLESOME

Petite, Italian DWF, very young 47, N/S, N/D, great sense of humor, enjoys ethnic dining, comedy clubs, the beach, seeks attractive DWM, with similar interests, for possible LTR. #5730

'97 PURPLE PROWLER

You're handsome, live life to the fullest, passionate, sense of humor, man of distinction. I should have stayed longer, ask for a ride 8/24, 19 and crooks mobile. #5731

COULD CONNECT...

With tall, HW proportionate, secure, ethical, nice-looking guy with hair. Pretty, dark-haired SWPF, 40ish, 5'4", 115lbs, with varied interests, great legs and good heart, would like to talk with you. #5732

A TOUCH OF CLASS

Easy on the eyes, N/S, social drinker, enjoys the better things in life such as theater, dancing, dining, travel, long walks, good conversation. Seeking tall man, 55-65, 6'+, with similar interests. #5733

LOOKING FOR A KEEPER?

Attractive, intelligent, loyal, full-figured SWF, 36, long brown/blue, nursing back injury, seeks gentleman to share time with children welcome, wives aren't. Let's not be lonely. #5738

CUDDLER

DWF, young 62, full-figured, shy cuddler, seeks romantic, caring, honest guy for friendship which could lead into something more serious. #5697

UNCHAINED MELODY

Slim, attractive DWF, 50, N/S, seeks S/DWPM, 45-55, 5'8"-6", HW proportionate, for C&W dancing, rollerblading, and companionship. #5636

SINCERITY A MUST

Looking for a friend, have a variety of interests, from Rhythmic to Tony Bennett, from Lake Michigan to Las Vegas, DF, 56, N/S. Seeking man 56-65. #5641

SEXY, SASSY AND CLASSY...

30-something, is seeking Prince Charming, but will settle for frog with sense of humor. #5652

DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PH.D.

Cultured, mean apple pie, Golf, tennis, and skiing enthusiast. Theater addiction, dance fever. Seeking male counterpart, 34-47. #5656

FUN FRIENDSHIP ROMANCE

Affectionate, caring, down-to-earth DWF, 42, 55", medium build, brown/green, with sense of humor. Seeking S/DWM, 40-45, 5'10"+, N/S, social drinker, to enjoy our shared/new interests. Make me laugh! #5665

UNCONVENTIONAL

Attractive SWF, 20, 5'4", brown/brown, college student, into music and shows, hardcore, ska, punk, art, movies, and going out. Seeking SWM, 18-25, with similar interests and an open mind. #5520

SLENDER

DWF, 50, 57", 120lbs, advanced degree, N/S, social drinker, homeowner, with a positive outlook, enjoys cultural events, dancing, and sports. Seeking companionship, for starters. #5606

HOLD MY HAND

SF, 42, 5'8", short reddish-brown hair, medium build, enjoys quiet dinners, movies, evenings at home. Seeking tall gentleman, 45-55, who is romantic, caring, financially secure, and enjoys doing things together. Smoker, social drinker. #5608

GARDEN CITY GAL

DW mom, 43, 5'6", plus size, witty, shy and romantic, enjoys gardening, comedy clubs, quiet times. Let's talk! N/S, N/D, N/Drugs. #5614

CUTE & CLASSIC

SBF, 49, loves jogging, sporting events, movies and quiet evenings. Seeking attractive, single gentleman, over 48, with similar interests. #5540

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE?

So am I. Attractive, sexy DWF, 40ish, enjoy walking in my Nikes, or going to the theater in my heels. Seeking financially/emotionally secure, family-oriented DWM, 40-50ish, for serious LTR. #5543

ATTRACTIVE FUN-LOVING

Fit, active, professional SWF, 40, 57", enjoys golf, tennis, travel, etc. In search of active professional, relationship-minded individual, SWM, 35-45, N/S. #5547

ETHNICITY UNIMPORANT

You're on my mind, but so very hard to find. Pretty DWF, 54, enjoys laughter and good conversation, fine dining, occasional casinos. Seeking SM, 45-65, for friendship and dating. #5549

LADY

SPF, biracial, 46, full-figured, attractive, pleasant, enjoys traveling, jazz, concerts and movies. Seeking SM, 40-50, 6'+, financially secure, race unimportant, for dating, possible relationship. #5550

SMART MOUTH FEMALE

40s, petite, attractive, looks calm, scares easy. Nice truck, no property. Seeking 35+, tall, attractive, patient working guy. Friends first. No professionals, smokers, drinkers, overweight or Momma's boys. Salesmen ok. #5552

IS IT YOU?

Attractive French-Canadian, American-born female, speaks French, good sense of humor, enjoys outdoor activities, gardening, good food, travel. Seeking companion to relax and chat and speak French with. #5420

KEEPER OF MY STARS

Well-rounded, humorous SWF, 43, 57", brown/hazel, N/S, enjoy sports, jazz, C&W, quiet times at home. Seeking honest, romantic, humorous, mature S/DWM, 38-52, 5'7"+, N/S, who can appreciate me, for possible marriage. #5567

CREATIVE, ROMANTIC

Hmmm, Caucasian male, 30, 180lbs, HW proportionate, boynish, handsome, unpretentious, fair-minded, creative, professional, entrepreneur, traditional values, progressive views. Seeking upright, fun-loving, down-to-earth, 26-34, 5'3"+, sense of humor and adventure a must. #5926

MOVE RIGHT IN

to my life! Shy DWM, 31, 175lbs, brown/hazel, employed, likes music, movies, cooking and romance. Looking for slim to medium-built woman. Age/race unimportant. #5935

DOMESTICATED AND HOUSEBROKEN

Let's have some laughs. Fit SWM, 43, 55", 130lbs, degreed, N/S, seeks same in SWF, 35-45, enjoys dining, dancing, golf, museums, culture, jazz. No kids. Call's chat. #5931

HEY, YOU!!!

Looking for woman, to talk with or have some fun. #5938

LONELY ROMANTIC

SWM, 30, 6', 190lbs, long-blond/blue, construction worker, with daughter, 6'. Loves long walks, all music, and always game for new and adventurous times. Seeking SWF, 25-35, likes children and feeling special. #5939

NEW EXECUTIVE IN TOWN

SWM, 51, 5'11", 185lbs, Southern executive new to the area, seeks SWF, 30-45, HW proportionate, a real lady who wants to be treated like a real woman! #5942

SEEKING SOULMATE

Caring DWM, 39, 5'11", 190lbs, brown/hazel, enjoys watersports, walks, and bike riding, movies, and cuddling in front of a fire. Seeking slim SWF, who's caring, affectionate, and not into games, for LTR. #5946

LADY WANTED

Good-looking lady sought for girlfriend/wife. Must like travel, the outdoors, working out, and staying in shape. Connecticut. #5947

RENAISSANCE MAN

Lover of music, the Renaissance Festival, the wilderness and much more. I'm a 30 year-old, Novi area SWM seeks a fair maiden, 21-45, for a hopeful relationship. #5821

PRINCE OF THE CITY

SBPM, 35, 6'1", 225lbs, athletic build, financially secure, marriage-minded, seeks SF, 5'7"-6", HW proportionate, long hair, educated, career woman without children. #5830

HOPELESS ROMANTIC

Attractive SWM, 34, 6', 175lbs, brown/brown, caring, affectionate, understanding, enjoys camping, candlelight dinners, moonlight walks, sports/bowling. Seeking woman, 32-42, with similar interests, for possible LTR. No games. #5832

MY IDEAL WOMAN...

is SWF, 38-48, medium build/full-figured, proportionate, who's romantic, loving, enjoys the outdoors. If this is you, call me SWM, 35, N/S, smart, sincere, hard-working, fun, ready for a good time. #5729

ADVENTUROUS

SWM, 28, 5'10", 155lbs, professional, dark hair and eyes, considered good-looking, enjoys traveling, skiing, sporting events, good conversation, humor, romantic, fun-loving, affectionate, kind, N/S. Seeking an outgoing and attractive woman. #5825

A GREAT DATE!!!

Handsome, professionally employed, in shape, very funny SWM, 30, seeks smart, sexy female, for dining, museums, concerts, shopping, etc. Age/race open. All calls answered. #5747

FINANCIALLY SECURE

Retired SBCM, 38, 6', enjoys sports, movies, quiet evenings, travel. Seeking SF, with similar interests, for LTR, possible marriage. #5924

FALL COLORS

SWPM, 33, 6'2", medium build, black/brown, enjoys working out, camping, music, travel. Seeking LTR, 21-38, for dating, possible LTR. #5933

SEEKS SLENDER BRUNETTE

Pretty, long-haired SWH/WAF is who this well-employed, well-adjusted, passionate SWM, 38, 160lbs, short brown/blue, loves clearly job, car, nice. Don't hesitate to call. #5816

TALL GENTLEMAN

Humorous SWM, 36, 6'4", attractive. Seeking SWF, 27-40, who's attractive, enjoys comedies, movies, walking, or just fun. Plymouth area. #5826

LOOKING FOR LOVE

SWM, 31, 5'8", blonde/brown, slim, incurable romantic loves, movies, staying fit, and spoiling lovely lady. Seeking SWF, 21-31, for friendship, possible relationship. Flowers and teddy bears a must. #5735

HOPELESS ROMANTIC

Attractive, down-to-earth, WPM, looking for that special someone, who is attractive, loyal, sincere, for friendship and maybe more. Someone looking for romance and friendship. Give me a call, so we can talk. #5823

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Inspired by the words of Pope John Paul II about the approaching end of the Second Christian Millennium, the Felecian Sisters will hold a Marian Rally Sunday, Sept. 28, on the grounds of the Provincial House, 36800 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

The rally will begin at noon with a Eucharistic celebration at

the Presentation Provincial House Chapel. The Rev. Ronald DeRosiers of the office of religious studies at Madonna University will be the celebrant and homilist.

The Rev. Dan Zaleski, associate pastor at St. Theodore Parish in Westland, will preside at a devotional service at the Czestochowa Shrine at 1:30 p.m.

The Rev. Michael Daly, chaplain at Presentation provincial House, will lead the rosary during the procession to the Fatima Shrine, while the Rev. Gary

Michalik, pastor of Our Lady Queen of Apostles Parish in Hamtramck, will preside at the devotional service at Fatima Shrine. A student from Our Lady Queen of Apostles School will crown the statue of the Blessed Mary at the service.

Programs, refreshments and rest stations will be available on site. Parking will be available at the Provincial House and Ladywood High School.

For more information, call the Felecian Sisters at (313) 591-1730.

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techniques. Registration cost is \$10 per workbook ordered. For more information, call Bob D'Ambrosio at (313) 522-6830.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series, "What is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQBH-AM 1400. The topic will be "Why don't you go to doctors?" on Sept. 21.

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HOW GREAT IS GOD?

The Rev. Luther Werth of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Livonia/Canton, will begin a series of messages on the theme of "How Great Is God," beginning Sunday, Sept. 21. The messages will focus on our relationship with God and how he empowers us through life. The six-week series will be at both the Livonia Campus, 14175 Farmington Road, at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services, and the

Canton Campus, 46001 Warren Road, at the 9:30 a.m. service. For more information, call the church office at (313) 522-6830.

HOME COMING 1997

Fair Haven Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming 1997 Sunday, Sept. 21, at the church, 34850 Marquette, Westland. There will be a old-fashioned parent meeting with special services for all ages, preaching, gospel singing and dinner, beginning with the Homecoming service at 10 a.m.

Brother Stan Kruse will be the guest preacher at the morning service, with Brother Robert Winecoff providing special music. Dinner will be served immediately following the service, with Brother Kruse's Gospel Band performing.

The evening service will be at 6 p.m.. Pastor Robert McDonald will deliver the message with special music by Brother Winecoff and Crimmon. For more information, call the church at (313) 728-4549.

BEIT KODESH SISTERHOOD

The Congregation Beit Kodesh Sisterhood will have its kickoff meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday,

Sept. 23, at the synagogue, 31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Diane Allen will speak about the High Holidays. Guests are invited. Refreshments will be served.

WITHOUT VIOLENCE

Violence comes from gang, domestic abuse, guns, even from the television programs that parents and their children watch. That's why the the Aid Association for Lutherans branch is hosting Without Violence at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. For more information, call Dave McNeill at (313) 522-6830.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

The Rev. Joseph Esper will speak n "Instruments in God's Symphony of Grace" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, in Berry-Ryan Hall of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly roads, Redford. Find out how one person can make a difference in today's world, in today's church and in the climactic struggle of good versus evil taking place all around people. Admission is free.



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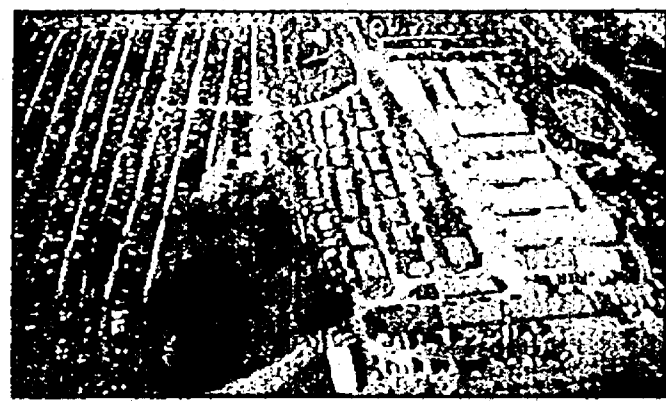
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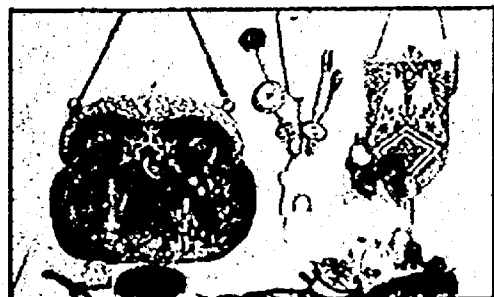
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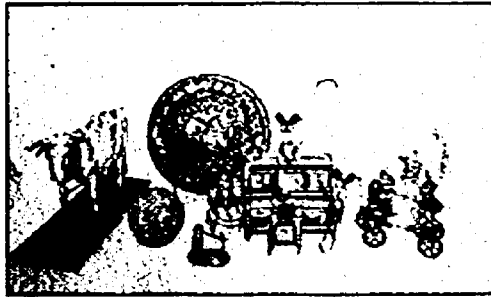
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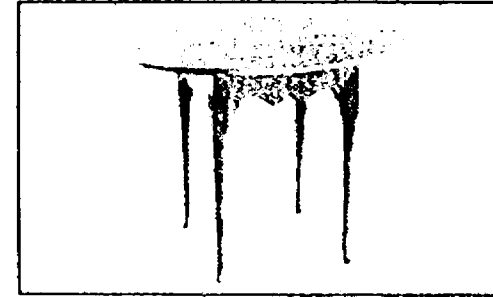
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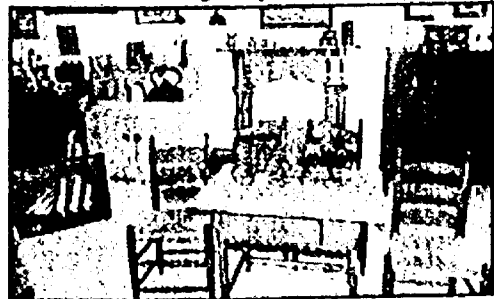
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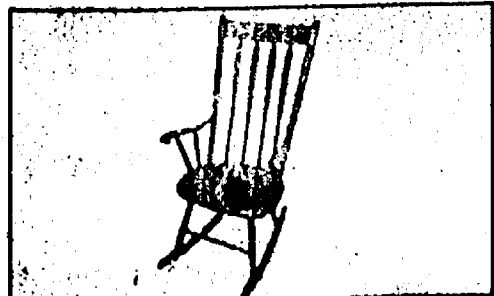
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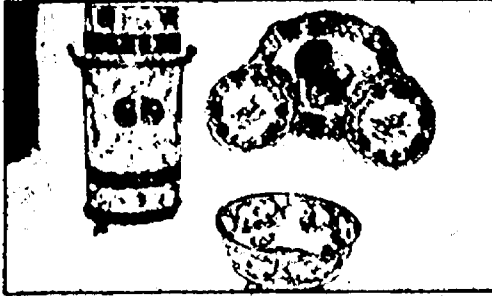
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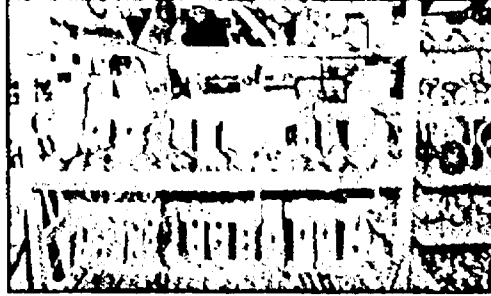
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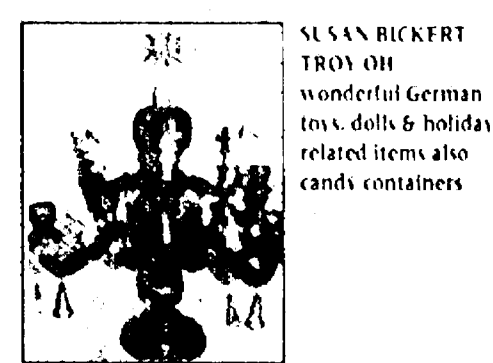
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Canton church hosts leaders seminar

Canton Community Church will host a one-day seminar on "Becoming an Authentic Church Leader" 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at the church, 41600 Ann Arbor Trail.

Dan Webster, recognized as one of the nation's top ministers to students during his 16 years at Willow Creek Community Church in South Barrington, Ill., and the Crystal Cathedral in Cedar Grove, Calif., will teach the seminar, which starts with registration at 8:30 a.m.

There will be four sessions throughout the day. The first two sessions - "Where Leadership Begins (discovering the 'Core Life' of the leader)" and "Leading From Quiet (learning to detach and manage your life from quiet)" - will start at 9 a.m., followed by lunch and the third and fourth sessions - "Intercepting What Sinks Leaders (how to catch entropy early)" and "5 Keys to Unlocking Personal Impact" - starting at 1 p.m.

The seminar costs \$25 and includes the seminar workbook, lunch and break refreshments. Reservations can be made by calling Beverly Bubb at the church at (313) 455-6022.

The seminar is for members involved in ministry at Canton Community Church, leaders of ministries at area churches and organizations, people who want to be impact people in their leadership in the marketplace and those searching for ways to improve their leadership and impact in their ministry and their family.

The seminar will outline the characteristics of effective leadership and help participants develop leadership styles that begin on the inside of their lives and work outward.

Webster received a degree in communications and his secondary level teaching credential from Biola University in LaMirada, Calif.

He also did his graduate work at Fuller Theological Seminary

in Pasadena, Calif.

His ministry at Willow Creek included more than 1,500 students from 24 different campuses, and since 1989 has been a visiting professor at graduate schools in Illinois, South Dakota and Canada.

After spending two years

establishing a church in western Michigan, he launched Authentic Leadership Inc., focusing on training and inspiring leaders to live authentic lives of great impact.

Married and the father of three sons, he now lives in Holland, Mich.

Chinese adoptions explored

The Great Wall of China Adoption - Michigan Branch, a non-profit agency dedicated to finding a loving home for the thousands of orphans living in China, will sponsor a free workshop 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at the Farmington Community Library, 23500 Liberty St., Farmington.

The workshop will focus on

how people can help through adoption.

The adoption program is open to single men and women and couples ages 25-60.

For more information or to make a reservation, call Wayne or Diane at (616) 669-5348, or write the Michigan Office at P.O. Box 791, Jenison, Mich. 49429-0791.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Larson named coach

Madonna University hasn't dragged its feet. Its first-ever women's soccer program will open next fall (1998), and the coach has already been hired: Rick Larson, currently the assistant men's soccer coach.

