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THE WEEK AHEAD

Book time: *The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland is open noon to 5 p.m. Sunday from Labor Day to Memorial Day. The library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, south of Warren. For information, call (313) 326-6123.*

MONDAY

Busy hands: *Orientation for the new class of Creative Photo Albums will begin 10 a.m. to noon Monday. Those interested should sign up at the Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland, or call 722-7632.*

TUESDAY

Sing: *Livonia Civic Chorus is holding auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark Road, between I-96 and Lyndon, Livonia. Tenor and bass voices are especially needed. For details, call (313) 525-1447.*

WEDNESDAY

Milestone: *The Westland Chamber of Commerce will celebrate its 35th anniversary 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at Joy Manor in Westland. The event will include an electronic overview of the chamber's history.*

THURSDAY

Home Improvement: *The fifth annual Fall Remodeling Show will open Thursday and continue through Sunday at the Novi Expo Center. Westland businesses participating are David L Inc., Thermal Engineering Corporation and Five Star Air Duct Purification. For information, call (248) 737-4478.*

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Most schools post MEAP gains

■ Students in some Wayne-Westland schools posted significant gains on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test, given to fifth- and eighth-graders earlier this year. Educators vow to improve the scores of all students at local schools.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER



A new school-by-school analysis of local achievement test scores shows that Wayne-Westland students made some dramatic one-year gains, outshining their statewide counterparts in some areas.

Consider these new science and writing results from Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests, given earlier this year to fifth- and eighth-graders.

■ At Walker Elementary, 84.3 percent of fifth-graders earned a proficient, or passing, grade in writing. That marked a startling increase of 43.9 percentage points over 1996

scores and gave Walker students a double-digit lead over statewide results.

■ At Edison Elementary, 63.3 percent of fifth-graders proved their proficiency in science, a jump of 40.1 percentage points that placed them far above the state's 36.8 percent showing.

■ At Adams Middle School, 88.2 percent of eighth-graders earned a proficient ranking in writing, an 18.9 percentage-point increase that gave them an 11.2-point lead over state scores.

"We are closing the gaps," Jane Kuckel, assistant superintendent of instruction, said.

On the down side, some schools lost ground on MEAP scores. Officials

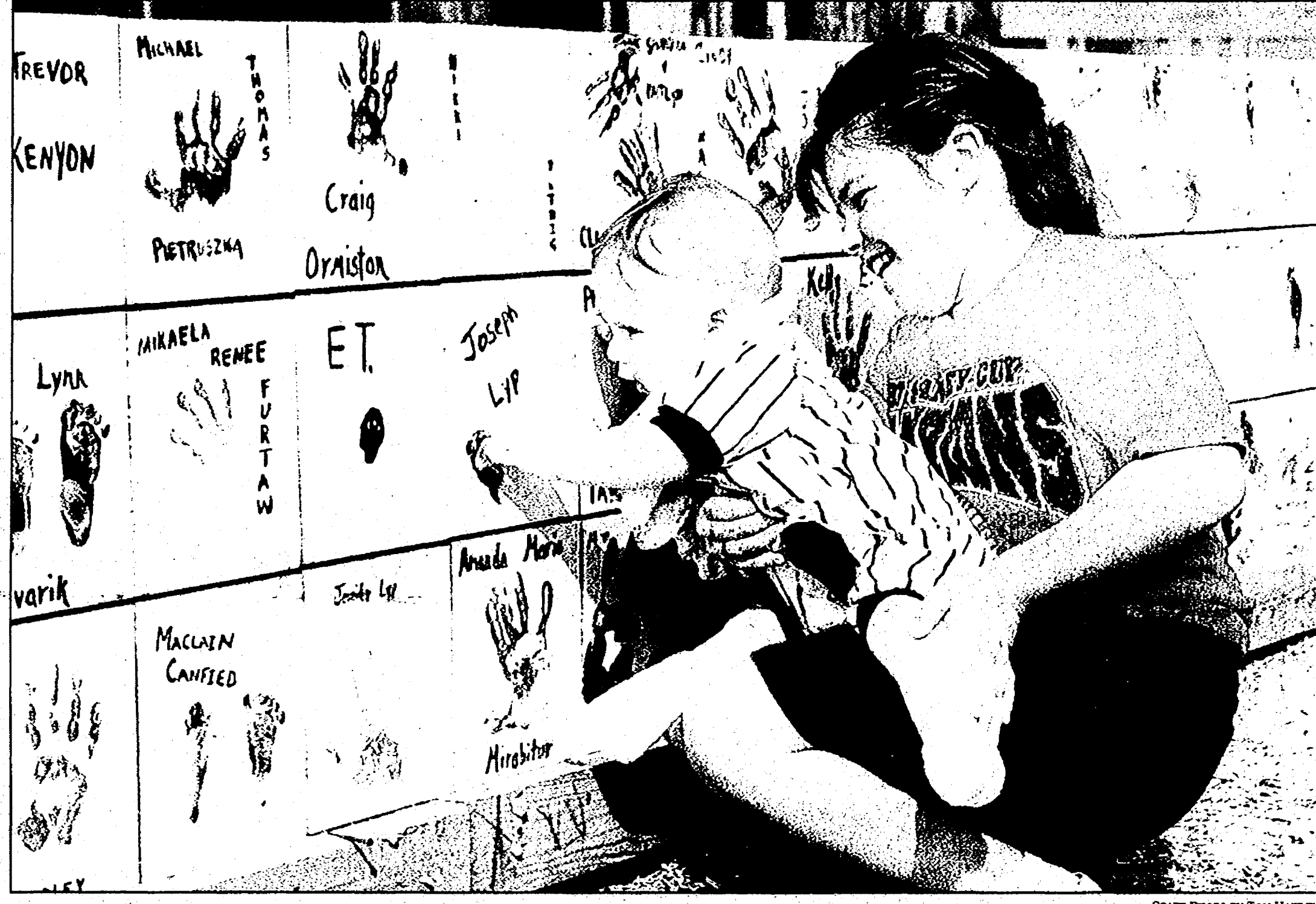
stressed that year-to-year fluctuations can be expected, but they vowed to try to reverse downward trends.

Among the problem areas:
■ Hamilton Elementary fifth-graders declined 26.6 percentage points in writing, with 54.8 percent of students earning a proficient score compared to 81.4 percent in 1996. The same students also dipped 6.5 points in science.

■ Stevenson Middle School students dropped 10.8 percentage points in eighth-grade science, but still had the best score among Wayne-Westland's four middle schools.

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All in the family



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Fun time: Jennifer Lyp, 9, of Westland and baby brother Joseph take a look at the handprint that Jennifer produced and Joseph's footprints for the Westland Playscape. The tiles will adorn the Playscape at Central City Park. The structure is now available for children to play on.

YMCA helps residents get in swim of things

All ages benefit from time in pool

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Last Monday afternoon was warm for mid-September, so the pool at the Wayne/Westland YMCA was the perfect place to be. A group of area residents were doing more than swimming for fun, however.

"They come in three times a week," said YMCA physical director Chris Cooper of Canton. The program is for people who are disabled, including those who've been in car accidents, had other head trauma or strokes.

Adaptive Aquatics is led by Dick Davis of Livonia, who got involved when a friend had a

stroke in 1979. "I wanted to help," said Davis, taking a break from his duties in the pool.

He teaches a similar program at the YMCA in Monroe. The goal is to "get them as far back to normal as we can," he said. "We do speech therapy with them also."

The age range varies, said Cooper. "We've had little kids all

the way up through seniors." The sessions generally have between five and 10 people.

"They work with him one-on-one," she said. Davis and aides work with people on a range of motion exercises.

"We invite spouses if they want to come in and swim," Cooper

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Good cause: Dick Davis has been an Adaptive Aquatics instructor for many years.

Woman recants statements in local carjacking

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A 46-year-old Westland woman has recanted earlier statements against an ex-boyfriend accused of threatening her at knifepoint, robbing her and carjacking her vehicle.

The victim, testifying Thursday during a preliminary hearing in Westland 18th District Court, said she was in shock when she told police that Glenn David Gawronski, 49, threatened her with a knife.

The incident allegedly happened about 5:20 p.m. Sept. 9 at Fountain Park Apartments on Newburgh Road between Warren and Joy.

"I really don't remember where he touched me," she said, adding that she may have "falsely told a cop" that the suspect had a knife in his hand.

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The woman said she now believes that a knife fell from a kitchen counter to the floor as she and Gawronski struggled inside her apartment — and that her ex-boyfriend never held a weapon.

"I was in a catatonic state at that time," she said. "I am no longer in a state of shock, and I remember what happened."

The woman smiled at Gawronski as she stepped down from the witness stand and walked from the courtroom, but other testimony supported the victim's initial statements to police.

Westland police Sgt. Tom Kubitsky read aloud a statement in which Gawronski allegedly admitted

breaking into the victim's apartment and attacking her when she came home from work.

Gawronski told police that he threatened the woman with a knife "just to scare her." Kubitsky said, reading from the statement. The suspect also admitted taking the victim's purse and 1995 Ford Probe, escaping before his subsequent arrest outside of Kicker's Restaurant on Plymouth Road in Livonia.

"I am very ashamed and sorry," Gawronski said in the statement read by Kubitsky.

Westland police Sgt. John Buresh testified that Gawronski, driving the victim's car, led him on a 60-mph chase for a one-mile stretch on Newburgh, before Buresh quit the pursuit. Livonia police spotted the Ford Probe and arrested the suspect a short time

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Middle school gets a new principal

William McLean has been named principal of Stevenson Middle School, leaving no vacancies in building-level top jobs for the new school year.

McLean, who had served eight years as Stevenson assistant principal, was named to the school's top post by a unanimous vote Monday by the Wayne-Westland school board.

Mathew McCusker, board vice president, said McLean has always "displayed the utmost professionalism" at Stevenson.

McLean replaces William Camp, who has been promoted to the central office position of executive director of secondary education.

McLean's new job results in an assistant principal vacancy, but all district administrative positions from the level of principal and up have been filled.

McLean began as a Wayne-

Westland substitute teacher in the early 1970s and was hired as a social studies teacher in 1974, teaching at Marshall Junior High and later Adams Junior High.

He was pink-slipped in 1982 and worked six years in the private sector before returning in 1987 to teach at Adams. In 1988-89 he transferred to the former Cherry Hill Alternative Center, working in a homebound student program and as a junior high counselor. He became Stevenson assistant principal in 1989.

In other personnel action Monday, the board hired six new teachers in an effort to provide the level of staffing needed for the 1997-98 school year. A few more new positions may be looming as district officials settle into the new school year, officials have said.

No one hurt in blaze

There were no injuries in a Friday evening fire at The Landings, Hunter and Central City Parkway in Westland.

According to a fire department spokesman, the call came in around 6:30 p.m. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, but is possibly lightning associated with Friday evening's

storm. About 15 firefighters responded, the spokesman said. The roof was partially burned and there was water damage to the apartment building.

The spokesman was unsure Saturday morning what provisions were made for lodging tenants displaced by the fire.

MEAP from page A1

Madison Elementary suffered a 6.4 percentage point drop in fifth-grade science, but still remained above the district average.

School officials caution that MEAP results are only one measure of student achievement. Nonetheless, test scores gain widespread attention and give parents one tool for gauging a school's success or failure.

Last year, Elliott school ranked dead last among 17 Wayne-Westland elementaries in fifth-grade science scores, with only 1.2 percent of students earning a proficient ranking.

This year, Elliott ranked fourth among the same 17 schools as 30.9 percent of fifth-graders earned a proficient score in science.

More startling, Elliott fifth-graders posted gains of more than 20 percentage points in both science and writing.

"The teachers are working together as a team," principal Sally Perkins said. "We're very proud."

The building has established goals, she said, and teachers are focusing closely on subject matter that students need to master to perform well on MEAP tests.

Moreover, teachers know that students in Elliott's multicultural population learn in different ways, and educators are tailoring their teaching methods to a diverse student body, Perkins said.

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"We have agreed in our building to write across the curriculum, even in math," Sanders said. "Everything is done in sentence structure."

The school also has implemented a Reading Renaissance Program that brings in community volunteers to read with students.

"We believe that if students read, they can write," Sanders said.

Anderson said students are keeping portfolios of their writing. She also said students are writing for practical purposes, such as learning to fill out job applications.

Westland Schools

New MEAP test results in grades 5 and 8

The scores below show the percentage of students who earned a proficient rating on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test. Taking the test were fifth- and eighth-graders.

Grade 5 Science				Grade 5 Writing			
School	1996	1997	Difference	School	1996	1997	Difference
Edison	23.2	63.3	+40.1	Edison	64.3	87.8	+23.5
Elliott	1.2	30.9	+29.7	Elliott	30.9	52.7	+21.8
Graham	16.0	31.6	+15.6	Graham	64.9	84.0	+19.4
Hamilton	20.6	14.0	-6.6	Hamilton	61.4	64.8	-3.4
Hicks	14.9	11.4	-3.5	Hicks	72.0	84.7	+12.7
Hoover	9.8	14.5	+4.7	Hoover	50.0	58.1	+8.1
Jefferson	2.0	10.8	+8.8	Jefferson	18.0	65.6	+47.6
Kettering	10.1	17.2	+7.1	Kettering	46.6	76.7	+30.1
Lincoln	7.0	21.7	+14.7	Lincoln	40.0	52.2	+12.2
Madison	33.3	26.9	-6.4	Madison	55.0	60.0	+5.0
Patchin	10.9	21.8	+10.9	Patchin	47.8	65.5	+17.7
Roosevelt/McGrath	20.0	17.8	-2.2	Roosevelt/McGrath	58.6	62.2	+3.6
Schweltzer	11.4	18.8	+7.4	Schweltzer	59.8	67.9	+8.1
Taft-Galloway	3.0	14.0	+11.0	Taft-Galloway	36.4	58.1	+21.7
Vanderberg	5.1	3.3	-1.8	Vanderberg	56.8	66.7	+9.9
Walker	13.3	49.0	+35.7	Walker	40.4	84.3	+43.9
Willowood	10.4	19.7	+9.3	Willowood	61.5	74.2	+12.7
District	13.0	22.8	+9.8	District	52.4	68.5	+16.1
State	26.9	38.8	+11.9	State	53.0	73.4	+20.4

Grade 8 Science				Grade 8 Writing			
School	1996	1997	Difference	School	1996	1997	Difference
Adams	8.2	8.2	Same	Adams	69.3	88.2	+18.9
Franklin	11.3	10.2	-1.1	Franklin	64.2	78.1	+13.9
Marshall	7.2	9.7	+2.5	Marshall	58.9	76.2	+17.3
Stevenson	21.5	10.7	-10.8	Stevenson	72.4	78.3	+5.9
District	12.5	9.8	-2.7	District	68.0	79.7	+11.7
State	21.5	17.5	-4.0	State	69.1	77.0	+7.9

TAMMIE GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

Anderson also said educators, in a given school year, are placing an emphasis on skills that students will face the following year on state achievement tests.

Sanders, meanwhile, said teachers are working as a team

to emphasize writing and to assess teaching methods that work - and those that don't.

"If we work as a team," she said, "the child wins."

Carjacking from page A1

later outside of Kicker's.

After testimony concluded Thursday, 18th District Judge Gail McKnight ordered Gawronski to stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on charges of carjacking, armed robbery and fleeing from police.

As McKnight was announcing her decision, the victim interrupted her in an apparent attempt to support Gawronski, but the judge ordered her to remain quiet or warned that she would be held in contempt of court.

The victim and Gawronski had lived together for four years and

have been involved in an on-again, off-again relationship, police said. The suspect had spent the night at the woman's apartment just prior to the incident.

The victim testified that she had driven Gawronski to a bus stop on the morning of the incident, but said he was in her apartment when she came home from work.

"He overpowered me and got the purse," she said.

Police have said the woman followed Gawronski outside to a parking lot where he got into her car and started the engine, as

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she reached inside an open door and tried to get the keys.

Police also said the woman was knocked down by the door as Gawronski pulled away.

On Thursday, defense attorney George Dovas argued in court that charges against the suspect should be reduced from armed

robbery to larceny and from carjacking to the unauthorized driving away of the victim's vehicle.

McKnight disagreed and ordered Gawronski to appear for an Oct. 2 arraignment in circuit court.

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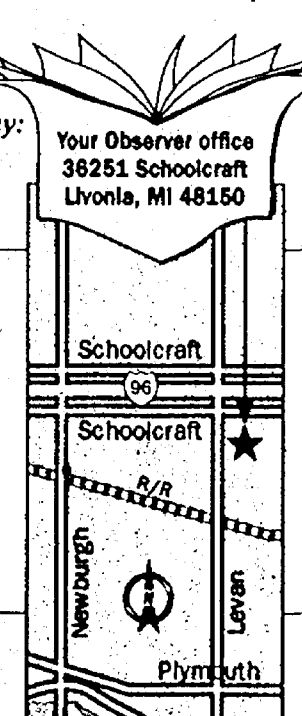
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Orthodontics

by Josephine Finazzo, D.M.D.

JAWS II

In the ideal bite, the teeth of the upper jaw slightly overlap those of the lower jaw so that the points of the molars fit into the grooves of the opposing molars. In those cases where the lower jaw is significantly smaller than the upper jaw, the upper teeth may protrude excessively over the lower teeth to create what is known as the overbite. Conversely, if the lower jaw is larger than the upper, the upper front teeth can bite behind the lower ones to produce an underbite. When significant discrepancies exist between the upper and lower jaws, in an adult non-growing patient, orthognathic surgery may be indicated. However, in most cases, these problems can be adequately treated with various orthodontic appliances. In a growing child, the jaw structure itself may be corrected with appliances. Many orthodontic problems can cause abnormal wear of tooth surfaces, excess stress on supporting bone and gum tissue, or misalignment of the jaw joints with resultant chronic headaches or pains in the face or neck. All corrective appliances have but one aim...to use gentle pressure to move teeth into their proper positions. New techniques and materials have decreased the discomfort of wearing braces, the frequency of office visits, treatment time, and overall cost. Today's column has been presented by THE ORTHODONTIC GROUP, 19223 Merriman (442-8885).

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Gay issue resurfaces

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Former Wayne-Westland school board president Patricia Brown, a lesbian who lost her reelection bid June 9, hasn't been honored by her ex-colleagues for serving a four-year term.

Departing board members in past years have been awarded plaques for their community service, but Brown, 33, has a theory why she hasn't been honored.

"I think it's just another sign of homophobic attitudes," she told the Observer. "Of all the things I contributed as a board member, it's pathetic the one thing I'm remembered for is the fact that I'm gay, and that is such a fraction of who I am."

The issue arose when Wayne-Westland teacher retiree Elizabeth Potter questioned why the board hasn't honored Brown. Potter, a 41-year local teacher, raised the issue Monday during a board meeting that drew gays and their supporters.

Board president Debra Fowlkes responded that Brown hasn't attended any board meetings since her June 9 defeat, and she said the board would be "glad" to honor Brown if would agree to return to accept an award.

Brown, a Canton Township resident, said the board has never asked her to come to a meeting to be honored for her four-year term.

Potter raised the issue Monday as gays and their supporters addressed board members and criticized their decision to omit the term "sexual orientation" from policies protecting students



Patricia Brown

and school employees from harassment.

The board added the term in January, when Brown was on the board, and then omitted it in August, after she had been defeated for re-election.

Brown came under attack during her campaign not only for supporting the policies, but also for her personal lifestyle, which she said didn't affect her ability to make sound decisions for the school district.

School board members and Superintendent Greg Baracy said sexual orientation was omitted from a list of other terms, such as race, religion and marital status, under advice from attorney Joseph Bennett.

Bennett advised the board that it could be more susceptible to lawsuits by adding sexual orientation to its policies.

However, gays and their supporters said Monday that the board has placed itself in a more precarious legal position by deleting the term. They also said gay students and employees are afraid to speak out because they have no official protection from harassment or potential violence.

Board members said other policies already protect all students and employees from harassment.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Getting some help: Aide Sylvia Coaster works with Sherman Purvis during a session in the Wayne/Westland YMCA pool.

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said.

The water's beneficial in several ways, she has found. It makes people float and allows non-walkers to move their limbs

through the water with the aid of a flotation device.

"Everybody is different," said Davis, 78. He indicates one person who had a car accident fol-

lowed by a stroke. Others have different conditions.

"We have had people in here that are blind," he said.

For information on the

Wayne/Westland YMCA's offerings, call 721-7044.

The YMCA is at 827 S. Wayne, south of Cherry Hill in Westland.

PLACES & FACES

Special visitors

A visit and tour by a number of Taiwanese business students from the Madonna University Exchange Program is planned for the morning of Friday, Sept. 26, at the William D. Ford Career/Technical Center in Westland. The tour will focus on the construction site and main campus programs.

Madonna University's Dr. Kathleen Herschelmann and 15 Taiwanese educators visited the center last year at this time and enjoyed the experience. Herschelmann would like to expose the new group to American vocational and career training methods.



Kienzle



Grace



Meadows



Schenkel

Author, author

Four Michigan mystery authors will participate in a panel discussion 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway, south of Warren.

William X. Kienzle, Tom Grace, Lee Meadows and S.E. Schenkel will speak during the evening program in the library's Community Meeting Room. The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and Murder Mystery & Mayhem, a mystery bookstore in Farmington.

Free tickets for the event are available at the reception desk of the library.

The event will start with music from a chamber wind trio. In addition to speaking, authors will autograph their books. Cake from Mary Denning's Cake Shop will be served.

To reserve tickets or for information, call the library at (313) 326-6123.

More on books

A Book Discussion Group will meet at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland. It will meet 7-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month from October through May in the Community Meeting Room.

The first discussion will be Tuesday, Oct. 21, on "Spyder Web" by Ann Arbor author Tom Grace. Grace will appear that night to talk about his book and espionage thrillers.

Grace will also appear at the library's "Night of Mystery" Wednesday, Oct. 1.

On Tuesday, Nov. 18, the discussion will feature Clifford Stoll's "The Cuckoo's Egg," the true story of a graduate student who caught spies hacking into U.S. government computers via the Internet. This book is also available as a book on tape.

Book Discussion Group participants are expected to have read, or listened to, the books and to be prepared to discuss them.

For more information or to reserve books, call the library at (313) 326-6123.

Confronting violence

For the third year, Westland Parks and Recreation along with the Westland Rotary Club, the Westland Fire Department and the Westland Police Department will host "Turn Off the Violence Night." It will be 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9.

Children in kindergarten through eighth grade are invited to turn off their televisions and spend a few hours doing something positive with their parents and families by coming to the Bailey Recreation Center at 36651 Ford in Westland and Tattan Park, just east of the center. The John Glenn Marching Band will open this event, after which there will be many activities for families.

There will be a bonfire and sing-along, arts and crafts activities, games, open basketball in the gym and other surprises.

Some of the new activities this year will include storytelling by a children's librarian and a magic show by magician Randy Shaw. Clowns Around Redford will also be on hand. For information, call Bob Kosowski or Margaret Martin at (313) 722-7620.

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BRIDGET WALMSLEY

Funeral services for Bridget Walmsley, 95, of Westland were in St. Sabina Church with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Local arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mrs. Walmsley, who died Sept. 16 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne, was born in Northern Ireland. She was a housekeeper for medical facilities.

Surviving are: daughter, Shirley; grandson, Christopher; great-grandchildren, Jaime Lee Stetter and Leesa Renaye Stetter. Mrs. Walmsley was preceded in death by daughter, Mary; son, Robert; and granddaughter, Maribridget Stetter.

MARIAN GRIDER

Funeral services for Marian Grider, 86, of Westland were in Harry J. Will Funeral Home with burial at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. Jack Baker.

Mrs. Grider died Sept. 15.

Surviving are: son, Earl; sister, Naomi Selba; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Mrs. Grider was preceded in death by husband, Warren.

GLADYS THOMPSON

Funeral services for Gladys Thompson, 68, of Westland were in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Southern Michigan Services, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Roy Forsyth.

Mrs. Thompson died Sept. 6 at her Westland residence. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: daughters, Donna Roberts, Kim Schuh; brothers, J.G. Brooks of Pontiac, Billy Brooks of Ardmore, Ala.; sisters, Clara Bucha of Ardmore, Ala., Shirley Ingarm of Burton, Ala., Doris Vanzert of Hilard, Fla.; five grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Thompson was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin.

DUSTIN D.J. SCHELL

Funeral services for Dustin Schell, 26, of Westland were in McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel. Cremation rites were accorded. Memorial contributions may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, 851 Canton Center Road, Canton 48187.

Mr. Schell, who died Sept. 10 in Westland, was born in Livonia. He worked for Ford Motor Co., Wayne Assembly Plant. He was a 1988 Pinckney High School graduate.

Surviving are: parents, Eleanor Spicer of Pinckney and Albert Schell of Southgate; brothers, Brett Shady of Canton Township and Allan Shady of Northville; sisters, Corrine Shady of Canton Township, Carrie Shady of Westland, Kyann Schnarr of Jacksonville, Fla.

VICTORIA L. DYC

Private services for Victoria Dyc, 96, of Westland were arranged by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dyc, who died Sept. 16 in Westland, was born in Canada. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: sons, Richard Fatafski of Westland and James Fatafski of Las Vegas, Nev.; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Mrs. Dyc was preceded in death by daughter, Sophia Jones.

ARTHUR V. PHILLIPS JR.

Funeral services for Arthur Phillips Jr., 72, of Westland were in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton. Officiating was the Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran Church, Canton. Cremation rites were accorded.

Mr. Phillips, who died Sept. 17 in Detroit, was born in Binghamton, N.Y. He was a teacher.

Surviving are: wife, Rose; sons, Arthur III, Christopher; daughter, Sharon Wethington; sisters, Muriel Both, Rita Whipfler; and five grandchildren.

Future uncertain for Delphi plant workers

By TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

General Motors Corp. announced Thursday it intends to sell some of its parts-making business, meaning 247 workers at the Delphi Automotive Systems plant in Livonia have a clouded future.

Delphi spokesman Mike McCurdy said that while the coil-springs business is being offered on the market, he doesn't see the need for employees to worry about their jobs.

"Workers will have the opportunity to stay with General Motors or a new employer," said McCurdy. "We don't anticipate any layoffs."

The Delphi Chassis Plant in Livonia employs about 1,000 people. Approximately 750 workers, who are utilized in the leaf-springs and strut assembly operations, are in the second year of a 4-year phase-out program.