Larson has a long, and successful, coaching record. A Central Michigan University graduate, he guided the Madison Heights Bishop Foley girls soccer teams to Class B-C-D state championships in 1995 and 1997. His teams also won three Catholic League girls titles.

Larson doesn't limit himself to coaching soccer, either. He is currently the boys varsity basketball coach at Livonia Clarenceville.

His early hiring for the Madonna position — women's soccer is the seventh NAIA sport offered by Madonna — should be very helpful in getting the program off on a firm footing. Larson will be able to recruit next spring during the girls high school season and will have a year to put together a schedule.

"I'm excited about starting a women's soccer program at Madonna," Larson said. "I think the team will have great potential to be extremely successful in this area."

"The academic programs Madonna has to offer and the tremendous soccer talent in this area should make for a successful mix right away."

Twisters pull upset

The Wayne County Twisters rolled up 437 total yards to earn a 21-14 Lake Shore Football League victory Saturday over the highly-regarded Findlay (Ohio) Lighting Boosters.

It was the Twisters fourth straight win.

Quarterback Brian Kutch (Redford) hit 12 of 27 passes for 300 yards and two touchdowns. He connected on scoring passes of 19 and 55 yards to Andy Coburn (Canton). Coburn had four catches for 102 yards.

Kevin Kutch also added a 12-yard TD run, for the Twisters, who were ranked 13th in Division A of the American Football Association.

Bill Davey (Canton) recovered a Lighting fumble with only four minutes remaining to set up the game-winning TD catch by Coburn.

Kutch also hit Scott Harris (Livonia) for the two-pointer and Pat Nagy booted an extra point. Jim Bowie (Wayne) was the Twisters leading rusher with 49 yards in nine carries.

Findlay, rated No. 7 nationally in the AFA, were led by the backfield duo of Napoleon Lattimore and Kelly Gibson.

But Twister defense, which held Findlay to 139 yards rushing and three of 17 passing (29 yards), was led by the linebacking corps of Bob Pensari (Westland), Aaron Brothers (Inkster) and Dan Kanaan (Canton) with six tackles each.

Defensive linemen Tony Zanlungo (Farmington), Jason Hagelthorn (Westland) and Mark Johnson (Wayne) had four tackles apiece, as did the Garden City secondary tandem of Ken Kroll and Damon Frendo.

The Twisters, now 7-2, will wrap up the regular season at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 against the host Toledo Tornados at Northwood High School.

Race car sponsorship

Brian Conz, a 1984 Livonia Bentley High graduate and ARCA Bando/MarHyde Super Car Series driver, along with his brother Clyde, are seeking sponsorship for their next race to be televised on ESPN, Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Talladega (Ala.) Speedway.

For \$5, the Conz brothers are offering space on his race car and a chance to sign your name. For each \$5 donation, \$2 will go to the VFW Children's Home.

Brian, the Rookie of the Year in both the Late Model Division at Flat Rock Speedway and in the Iceman Series at Toledo Speedway, will have his car on display and sign autographs from 2-4 p.m. Friday at Advance Novelty Co., 29199 W. Six Mile, in Livonia.

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Chugging along: Lutheran High Westland's Ben Heiden (left) steps in front of Lutheran Northwest's Josh Stangway.

Chargers sputter past Franklin, 2-1

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill is off to a 1-0 start in the Western Division boys soccer race in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

But the Chargers, who are expected to battle with Northville and defending WLAA champion Plymouth Canton for the divisional crown, found the road a bit bumpy Monday night against rival Livonia Franklin.

The visiting Patriots, with only one senior listed on their roster, put up quite a battle before falling 2-1.

Churchill entered Wednesday night's game with unbeaten Plymouth Salem at 4-0-3 overall. The loss dropped Franklin to 3-6.

First half goals by George Kithas (25:06 from Mark Sicilia) and Rob Bartoletti (30:20 from Joel Stage) staked

Churchill to a 2-0 lead.

But the Patriots made things interesting in the second half when Dave Moldovan cut the deficit to 2-1 on an assist from Ross Bohler with only eight minutes to go.

But the Chargers, with Mike Skolnik in goal, held on for the win.

"Franklin has improved 100 percent over last year," Churchill coach Chad Campau said. "And Dave (Hebestreit) has done a great job coaching that team. They're young and they should be good in the future."

The Churchill coach, however, is concerned about the way his team finishes games.

"It's that killer instinct," Campau said. "They have to come out with the same intensity and enthusiasm no matter who they're playing."

"We started off real well at the beginning. We were passing well and set-

Warriors continue to march past foes

With four games in five days, it appeared the Lutheran High Westland boys soccer team would be dog tired.

But the Warriors came away with a 3-1 victory on a hot Tuesday afternoon over Metro Conference opponent Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

The win increases Lutheran Westland's overall record to 8-2. The Warriors are 2-0 in the Metro.

"We went a hard 80 minutes on Monday and our kids came back and really sucked it up and played their hearts out," Lutheran Westland coach Rich Block said. "Overall I'm really happy with our start. We expected good things this year and we came into camp in the best shape we've ever been."

"But we know we still have a lot of work to do. We still have Liggett, Hamtramck, Cranbrook and (Lutheran) North lurking around."

Senior co-captain Brad Woehlke, a center-midfielder, had two goals and one assist for Lutheran Westland. Senior forward Ben Heiden also had a goal.

On Monday, Royal Oak Shrine pulled out a 2-1 win over the visiting Warriors as senior captain Andrew Nabors scored twice. Shrine is 8-2-1 overall.

Woehlke scored on a 35-yard free kick from Scott Randall to give Lutheran Westland a 1-0 lead, but Nabors tied it right before the half on a penalty kick. The shots were 8-8.

"That took the wind right out of us," Block said of the penalty kick. "But we had some good chances late in the game."

In the Westland Huron Valley Lutheran Tournament final Saturday,

host Lutheran Westland won the title with a 2-1 win over previously unbeaten Saginaw Michigan Lutheran Seminary as Woehlke and Randall scored goals for the winners.

The Cardinals (5-1 overall) were out-shot, 17-4.

In first-round action Friday, Lutheran Westland dumped Canton Agape Christian, 6-0, as Randall had two goals and two assists.

Woehlke, Adam Voigt, Chris Broge and Matt Shumard (penalty kick) also tallied goals for the winners. Clint Gowen contributed two assists and goalkeeper Brad Nollar preserved the shutout over the final 75 minutes.

Michigan Lutheran won the other first-round game, 5-0, as brothers Jared Herrmann and Ryan Herrmann tallied goals.

Goalkeeper Jared Ridenour made 11 saves in the loss.

On Saturday, Huron Valley gained its first win of the year with a 3-2 triumph over Agape in the consolation final.

Nick Wisniskie scored the game-winner for the Hawks, who had three goals during the final 14 minutes. Chris Peters and Jeremy Zahn also notched goals for Huron Valley.

BETHESDA 4, HURON VALLEY 1: On Tuesday, Warren Bethesda tallied three second-half goals to topple host Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, which slipped to 1-5 overall.

Zahn scored the Hawks' lone goal from Tom Husby.

Ridenour, a senior, made 18 saves.

DETROIT CC 4, BISHOP FOLEY 2: Andrew Kogut, Matt O'Neil, Gavin Walsh and Bill Scherly scored for the Shamrocks, who are 4-2-3 overall, 2-1 in the Catholic League.

Matt Kessler and Nick Reid split time in net.

Polanski cards 9-hole round of 33 in defeat

Believed to be Spartan school record

Steve Polanski of Livonia Stevenson had his golf game going Monday at Fox Creek.

The junior shot a school-record 2-under 33 for nine holes to take medalist honors, but it wasn't enough as the Spartans lost to Plymouth Canton, 200-208, in a Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet.

Polanski recently played in the U.S. Junior Amateur and was a first-team All-Observer pick a year ago.

He also competed last month in the Independent Insurance Agents tournament where he finished in the top 10.

"That's his low at Livonia Stevenson and it's the lowest in my recollection," Stevenson coach John Wagner said of Polanski's round. "He had a practice round of 32 on Friday."

Justin Allen and Ben Tucker each shot 38 to lead Canton, now 3-0 overall.

Derek Lineberry added a 40, while Brendan Wheeler and Erik Arlen each shot 42.

Sophomore Mike Byberg contributed a 41 for Stevenson. Senior Matt Combs had a 44, while senior Jeff Lang and Matt DiPonio each had a 45.

"We're struggling in the other slots on the team right now," said Wagner, whose team is 1-1 overall. "They just need to get steady."

"But there are more teams with more steady players than ever. It's a strong league right now."

In other dual-meet matches played earlier this week:

BOYS GOLF

FARMINGTON 202
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 204

Sept. 16 at San Marino

Churchill scorers: Evan Chall, 37; Randall Boboige, 39; Kevin Anger, 41; Chris Lavaque, 43; Tom Fitzstephens, 44.

Farmington scorers: Derek Fox, 36; Tim Flutur, 40; Ryan Wilber, 40; John Knight, 43; Chris Katcherian, 43.

Dual meet records: Churchill, 2-2; Farmington, 1-2.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 202
PLYMOUTH SALEM 213

Sept. 15 at Hilltop

Glenn scorers: Chris Tompkins and Brian Reed, 38 each (co-medalists); Justin Fendeleit, 41; James Daniel, 42; Kyle Gierada, 43.

Salem scorers: Ryan Nimmergarth, 40; Adam Wilson, 41; Erik Krueger, 42; Mark Radchey, 43; Mark Doughty, 47.

Dual meet records: Glenn, 4-1 overall; Salem, 2-2 overall.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 211
FARMINGTON HIGH 215

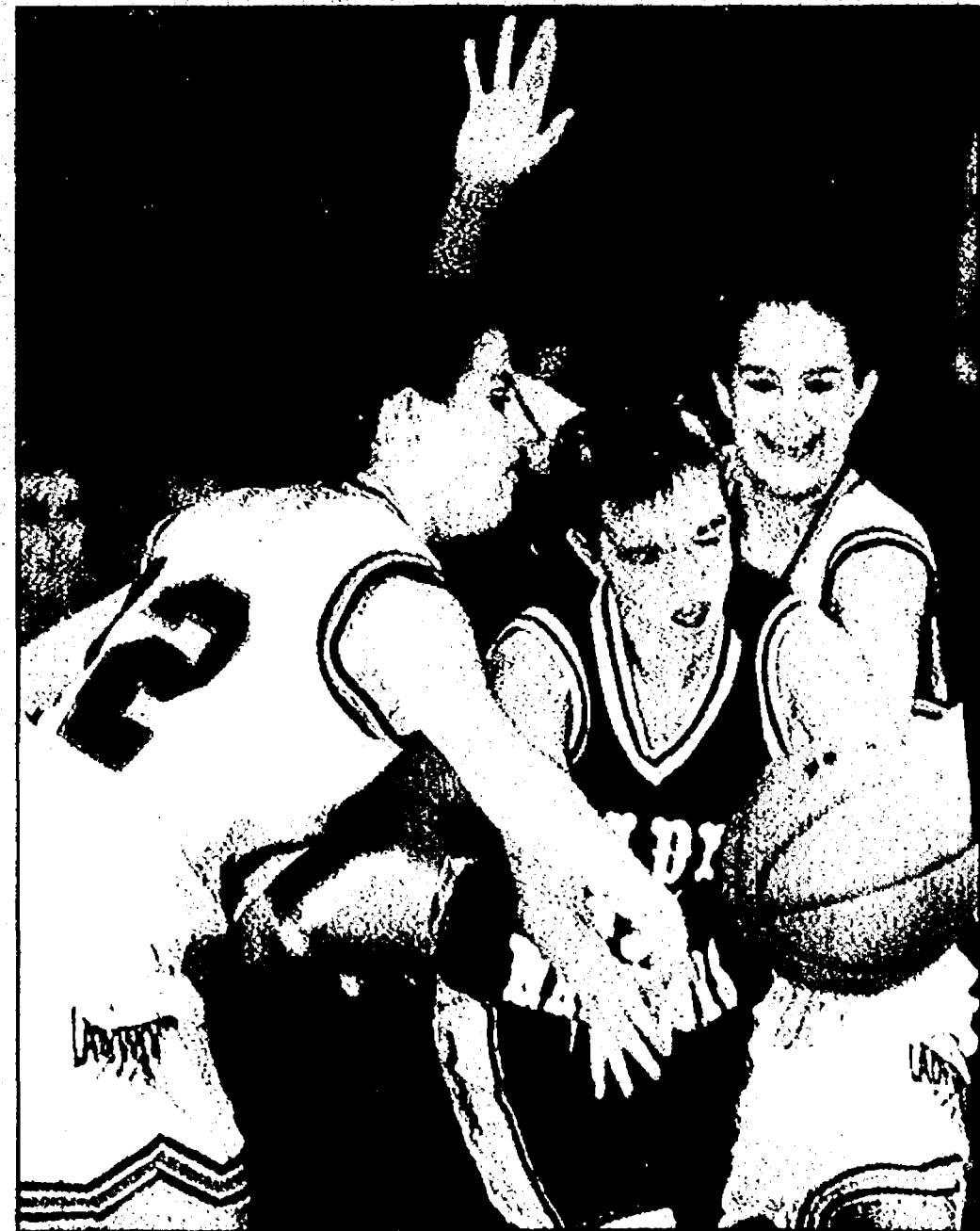
Sept. 15 at Whispering Willows

Franklin scorers: Tony Fotlu, 39; Tim Kufel, 40; Jon Keebaugh, 41; Ryan Weakley, 44; Scott Waara, 47.

Farmington scorers: Derek Fox, 35 (medalist); Jeremy Allor, 43; Tim Flutur, 44; John Knight, 45; Chris Katcherian, 48.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 1-1; Farmington, 0-2.

Pressure defense



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Getting sandwiched: Woodhaven's Loriann Tschirhart (center) gets double-teamed by Ladywood's Erin Hayden (left) and Kelly Jeffrey in Tuesday's non-league matchup. See girls basketball roundup on page C3.

WEEKEND HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL REPORT

Divisional tests

Card features 1st Western Lakes games

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Divisional matchups take center stage this week in the Western Lakes Activities Association. And it appears the preseason football favorites in the Western Division — Farmington Hills Harrison and Walled Lake Western — have solidified their state rankings after two weeks of play.

Meanwhile, in the Lakes Division, state-ranked Westland John Glenn, which is also off to a 2-0 start, appears to be primed for another WLA title run.

The Catholic League has two intriguing matchups. State-ranked Redford Catholic Central (2-0) could get a stiff test this week when Warren DeLaSalle (2-0) comes to play the Shamrocks on Saturday at Livonia Clarenceville.

Another interesting matchup is the Redford Bishop Borgess (1-1) vs. neighbor Redford St. Agatha (1-1) in the first football meeting ever between the two schools, 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Redford Union's Kraft Field.

Perhaps a team to keep an eye on is Redford Thurston (2-0), a member of the Mega Conference's Blue Division. The Eagles are off to a 1-0 divisional start.

As for your prognosticators, Dan O'Meara went 13-2 last week, while yours truly finished 12-3.

O'Meara, 28-4 overall, enjoys a three-game advantage. Emons is 25-7 overall.

Here is closer look at this weekend's games.

GRID PICKS

haven (1-1, 1-0), 7 p.m.: The Eagles have put two shutouts on the board and have one of the area's most underrated quarterbacks in Nick Dedeluk. Woodhaven, guided by former Bishop Borgess coach Craig James, edged Redford Union last week, 14-13. PICKS: Both believe the Eagles will soar.

Cranbrook (2-0, 2-0) at Clarenceville (0-2, 0-2): The records could be deceiving because the unbeaten Cranes have played the Metro Conference's two weak sisters (Hamtramck and Lutheran Northwest). Clarenceville has lost a pair of heartbreakers and could be ready to break loose this week. PICKS: Both believe Clarenceville rides high on its Trojan horse.

Lutheran Westland (0-2, 0-2) at Hamtramck (0-2, 0-1): This Metro Conference matchup could be even. The Warriors have been outscored 82-14 in its first two encounters. Coach Gary Kamin plans to shake up his lineup this week. Hamtramck is coming off an 18-2 loss to Cranbrook. PICKS: Flip a coin. Emons goes with Rudy Tomjanovich and Hamtramck and so does O'Meara.

Northville (0-2, 0-0) at Churchill (1-1, 0-0): Last year Churchill lost a heartbreaker to the Mustangs. Northville gave South Lyon a go in its season opener and lost 21-3 last week to Plymouth Salem. This is a game Chargers feel they can win. PICKS: Emons sees the Chargers prevail in overtime, but O'Meara rides with the Mustangs.

Farmington (1-1, 0-0) at Westland Glenn (2-0, 0-0): The Rockets were less than sharp offensively in last week's 16-0 victory over Plymouth Canton, but Glenn coach Chuck Gordon was pleased with junior quarter-

back Nick Hudson, who filled in admirably for the injured Justin Berent, hitting nine of 11 passes. Berent will start this week. Farmington, which won its season opener against Novi, found the going tough in a 50-12 loss to defending Class AA champion Walled Lake Western. PICKS: Glenn tees off on the Falcons.

W.L. Western (2-0, 0-0) at Ply. Canton (0-2, 0-1): Canton will conclude its brutal three-game stretch against one of the state's fastest teams, led by quarterback Frank Stanford and full-back Dave Johnson. The Chiefs made it respectable last week against Glenn. Can Canton do it again? PICKS: No doubts here. Western gets two affirmative votes.

Ply. Salem (1-1, 0-0) at W.L. Central (1-1, 0-0): The Rocks got over 100 yards from running back Tony Bernhardt last week and their defense held Northville down. Central, which is expected to challenge Glenn for the Lakes Division title this season, laid an egg in last week's crushing 48-28 loss to Farmington Hills Harrison. PICKS: Central finds a way to win.

Wayne (0-2, 0-1) at Belleville (2-0, 1-0): The young Zebras gave state-ranked Dearborn Fordson a tussle last week before losing 12-6. Meanwhile, Belleville has posted wins so far over Salem (20-7) and Southgate (35-14). Quarterback C.J. Grantham, who returned a punt last week for a TD is a dangerous runner. PICKS: The Tigers take a big chunk out of Wayne.

Dbn. Fordson (2-0) at Garden City (0-2): Who came up with this matchup, the Mega Man himself like Griffin? No wonder GC Bob Eisinger unexpectedly left to become defensive coordinator at Ann Arbor Pioneer. The state-ranked Tractors, who struggled last week to beat Wayne after thumping Dearborn Divine Child in the opener, should have all the parts in place this week against the Cougars. PICKS: It's going to be a long night for GC.

Redford Union (0-2, 0-1) at Ypsilanti (1-1, 1-0): The Panthers showed improvement in last week's 14-13 loss to Woodhaven. Ypsi, a newcomer to the Mega's Blue Division, lost its season opener to state-ranked Lansing Eastern (30-0) and came back last week in the final 1:27 to edge Highland Park (21-20). PICKS: It's Ypsi all

SATURDAY'S GAMES (all 1 p.m. unless noted)

Liv. Franklin (1-1, 0-0) at F.H. Harrison (2-0, 0-0): The Patriots' defense has been solid for the most part, but the offense has been inconsistent. This week's opponent has all the pieces in place for a state title run. All Harrison coach John Herrington has to do is remind his team that an undermanned Patriot club nearly pulled out an upset on the Hawks' field just two years ago. PICKS: Harrison will make life miserable for the Patriots.

Liv. Stevenson (1-1, 0-0) at N. Farmington (2-0, 0-0): Stevenson got a boost last week when quarterback Ryan VanBelle came alive in the final period to pull out a last-second victory over Franklin. North, led by tailback Kirk Mondrous, could be the Lakes Division surprise this season if it can get by the Spartans. PICKS: Stevenson makes it two straight, both agreed.

Bishop Borgess (1-1) vs. Redford St. Agatha (1-1), 7:30 p.m. at RU's Kraft Field: Agatha travelled last Saturday to the upper peninsula and spanked Pickford to the tune of a 34-14 win. (Any snow up there yet?) Meanwhile, Borgess, which routed Ecorse in its opener, 58-0, came back down to earth when North Adams-Jerome pinned a 48-20 loss on the Spartans last Saturday. PICKS: The Aggies get two votes.

Redford CC (2-0) vs. Warren DeLaSalle (2-0), 7:30 p.m. at Clarenceville: Could be the best game of the weekend. CC continues to go to the air with quarterback Adam Tubaro, who has thrown over 100 yards in back-to-back games (check the record book Tom Mach). DeLaSalle opened its season impressively with a 37-34 win over Detroit Public School League contender Detroit King and followed that up last week with a 34-0 shutout over Holt. PICKS: CC is ready for the challenge with a solid effort.

Check out the WXYT-1270 AM high school football scoreboard show from 10-11 p.m. each Friday with Ike Mega Man Griffin and the Observer sports staff.

Trojans' Ragland rushes for 198 yards in loss to North

Macomb Lutheran North ran its football record to 2-0 Saturday with a 20-14 Metro Conference triumph over visiting Livonia Clarenceville.

The Mustangs scored all 20 points in the first half then held off a Clarenceville comeback in final two quarters. The Trojans will try for their first victory Friday at home against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

"It'll break for us," coach Chuck Donaldson said. "We haven't quite put it all together yet. But we're very close."

A first quarter Clarenceville miscue led to Lutheran North's first score last Friday. The Trojans fumbled a Macomb punt at their own 5-yard line. Lutheran North recovered and ran it in a couple of plays later to make it 7-0.

The Mustangs made it 14-0 early in the second. North's Dan Morley returned a punt 60 yards for a touchdown.

Macomb made it 20-0 with under a minute to go in the half. The Mustangs capped a 60-yard drive with a 20 yard scoring pass.

At halftime, Donaldson told his team not to get down in the dumps.

"I just told them to come out strong," he commented. "The kids came out and showed some character in the second half."

Indeed. Clarenceville got on the scoreboard with its second possession of the third quarter. Starting from their own 30-yard line, the Trojans moved the ball over midfield behind the running of Walter Ragland.

Then quarterback Craig Rose hit Justin Villanueva with a 47-yard touchdown pass. Clarenceville converted a two-point attempt to make it a 20-8 game.

"We came out and played like we were a wounded football team," Donaldson said. "We felt like we could win the game. We had momentum

going." Clarenceville shutdown Lutheran North's power running in the second half. The Trojans used their linebackers to fill holes the Mustangs ran through in the first two quarters.

"They did a lot of damage between the tackle and tight end," Donaldson said.

Ragland had an 88-yard TD run for Clarenceville in the fourth quarter to cut North's lead to 20-14. The junior rushed for 198 yards on 16 attempts.

About nine minutes remained on the clock after Ragland's score. But the Trojans couldn't find the end zone again as a pair of drives stalled on fourth down.

"We couldn't get anything generated," Donaldson said.

LIGGETT 41, LUTH. WESTLAND 8: For the second straight week, Lutheran High Westland found itself on short end of another lopsided Metro Conference defeat.

On Saturday, visiting Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett rolled up 372 yards total offense to topple the Warriors.

The Knights, coming off a season-opening 27-26 victory over Livonia Clarenceville, rushed for 235 yards on the ground as Kevin Espy led the attack with 129 yards in 14 carries, including TD runs of 53 and 5 yards.

Quarterback A.J. Stechecki, who was six of eight passing for 137 yards, threw three TD passes. Brian Branton had two touchdown catches.

Lutheran Westland, which had only 23 yards rushing in 27 carries, averted the shutout in the final quarter when quarterback Gordie Engel connected with Ryan Moser on a 39-yard scoring pass. Nick Ruest ran in for the two-pointer.

The Warriors had only 91 yards total offense, but it's defense which first-year coach Gary Kamin is even more concerned about heading into Friday's game at Hamtramck (0-2).

"We gave up too many big plays, a lot of them on third down," Kamin said. "Tackling is still an issue. We're going to move some people around this week."

Bob Fox, Mike Fisher and Chris O'Brien each had seven tackles in a losing cause. Jake Hatten had an interception.

FRIDAY'S GAMES (all 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Red. Thurston (2-0, 1-0) at Wood-

SUMMER SPECIALS advertisement for Viking Building Materials, Inc. listing prices for Garage Doors, Gutter, Roofing Shingles, Replacement Windows, Trapp Storm Doors, Coil Stock, Aluminum Gutter, Vinyl Siding, Insulation, Door Awnings, and Custom Shutters.

INDOOR WEATHER FLASH advertisement for Carrier heating and cooling systems, offering a 6-month special with no interest and no payments.

Advertisement for Observer & Eccentric newspapers featuring a line-up of sports writers: C.J. Risak, Steve Kowalski, Dan O'Meara, Marty Budner, and Brad Kadrich.

Advertisement for Siding World featuring vinyl siding, aluminum coil stock, seamless gutters, and vinyl soffits, with a 'NOW in MT. CLEMENS' promotion.

Advertisement for Observer & Eccentric newspapers promoting the Friday Night High School Football 'Wrap-Up Show' and 'The Mega Man' Griffin highlights.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Blazers stop Woodhaven

Ladywood hands Warriors 1st loss; Chargers clip GC

Turnovers will ruin a good winning streak just about every time.

Livonia Ladywood forced a flock of turnovers Tuesday night and went on to hand visiting Woodhaven its first girls basketball loss of the season, 58-33.

"We forced them into 20 turnovers," Blazers' coach Andrea Gorski said. "That was the difference in the game, our full court pressure."

"We anticipated their passes, and our traps were pretty effective."

"In the second half we were able to hit more of our layups. Plus we did a nice job overall on the def boards. We played a real aggressive game."

Sarah Poglietti led the way with 12 points for the host Blazers, now 2-3. Ladywood jumped out to a 21-11 lead after one period and was up, 29-16, at the half. It was 40-25 after three quarters.

Woodhaven, 3-1, was led by Loriann Tschirhart's 13 points.

Jenny Lachapelle scored 11 points for Ladywood, Erin Hayden had nine plus 11 assists, Kelly Jeffery scored eight and Sheryl Wroblewski had eight plus eight steals.

Ladywood went 13-for-23 at the free throw line while Wood-

haven made nine and missed 10.

•CHURCHILL 55, GARDEN CITY 43: Balanced scoring and good team play were a key to the Chargers' win on Tuesday.

"We got an early lead again," Coach Dave Balog of Churchill said, "and we didn't lose it."

"Our bench came through with quality minutes, 10 of them, and we had eight different scorers. We played well defensively and we were running the ball pretty good."

Kersten Conklin scored 21 points and Stacey Supanich netted 16 for host Livonia Churchill.

The Chargers (3-1) more than doubled up the Cougars, 15-7, in the first quarter Tuesday night and raced out to a 28-16 halftime lead.

Host Garden City (1-4) got 18 points from Sarah Talbot and 10 from Missy Bako.

Andrea Galindo, Dominique Betancourt and Lauren Ruprecht scored four points apiece and "well defensively," Balog said. "And Karen Kramer came off the bench in the third quarter and sparked us defensively. She made a couple of key steals and knockaways."

Garden City cut the gap to three points in the third quarter but never got closer. Churchill made nine-of-16 free throws and Garden City knocked down 11-of-18.

•STEVENSON 44, REDFORD UNION 33: Sophomore forward Cassie Ehlen-

and freshman guard Lindsay Gusick played key roles in the Spartans' victory Tuesday at RU.

Ehlenot scored 12 points and added six rebounds while Gusick got eight steals, five rebounds, three assists, blocked two shots and helped hold Kasia Mathena to six points.

Junior forward Stephanie Dutz had seven points and 12 rebounds Tuesday night to help Livonia Stevenson improve to 5-1 and drop RU to 1-4.

It was 8-2 after one quarter and 18-9 at the half as the Spartans' strong defense controlled the game.

"Giving up nine points in a half, that's obviously good," coach Wayne Henry of visiting Stevenson said. "They only had six until right near the end of the half."

"We really did a nice job of shutting them down, and an exceptional job on the boards in not giving them easy second shots. Again, we had hard work all over the court like we've had all year."

Junior forward Laura Hillson paced RU with eight points, as did senior guard Katie Thompson.

Stevenson was 16-for-26 at the free throw line while RU missed seven of 10.

Stevenson got one player back, Carolyn Courtright, but lost another to an ankle injury, Melissa Backus.

"It was a big game for Cassie Ehlenot," Henry said. "She's one of the hardest working defenders so it was nice to see her get the bonus of being the leading scorer."

•FRANKLIN 63, DEARBORN 33: The

host Patriots put three players at 14 points or better Tuesday night to square their record at 3-3.

Lori Jendrusik scored 19, Julie Warner 15 and Tera Morell 14 to help Livonia Franklin hand Dearborn its fourth loss in four games.

Jane Heffernan, Andrea Juszczyk and Kelly Dolan each scored five points for Dearborn, which trailed 13-8 after one quarter and was outscored 27-8 in the second period.

"We played more aggressive basketball," Coach Gary Warner of Franklin said. "We came out and played harder than we have in other games."

"But our true test will come tonight (against Plymouth Salem)."

•FORDSON 50, JOHN GLENN 36: The Rockets won the free throw contest, 15-9, but a shortage of baskets helped keep them winless. Both teams went to the line 27 times.

Nazek Mroueh scored 19 points Tuesday night to lead visiting Dearborn Fordson to its second win in five games.

Westland John Glenn is now 0-5.

Samantha Crews scored 11 points and Lacey Catarino contributed seven to the John Glenn cause. Fordson jumped out to a 10-7 lead and increased it to 23-14 at the half.

•NORTHVILLE 51, WAYNE 30: Natalie Garrison scored a dozen points and Tonya Crawford had nine Tuesday, but the visiting Zebras fell short for the third time in four outings.

However, outscored 27-10 in the first

half. Wayne came back with a strong second half which it lost by only four points, 24-20.

•LUTH. NORTH 54, CLARENCEVILLE 22: Playing Tuesday at home, Macomb Lutheran North outscored Livonia Clarenceville by 21 in the second quarter Tuesday to take an easy Metro Conference victory.

The Mustangs (2-3) took a three-point lead after the first quarter, but then outscored Clarenceville 25-4 in the second to take a commanding lead. Two Lutheran North players scored in double figures.

"We're still making too many turnovers," Clarenceville coach Rosie Marano said. "We're not sticking to our fundamentals."

Rachel Sundberg led the Trojans with seven points. Danielle Siedz added six points, six rebounds and two blocks despite playing on a tender ankle.

Clarenceville (2-4) hosts Plymouth Christian tonight.

•BAPTIST PARK 37, HURON VALLEY 32: Amanda Koenig scored 21 points Tuesday to lead visiting Taylor Baptist Park (2-3) to the win at Marshall Middle School.

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (3-2) led at the half, 18-15, and was up 27-23 after three periods but a cold fourth quarter decided the game.

Junior forward Stephanie Graves had 11 points and center Sara Tacia 10 for Huron Valley.

WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 19
 Thurston at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.
 Cranbrook at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.
 Luth. W'sid at Hamtramck, 7:30 p.m.
 Northville at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
 Farmington at John Glenn, 7:30 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Canton, 7:30 p.m.
 Salem at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.
 Wayne at Belleville, 7:30 p.m.
 Fordson at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.
 Redford Union at Ypsilanti, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 20

Franklin at Harrison, 1 p.m.
 Stevenson at N. Farmington, 1 p.m.
 Bishop Borgess vs. St. Agatha at RU's Kraft Field, 7:30 p.m.
 Redford CC vs. Warren DeLaSalle at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Sept. 18
 PCA at Clarenceville, 6:30 p.m.
 Luth. N'west at Luth. W'sid, 6:30 p.m.
 Churchill at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Salem, 7 p.m.
 Harrison at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Farmington, 7 p.m.
 Monroe at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Allen Park, 7 p.m.
 Fordson at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
 Thurston at Romulus, 7 p.m.
 Mon. St. Mary's at Ladywood, 7 p.m.
 Riv. Richard at Mercy, 7 p.m.
 Borgess at Lincoln-Alcona, 7 p.m.
 (Jim Murphy Tourney at St. Agatha)
 W. Highland vs. Zoe, 6:30 p.m.
 St. Agatha vs. Warren Faith, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 19

Murphy at St. Agatha, 5 & 7:30 p.m.
 Canton Agape vs. Huron Valley at Marshall Middle School, 7 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 18
 Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
 Macomb at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 19

Thurston at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
 Redford CC at Brother Rice, 4 p.m.
 Garden City at Grosse Ile, 4:30 p.m.
 Luth. North at Luth. W'sid, 4:30 p.m.
 Huron Valley at Fairlane, 4:30 p.m.
 Ply. Christian vs. Summit at Haggerty Field (Hines), 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 20

Canton at W.L. Western, noon.
 Troy at Salem (CEP), 1 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Sept. 20
 S'craft at O.L. St. Mary's, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
 Saturday, Sept. 20
 Schoolcraft vs. Michigan Tech at Central Michigan, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 21

Schoolcraft at Kellogg, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
 Thursday, Sept. 18
 Madonna at Spring Arbor, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 19

S'craft at Rock Valley Inv., TBA.
 Saturday, Sept. 20
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Stevenson dunks Northville

Livonia Stevenson posted five state qualifying cuts Tuesday en route to a 124-62 girls swim victory over Northville in a dual meet held at Livonia Churchill.

Julie Kern earned state qualifying times in the 200-yard individual medley (2:15.84) and 100 butterfly (1:00.71). Adrienne Turri also qualified in the 100 freestyle (55.75) and won the 50 freestyle (25.9).

Jessica Makowski earned a state cut in the 100 backstroke (1:02.14), while the foursome of Turri, Jordyn Godfroid, Marti McKenzie and Meghan Lesnau added a state cut in the 200 freestyle relay (1:43.26).

Stevenson also captured the

■ GIRLS SWIMMING

200 medley relay as Lindsay Dolin, Godfroid, Kern and Turri finished in 1:54.33. The Spartans' 400 freestyle relay quartet of Kern, McKenzie, Makowski and Godfroid also was victorious (3:49.09).

Other Stevenson individual firsts were garnered by Becky Noechel in the 200 freestyle (2:05.35) and Laurel Dolin in diving (202.10 points).

Northville's Alice Callan took the 100 breaststroke in 1:14.87.

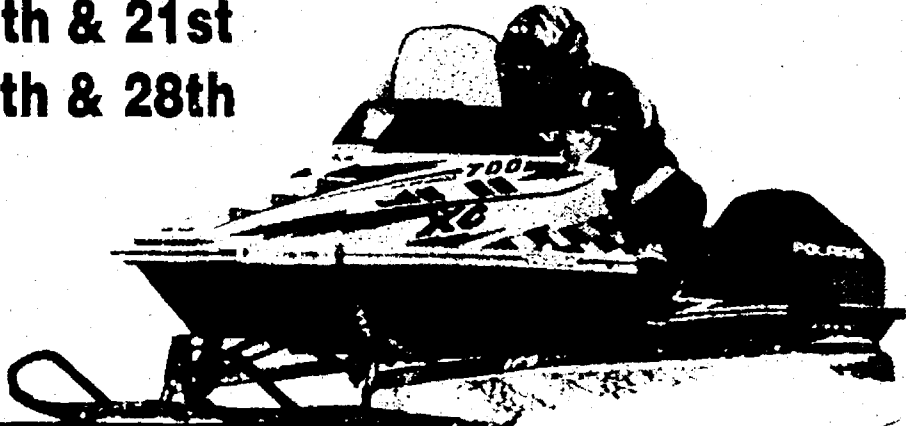
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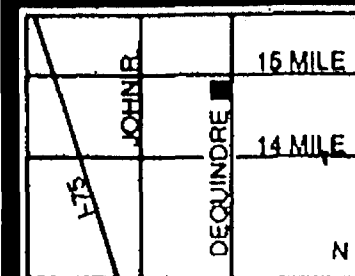
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COLLEGIATE SOCCER REPORT

Crusaders find WHAC to their liking

It's almost too easy. Madonna University played its third soccer match in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Monday, and for the third-consecutive time the Fighting Crusaders emerged with a relatively easy triumph. On Monday, the victory came against a team expected to challenge for the WHAC championship. "I thought they would as well," was Madonna coach Pete

Alexander's reply when asked why his team wasn't challenged. The Crusaders put four goals on the board in the first half, then scored two more off corner kicks in the second for a 6-1 win over Siena Heights at Livonia Ladywood. The win pushed Madonna's WHAC record to 3-0; the Crusaders are 3-3 overall. Siena Heights is 4-2 overall. "We're really starting to come

together," said Alexander. "Right now, nobody can challenge us in our league — nobody." At present, Madonna and Cornerstone are the only two unbeaten teams in WHAC play. They won't meet until Oct. 4, at Cornerstone. If Alexander seems to be bordering on over confidence, consider this: Against the Saints Monday, six different Crusaders scored goals. Three of them — Seamus Rustin, Eric Stoecklein and Charlie Bell — got a goal and an assist. First-half goals were netted by Christian Emert (from Stoecklein), Rustin (from Andy Makins), Stoecklein (from Bell) and Scott Emert (from Brock Becker). The Saints managed a brief stay of execution when Ryan Lucia scored, making it 4-1 six minutes into the second half. But Madonna quickly re-assumed command, getting goals from Jerome Beeler (from

Rustin) and Bell (from Ryan Mollien). The last two were both on headers following corner kicks. Dave Hart started in goal for Madonna. Mark Zathe played the second half. Last Saturday, the Crusaders went against WHAC rival Spring Arbor at Ladywood HS and, despite giving up the first goal, they were again more than equal to the task, recording a 3-1 victory. The Cougars (2-2 overall, 0-1 in the WHAC with the defeat) got a goal from Erik Martinson to open the scoring, but Scott Emert tied it (from Bell) and then assisted on the go-ahead goal pumped in by Rustin. Zack Wilkinson got an insurance marker for Madonna (from Makins). Dave Hart went all the way in goal for the Crusaders, making four saves. John Hunter (from Redford Union) made nine stops in the Spring Arbor goal.



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Teeling off: Madonna University's Scott Emert lines up a shot which turned out to be a goal in Monday's 6-1 triumph over Siena Heights College.

Lady Ocelots get 1st win of season

Finally, a win. They didn't even need a full team to pull it off. Schoolcraft College's injury-plagued, short-handed women's soccer team paced itself in its match Sunday against visiting Hillsdale College. The result: a 1-0 triumph, the first this season under new coach Bill Tolstedt. The Lady Ocelots are now 1-5-1. "I thought we dominated that game," said Tolstedt of Sunday's victory. "We played a little smarter in terms of our pace, and that helped us to be able to run." SC had just 10 players for its games Saturday, at Central Michigan University — the Ocelots lost 4-0 — and Sunday at home against Hillsdale. Injuries had taken starting keeper Samantha Swinkey (torn ankle ligaments), Melissa Antieau, Christy Worley, Angela

SCHOOLCRAFT

Pfeiffer (Livonia Stevenson) and Lisa DeShano (Livonia Franklin) from the lineup. But the Lady Ocelots managed. "Quite honestly, I thought (Central Michigan) out-executed us most of the day (Saturday)," Tolstedt said. "We were competitive in terms of effort, but we just didn't execute." It was a different story the next day against Hillsdale. The game was scoreless until the second half, when Lisa Tolstedt slipped a pass through to Jenny Worley, and Worley got it to Julie Majewski (Plymouth Canton) who knocked it home for the only goal of the match. Pfeiffer has returned to the lineup, and DeShano should be back in another week. With the rest, it's not so certain. Tolstedt has managed to pick up three more players, who could help: Sarah Cappucciti (Plymouth Canton), Kelly Melnick (Garden City) and Mandy Davis (Garden City). "I told the team that the thing I look forward to most is yelling 'Substitution!'" the SC coach said. The Lady Ocelots play at Michigan Tech Saturday and host Kellogg CC Sunday. **SCHOOLCRAFT (MEN) 1, CUYA-HOGA 1:** Schoolcraft College's men's team battled back from a 1-0 halftime deficit to forge a tie against Cuyahoga CC Saturday at SC. "They're good, but it should have been 5-1," said Ocelot coach Van Dimitriou. "We're having trouble putting the ball in the net against better teams." Kevin Fritz salvaged a tie for SC midway through the second half, punching a pass from Jim Bullock (Livonia Stevenson) into the net. Eric O'Neil (Stevenson) was in goal for SC. "We had our chances," said Dimitriou. "We just didn't finish." The Ocelots play at Orchard Lake St. Mary's at 1 p.m. Saturday, then host Madonna University at 4 p.m. Monday.