McCurdy says attrition and transfers will take care of those workers. He says a new buyer could buy or lease the building and the remaining operations.

A union official said they haven't had time to

digest how the announcement will affect employees at the Livonia plant.

United Auto Workers Union Local 262 members are still working under the 1996 national contract agreement. The UAW-GM contract runs two more years, meaning worker wages and benefits are protected through September 1999. After that time, employees who remained with a new owner would work under the terms of a newly negotiated contract.

General Motors' announcement means the jobs of 11,300 employees worldwide, including 1,920 in Michigan, are on the block.

Thursday's announcement is a continuing effort by General Motors to rid itself of costly parts-making facilities.

It was last December that General Motors announced it was selling its Delphi Interior and Lighting Systems factory on Plymouth Road in Livonia.

Peregrine, Inc., a Southfield firm, took over operations Jan. 2. At the time, the sale affected 1,000 hourly employees who assembled interior door panels.

Candidates to air views at forums

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a variety of activities in the coming weeks.

On Wednesday, Oct. 8, the Government Affairs Committee will host a Candidate Forum featuring the candidates for Westland City Council. The event will be held 8-9:30 a.m. at Joy Manor, on Joy between Middlebelt and Inkster in Westland.

Candidates to be featured are Sandra Cicirelli, Charles "Trav" Griffin, Richard LeBlanc, Dennis LeMaitre, Sharon Scott and Dorothy Smith. Reservations must be made by Thursday, Oct. 2.

LeMaitre and Smith are challenging the four incumbents. Tickets are \$6, including a buffet breakfast. For reservations, call 326-7222.

On Wednesday, Oct. 22, a

CHAMBER

Mayoral Candidate Forum will feature Mayor Robert Thomas and challenger Kenneth Mehl, a former city council member. The event will be held at noon at Joy Manor. Reservations must be made and a 24-hour cancellation notice must be given. Price is \$12. Reservations should be made early by calling 326-7222.

On a lighter note, the chamber will offer a fashion show with Nicole Christ at the October Business Luncheon 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, at the Hellenic Cultural Center. Several chamber members will be models for the event. Luncheon is \$13 for chamber members. For information, call 326-7222.



Nov. 4 election: Mayor Robert Thomas (top) will face challenger Kenneth Mehl in the general election. The two men will be featured at a chamber forum Oct. 22.



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Group to improve nursing homes meets Monday in Faust library

A Coalition for the Improvement of Nursing Homes is a newly-formed grass roots group interested in the improvement of nursing home conditions in the state of Michigan through legislative and social action.

ACTION! will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the William Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, in Westland.

State lawmakers have been invited to the meeting to discuss

pending legislation concerning nursing homes.

The group's goals are to increase qualified staffing levels in Michigan nursing homes and require background checks on all staff.

The group hopes to influence legislation through personal contacts with lawmakers, build coalitions with groups with similar interests and build public awareness.

Madonna marks 50th with free events

Madonna University is celebrating its 50 anniversary by inviting friends, alumni and the public to its homecoming, Golden Days Gala, on Saturday, Sept. 27.

The event is free and the public is invited.

Festivities kick off at 10 a.m. with a classic car show which will also feature racing cars

from Roush Racing of Livonia. Some of the cars included in the show are a 1936 Packard, 1932 Plymouth and 1966 Mustang. The display will be held in the parking lot facing Schoolcraft and Levan roads and will take place until 4 p.m.

At 1 p.m. the doors to the Activity Center on Madonna's campus will open and offer a

wide variety of family entertainment.

The party will feature dances, including the Livonia Ballet Ensemble and Just For Kicks Dancers, and a fashion show of the decades; an appearance by Elvis; a children's entertainment corner with clowns, a magician and a theatre group; 50 decorated cakes and a cake walk; prize give-

aways; and an environmentally-friendly balloon launch.

Complimentary food will also be provided and events conclude at 4 p.m.

A liturgy service will take place at 4:15 p.m. at Kresge Hall.

For more information, call the Office of Marketing and Public Relations at (313) 432-5741.

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Sign of the times: Valerie Earle at right and 17-year-old daughter Jessica show the "Student Driver" flag Valerie created. It's designed to put on cars when students are driving with their parents to avoid road hassles.

Mother's flag urges road caution

BY CASEY HANS
STAFF WRITER

In Valerie Earle's case, she's waving the yellow flag - for caution on the road.

The Livonia resident and mother of two teen-age daughters has created a "student driver" flag similar to those seen on vehicles throughout Michigan during the Detroit Red Wings hockey playoffs.

It was those popular Wing flags and a change in Michigan's driving licensing laws which prompted her to create the yellow and black car-top flags, which she is now selling.

So far, she has received interest from around the Livonia area and from other communities including Belleville, Bloomfield, Farmington and as far away as Lansing.

"When I saw the Red Wings flags in May, I thought 'This is perfect,'" she said. "I thought the more recognition this gets, the more people will realize there are a lot of student drivers out there."

"The more of these that get out, the safer the streets will be for my 17-year-old."

It was her daughters, 17-year-old Jessica and 15-year-old Elizabeth, both Churchill High School students, Earle is most concerned about. Among other restrictions, changes in Michigan driver's licensing laws now require a parent to spend 50 hours on the road with a child before he or she receives a driver's license.

"When I started doing the math, I discovered there are about 150,000 (students in driver's training) at any given time just in southeast Michigan," she added. "That's a lot of time on the road."

The problem, Earle said, is that most drivers don't realize that there is a young driver on the road still learning. During driver's training, cars are well-marked; during the 50-hour parental stint, they are not.

This is where Earle's simple bright yellow flag with black,

PEOPLE

block lettering comes in.

During Jessica's time on the road, many drivers tailgated, got angry and intimidated her not realizing that she was still in training.

"A lot of people are very impatient out there," the 17-year-old Churchill senior said. "People were cutting me off a lot, honking at me. You name it, it happened. I couldn't concentrate for anything."

Jessica said since she now has experience, she is more confident, but "very cautious. I have to learn to be patient."

Earle said she might be more sensitive to impatience and drivers' attitudes on the road, because she lost her husband in a car accident.

"I'm probably more cautious than most parents," she added.

Earle has contacted several large insurance agencies, such as AAA of Michigan and Allstate, who have safe driving programs for teens. She hopes to be able to work with them using her flags in their programs.

She said some groups who represent the disabled have also shown an interest in the flags as an aid for stroke victims and others who have to relearn how to drive.

She has also written to Gov. John Engler and is contacting her state representatives to gain their support in changing the law to require that cars be marked somehow during the 50-hour training drives. "They've kind of left a gap" in the law, she added.

"I just hope this whole thing will make it easier on younger drivers and safer for all of us," Earle added.

Earle can be contacted between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at (313) 522-5640. She is selling an initial order of 100 flags for \$19.95 each, which includes shipping and handling.

Native school to open in area

BY JEFF COUNTS
STAFF WRITER

A charter school based on Native American learning ideas will open on Monday with about 100 students in a Redford Township church.

Backers of Turtle Island Learning Circle had been hoping to locate at the Wilson School in Westland, but eventually signed a lease with St. James Presbyterian Church on Six Mile.

"We'll probably outgrow the church by January," said Geo Fuhst of Redford, a school organizer.

A Native American style opening ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m. today at the church, located at 2530 W. Six Mile. The public is invited and students can still be signed up.

"We've got about 100 students signed up right now, but we can accept more," said Fuhst. "About 32 percent of the students come from Native backgrounds."

The school is open to all students from the sixth through the 10th grades, regardless of their background. There is no tuition cost. Money to support the school will come from the state.

So far, there are students from Detroit, Redford, Dearborn and from the Downriver area.

The school has a charter from Oakland University and will follow the state Department of Education core and model curricula.

The school has 25 teachers and learning advocates who will be in the classroom. It won't have a principal and instead will be run by a team of five teachers.

Although there was an effort to hire Native American teachers, not all are from Indian backgrounds, he said.

The middle school grades were selected because school backers say that is the point at which students start to display their most serious problems.

Also, Native American children have the additional burdens placed upon them by the inherited differences in their mental, spiritual and physical makeup.

Pride in their identity and culture is gradually undermined by the Euro-American perspective of history and science textbooks as well as the prevalent set of values taught in the public school setting, according to school material.

Fuhst, who is a Redford Union school board member, said the school's vision and purpose "is to provide an educational environment which is nurturing and unlimited. Whole brain and hands-on approaches, which have been used throughout North American Indian history and are being used today in the country's best schools."

Fuhst, an Ojibwe, is president of Indian World, a non-profit organization that is helping the school get started.

Even the name of the school reflects a Native American perspective. Turtle Island is the Indian name for North America.

The use of the term learning circle represents the Native American view that life is a sacred circle in which all learning takes place. In that circle, all things are related.

The school will also look at American history in terms of a long time line. According to school material, most schools start teaching history as though it started in 1492.

"If we look at the entire scope of our people's time on this continent as a circle, the last 500 years is a very small segment of an arc," according to the material.

For information about the school, call (313) 535-7810. Applications can be picked up at the school's business office, 17321 Telegraph Road, Suite 207. The new school's phone number is 387-5908.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 2, 1997

Present were Mayor Breen, Councilmembers Barker, Wiacek, Leclercq, Ryall, Juarez, and Dodge. Absent none. Also present were City Manager Bayless, City Clerk-Treasurer Showalter, City Attorney Cummings, and Department of Public Service Director Barnes.

Moved by Leclercq; supported by Dodge: 9-97-336 RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 18, 1997 and the Special Council Meeting of August 18, 1997. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Ryall; supported by Leclercq: 9-97-337 RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable, as listed. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Barker; supported by Juarez: 9-97-338 RESOLVED: To approve the use of \$60,000.00 CDBG funds for ADA restrooms at the Library so that portion of the library grant can be used for ceiling asbestos removal. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Barker: 9-97-339 RESOLVED: To approve the resolution creating a Local Law Endorsement Block Grant Advisory Board, as recommended by Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Leclercq; supported by Wiacek: 9-97-340 RESOLVED: To call for a Public Hearing on September 29, 1997, at 7:10 p.m., to hear public comments on the request for rezoning at 29611 Ford Road from R-2 to CBD, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Wiacek; supported by Leclercq: 9-97-341 RESOLVED: To call for a Public Hearing for September 19, 1997, at 2:00 p.m., to hear public comments on the request for rezoning at 1858 Middlebelt Road from O-1 to CBD, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Ryall: 9-97-342 RESOLVED: To approve a change order in the amount of 475,942.00 to the Mattioli Cement contract for purposes of adding concrete street repair.

Moved Barker; 9-97-343 RESOLVED: To amend Resolution 9-97-342 to use on Beechwood west of Merriman. Motion died for lack of support. 9-97-342 AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek: 9-97-344 RESOLVED: To approve a Budget Amendment and Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$75,922.00, to the Local Street Fund, as recommended by Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Baker; supported by Wiacek: 9-97-345 RESOLVED: To approve the guidelines for the Subordination of Special Assessment Levies, as recommended by Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Juarez; supported by Ryall: 9-97-346 RESOLVED: To approve the resolution resolving that September 15 through September 21, 1997, be Pollution Prevention Week in the City of Garden City, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Ryall; supported by Dodge: 9-97-347 RESOLVED: To adopt the Prologue Vision Statement and Goal Statements for the Rouge River Storm Water Management Strategy, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Juarez; supported by Leclercq: 9-97-348 RESOLVED: To call for a Public Hearing for September 15, 1997, at 7:15 p.m., to solicit public comments on the necessity of reconstructing defective sidewalks in Districts IIA and III, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Leclercq; supported by Juarez: 9-97-349 RESOLVED: To call for a Public Hearing for September 15, 1997, at 7:25 p.m., to solicit public comments on paving of driveway approaches, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Barker; supported by Ryall: 9-97-350 RESOLVED: To award the bid for black dirt to Wolverine Contractors Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$7.49 per yard, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Leclercq; supported by Dodge: 9-97-351 RESOLVED: To award the bid for a high pressure power wash system to Midwest Cleaning Systems, the sole bidder, in the amount of \$10,747.00, as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Juarez; supported by Dodge: 9-97-352 RESOLVED: To waive the carnival fee for St. Raphael Church on September 12, 13 and 14, 1997 as recommended by the Administration, as has been the practice in the past. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Barker: 9-97-353 RESOLVED: To approve the City Manager Agreement. AYES: Mayor Breen, Councilmembers Barker, Wiacek, and Dodge NAYS: Councilmembers Leclercq, Ryall, and Juarez. Motion passed.

Moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek: 9-97-354 RESOLVED: To receive and place on file the letter of disclosure from Mr. Bill Forbush of Emergency Education, Inc. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Wiacek; supported by Dodge: 9-97-355 RESOLVED: To direct the City Manager to inform the Police Department that requests for tows by Citizens be directed on an equal rotating basis between Balton Towing and Westland Towing retroactive to May 15, 1997, as recommended by the City Attorney. AYES: Mayor Breen, Councilmembers Barker, Wiacek, and Dodge. NAYS: Councilmembers Leclercq, Ryall, and Juarez. Motion passed.

Moved by Juarez; supported by Dodge: 9-97-356 RESOLVED: To authorize closure of Beechwood during St. Raphael's Festival subject to Administrative rules. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Barker: 9-97-357 RESOLVED: To approve payment to Mr. Brian Baker in the amount of \$1,813.4. This will complete the City's responsibility for Martin CSO construction project at this address as stated in the signed release form and as recommended by the Administration. AYES: Unanimous

The meeting was then adjourned.

RONALD D. SHOWALTER
City Clerk-Treasurer

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CITY OF WESTLAND VIOLATION NOTICE

The City of Westland Water System has been notified by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality that it has violated its monitoring and reporting requirement for lead and copper. Sixty samples were to be collected by June 30, 1997, and results reported by July 10, 1997. Only 29 samples were collected. Steps are being taken to assure that sampling is completed for the period ending December 31, 1997. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact The City of Westland at 467-3242.

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Educator bids adieu

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

After 20 years at the helm, the captain of Stevenson's global education crew is cutting loose his mooring to set sail on a new adventure that includes world travel and possibly hosting more TV shows.

Jonathan Swift, founder and director of Stevenson's school of global education, plans to retire from Livonia Public Schools in January, at the end of the current semester.

The 40-year educator will keep his current title until June, when his job will be posted. Until June, the acting, on-site director of the program will be Judy Berjeski, a teacher in the program.

He plans to accompany his students to Kalamazoo this spring, when they participate in the annual mock United Nations seminar.

Following his lifelong commitment to global studies, Swift hopes to continue as a consultant to the small school-within-a-school at Stevenson.

"It's been a wonderful 40 years," said Swift. "I want to leave while teaching is still exciting for me. It's time for new and younger teachers to come in with new ideas."

Stevenson's high school global education program was the first in the nation when Swift launched it in 1977. The program set the course other school districts followed when they set up their own programs.

For his expertise in global education, the National Education Association named him International Teacher of the Year.

Before coming to Livonia, Swift taught English, French and social studies in Detroit Public Schools. Born in Scotland, he was educated in Great Britain, France and the United States. He earned a certificate in music from the Paris Conservatory of Music.

Beyond his teaching duties, the Bloomfield Hills resident has had numerous other careers and interests: singer, public TV host, international speaker, author, world traveler.

As host of two programs on Bloomfield Community Television, Swift has interviewed many internationally known celebrities.

In his retirement years, Swift hopes to expand his TV career into hosting programs in such areas as Michigan ethnic groups and Michigan restaurants.

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Plymouth man named auditor general

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

In November 1996 voters approved a ballot proposition that gave the Wayne County Commission's auditor general more auditing powers.

On Thursday, Wayne County commissioners filled that critical county position by appointing Brendan Dunleavy, 37, of Plymouth Township, for three years.

Dunleavy was selected from a field of eight candidates, narrowed after a nationwide search.

"We interviewed candidates from Michigan, Ohio and Georgia, and we came down to two Michigan candidates for serious consideration," said Ricardo Solomon, commission chairman. "With his background in both county government and his certification as a fraud examiner, Mr. Dunleavy was the perfect choice."

Dunleavy has worked on the county's books in the public and private sector.

Dunleavy was employed for seven years with the accounting firm of Ernst & Young in Detroit, where he was the audit manager of the Wayne County



Dunleavy

audit. He has conducted financial reports on Detroit Metro Airport, county drain funds, sewers and roads, and parts of the general fund.

In 1990 Dunleavy went to the commission's auditor general office and worked as an assistant auditor general and audit administrator.

The auditor general polices the county's \$1.9 billion budget. The charter amendment empowered the auditor general to audit financial transactions of all

county agencies at least once every two years.

"What we do is go into specific departments and perform audits of departments," Dunleavy said.

"I thought (the charter amendment) was a good change. It was a change that was needed for a separation of powers. It guaranteed an independent appraisal."

Dunleavy anticipates that his reports will not always flatter county departments or the McNamara administration, but he expects the politics stemming from his position.

"There's always politics included in everything in government," Dunleavy said, but added that it is hard to argue with government auditing requirements. "It is all there in black and white. When politics enter the discussion, I just have to follow the standards."

Dunleavy said he has a good relationship with the county's Management and Budget Department. "They've been very helpful," Dunleavy said.

Dunleavy hopes to add two staff members, which fell to nine

within the past year. "When you compare us, we're significantly smaller than the city of Detroit," Dunleavy said.

Dunleavy hopes to examine parks millage money, airport expansion and the stadium projects in future reports. Solomon directed Dunleavy on Thursday to study county disbursements and ensure they follow the "prompt payment" ordinance and the parks millage.

Dunleavy noticed a marked difference between working as an auditor in the public and private sector. "The big difference is the amount attention the reports get. With a private firm, it's a financial report that doesn't get the attention of the public. You issue a report here, and it's out in public."

An Allen Park native, Dunleavy has a master's degree in finance from Walsh College and a bachelor's degree in accounting from Michigan State University.

He and his wife, Eileen, are the parents of five children: Kathleen, Colleen, Brendan, Maura and Mary Grace.

S'craft hosts 'college night'

More than 70 colleges and universities will be at Schoolcraft College Wednesday, Oct. 8 for the annual College Night Program.

Participating schools include Michigan State University, Central Michigan University, Western Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Duke University, Adrian College, Notre Dame, the University of Michigan, Amherst College, Schoolcraft College and Purdue University.


School representatives will be one hand to answer ques-

tions and disseminate information and materials about admission requirements, costs and programs.

All area high school students, their families and the community are invited to attend. The program begins at 6:30 p.m. and continues until 8:30 p.m. All colleges and universities will be located in the Physical Education Building.

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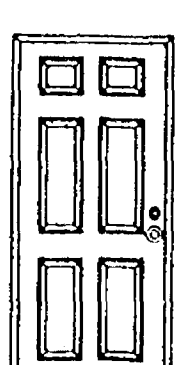
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RICK HALBERG

Fall season to celebrate changes

"And the seasons they go round and round"

- Joni Mitchell

"The times they are a changin'"

- Bob Dylan

Is it just me, or are the seasons blending into one another? For the past few years it seems as if the sharp contrasts of the seasons are softening. Maybe it's our environment that's changing the ozone, or maybe it's just me getting older.

Making adjustments

Seasons always represent change, wanted or not. This season we sent our son, Andy, off to college, a change that I wasn't quite ready for because of all the other changes it signifies. But like the seasons, changes come.

As we enter our fourth year of business at Emily's, I see changes. A very loyal employee and friend, Michael, has gone on to changes in his life. I wish him only good things.

When my wife and I first looked at our future restaurant, there were two of the biggest pine trees we'd ever seen in front. Little did we know they were dying. Now both are gone, and the front of Emily's has a new look. We are making a few decorative changes as well. We hung some antique wrought-iron gates from the ceiling in the dining room and are doing some painting and fixing up.

Harvest

What doesn't seem to change is my love for the harvest - squash, mushrooms, pomegranates, herbs, and the last of summer's corn and tomatoes. I can't wait to make my first batch of pumpkin risotto with Italian white truffles.

Italian white truffles are very special, and expensive - upwards of \$600 a pound. A little goes a long way, and these truffles, which are only available in the fall, are one of the season's highlights. We'll have them at the restaurant in early November.

As the summer season of open fire grilling fades, we move toward fall and the soothing smells of simmering stews and soups, which permeate our homes. What a pleasure it is to linger over a warming bowl of hearty fall vegetable soup.

In the summer we warm our bodies in the sun. In the fall we warm our spirits with meals around the fireplace. These are the kinds of changes I find myself welcoming.

On Tuesday, Oct. 14, we're celebrating our third anniversary at Emily's with a dinner showcasing the wines of Robert Sinskey. We have selected some really special wines that are generally not available in Michigan for this celebration.

Call us (248) 349-0505 for details or e-mail me at pigrick@aol.com

I am still in the process of sorting through all the "Slow Food" information from Italy concerning membership in our local group. Send your questions to me via e-mail or stop by the restaurant.

Rick Halberg, chef/owner of Emily's restaurant in Northville lives in Farmington Hills with his family. He has established a reputation as one of Michigan's outstanding chefs. Rick is an extensive traveler and is known for his fine French-inspired Mediterranean and Italian cuisine. Look for his column on the third Sunday of the month in Taste. See recipes inside.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Hop to it, make your own brew
- Jewish New Year recipes

BAKERY ITEMS

Bakery products containing custards, meats or vegetables, and frostings made with butter, cream cheese, whipped cream, or eggs must be refrigerated. Bread products not containing these ingredients are safe kept at room temperature, but eventually they will mold and become unsafe to eat.

The recommended shelf storage time is listed first, followed by recommended storage time in refrigerator, and freezer.

- Bread (commercial such as pita bread, hot dog and hamburger buns) - 2-4 days, 3 months (freezer)
- Homemade bread - 1 day, refrigerate 2-3 days, will dry out if stored longer
- Tortillas - 4-7 days (refrigerator), 4 months (freezer)
- Cakes - 1-2 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 2 months (freezer)
- Fruit cake - 1 month, 6 months (refrigerator), 12 months (freezer)
- Cake made from mix - 3-4 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 4 months (freezer)
- Pound cake - 3-4 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 6 months (freezer)
- Cheese cake - 7 days (refrigerator), 2-3 months (freezer)
- Cookies, bakery or homemade - 2-3 weeks, 2 months (refrigerator), 8-12 months (freezer)
- Croissants, butter - 1 day, 7 days (refrigerator), 2 months (freezer)
- Doughnuts, glazed or cake - 1-2 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 1 month (freezer)
- Muffins - 1-2 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 2 months (freezer)
- Pies, cream - 3-4 days (refrigerator), don't freeze
- Fruit pies - 1-2 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 8 months (freezer)
- Pecan and pumpkin pie - 2 hours, 3-4 days (refrigerator), 1-2 months (freezer)
- Quiche - 2 hours, 3-4 days (refrigerator), 2 months (freezer)
- Rolls, yeast, baked - 3-4 days, 7 days (refrigerator), 2 months (freezer)

Information from the Food Market of Health and MSU Extension

Play it safe in your kitchen

BE ON GUARD

By KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Most of us don't think about food safety until the power goes out, we pack for a picnic, clean our freezer and cupboards, or develop flu-like symptoms, and wonder - "was it something I ate?"

The United States has one of the world's safest food supplies, yet millions of Americans are affected each year by food-related illnesses that can be easily prevented by handling and preparing food safely. Symptoms of food-borne illness - cramps, nausea, diarrhea, vomiting - usually begin 6 to 24 hours after a person eats contaminated food. Healthy adults usually recover in a few days, but those at high-risk such as young children and the elderly, are more likely to develop serious complications that could lead to death.

September is National Food Safety Month, and a good time to review your food handling practices.

When preparing food, wash your hands often, and clean surfaces that food comes in contact with such as

Common Food Safety Mistakes

- Countertop thawing
- Leftovers left out more than two hours
- Unclean cutting board
- Room temperature marinating
- Store-to-refrigerator lag time
- Barbecue blunder: Using the same platter for raw and grilled meats
- Restaurant "doggie bag" delay
- Stirring and tasting spoon
- Shared knife for trimming raw meat and chopping vegetables



Please see SAFE, B2

CUPBOARDS AND PANTRY

These guidelines are not hard-and-fast rules. Some foods may deteriorate more quickly, and some foods may last longer than the times suggested. Remember to buy foods in reasonable quantities and rotate the products in your pantry, refrigerator, or freezer.

Before opening, the shelf-stable products listed should be safe unless the can or packaging has been damaged. After opening, store products in tightly closed containers. The storage of many shelf-stable items at room temperature is a quality issue - unless the product is contaminated (bugs in flour, for example). Some foods must be refrigerated after opening, such as tuna or chili.

Recommended unopened time in pantry/shelf is listed first, followed by storage time in refrigerator, or pantry/shelf after opened. Some foods do not require refrigeration.