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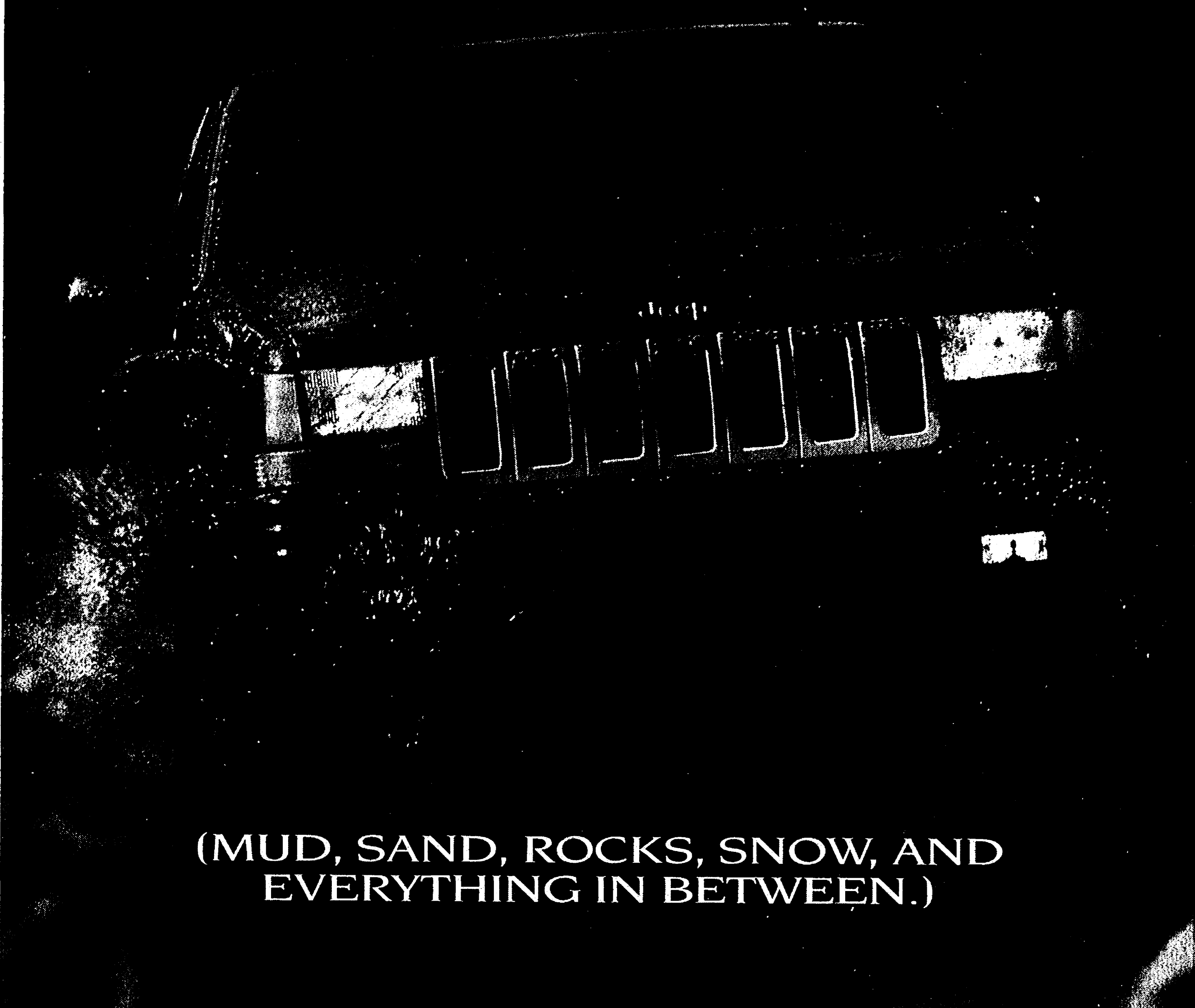
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BAND INVITATIONAL

The 12th Annual John Glenn High School Marching Band Invitational is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at John Glenn High School, 36105 Marquette. About 15 bands from across the state will compete and will be judged on marching, winds, percussion, execution and color guard. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors, under 5 free, and a family price of \$15.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL

A Halloween Festival '97 will be hosted by Wayne County Parks. At 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, songstress/puppeteer Maureen Schiffman and her puppet pal Coco will present "Coco's Halloween Show." The performance will be at Nankin Park, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. There is no charge. There will be hayrides and family activities. For information, call (313) 261-1990.

RECREATION

POOL OPEN

The Bailey pool and water slide will be open weekends only, weather permitting, this month. Call Debbie Lindquist at (313) 722-7620 for information.

RECREATION AND FUN

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

BALLROOM DANCE

Redford Parks and Recreation offers a 10-week dance class, starting 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at Arthur Vanderberg Elementary School, Redford. Price is \$22. Singles or couples are welcome. For registration information, call (248) 471-4168.

FIGURE SKATING

The Westland Figure Skating Club is forming an Adult Introductory Precision Team. The team is for those who want to have fun with other skating adults and get good exercise. Practices are 6-8:50 a.m. Saturdays. All levels are welcome. For information, call (313) 722-1091.

AT THE LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

The next storytime session will run for six weeks with Session I running through the week of Sept. 21 and Session II from the weeks of Oct. 12 through Nov. 16. Sleepy Storytime will be 7 p.m. Mondays. Toddler tales (18-36 months) and Just for Me Preschool Time (3-5 years) will be held 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays.

AUTHORS VISIT

The staff at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland has announced a panel discussion in the library's community meeting room 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, with authors William Kienzle, Tom Grace, Lee Meadows and S.E. Schenkel. The event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and Murder, Mystery and Mayhem, a mystery bookstore in Farmington. Free tickets will be available at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Seating space is limited and a ticket is required for admission.

SCHOOLS

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an Early Intervention Program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a Pre-Primary Impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is ongoing from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (313) 595-2660 for information.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL

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

PLUS PRESCHOOL

Registration for preschool by appointment for the Kids Plus Program is ongoing. Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 1. Family must meet two "at risk" factors. Program runs four half-days a week. Parents must provide their own transportation. Program is free for those students who qualify. Call (313) 595-2688.

YWCA READINESS

The YWCA of Western Wayne County Early Childhood School Readiness Program is available to 4- and 5-year-old children. The YWCA is at 26279 Michigan Ave., Inkster. (313) 561-4110.

CHARTER SCHOOL

The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through seventh grade. The school emphasizes a good, basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with Internet. Call (313) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.

LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road in Livonia, has openings in the Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoon session for 3- to 5-year-olds. For information, call (248) 471-2077.

FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High PTSA is seeking new members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and community, and members aren't required to have a student in the school. Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should be made payable to Franklin PTSA, and sent to 31000 Joy, Livonia 48150.

Authors flock to library

Michigan-based mystery authors will flock to Westland for "A Night of Mystery" 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1. The event, featuring a panel discussion by four mystery writers, will be in the Community Room of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway.

William X. Kienzle, author of "The Rosary Murders" and a number of other Detroit-based mysteries, will be joined by Tom Grace ("Spyder Web"), Lee Meadows ("Silent Conspiracy") and S.E. Schenkel ("In Blacker Moments").

Free tickets for the event are available at the library. Seating in the Community Room is limited and a ticket is required for admission.

The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and Murder Mystery & Mayhem, a mystery bookstore in Farmington.

Kienzle is the author of the nationally-renowned Father Koesler series. Kienzle is a former Catholic priest and has written a number of best-selling mysteries.

He spent 20 years as a parish priest and was editor-in-chief of The Michigan Catholic for 12 years. After leaving the priesthood, he became editor of MPLS magazine in Minneapolis and later moved to Texas, where he became director of the Center for Contemplative Studies at the University of Dallas.

Kienzle and his wife, Javan, live in Detroit. His first novel, "The Rosary Murders," was released as a motion picture in 1987, starring Donald Sutherland as Father Koesler. Kienzle's most recent work, "The Man Who Loved God" (Andrews and McMeel) is his 19th Father Koesler mystery.

Shirley Schenkel began writing at age 48 and had her first book published



Kienzle



Meadows



Schenkel



Grace

in 1994. She describes herself as a missionary, mom, grandma and mystery writer, and intends to continue writing as long as possible unless another career taps her on the shoulder.

Tom Grace studied architecture and landscape design, structural engineering and computer systems design at the University of Michigan, graduating with a master's degree in architecture. As an architect in private practice, Grace has worked on a variety of projects, including renovation of historic structures; the Corvette Museum; urban renewal in London, Boston and Chicago; commercial and industrial facilities and others.

As a senior architect with the University of Michigan Medical Center, Grace designed the first Human Applications Laboratory for Genetic Therapy. He is an architect in private practice and lives in Michigan with his wife and two daughters.

Lee Meadows' "Silent Conspiracy" is an investi-

gation of the 1955 murder of a white woman named Swan in Detroit. It has several other themes, including the disappearance of The Sentiments, five talented African-American singers, which coincides with the crime.

Meadows, who earned a Ph.D., is a native Detroit currently living in Ann Arbor. He is at work on his second Lincoln Keller mystery.

Murder Mystery & Mayhem will sell copies of the authors' books for autographing and other mysterious trinkets during the Oct. 1 event; part of the proceeds will support the library.

The event will begin with music from a chamber wind trio. Panelists will speak and then answer questions from the audience. The evening will wind up with more music. Punch and cake from Mary Denning's Cake Shop will be served.

For more information or to reserve tickets, call the library at (313) 326-6123.

HISTORY ON VIEW

WESTLAND MUSEUM

The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays, at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. (313) 326-1110.

FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at 7 p.m. at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne

roads. Information, president Jim Franklin, (313) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

GOLF OUTING

The Friends of the Helen C. Brown Westland Historical Museum will hold a nine-hole, two-golfer scramble golf outing Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Westland Municipal Golf Course, on Merriman south of Cherry Hill. Tee times begin at 9 a.m. Price is \$25 per golfer. There will be trophies for the winning team members, longest drive and closest to the pin. Door prizes will be offered. To reserve a time, call (313) 721-6660. Money

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Orientation for the new class of Creative Photo Albums will begin 10 a.m. to noon Monday, Sept. 22. Sign up at the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Westland, or call 722-7632.

LADBROKE

The Westland Senior Resources Department is planning a trip to Ladbrooke DRC Thursday, Oct. 9. Seniors will leave 12:30

p.m., have lunch at the race course, and return 6:30 or 7 p.m. The trip is open to the first 19 paid members who sign up. Price is \$18. For information, call 722-7632.

THEATER TRIP

The Westland Senior Resources Department is planning a trip to the Toledo Stranahan (Masonic) Theater. Participants will leave 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, enjoy the comedy of Charlie Prose and music, have lunch and return 7:30-8 p.m. The trip is open to the first 19 paid members who sign up. Price is \$45. For information, call 722-7632.

GRANDMA'S ATTIC SALE

Grandma's Attic Sale will be at the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh Road, Westland, daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also included in this sale are hundreds of ceramic molds and hundreds of pieces of greenware and a kiln. For information, call 722-7632.

TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Group meets 12:45 p.m. every Friday in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents, \$12.50 for non-residents. (313) 722-7632.

CARD GROUP

The Friday Variety Card Group at the Westland Friendship Center meets at 2 p.m. Players enjoy euchre, pinochle, bridge, Uno, rummy and poker. Light refreshments are served. Call (313) 722-7632 for information or just show up to play cards. The Friendship Center is located at 1119 N. Newburgh Road.

DYER CLUB

The Dyer Seniors' Center Travel Club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month in the center, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

MONTHLY MEAL

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

DANCE FUN

Westland Shopping Center hosts a senior citizen dance 11 a.m. the first Monday of each month in the lower level auditorium, Wayne and Warren roads. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m. The dance will end 2 p.m. The dance is held on the first Monday, with the exception of holidays.

SENIOR DANCE

Senior dances will be noon to 4 p.m. the first Sunday of every month at the Wayne Ford Civic Center, 1651 N. Wayne Road, Westland. There will be dinner, a live band, beer and pop. Members \$5, non-members \$7. (313) 728-5010.

WORK REFERRAL

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DYER CENTER

The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday-Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, Kitchen Band, 10 a.m.; bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Hall A. Instructor is Kammo Oria. Sign up at the front desk or call (313) 722-7632.

VOLUNTEERS

BOY SCOUTS

A few good young men ages 11-18 are needed to work with Boy Scout Troop No. 865 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays: at Hamilton Elementary School, corner of Avondale and Schuman in Westland. Monthly Campouts will be featured. For information, call (313) 729-1283.

FAMILIES SOUGHT

Organizers from the Youth for Understanding group in this area are seeking families from Westland and Wayne to serve as host families for some 50 foreign exchange students visiting this country. Program fees are paid by students and their parents raised through community projects or funded by scholarships. Students have their own medical insurance and bring their own spending money. Students are between the ages of 15 and 18 and usually live here for about 11 months, starting in mid-August. Some six-month hosting opportunities are also available. For more information or to host a student, call Jeffrey Meyer at (313) 467-9762.

DRIVERS NEEDED

Volunteer drivers are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wayne Parkinson's Disease Support Group. Meetings are held from 7-9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Livonia Senior Center on Farmington Road just south of Five Mile. Drivers may be offered a stipend. Call 459-0216 or 421-4208 for information. The support group serves residents of Westland, Plymouth and Livonia and surrounding communities.

FOSTER CARE

Youth Living Centers are looking for people to open their homes and hearts to children who need foster care. Training and supportive services provided. To learn more about becoming part of the Foster Care Team, call Gina Velez, (313) 728-3400.

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

MONDAY BINGO

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CALENDAR FORM

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

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS MEET
Sept. 13 at Cass Benton

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Stevenson, 17; 2. Churchill, 43; 3. Franklin, 78.

Top girls finishers: 1. Kelly Travis (Stevenson), 19:37; 2. Andrea Parker (Stevenson), 19:44; 3. Kelly McNeilance (Stevenson), 19:54; 4. Ashley Fillion (Churchill), 20:04; 5. Kim McNeilance (Stevenson), 20:39; 6. Katie Sherron (Stevenson), 21:04; 7. Alison Fillion (Churchill), 21:10; 8. Jenny Duncan (Churchill), 21:20; 9. Christy Tziolos (Stevenson), 21:30; 10. Danielle Harris (Stevenson), 21:32; 11. Renee Kashawlic (Churchill), no time available.

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Stevenson, 27; 2. Churchill, 38; 3. Franklin, 57.

Top boys finishers: 1. Rob Block (Stevenson), 16:32; 2. Josh Burt (Franklin), 16:46; 3. Joe Verellen (Stevenson), 18:26; 4. Jason Richmond (Churchill), 18:33; 5. Chris December (Churchill); 6. Matt Nizol (Stevenson); 7. Adam Guyot (Stevenson); 8. Joe Robinson (Churchill); 9. Ed Rossetto (Churchill); 10. Eric Mink (Stevenson); 11. Steve Dudley (Franklin); 12. Bobby Koivunen (Churchill); 13. Roy Bates (Franklin); 14. Danny Dordoski (Stevenson); 15. Brian Klotz (Franklin); 16. Andrew Walsh (Franklin).

HOLLY INVITATIONAL
Sept. 13 at Springfield Oaks

DIVISION V TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Rockford, 28 points; 2. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 119; 3. Redford Catholic Central, 120; 4. Troy Athens, 143; 5. East Kentwood, 177; 14. Westland John Glenn, 341.

Redford CC finishers: 12. Matt Shannon, 17:16; 22. Joe Hubert,

17:36; 23. Mark Coleman, 17:39; 24. Jim Curtiss, 17:41; 39. Jeff Haller, 18:06; 51. Mark Repasky, 18:23; 62. Brian Kuszyński, 18:38.

Glenn finishers: 46. Justin Keyes, 18:19; 56. Josh Keyes, 18:33; 67. P.J. Wolocko, 18:49; 4. Paul Galbraith, 18:54; 5. Kevin Durigon, 20:03.

HURON INVITATIONAL
Sept. 13 at Willow Metropark

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Ida, 74; 2. Grosse Ile, 78; 3. Dundee, 82; 4. Milan, 86; 5. Riverview, 141; 6. Lutheran Westland, 208; 7. Vandercook Lake, 209; 8. Riverview Gabriel Richard, 219.

Lutheran Westland's top finishers: 3. Jessica Montgomery, 21:44; 41. Mary Ebendick, 23:57; 44. Deb Unger, 24:10; 49. Sarah Voight, 24:31; 71. Jessica Anthony, 26:07; 78. Jenny Latimer, 26:34; 87. Kelly Clark, 27:37.

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Grosse Ile, 114; 2. Ida, 116; 3. Imlay City, 123; 4. Lutheran Westland, 131; 5. Onsted, 133.

Lutheran Westland's top finishers: 7. Andy Ebendick, 17:34; 11. Chris Latimer, 17:46; 22. Ken Broge, 18:19; 45. Steve McFall, 19:00; 46. Jason McFall, 19:01.

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 15
WARREN DeLaSALLE 50
Sept. 15 at Cass Benton Park

Redford CC finishers: 1. Joe Hubert, 17:31; 2. Matt Shannon, 17:31; 3. Jim Curtiss, 17:31; 4. Brian Kuszyński, 17:53; 5. Dan Jess, 17:56; 6. Jeff Haller, 18:00; 7. John Bowers, 18:06; 8. Mark Coleman, 18:11; 9. Ryan Meekins, 18:24.

CC's overall dual meet record: 20.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7
FARM. HILLS HARRISON 1
Sept. 15 at Harrison

No. 1 singles: Whitney Crosby (LS) defeated Caria Shade, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Brittany Maxey (FHH) def. Megan McGlinch, 6-0, 6-1; No. 3: Mara Mazzoni (LS) def. Kelli Vessel, 6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Laura Haddock (LS) def. Jill Maxey, 6-3, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Lindsay Pfeifer-Anita Plante (LS) def. Jodi Schulz-Lynn Popowicki, 6-1, 6-2; No. 2: Amanda Schmidt-Paula Shureb (LS) def. Sara Duffy-Alissa Brasch, 6-0, 6-1; No. 3: Kristin MacRae-Teresa Weaver (LS) def. Christine Jung-Joanna Konopka, 6-2, 6-1; No. 4: Jamie Perrin-Kim Samsel (LS) def. Melissa Donovan, 6-0, 6-0.

Stevenson's dual meet record: 2-0 overall.

PLYMOUTH SALEM 5
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 3
Sept. 15 at Salem

No. 1 singles: Amanda Miller (PS) def. Crystal Tomczyk 2-6, 6-3, 6-1; No. 2: Ashlee Mehl (LC) def. Yuka Kurisu 6-4, 6-4; No. 3: Erin Griffith (PS) def. Julia Arciero 6-4, 2-6, 6-4; No. 4: Sarah Mateen (PS) def. Megan Vollick 6-1, 5-7, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles: Aditi Saxena-Rachelle Walley (LC) def. Jennifer Koloski-Danielle Winkler 6-4, 7-5; No. 2: Sarah Kindred-Molly Martin (PS) def. Karrie Benerscorf-Lindsay Joslin 6-4, 7-6 (8-6); No. 3: Barb Grzembksi-Jean Wu (LC) def. Kelly Lehane-Sam Guile 3-6, 6-4, 6-3; No. 4: Anne Pionter-Dayna Hillier (LC) def. Jill Stein-Megan Bohr 6-1, 6-3.

WALLED LAKE WESTERN 8
LIVONIA FRANKLIN 0
Sept. 15 at Franklin

No. 1 singles: Melissa Bottke (WLW) def. Cherie Berner, 7-5, 6-1; No. 2: Dana Holcman (WLW) def. Laura Conrad, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Brooke Kennedy (WLW) def. Karen Koleczko, 6-0, 6-4; No. 4: Heather Dalton (WLW) def. Katie Brown, 6-2, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Tanya Lamse-Jenny Janks (WLW) def. Annemarie Lipinski-Karen Savage, 6-1, 6-1; No. 2: Elizabeth Zarb-Amy Widrosky-Lisa Wiklanski (WLW) def. Angie Saferian-Jennifer Williams, 7-5, 6-2; No. 4: Lisa Wiklanski-Christina Clutter (WLW) def. Karen Campo-Staci Goldberg, 6-4, 6-4; No. 4: Sara Carnacchi-Kim Segal (WLW) def. Danielle Coleman-Lauren Kuzmanovich, 6-1, 6-1.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS

No. 1 doubles: Aditi Saxena-Rachelle Walley (LC) def. Annemarie Lipinski-Karen Savage, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3; No. 2: Elizabeth Zarb-Amy Widrosky (LF) def. Karrie Bewersdorf-Lindsay Joslin, 6-3, 6-4; No. 3: Barbara Brzembksi-Jean Wu (LC) def. Danielle Coleman-Lisa Wiklanski, 6-4, 6-1; No. 4: Anne Pionter-Dayna Hillier (LC) def. Lauren Kuzmanovich-Christina Clutter, 6-0, 6-1.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 6
NORTH FARMINGTON 2
Sept. 12 at Stevenson

No. 1 singles: Whitney Crosby (LS) def. Heather Richeson, 3-6, 6-2, 7-5; No. 2: Sarah

Hand (NF) def. Megan McGlinch, 6-3, 6-4; No. 3: Mara Mazzoni (LS) def. Rachel Wool, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2; No. 4: Laura Haddock (LS) def. Rachel Scheinfeld, 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Lindsay Pfeifer-Anita Plante (LS) def. Sarah Kay-Liz Schnaar, 6-0, 6-3; No. 2: Kris Krajovic-Jodi Siskind (NF) def. Amanda Schmidt-Paula Shureb, 2-6, 6-0, 6-4; No. 3: Stephanie Ladd-Kim Samsel (LS) def. Marissa Sloan-Natalie Myre, 6-1, 7-6 (7-3); No. 4: Andrea Jarczak-Julie Yambasky (LS) def. Traci Swann-Sherya Shah, 6-2, 6-2.

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Young Madonna spikers post 4-1 record on Florida swing

Of the 14 pre-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference matches Madonna University's volleyball team played through last weekend, four ended in defeat.

Only two of those losses were three-game sweeps.

Which means that, for a team searching to replace two All-Americans and four key starters from last year's team, the Lady Crusaders are doing pretty well.

At last weekend's Converse Invitational, hosted by Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, Fla., Madonna played five matches — winning four and losing the other in five sets.

On Friday, the Crusaders defeated West Georgia State 15-5, 15-8, 15-7, then lost to Francis Marion (S.C.) 10-15, 15-8, 15-4, 5-15, 15-11.

On Saturday they rebounded for victories over Lenoir-Rhyne College 15-2, 15-4, 15-11 and Florida Tech 15-11, 15-9, 9-15, 15-13.

Leading the way for Madonna in the tournament was Karin Sisung with 48 kills, 17 digs, 10 solo blocks, 13 block assists and four service aces.

Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston) added 31 kills, six service aces, eight solo blocks and 22 block assists; Erin Gregoire had 30 kills, 15 digs, six aces, two solo blocks and two block assists; Deanne Helsom chipped in with 122 assists to kills, eight kills, 14 aces and six block assists; and Nicole Scharrer had 17 kills, one solo block and nine block assists.

Madonna rips Tri-State

The Lady Crusaders opened their very first WHAC season in

style, sweeping Tri-State University (Angola, Ind.) 15-12, 15-6, 15-3 Tuesday at Madonna.

The win improved the Crusaders' record to 11-4 overall, 1-0 in the WHAC. Tri-State is 4-3 overall, 0-1 in the WHAC.

The offensive force for Madonna against Tri-State was Erin Cunningham, with 11 kills (a .353 average), five digs and two block assists; Sisung, with nine kills (.533), two service aces and 14 digs; and Malewski, with seven kills (.357), two aces and five block

assists. Helsom totaled 32 assists to kills, two aces, two kills, four digs and two block assists.

Ocelots: Down, and up

Schoolcraft College volleyball coach Tom Teeters continues to fine-tune his lineup, so the results continue to vary.

At last weekend's Muskegon Tournament, the Lady Ocelots opened with a loss, won their next three, then finished with a defeat — all of which left them at 6-6 for the season.

SC opened with a 15-10, 0-15, 15-10 loss to Lake County CC Friday. After that, the Ocelots beat Morton CC 15-3, 15-1 Friday.

Which put them on the up-beat for Saturday's competition. SC defeated both St. Francis 15-4, 15-7 and Vincennes 15-11, 15-6, before losing to Henry Ford 5-15, 20-18, 15-7.

Leading the Ocelot attackers in the tournament were Megan McGinty (from Livonia Churchill) with 45 kills, eight service aces, 33 digs, two solos and six block

assists; Sarah Gregerson, with 38 kills (.385 percentage), three aces, 30 digs, four solos and six block assists; and Kimberly Washnock (Farmington), with 30 kills (.344), three aces, three solos and five block assists.

Setters Stacey Campaign and Amber Wells (Plymouth Canton) both performed well. Campaign totaled 11 kills, five aces, 67 assists to kills, 33 digs and six block assists; and Wells had 14 kills, 51 assists, 14 aces and 25 digs.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

PICKERING SOFTBALL CLUB 1ST

The Ladies Pickering Softball Club won the City of Westland women's league championship for the third straight year with an 18-0 record.

It was also the second time in three years Pickering had captured the city playoffs.

Members of the Pickering squad include: Jennifer Young, Leigh Cole, Missy Ward, Denise Becselko, Bobbie Farkas, Liz Liberty, Terri Cable, Renne Corker, Sally Wilder, Colleen Fedel, Rosanne Kosko, Debe Owninga, Mo Hillen and Tree Argo. The team is managed by Ray Hunsanger, assisted by Roger Dorogi and Glenn Belcher. The scorekeeper is Bob Paul.

The sponsor for the third straight season is Chuck Pickering of Prudential Pickering Real Estate.

SOCCERZONE REGISTRATION

The SoccerZone of Novi is accepting scheduled walk-in and mail registration for its first indoor season through Oct. 11.

The team fee is \$695 (plus referee fees), which vary by age group, for the eight-game season.

For more information, call Tom Faro (248) 374-0500.

COLLEGIATE NOTE

Olivet College sophomore quarterback David McMullen (Livonia Franklin) fired a 9-yard touchdown pass in Saturday's season-opening 12-7 victory over host Ohio Wesleyan.

McMullen was four for 11 for 62 yards, including a long gain of 35 yards.

YOUTH BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Michigan Lake Area Rams Amateur Athletic Organization is having tryouts for the 1998 summer season.

There is one Collegiate team (ages 19-20), five Connie Mack teams (ages 17-18), one Mick/Mack team (ages 16-17-18), two Mickey Mantle teams (ages 15-16), three Sandy Koufax teams (ages 13-14), three Pee-Wee Reese teams (ages 11-12) and one Willie Mays team ages (9-10).

Those interested in tryouts may use these coaching contacts:

Collegiate — Rick Berryman, (313) 455-8623;

Connie Mack — Bob Radu, (313) 479-4955; Frank Clouser, (248) 879-5852; Tom Nester, (313) 291-5031; Rick Arbogast, (313) 291-8969; George Drallos, (248) 394-1149;

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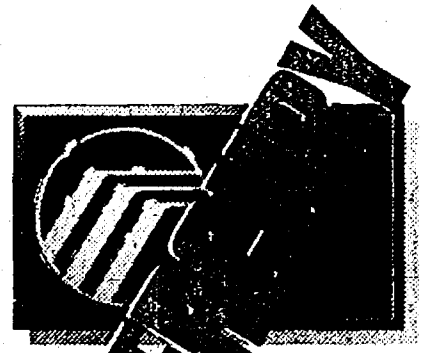
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Willie Mays — Jack Falvo, (248) 471-1748; Mark Falvo, (313) 637-3449.

For general questions, call Rams president and general manager Dan Varon at (248) 737-9138.

Tryouts for a 10-and-under Little Caesars League baseball team will be between 5-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 at the Canfield Community Center, located at 1801 Beach Daly, one block south of Ford Road in Dearborn Heights.

The team will play five to seven tournaments including trips to Ohio and Tennessee. For more information, call Bill Hardin at (313) 562-4667.



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BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

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The orchestra will perform overtures, concertos, symphonies and chamber works. Orchestra members, conductor Christoph Eschenbach and guest violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg will spend Saturday giving master classes at the UM School of Music. Students on virtually every orchestral instrument will participate in 12 workshops.

This is the essence of the University Musical Society program. It is at once an educational program for university students and the most ambitious concert series for the general public in southeastern Michigan. This year's series (see schedule) features opera singers, choral ensembles, dance troupes, a guitar summit, American and world symphonies, klezmer music with Itzhak Perlman, jazz, tango, a celebration of "Beethoven the contemporary" and the world premiere of a new work by Wynton Marsalis.

"It's fun to have an audience of students, knowledgeable students and academics," said Eschenbach from his office in Houston. Eschenbach is the director of the Ravinia Summer Music Festival (the Chicago Symphony's summer home) and the Houston Symphony. The German born maestro also serves as a guest conductor around the world and is a noted classical pianist.

"I consider myself under the general label 'musician,'" he said, allowing that 95 percent of his time is devoted



Maestro: Christoph Eschenbach will conduct the Chicago Symphony and perform on piano in a Mozart concerto.

to conducting.

The program for the residency was selected through consultation with the university.

It covers a range of musical styles within the standard repertoire. Eschenbach will play and conduct the Mozart Piano Concerto No. 23 on Thursday and conduct Berlioz Roman Carnival Overture and Tchaikovsky's

Symphony No. 6. On Friday Salerno-Sonnenberg will join the symphony for Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto in D Major and the orchestra will also perform Dvorak's Carnival Overture and his Symphony No. 9 (From the New World). Saturday night will be a program of chamber music by Schumann and Beethoven.

"These are major works of the 19th century repertoire and also very strong pieces for the Chicago Symphony," Eschenbach said.

Eschenbach had praise for Salerno-Sonnenberg, "She's always searching for the personal approach. She electrifies music in her high tension and compelling performances."

Eschenbach said the recent decline in classical recording is more a problem for the record industry than the symphonies. He said the advent of the CD and the extensive backlog of recordings of all classical standards has made record companies reluctant to record. He said unlike vinyl LPs, CDs don't wear out.

"I don't believe in doom and gloom over the reception of classical music," he said. "There are so many young people, more than ever before and I see talent coming up and it's amazing. This provides me with optimism."

Eschenbach is looking forward with "curiosity" to meeting some of these talented young musicians at a master class Saturday. He said his job is to "wake up" the talent in the student.

"I don't believe in criticism that is not constructive. It's a very delicate matter a master class, you can do more harm than good," he said. "I've seen students go out crying."

Eschenbach said he expects to be inspired by UM's music students and inspire them in return.



Virtuoso violinist: Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg is known for her aggressive approach to violin playing.

Violinist's style brings young fans to classical music

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

On Saturday, Sept. 27, the University of Michigan plays Notre Dame and violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg has her ticket.

"I'm a huge Wolverines fan," she said in a telephone interview from her Manhattan apartment.

Salerno-Sonnenberg is part of a residency weekend with the Chicago Symphony as part of the University Musical Society series. (The series opens Sunday, Sept. 21, with a performance by mezzo-soprano Cecilia Bartoli)

On Friday, Sept. 26, Salerno-Sonnenberg will perform Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto in D Major, Op. 35 at Hill Auditorium. The concerto, the orchestra and Ann Arbor - "The circumstances both geographically and musically are spectacular," she said.

Salerno-Sonnenberg said she enjoys playing college towns and the University of Michigan is her favorite college.

"The last time I was there I got an autographed picture of Bo Schembechler and he got one of mine, and I got a tour of the stadium," she said.

She enjoys the college audience as well.

"Your audience tends to be younger and there's a different feeling about playing a college town," she said.

Attracting younger audiences has been a hallmark of Salerno-Sonnenberg's sometimes controversial career.

Born in Rome, Salerno-Sonnenberg, 36, emigrated to the United States to study violin at Philadelphia's Curtis Institute of Music when she was 8. She was the recipient of the prestigious Avery Fisher Career Grant and winner of the Walter W. Naumberg 1981 International Violin Competition. She debuted with the Chicago Symphony shortly after winning the award.

Salerno-Sonnenberg has played with many noted conductors and leading orchestras in the United States and throughout the world. She currently records for Nonesuch and Angel/EMI and has a recording, "Humoresque," due out in early 1998.

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 ■ Cecilia Bartoli, mezzo-soprano, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Christoph Eschenbach, conductor, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Chicago Symphony Orchestra w/ Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, violin, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Chamber Music with Christoph Eschenbach and members of the Chicago Symphony, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Rackham Auditorium
October
 ■ Moscow Conservatory Chamber Ensemble, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, U-M Museum of Art
 ■ Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir, Tallinn Chamber Orchestra, Tooru Kalluste, conductor, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
 ■ Orchestra of St. Luke's Chamber Ensemble, Philippe Herreweghe, conductor, 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Guitar Summit IV featuring Herb Ellis, Michael Hedges, Sharon Isbin and Roy Block, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Michigan Chamber Players, 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Marilyn Horne, mezzo-soprano, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre
November
 ■ Gabrieli Consort & Players, Paul McCreesh, musical director, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
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 ■ Celia Cruz, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, Hill Auditorium

■ Hakan Hagegard, baritone, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Pat Metheny Group, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, Michigan Theater
 ■ Ursula Oppens, piano, (First in cycle of Beethoven the Contemporary) 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Truston Dance Theater, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, Michigan Theater
 ■ American String Quartet (Beethoven cycle) 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Richard Goode, piano, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, Hill Auditorium
December
 ■ Itzhak Perlman in a Klezmer Summit, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Handel's "Messiah," with Ann Arbor Symphony and UMS Choral Union, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, Hill Auditorium
 ■ The Harlem Nurtcracker, choreographed by Donald Byrd featuring music of Duke Ellington and David Berger, 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 11-14, and 2 p.m. Dec. 13-14, Power Center
January
 ■ David Daniels, counter-tenor, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9, Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre
 ■ Israel Philharmonic, Zubin Mehta, director, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, Hill Auditorium
 ■ Christopher Parkening, guitar, 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, Rackham Auditorium
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February
 ■ Dale Warland Singers, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
 ■ St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Hugh Wolff Conductor, Emanuel Ax, piano, Warland Singers, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Hill Auditorium
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 ■ Juan-Jose Mosalini and His Grand Tango Orchestra, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Chen Zimbalista, percussion, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Peterson Quartet, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, Rackham Auditorium
 ■ Chick Corea and Gary Burton, Jazz, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, Michigan Theater
 ■ Mendelssohn's "Elijah" Ann Arbor Symphony, UMS Choral Union, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22
March
 ■ Jean-Yves Thibaudet, piano, 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, U-M Museum of Art
 ■ New York City Opera National Company production of Donizetti's "Daughter of the Regiment," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, March 12-14, 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14, Power Center
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COMMUNITY THEATER

Plymouth Theatre Guild begins 51st smash season



PHOTO BY RON POWLEY

Rehearsing: Tom Griffin and Diana Wells rehearse a scene from Plymouth Theatre Guild's season opener, "Plaza Suite."

KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Mary Lynn Kuna of Plymouth is a seamstress, not an actress, and was looking for something fun and creative to do when she joined the Plymouth Theatre Guild four years ago.

She grew up around creative people. Her mother was in professional opera in Chicago, and Kuna missed all the excitement.

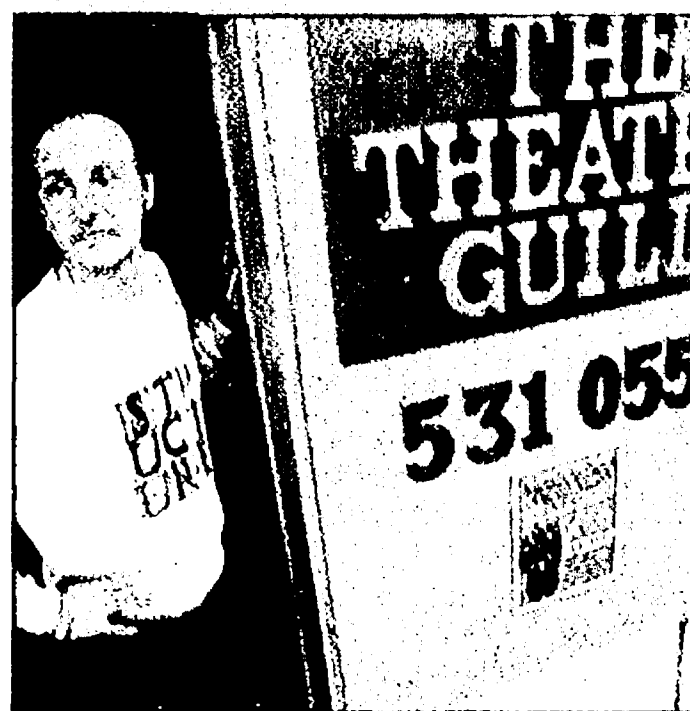
At the Plymouth Theatre Guild she found a dynamic, enthusiastic group of people who share her love for theater, and an appreciative audience for her costuming skills.

This year she's serving as president of the group, which presents its shows at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital in Northville.

It's not polite, but you can't help but wonder how they feel about having their theater on the campus of a psychiatric hospital.

"The venue doesn't hold us back," said Kuna adding they shy away from plays like "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

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Homecoming: Peter Sonning, who starred in the Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild's production of "Equus," is directing the Guild's season opener, "The Mousetrap."

Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild puts work first

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

From the outside, the Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild playhouse doesn't look like much. In fact, I drove right past it on my way over.

"Don't feel bad," said Blanche Graham of Redford, executive director for the past three years. "You'd be surprised how many people don't know where we are. The firefighters who work across the street didn't know we're here. They bought tickets to a show and couldn't find us so they went to the fire station to find out."

Sandwiched between a dentist and a plumber's office on busy Beech Daly Road, the playhouse is easy to miss for the first time. It's just south of Five Mile Road, across from Redford Township Hall. If you pass the hall, you've gone too far. Turn around, and come back toward Five Mile Road, you won't be sorry.

Inside this plain storefront is a theater, which seats about 100 people. Black curtains on either

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MOVIES

'L.A. Confidential' mines Hollywood's underside

TICKETS PLEASE



JOHN MONAGHAN

To meet Curtis Hanson, director of "L.A. Confidential," I come armed with a slightly musty copy of "Confidential" magazine, the infamous '50s predecessor to our modern-day "Stars" and "Enquirers."

"I had piles of these around my office when we were making the movie... they were part of my inspiration," he says, flipping through the yellowed, pulpy pages, which scream headlines like, "Those Whispers About Tab Hunter" and "Meet the 'Joe' Who Got Monroe."

Period details, along with a complex story and characters, have made "L.A. Confidential" one of the year's best-realized films. Hanson, a veteran director

'Chinatown' was a kind of Revisionist look at Raymond Chandler's private detective out doing his thing. Our movie has different aims.... I'll agree inasmuch as it's the kind of rich, complex narrative that people just don't see so much in movies anymore.'