Baking Goods

- Baking powder - 18 months, or expiration date
- Baking soda - 2 years
- Cake, Brownie and Bread mixes - 15 months (unopened), use by date listed on package.
- Chocolate syrup - 2 years (unopened); refrigerate up to 6 months
- Cornstarch - 18 months
- White Flour - 6-12 months (unopened); 6-8 months (opened in refrigerator)
- Whole Wheat Flour - 1 month (unopened); 6-8 months (opened in refrigerator)
- Frosting, canned - 10 months (unopened); 1 week (opened) in refrigerator
- Frosting mixes - 12 months
- Milk, canned evaporated - 12 months (unopened); 4 days (opened) in refrigerator
- Shortening, solid - 8 months, refrigeration not needed

Sugar

- Brown - 4 months
- Granulated - 2 years
- Confectioners - 18 months
- Sugar substitutes - 2 years

Beverages

- Bottled Water - 1-2 years (unopened)
- Cocoa and Cocoa mixes - Indefinitely (unopened); 1 year (opened)
- Coffee (whole beans, non-vacuum bag) - 1-3 weeks (unopened); 3-4 months (in freezer)
- Coffee (ground in cans) - 2 years (unopened); 2 weeks (open) in refrigerator
- Instant coffee - 12 months (unopened); 2-3 months (opened)

- Tea Bags - 18 months
- Loose tea - 2 years (unopened); 6-12 months (opened)
- Instant tea - 3 years (unopened); 6-12 months (opened)

Canned Goods

- Low acid canned goods such as meat, poultry, fish, stew, soups, beans, carrots, corn, pasta, peas, potatoes, spinach - 2-5 years (unopened); refrigerate open cans 3-4 days
- High acid canned goods such as juices, fruit, pickles, sauerkraut, tomato soup and foods in vinegar-based sauce - 12-18 months (unopened); refrigerate open cans 5-7 days
- Gravy, jars and cans - 2-5 years (unopened); refrigerate open jars and cans 1-2 days
- Jams, Jellies, preserves - 12 months (unopened); refrigerate open jars up to 6 months

Cereal

- Ready-to-eat cereal - 6-12 months (unopened); 2-3 months (opened)
- Oatmeal - 12 months (unopened); 6-12 months (opened)

Condiments

- Barbecue sauce (bottled) - 12 months (unopened); 4 months (opened) in refrigerator
- Ketchup - 12 months (unopened); refrigerate up to 6 months
- Horseradish (in jar) - 12 months (unopened); refrigerate opened jar 3-4 months
- Mayonnaise (commercial) - 2-3 months (unopened); refrigerate up to 2 months after opening
- Mustard - 2 years (unopened); refrigerate 6-8 months after opening
- Olives, black and green - 12-18 months (unopened); refrigerate up to 2 weeks after opening
- Pickles - 12 months (unopened); refrigerate 1-2 months after opening
- Salad dressings, commercial, bottled - 10-12 months (unopened); refrigerate up to 3 months after opening
- Salsa, picante and taco sauce - 12 months (unopened); refrigerate up to 1 month after opening

Desserts

- Gelatin, flavored - 18 months, use all or reseal for 3-4 months
- Pudding mixes - 12 months

Herbs/Spices/Oils/Flavorings

- Herbs, dried - 1-2 years (unopened); 6 months (opened)
- Spices whole (whole cloves, nutmeg and cinnamon sticks maintain quality beyond 2-year period) - 1-2 years
- Ground spices - 6 months
- Herb/Spice blends - 6 months
- Paprika, red pepper, chili powder - 2 years, store in refrigerator
- Dried Mushrooms - 6 months (unopened); 3 months (opened)
- Honey - 12 months
- Maple Syrup - 1 year (unopened); refrigerate up to 1 year after opening
- Molasses - 12 months (unopened); refrigerate up to 6 months
- Vanilla - 2 years (unopened); 12 months (opened)
- Other flavored extracts - 12 months (opened)
- Oils, olive or vegetable - 6 months (unopened); 4-6 months after opening
- Vegetable oil sprays - 2 years (unopened); 1 year (opened)
- Vinegar - 2 years (unopened); 12 months (opened)
- Worcestershire Sauce - 1 year

Pasta/Beans/Rice

- Pasta, dry, made without eggs - 2 years (unopened); 1 year (opened)
- Dry egg noodles - 2 years (unopened); 1-2 months (opened)
- Beans, dried - 12 months
- Rice, white or wild - 2 years (unopened); 1 year (opened)
- Brown rice - 1 year, refrigerate up to 6 months
- Flavored or herb mixes - 6 months

Snacks

- Peanut butter - 6-9 months (unopened); 2-3 months (opened)
- Popcorn, dry kernels in jar - 2 years
- Nuts, jars or cans - 12 months (unopened); 4-6 months in refrigerator, or freeze 9-12 months
- Microwave popcorn packets - 12 months
- Potato chips - 2 months (unopened); 1-2 weeks (opened)

Mixes

- Sauce mixes non-dairy (taco, spaghetti) - 2 years
- Cream sauces with milk solids - 1 year



If it's Shiraz, it must be Oz

Oz is the nickname for Australia, and red wine lovers know it rhymes with shiraz, the name the Aussies use for syrah, the renowned grape from France's Rhone Valley. Under the name shiraz it is becoming better known in the U.S. today than varietally labeled syrah. Ardent wine aficionados, remember that syrah is the sole variety in red Hermitage or a major blending component in Chateaucuf-

du-Pape bottlings from the southern Rhone. Penfolds Grange, first made in 1951, is the benchmark by which all great Australian shiraz is judged. The 1992 at \$126 per bottle, is a wine to cellar for special-occasion drinking. But within Penfolds wines, there are other shiraz of great stature available such as 1993 Magill Estate Shiraz \$13, 1992 St. Henri Shiraz \$20, 1994 Kalimna Shiraz Bin 28 \$15, 1994 Coonawarra Shiraz Bin 128 \$14. Why so many different bottlings of shiraz under one brand? The principal

reason is the character derived from the unique place where the grapes are grown. While the Australians are believers in blending the same grape varietal from a number of regions to make the best wine, at times they want to preserve the matchless character of a unique vineyard or region. Such is the case with the Penfolds Magill Estate Shiraz, made from a mere 13 acres of vineyard located just outside the Adelaide metro area in the community of Magill. The various shi-

COLD STORAGE

Use a refrigerator thermometer to check that your refrigerator is cooling at 35° to 40°F. Your freezer should be at or below 0°F. Space items in your refrigerator and freezer so air can circulate freely. The longer food is refrigerated, the less nutritional value it will have. Here are some refrigerator/freezer guidelines.

Beverages, Fruit

- Juice in cartons, fruit drinks, punch - 3 weeks, (unopened), 7-10 days, (open); 8-12 months (freezer)

Dairy Products

- Butter - 1-3 months (store covered on a shelf in the refrigerator. Butter will absorb odors); 6-9 months (freezer)
- Buttermilk - 7-14 days; 3 months (freezer)
- Hard cheese such as Cheddar, Swiss - 6 months, (unopened); 3-4 weeks (opened, if you see mold cut away a 1-inch section surrounding the mold, and throw it out. If you have a mold allergy, throw it out); up to 6 months (freezer)
- Soft cheese such as Brie - 1 week; up to 6 months (freezer)
- Cottage cheese, Ricotta - 1 week; doesn't freeze well
- Cream cheese - 2 weeks; can be frozen 3-6 months to use in baking.
- Fresh eggs in shell, store covered in original carton on refrigerator shelf - 3 weeks; don't freeze
- Raw egg yolks, whites - 2-4 days; up to 1 year (freezer)
- Hard-cooked eggs - 1 week; don't freeze
- Liquid pasteurized eggs or egg substitutes - read label for storage/use.
- Margarine - 4-5 months; up to 12 months (freezer)
- Sour Cream - 2 weeks; freeze 3-6 months to use in baking.

Soups & Stews

- Vegetable or meat-added - 3-4 days; 2-3 months (freezer)

Hamburger, Ground & Stew Meats

- Hamburger & stew meats - 1-2 days; 2-3 months (freezer)
- Ground turkey, veal, pork, lamb & mixtures of them - 1-2 days; up to 3 months (freezer)

Hot Dogs & Lunch Meats

- Can be frozen 1-2 months. Must be cooked after thawing, cannot be refrozen.
- Hot dogs, opened package - 1 week
- Hot dogs, unopened package - 2 weeks
- Lunch meats, opened - 3-5 days
- Lunch meats, unopened - 2 weeks
- Deli lunch meats stored in resealable bag - 3-5 days

Bacon & Sausage

- Bacon - 7 days; freeze up to 1 month
- Sausage, raw from pork, beef, or turkey - 1-2 days; freeze 1-2 months
- Smoked breakfast links, patties - 7 days; freeze 1-2 months
- Hard sausage such as pepperoni, jerky sticks - 2-3 weeks, freeze 1-2 months.

Ham, Corned Beef

- Corned beef in pouch with pickling juices - 5-7 days; freeze drained, wrapped, up to 1 month
- Ham, canned, label says keep refrigerated - 6-9 months; don't freeze
- Ham, fully cooked (whole) - 7 days; freeze 1-2 months
- Ham, fully cooked (half) - 3-5 days; freeze 1-2 months
- Ham, fully cooked (slices) - 3-4 days; freeze 1-2 months

Fish - Home Frozen and Purchased Frozen

- Lean fish (cod, flounder, haddock) - 1 day; freeze up to 6 months
- Fatty fish (bluefish, mackerel, salmon) - 1 day; freeze 2-3 months

Shellfish

- Shrimp, scallops, crayfish, squid, shucked clams, mussels and oysters, lobster - 1 day; freeze 2-3 months

Fresh Meat

- Steaks, beef - 2-3 days; freeze 4-12 months
- Chops, pork - 2-3 days; freeze 4-6 months
- Chops, lamb - 2-3 days; freeze 6-9 months
- Roasts - 2-4 days; freeze 6-12 months
- Venison, game birds - 2-3 days, freeze 8-12 months

Fresh Poultry

- Chicken or turkey, whole - 1-2 days; freeze up to 1 year
- Chicken or turkey pieces - 1-2 days; freeze up to 9 months

Information from the MSU Extension and Food Marketing Institute



PHOTO BY RAY HEAD

From Down Under: Australia's Rosemount Estate's winemaker Phillip Shaw samples a glass of GSM, a Rhone-style blend.

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Safe from page B1

counters and tables. Keep everything that touches food clean including utensils, sponges, dish rags, and cutting boards.

Sylvia Treitman of West Bloomfield, a home economist for the Michigan State University Extension, Oakland County, answers the extension's food and nutrition hotline. She gets a lot of food storage questions, especially during the holidays.

The two most important things to remember are - keep hot foods hot, (above 140°F) and cold foods cold (40°F or below).

"People will get a frozen turkey for Christmas, and store it under their desk, or in the car all day, and wonder if it's still good," she said. "I tell them to throw it out. A lot of people are disappointed, but a turkey

FROZEN FOOD

When shopping, place frozen foods in the cart last, immediately before checking out. Take the foods directly home and place in freezer. Recommended freezer time listed first, followed by recommended time in refrigerator after thawing.

- Bagels - 2 months, 1 week (refrigerator)
- Bread dough, commercial - Use-by date on package
- Burritos, sandwiches - 2 months, 3-4 days (refrigerator)
- Fish, breaded - 3 months, do not defrost, cook frozen
- Fish, raw - 6 months, 1 day (refrigerator)
- Fruit, such as berries, melons - 4-6 months, 3 days (refrigerator)
- Guacamole - 3-4 months, 1 day (refrigerator)
- Ice cream, sherbet, sorbet - 2-4 months
- Juice concentrates - 6-12 months, 7 days (refrigerator)
- Pancakes, waffles - 2 months
- Sausages, uncooked - 1-2 months, 1-2 days (refrigerator)
- Precooked sausages - 1-2 months, 5 days (refrigerator)
- Topping, whipped - 6 months, 1 week (refrigerator)
- TV dinners, Entrees, Breakfast - 3 months, do not defrost, cook frozen
- Vegetables - 8 months, refrigerate leftovers 2-3 days

Information from the Food Marketing Institute and MSU Extension

Raw fruits are safe at room temperature, but after ripening they will mold and rot quickly. For best quality, store ripe fruit in the refrigerator. Recommended shelf storage time is listed first, followed by refrigerator and freezer storage time.

- Fruits**
- Apples - 1-2 days, 3 weeks (refrigerator); freeze sliced apples for pies and baking up to 6 months. Sprinkle apples with lemon juice so they won't turn brown. Applesauce can be frozen up to 1 year.
 - Apricots and avocados - until ripe, 2-3 days (refrigerator), don't freeze.
 - Bananas - until ripe, 2 days (refrigerator, skin will blacken), whole peeled, 1 month (freezer).
 - Berries, cherries - 1-2 days (refrigerator), 4 months (freezer)
 - Citrus fruit - 10 days, 1-2 weeks (refrigerator), don't freeze.
 - Grapes - 1 day, 1 week (refrigerator), whole grapes 1 month (freezer)
 - Kiwi fruit - until ripe, 3-4 days (refrigerator), don't freeze
 - Melons - 1-2 days, 3-4 days (refrigerator), melon balls 1 month (freezer)
 - Papaya, mango - 3-5 days, 1 week (refrigerator), don't freeze
 - Peaches, nectarines - Until ripe, 3-4 days (refrigerator), to freeze, slice, sprinkle with lemon juice and sugar, store in freezer up to 2 months.

FRESH PRODUCE

Some dense raw vegetables such as potatoes and onions can be stored at cool room temperatures. Refrigerate other raw vegetables for optimum quality, and to prevent rotting. After cooking, all vegetables must be refrigerated or frozen within two hours. Blanch fresh vegetables before freezing to use in soups, stews, casseroles. Use leftovers within 3 days. Recommended shelf storage time listed first, followed by refrigerator and freezer storage time.

- Vegetables**
- Artichokes, whole - 1-2 days, 1-2 weeks (refrigerator), don't freeze
 - Asparagus, beans - 3-4 days (refrigerator), 8 months (freezer)
 - Beets - 1 day, 7-10 days (refrigerator), 6-8 months (freezer)
 - Cabbage - 1-2 weeks (refrigerator), don't freeze plain, raw cabbage, it will be limp.
 - Carrots, parsnips - 2 weeks (refrigerator), 10-12 months (freezer)
 - Celery - 1-2 weeks (refrigerator), don't freeze
 - Cucumbers - 4-5 days (refrigerator), don't freeze
 - Eggplant - 1 day, 3-4 days (refrigerator), 6-8 months (freezer)
 - Garlic - Whole garlic bulbs should be stored in a cool, dry place away from the sun. Toss when they sprout, or become soft

- Ginger root - store at room temperature, or freeze for up to 1 month
- Greens - 1-2 days (refrigerator)
- Herbs, fresh - 7-10 days (refrigerator), 1-2 months (freezer)
- Leeks, 1-2 weeks (refrigerator), 10-12 months (freezer)
- Lettuce, iceberg - 1-2 weeks (refrigerator)
- Lettuce, leaf - 3-7 days (refrigerator)
- Mushrooms, Okra - 2-3 days (refrigerator), 10-12 months (freezer)
- Onions, dry - 2-3 weeks, 2 months (refrigerator), freeze up to 1 month to use in cooking
- Spring or green onions - 1-2 weeks (refrigerator)
- Peppers, bell or chili - 4-5 days (refrigerator), 6-8 months (freezer)
- Potatoes - 2-4 weeks
- Sweet potatoes - 1-2 weeks
- Rutabagas - 1 week, 2 weeks (refrigerator), 8-10 months (freezer)
- Spinach - 1-2 days (refrigerator), 10-12 months (freezer)
- Squash, summer - 4-5 days (refrigerator), 10-12 months (freezer)
- Squash, winter - 1 week, 2 weeks (refrigerator), 10-12 months (freezer)
- Turnips - 2 weeks (refrigerator), 8-10 months (freezer)
- Tomatoes - until ripe, 2-3 days (refrigerator), 2 months (freezer)

Information from the Food Marketing Institute and MSU Extension

well," said Treitman. "The quality might not be the greatest. I wouldn't serve it for Thanksgiving."

Properly wrap food before freezing to help maintain quality. It is safe to freeze foods in their supermarket wrappings. Use them within a month or two. For longer storage, overwrap packages with air-tight heavy-duty foil, plastic wrap or freezer paper, or place packages inside a plastic bag. Date packages, and use the oldest items first.

If frozen items have freezer burn, they're still safe to eat, but they will be dry in spots. Cut the freezer-burned portions away either before or after cooking the food.

There are three safe ways to defrost food - in the refrigerator, in cold water, and in the microwave. Food thawed in the refrigerator is safe to refreeze without cooking.

When you're grocery shopping on a hot day, Treitman recommends keeping an ice chest in the trunk to store perishables for the ride home.

Shop for shelf-stable items such as canned and dry goods first. Be careful to avoid cross contamination. Put meat and poultry in plastic bags, and keep them away from fruits and vegetables.

Check "sell-by" and "use-by" dates. Leave meat and poultry

products in the store wrap before using. Repeated handling can introduce bacteria to the product or spread bacteria around the kitchen.

Place meat, poultry and seafood in the coldest part of the refrigerator. Eggs should be stored in their original container on a shelf, not in the door. Cool leftovers quickly in shallow containers, and refrigerate, or freeze immediately. Use leftovers within two to three days, and reheat only once. Freeze leftovers three to six months.

"Don't chop vegetables on the same cutting board that was used for meat. Scrub your cutting boards real good between use; put them in the dishwasher," suggests Treitman.

Soap is for dishes and washing your hands, and Treitman doesn't recommend using soap to clean fruits and vegetables. Cold, running water works best.

When you're cooking meat, use a thermometer to check for doneness. "It's really hard to tell when hamburger is done," said Treitman. "Use a meat thermometer to make sure the temperature is 160 degrees F."

For more information about food safety and storage, call the Oakland County MSU Extension Food and Nutrition Hotline (248) 858-0904, the USDA's Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-(800)-535-4555 (10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays).

POWER OUTAGES

- Freezer**
- Without power, a full upright or chest freezer will keep everything frozen for about two days. A half-full freezer will keep food frozen for one day.
 - If power is expected to come back within eight hours, keep the freezer door shut.
 - If the power will be off for more than eight hours:
 - Take food to a friend's freezer
 - Locate a commercial freezer
 - Use dry ice

Refrigerator

- Without power, the refrigerator section will keep food cold about 4 to 6 hours, depending on the kitchen temperature.

Thawed Food

- Food that still contains ice crystals or that feel refrigerator cold can be refrozen. Discard any thawed food that has warmed to room temperature and remained there two hours or more. Immediately discard anything with a strange color or odor.
- If defrosted meat juices are on other foods, throw these foods out. Meat juices contain bacteria that can cause food-borne illnesses.

Information from the MSU Cooperative Extension Service

Shiraz from page B1

raz bottlings are not cookie cutter models of Grange at some lower price. In fact, the philosophy with the Magill Shiraz is to make a wine totally different. Grange represents power and concentration while Magill is elegance and finesse, totally derived from the vineyard.

Penfolds St. Henri Shiraz is a multi-district blend made from Shiraz grown in a number of regions within the state of South

Australia. It is pure Shiraz, showcasing blackcherry, red and black plum elements in a very fruit-focused rendition. Penfolds Bin 128 Shiraz from Coonawarra has distinct qualities emanating from the special terra rossa soil of the district.

Interesting Penfolds Shiraz blends are 1994 Cabernet Shiraz Bin 389 \$15, 1995 Koonunga Hill Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon \$10 and 1995 Shiraz Mourvèdre Bin

2 \$10.

"Despite all the talk about merlot, Shiraz is without question the hottest red variety in America today," said John Gay, president of Rosemount Estate's U.S. operations in Sonoma, Calif. "People who know wine are turning to Shiraz because it has much more character than most merlots."

These are not idle remarks. Last year, Rosemount Estate

sold nearly 200,000 cases of Shiraz in the U.S. It now has seven Shiraz-based wines available including the top-of-the-line 1994 Balmoral \$40. Interestingly, it is labeled Syrah which Gay said reflects its supple texture and elegance. At the opposite end of the price spectrum is the best buy 1995 Rosemount Diamond Shiraz \$13.50. Drawing our rave review is superbly balanced 1994 Rosemount Reserve Shiraz \$22.50.

Rosemount's 1995 GSM \$17 is an exceptional blend of

grenache, Shiraz and mourvèdre, typical of a southern-Rhone blend. Rosemount has raised the bar for Shiraz blends to new heights. In Mudgee, an important New South Wales wine-growing region, Rosemount owns the Mountain Blue Vineyard. The first release 1994 Mountain Blue Shiraz Cabernet \$37 is a single vineyard wine of exceptional dimension and length.

Two under \$10 values complete the Rosemount Shiraz portfolio. They are the spicy, delicious 1996 Diamond Grenache

Shiraz \$9.75 and fruit-driven lighter style 1996 Diamond Shiraz Cabernet \$9.75.

To satisfy the growing American thirst for Shiraz, Southcorp Wines, the umbrella company under which Penfolds is owned, has just made a mega land acquisition of 600 acres in Paso Robles, Calif., for an estimated \$10 million. This is prime red grape growing country and, as you might guess, Southcorp plans to grow Shiraz. The first 200 acres of vines will be planted next Spring with another 200 acres the next year. When vineyards are at full production early in the next century, the acreage should yield 150,000 cases of wine.

Southcorp already has California wine released under the Seven Peaks brand. It's a joint venture with the 1,500-acre Paragon Vineyards. The first release, 1996 Seven Peaks Chardonnay, Edna Valley \$13 is a winner and will be followed by a reserve Chardonnay soon.

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

Wine Picks

- Chardonnays worth harvesting: 1995 Davis Bynum \$18, 1995 Michel-Schlumberger \$21, 1995 Stags' Leap Winery \$21, 1995 Chateau Ste Michelle Canoe Ridge \$28.
- Sauvignon blanc's crispness matches oysters in this first "R" month in some time: 1996 Dry Creek Vineyard Fume Blanc \$13.50, 1996 Bernardus Sauvignon Blanc \$15.
- French selections: 1995 Guigal Condrieu \$37.50 (the grape variety vignier at its best), 1994 Guigal Cotes du Rhone \$12.
- Stellar red wines: 1995 Davis Bynum Old Vine Zinfandel \$17, 1994 Dry Creek Vineyard Reserve Zinfandel \$23, 1995 Canoe Ridge Merlot \$21.50, 1995 St. Clement Oropnas \$36, 1994 Chateau Ste Michelle Meritage Artists Series \$50.

- Best buys at \$10 and under: 1996 Lurton Chardonnay, Vin de Pays d'Oc \$7.75, 1996 Lurton Merlot, Vin de Pays d'Oc \$7 - incredible value! 1996 Starling Vineyards Sauvignon Blanc \$8, 1996 Clos du Bois Sauvignon Blanc \$8, 1996 Mont Gras Merlot, Chile \$10, 1996 Mont Graa, Cabernet Sauvignon Chile \$10, 1996 Hogue Dry Chenin Blanc \$6.50, 1996 Dry Creek Vineyard Dry Chenin Blanc \$9.50

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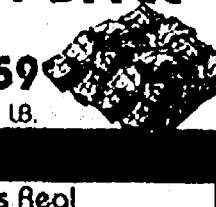
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GRILLED TOMATO SOUP

6 large ripe beefsteak tomatoes
1/2 large red onion
2 roasted red peppers
1/2 bunch opal basil leaves (about 2 cups loosely packed)
1/2 cup olive oil
Salt & pepper to taste

Lightly oil the tomatoes and grill them over a medium fire until the skins char and split. Allow to cool, and then core and skin the

tomatoes being careful to remove all the blackened particles.

If necessary, wipe with a damp cloth, use as little water as possible. Coarsely chop the onion and tomatoes.

In a suitable pot, heat the olive oil and soften the onions. Add the tomatoes, peppers and basil leaves. Bring to a simmer and cook for about 30 minutes. Season to taste with salt and fresh cracked pepper. Allow to cool and puree and strain. Check seasoning. Serves 6-8.

SUMMER CORN SOUP

2 medium leeks, cleaned and chopped
1/4 medium onion, chopped
1 stalk celery, chopped
2 cloves garlic, chopped
2 small Idaho potatoes, peeled and diced
1 quart fresh cut corn (6 to 8 ears)
1/4 stick unsalted butter
6 cups chicken stock
Sachet bag with 1 bay leaf and a few sprigs fresh thyme
Salt and pepper to taste

Ground cumin to taste

Sweat leeks, onion, garlic, and celery in the butter in a suitable pot until softened. Add the remainder of the ingredients, and bring to a boil. Simmer for 30 minutes. Allow to cool and puree and strain. Adjust seasoning. Serves 6-8.

BUTTERNUT SQUASH RISOTTO

2 cups rice
7-8 cups chicken broth
1/2 medium onion, chopped
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon parsley, chopped

1 cup grated Gruyere cheese
1 butternut squash (cut and dice to equal 2 cups)
1/4 stick unsalted butter, plus 1 tablespoon

Peel and dice butternut squash. Cook it in some boiling water with the tablespoon of butter until softened. Mash the squash, and set aside.

Heat the chicken stock and season lightly with salt and pepper. Set aside. In a suitable size pot, melt the remaining butter and in it cook the onion to soften. Add the rice and mix it well to coat each grain of rice with butter. Over low

heat, add 1/3 of the chicken stock, and stir, allow to simmer and add more stock as the rice absorbs it. Total cooking time should be about 17 minutes, and you should use most of it, if not all of the stock. When the rice is cooked (it will be slightly firm to the bite and slightly creamy), add the lemon juice, parsley and the cheese, stir well and serve. If you are able, shave some fresh Italian white truffles over the top.

Recipes compliments of Rick Halberg, chef/owner Emily's in Northville.

Easy turkey dinner a flash in the pan

For no-fuss cooking and simple clean-up, it's hard to beat a skillet dinner. Not only do these one-pan wonders meld a variety of flavors and textures, but they are the perfect way to make low-fat dishes that are rich in the nutritious vegetables and grains we need for better health.

To keep skillet dinners simple, it's important to limit the number of ingredients. Pick a protein source, such as a small amount of lean meat, poultry or fish. Brown it in a skillet with a non-stick cooking spray. Add a chopped vegetable (or several) and a grain, along with herbs, spices, or flavoring vegetables, such as onion or garlic. Finally, simmer everything in a liquid such as broth, wine, or canned tomatoes (in their juice) to cook the ingredients and blend flavors.

You can make a Mediterranean chicken skillet dinner with just a few simple ingredients, including tomatoes, white beans and spinach. Sauté bite-size pieces of skinless chicken

breast, then stir in minced celery, garlic cloves and shallots. Add diced tomatoes, de-fatted chicken stock and white kidney beans. Add fresh spinach to the skillet, toss until wilted and serve.

Lamb couscous is an elegant entrée that's a snap to make with bite-size pieces of lamb, sautéed in a bit of olive oil with onion and seasoned with cumin, cinnamon and chile powder. Add diced red and green bell pepper, carrot, and zucchini, and continue to sauté. Mix in diced canned tomatoes with juice, de-fatted chicken broth and a cup of uncooked couscous. Simmer lightly for about 15 minutes, or until the couscous is tender.

Skillet dinners don't have to include meat to provide great flavor and nutrition. Two-grain vegetable pilaf is made by mixing cooked wild rice and couscous with a bit of olive oil and an abundance of vegetables, including diced, peeled eggplant, slivered onion, julienned green bell pepper and carrot, fresh or

canned tomatoes, frozen peas and minced garlic. Just before serving, sprinkle the mixture with lemon juice, chopped basil and salt and pepper.

When time is short and you need a quick and hearty dinner for the whole family, assemble Easy Turkey Skillet Dinner. It's a complete meal when served over pasta with freshly steamed vegetables.