Curtis Hanson
"L.A. Confidential" director

probably best known for the recent "The Hand That Rocks the Cradle" and "The River Wild," says this is the first picture on which he has been given full creative control.

The movie, which opens Friday, focuses on three members of the Los Angeles Police Department, circa 1953, who find themselves at the heart of a citywide conspiracy. James Ellroy, who wrote the original novel, has

praised Hanson for doing the impossible: paring down his book's 130 characters and eight distinct plots for the screen.

Hanson, who co-wrote the script with Brian Koppelman, wasn't sure at first read that he even wanted to try. "As I met each of these characters in their individual chapters, I didn't like them because they were doing such bad things," Hanson remembers. "Bud (Russell

Crowe) is by most accounts a mindless thug. Ed Exley (Guy Pearce) is a political opportunist masquerading as a do-gooder, and Jack (Kevin Spacey) is kind of on the take with this magazine. He's exploiting people's unhappiness for his own aims.

"Yet I found as I kept going that I got drawn in to each one of them to different degrees. As the story went along I became emotionally involved with each of them and their personal struggles with their inner demons."

Danny DeVito plays Sid, publisher of "Hush-Hush" magazine, which thrives on catching Hollywood with its pants down. He employs Jack to help him during his elaborate drug busts, slipping him \$50 and increasing his clout as consultant on a "Dragonet"-style television series.

In the early days the fan magazines were all controlled by the studios, creating these very idealized images to feed to the public, Hanson notes. "These new magazines said, 'let's peel back that veneer and see what's going on underneath,' because it was so false, so phony."

And that is the theme of the movie: the difference between the phony image and what is going on beneath, the difference between how people appear and how they really are.

"L.A. Confidential" has been a long time coming for Hanson, who began his career in the early 1970s making pictures like "The Dunwich Horror" and "The Arousers" for producer Roger Corman. He later worked as scriptwriter on Samuel Fuller's "White Dog" before scoring his first great notices as a director with 1990's "Bad Influence," a creepy psychological thriller starring James Spader and Rob Lowe.

"L.A. Confidential," which has enjoyed rave reviews since premiering at Cannes, has been favorably compared to Roman Polanski's "film noir" tribute "Chinatown." Hanson takes it as a slightly wary compliment.

"Of course there are similarities," he says. "They're set in L.A. and both period. But 'Chinatown' was a kind of Revisionist look at



MERRICK MORTON

Crime drama: 'Celebrity cop Jack Vincennes (Kevin Spacey) in "L.A. Confidential."

Raymond Chandler's private detective out doing his thing. Our movie has different aims.... I'll agree inasmuch as it's the kind of rich, complex narrative that people just don't see so much in movies anymore."

He says that he hired "Chinatown" composer Jerry Goldsmith, "despite his work on that film," but fails to recognize the melancholy saxophones that distinguish both scores.

He also won't agree that both films share a cynical edge. "I would not describe our movie as cynical," he says. "To look at the darkness beneath the image is not a cynical thing. I find cynicism to be an attitude that is an excuse not to do anything, whereas our characters are all struggling. They're not resigned. They're struggling."

The "film noir" feel of "L.A. Confidential" also extends to the character of Kim Basinger's Lynn, a high-class prostitute surgically altered to look like movie star Veronica Lake. She even plays clips from "This Gun For Hire" while servicing her latest clients.

Hanson's recent box office success gave him power to cast Australian actors (and relative unknowns) Pearce and Crowe as the very American police detectives. "I wanted actors who the audience might not like or be

that surprised to see dead in 30 minutes," Hanson says.

"With Kevin Spacey, he's of course much more known. To a wide moviegoing audience, he's known for playing these weirdos in 'Seven' and 'The Usual Suspects.' So to have him play Hollywood Jack, he's almost like a stranger for the audience, but he also has that charisma to be a movie star among cops."

Hanson notes the peculiar timing of the movie's release. By having the birth of tabloid journalism as its backdrop, "L.A. Confidential" makes an unintentional statement about the brand of celebrity stalking that may have led to the death of Princess Di.

"Of course I didn't see that specific coming," Hanson says. "But the movie is, in a way, about everything that led to it. It begs this question about what are the limits to this whole cult of celebrity and the tabloids."

"That's the interesting thing about L.A. 1953: that those things that were starting there are still so much with us today."

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STREET SCENE

Singer Johnny Little brings sound home to Plymouth

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Whatever Nashville producer Gene Breeden touches turns to gold, according to Plymouth country singer Johnny Little.

The 1995 graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School is hoping Breeden has the same effect on his debut album "Johnny Little" on the producer's Nashville label RAM Records.

"The first country album he did turned gold. Then he went to jazz and that went gold, which is unheard of. Pretty much everything he gets his hands on, he knows what to do with it," Little said of Breeden who has worked with Tracy Lawrence, Deana Carter and Capitol Records.

This year marks a series of firsts for Little. Besides releasing his first album, Little will play his first headlining show Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Plymouth-Salem High School auditorium.

"I'm kind of nervous about it. I hope it turns out good and I get a lot of people in there," Little said.

Early start

Little only recently took up



Debut performance: Country singer Johnny Little of Plymouth.

songwriting but he has been singing since he was 6 at home and at his church. Five years ago he took up country music because the music touches him.

"Most of the songs that are played you can relate to the real life experiences. That's how I write and things that happen to me I just put it in a song. Hopefully somebody else can relate

it," Little said.

"Most of the songs that I write come from old relationships and stuff like that - basic country songs. It's hard for me to write fast songs or happy songs."

Traditionally, high school athletes and band/choir members aren't the best of friends. But during his years at Plymouth-Salem High School, he was able to successfully meld the two.

"I was the first football player/singer ever at Canton and Salem," Little said with a laugh. "Football players, the chorus, band, a lot of them don't really get along. When I first walked in there it was a Thursday and I was wearing my game jersey."

Classmates looked at him and groaned but, Little said, "it was cool. I got along with everybody."

He honed his vocal skills while serving as a karaoke host at the former A.J.'s at Plymouth and Eckles roads, and Charlie's Too on Ford and Merriman roads in Westland.

"I would sing if nobody else would get up there. Basically they would come to see me sing. At the beginning of the night I would tear it up and then toward the end of the night it don't mat-

ter what you do because they're pretty much drunk. This show (at Salem) is completely different. They're coming to see me."

In 1996 Little moved to Nashville in pursuit of his dreams.

"I went down there to visit for a week and then I came back for a week, left a pretty good job and moved down there," said Little who drove a truck for a contractor.

In Nashville Little performed during open mic nights where any singer can get a chance to play.

"A bunch of different singers go in and sing, all chasing the same dream that I have. It made it more intimidating for people to go down there for the same purpose as you. You run into people who are better than you, and people who aren't so good. But the people that are better than you give you more incentive to try harder," Little said.

Breeden discovered him during a gig at the Broken Spoke bar in Nashville.

"I just sang out one night. I was approached and he said, 'You have a good look to you. You're a good singer. I'd like to

work with you."

Before recording the album, Little was offered about "20 tapes with 20 songs each" from which to choose. Little, who co-wrote one song "Blue Skies," culled songs from a variety of writers including Joel Swisher and Jason Richey of Westland ("Outta My Mind"), and his cousin Jamie Spaulding Jr. of Troy, Tenn., ("Sarah," and "Can't Live Without You").

Little said that he searched out songs that were catchy.

"It's the song that really makes it. There's guys who can't sing worth anything but have a good song and it flies. I was looking for something I can listen to over and over and over again and not get sick of it," Little explained.

For "Johnny Little," he picked a variety of songs from classic country ("Can't Live Without You" and "Love Don't Get Any Better") to rockin' country ("Mama Made a Gentleman Out of Me"). Ballads like "Can't Live Without You," "It's You," and "Blue Skies," are predominant.

"It has everything. I like different. The only person who does

that is probably Garth (Brooks) because everything he does is different. You can listen to the whole album and you don't skip over any songs. You don't get bored with it," said Little whose vocals are reminiscent of John Michael Montgomery.

The 20-year-old truck driver for Office Depot is living once again in Plymouth to build a fan base in his hometown. Little, whose band includes Dawn Marie Turner, a 1996 Plymouth-Salem High School graduate, as back-up vocalist, feels positive about his career and his producer Breeden.

"Anything he touches he does great things with. It's just the kind of person he is. He's a good Christian guy. The kind of guy who does anything for you."

Johnny Little performs 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Plymouth-Salem High School auditorium, 46181 Joy Road, Canton. The \$7 tickets are on sale at Repeat the Beat, 770 Penniman, Plymouth, (313) 416-9291, and Plymouth stores at 44730 Ford Road, Canton Township, (313) 459-3666 and at 833 Penniman, Plymouth, (313) 459-3355.

Fund-raiser set for planned film on Jessie White



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Delta blues pianist Uncle Jessie White has been a Detroit music legend since he moved to Michigan in 1950. Soon, Michigan's secret will be out.

In the works is a documentary about the 77-year-old Mississippi-bred White's music and life by Doug Drummond Jr., a free-lance Madison Heights corporate film and video producer, and his future sister-in-law Canton resident Anne Marie Gra-

ham, White's part-time manager.

"Uncle Jessie's kind of music deserves to be documented," Drummond said. "He's one of the few original Delta blues performers still around. Today's performers tend to 'dress up' the blues. Jessie's style is a true African-American art form. We're determined to get his music - and his life - on film."

Delta blues, he said, "is in danger of losing itself and having no identity with all these older statesmen who are gone. We wanted to get it on tape and on film and with the cooperation of the Detroit Blues Society, a non-profit organization, we've been able to raise a little bit of

money."

The film has received partial funding from the Detroit Cultural Affairs Department and the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs, however, funds are still short. On Saturday, Sept. 20, Uncle Jessie White along a host of local blues acts will perform a benefit concert hosted by Sweet Claudette Harrell at the Attic Bar in Hamtramck from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.

White will perform with his band, the 29th Street Blues Band, 9-11 p.m. and with special guests 1-2 a.m. The bill also includes: The Detroit Dobro and Back Porch Blues Project 4-6 p.m., Jeff Grand 6-7 p.m., Motor

City Josh 7-8 p.m., The Rhythm Bon 8-9 p.m., the Sidewinders 11 p.m.-midnight, and Johnny "Yard Dog" Jones joins the Sidewinders midnight to 1 a.m.

The \$10 cover charge can be tax-deductible by making checks payable to the "Detroit Blues Society, Jessie White Consortium." For more information about the show, call the Attic at (313) 365-4194. Drummond will be filming White's performance to be used in the film.

This will be the second fund-raiser for the film. The first, held July 5 at the Attic, was cut short due to severe thunderstorms.

"We're deeply grateful that

the Attic has opened its doors to us again," Graham said in a written statement.

Graham and Drummond began work on the film in late July and hope to wrap it up in the spring. With the benefit and the donations, Drummond, 30, said he would like to raise \$50,000.

The two plan to visit Terry, Miss., White's birthplace, and to travel to Europe with White if his tour plans are confirmed.

Proceeds from the film's distribution will be used to help White find a new home.

"We'll also work with the Detroit Blues Society to estab-



Honored pianist: Uncle Jessie White.

lish an education fund that will support blues-related learning programs for children," Graham said.

Backstage spotlights exciting area theater season ahead

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

The days are getting shorter. It's been rainy and gray. Soon it will be cold and snowy ... All right!

No, we haven't gone nuts. We're excited because the beginning of the season for the arts - and the premiere of the second season of Backstage Pass, which begins full, original production on Oct. 2 at 9:30 p.m. on Detroit Public Television.

So fall starts the season at many area venues. What better

time to preview the upcoming artistic spread? I started by calling on our trusted Backstage Pass theater correspondents, Gary Anderson and Blair Anderson.

Gary, artistic director at Detroit's Plowshares Theater, clued me in to an interesting trend: more local theaters are mounting musicals this season than in years past. "You have 'Falsettos' at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre, the first-ever musical for them. 'Thunder Knocking on the Door' is a Meadow Brook-Plowshares coproduction that will be the first blues musical produced in Detroit. And 'Scott Joplin' will be the first musical in a long time at the Detroit Repertory Theatre."

Gary explained that musicals

have long been the domain of big, traveling productions, so this spate of local musicals signals a new trend. "For local companies, the expense of mounting musicals had always been prohibitive. You've got the royalties for the show, the royalties for the music - which are separate - and you usually have a large cast, an orchestra or some kind of group of musicians that you've got to

pay ... That gets very expensive for a house with fewer than 500 seats, unless ticket prices are \$65."

So, why are local companies producing musicals now? "There are smaller cast musicals. 'Thunder' is a cast of five. 'Falsettos' is only eight. Plus, the tours come through Detroit because there's an audience for them here. We'd like to bring that audience into

the local theaters."

As for the news at Gary's Plowshares Theatre, he's excited about their new digs in the beautiful new home of Detroit's Museum of African American History. "Part of our mission has always been to present African American life, trends and traditions on stage. That's why it's a match: we present the drama of history."

Blair, from Wayne State University's Theatre Department, noted other twists in the upcoming year. "Meadow Brook is opening its season with a show that didn't have success in New York, which is unusual. The play 'Over the Tavern,' tells the story of a Polish-Catholic boy's coming of age. "It's really funny, a real clever piece, not unlike a youthful Neil Simon piece."

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She has won praise for her passionate playing and criticism for her unorthodox dress and performance style. But she dismisses her reputation as a "bad girl" of classical music as "old clippings." In fact, more recent coverage of Salerno-Sonnenberg speaks of her as "mellowed."

"I do my thing," she said. "It's not a rock star attitude, but I draw a rock star audience. I think this all started out by the effect I had on the audience and critics and media. But it was nothing I did to create it, but I found myself in the middle of controversy. The way I played, the clothes I wore were all ques-

tioned. I just wore what was comfortable for me."

Her playing has won many admirers.

Ann Arbor composer William Bolcom praised her difference. "Sometimes she's rough, but immediately you're impressed that she doesn't sound like everybody else."

Justin Davidson writing in Newsday said, "(Sonnenberg's) performance of Shostakovich's Violin Concerto No. 1 could not have been more unbuttoned. She played the moody music with electric verve, making every aching note pulse. She may have overloaded some passages with

pathos, but she also played as if she had never experienced a moment's boredom in her life."

And Salerno-Sonnenberg doesn't apologize for the impact she's had on bringing young people into the concert hall.

"I am an ambassador to bring in the younger audience to concerts. I happily took that title," she said. "I've seen a difference in concert 1 play as to who comes to the concerts. It's great to have the power to bring in a younger audience. Certainly the music needs it."

The music, according to numerous press reports, is in trouble, especially in the record-

ing end. Several major orchestras have recently been dropped by record companies, including the Detroit Symphony.

"Classical recording is in just such a disarray, it's practically gone," Salerno-Sonnenberg said. "Everybody is scrambling to find a solution to make it work. It's an awful, awful situation."

Salerno-Sonnenberg's personal solution has been to branch out. She's recently recorded with rock musician Joe Jackson, done klezmer music with Mandy Patinkin and recorded an album of Brazilian folk songs with Brazilian guitarists.

"I find myself remaining organic and true to my playing. I cannot do anything else," she said.

The need to reach out to new audiences and play in several different venues has created a hectic life for the violinist, but it's something she wants to do.

"The classical repertoire for fiddle or piano is vast. I could never learn it all and that could take up all my time. But I feel like doing these other things," she said.

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Livonia-Redford from page E1

side hide props and costumes. The theater is air conditioned, and the furnace was replaced two years ago after the old one died.

Owning their own building gives the Theatre Guild an advantage, they can present plays whenever they want to, but the building, paid off in 1977, has to be maintained, and that can be costly. Raising money to replace the roof is their next project.

Matthew Ripper of Redford discovered The Theatre Guild by

accident a little over a year ago. "I was walking by and went in to see what was going on," said Ripper who was involved in theater in high school in North Carolina. He moved to Michigan with his family and is studying to be a teacher at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

"I absolutely adore the set-up," he said. "It's very community oriented. It's a little more lax, they don't care about your resume, they're very friendly, and always wanting people to help. I can't keep away from theater, I want

to be involved. Once the bug has bitten it's hard to stay away."

"This is in-your-face theater," said Peter Sonnenberg of Southgate who is directing Agatha Christie's classic mystery, "The Mousetrap," opening the season this Friday. "You're much closer to the stage, this is very intimate theater."

Sometimes the theater is a little too intimate for actors. "We took out one row of chairs because some people were putting their feet on stage during the show," said Graham.

The Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild

Where: 15138 Beech Dale Road, (just south of Five Mile Road) Redford

Performances: 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets: \$10, students (under 18) and senior citizens (60 and older) receive \$1 off regular ticket price. Season tickets \$35 per person. Call (313) 531-0554.

Membership: 1997-98 annual dues \$16 per person. Members receive \$1 off the ticket price to all shows, plus free admission to year-end open house.

Season Schedule

- "The Mousetrap" - 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 19-20 and Sept. 26-27; 2 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 21 and Sept. 28.
- "Silent Night, Lonely Night" - 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 5-6; Dec. 12-13; 2 p.m. Sundays Dec. 7 and 14.
- "A Festival of One-Act Plays" - 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 6-7, March 12-13; 2 p.m. Sundays March 8 and 15.
- "Pure as the Driven Snow" - 8 p.m. Thursday, April 30; Friday and Saturday, May 1-2 and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 3.



Rehearsing: Tony Laury of *Green City* (left) and Chuck Reynolds of *Canton* rehearse a scene from "The Mousetrap."

STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN MITCHELL

This is a theater that works." It's not that Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild members don't know how to have a good time, they just prefer to wait until after the show to party.

Actors are always sought, but that's what auditions are for. Volunteers make a community theater successful, and the Guild needs more of them. They're the ones who redesigned and upgraded the set, which makes the setting for "The Mousetrap," more believable. Right now they're looking for someone to help with publicity, and experienced light and sound technicians willing to donate their time.

The Theatre Guild is also seeking individual and community sponsors.

Their mission is "to enrich the cultural life of the community, to provide worthwhile entertainment and to encourage interest and active participation in all phases of theater through professional instruction, dramatic productions and other related activities."

The Theatre Guild offers adult and children's workshops, and has a partnership with the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in Livonia.

"It allows the students to work in a more professional surrounding," said Graham.

CAPA students present a show at the Theatre Guild's playhouse

every year. They're doing "Pure as the Driven Snow," by Paul Loomis, an old-fashioned melodrama, which invites the audience to boo, hiss and cheer, and join in the singing of old-fashioned songs, in the spring.

The third annual Festival of One-Act Plays in March shows cases works written and directed by local playwrights. Deadline for entries is Dec. 1. Contact Thom Hinks, Theatre Guild president, (313) 295-1691 for more information.

A six week "Introduction to Creative Dramatics" workshop for students in kindergarten through ninth grade begins Saturday, Oct. 4. Students will learn about different acting styles, improvisation, audition and, at the end of the course, present a show for their parents. The cost is \$45, call (313) 531-0554 for registration information.

In December, the Theatre Guild will present "Silent Night, Lonely Night," by Robert Anderson, a bittersweet adult comedy set in a New England town on Christmas Eve.

Auditions are 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, and 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at the playhouse. Jennifer Jones is directing the show, which opens Friday, Dec. 5.

To help raise money for that new roof, the Theatre Guild is hosting a pre-Halloween costume sale, 1-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12 at the playhouse.

client whose money has been sorely mismanaged (to put it politely) by a crooked accountant. With the help of a little finagling and a not-so-little gun, the resolution is anybody's guess. Garry Sekerak and Gary Oberto do a fine job as the dueling pair. Except for the initial low volumes of the actors, they are soon picked up as the argument turns to a rather heated discussion, unfolding lies and laying things out on the bargaining table.

The second act opens with "Going Home," a story about a mother and daughter on holiday in London. Mother is a lonely widow, who has charmed a native Englishman on the plane. When he requests a date with her, it's the beginning of a bitter-sweet mother/daughter bonding.

Robin Blesner does an admirable job as mother. She is sweet and sensitive, much like that amiable portrayal of her daughter played by Jeanine Matlow, whose talent shines in the third act.

As Diana, a complex and trou-

bled woman, Matlow gives a touching performance. Still in love with now turned gay ex-husband, her path to maintain includes pills and booze.

The finale act, "The Man On The Floor," provides the decisive and winning touch. Vacationers with lost Wimbledon tickets, as well as a slew of miscommunication and some bad backs, prove to be a hysterical scenario.

Kudos to Don Andres in his portrayal of Mark Ferris, the agitated husband with the sorest of bad backs. He kept the audience in stitches. Annie and Dr. McMerlin (not to be confused with the magician), played by Trisha Ali and Linda Bondar provide delightful performances. And certainly not to be left out is Scott Joel Gizicki as the bellhop.

Director Camilla Lunsford and assistant/producer Jeff Bartos have helped the Guild to revive another Neil Simon play. They've captured Neil's true fervor. Audiences of Simon will be pleased.

Plymouth Theatre Guild

Where: 41001 W. Seven Mile Road (west of I-275 between Haggerty and Northville Roads) on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

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Curtain times: 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 6 p.m. Sundays. General Seating.

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Season schedule:

- "Plaza Suite" by Neil Simon - Friday and Saturday, Sept. 19-20, Sept. 26-27 and Oct. 3-4; 6 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 21 and Sept. 28.
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- "Sweet Charity," book by Neil Simon, music by Cy Coleman, lyrics by Dorothy Fields - Feb. 13-15, Feb. 20-22, and Feb. 27-28. Tickets \$12 at the door, \$11 in advance.
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THEATER

ALTERNATING CURRENTS
"Just a Phase (A Sapphic Tale)," a new romantic comedy by Royal Oak playwright Therese Szymanski, 8 p.m. nightly through Sunday, Sept. 28, Trumbull Theatre, 4208 Trumbull, Detroit. \$6 advance, \$8 at door. (248) 541-8316/308-5777

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE
"Fallettos," through Sunday, Oct. 5, at the JET, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays. \$13-\$23 with discounts for seniors, students and groups. Benefit for Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 (335). (248) 788-2900

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE
"Over the Tavern," preview productions 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18-Friday, Sept. 19, with shows running Saturday, Sept. 20-Sunday, Oct. 12, at the theater in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. 8 p.m. preview performances (\$18), 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays (\$22), 2 p.m. Wednesdays (\$22), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturdays (\$22), 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays (\$32), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$22), and 6:30 p.m. Sundays (\$26.50), with discounts for seniors, students and groups. (248) 377-3300

MUSIC HALL THEATER
"Why Good Girls Like Bad Boys," gospel musical stage play by Angela Barrow and Lizzie Berry, through Sunday, Sept. 21, at the theater, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$19-\$26.50. (313) 963-7622/(248) 645-6666.

COLLEGE

THE THEATRE COMPANY
"Zara Spook and Other Lures," by Joan Ackerman, Thursday, Sept. 25-Sunday, Oct. 12, University of Detroit Mercy, 8200 W. Outer Dr. (at the Southfield Freeway), Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. \$10, \$8 for seniors and students with ID. (313) 993-1130

COMMUNITY THEATER

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE
"Lost in Yonkers," 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 18-21 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 at the Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$16 adults, \$14 seniors/students. (313) 971-2228

AVON PLAYERS
"Gypsy," continues weekends through Saturday, Oct. 4, at the playhouse on Tienken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester road), Rochester Hills. Performances 8 p.m. except for 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. \$13 with discounts for students, senior citizens and groups. (248) 608-9077

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN
"London Suite," continues weekends through Sunday, Sept. 28, at the theater, 21730 Madison (southeast corner of Monroe and Outer drives), Dearborn. Performances 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28. \$10 with student discounts for Sunday performance. (313) 561-TKTS.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD
"Plaza Suite," 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 19-20, and 26-27 and Oct. 3-4, and 6 p.m. Sundays Sept. 21 and 28, at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road (between Haggerty and Northville roads), Northville. \$9, \$8 advance. (248) 349-7110

RIDGE DALE PLAYERS
"Rumors," 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, Thursday, Sept. 25-Sunday, Sept. 28, Friday, Oct. 3-Sunday, Oct. 5, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road (between Crooks and Livernois roads), Troy. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. Sundays. \$11, \$10 Thursdays and Sundays for seniors and students. (248) 988-7049

THE THEATRE GUILD
"The Mousetrap," 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 19-20, 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 21, 28 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$10, \$9 seniors/students. (313) 531-0554

MARQUIS THEATRE CHILDREN
"Little Red Riding Hood," 2:30 Saturdays, Sept. 6, 13, and 20, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 7, 14 and 21, 135 E. Main St., Northville. \$5.50. No children under age 3 1/2. (248) 349-8110.

SPECIAL EVENTS / BENEFITS

ANN ARBOR PERFORMANCE NETWORK TOUR
4-5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, at the theater. (313) 973-3356

ASTHMA AND ALLERGY FOUNDATION OF AMERICA
8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26 silent auction and dinner dance at the Hyatt Regency, Dearborn, \$100 donation. Scientific seminar for physicians and health care professionals precedes silent auction. (248) 557-8050

BARBORAMA
2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 cabaret style show and dinner presented by Windsor Barjors at the Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Avenue at Tecumseh Road, Windsor, Ontario. \$28 USA, \$32 Canadian. (313) 282-6635/(519) 948-3367

BURN PARK CHILDREN'S WET MEADOW PROJECT
Multi-media family concert by folk singer Walkin' Jim Stoltz, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at Ypohanti Freighthouse in Depot Town (Farmer's Market Building). \$10, adult, \$5 children (4-12 years), \$35-\$50 benefactor. (313) 481-0797

DETROIT ASSOCIATION OF BLACK STORYTELLERS
"Storytelling" Past, Present, Forever:

Continuing the Tales," storytelling concert/workshop featuring LaRon Williams and Shanta 6 p.m. Friday Sept. 26 (\$5 concert), 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with concert at 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 (\$45 for two day concert/workshop) at the Museum of African American History, 315 East Warren, Detroit. (313) 867-7868

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Underground Railroad Tour (\$45 Detroit Historical Society members, \$50 non-members. (313) 833-9721; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Creekside Community Tour of area whose history included rum-runners that haunted the canals, bathhouses and towers of its waterways during Prohibition (\$15 DHS members, \$18 non-members). (313) 833-1405

DETROIT ZOO
"Run Wild," a 5K Run/ One Mile Non-Competitive Walk sponsored by Southeastern Michigan Veterinary Medical Association to support medical equipment for the Detroit Zoo Hospital 9 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 20, Ten Mile Road and Woodward, Royal Oak. (248) 541-5717/398-0900

EUCHERE TOURNAMENTS
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 at Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road (between Novi and Taft roads), Novi. \$12. \$10 in advance, benefits per person, \$10 advance, benefits Lions/Lioness charities. Registration at 6:30 p.m. (248) 344-4633

HONEY AND APPLES FESTIVAL
1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 27-28 and Oct. 4-5 at Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills. Museum admission \$7 adults, \$4 seniors/children ages 3-17. (248) 645-3200

HUDSON'S TEAM 500/COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, cocktails, dinner, desserts, dancing and an appearance by Tina Turner at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue. \$150, \$75 tax deductible, Hudson's will match each \$75 tax deductible. Benefits arts and cultural organizations in Detroit's Cultural Center. 1-888-882-5765

IRISH FESTIVAL
Friday-Sunday, Sept. 19-21 at the Gaelic Irish American Club, 2068 Michigan Avenue, Detroit. Irish music and dancing on three stages including Charlie Taylor, Odd Enough, Michael O'Brien, Larry Larson, Jim Perkins, Terry Murphy, Gerard Smith, Jim Buckingham, Modesty Forbids, Heinzman Step Dancers. (313) 964-8700

JET THEATRE
"Crimes of Fashion," the season's craziest event where guests become crime solvers and mystery becomes fashionable, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection South, Troy. \$50-\$1,000 benefit JET Theatre's Educational Outreach Program. "Fallettos," benefit for Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 (335), 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 788-2900

KADIMA
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, fundraiser featuring comedienne Elaine Boosler at Orchestra Hall. \$75 to \$10,000 to benefit Kadima, a non profit, non-sectarian mental health agency. (248) 559-8235

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE GUILD'S "SPOTLIGHTS MARKET"
Its sixth annual Juried art, craft and gift show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at the Shotwell Gustafson Pavilion, Oakland University campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. The Broadway-themed event supports the theater's educational programs, and helps it provide supplemental amenities for the actors and the technical crew during their Meadow Brook stay. \$3. (248) 370-3305/(248) 370-3318

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT AND LECTURE
Noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 with lectures at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. by nature photographer Laura Little at the Benchmark, 32715 Grand River between Orchard Lake and Farmington Roads, Farmington. Free. (248) 477-8116

PONTIAC ARTIST STUDIO TOUR
11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20. 2nd annual tour of studio space and galleries in Pontiac. Maps, shuttle bus stops and info for free tour available on day of event at 7 N. Saginaw, 40 W. Howard, 120 E. Widetrack (St. Fredrick's School). Free parking. (248) 855-8910/(248) 851-3575.

RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL
10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through Sunday, Sept. 28, on Dixie Highway, one mile north of Mount Holly between Pontiac and Flint. \$12.95 adults (\$11.50 advance), \$5.95 children ages 5-12 (\$5 advance). (800) 601-4848

SOMEWHERE IN TIME
11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 historic tours by riverboat and trolley car, classic car display, live entertainment, arts and crafts demonstrations, games of horseshoes and eack racing, food, Elizabeth Park, off Jefferson, east of I-75, south of West Road, Trenton. (313) 281-1990/875-7300

SPORTS CARD & COLLECTIBLES SHOW
3-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at Roseville Towne Center, 12 Mile and Gratiot. (248) 657-1529

TASTE OF TRENTON
Noon-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 on Third Street between West Road and Maple. (313) 675-6500.

FAMILY EVENTS

BULL RIDERS ONLY
7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75



Grand: A Grand Arts Procession 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 20-21, is just one of the many events taking place during the 11th annual Detroit Festival of the Arts in Detroit's University Cultural Center, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 19-21, within a 15-block area in Detroit's University Cultural Center. The event offers music, arts, dance and song. All visual and performing arts programs are free including more than 50 hands-on activities for children on the Wayne State University campus. For more information, call (313) 577-5088.

and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. Canceled. (248) 377-0100

HALLOWEEN

SILO X
Friday, Sept. 19 at C.J. Barrymore's, Hall Road two miles west of I-94 and four miles east of Lakeside Mall, Clinton Township and Saturday, Sept. 20 on Grand River Avenue adjacent to I-96. New Hudson through Oct. 31. 7:30-11 p.m. Thursday and Sunday, 7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday during Halloween week (Oct. 28-31). \$12, apportion of full-price ticket sales goes to Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit during grand openings Sept. 19-20. 1-888-222-4088

CLASSICAL

CECILIA BARTOLI
Mezzo soprano performs with pianist Steven Blier, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$20-\$60. (800) 221-1229

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With conductor and pianist Christoph Eschenbach, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; With Eschenbach and violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26. \$20-\$55; Members of the CSO perform chamber music with Eschenbach, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$22-\$36. (800) 221-1229

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With conductor Neeme Jarvi and pianist Murray Perahia performing Tobias' "Overture to Julius Caesar," and Schumann's "Piano Concerto," and Nielsen's "Symphony No. 5." 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; With conductor Neeme Jarvi and cellist Wendy Warner, performing Schuman's "New England Triptych," soprano Valerie Yova and baritone Dino Valle and Quinto Milillo. \$15 per person and include concert and afterglow refreshments. \$25 patron tickets include concert, afterglow, and your name printed in the program. (313) 691-5537. With the Lyonla Symphony Orchestra, baritone Dino Valle, and award winning sopranos Huraman and Fidan Kasimova from Baku, Azerbaijan, 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$50, \$30, \$25, \$20, \$15. (313) 833-3700/464-2741

WINDSOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"No Fills Friday," 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26; "Finlandia: 50th Anniversary Tribute," 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. (800) 387-6579

POPS/SWING

ATOMIC FIREBALLS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Mill Street Lounge below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E.

Huron, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Mill Street Lounge below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362/(313) 996-8555

INDIGO SWING
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$8. 18 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

AUDITIONS

AVON PLAYERS
Open auditions for Garson Kanin comedy "Born Yesterday," 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21-Monday, Sept. 22, at the Avon Playhouse on Tienken Road east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. Performances Nov. 7-9, 14-16, 20-22. (248) 651-9518

CHRISTINA'S DANCE CLASS
Auditions adults with a minimum of two years experience in classical ballet for third-grade level class, 11:15 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, and Tuesday, Sept. 30, at 5526 Drake Road (between West Maple and Walnut Lake roads), Farmington Hills. Classes begin in October. (248) 473-1170/(248) 960-0778

CONLEN PRODUCTIONS
Open auditions for boy and girl sopranos for the role of Amahl in "Amahl and the Night Visitors" 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, at Covenant Community Church, 25800 Student St. (off Beech Daly one block north of Five Mile), Redford. Rehearsals begin immediately for performances Dec. 27-28 and Jan. 3-4. (313) 459-2332

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS
Auditions, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark Road (between I-95 and Lyndon), Livonia. Tenor and bass voices especially needed. Membership not restricted to Livonia residents, and sight-reading is not a requirement. (313) 525-1447

MOSAIC YOUTH THEATRE ENSEMBLE
Auditions for actors, singers/songwriters and designers/technicians (ages 12-18) 5:30-9 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 22-24 at the Visitor's Center in Historic Fort Wayne, 6325 West Jefferson at Livernois. No experience necessary, nine month training and performance program, call for an audition time. (313) 554-1422

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL YOUTH CHOIR
Audition/Master Class for ages 9-13 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 at the arts center, 774 North Sheldon, Plymouth (for holiday concert performance Saturday, Dec. 19). Upon acceptance there is a participation fee of 125. (313) 416-4ART.

STAGECRAFTERS
Auditions for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21-Monday, Sept. 2, at the theater, 415 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. Roles are available for 13 men and four women. Script cut is available from the theater office. Performances are Nov. 14-16, 19-23, and 28-30. Stagecrafters Youth Theatre auditions for "The Velvetten Rabbit" (ages 8-17) 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 for performances Dec. 11-14. (248) 641-4832

TROY PLAYERS
Auditions for "The Foreigner," a comedy by Larry Shue, 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22-

Tuesday, Sept. 23. New Troy Community Center (the old Troy High School), 3179 Livernois, Troy. Auditions will be cold readings from the script. Performance dates are Nov. 14-16, and Nov. 21-23. (248) 879-1285

WYANDOTTE COMMUNITY THEATRE'S YOUTH THEATRE
Auditions for males and females from first grade through adult seniors (non-musical) 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 and 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at First United Methodist Church, 72 Oak Street at Biddle, Wyandotte. For performances of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" Dec. 5-6. (313) 438-0126

WORKSHOP

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA-REDFORD
Is hosting a children's acting workshop for children in kindergarten through ninth grade for six weeks beginning Saturday, Oct. 4, at the playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$45. (313) 531-0554

CHORAL

GLENN DRAPER SINGERS
Thursday, Sept. 25 at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. \$10 adults, \$5 children under age 12. (313) 875-7407

JAZZ

SEAN BLACKMAN
With John Arnold, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 544-1141

JACK BROKENSHA TRIO
Featuring guest saxophonist Russ Miller, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18; With his quartet, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 drink minimum waived with dinner purchase. (248) 474-4800

JAMES DAPOGNY
Jazz pianist performs as part of B'Jazz Vespers concert 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, First Baptist Church, 300 Willits (at Bates), Birmingham. Free. All ages. (248) 644-0550

GROOVE COLLECTIVE
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (acid jazz) (313) 833-9700

JEFF HAMILTON TRIO
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25-Saturday, Sept. 27, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15. 21 and older. (313) 662-8310

HANSOLO
With Acufuncture perform as part of "The Sessions," 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-2747

KIMMIE HORNE SHOW
Jazz and pop Friday-Saturday, Sept. 19-20 at D.L. Harrington's Chop House, 2086 Crooks Road at M-59, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-0550

PHIL KAPUT
8 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Sept. 20, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 546-1400

MIKE KAROUB'S CELLO JAZZ
8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Tuscan Cafe, 150 N. Center St., Northville. Free. All ages. (248) 305-8629

KOOS KATS
7-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Bistro 313, 313 Walton Boulevard, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-7184

KATHY KOSINS TRIO
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

SHEILA LANDIS
With her trio, 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18-Friday, Sept. 19, and Thursday, Sept. 25-Friday, Sept. 26, Lentine's Southern Barbecue, 41240 Hayes Road (north of 18 Mile Road), Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (810) 412-2233 (Latin jazz/jazz)

ROBERT PIPHO TRIO
8 p.m.-midnight Thursday, Sept. 18, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

SAX APPEAL
Through Saturday, Sept. 20 at The Excavator, Southfield. (248) 889-8296

GARY SCHUNK TRIO
8 p.m.-midnight Thursday, Sept. 25, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

LOUIS SMITH TRIO
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

THE JOHN TCHICAI TRIO
With jazz dancer Linsey Dietz, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Henry Ford Community College's MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, 5101 Evergreen Road (south of Ford Road), Dearborn. \$10. All ages. (avant jazz) (313) 845-9676/(810) 775-4770/(248) 548-9888

PAUL VORNHAEN TRIO
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

ZERO
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030

ALEXANDER ZONJIC AND FRIENDS
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, and Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Scallop's, 1002 N. Main St., Rochester. \$10. 21 and older. (248) 658-2525

GEORGE WINSTON
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty, Ann Arbor. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 781-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org or (248) 645-6666

NEW AGE

GEORGE WINSTON
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty, Ann Arbor. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 781-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org or (248) 645-6666

GOSPEL

"LEST WE FORGET: LEGENDS OF DETROIT GOSPEL"
Special concert with The St. James Adult Choir, The Michigan State Reunion Choir, The Whitfield Company, Larry Whitfield, and the Whitfield Music Group, and exhibit honoring Mattie Moss Clark, The Rev. C. L. Franklin, The Rev. Charles H. Hicks Jr., and Minister Thomas A. Whitfield, emceed by Dr. Bobby Jones, host of Black Entertainment Television's "Bobby Jones Gospel," 7-9:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22, Perfecting Church, Detroit. Free but donations are accepted. (313) 897-7795

WORLD MUSIC

BLACK MARKET
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 543-4300

IMMIGRANT SUNS
With Fez, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (Eastern European) (313) 996-8555

IMMUNITY
10 p.m.-2 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Woody's Diner, 208 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 543-6911

NAJWA KARAM
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Cobo Arena, 1 Washington Boulevard, Detroit. \$22.50 and \$32.50. All ages. (Middle Eastern contemporary) (313) 983-6611

PAT'S PEOPLE
9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, and Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Cowleys' Old Village Inn, 33338 Grand River, Farmington. Cover charge. 21 and older. (Irish folk music) (248) 474-5941

UKRAINIAN NATIONAL ARMY SONG AND DANCE COMPANY
Dance troupe performs Ukrainian military and folk dances, with men's chorus and orchestra, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Chrysler Theatre in the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario, Canada. \$28.50 Canadian with \$2 discount for students and seniors. Prices include GST. (800) 387-9181

FOLK

BALDUCK MOUNTAIN RAMBLERS
9:15 p.m.-1:15 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Sunrise Sunset Saloon, 15222 Charlevoix Ave., Grosse Pointe Park. (313) 822-6080

RON CODEN
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 19-20 at O'Mara's Restaurant, 2555 Twelve Mile Road at Coolidge, Berkley. Free. For reservations call (248) 399-6750