EASY TURKEY SKILLET DINNER

2/3 pound ground turkey (uncooked)
2 Tablespoons minced green onion
1/2 teaspoon each dried oregano and basil
2 cups cooked white kidney beans (cannelini)
2 medium tomatoes, cut into 1/2-inch slices
Grated peel of 1/2 lemon
3 Tablespoons lemon juice
2 Tablespoons tomato paste mixed with 1/4 cup water
2 teaspoons sugar

1/4 teaspoon salt

Thoroughly combine the turkey, a tablespoon of green onion, oregano and basil. Shape into 12 meatballs (approximately 1-inch). In a large, non-stick skillet, sprayed with cooking spray, brown meat on all sides over medium-high heat for 10 minutes. Pour off the fat. Add the remaining ingredients, including a tablespoon of green onion. Bring the mixture to a boil. Cool, covered, over low heat for 20 minutes, or until vegetables are tender and meatballs are cooked through, stirring occasionally.

Each of the 4 servings contains 265 calories and 4 grams of fat.

Recipe and information from the American Institute for Cancer Research.



Skillet supper: Easy Turkey Skillet Dinner is great for nights when time is short, and you need a quick and hearty dinner for the whole family.

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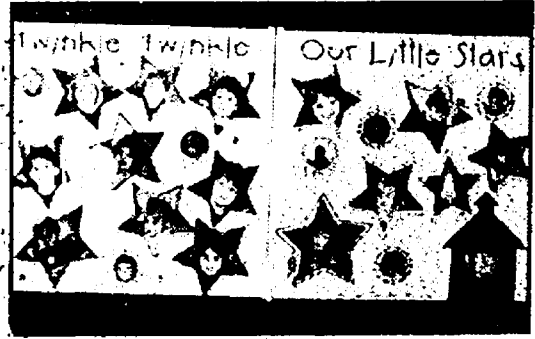
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Scrapbook memories from Scraphin' & Stampin' in Livonia.

Save kid's art with panache

A friend of mine cringes a little every time her son brings home a new drawing he's made in day care.

"We're just running out of room," she said. His artwork covers her refrigerator, fills his baby book (which is bursting at the seams), and occupies more than one shoe box already. "I wind up throwing most of the stuff he brings home away. I feel guilty about it, but I do."

Barb Gentile, owner of Scraphin' & Stampin', a new craft store on Plymouth Road in Livonia which specializes in scrapbook and stamp art supplies, can relate to my friend's dilemma.

"I have a daughter graduating from high school and my youngest is 3-1/2, so I've been there," she said. Parents shouldn't feel guilty, she said, because it's impossible to save every drawing and school paper. "You just can't. No one has the room."

But what do you do with the things that you really want to save?

Gentile said you could gather up several weeks' or months' worth of your child's artwork, tape it to a wall, and then take a photo of your child standing in front of it. Once the photo is developed, you can throw the artwork away. "That way, you not only have the artwork on film, but you have a picture of your child at the age he was when he made it," she said.

You can then place the photo in an album or scrapbook. Of course, the actual papers can be saved in scrapbooks, too, if they're small enough. Extra-special drawings can be mounted, framed and hung on a wall.

But if you want to preserve them so that they'll still look good many years from now, be sure to use archival-quality albums, scrapbook supplies and framing materials. That's the advice of Gentile and Caroline Wedin, manager of the Frames Unlimited on Five Mile Road in Livonia.

Many paper and plastic items on the market today that are meant to hold papers and photographs, are actually bad for those things, because they contain acids that hasten the yellowing of paper. Archival-quality materials lack those acids and slow the rate of deterioration.

To tell if something is archival-quality, look for these words on the label: "archival-quality," "acid-free," "lignin-free," "photo-safe" or "pH neutral." Archival-quality materials cost more than their regular counterparts, but they're worth it if preservation is your goal.

All of the paper products and scrapbook materials that Gentile sells are archival quality. Empty scrapbook binders start at \$14.95. A package of 12, top-loading, clear page protectors, meant to hold 8.5-inch x 11-inch sheets, costs \$5. Individual sheets of paper, in a wide variety of styles and patterns, range from 25 cents to about 45 cents a sheet.

Her store, just five months old, also carries a wide variety of decorative stickers, paper punches, stencils, rubber stamps, clip art, scrapbook-related computer programs and acid-free, cardboard storage boxes.

Frames Unlimited has stores in Farmington Hills, Novi, Southfield, West Bloomfield and Dearborn Heights. One of the many services it offers is "conservation museum mounting and matting." That involves using archival quality backing board, acid-free mats, and UV-protective glass, to protect all sides.

The cost for that varies, depending on such things as the size of the artwork and the style and number of mats used, Wedin said. The cost for an 8 x 10, using the most basic of materials, might cost between \$50 and \$60. But in general, she said, the cost is only \$10 to \$15 more than a regular mounting and matting.

Personally, I like "kitchen magnet mounting." It's free.

Benefit combines fashion with fun



It's become the rage for retailers to host charity benefits right in their stores. Saks, Jacobson's, Nordstrom and Hudson's do it, but none better than Neiman Marcus which offered three levels and a parking lot to the Michigan Humane Society last weekend.

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
EDITOR

Partygoers helped raise more than \$200,000 for the Michigan Humane Society at the Paws for Celebration gala Sept. 13 at Neiman Marcus in Troy.

The fun got under way at 6 p.m. and continued well beyond midnight. Throughout the store and in tents in the parking lot, guests enjoyed dinner, dancing, an animal art auction, New York-style fashion show - and the highlight of the night - a concert by Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons.

In opening remarks, Gov. John Engler praised the work of the Humane Society and thanked the staff and volunteers for "performing not particularly glamorous jobs - going out on rescue missions and making police reports. Their dedication is appreciated and supported by the citizens of this great state of Michigan."

Humane Society director Gary Tiscornia called the evening "spectacular" and said it was a fitting acknowledgment of the 120th anniversary of the Michigan Humane Society.

"We handle about 80,000 animals each year through three veterinary hospitals and three shelters," he reported. "And each year a quarter of a million animals must be euthanized because no one wants them."

Tiscornia thanked Engler for signing into law "the most progressive animal rights legislation in the nation" which requires people who adopt cats, dogs or ferrets from Michigan shelters to have them neutered.

The stage quickly became a runway for Neiman Marcus' Art of Fashion show, featuring models from New York and Chicago in designs from Sonia Rykiel, St. John, Jean Paul Gaultier, Armani, Bob Mackie and Pam McMahon,

wife of television personality Ed McMahon who served as auctioneer and Master of Ceremonies.

The event, a year in the planning, was co-chaired by Lil Erdeljan and Denise Lutz, who share a passion for animals with pal, Pam McMahon.

An auction of unique items created for the event by students at Detroit's Center for Creative Studies brought in a hefty \$23,000, along with an autographed script and walk-on role in the new Tom Arnold/Ed McMahon sitcom, a fashion package for two to New York City, a Pam McMahon original, and a portrait by Russian painter Serguei Timchenko.

Dinner was catered by 30 of the town's top restaurants including Pike Street, Phoenicia, Ernesto's and Cafe Cortina.

Throughout Neiman Marcus, dogs who needed homes, sat with Humane Society volunteers as guests patted the dog's heads and hugged them. Most found new homes that night.

"Neiman Marcus is proud to be able to host this spectacular event to give back to the community which has given us so much," said store manager Mike Lorenz. He reminded the crowd that the party coincided with the luxury retailer's 90th year in business.

Following Frankie Valli's hour-long hit parade (both he and McMahon performed gratis that night) guests rode the escalator to the third floor to dance to the music of the Jerry Fenby Orchestra.

"I thought the fashions presented were beautiful," said Eileen Fisher of Bloomfield Hills. "They were very wearable. Very lovely."

About 90-percent of the women who attended the event wore black cocktail dresses. The party was reminiscent of the opening galas for Somerset North.



Show scenes: (Left) The runway grand finale featured column gowns that hugged the body in luxurious fabrics. (Below) Ed McMahon agrees to adopt the dog "Lucky," that his daughter picked out from the crowd. (Bottom) Couture fashions available at Neiman Marcus, truly exemplify "The Art of Fashion."



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DONNA MULCAHY

Jewelry designer captures nature's forms

BY LINDA BACHRACK
SPECIAL WRITER

He harnesses the energy that radiates from the sidewalks of New York, but jewelry designer Michael Dawkins derives inspiration from the colors, textures and compositions found in nature.

Dawkins, 35, a former Detroit and a graduate of the Center for Creative Studies, met many of his fans recently during a visit to Tapper's Jewelry in the Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield. He began manufacturing his jewelry designs five years ago in New York, where he also owns a boutique/gallery that



Michael Dawkins



displays his work alongside a well-edited collection of home furnishings and antiques.

"My jewelry and my shops' merchandise are classically inspired, but reflect a modern sensibility," Dawkins said. He also has a second shop on Sunset Boulevard in Los Angeles.

However, it's the gardens of his country retreat on the Hudson River in upstate New York that spark designs for his sterling silver bracelets, rings and necklaces.

"There's a form and rhythm in natural objects that translate beautifully into jewelry," he says. The colors of his stone pathways can be seen in his bracelets' soft, muted silvers and in the gray and oyster-hued pearls that embellish his designs. Pale citrine and

topaz and a translucent tourmaline quartz are as delicate as rose petals.

One of Dawkins' signature design elements is called granulation, tiny clusters of individual roundels that resemble caviar, according to one customer, but could also be likened to a densely gnarled English thicket.

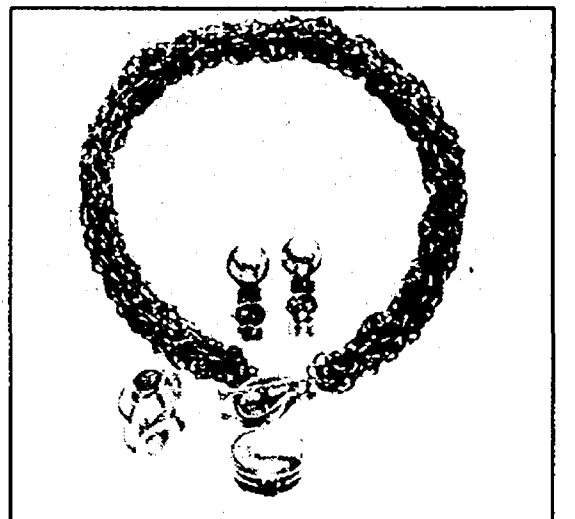
Dawkins' architectural design background is early discerned in the timeless quality of his jewelry compositions and especially in the functional, yet artistic design of his clasps.

"Function is derived from form, with art in the details," wrote an anonymous poet and the words translate well in Dawkins' work. But his more ethereal side is evident in his extensive use of quartz struck through with natural needles. "Quartz is precious to me with all of its imperfections," he says. And so a studied eye and a passion for beauty combine.

When he's not putting in his garden, directing the fabrication of his designs or adorning the likes of Iman,

Diana Ross and Jaclyn Smith, Dawkins and his associate Michelle Meltzer, also a Detroit native, travel the country to show off his striking collection.

"As you can see, I don't adhere to rigid principles of jewelry design," he says. His freeform originality shows and it's admired, much like the random beauty of his stone house in the woods.



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

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 24

Fall Spectacular

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 25

Fashion Show

Hudson's presents the fall collection from Eileen Fisher 6:30 p.m. Level Two. Complimentary event. Somerset Collection North. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 816-4000.

Jewelry designer visits

Steven Lagos visits Tapper's to meet customers and show his fall collection 10 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. Orchard Mall, Maple/Orchard Lake.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

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Remodeling Show

Through Sept. 28, the 5th annual Fall Remodeling Expo is presented by the Building Industry of Southeastern Michigan from 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday; 10-10 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$6 adults, \$4 senior citizens. More than 200 exhibitors will show off the latest merchandise and services for the home and garden. Novi Expo Center. I-96/Novi. (248) 737-4478.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 26

Artist visits

Shawnee sculptor John Kessler demonstrates lava rock sculpting at Native West Gallery, 7-10 p.m. Repeated Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sept. 28 from noon to 5 p.m. 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (313) 455-8838.

Artrageous Walk

Downtown Plymouth galleries and restaurants host 4th annual weekend of special art events through Sept. 28. Musicians will entertain, guests artists will demonstrate techniques, 25,000 visitors are expected. As a special highlight, The Penn Theater will air The Rocky Horror Picture Show at 11:30 p.m. for \$5. Tickets pre-sold at participating

Artrageous Galleries - Creative Framing, Animation Station, Penniman Gallery, Wild Wings Gallery, Nawrot Pendelton, Sideways, Bloomsbury Lane, Maggie & Me, Bed & Stead, Francis Jewelry, Hands On Leather, Native West, Gabriela's, Frameworks and Linden Art Glass.

Main/Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (313) 455-8838.

Fabric shop party

Haberman's hosts a Fall Fashion Party 7-9 p.m. with informal modeling, refreshments, previews of latest fall fabrics, professionals and clients welcome. Reservations requested for the free event. 117 W. Fourth St. Royal Oak. (248) 541-0010.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 27

Deaf Awareness Day

Mall hosts day-long event to promote services available to deaf community with 40 exhibitors, Chris Hunter, a deaf comedian; David Hoge a deaf magician; Judy Cachia and Janet Schwall deaf storytellers, and a 12 x 12 section of the AIDS quilt. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. between Kohl's and Sears. All signed performances will be voiced by an interpreter. Arts and crafts projects for children and creative items to purchase.

Summit Place Mall. Elizabeth Lake/Telegraph. Waterford. (248) 332-3323.

RETAIL DETAILS

Retail Details features news briefs from the Malls & Mainstreets beat compiled by Susan DeMaggio. For inclusion, send information to: Retail Details, c/o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, or fax to (248) 644-1314.

JCPenney day for schools

JCPenney designated Sunday, Sept. 28 as "Support Our School" day with charity events to benefit area schools.

From 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. customers gain admission to the store with a \$5 ticket. The tickets will be on sale the week of the event from school children in the store and at mall entrances. Each ticket entitles the customer to a spree certificate for 25-percent off regular merchandise and also a coupon that can be redeemed for \$5 on a purchase of \$50 or more. All proceeds from ticket sales go to local schools.

Weekend wear for guys

Jan Goldman bought the former Adamo/Nicole Miller shop at 268 W. Maple in downtown Birmingham, reopening it as Weekend Wear, selling leisure clothes for men at 20-percent off department store prices. She sells unisex jeans, polar fleece items, and collections by Weekendz Off, Pure Gear, Uptime Denim and more. Inquiries are welcome at (248) 723-9543.

Women host fashion show

The Women of Bloomfield invite community members to a Fall Fashion Show, Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 11:30 a.m. at Forest Lake Country Club to benefit Carehouse.

The fashions will be provided by Janet Varnet of Rochester. Hairstyling by Gerald of Franklin. Reservations are \$25 by calling Barbara Long, (248) 626-1297.

Solomon & Co. is new

Brother and sister team Ariada, 26, and Andre, 28, Solomon

are selling European clothing for men and women on The Boardwalk in West Bloomfield. They carry fashion by Nini Ricci, Donna Karan, Armani, Versace, Calvin Klein, Oscar De La Renta and more.

Visual merchandiser named

Daniel Sorvig is the new senior vice president of Visual Merchandising for Proffitt's, Inc. which operates five divisions with 176 stores under the names of Proffitt's, McRae's, Younkers, Parisian and Herberger's. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of North Dakota and has worked for Dayton Hudson and Younkers.

Northland Center will host national walk for Osteoporosis

The Northland Center in Southfield will host the first annual America Walks For Strong Women event, Saturday, Oct. 18 along a defined route inside the shopping center.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. followed by an opening ceremony, warm-up and the walk at 9 a.m.

In Michigan alone, more than 800,000 women suffer from the effects of the disease. The event will be sponsored by Eli Lilly and Co. pharmaceuticals, and ERE Yarmouth shopping malls in Detroit, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Pennsylvania and Tennessee. To register, make a contribution, or get more information about the event, the hotline is 1-800-231-4222.

New at Westland

Brauns Fashions is now open at the Westland Center near Kohl's. The women's fashion store is new to the Detroit-area market.

September coat drive

Tapper's Jewelry store in the Orchard Mall, Maple and Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield is collecting coats for The Pontiac Lighthouse and Orchards Children's Services.

Bring in a gently-used man's, woman's or child's coat, and receive a \$10 gift certificate. Especially needed are children's coats in sizes 7-10. For more information call the store at (248) 932-7700.

Menswear trunk shows

Saks Fifth Avenue hosts annual trunk show of made-to-measure men's wear by Oxxford with a company representative from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the second floor men's department at the Somerset Collection South in Troy. On Sept. 28, a Valentino men's trunk show takes place from noon to 6 p.m.

Leather coats show

Nordstrom at the Somerset Collection North in Troy, hosts LaNouvelle Renaissance Trunk Show featuring leather coats in the Savvy Department on Level Two from 1-4 p.m. A representative will show new styles, answer questions, and assist with selections.

Andrea Jovine visits Neiman Marcus

View a fall fashion presentation and meet fashion designer Andrea Jovine at noon, Sept. 23 in the Sport Shop at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection South, in Troy. Her visit coincides with the Center for Creative Studies' 16th annual Detroit International Wine Auction. For more details call NM at (248) 643-3300.

Also at Neiman Marcus, Sept. 24-28, a special collection of cashmere and camel hair coats from Fleurette in petite, missy and made-to-order sizes. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Coats.

Discount store opens

The Zayed family has opened Discount Daze in the Maple Plaza, Walled Lake. The 2,000-square foot store sells home accessories, toys, collectibles and gifts. For more information call the store at (248) 624-8520.

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

Where can I find?

- video.
- A caller had an 1847 I.S. Eternally Yours dinner fork.
- Still looking for:**
 - Maybelline cake mascara. Help!
 - A metal or wood clothesline for outdoors for Karen.
 - The very old board game Park and Shop, for Karen King of Livonia.
 - Decals or stickers that are reproductions of old ship and train lines from The Golden Age of Travel for Betsy.
 - A Rock 'Em Sock 'Em robot for Cheryl Kulikowski of Westland.
 - A Winter is Beautiful Barbie Doll for Norma. It's part of the autumn, spring, summer collection which she already has.
 - Dove Beauty Wash with one-quarter moisturizing cream in the plastic pump. For the face, not the body, for Joan of Livonia.
 - A postcard printer for a Senior Citizen's Group said Bob Ryan.
 - An electric hair brush for Helen Kazanowski of Westland.
 - Thelma Osmund is desperate for the Noah's Ark soft sculpture patterns, and so are several other readers who called to say they'd like them too, to make holiday gifts and crib mobiles. Does anyone have these to share?
 - An old ticker tape machine.
 - A 9-inch color television in a black shell for under-the-counter mounting for David of Plymouth.
- A toddler-size Big Jake dump truck by Power Wheels for Barbara.
- An out-of-print children's bible The Book For Children by Kenneth Taylor, for Beth of Rochester Hills.
- The game Pit from Parker Brothers for Bethany.
- Fitted, slip covers for a couch seat like the ones Sears used to sell.
- An Early American shade for a pitcher and bowl lamp for Janet Skinner of Livonia.
- Men's shaving brush and cup for Lori's husband in Rochester Hills.
- Bob-Lo memorabilia for Karen of Royal Oak.
- A retailer who sells replacement lids for the Corning ware browning dishes.
- Where to buy Mennen shave talc, plus a store that sells mirror tiles about 12" x 12" both for one reader.
- A retailer who sells Coty Vitamin A & D night cream and Coty Vitamin Moisture Balancer for Shelley of Plymouth.
- A grocer or market in the Birmingham-area that sells canned goods without sodium for Sarah Zusman.
- A copy of the children's book Brave Little Indian, for Nancy Torossian of Plymouth. Published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston.

What we found:

- Readers spotted Coty lipsticks at Meijer's.
- One reader said she bought Metamucil at Meijer's in the orange flavor, 36-oz. for \$14.99. But another reader said the company stopped making the sugar-free Metamucil a year ago and it's no longer available. Another caller spotted some at Danny's Markets.
- A reader suggested a great source for tracking down out-of-print books. "Call Dawn at Archives Bookstore, 517 West Grand River in Lansing, 1-517-332-8444. For \$1, she'll track your book if she can, and it will be mailed to your home. She's helped me many times. You don't have to drive to the store."
- Several callers offered copies of Every Night Josephine, and were put in touch with the searcher.
- An Address-O-Graph machine was offered by three callers.
- Ellie Harris suggested the cable shopping show QVC for eelskin wallets and much more. "Lee Sands sells all kinds of eelskin things on the show," she said.
- A caller was willing to sell an old Parachute Express

Family fun



Superstars of children's music, The Parachute Express, appear at Lakeside in Sterling Heights, Sunday, Sept. 21, at 2 p.m. on the Fountain Stage. (Top to bottom) Donny Becker, Stephen Michael Schwartz and Janice Hubbard Lindsay, have won just about every award for children's music in the 10 years they've been together. The concert is free. bring a camera!

Donna Mulcahy's Shopping Centered column puts you in the center of the shopping scene

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Sponsored by The Farmington Observer and WXYT-AM-1270, this public forum is open to everyone interested in the Farmington area.

Join co-hosts Jimmy Barrett, WXYT on-air personality, and Dave Varga, Editor of The Farmington Observer as they broadcast live from Ginopolis on the Grill (12 Mile and Middlebelt) in Farmington Hills. A panel of Farmington and Farmington Hills community leaders will be on hand to answer questions and discuss issues.

There is no admission or reservations, however seating is limited, so come on down early, take a seat and enjoy a rousing exchange of ideas and information.

Don't miss this opportunity to offer your opinion or ask that burning question in person or by phone! CALL 248-559-1270.

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Body-shaper garments come out from under

Today's close-fitting, figure-accentuating ready-to-wear needs body-shaping intimate apparel to help it look its best. Fortunately, now there's a fashionable solution that makes it easy to get a slender silhouette.

"New fashions are designed to show off the figure," said Kathy Smith, DuPont Lycra segment manager for intimate apparel. "Shapewear provides a quick fix to a slim silhouette."

A far cry from grandmother's girdle, modern control garments are surprisingly decorative, with touches of shimmering metallic rich satins, luxurious laces and special trimming details. Fashions designed for a flawless figure get a boost from body shaping garments such as:

- Elegant, high-waisted half-slips made with Lycra that define the waist while toning the tummy and hips.
- Full body-shaping slips that

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smooth the tummy and support the bustline with underwire.

- Retro-chic corsets re-invented with Lycra brand spandex for a smooth, comfortable fit that moves with the wearer.

- Leggings that sculpt from the tummy down for a smooth silhouette under trousers and cigarette pants.

- Sumptuous, yet surprisingly long-wearing lingerie fabrics in blends with cottony-soft Supplex nylon and silky-soft Tactel nylon.

- Everyday comfortable bodyshaping garments such as waist-defining Smoothie panties and matching bra by Strousse Adler and Nancy Ganz's tummy-toning Bodyslimmers collection.

- Other items are pretty enough to make their way into outerwear: rich velvet tops trimmed with velour and lacy bras create an alluring look under jackets for that special celebration.

"Women shouldn't be afraid to try the lingerie department for that special something to brighten up their

wardrobe," said Smith. "In fact, some of the best finds — in terms of fashion and price — may be tucked away in the intimate apparel department."

Male body shapers

Even men can take a short-cut for losing their love-handles with the newest body shapers for him.

Control garments for men include boxer shorts, high-rise and mid-rise briefs with non-roll waistbands that offer hidden, strategically placed panels with Lycra to support gently and comfortably.

Sure to be popular are undershirts with stomach and waist toning sections for a smooth fit that doesn't ride up.



Sleek silhouette: The teddy from Wonderbra, \$49, works magic under clingy knits and other body-hugging fabrics.

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Resource center

Henry Ford Medical Center of Livonia opened an innovative health resource center where patients and the community can find - free of charge - answers to questions on all aspects of health. The center, located at 29200 Schoolcraft Road, will be run primarily by volunteers from Group Exercise for Multiple Sclerosis (GEMS) at the Livonia Family "Y."

The volunteer staff will offer services including one-on-one health education sessions, free informational pamphlets, referrals to community agencies, health-related videos/books and assistance in locating health services and resources throughout Henry Ford Health System.

For more information call, (313) 523-1075. The center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Red October Run

Join the Oakwood Healthcare System for the Red October Run at the Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne (33155 Annapolis Ave., Wayne) Saturday, Oct. 4. There will be a one-mile junior walk beginning at 9 a.m., and an 8K Run/2 Mile walk beginning at 10 a.m. All kids under 12 who finish the walk will receive a prize at the finish line.

All funds raised will be donated to the cancer resource center within the Oakwood Healthcare System Cancer Center of Excellence. For more information call, (313) 791-1234.

Shot clinics

The flu or influenza (fever, chills, body aches, cough, sore throat, upset stomach, etc.) can lead to serious illness such as pneumonia. To help prevent against this virus St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is holding a flu shot clinic for the community on Monday, Oct. 13, from 3-5 p.m. in the Pavilion Conference Room A, near the south entrance.

There will be an \$8 fee and registration is requested. If you bring proof that you have Medicare B, the shot is free. For more information or to register, call Community Outreach at (313) 655-2922.

Shots are also available at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne on Wednesdays (Oct. 8; Oct. 22; Nov. 5, 19) from 2-4 p.m. No appointment is required. A \$5 charge may be covered by Medicare; bring your card. For information call, 1-800-543-WELL.

Providence Hospital and Medical Centers are sponsoring a series of community immunization clinics. The clinics will offer DPT, DT, HB, Hepatitis B (19 yrs. and under) and MMR vaccinations. Sorry, the varicella vaccine will not be available. There will be a \$5 facility fee charged per child, but all immunizations will be free of charge from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 28 on a walk-in basis.

Stop smoking

Stop smoking with hypnosis. Hypnosis works to change your smoking attitude and makes withdrawal easier. The program, sponsored by Botsford's Health Development Network (HDN), is \$45 and begins at 7 p.m. The event takes place at 39750 Grand River Ave., in Novi. For more information or to register call, (248) 477-6100.

Depression support

Is depression a problem? You are invited to attend a new local Depression Support Group every second and fourth Sunday of the month at the Canton Health Care Center Building, Canton Center and Warren roads in Canton. The group meets for two-hours from 2-4 p.m. (please enter through the Emergency Room entrance and gather in the Community Meeting Room.) For more information call Nancy, (313) 455-8598.

Volunteer training

Community Hospice and Home Care Services (CHHCS) of Plymouth and Westland is offering its fall Volunteer Training Program for individuals interested in donating their time, effort, and talents to support those in need of hospice care. The 8-week program begins Thursday, Sept. 25 at St. Henry's Catholic Church in Lincoln Park. This course is free and focuses on all aspects of hospice care. Individuals interested in registering for classes, please contact Laurie Behling, director of Volunteer Services, (313) 522-4244.

BIRTH CONTROL

Options exist for every need

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Birth control methods are as varied as the people relying on them to avoid pregnancy. And area doctors say each couple has to find the best means that fits their needs.

"Probably half of our practice or more involves at some visit discussing birth control," according to Dr. Judith Joslin-Page, D.O. with Comprehensive Obstetrics and Gynecology in Livonia, Plymouth and Garden City for Botsford Hospital.

Birth control is discussed with adolescents and always after the first visit at the gynecologist's office following a delivery. "And there's a significant portion of patients who are going to be sexually active and are coming for advice and want to be started on something," Page said.

Dr. Elena Oatey, D.O., an obstetrician and gynecologist with Garden City Hospital and Botsford General Hospital, said there's a lot of factors to weigh, like lifestyle, birth control costs, future plans and medical conditions. "You have to talk to them and ask what's important to them, said Oatey who has a private practice in Garden City. Is spontaneity the most important thing to them? Is knowing that they won't get pregnant the most important thing? People, especially young women, don't want to think about it at all and still have no problems," she added.

Side effects

"There are side-effects to every method. It's a matter of which one is least bothersome for you. Unfortunately we don't have an on-off switch, which would be nice."

There's another group of patients who need contraceptives to address health problems. For instance, birth control pills are used for women who have heavy menstrual periods and others who suffer from bad menstrual cramps. The good news is that young women who have uncomfortable periods usually outgrow the problem. There are 29 different birth control pills available and together they are the most commonly used contraceptive in the United States, but not throughout the world. Both doctors caution, however, that there are factors to be considered when taking the Pill.

"They are 99 percent or greater in effectiveness, if taken correctly," Page said. "One of the downfalls of the Pill is that if you don't take them they don't work. Someone who can't remember to take a pill has a greater chance of failure."

Also, some antibiotics will decrease the effectiveness of oral contraceptives. Another risk with oral contraceptives, although rare, is an increase change of blood clots, especially among smokers over 35 years old. If a blood clot travels from the leg, for instance, up to the lung it can be fatal. On the positive side, once the Pill is stopped women usually resume fertility within one or two months.

Also, it is believed that the Pill may help protect against ovarian and endometrial cancers, pelvic inflammatory disease, non-cancerous breast tumors and ovarian cysts. Beside the Pill, there

are a lot of different ways to avoid getting pregnant. Each method has risks, costs and drawbacks.

Abstinence means control

"The only 100 percent method is abstinence," Oatey said. "People often want you to tell them what's the best method. It's the best method for that person and that couple." One method, often referred to as natural family planning or the rhythm method, involves periodic abstinence. Couples have sex during "safe" periods determined by diligently charting and understanding the woman's body changes. The effectiveness is between 80 and 90 percent.

One of the more popular methods of birth control for couples in their forties is permanent sterilization, which prevents sperm from joining eggs. Vasectomies are intended to permanently block a man's tubes that carry sperm. The surgery is usually done as an office visit and the patient is given a local anesthetic. There are a lot of misconceptions about vasectomies, Page said adding that some men mistakenly believe surgery could affect their sexual performance. Tubal sterilization is intended to interfere with the woman's tubes where sperm joins the egg. It is done with a general anesthetic.

Surgical alternative

"A vasectomy is safer, easier and less expensive than the female sterilization," according to G.L. Smith, from the American Journal of Public Health in 1985. Effectiveness rates for sterilization are 99.6 to 99.8 percent. These procedures usually don't have side effects, but are mostly irreversible and aren't recommended for couples who aren't sure they don't want children.

Nearly 1 million Americans in the last 20 years have undergone a sterilization operation. By 1988, 24 percent of reproductive age women, ages 15 to 44, relied on sterilization. Of those women, 17 percent had tubal ligations and 7 percent had partners who had vasectomies.

Some 50 million men around the world have relied on vasectomies for contraception. Meanwhile, a birth control method that seems to be growing in popularity is subdermal implant, like Norplant. Once it's surgically placed in the woman's arm, usually during an office visit, contraception is good for five years. It is also surgically taken out.

"The good part about that is that it's 99 percent

or greater effective and basically mindless birth control for five years," Page said. "You don't have to take the birth control every day. It's pretty popular among teenagers." Side effects include irregular bleeding, headaches, depression, nausea, weight gain and most women will get a small scar where the device was placed.

Other methods

Depo-Provera is another birth control method administered at the doctor's office. It involves a shot received in the buttocks every 12 weeks to prevent the release of an egg, thicken cervical mucus to keep sperm foam joining an egg and prevent fertilized eggs from implanting in the uterus. One possible side effect is that some women will experience up to 18 months of infertility after using it, Page said.

"This may not be a good option for patients who are trying to space babies within a one or two year period," she said. "It's a good option for patients who are breast feeding." Another birth control choice is the diaphragm or cervical cap, which is fitted to the cervix by a clinician. It blocks sperm from joining the egg. One product, made from copper, provides protection against pregnancy for up to 10 years. Once it's removed, fertility can be resumed immediately.

Over-the-counter birth control for women include a vaginal pouch, like a female condom; foam; jelly; cream or a suppository that kills sperm. Using a condom is between 88 and 92 percent effective. However, something to consider, is that it also protects against sexually transmitted diseases. Both, Oatey and Page recommend always using a condom for anyone who is not in a stable, mutually monogamous relationship.

Prevent STDs

"If you're going to be sexually active we suggest you use a condom, because it can kill you if you get HIV, (the virus that can cause AIDS)," Page said.

One method that doesn't cost anything is withdrawal, which is considered between 82 and 96 percent effective. This method requires great self-control, experience and trust. Oatey and Page emphasize that abstinence is really the only definite method to prevent pregnancy.

"Abstinence is coming into fashion again," Page said. "But, what we're finding is that it is a really bad method for teenagers. We're having teenagers say they are abstaining and are not. We're seeing failures. It's a strong willed teenager who does that in this day and age."

Above all, know what's available and make an informed decision, Oatey said. "Whenever you choose a birth control method, choose what's good for you and it might not be the same for your sister and your mom," Oatey said. "It's important to become educated about the methods."

Bonus Club gives extra rewards for baby buys

Marketing to the consumer public has now given birth to a whole new generation of technology. The expansive Bonus Savings Club shopping incentive program developed exclusively by Farmer Jack Supermarkets now has an offspring - a bouncing *Baby Bonus Savings Club*.

Craig Sturken, president of the 100-store, southeastern Michigan-based supermarket chain, the company will introduce the innovative campaign that is targeted to moms, dads, grandparents and other consumers of baby products.

The same personalized Bonus Sav-

ings Club card with a bar code on the back will also now automatically include the Baby Bonus Savings Club incentives. There are over 1,000 eligible baby items. The card will record and accumulate the amount spent during each visit. Each time a customer reaches \$200 in baby item purchases, they'll receive \$20 in cash instantly at the cash register.

"Farmer Jack is the first chain to introduce a totally electronic consumer savings program by category," said Sturken. "To prepare for this introduction, we conducted comprehensive research and found that our Baby Bonus Savings Club should be simple, with a reward, instantaneous, easy-to-enroll-in, and should not require another card to carry.

We have added this growing market component to our existing Bonus Savings Club technology, and are now ready to serve our newest generation of customers."

Farmer Jack's Bonus Savings Club, the innovating savings and service program that electronically offers customers automatic discounts, has been enthusiastically accepted since 1994. Now, the Baby Bonus Savings Club will be added to the already established Bonus Savings Card technology. It is a welcome addition to an already large family of offers at all southeast-

ern Michigan Farmer Jack locations.

Customers who presently have a Bonus Savings Club card are already enrolled. If they don't have a card, it's easy and free to sign up at any Farmer Jack and receive a card instantly.

Members can also use their cards to receive discounts at many special events and promotions sponsored by Farmer Jack and at many other south-

east Michigan businesses such as Domino's Pizza, One Hour Martinizing, Sears Portrait Studio, Midas, Dunham's Discount Sports, Ryder Truck Rental, D.O.C., Harmony House, Crowley's, Hertz, Valvoline Instant Oil Change and Knoppow Wallpaper and Blinds.

All area Farmer Jack stores are participating in this program.

Juvenile Diabetes Walk sponsored by Paine Webber

PaineWebber Incorporated of Livonia will participate in the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International (JDFI) 1997 "Walk to Cure Diabetes" on Sept. 21, at the GM Tech Center. The Livonia office will be among nearly 298 PaineWebber branches across the United States that will participate in one of 140 walk locations.

Livonia's participation in the Walk is part of PaineWebber's national sponsorship of the "Walk to Cure Diabetes." PaineWebber anticipates more than 5,000 employees, and their families and friends to participate in the Walk nationwide, helping to raise awareness of, and substantial funds for, juvenile diabetes research.

"The statistics on juvenile diabetes deeply impact our employees, their children, our clients and our neighbors in the

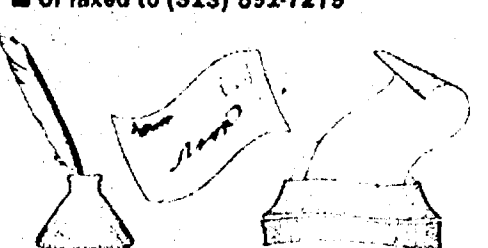
communities where we live and work," said Frederick Mirbach, Jr., branch office manager. "Our employees have enthusiastically embraced the need to raise funds to support research for a cure. The people of Livonia believe in the research that JDFI funds and are willing to give their time to support the goal of finding a cure for diabetes."

This is the first year PaineWebber has pledged national support for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Last year, more than 1,500 PaineWebber employees participated in the metropolitan-New York and New Jersey JDFI Walks.

According to Carla Stamps, a spokesperson for the Livonia PaineWebber branch, more than 33 employees and their families will be participating in today's "Walk to Cure Diabetes" event.

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HEALTH News

Depression screening day sheds light on treatable disease

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Each year approximately 17 million people suffer from a disease that until recently was not discussed as a valid or acceptable explanation for changes in mood or behavior, work performance and social relationships.

Depression can affect people in all walks of life from professionals to laymen - adults and children. Fewer than half of those 17 million victims actually seek treatment even though it can help over 80 percent of those affected.

Sufferers often aren't understood by family and friends who try and downplay the problem as "getting up on the wrong side of the bed," or being in a "bad mood," but those moods can have deeper roots such as genetics, biochemistry and environment.

While some of the behaviors associated with depression can be easily detected, many individuals battle with unknown demons that can tear a family apart if not properly diagnosed.

In particular, teenagers with the illness are often overlooked as being sad or just going through a phase, but in reality the "sad phase" your child is experiencing can last for several weeks altering their mood, social relationships, eating and sleeping habits and bodily functions.

"For many teens depression is a very real and devastating illness," said Sister Janet Ryan, manager of pastoral care at Children's Hospital of Michigan - Detroit Medical Center. "Kids need to know that there is help for them - they don't have to suffer alone."

Sadly enough, most suffering can be prevented with proper diagnosis and treatment that often goes without detection because of denial or ignorance.

When compared to adults, however, only a small number of teens experience depression. But alarming statistics are proving that it is not a disease to be ignored, especially in adolescents. "In the last 30 years we've seen the rate of teen suicide increase by 300 percent," said Ryan. "This is our call to action. Parents, caretakers, and professionals have to listen to what these numbers are telling us - our children need our help."

Symptoms of depression in adults and children include:

- loss of pleasure
- feelings of sadness, hopelessness, worthlessness
- changes in sleeping and eating patterns
- irritability, anxiousness, restlessness
- inability to concentrate
- fatigue or loss of energy
- unexplained aches and pains

• thoughts of death or suicide

Every year almost 10 percent of the children in the U.S. suffer from depression and even more devastating are the number of suicide related deaths that have been associated with victims of this debilitating but treatable disease. In fact, suicide is the second leading cause of death for teens.

Professionals suggest parents, teachers, friends, coaches, spouses and colleagues need to be alert to changes in their loved one's behavior, and be aware the outcome doesn't have to be tragic. Depression is an illness and effective treatments are available.

To shed more light on the problem, National Depression Screening Day has been declared for Oct. 9, 1997 during Mental Illness Awareness Week, sponsored by the American Psychiatric Association, Harvard Medical School, National Institute of Mental Health, and numerous other mental health related organizations.

Many local and state mental health centers are providing free or low cost screenings and educational presentations for adults and children at a hospital or outreach center near you. For more information call the National Depression Screening Day, toll number, 1-800-573-4433.

"We hope that this nationwide effort to provide mental health screening for depression will educate the public about the signs and symptoms of depression and encourage those who may be vulnerable to seek evaluation and treatment," said local screening coordinator, Stephen Paul Stock of Psychotherapy & Counseling Services (Canton, Northville, Plymouth region).

Westland, Garden City, Livonia

• Madonna University, Thursday Oct. 9 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Room 2423, Schoolcraft and Levan roads in Livonia.

A free information session will be conducted by a mental health professional. A written self-test for depression will be administered and referrals will be made if the results indicate a potential problem. Printed materials on the disease will also be distributed. For more information call, (313) 432-5427.

• Livonia Counseling Center, Thursday Oct. 9, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (walk-ins welcome).

This event is free of charge and screening interviews will be conducted with a mental health professional. A written self-test will be provided in addition to educational presentations.

Livonia Counseling Center is located at 13325 Farmington

Road (just south of the Jeffries Freeway, west side of the road). For further information call, (313) 513-7598.

• Oakwood Healthcare System will offer free depression screenings on Thursday, Oct. 9, in an effort to broaden public awareness of mental illness. The depression screenings at Oakwood will include a psychiatrist-led depression education session, completion of a depression checklist, a review of the completed checklist with a mental health professional. The screenings are not a substitute for a complete exam. The screenings are held at Oakwood Hospital Heritage Center, 10000 Telegraph Road, in Taylor, will be held at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Call (313) 295-5237. Screenings will also be held from 5-8 p.m. at Oakwood Hospital Medical Center - Dearborn, 18101 Oakwood Blvd. in Dearborn. Call, 593-7607 to register.

Canton, Plymouth

• Center for Behaviors and Medicine, Thursday Oct. 9, from 5-8 p.m. 2200 Canton Center Road Suite 200 B, between Ford and Cherry Hill roads.

Videos, informational pamphlets and open screenings will be conducted at no cost. For more information call, (313) 981-3800

• Psychotherapy & Counseling

Services, Thursday Oct. 9, call Stephen Paul Stocker, (248) 348-1100, 670 Griswold, Suite 4, Northville.

Participants at the depression screening in Northville will hear a brief talk on the causes, symptoms, and treatments of depression followed by a short video. Individuals will complete an anonymous written screening test for depression and have the opportunity to discuss the results with a mental health professional.

Screenings will be conducted at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main, but more information will be provided by calling, (248) 348-1100.

Redford

• Access Christian Counseling, Oct. 9 from 1:30-3 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. 29260 Franklin Road, Suite 120, Claymore Building - Southfield.

ACC staff will be providing a self-test for depression as well as educational material. For details, call (248) 355-4300.

• University of Detroit Mercy, Oct. 9 from 12-2 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at the McNichols Building 2nd floor ballroom, Six Mile and Livernois Road. Free information and screenings will be provided by health care professionals - open to the public. For more information call, (248) 354-0762.

Local centers, organizations offer hope, support

Professional programs

• Thursday, Oct. 16, Pastoral Care Services at Children's Hospital of Michigan - Detroit Medical Center will host its annual conference for both professionals and parent on depression. The conference will include presentations and discussions about the developmental concerns of adolescent depression, strategies for managing teens with chronic depression and a look at how spirituality can play a role in healing depressed teenagers.

The day-long event will also include a video presentation of Children's latest video, *Lost & Found: Young People Talk About Depression*.

The program "Crossing the River: Young People Navigating Depression" will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Children's Hospital of Michigan, 3901 Beaubien, Detroit.

• Sleep, Diet & the Brain, approved for RNs, LPNs, Pharmacists, Dieticians & DTRs, Psychologists, Social Workers and Counselors presented by the INR Oct. 17 (Troy) and Oct. 23 (Romulus/Dearborn). The program will begin at 9 a.m. following an 8:15-8:45 a.m. registration. Included in the educational segments are: Depression,

Anxiety, Stress and Pain: Effects on Sleep; Sleep Disorders; Chronic Fatigue; Health Eating for Optimal Sleep-Wake Activity and more. To register, call toll-free 1-800-937-6878. For seminar availability and other inquiries, please call (510) 450-1650.

• Madonna University in Livonia will offer the workshop "The Psychology of Traumatic Experience" from 6-10 p.m. Nov. 7 and Nov. 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. This course will explore current understandings of the immediate and long term effects of traumatic events such as abuse, accident, crime, assault, disaster, homicide, and suicide. The non-credit fee is \$95. Students earn 1.2 continuing education units. To register call, (313) 432-5731.

Mental illness support

• St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers a free Mental Health Family Support Group meeting from 2-3 p.m. on the fifth floor of the main hospital near the Five Mile entrance. The weekly meeting provides education and support services to friends and family members of those suffering from mental disorders. Call (313) 655-2944 or 1-800-494-0277 to register.

• Alliance for the mentally ill support meetings for family members and friends of people that have mental illness meet the first and third Thursday of each month at St. Johns Lutheran School, 2602 Wayne Road in Westland, Mich., at 7 p.m. For further information call Mary, (313) 292-9015 or Jimmie, (313) 562-8498.

• You are invited to attend a new local Depression Support Group that meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m. at the Oakwood Hospital/Canton Health Care Center Building.

Please enter through the Emergency Room entrance and meet in the Community Meeting room. The Canton facility is located at Canton Center and Warren Roads in Canton. For more information call Nancy, (313) 455-8598.


• The Manic-Depressive & Depressive Association of Metro Detroit is a self-help group with trained leaders. They offer hope, support, education, and help in eliminating the stigma connected with emotional problems. A monthly newsletter is also published by the group. There are no dues. Refreshments are provided. The MDDA information line is, (248) 557-5773 or write P.O. Box 132, Dearborn, Michigan, 48121.

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TUE, SEPT. 23

PREVENT VIOLENCE WORKPLACE
Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network's Preventing Workplace Violence: A Proactive Approach, will be held at 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Oakwood Hospital Merriman Center, Westland, 2345 Merriman Road, Westland. The cost is \$10 and pre-registration is required. Highlights will be information and presentations on workplace violence, methods of prevention, training and evaluation. To register call, Mary Dziedzic (313) 467-4003 or 1-800-262-5966.

SEPT. 23, 30

CHOLESTEROL EDUCATION
St. Mary Hospital is offering a cholesterol education class, "Eater's Choices" from 7-9 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion Conference Room A, near the south entrance. Learn to plan meals, read food labels, and find the fat budget for your calorie needs. The result is lower blood cholesterol levels and a healthy heart. A \$25 class fee covers course materials (taught by a trained nurse, the course includes food samples and recipes). Call 655-2922 for more information and to register.

SEPT. 23, 24

BUSINESSES VOLUNTEER COLLEGE SUPPORT
The Michigan Colleges Foundation (MCF) will gather local business leaders on Sept. 23, 24 to participate in its largest fundraising campaign of the year for independent member colleges, including: Madonna College in Livonia. The 1997 campaign will kick-off each day at 7:45 a.m. with a breakfast and short program at Standard Federal Bank in Troy. Then business leaders will team up with college presidents and development officers to solicit funds to meet the one million dollar campaign goal. MCF funds provide the colleges with operating support and more than 200 tuition scholarships every year.

SEPT. 23 - OCT. 28

CHILD/PARENT GRIEF SUPPORT
Community Hospice & Home Care - Westland/Plymouth (CHHCS) is offering a six-week "Connections" grief support series for children ages 5-16 that have experienced a loss through death. The sessions will meet weekly on Tuesdays, from Sept. 23-Oct. 28. The parent group will meet separately (but run concurrently). Sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. at the CHHCS Westland office, located at 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100. Sessions are offered free of charge but there is a \$20

registration fee per family. For more information call Kathy Dattolo, ACSW, director of social work or Sands Lans, BSW, outreach assistant, (313) 522-4244.

WED, SEPT. 24

ADULT HEARTSAVER
St. Mary Hospital is offering the American Heart Association Basic Life Support Course - Adult Heartsaver from 7-10 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium, near the Five Mile Road entrance. This class will describe the risk factors for heart disease, signs and actions for survival for the person having a heart attack, and what to do in a breathing or heart emergency. Also covered is the one-person rescue technique and the Heimlich maneuver. A \$20 class fee covers course materials. A course participation card is issued. Call 655-2922 or toll free 1-800-494-1650 to register.

THUR, SEPT. 25

EVENING WITH THE STARS
Oakwood Healthcare System, Ritzy Rags of Grosse Ile, Manno Clothing of Dearborn, and Dittich Furs of Detroit are teaming up for 'An Evening with the Stars', a fund-raising event to support Oakwood's Keep on Trac program. Keep on Trac is an adolescent cancer prevention and education program developed within Oakwood's Cancer Center of Excellence. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m., with cocktails and appetizer-reception followed by a preview of fall and holiday fashions to the live music of celebrity impersonator, Mike Shelton. An afterglow party and dessert bar will immediately follow the fashion show. Tickets are \$75 per person and \$650 for a table of ten. For more information regarding An Evening with the Stars call Oakwood at (313) 791-1234.

PREMARRIAGE STD/HIV CLASS
State law requires individuals to receive counseling regarding STDs and HIV infections prior to applying for a marriage license. Pre-registration is required. The event begins at 7 p.m. in Farmington Hills at a cost of \$25 per couple. Call Health Matters, (313) 513-6393, for more information.

FIGHT INFANT MORTALITY
One of every 50 babies in Detroit dies before its first birthday. Poor nutrition, lack of education and prenatal care, teen pregnancy and drug dependency all contribute to this tragedy that doesn't have to happen. The Michigan Catholic Health System's Infant Mortality Project is offering interested volunteers the opportunity help by training support personnel for the Parent-Infant Partners program. The free-four week training sessions begin Sept. 25 from 6-10 p.m. on four consecutive Thursdays at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield. Pre-registration for the sessions is required and the deadline for registration is Sept. 22. Volunteers will receive 24 hours of training to become a friend and resource to expectant parents, providing information and guidance from early pregnancy through the baby's first

year. Call, (313) 868-8420.

FRI, SEPT. 26

CANCER PATIENT EDUCATION
The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute will host a conference for oncology nurses, social workers, counselors and others who work with cancer patients and their families. Cancer Patient Education in the New Millennium will be from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Antheneum Suite Hotel. The conference is being held in conjunction with the National Cancer Institute's (NCI) Eighth Annual Cancer Patient Education Network Meeting. The Institute operates one of only 27 NCI-designated comprehensive cancer centers. Registration for the program is \$75 (limited to the first 200 participants) and includes conference materials, breakfast, lunch, and valet parking. An optional cocktail reception will follow. For more information call 1-800-KARMANOS.

SAT, SEPT. 27

FREE COMMUNITY IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is sponsoring a series of community immunization clinics. The clinics will offer DPT, DT, HB, Hepatitis B (19 yrs. and under) and MMR vaccinations. Sorry, the varicella vaccine will not be available. There will be a \$5 facility fee charged per child, but all immunizations will be free of charge from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Walk-in).

TOPS WALKING EVENT
To celebrate the introduction of its new, ongoing group walking program, TOPS Charters across North America will hold its "Joining TOPS Hearts and Soles" walking event from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Garden City Parks & Recreation, 200 Log Cabin Road, Garden City (Merriman and Cherry Hill Roads). The local walking event will include drawings for special prizes and incentives. For more information on TOPS or to inquire about chapters in your area call, Dianne Lucas, (313) 584-1408.

MON, SEPT. 29

MIGRAINE SUPPORT GROUP
This month, the Livonia Migraine Support Group meeting will be held in Ann Arbor on

Monday, Sept. 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. Dr. David Biondi, a board certified neurologist specializing in headaches and pain, will discuss "The Coexistence of Migraine, Depression, and Anxiety: Pure Coincidence or Common Biology?" For more information call, (248) 486-1764 (Nancy) or (313) 662-4278 (Bonnie).

OCT. 1-NOV. 26

FLU VACCINE
Get your flu vaccine before the influenza season starts. Oakwood is offering the vaccine for only \$5. Immunizations will be given at various physician offices throughout the community from Oct. 1-Nov. 26. To find the physician's office near you, call 1-800-543-WELL.

OCT. 1-NOV. 5

CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers a childbirth preparation class based on the Lamaze method that increases expectant parents' knowledge of the birth experience. A six-week session will be held from 7-9 p.m. every Wednesday from Oct. 1-Nov. 5 in the Pavilion Conference Room A. Cost of the class is \$55. Registration is required by calling (313) 655-1100.

SAT, OCT. 4

RED OCTOBER RUN
Join the Oakwood Healthcare System for the Red October Run at the Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center in Wayne (33155 Annapolis Ave., Wayne). There will be a one-mile junior walk beginning at 9 a.m., and an 8K Run/2 Mile walk beginning at 10 a.m. All kids under 12 who finish the walk will receive a prize at the finish line. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first three male and female 8K runners. Awards will also be given for the top three male and female runners of each age group and to the first 10 walkers. For those working up an appetite, an "Octoberfeast" will be provided free of charge for all who participated. All funds raised will be donated to the cancer resource center within the Oakwood Healthcare System Cancer Center of Excellence. For more information call, (313) 791-1234.

SAT, OCT. 4

PREMARRIAGE STD/HIV CLASS
State law requires individuals to receive counseling regarding STDs and HIV infections prior to applying for a marriage license. Pre-registration is required. The event begins at 10 a.m. in Romulus at a cost of \$25 per couple. Call Health Matters, (313) 513-6393, for more information.