JAN KRIST
9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 338-6200

SHAWN MULLINS
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

SUZZY ROCHE
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

JO SERRAPERRE
8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 642-9400

DICK SIEGEL
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

THE REV. BILLY C. WURTZ
With RFD Boys, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

LAURA WETZLER
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Congregation Beth Abraham Hillel Moses, 5075 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Free. All ages. (Jewish folk) (248) 851-6880

THE REV. BILLY C. WURTZ
With RFD Boys, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

SILVER STRINGS DULCIMER SOCIETY
Regional Championship Competition Winner 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 at the Dixboro Dulcimer Store, 5740 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. free. (313) 665-2357

DANCE

ANN ARBOR COUNCIL FOR TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND DANCE
Cobblestone Farm Dancers with live music by Paul Winders and popular callers Peter Baker and Robin Warner 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, \$8 (Open Jam 4-6 p.m. free, all string band musicians invited) at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, one-half mile south of I-94, Ann Arbor. (313) 662-3371/913-2078. Peach Mountain Intermediate Contra Dance 7:30-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23 (\$4) at Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road. Ann Arbor. (313) 913-0395

LONESTAR DANCE COMPANY
Country/western line dancing lessons 7-10 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays (beginner through intermediate) in Wayne, West Bloomfield, Redford, Garden City, Canton, Wyandotte. \$5 per session. (248) 348-2317

MOTOR CITY JAM
Featuring Savoy Lindy Hop legend Frankie Manning, former World Swing Dance champion Debbie Ramsey, Internationally known Tapper Chazz Young, the premiere of Michigan Humanities Council/National Endowment for the Humanities funded "Jookin', An American

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Africana Suite, workshops and dances, Friday, Sept. 26-Sunday, Sept. 28, Italian American Cultural Center, 28111 Imperial, Warren. \$109 for weekend pass, \$10-\$20 for classes only, \$35 Saturday night dinner and show. (313) 869-9385

COMEDY

ALPINE COMEDY CONNECTION
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, hypnosis show with Jim Hoke, 6706 East Highland Road (M-59), White Lake. (248) 887-8090

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
Tommy Chunn and Ross Amicucci, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18-Friday, Sept. 19, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, \$12; Vic Dibetto and Derek Richards, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25-Friday, Sept. 26, \$12, at the club, 36071 Plymouth Road, above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (313) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Chris Penny, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show packages); Taylor Mason, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show package), 2 p.m. children's matinee Sunday, Sept. 27 (\$5), 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 (\$8, \$20.95 dinner/show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
John Heffron 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18 (\$9) and 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 19-20 (\$12); Totally Unrehearsed Theatre 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24 (\$4); Leo Dufour 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25 (\$7) and 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27 (\$10), 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (313) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
Brad Upton and Kevin Kramis, Thursday, Sept. 18-Sunday, Sept. 21, Totally Unrehearsed Theatre hosts open mic night 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays; Ross Amicucci, Wednesday, Sept. 24; Craig Shoemaker and Ross Amicucci, Thursday, Sept. 25-Sunday, Sept. 27. Special engagement - \$15 Thursday and Sunday, \$17.50 Friday and Saturday, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Showtimes 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Special engagements excluded. (248) 542-9900

PAISANO'S
Taylor Mason, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package), and 2 p.m. (\$5) and 7 p.m. (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show) Sunday, Sept. 28, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

THE SECOND CITY-DETROIT
"Send in the Clones," at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit, through Oct. 2, 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Free improvisational comedy set by the cast is after every performance on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, and after the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. \$8-\$19.50. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM
September demonstration is "Seeds - What a Trip!" 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays throughout September at the museum, 219 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor. Museum hours: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays, and 1-5 p.m. Sundays. \$2.50 students, seniors, children. \$4 adults. (313) 995-KIDS

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
"Backyard Monsters: The World of Insects" display runs through Sunday, Sept. 28, at the museum, at the science center, 5020 John R. (at Warren Road), Detroit. IMAX movies include: "Special Effects," 12:45 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. Saturdays, and 1:45 p.m. Sundays; "Destiny in Space," 12:45 p.m. Sundays \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-DEARBORN
1-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 Six-Legged Scavenger Hunt searches for caterpillars, moths, butterflies, beetles, grasshoppers and other insects in the Organic Garden, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. Free. (313) 593-5338

POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Rookies, 3905 17 Mile Road, Sterling Heights. Cover charge, 21 and older, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (810) 268-9696/(248) 852-6433

JOEY LYNN B. AND THE DETROIT STREET PLAYERS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. \$5, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 278-5340

BABY JASON AND THE SPANKERS
9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

BAKED POTATO
9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, Gimmicks Inside Airway Lanes, 4825 Highland Road, Waterford. Cover charge, 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free, 21 and older. (funk) (248) 674-0426/(248) 338-6200

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS
With Gary Primich, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (blues) (313) 761-1800

THE BIZER BROTHERS
8 p.m.-midnight Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400

BLUE CAT
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18-Friday, Sept. 19, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BLUE SUIT FEATURING GENE MORGAN
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BOTFLY
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 485-5050

DAVID BOWIE
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21-Monday, Sept. 22, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets, \$32.50, available for Monday show. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-5451

BUDDY POPPS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (pop) (313) 996-2747

BUSTER'S BLUES BAND
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 360-7450

SUSAN CALLOWAY
With Motion Control and Mutes, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, The Groove Room, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. \$2 before 10 p.m., \$4 afterward, 21 and older. (roots rock/alternopop) (248) 589-3344

CATHERINE WHEEL
With Geneva, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-MELT

CHARLATANS U.K.
With Dandy Warhols, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$5. All ages. (Brit pop) (248) 334-1999

CHISEL BROS. WITH MIMI HARRIS
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

THE CIVILIANS
10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free, 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, Mr. Sport, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford Township. Free, 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110/(313) 534-7420

CLUTCH
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. All ages. (hard rock) (313) 961-MELT

THE COLONY
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$6, 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 335-8100

THE COYOTES
10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Mount Chalet, 4715 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (acoustic) (248) 549-2929

TOMMY D BLUES BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, Lumberjacks Tavern, 1655 Glengary Road, Walled Lake. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 624-6007

DEEP SPACE SIX
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (Deadhead) (313) 996-2747

RICK DERRINGER
With Robert Noll Blues Mission, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, The Palladium, 17580 Frazho, Roseville. Tickets at Ticketmaster, 18 and older. (rock/blues) (810) 778-6404

DIAMOND RIO
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$22.50 in advance, 21 and older. (country) (248) 546-7610

TIM DIAZ
With Gary Rasmussen and Dion Roddy, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older. (acoustic) (248) 544-1141

BRUCE DICKINSON
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Harpo's, 14238 Harper, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster, 18 and older. (rock) (313) 824-1700

DOG'S EYE VIEW
With Kacy Crowley, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$8.50 in advance, \$10 at the door, 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 335-8100

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-2747

RONNIE EARL AND THE BROADCASTERS
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$17 in advance, 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030

GLEN EDDIE BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-6433

ELEPHANT EAR
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E.



Rehearsing: Christopher Jones of Southfield portrays Tee, and Demetrius Taylor, Miss Marlena, in "Punk" by Patrick Burton opening for previews 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18 at 1515 Broadway Theatre, Detroit. "Punk," Burton's latest exploration of contemporary gay life, concerns a group of friends who establish a kinship and family of their own after being rejected by the family of their birth. "Punk" opens Saturday, Sept. 20 and runs weekends through Sept. 28 with a 9 p.m. curtain on Friday and Saturday, and 8 p.m. curtain Thursday and Sunday. Admission \$13, call (313) 965-1515 for tickets.

Congress, Detroit. \$5 in advance and at the door. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

EMERSON, LAKE AND PALMER
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$22.50 and \$12.50. All ages. (classic rock) (248) 377-0100

EMPIRE HIDEOUTS
With Midnight Mourning and Black Ocean Drowning, 9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7 in advance, 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-9700

"FALL MIDWEST ROCKABILLY/SWING SUMMIT"
With Robert Gordon, Twistin' Tarantulas, Atomic Fireballs, The Ballaires, and Nine Parts Devil, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster, 18 and older. (313) 833-9700

FAITH NO MORE
With Limp Bizkit, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$15 in advance and at the door. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

FATHERS OF THE ID
Celebrate release of CD with party and performance, with special guest Black Planet, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge, 18 and older. (rock) (313) 832-2355

FAT AMY
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-2747

"FLINTSTOCK '97"
With the Rustic Overtones (rock/reggae/ska), Peter Mulvey (modern rock guitar), Army of Juan (ska), The Dan-K Trio (reggae), Formula Five (blues), Fudge Gun (straight edge punk), Full on the Mouth (techno modern rock), Lack of Afro (psychedelic funk), Liquid Eclipse (ambient funk metal), Phunky Lab Monkeys (Latin rap), The Wives of Bath (art pop), and Cultural Vibes (DJs), 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Willson Park on the campus of University of Michigan - Flint. \$5 with student ID. \$7.50 general admission, available through Ticketmaster. (810) 762-3431

FOOLISH MORTALS
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free, 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26 Saturday, Sept. 27, Mr. Sports, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford Township. Free, 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110. (313) 534-7420

STEWART FRANCKE
With Barb Payton, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Atwater Block Brewery, 237 Jos Campau, Hamtramck. Cover charge, 21 and older. (rock) (313) 393-2337

GREG GARING
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$6 in advance and at the door, 18 and older. (248) 335-8100

GENE LOVES JEZEBEL
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$5, 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 334-1999

ISAAC GREEN AND THE SKALARS
With The Articles and Magalog, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT

OUTTERMOUTH
With Snuff and One Hit Wonder, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. All ages. (punk) (313) 961-MELT

CATFISH HODGE
With Jim McCarty and Mystery Train, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

HOLY COWS
Celebrate release of new album "Blueberry" with in-store performance at 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Tower Records, 1214 S. University, Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 741-9600

HOWLING DIABLOS
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$7, 18 and older. (funk/rock) (248) 544-3030

JILL JACK
7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury, Dearborn. Free. All ages; 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older. (roots rock) (313) 271-4442/(248) 544-1141

JIMMIE HASKIN AND THE BLUES CONNECTION
9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23-Wednesday, Sept. 24, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

J.C. SUPERSTAR
With Sofa, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3, 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-8555

JOYRIDE
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-2747

JOE LABEAU AND THE COOL FLAMES
9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 451-1213

JOHN D. LAMB
Solo, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge, 21 and older, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, Ernie's Kings Mill, 16655 19 Mile Road, Clinton Township. Free, 21 and older. (248) 332-HOWL/(810) 286-8435

LIGHTNIN' CREOLE
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

JOHNNY LITTLE
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Plymouth Salem High School auditorium, 46181 Joy Road, Canton. \$7 tickets on sale at Repeat the Beat, 770 Penniman, Plymouth, and Framework stores at 44730 Ford Road, Canton Township, and at 833 Penniman, Plymouth. All ages. (country) (313) 416-2800/(313) 416-9291/(313) 459-3666/(313) 459-3355

LUCKY HASKINS
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Mill Street Lounge below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Cover charge, 21 and older. (rockabilly) (248) 333-2362

LUNA
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance, 18 and older. (alternopop) (313) 833-PHON

MAGIC DRAGON
With Professors of Faith, 9 p.m. Friday,

Sept. 26, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge, 18 and older. (rock) (313) 832-2355

TAJ MAHAL AND THE PHANTOM BLUES BAND
With Anders Osborne, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17 in advance, 18 and older. (blues) (313) 833-9700

THE MAYPOPS
With Lucky Haskins, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4, 19 and older. (rockabilly) (313) 996-8555

JIM MCCARTY AND MYSTERY TRAIN
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free, 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free, 21 and older; With Catfish Hodge, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 855-3110/(248) 349-9110/(313) 581-3650

MOONPIE FONTANA
9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

MORRISSEY
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (pop) (313) 764-8350

MORSEL
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 485-5050

MOTION CONTROL
With The Mutes, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, The Groove Room, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 589-3344

MOTOR JAM
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 360-7450

MUDPUDDY
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

MU330
6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT

STEVE NARDELLA TRIO
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 451-1213/(248) 644-4800

NOBODY'S BUSINESS
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free, 21 and older; 10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free, 21 and older. (rockabilly) (248) 338-6200/(248) 349-9110

ROBERT NOLL BLUES MISSION
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19-Saturday, Sept. 20, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. \$5, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, New Detroit, 655 Beaubien (at Fort Street), Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 278-5340/(313) 963-3355

OUTER DRIVE
With Flow Mojo and Nova, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, The Groove Room, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. \$2 before 10 p.m., \$4 afterward, 21 and older. (rock) (248) 589-3344

PANSY DIVISION
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance and at the door. All ages. (gay-themed punk) (313) 961-MELT

PANTERA
With Coal Chamber and Machine Head, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$22.50 reserved and general admission floor. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100

ROBERT PENN
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 855-3110/(248) 644-4800

KELLY JO PHELPS AND DAVE ALVIN
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (acoustic country/blues/blues) (313) 761-1800

PURPLE FLY
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge, 18 and older. (funk) (313) 832-2355

GARY RASMUSSEN
2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (blues) (248) 737-0110

REGULAR BOYS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 855-3110

RIGHTeous WILLY
10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free, 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

DINING

Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe offers a slice of home

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Mary Denning who is celebrating the fifth anniversary of the opening of Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe Inc. in Westland says she'll never be rich, but oh what a difference she makes.

"I like to give back to the community," she said. "Everyone knows I'm a soft touch."

Denning is one of more than 60 restaurant, beverage distributors and specialty food makers participating in the Culinary Extravaganza, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at the McDowell Center on the campus of Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

"This is the fourth year we're participating," she said. "It gives people an opportunity to taste what we do, and our employees can see what's going on in the world. It's a fun day."

She's also helping organize a benefit for the Leukemia Society of America noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at Oak Plaza mall with her other mall neighbors.

"The community's been so good to me, I want to give back," said Denning adding the Sept. 27 event is a joint effort involving everyone in the mall. "Everyone's been so nice about participating

Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe, Inc.
Where: 8036 N. Wayne Road, Westland, (313) 261-3680.
Hours: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday-Friday; 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.
Menu: Cakes, pastries including muffins, cookies, and coffee cakes, Copper Country Pasties, Chicken Pot Pies (Wednesdays), specialty coffees, teas, hot chocolate and Ocean Spray Slushes. Gift baskets available.
Coming Event
Leukemia Society of America Benefit - noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Oak Plaza Mall, 8020 N. Wayne Road, (next to Wendy's). Day of fun at for the family to benefit the Leukemia Society of America. Activities include David Nadeau "The Magic Man," "Prof the Clown" and her fancy balloons; Cake Walk; Limbo Contest; Laser Shoot-Outs, Face Painting, Pizza Eating Contest, and photos with your favorite mice. Raffle tickets to win a variety of prizes including gift certificates for dinner donated by Cleopatra's Restaurant, which is also participating in the event; Ernesto's and Water Club Grill in Plymouth.

and helping," she said.

Since opening on Oct. 5, 1992, Denning has doubled her bakery by expanding into the building next door. There are eight tables where you can unwind, sip coffee, and enjoy one of Denning's mouth-watering pastries including cakes, muffins, coffee cakes, and cookies. She also offers low-fat muffins.

Tuesday was a slow day so Denning decided to introduce Copper Country Pasties made

with beef, rutabaga, and potatoes, just like her mother made.

"I'm from up north, I grew up in Hancock," explained Denning. "We started doing pasties on Tuesdays, but then we started making them everyday because of the demand. People wanted me to make a chicken pasty, but my mother would come back to haunt me, so I started making chicken pot pies, which are available on Wednesdays."

She offers seven different fla-

vors of premium coffee, including Mary Denning's own special blend, a variety of specialty teas, hot chocolate, and Ocean Spray slushes.

On Saturdays almost every table is filled with future brides and grooms looking at books to pick out the perfect wedding cake. Denning also rents space to local crafters, and their reasonably priced wares are attractively arranged on shelves that invite browsing.

She now has two ovens, a talented team, and even gets a day off. Bakers work on one side of the bakery, cake decorators on the other.

"Everyone thinks I do everything, but I don't. I have people to help me. My staff all wants to change their name to 'Mary.' They're all very loyal and dedicated."

Still, Denning admits she's different from a lot of bakeries. "We're all scratch," she said. "We do things like you would at home. I trained people to do things my way. The decorators have to decorate cakes to look like I did it. That's what customers expect."

Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe is a relaxed place where kids are



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Anniversary: Mary Denning doubled her bakery since she opened five years ago on Oct. 5. She, and some of her staff at Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe, Inc. in Westland are participating in the Culinary Extravaganza at Schoolcraft College.

welcome and everyone smiles a lot. After all, stressed they remind people is just "desserts" spelled backwards.

"We want everyone to feel like they're home, and part of the

family," said Denning. "Our customers start out with a wedding cake, then we see them for a cake for the baby shower, and then birthdays. We're growing up with them, and celebrating all the holidays."

Schoolcraft College presents Culinary Extravaganza Sept. 21

Schoolcraft College's sixth annual Culinary Extravaganza 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 in the McDowell Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, offers a taste of 60 of metro Detroit's most popular restaurants, beverage distributors and specialty food producers.

Tickets are \$40 per person, or two tickets for \$75. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. Call (313) 462-4417 for more informa-

tion. The event, which raises money for student scholarships, will feature three floors of food and beverage samples, a silent wine auction, a raffle drawing, and mini seminars on food-related topics. Food purveyors from A.H.D. Vintners and Baron's Steakhouse to the Water Club Seafood Grill and Zingerman's Delicatessen will tempt the most refined palate with their wares.

Diners can begin with smoked salmon and caviar on wafers from Tribute in Farmington or marinated smoked salmon from MacKinnon's in Northville. They can sample pearl in the woods bisque from the Michigan Star

Clipper Dinner Train or compare the tortellini with tomato basil sauce from Edwards Cafe & Catering in Northville with the herb pasta and with tomato basil sauce from Mama Mucci's Pasta Company in Canton.

Main courses to savor include Maine lobster and rock shrimp from Morels in Bingham Farms; smoked tenderloin with dried cherries from the Capital Grille in Troy; grilled ginger chicken over couscous from Excalibur in Southfield; Black Angus pot roast from the Innkeeper at Metro Airport, or seared jump

sea scallops from Pike Street in Pontiac.

There will be samples of breads from the Great Harvest Bread Company of Northville, specialty coffees from Detroit's Cadillac Coffee Company, wines from A.H.D. Vintners in Detroit, and assorted beers from Central Distributors of Beer.

Desserts will be offered by Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe in Westland, Charley's Crab in Troy, Zingerman's Delicatessen in Ann Arbor, or Kathy's Cakes in Livonia.

Participating restaurants rep-

resent a large area in southeastern Michigan. In addition to those already mentioned, they include: Allie's American Grill at the Livonia Marriott, Bushwood Golf Course & Restaurant in Novi, Cafe Bon Homme in Plymouth, DePalma's in Livonia, Emily's in Northville, Forte in Birmingham, Golden Mushroom in Southfield, Kyoto Japanese Steak & Seafood, Macaroni Grill, Old Mexico Restaurant in Livonia and West Bloomfield, R. Leone Imports, Rocky's of Northville, Station 885 in Plymouth, and The Plymouth Land-

ing. Guitarrist Vaughn Klugh will entertain diners throughout the day with live jazz artistry.

To take a break from the gourmet food, participants can

attend one of several free mini seminars on topics such as pastries and desserts, champagne and dessert wines for the holidays, or how to work with chocolate. For those interested in fine wines, more than 100 bottles will be on display for the wine auction.

The first prize winner in the raffle will receive a framed jersey from this year's Stanley Cup champions, the Detroit Red Wings, signed by team captain Steve Yzerman. The second prize is the lease of a Jaguar for two weeks from Jaguar of Plymouth. A diamond and amethyst ring from Orin Jewelers is the third prize, and the fourth prize is a trip to Las Vegas for two at the Imperial Palace from Livonia Travel.

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