TUE, OCT. 7

BLOOD PRESSURE CLASS
St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will present a two-part class on "The Ups and Downs of Blood Pressure" beginning at 7-9 p.m. in the first floor classroom, near the Five Mile Road entrance. A \$10 class fee covers course materials. Registration is required by calling, (313) 655-2922.

OCT. 6, 20

MIRACLE OF LIFE TOURS
St. Mary Hospital Livonia is offering tours of the new "Miracle of Life" Maternity Center: Monday Oct. 6 and 20 at 6 p.m. and Tuesday, Oct. 14, and 28 at 6 p.m. The tour will start in the Pavilion Lobby near the South Entrance off Levan Road. Please, no children under the age 10. The tour is free but registration is required. For more information call, (313) 655-1100.

THUR, OCT. 9

HFCC NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS
"The Pleasure Prescription: To Love, To Work, To Play - Life in the Balance," a lecture/concert benefit for nursing scholarships at Henry Ford Community College, featuring renowned psychologist Dr. Paul Pearsall, will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Adray Auditorium of the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center on HFCC's main campus. Pearsall explains that contentment, wellness and long life can be found by devoting time to family, helping others and slowing down to savor life's pleasures. Tickets for the benefit are \$25 and can be purchased calling (313) 845-9635 or 845-6305.

CANCER SURVIVOR/HUMORIST FEATURED
St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's annual "Breast Health Expo: An Evening of Hope, Laughter and Positive Thinking" will be held from 5-8 p.m. in the hospital's Education Center on the East

Huron River Drive campus. The free event features interactive exhibits; information about breast cancer research, treatment options, nutrition and women's health; and special guest speaker and breast cancer survivor Christine Clifford. The Breast Health Expo is sponsored by McAuley Breast Care, McAuley Cancer Care Center, Women's Health Services at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and Zeneca. Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Please call, (313) 712-5400 or 800-231-2211.

NEW, EXPECTANT FATHERS
St. Mary Hospital will offer a class for new and expectant fathers, "Just for Dads...Childbirth and Beyond," from 7-9 p.m. on Thur., Oct. 9. The class will meet in the west addition of Conference Room A. This two-hour class helps fathers understand feelings and changes associated with the birthing process, how to become an active participant in childbirth, and the new role of fatherhood. Cost is \$15 per person and registration is required by calling (313) 655-1100.

THUR, OCT. 9

DEPRESSION SCREENING
Oakwood Healthcare System will offer free depression screenings on Thursday, Oct. 9. The depression screenings at Oakwood will include a psychiatrist-led depression education session, completion of a depression checklist, a review of the completed checklist with a mental health professional. The screenings are held at Oakwood Hospital Heritage Center, 10000 Telegraph Road, in Taylor, will be held at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Call (313) 295-5237. Screenings will also be held from 5-8 p.m. at Oakwood Hospital Medical Center - Dearborn, 18101 Oakwood Blvd. in Dearborn. Call, 593-7607 to register.

SAT, OCT. 11

SIBLING CLASS
Welcoming a new baby into the family can be an adjustment for sisters and brothers. The Marian Women's Center Livonia will offer a Sibling Class from 9-11 a.m., in the West Addition Conference Room A. Cost of the class is \$10 per family. Registration is required. For more information or to register, please call the Marian's Women's Center at (313) 655-1100.

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Don't fall prey to computer virus warnings, most are unattributed hoaxes

PC TALK



MIKE WENDLAND

If you've been on the Internet for even a week or so, chances are you've been warned about a computer virus. It seems like there's a new one every week -- the Good Times Virus,

the Trojan Horse Virus, the Penpal Greetings virus, or any combination of dozens of others. The grim scenarios sketched out in the e-mail warnings are remarkably similar. All are breathlessly written with a lot of exclamation marks and urgency, telling the recipient not to unload a file from the Internet or even read a message bearing a particular heading. If you do, these messages warn of catastrophic consequences.

such as the erasure of your computer hard drive. The messages all blame a secret virus supposedly embedded in an innocent-sounding file, maliciously being spread by cyberspace vandals intent on wreaking havoc and destruction.

Don't feel threatened

The warnings are very scary. But don't fall for them. And never pass them on to someone else, no matter how "sincere" or "authoritative" they appear. Almost all the time, these messages are lies. Fakes. Pranks. Myths. But the phony warnings are impossible to stop because as soon as people receive them, they immediately pass them along to friends. "That is the problem," says computer virus hunter Rob Rosenberger, who has made a career out of tracking down and exposing these electronic hoaxes. "Most of what these viruses purport to do is technically impossible as described in these e-mail warnings. But people don't bother to check it out. They just keep

forwarding the message on and on until they take on a life of their own."

Probably the most repeated such hoax involves something called the "Good Times" virus. Well-meaning but ignorant readers and viewers have been regularly sending me e-mail warnings about "Good Times" for at least five years now. One of the reasons why the hoax is so readily passed on is because it attributes the warning to an unnamed official from the FCC. This, says virus tracker Rosenberger, is what is known as the "False Authority Syndrome," where the hoax is seemingly validated by a real authority.

"But over and over again, when I start to dig into the source for this and trace it as far back as I can, I find that either the person at the organization quoted doesn't exist or, if a real person, they never said any such thing."

In the case of "Good Times," the FCC has issued a press release totally repudiating the attribution, insisting that it

never issued such an alert and referring people to a report from a computer security department at the U.S. Department of Energy that labels Good Times a hoax.

Unsubstantiated

Another problem that seemingly adds credibility to the fake virus warnings: Most say the writer or someone they know lost data or suffered damage because of unwittingly downloading a virus. A couple of months back, Rosenberger tried to track down several dozen of these so-called victims. "I could not substantiate one real case of damage that could be attributed to a real bona fide virus," he says.

Rosenberger has set up a Web site called the "Computer Virus Myths Page" (<http://kumite.com/myths/>) for people concerned over computer virus warnings. I use him as a guest every few weeks on my PC Talk Radio show to help shoot down the panic over the latest virus rumor. He knows his stuff.

"Mundis vult decipi, ergo decipiatur," is Rosenberger's motto, Latin for: "The world wants to be deceived, and so it is." He is particularly critical on software companies that make so-called "virus-sniffing" programs, suggesting that they are behind much of the hysteria because it helps sell software.

While he concedes there are a handful of real computer viruses that have caused problems, Rosenberger says most, at their worst, are minor irritations.

He suggests that you never download an executable program or file from the Internet unless you are absolutely sure who sent

it and what it contains. The same precautions should be followed in copying programs from floppy disks obtained from other people.

"Your chances of getting a serious virus from the Internet is about the same as winning the state lottery by buying one ticket," he says. "Almost every virus warning you get from e-mail is either a hoax or so greatly exaggerated that it's nothing you should worry about."

Making the rounds

Another hoax making the e-mail rounds recently was something called the "Irina" virus. It turned out that the former head of an electronic publishing company circulated the warning to create publicity for a new interactive book by the same name. There never was such a virus in the first place. But hundreds of thousands of bogus warnings filled computer in-boxes across the Internet for months.

What is perhaps the most amazing thing about these hoaxes is that they are based on ridiculous claims that even the most neophyte computer user should be able to recognize as technically impossible.

For example, an e-mail warning about a so-called "Penpal virus" claims: "This virus will DESTROY your hard drive, and holds the potential to DESTROY the hard drive of anyone whose mail is in your in-box, and who's mail is in their in-box, and so on. If this virus remains unchecked, it has the potential to do a great deal of DAMAGE to computer networks worldwide!"

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Pioneer to speak

Rick Inatome, chairman of Inacom Corp, a Fortune 500 company, will speak Oct. 13 on "Knowledge Revolution" at the next Madonna University McManus



Rick Inatome

Distinguished Business Lecture. The presentation will take place at 7 p.m. in Kresge Hall and admission is free.

Inatome, has earned a reputation as a progressive thinker and business visionary. In 1989, he founded Computer City, one of the country's leading computer superstore chains. He is also a principal shareholder and co-chairman of American Speedy Printing Centers, Inc. the nation's fourth largest quick-printing chains. For more information, call (313) 432-5356.

Redford appointment

David L. Taylor of Redford Township, doctor of Chiropractic, was named the head of the new Children's Health Resources



David L. Taylor

United at the Gregg Chiropractic Centers. The appointment was made by R. James Gregg, DC, founder and director of the Centers, located in Garden City, Livonia, and Bloomfield Hills. In practice for 19 years, Taylor will be based at the Garden City clinic.

The mission of the Unit is to inform parents of the variety of children's health issues, their care and treatment options. Taylor has been involved with children's health throughout his career, including participation in chiropractic mothers Morning Out programs at local churches.

Agent advanced

Wendy Bernard of Insurance Planning Service in Livonia recently was awarded the designation of Certified Insurance Service Representative (CISR), after successfully completing a rigorous education program administered by the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents

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Salesperson recognized

Rick Babineau, business development manager, was recently honored by Superior Coffee and Foods for outstanding sales achievement.

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Resident honored

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Admission director

Concordia College in Ann Arbor announced that **David Koenig** has been named the new director of Admissions for the college. In this capacity he will oversee both traditional admissions and non-traditional (i.e., accelerated degree programs for returning adults).

Koenig comes to Concordia from Lutheran High School in Westland where he served as director of Guidance and Counseling and baseball coach for seven years. While at the high school, one of Koenig's goals was to encourage as many students

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BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

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Shop reinvented

Three months after Wind Point Partners and Alpha Capital invested millions in Southfield-based **1/2 Off Card Shop**, the discount greeting card and gift store chain today will unveil a new business

strategy with the grand reopening of a remodeled Westland store.

The newly remodeled Westland 1/2 Off Card Shop is open for business at 35585 Warren Road (14,500 square feet), across from Westland Shopping Center.

Sears grand opening

Sears grand opening of its first brand-new store in the Detroit market in 20 years will premiere on Oct. 25 in Westland, and general manager **John Anderson** is leading the celebration. Joining the Sears celebration will be the general managers from the Troy and Novi stores who will be debuting their stores recent renovations with grand openings on the

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Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations, and can be seen locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday afternoons on WXYT-Radio AM1270 and he is the author of a series of Internet books (call 888-222-1866). You can reach him through his Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>.

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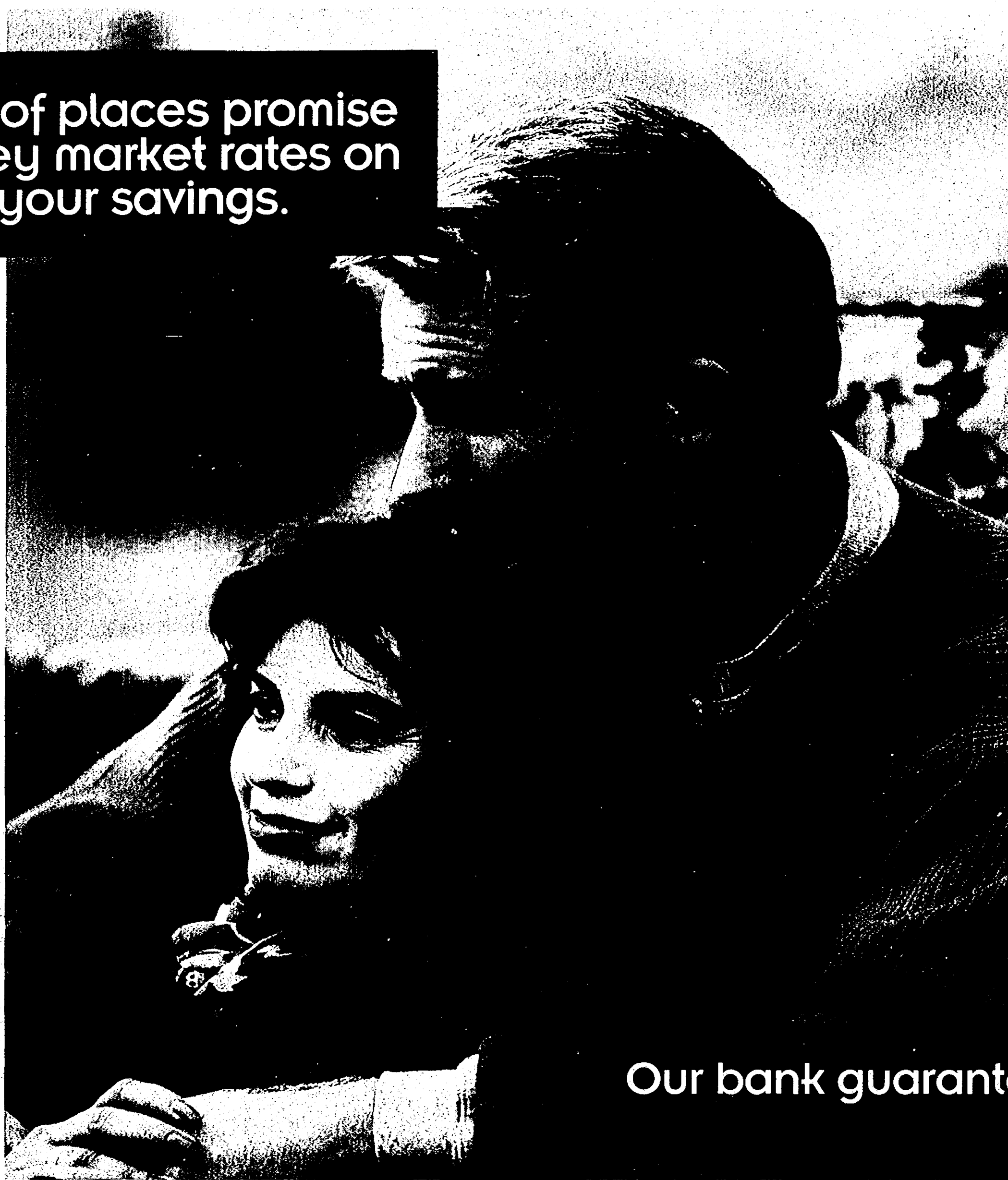
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Group takes mystery out of art form

The only time John Zaretti sings opera is in the shower. Nonetheless, the Canton resident is a staunch supporter of the art form.

Born in Parma, Italy, the birthplace of composer Giuseppe Verdi, Zaretti learned to love opera at an early age. He co-founded the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan to spread and share that love with others.

"We're trying to demystify opera, frequently thought of as culture with a capital C," said Zaretti. "With productions such as 'Phantom of the Opera' and 'Les Miserables,' we're getting closer to opera."

Dramatic and theatrical, opera began mesmerizing audiences with its music, acting, costumes and scenery more than 300 years ago.

"Opera is one of the greatest art forms," said Zaretti. "You have the music, the poetry, the setting. It's a very passionate art form, very entertaining, not stuffy at all, never was, but people have that idea. In Parma, where I come from, they're great lovers of opera and very passionate about it. If you're good, they carry you on their shoulders and parade around town. If you're not, they throw tomatoes at you."

Opera is less passionate and popular in America. That's why Zaretti and baritone Dino Valle founded the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan in 1988. As artistic director, Valle along with Zaretti promote opera by arranging concerts and hiring about 40 opera singers a year to perform in a variety of venues. Zaretti, as president of the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, played a role in producing the Sept. 28 Orchestra Hall concert featuring the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, Valle and sopranos Fidan and Huraman Kasimova of Baku, Azerbaijan. (See accompanying story.)

Hobby

"What started as a hobby has become a lot of fun and brings a lot of culture," said Zaretti. "It whets the appetite for the opera."

A knowledgeable man when it comes to opera, Zaretti knows everything about the lives of the composers, their music, and the singers. He presents this information at lectures held before mini-concerts by Valle and other Verdi Opera Theatre singers at schools such as John Glenn High School and Adlai Stevenson Junior High in Westland and Plymouth-Canton High School. The non-profit organization also holds an "Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition" every May to further encourage Michigan high school students to pursue a career in opera.

"There's tremendous vocal talent here," said Zaretti. "America probably has the most opera companies in the world, so if we support it, you'll see young people maybe developing into singers, but if not as benefactors and sponsors who love opera."

To further promote opera by acknowledging its stars, the Verdi Opera Theatre presents statues of Verdi to outstanding artists who have contributed to the development and appreciation of opera. Past recipients include Metropolitan Opera basso Ara Berberian and world-renowned mezzo-soprano Cecilia Bartoli.

"Anyone interested in opera is interested in Verdi," said Zaretti. "He's one of the greatest composers."

To honor Enrico Caruso, one of the greatest opera singers in history, the Verdi Opera Theatre established the Statue of Enrico Caruso Society. Sculptor Frank Varga was commissioned to create a life-size bronze statue depicting Caruso as the Duke of Mantua in Verdi's "Rigoletto," one of Caruso's most famous roles. The statue was donated to Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall and is now permanently displayed there. Miniatures of the statue have been awarded to prominent opera singers including tenors Luciano Pavarotti, Jose Carreras, Placido Domingo, Carlo Bergonzi and baritone Sherrill Milnes.

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New note: The Livonia Symphony Orchestra, led by conductor Volodymyr Schesiuik, rehearses for an upcoming concert at Orchestra Hall.

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Livonia Symphony Orchestra's 25th season

Tickets for individual season concerts (beginning Nov. 8 at Churchill High School Auditorium) are \$12.50 unless otherwise noted. Call (313) 421-1111 or (313) 464-2741

Season schedule:

- An Afternoon of Opera at Orchestra Hall - 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28. Tickets: \$50, \$30, \$25, \$20, \$15, available at the box office, 3711 Woodward, Detroit or by calling (313) 833-3700 or Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666
- Sunday, Songs and Symphony Benefit - 6-9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5 at Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh, Livonia. Tickets: \$25, advance; \$30 at the door
- Klassical Kaleidoscope - 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8. Features pianists, Anna Sorokhtei and Virginia Weckstrom
- Nutcracker Ballet - 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6. Features the Dearborn Ballet Theatre and Churchill High School Choir
- Now Hear This - 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7. Guest soloist pianist, Joshua Cullen
- Cabaret 1998 - 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 6 at Burton Manor, Livonia. Tickets: \$25



- Meditations - 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10 at St. Genevieve Church, 29015 Jamison (two blocks south of Five Mile Road, two blocks east of Middlebelt) Livonia. Features harpsichordist, William Albright and St. Genevieve Festival Choir
- Mountains, Valleys & Steppes - 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 30. Guest pianist, Volodymyr Vynntsky, mezzo soprano, Christina Lypecky, baritone, Jarema Cisaruk, baritone.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

A new-found energy charged the air as the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Volodymyr Schesiuik, rehearsed for a concert at Orchestra Hall with sopranos Fidan and Huraman Kasimova of Azerbaijan, formerly part of the old Soviet Union, and baritone Dino Valle of the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan.

Dr. Shapoor Ansari, a cardiac surgeon from Bloomfield Hills, is sponsoring the Sept. 28 program of Mozart, Puccini, Leoncavallo, Schicchi, Brodski, Tchaikowsky, Verdi, Bernstein, and popular Azerbaijani and Russian folk songs accompanied by pianist Chingiz Sadykov, also of Azerbaijan.

"Twenty-five years ago Francesco DiBlasi founded the orchestra," said Schesiuik, formerly a prominent Soviet Union conductor who took over as music director three years ago. "Without him we would not have an orchestra, but now we have a new concertmaster, different music. It's a new time, a new feeling."

The music programmed for the

Please see OPERA, D2

- What: Solo piano and slack key Hawaiian guitar
- Where: Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor.
- When: 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26.
- Tickets: \$18.50, \$22.50 and \$30. For information and to charge by phone, call 313-763-TKTS or (248) 645-6666.

George Winston explores obscure musical byroads

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

"Pop music peaked for me in '67," said George Winston in a voice as laid back and easy going as his solo piano recordings.

Winston, nearing the end of a month-long tour of Michigan, has been mining some unusual and obscure areas of musical expression that might come as a surprise to those who know him only through his recordings.

The recordings, beginning in 1980, helped establish a whole musical format, called New Age by Billboard and the Grammys. Winston calls his own recorded music "rural folk."

"Rural folk is the name I gave to it and that's what it is. That meditative stuff, I don't do that," he said. "And it's not jazz, though I've played that. I think musicians can call their music what they want, and they can give it the correct label."

But anyone going to see Winston Friday night at the Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor will hear a lot more than "rural folk" piano. In fact, Winston devotes a lot more playing time to stride and rhythm and blues piano and to Hawaiian slack key guitar.

Hawaiian guitar?

"I first heard players in '74," said

Please see WINSTON, D2



Musical montage: George Winston plays a variety of styles at his concerts.

ART WALK

'Artrageous' event for browsers, shoppers

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

For a fourth year in a row, Plymouth merchants are challenging the public to look for art in unusual places during an art walk designed for browsing, shopping and fun.

Frame Works, Penniman Gallery, Animation Station, Wild Wings Gallery, Gabriala's, Maggie & Me, Creative Framing & Gallery, Native West, Sideways, Hands on Leather, Bloomsbury Lane, Bed 'n Stead, Francis Jewelry Gallery, Linden Art Glass, and the Pendleton Shops have banded together to feature paintings, sculptures, ceramics, hand-painted furniture, and hats at the popular event known as Plymouth is Artrageous.

In past years, only galleries and art-related businesses participated.

"We felt we were limiting what Plymouth has to offer by not showcasing the other shops in town," said Annette Horn, co-owner of Native West. "We're calling it an art walk not a gallery walk this year because there's art in every single store here in Plymouth. When you think of art, everything could be art in your everyday life from what you hang on the wall to the clothes you wear."



Wildlife preserved: John Kessler, an award-winning sculptor of Shawnee heritage, will exhibit work and demonstrate the techniques used to create wildlife, including this cougar, from lava rock during Plymouth is Artrageous.

Many of the shops will offer the opportunity to meet the artists. Native West will host John Kessler and his award-winning sculptures of grizzly bears, wolves, buffaloes, cougars, and otters. All are sculpted from lava rock and influenced by Kessler's Shawnee heritage. Throughout the weekend, he will demonstrate the sculpting process by creating one art work each day on the sidewalk in front of the gallery.

Jamie Spaulding, Frame Works production manager, said the appearances are just one of the highlights of the walk. Frame Works will spotlight the work of portrait artist Patricia Bombach (7-10 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday) and photographer Kathleen Thompson (noon to 5 p.m. Sunday).

"The walk is a chance for the public to come in contact with the artists, an opportunity they don't have on a day to day basis," said Spaulding, "but it's also a chance to expand exhibitions of their work. Now with our space doubled in size, we can showcase two artists at once without any problem. We like to support the artists like Patricia because they've supported us over the years."

One of the highlights of the walk is a

Plymouth Is Artrageous

■ What: An art walk featuring 15 businesses in downtown Plymouth, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street. Live entertainment by street performers. Admission is free.

■ When: 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28.

■ Highlight: A special screening of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at the Penn Theater, 760 Penniman. Tickets \$5, available from participating businesses.

What gives the walk a different twist is we're bringing back the 'Rocky Horror Picture Show' to keep people in town and to bring them to town. It's wild and fun. Last year, there were people of all ages, including two ladies in their 80s, having a good time.

An afterglow party at the Coffee Studio will continue until 4 a.m. with an award given for best costume.

In past years, a music festival comedied with Plymouth is Artrageous. This year, entertainment will be found on the

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Opera from page D1

1997-98 season is practically all new except for the Shostakovich. "I remember him," said Sche-siuk, a Ukrainian native, during an interview at Churchill High School in Livonia. "You must have lived in this country all your life to understand what the music is all about."

Carl Karoub joined the Livonia Symphony in 1979 when it was called the Oakway Symphony. He walked into rehearsal enthusiastic about the future after watching the orchestra's growth through the years.

"I'm all excited about the new season and playing Orchestra Hall," said Karoub, principal French Horn. "We just keep improving and keep attracting people with impressive musical credentials. It's looking like our best season ever. We're reinventing the orchestra. Volodymyr is introducing a lot of new literature, especially European litera-

ture."

The pre-season concert at Orchestra Hall was the idea of Dr. Ansari, who served as interpreter for the Kasimovas. Dr. Ansari first heard the two sisters sing at an embassy party in Washington, D.C. two years ago. Impressed by their talent, he attempted to contact the singers through the Azerbaijan embassy without success. It wasn't until he attended a conference in Istanbul, Turkey, where they sang that Dr. Ansari had the opportunity to invite them to perform in the United States.

"I had three reasons for asking them to come," said Dr. Ansari, a native of Azerbaijan. "I feel people of this type of talent should be sharing their music. Two, it promotes Azerbaijan culture and most of all I want to enjoy their singing."

This is the Kasimovas debut

concert as soloists in the United States. Although the sisters performed here as representatives of the Soviet government, they were not allowed to leave the communist country as unchaperoned soloists for fear they might defect.

One of the most famous opera singers in the former Soviet Union, Fidan Kasimova began her training at age 7 at the school of Byul-Byul, where young talents studied under close state supervision. Fidan graduated with the highest honors from the state Conservatory of Baku and by 1972 had become the youngest vocal training professor in the history of the Soviet Union upon joining the faculty of the Moscow Conservatory. Winner of several music awards including the Gold Medal in the International Viotti Competition in Italy, Fidan was awarded the

honorary title "People's Artist of the USSR." This prestigious award was given only to outstanding talents such as dancers Nureyev and Barishnikov. Fidan is one of only three sopranos in the history of Soviet Union to receive it. She has performed in the Soviet Union, Mexico, Cuba and throughout Europe.

European Gold Medalist winner of the Maria Callas Competition, Huraman Kasimova enrolled at Baku Conservatory to study voice in 1970 and immediately after graduation was accepted by the State Opera as a soloist. The youngest of the sisters, the 38-year-old Huraman won gold medals in nearly all vocal competitions held in the Soviet Union and abroad. She was invited to Italy by Tito Govvi after winning the Maria Callas Competition but political restrictions in the Soviet Union

prevented her from accepting.

"In July, the president of Azerbaijan was here to sign an agreement with President Clinton for our petrol fields," said Fidan Kasimova. "Everybody knows Azerbaijan has petrol, but we want everyone to know of the talent in Azerbaijan."

The singers return to Baku Oct. 11 after a concert at the Embassy of Azerbaijan in Washington, D.C. They hope to return to the United States next year for concert appearances. Since the Kasimovas are no longer under the management of the Soviet Union, they will have to secure their own engagements.

"We want to come back because we love the United States because it's a nice country with very nice people who are very open and friendly," said Huraman. "We would like to continue cooperation between our

country and the United States to perform. We give our special thanks for our sponsors."

John Zaretti grew up in Parma, Italy, the home of composer Giuseppe Verdi. While not an opera singer himself, Zaretti appreciates the music and collects rare opera posters from around the world. As co-founder of the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, Zaretti believes the partnership which produced the concert by the sopranos, Livonia Symphony and Dino Valle of the Verdi Opera Theatre, benefits everyone, in this case especially, the Azerbaijani, American, Italian (Valle), and Ukrainian (Sche-siuk) communities.

"This is one of our most ambitious programs," said Zaretti of Canton. "We want to share our passion for opera. In opera, there is no racial barrier. It is loved by people all over the world."

Winston from page D1

Winston. "It was just like, 'That's it! It's my favorite tradition. It's also the least well-known of the world's guitar traditions.'"

It has become something of an obsession for the pianist. Since 1985 he has been recording the masters of Hawaiian slack key guitar on his own Dancing Cat Records label, distributed by New Age recording pioneers Windham Hill.

"It's not to be confused with steel guitar, which is played across the lap. It's played upright," he said.

Dancing Cat background material describes slack key as "sweet and soulful." In the slack key tradition, the strings are "slacked" to produce different tunings. Other devices are used to produce unique sounds, often varying greatly from island to island. It is a hypnotic, beautiful music.

Winston has produced 14 Hawaiian guitar albums featuring 21 masters of the form. Dancing Cat also produces most of the live slack key performances in Hawaii and around

the world.

"I grew up in Montana," Winston said. "There wasn't a Montana guitar style. But slack key reminded me of Montana."

He said nothing, including country, blues and folk, reached him like slack key, though Mexican guitar got close.

Winston has always had eclectic musical tastes. He began playing music in high school in 1967, first on organ and then electric piano. Then in 1971, he heard jazz great Fats Waller and switched to acoustic piano. He picked up guitar in the mid-'70s.

His favorite music was the stride piano tradition of Waller and Teddy Wilson and the great rhythm and blues players.

"Most recently I've been listening to Henry Butler and before that James Booker. Professor Longhair, Doctor John," Winston said.

In concert he plays everything from the Beatles to Sam Cooke to George Gershwin. And the composer he plays most often is Vince Guaraldi. The late jazz pianist/composer is not a household name, but his music is

instantly recognizable. He wrote the early '60s hit "Cast Your Fate to the Wind" and the magical music of the Peanuts television specials. Winston's most recent recording, released last fall, is "Linus and Lucy, the Music of Vince Guaraldi."

"I'm a fan of the pop music instrumental music of the late '50s and early '60s - Booker T and the MGs, the Ventures - and Vince Guaraldi was part of that era," Winston said. "I loved the tunes and you can do them on the solo piano."

Solo piano is what Winston does primarily. His most popular recordings have been built around the four seasons and nature with titles like "Forest," "Summer," "December," "Winter Into Spring," "Autumn." "Forest" won a Grammy Award.

"Montana has seasons that are very distinct from each other," Winston said to explain his thematic approach. "Every song reminds me of a time of the year."

Winston said he is bringing his summer show to Ann Arbor.

The quiet, melodic music Winston records was intended as a

break from the stride and rhythm and blues.

"I always liked thematic records," he said. "I mainly think about the live performances and let the records come together on their own. I'm on the road two-thirds of the time. That's the main thing, the real thing, totally real."

"It's funny coming from the '50s and '60s, that used to be all there was. Micing a piano is virtual reality. I don't like to hear it and I don't like to play it. You do have to mic a guitar for it to be heard in a big hall, so you make concessions but a piano can shout."

For George Winston giving concerts is what he does when his work day as a producer and record executive is over.

"Music is supposed to be fun. I don't do it for work."

A food drive to benefit the Arbor Haven/ Salvation Army will be held prior to the performance. Anyone who wishes can bring non-perishable food for the drive.

Expressions from page D1

When Zaretti immigrated to New York in 1956, he attended the Metropolitan Opera frequently and began collecting Verdi memorabilia including one of the composer's letters.

Thirty of the rare opera posters Zaretti collects from around the world will be on exhibit during a concert by the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan and the Plymouth Symphony

Orchestra, under guest conductor Charles Greenwell, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at the Italian-American Club in Livonia.

Tickets are \$15 per person, \$25 for concert, afterglow. Call (313) 953-9724.

Linda Ann Chomin is an arts reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at (313) 953-2145.



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Opera in the afternoon: Soprano Valerie Yova, baritone Dino Valle and guest conductor Charles Greenwell join with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra to present a concert at the Italian-American Club in Livonia.

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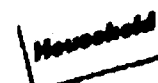
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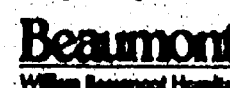
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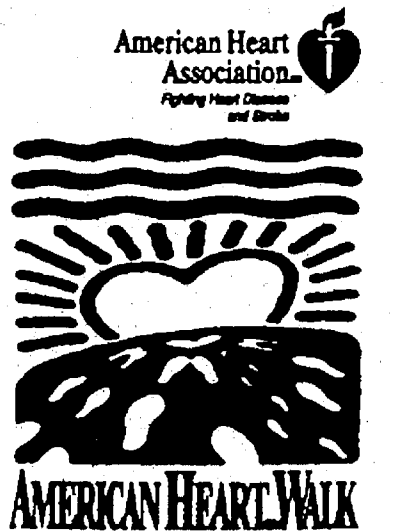
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ANTIQUES EXPOSITION
The Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition Friday-Sunday, Sept. 26-28. Evergreen at 10 1/2 Mile Road, Southfield; (810) 469-1706.

AUDITION S/CALL FOR ENTRIES

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23. Frost Middle School on Stark Road, between I-96 and Lyndon, Livonia. Membership not restricted to Livonia residents. Sight-reading not a requirement. Call Dick or Ann Ruel, (313) 525-1447.

FANTASTICKS AT THE MILLENNIUM
7 p.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 29-30. Roles for men and women. Prepare a comic and serious monologue (no Shakespeare), and song from contemporary musical. Performances: Nov. 21-23. 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, Southfield; (248) 552-1225.

CHRISTMAS EXHIBIT

Shiawassee Arts Center is seeking artists for 9th annual "Christmas at the Center." November 8-December 30. Entry deadline: Tuesday, Sept. 30. 206 Curwood Castle Drive, Owosso. Or call (517) 723-8354. 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE

Invitation to local artist to participate in annual gift shop. All media accepted. Entry fee: \$15. Marketplace opens on Nov. 8. Proceeds benefit the arts center. (248) 333-7849.

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Open to women who read music. Rehearsals on Monday evenings, Sept.-June. Auditions scheduled by appointment for 1997-98 season. (248) 642-321.

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Open auditions for dancers. Fee: \$5. Company will perform "The Nutcracker" in mid December. 41333 Southwind, Canton; (313) 397-8828.

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Submit 200 dpi file (or hardcopy). Deadline Oct. 1. Meteor Photo & Imaging, 1099 Chicago Road, Troy; (248) 597-1640.

BENEFITS

MICHIGAN JEWISH AIDS COALITION

7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre. Reserved tickets: \$35. 6600 W. Maple Road, Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield; (248) 594-6522.

ROCHESTER SYMPHONY GUILD SHOWHOUSE

Proceeds from Oct. 3-27 designer showhouse will go to Rochester Symphony. Tickets: \$15 at door, \$12 in advance. VIP part on site Oct. Purchase tickets at Hepplewhite's Fine Interiors, 210 W. University, Rochester; DMJ Interiors, 313 Main Street, Rochester; Limelight Music, 3220 Walton, Rochester Hills.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Fall Classes run through Nov. 9, including cartooning, drawing, arts and crafts, painting, multimedia, pottery. Adult classes include blues guitar, beaded jewelry, art and the masters, ceramics, Chinese painting, photography. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

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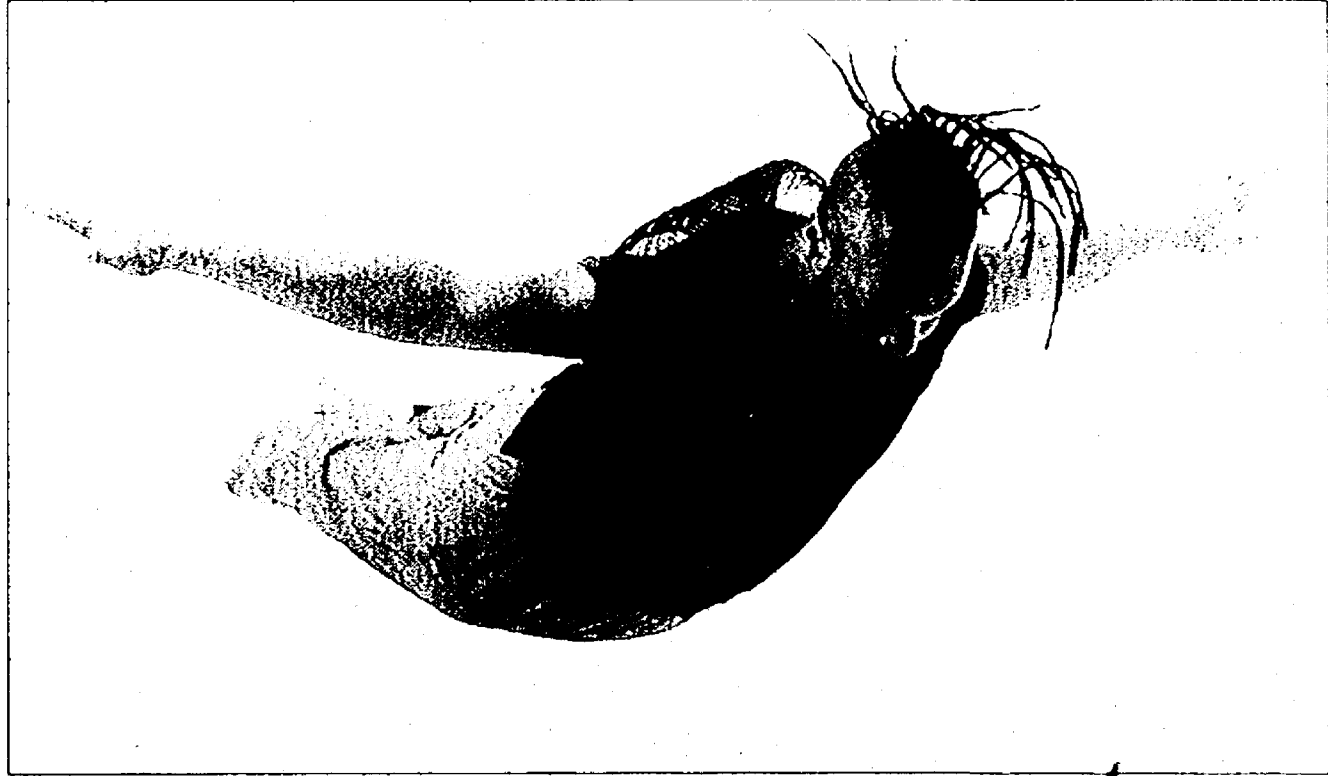
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Classes begin Sept. 15, open for students ages 3 and up. 543 main Street, Ste. 210, Rochester; (248) 783-7279.

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Classes in graphite, colored pencil, pastel, watercolor, gouache, acrylic and oil. All ages. Classes are on going. 3316 Greenlawn Avenue, Commerce Township; (248) 363-6326.



Big step: Eisenhower Dance Ensemble opens its new season with "On the Move." 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27 at Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills. (248) 362-9329.

CLASSICAL

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 Cecilia Bartoli, mezzo-soprano, Steven Blier, piano, I Delfici, strings. Performing Vivaldi, Schubert, Garcia, Delibes and Rossini. Tickets: \$20-\$60. Hill Auditorium, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor; (313) 763-0611.

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25 featuring Christoph Eschenbach, conductor and piano. Hill Auditorium, on the campus of the University of Michigan.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26 & 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27. Debut of cellist Wendy Warner with conductor Neeme Jarvi. Repertoire includes Schuman's New England Triptych, and Beethoven's Symphony No. 4. 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 962-1000.

MUSIC STUDY CLUB OF METRO DETROIT

1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, the Euphonia Quartet, featuring Martha Windscheif, violin; Grace Brockett, violoncello; Angelina Pashmakova, piano; and Claudia Hook, viola. Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile Road; (248) 585-0146.

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY

8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Amior Sextet. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit; (248) 737-9980.

LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, "Gershwin Goes to Gai Paris," featuring performance by founder/artistic director Fedora Horowitz. Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 Woodward Avenue at Lone Pine; (248) 357-1111.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS

7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, "Music and the Spoken Word." Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 Woodward Avenue at Lone Pine; (248) 362-9329.

MOZART SOCIETY OF GREATER DETROIT

38th annual concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 featuring piano trio, duets for soprano and mezzo and selections sung by a Russian Children's Choir. Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore Road, Grosse Pointe Farms; (248) 557-6157.

CONCERT ORGANIST

8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 Thomas Murray in the inaugural recital on newly restored pipe organ. Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 644-5210.

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE

1 p.m. the second Thursday of the month, varied programs featuring trained musicians. Opening program Oct. 9, featuring Irene Mattulat, Marlene Plumb, Eugene Zenzen and Leah Goor. No fee. The Community House, 380 S. Bates Street, Birmingham; (248) 475-5978.

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8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27, "On the Move," featuring choreographer Shane O'Hara. Tickets: \$12, general; \$10, seniors; \$6, students. Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills; (248) 362-9329.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4 "In Consort." Wayne State University, Old Main Building, corner of Cass and Warren, Detroit. Tickets: \$10, general; \$5, students. (313) 965-3544.

EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

SCARAB CLUB

Through Sept. 21 - "The Polk Competition, Art and Technology." 217 Farnsworth, Detroit; (313) 831-1250.

URBAN PARK

Through Sept. 22 - New Works by Ray Rohr. 508 Monroe.

Greektown/Detroit; (313) 963-5445.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Through Sept. 24 - "Un-Defining...Craft," coordinated by Kathy Dambach and Albert Young. 300 River Place, Suite 1650, Detroit; (313) 393-1770.

B'HAM UNITARIAN CHURCH

Through Sept. 26 - Realistic paintings by Dodi Sikevitz. 651 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills; (248) 647-2380.

CELEBRATE MICHIGAN ARTISTS

Through Sept. 26 - 11th annual exhibit organized by the Paint Creek Center for the Arts. 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

MARYGROVE COLLEGE

Through Sept. 26 - Work of Christine Hagedorn and photographer J.H. Dozier. 8425 W. McNichols Road, Detroit; (313) 862-8000.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through Sept. 26 - "Mother Sculptor Wifeypoo," solo show of Valerie Mann, winner of PCCA's 1996 Celebrate Michigan Artists competition. 407 Pine Street; (248) 651-4110.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through Sept. 27 - "Let the Season Begin" work by gallery artists, including acrylic, oil, watercolor, drawings, prints, pottery, ceramic, metal and bronze sculpture, jewelry and furniture. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

SHAWGUIDO

Through Sept. 27 - Yun-Dong Nam, a solo exhibit that "documents how close society comes to the limit of nature's tolerance, and perhaps demonstrate how one can reconnect to nature's spiritual and physical balance." 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-1070.



New perspective: "A New Way of Looking: A New Artists Inspired by Children" appears at Clique Gallery through Saturday, Sept. 27. 200 W. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak; (248) 545-2200.

UZELAC GALLERY

Through Sept. 27 - 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 "Sea Life Forms," sculptural paintings of Lyn Parker. Oakland Arts Building, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

WETSMAN GALLERY

Through Sept. 27 - "European Jewelry Revisited," 132 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 645-6212.

OAKLAND SOCIETY OF ARTISTS

Through Sept. 30 - Summer 1997 Exhibit at the Oakland County Galleria. Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Second floor, Executive Office Building, 1200 N. Telegraph Road;

(248) 683-8142.

SHERRY WASHINGTON GALLERY

Through Sept. 30 - "The Muses of Benny Andrews: New Collages and Drawings." 1274 Library Street, Detroit; (313) 961-4500.

PARK WEST GALLERY

Through Oct. 2 - "Zamy Steynovitz: Reflections of Heritage." Colorful acrylics of his Jewish and Eastern European background. 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield; (248) 354-2343.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY

Through Oct. 3 - 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 Wayne State Faculty Exhibit. 5400 Guillen Mall, on WSU campus; (313) 577-2423.

CARY GALLERY

Through Oct. 4 - "Two Views - Nature and Structure," works by Marilyn Derwenskus and Barbara Freedman. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

WAYNE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS

Through Oct. 4 - "The Artists Among Us," a juried exhibit of original paintings and sculpture by Wayne county artists. Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Ste. 360, Detroit; (313) 224-0810.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Oct. 5 - "Margins, Edges and Environments," works by Jay Constantine and Douglas Buika. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

SWANN GALLERY

Through Oct. 5 - "Latinos Out of Bounds," a group show. 1250 Library Street, Detroit; (313) 965-4826.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through Oct. 10 - "Visible & Invisible," featuring Graciela Busos in a solo exhibit of her Latin heritage. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES PEACE CENTER AND GALLERY

Through Oct. 10 - Georges Rouault's "Miserere" series, July 11, 33 E. Adams on Grand Circus Park, Detroit Theatre. 248-370-3305. 248-370-3318.

PLYMOUTH IS ARTRAGEOUS

Friday, Sunday, Sept. 26-28, fourth annual art festival including art walk and entertainment. Downtown Plymouth; (313) 453-2810.

ST. MARY'S PREP OKTOBERFEST

Bavarian food and refreshments and folk music. 6 p.m. midnight Friday, Sept. 26, noon-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, noon-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28. St. Mary's Preparatory, 3535 Highland Park, Orchard Lake; (248) 485-1780.

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

"Mama and Apples Festival." 1:4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Sept. 27-28. 4511 12th St., Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 648-3224.

SHEEP & WOOL FESTIVAL

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 27-28. Events include sheep shearing, spinning, knitting, wool dyeing. 144 Birmingham Road, Romeo; (810) 748-2468.

Through Oct. 30 - "Remnants," the works of Julie Wroblewski Tourtillette and Rita Grenze. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 335-4611.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY

Through Oct. 30 - "The Jew as Other: A Century of English Caricature, 1730-1830," and "Looking Back: Moments in Time and Place" by Morris D. Baker. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

THE PRINT GALLERY

Through Oct. 30 - "Paintings of Boris Bužkij." 29203 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 356-5454.

DETROIT STREET GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - Drawings and paintings of Barry Avedon, paintings of Karen Izenberg, and photographs of James Sandali. 417 Detroit Street, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-0291.

DONNA JACOBS GALLERY OF ANCIENT ART

Through Nov. 1 - "A Sojourn in Egypt." 574 N. Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 540-1600.

THE MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

Through Nov. 1 - "The Wrong Show," recent social and political art gone awry. 23 W. Lawrence Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through Nov. 1 - The work of Susan Beiner. 10125 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

G.R. N'NAMDI

Through Nov. 8 - "Edward Clark Egyptian Series." 161 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-2700.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through Nov. 29 - "Contemporaries," the works of Nancy Spero and Leon Golub. Spero presents images of women from art history and mythology. Golub's vivid paintings depict the psychology of dominance, violence, masculinity and fear. 4841 Cass Street, on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit; (313) 577-2423.

EXHIBIT OPENINGS

LEMBERG GALLERY

"Wendy MacGaw: New Work." Opens Thursday, Sept. 25-Nov. 1. Reception 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27. 538 N. Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 642-6623.

SUSANNE HILBERG GALLERY

"Jun Kaneko: New Ceramic Sculpture." 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Nov. 5. 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

INSIDE THE ARTIST'S WORLD

Works by Tracy Gallup and Laurie Eisenhardt. 2 p.m. Sept. 27. Discussion with the artists. Southfield Public Library, Marcotte Room. Must register. (248) 948-0470. Fee: \$5.

FESTIVALS

DETROIT FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21. Multicultural arts features over 130 visual artists. Wayne State University campus, Detroit; (313) 577-5088.

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

Sixth annual "Spotlights Market." 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21. More than 100 artisans, culinary and gift exhibitors from Midwest. Gustafson Pavilion, Oakland University, Rochester. Admission: \$3. All proceeds to benefit Meadow Brook Theatre. 248-370-3305. 248-370-3318.

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JAZZ, FOLK & POP

JAZZ VESPER

6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, featuring James Dapkin. Detroit Theatre, Birmingham. Free. Tickets: \$4. (248) 333-7849.

JEWISH FOLK MUSIC

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, featuring Wendy MacGaw and Laurie Eisenhardt. Detroit Theatre, Birmingham. Free. Tickets: \$4. (248) 333-7849.

VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN

8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, featuring Luciano Pavarotti. Detroit Theatre, Birmingham. Free. Tickets: \$4. (248) 333-7849.

LECTURES & MEETINGS

ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ART

2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21. "Language and Image in Ancient Egyptian Art: Tradition and Transience in Maat," presented by Dr. Maulana Karenga, professor of black studies at California State University. 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

ARTIST DONALD SULTAN

Premier of the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association's Captive Audience Lecture Series with a talk by internationally recognized artist Donald Sultan, whose work is in collections of Museum of Modern Art, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, DIA and others. 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23. BBAA, 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.



Donald Sultan

PAINTER AMANDA MILLER IN ANN ARBOR

Reception and lecture at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24. Workbench Furniture, 410 N. Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-1438.

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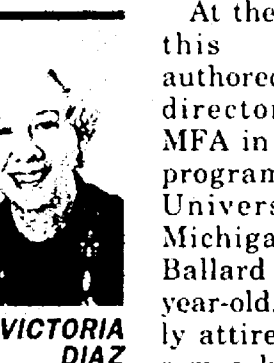
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BOOKS

'Old Scores' reads like novels we've read before

Old Scores
By Nicholas Delbanco
(Warner, \$24.27 pp)



VICTORIA DIAZ

At the start of this novel authored by the director of the MFA in Writing program at the University of Michigan, Paul Ballard is a 36-year-old, casually attired, pipe-smoking, divorced philosophy professor. A Manhattan native, he's now living on some colorful acreage in rural Vermont, baking bread and growing apples and learning how to become a real "country boy," when he's not lecturing or reading sophisticated literature or pointing out grammatical mistakes or other errors to whomever has committed such faux pas in his highly erudite presence.

His good-looking, for sure, effortlessly bringing on spells of tachycardia for co-eds who have come, in 1969, to Catamount College to learn about such things as mythopoeisis, Western Rationalist Tradition and the Lagoon. One day, a lively, leather-skirted student named Elizabeth Sieverdsen comes to the rather cool Ballard's class, sans lingerie, and flashes the high-minded professor as he is attempting to expound on "the Kantian assertion that pure reason could prevail."

She'll say that this move on the part of the student from Grosse Pointe attracts the professor's attention and brings into question the assertion under discussion? Yes, let's do say that, quite comes alive, but remains, instead, a kind of intellectual exercise held to the ground, partly by its own weight. While you're wanting it to seduce, enchant and charm, it just sort of sits there, talking a lot, sending you to the dictionary to look up words and dazzling you with French and Latin now and then. Friends to the dictionary never hurt, of course. I'm all for trips to the dictionary. But, for me, they don't always do a lot to establish or sustain the mood of a story.

The novel's links to the medieval romance of the French philosopher Abelard and his star pupil Heloise - while injecting some interest - don't really help this story fly, either. Sometimes, the links simply feel like a clever device, or a bit of manipulative background music. "It all sounds so very dramatic, melodramatic really ..." one of Delbanco's characters says at some point, and she could be summing up one of the stumbling blocks here. Compounding the melodrama is enough implausible coincidence to try a contemporary reader's soul, plus a kind of bothersome familiarity. From its characters (brilliant professor; his high-spirited, liberal-minded love interest; conservative parents; homosexual artist; confident youth) to its red-barned, elm-treed New England background, "Old Scores" often feels too much like an echo of something that went before, again and again.

Finally, a significant someone indirectly brings the former professor and his old love back together again. In middle age, will they, in a sense, recapture youth? Will the love they declared for each other so long ago have survived the years? Will they find happiness together after all?

"Old Scores" is a highly intelligent, complex commentary wrapped around matters as weighty as guilt, fate, choice and the interconnectedness of the universe. This is not to say that it always works. Somehow, it never

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Many Michigan towns played host to professional baseball

Minor League Baseball Towns of Michigan
By Marc Okkonen
(Thunder Bay Press, \$16.95)

By HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Earlier this summer, my wife and I visited my son in Lansing and caught a Lugnuts game. The clean, pleasant park with perfect sight lines everywhere has become a popular meeting place in the capital city. Crowds have come out for the hijinks, contests, picnics on the back lawn and good professional baseball closeup.

The night was perfect, the game was exciting (though the Lugnuts lost) and the crowd was into every pitch and every hit. I haven't had that much fun at a ballpark in a long time. In fact the last time was when we were living in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and regularly attended games of the Dukes, a Dodgers'

AAA farm club.

Minor league baseball has exploded in popularity over the past 10 years. New franchises are being started across the country and new, intimate ballparks are becoming centers for community gathering. In Lansing, Oldsmobile Park is helping to revitalize a rundown industrial section leading toward the Capitol dome.

Though the Tigers have always meant baseball in Michigan, scores of Michigan cities have been home to minor league baseball teams since the late 1800s. Marc Okkonen's book gives an exhaustive and definitive look at the ball-clubs, their affiliations and the parks they played in.

The book includes the current, highly successful Lugnuts and Grand Rapids Whitecaps and the fledgling Battle Creek Battle Cats and Kalamazoo Kodiaks.

The book is a well researched

compendium of every team from Adrian to Ypsilanti, from Triple A to the wartime women's league. Okkonen gives a history of the teams that played in each town followed by a description of the parks where baseball was played. The book is illustrated with nostalgic pictures of players, owners, fans, posters, maps and diagrams of the parks.

Though perhaps too specialized for the average fan, it makes great reading for those who enjoy anything and everything about baseball. Okkonen, a Muskegon native who has written several other baseball books, reminds us that minor league baseball is a precarious business. A team can be here today and gone tomorrow.

But the current success of the new franchises suggest that fans like their baseball a little closer, a little cleaner and a lot less arrogant.

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features various happenings at suburban bookstores. Send news leads to Hugh Gallagher, Observer & Centric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM, WOODWARD)
Grand Opening Week. Tuesday Night Music Club, 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday featuring new releases; Ellen Rosenberg signs "Growing Up Feeling Good," 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24; Robert Jones sings the blues; 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26; Phil Kaput holds a drum clinic, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at the store 34300 Woodward, Birmingham, (248)203-0005.

BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM, SOUTHFIELD ROAD)
Meet Winnie the Pooh 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 and 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at the store, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham, (248)644-1515.

BORDERS (DEARBORN)
Rapper Chuck D of Public Enemy signs his new book "Fight the Power" noon Thursday, Sept. 25; Sharon Caldwell discusses and signs her book "Kiss an Angel Good Morning: The Brian Caldwell

Story," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; at the store 5601 Mercury Drive, Dearborn (313)271-4441.

BORDERS (FARMINGTON HILLS)
Support Days to benefit Leader Dogs for the Blind, Sept. 21 at the store, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS)
Amway's Dick DeVos signs his new book "Rediscovering American Values," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22; women's reading group discusses "At Home in Mitford" by Jan Karon, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24; video presentation on graphic novelist Neil Gaiman, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; Mary Coughlin sings from her album "After the Fall," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; Elizabeth Stone talks about children's illustrations, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 at the store, 1122 South Rochester Road, at Winchester Mall, (248)650-7179.

BARNES & NOBLE BOOKSELLERS (WEST BLOOMFIELD)
Story time features a reading of "Goodnight Moon" on its 50th anniversary 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 22, and 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23; mystery club discusses Carol O'Connell's "Killing Secrets," 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24; forum on the Irish famine 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; story time celebration of "Clifford," noon

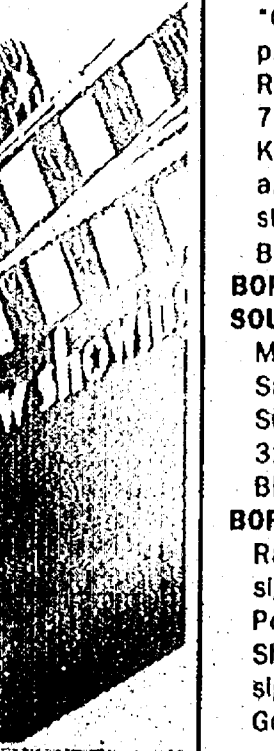
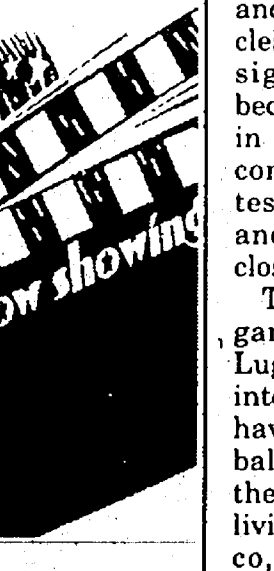
Saturday, Sept. 27 at the store, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 626-6804.

SHAMAN DRUM
Ana Castillo reads from her story collection "Loverboys," 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23; Jonathan Coleman discusses and reads from his book "Long Way to Go: Black and White in America," 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24; poet Richard Tillinghast reads from his poetry collection, "Today in the Cafe Trieste," 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; at the store, 313 South State Street, Ann Arbor, (313)662-7907 or (800)490-7023.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
"Inside the Artist's World," a discussion of professional artists and their work, \$5 fee, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at the library, Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen Road, (810)948-0461

MURDER, MYSTERY & YAHEM
Mystery Mavens Book Discussion Group meets to discuss "Guilt By Association" 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23 at the store 35167 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335. 248-471-7210.

HALFWAY DOWN THE STAIRS
Story time features "Pesky Critters" for ages 2-6, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at the store, 114 E. Fourth St., Rochester, 248-652-6066.



ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send news leads to Linda Ann Chomin, arts reporter, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

CHORUS CALL

Madonna University is looking for singers for its choir which rehearses 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays on campus Levan at Schoolcraft in Livonia.

The number of choir members recently dwindled when director/music department chairman John Redmond left to pursue a career in church music. The new choir director is Kim Renas, who earned a doctorate degree in vocal performance at the University of Maryland.

"We're building from scratch," said newly-appointed music department chair Linette Popoff-Parks. "We're looking for all voices, particularly men. There are all ages in the choir from 18 to 65. The only criteria is you have to love singing. Reading music is a plus."

The choir is preparing for a Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 7. For more information, call Popoff-Parks at (313) 432-5709.

AWARD WINNERS SHOW

Carlos Diaz, a former Livonia resident; Kevin Bauman, Bloomfield Hills; William Murcko, Birmingham; Ray Katz, Pontiac, and Jim Nawara, Beverly Hills are among the ten artists selected

as award recipients in the first annual Polk art competition. Each received cash prizes of \$1,250 or \$3,000. The 10 award-winning pieces will be permanently included in the Polk Collection.

The works of the 10 winners, along with 22 finalists, will be exhibited through Sept. 21 at the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth, behind the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The event, The Polk Competition: Art & Technology, was created to publicly recognize and reward creativity and demonstrate Polk's continuing support of the arts and the Michigan Educational System. The competition was open to all artists age 18 or older, living and working in Michigan. The jury consisted of William Bostick, former administrator/secretary for the Detroit Institute of Arts; William Lewis, retired professor and associate dean of the college of art at the University of Michigan; John Pappas, Eastern Michigan University art professor; Gilda Snowden, Center for Creative Studies fine art professor, and Joe Zajac, Wayne State University fine art professor.

ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

The Northville Historical Society presents its 28th annual Tivoli Fair, a juried Arts & Crafts Show, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, until 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at the Northville Down's Clubhouse,

Seven Mile and Sheldon Roads. More than 110 exhibitors will be displaying their crafts. There are many returning crafters as well as many new ones.

Admission is \$3. All proceeds are used to maintain and operate a Mill Race Historical Village, a living village/museum of the area prior to 1900. Food will be available. Fire laws prohibit the use of strollers.

For more information, call the Northville Historical Society at (248) 348-1845.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

The Plymouth Community Arts Council has added photography classes to its offerings. Basic, intermediate and advanced sessions begin Tuesday, Sept. 23 at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth. To register or for more information, call (313) 416-4ART.

Basic Photography will introduce tools, materials and principles of the medium. The class is aimed at people fascinated with photography but with little or no experience. Composition, lighting, cameras, lenses and accessories will be covered.

Instructors tackle technical and visual aspects of fine art black and white photography in the intermediate class. Students will produce quality images with the use of a darkroom.

Advanced photography students will execute independently the creation of an expressive

image from composition to final print and presentation. They should be interested in creating gallery-worthy black and white fine art photographs.

Betsy Calhoun is the new arts education coordinator at the nonprofit organization.

"I'd like people to think of me more often about classes," said Calhoun. "The renovations to the new building are completed and we are hoping to continue and develop the arts classes offered. Right now, we have about 30 classes for all ages from age two on up including music classes."

DONALD SULTAN LECTURE

The Birmingham will host a lecture by internationally recognized artist Donald Sultan 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 1516 South Cranbrook Road north of 14 Mile, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-0866.

Sultan, who earned a master's of fine art degree at the Art Institute of Chicago, set up his first studio in New York City in 1975. His works are in the collections of the Museum of Modern Art and Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, Boston Museum of Fine Arts and Detroit Institute of Arts. His work includes components of Minimalism, Expressionism and Realism. Sultan is probably best known for his vinyl tile paintings incorporating tar.

An opening reception for an

exhibition of Sultan's work is 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24 at the Hill Gallery, 407 West Brown Street, Birmingham. The show continues through Oct. 11; call (248) 540-9288.

OPEN HOUSE

The Art Gallery/Studio is opening its doors 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 for the public to view the new location at 29948 Ford Road in Garden City.

The open house coincides with the Hoedown being held in the parking lot of Sheridan Square. The Bar-B-Que Dinner (6 p.m.) and entertainment cost \$3 adults, \$2 seniors. The Garden City Fine Arts Association, Garden City Downtown Development Authority and Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring the event. Call (313) 261-0379 for information about the gallery's open house.

CULTURAL GRANTS AWARDED

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will benefit from a portion of arts and cultural grants awarded to organizations throughout the state, said State Senator Bob Geake (R-Northville).

The arts council will receive a \$4,675 grant to help improve and expand arts and cultural activities in the community. The orchestra will receive a \$7,600 grant through the Arts Project Program as a way for art producers, presenters and nonprofit

organizations to "advance the creative, cultural and economic environment of the state."

Recipients of \$21 million in grants were chosen by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, a 15-member bipartisan group within the Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services. Grant applications were based on geographic distribution, diversity, balance within funding programs, and delivery of quality programming and services to every Michigan resident. The grants supporting projects for the Plymouth Symphony and arts council are for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

ENTRY DATE DRAWS NEAR

The Scarab Club is looking for artists to enter its 54th Annual Watercolor Exhibit Oct. 5-26 at the club, 217 Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Deadline for entry is 3-7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, call (313) 831-1250. Fee is \$20 Scarab members, \$25 nonmembers. No more than two watercolors may be entered by artists living in Michigan and Ontario, Canada.

Juror Kenneth Gross, director of the Art Museum Project at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, will award \$500 for Best of Show as well as other prizes.

An opening reception takes place 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday to Sunday.

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streets. "We always had music in the park and that would draw people away from the stores," said Frank Kuszak, co-owner of Frances Jewelry Gallery. "So we decided to take music out of the park and put it in front of the stores."

Spaulding lined up the entertainment for Sunday, which is Youth Day. Although performers, including the Huron River String Band and Celtic harpist Diane Kimball (7-9 p.m. Saturday), will take to the streets throughout the weekend.

Sunday was set aside to give local youngsters a chance to strut their stuff. Students from Joanne's Dance Extension in

Plymouth will perform 12:30-1 p.m. in the parking lot of Delta Diamond. At 1:15 p.m. choral and band students from Plymouth Christian Academy will unite in front of Wild Wings Gallery. The Aaron Shemon Sax Quartet will be on Penniman between Frame Works and Penniman Gallery 2:15-3:15 p.m. and Johnny Little and his seven-piece country/pop band 3:30-5 p.m. at Ann Arbor Trail and Forrest.

"These are our future artists and how more exciting for them than to perform in their own town," said Horn.

Here's a look at the businesses and art taking part in Plymouth is Artrageous:

- Animation Station - local animator and animation historian Steve Stanchfield will demonstrate the animation process. An exhibit of animator Chuck Jones' work including the new limited edition cel celebrating his 85th birthday.
- Penniman Gallery - paintings by Michigan artist Susan Hamady, a former member of the Detroit City Ballet Company.
- Sideways - Plymouth artist Debbie Malek will exhibit Fall, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas items. Meet her and watch her work 1-3 p.m. Saturday.
- Creative Framing & Gallery - welcome the husband and wife painting team of Wendy Schaeffer Miles and Kevin Miles and

- their garden paintings.
- Maggie & Me - hat maker Gina Conti who apprenticed with famous designers Ian Diller and Rosi Keen.
- Hands on Leather - Ken Wright will be showing his hand-crafted drums and demonstrating drum making techniques.
- Francis Jewelry Gallery - gem and mineral show with stone cutter Vaughn Hobe (Friday) and mineral specialist George Tuelof (Saturday).
- Linden Art Glass - glass artists Kris Rowe, Ray Prokopp and George Pogen. Bead making demonstrations Saturday and Sunday afternoons.
- Bloomsbury Lane - floral art by Gloria Jancar.
- Pendleton Shops - blankets inspired by Native Americans.

- Wild Wings Gallery - the work of Thomas Kincaide.
- Bed n' Stead - Nancy DeYoung's clay tiles.
- Gabriela's - opening of "Hidden Secrets," 1,000 square feet

devoted to unique and specialty items for the home. "In its fourth year, it's gotten bigger," said Horn. "It's a wonderful event to come and browse and it's free."

Historical museum seeks volunteers

The Detroit Historical Museum is looking for people interested in Detroit's history to be trained as volunteer docents (tour guides). Applicants must be available during weekdays.

History becomes real when you can walk on a cobblestone street of the 1840s or a cedar log street of the 1870s. The Detroit Historical Museum offers such experiences and more to the 250,000 visitors it plays host to each year. This year in particular, people are coming to see the

exciting new "Motor City Exhibit" which chronicles the development of the auto industry in Detroit, a development that earned it the title of Motor Capital of the World. With the operation of a body drop from the Cadillac plant to the interactives popular with the youngsters, this is one exhibit that has something for everyone.

But the museum must have help to properly meet the touring needs of its visitors, 50,000 of

whom are school children. The staff is looking for volunteers interested in taking a free 10-week docent training program to learn about Detroit's proud and fascinating history, the museum's displays and its vast collection of a quarter million artifacts. Public speaking and effective touring techniques will be offered as part of the training.

Training is done at the museum 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays. A

new docent training class begins in October.

Volunteers must commit to three hours a week for one year after completing training. You need not have been a history major in school. You only need an interest in Detroit. You desire to learn its history and pass on the story of this heritage by telling it to others.

For more information, call Fred Stubbs, assistant curator of education at (313) 833-1475.

Papyrus, African art objects accent Egyptian exhibit

The Detroit Institute of Arts has organized two special exhibits to compliment "Splendors of Ancient Egypt," the blockbuster exhibition continuing through Jan. 4 at the museum, 5200 Woodward Avenue.

"Egypt in Africa" uses objects primarily from the DIA's permanent collection to examine the parallels between the societies of ancient Egypt and other African cultures of more recent origin. Art objects with similar uses and themes, such as mother and

child figures, animal deities, and utilitarian objects are presented to place ancient Egypt within an African context.

The "Papyrus of Nes-min, a Book of the Dead" created around 300 b.c. for an Egyptian man named Nes-min, is on view on the first level, opposite the De Salle Gallery of Photography. Usually only small sections of the Papyrus of Nes-min are on display; this is a rare opportunity to see the complete, 36-foot manuscript. A Book of the Dead

was a collection of prayers and spells believed to provide aid for the spirit of the deceased in the next life.

Admission to "Egypt in Africa" and "Papyrus of Nes-min" is free with regular museum admission; recommended is \$4 adults, \$1 children. Tickets to "Splendors of Ancient Egypt" are for a reserved date and time and are \$10, adults, \$5 children ages 5-12, children under five, free. DIA Founders Society members free. Call the DIA Box Office at (313)

833-4005 or Ticketmaster (248) 654-6666. For group ticket information, call (313) 833-7416.

"Splendors of Ancient Egypt," one of the largest Egyptian art exhibitions to visit the U.S. in decades, was selected from the collections of the Roemer-Pelizaeus Museum in Hildesheim, Germany. It features more than 200 objects including mummy cases, statues, jewelry, wall relief, ceramics, and an unwrapped mummy.

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MEANT TO BE? Catholic SWF, 23, 5'3", shy, honest, romantic, from Royal Oak, enjoys rollerblading, movies, dancing, seeks N/S, childless, Catholic SWM, 23-27, with similar interests. Ad# 4808

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SPEND TIME TOGETHER Catholic SW mom, 24, 5'4", lives in Canton, enjoys volleyball, tennis, hockey, movies, playing cards, seeks SWM, 24-32, for friendship first. Ad# 6848

LIFE'S LITTLE WONDERS Baptist SWF, 26, 5', sincere, honest, enjoys hockey, the theater, movies, singing, reading, seeks SWCM, 25-38, with similar qualities and interests. Ad# 1528

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SOMEONE WHO CARES Baptist SM, 34, good, outstanding, attends Christian concerts, enjoys sports, dancing, seeks warm, loving, open-minded SF, who is very romantic. Ad# 2567

IN GENERAL... Lutheran SWM, 48, fun, outgoing, honest, attends concerts, enjoys sports, dancing, playing cards, the outdoors, seeks tall, attractive, sincere SF. Ad# 7164

GOD COMES FIRST Baptist SW dad, 45, humorous, good-natured, attends church, enjoys martial arts, photography, camping, seeks honest, caring, affectionate SF, no game players. Ad# 6996

TELL MY YOUR SECRETS Catholic SWM, 27, great personality, enjoys going to Christian activities, sports, music, good times, seeks honest, loving, sincere SF, for relationship. Ad# 5224

LOTS IN COMMON? Catholic SWM, 38, enjoys bike riding, camping, family outings, movies, walks, dining out, looking for SF, with similar interests. Ad# 4903

SOMEONE SPECIAL Catholic SWM, 40, easygoing, fun-loving, adventurous, enjoys motorcycles, boats, antique cars, seeks sincere, employed, attractive SF, for possible relationship. Ad# 1958

SPONTANEOUS Catholic SWM, 31, outgoing, adventurous, fun-loving, humorous, enjoys water sports, traveling, fishing, boating, jogging, seeking outgoing, energetic, attractive SF. Ad# 2500

ONE IN A MILLION Protestant SWM, 65, easygoing, enjoys fishing, walking, the outdoors, seeking sincere, intelligent, talkative SF, for companionship. Ad# 1576

UPLIFTING Baptist SBM, 34, enjoys Christian activities, softball, basketball, tennis, long walks, seeking sincere, romantic, happy, faithful SF, for possible relationship. Ad# 1863

BELIEVER Baptist SBM, 38, outgoing, personable, enjoys movies, sports, picnics, long walks, seeking down-to-earth, intelligent, marriage-minded SBF. Ad# 5596

BORN-AGAIN SNAM, 24, enjoys fishing, hunting, the outdoors, knee boarding, seeking honest, intelligent, mature SF. Ad# 4541

OPEN-MINDED SM, 42, shy, soft-spoken, likes Christian concerts, bowling, fishing, seeks honest, open, caring, loving SF. Ad# 4444

CAN BE SHY Born-Again Baptist SWCM, 35, outgoing, faithful, sentimental, enjoys cars, bowling, movies, theater, seeks drug-free, monogamous SF, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 6683

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LOOKING FOR LONG-TERM Non-denominational SWCM, 38, warm, honest, trustworthy, enjoys outdoor activities, long walks, camping, seeks intelligent, marriage-minded, slim, trim SF. Ad# 9999

HOME BODY Laid-back SWJM, 53, enjoys classical concerts, computers, woodworking, seeking neat, clean SF, 6'5"5", 125-170lbs. Ad# 2660

LAIID BACK Catholic SWM, 23, 6'2", 225lbs., brown hair/eyes, employed, likes movies, quiet times at home, seeks SWF, 18-28, for friendship or more. Ad# 1112

A MESSAGE In Garden City, SWM, 21, 6', lives in Garden City, likes a variety of activities, seeking communicative SF. Ad# 1947

COMFORTING SBCM, 36, 6'2", 220lbs., attractive, enjoys science fiction, sports, cars, the outdoors, seeking fun-loving, trustworthy SWCF, for friendship first, possible relationship. Ad# 1942

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ACTIVE SWCM, 35, 5'11", resides in Bradford, enjoys bowling, the outdoors, seeking outgoing, expressive SWF, under 40. Ad# 8619

MARRIAGE MAYBE? Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", 160lbs., trim, cheerful, degree, professional, lives in Wayne County, likes theater, skiing, family events, seeks sincere, fit, Catholic SWF, 21-42, kids fine. Ad# 2034

REALLY INTO HOCKEY? Light-hearted SWCM, 39, 6'2", never married, likes swimming, tennis, traveling, snorkeling, looking for SWF, 30-36, who is willing to rediscover romance. Ad# 7648

LET'S GET TOGETHER SBCM, 34, 5'5", 145lbs., enjoys bowling, tennis, seeks humorous, outgoing, honest SF, 25-38, for friends first. Ad# 5555

WALK HAND IN HAND Catholic SWM, 39, 6'1", enjoys the theater, music, family times, lives in Livonia, seeks physically fit, athletic, romantic SWF, 22-42, for long-term relationship, leading to marriage. Ad# 1223

BETTER YEARS Protestant DWM, 51, 5'8", shy, lives in Lake Grant, enjoys dancing, country music, traveling, dining out, movies, seeks slender SWCF, under 49, for long-term relationship. Ad# 1258

LONG-TERM Catholic DWM, 39, 6', 180lbs., N/S, lives in Westland, enjoys lots of activities, seeking SCF/DW, N/S, under 43, who is compatible. Ad# 1162

YOU'RE NOT ALONE Protestant DW dad of two, 36, 6', kind of shy, easygoing, fit, professional, outgoing, friendly, enjoys outdoors, attends Christian activities, seeking compatible, attractive S/DWF, 35-48, N/S. Ad# 1234

ATTENTIVE Catholic DW dad, 44, 6', 175lbs., brown hair, smoker, green eyes, attractive, professional, likes sports, movies, swimming, walking, youth ministry, seeks S/DWCF, 30-45, to share life. Ad# 9865

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THIS IS YOUR CHANCE! Catholic DWM, 40, 6', 220lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, N/S, residing in Garden City, seeks down-to-earth, honest, caring SWF, 33-46. Ad# 4712

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Chamber music reaches beyond tradition

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

Where chamber music got its stuffy image isn't clear. Who are we kidding?

Typically, an ensemble walks onto the stage, flip their long tuxedo tails, and straighten their countenance into a measured seriousness. Then with the timing of a Swiss watchmaker, they're off, not to look back until the last movement has passed.

Spontaneity? Well, that may come when the pages of the score stick together, or the violinist inadvertently sends his bow across the room. Or the incapacitated trombone player coughs up a mouthpiece.

But times change, even in the staid and formal musical world.

What the French Revolution did to European aristocracy, a contemporary trend in chamber music is imposing on the high-falutin' musical form that began in the 18th-century great rooms of society's powerful elite.

Two nomadic local chamber music groups contend that their music has a down-to-earth place in the Common Man's living room. Since it might be a bit inconvenient to make their case by performing house-to-house, a public venue will have to do.

This coming Sunday, the Lyric Chamber Ensemble and the Detroit Chamber Winds will perform at the Birmingham Unitarian Church. While the groups share the venue, their concerts will be held separately in mid-afternoon and early evening, respectively.

Until recently, neither group knew that the other was opening their 1997-98 season in the acoustically pleasing sanctuary built in February of last year. An indication of both the quality tonal environment of the Unitarian Church and each group's pursuit to reach beyond traditional concert halls.

Lyric Chamber Ensemble

"We're user-friendly," said Louis Nagel, new artistic director for the Lyric Chamber Ensemble. Nagel takes over for Lyric founder Fedora Horowitz, a world-class pianist who recently moved to Israel.

Being "user friendly" may sound more like a marketing line about a new computer program than an appeal to chamber music listeners. But it's Nagel's way of describing Lyric's approach to breaking through the barrier between performers and audience.

Lyric Chamber Ensemble and Detroit Chamber Winds Concerts

Where: Both concerts at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward Avenue at Lone Pine

Lyric Chamber Ensemble presents "Gershwin goes to Gai Paris" (French influences on Gershwin), featuring Ravel's sonata for violin and piano; Milhaud's trio for clarinet, violin and piano; and the songs of Polenc, Griffes and Gershwin. Performed by Louis Nagel and Steven Rosenfeld, piano; Geoffrey Applegate, violin; Theodore Oien, clarinet; and Valerie Yova, soprano.

When: 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28

Tickets: \$18, general; \$15, seniors/students. Season ticket packages available. Call (248) 357-1111

Detroit Chamber Winds presents "Music and the Spoken Word," two works with narrators, including Walton's "Facade," a musical setting for the poetry of Edith Sitwell; and, the presentation of "Nightingale" by Theo Lovendie.

When: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28

Tickets: \$20, general; \$16, seniors/students; \$10, children under 12. Season ticket packages available. Call (248) 362-9329.

Nagel, who is also an international concert pianist, has been on the University of Michigan Music Department faculty for 30 years. At Lyric concerts, he introduces each piece with an informal, unscripted conversation with the audience, typically dropping interesting tidbits about the composer rather than lecturing on musical theory.

"We try to set a tone that's intimate and light-hearted," said Nagel, who's known for his repartee and impassioned style.

"If people don't understand the music, they feel left out," said Valerie Yova, executive director who is also the featured soprano in next Sunday's "Gershwin goes to Gai Paris" concert.

"We're competing for our audience's leisure time," she said. "If it's not convenient and enjoyable people won't do it."

The Lyric's niche, according to Yova, is the ensemble's broad repertoire and willingness to go beyond strictly a musical concert format. She noted that performing the French influences on Gershwin next Sunday offers a context for audiences to discover the music of Ravel and Milhaud.

The Lyric's bottom line is simply to find ways to hook audiences.

Last spring, they performed the music of Schubert to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the composer's birth. At one point, Schubert, played by local actor Jeffrey Nahan, appeared on stage to discuss his music with Nagel.

"It's all part of creating a multi-dimensional event, helping the audience appreciate the intricacies of the music as if they were as familiar with the piece as a musician," said Nagel, a Julliard grad who resembles American composer Stephen Sondheim.

Ultimately, the main issue for the Lyric and other chamber groups is how to persuade listeners to take off their headphones, turn off their televisions or take a rain check at the movie theater.

In the future, Nagel said the Lyric might perform the music of the Beatles, Mozart and Beethoven in the same concert. "Pop and classical music are based on similar principles."

Detroit Chamber Winds

With a pool of 20 local musicians, the Detroit Chamber Winds has built a reputation for performing rarely heard compositions for wind instruments by great composers including Mozart, Beethoven, Dvorak and Strauss.

"By not hearing these works, audiences have missed out on a genre of great art," said Maury Okun, executive director and co-founder of the Winds.

Okun, who also holds principal trombone chair with the Michigan Opera Theatre, compares the Winds mission to perform unfamiliar wind compositions with only considering Shakespeare's plays and disregarding his sonnets.

But the Winds are also concerned with perpetuating their art form. Each year, they commission a work of a national composer.

"Immortality in the music world has to do with creating new works, not just playing the classics," said Okun.

A medium-sized ensemble, the

Winds consist of oboes, clarinets, bassoons, horns (French and English), flutes, trumpets and a double bass. Many of the Winds musicians also perform with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and MOT.

In the last several years, the Winds have received wide critical acclaim for their concerts and recordings. In particular, their 1993 CD, "Remembrances: A Charles Ives Collection," is a standout. The Winds interpretation of Ives, whose compositions can be obtuse and difficult, strikes a balance of technical dexterity and artistic subtlety.

The Winds also are one of the major forces behind the annual Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, held in mid June.

This past year, the two-week festival under the direction of renowned pianist James Tocco attracted international talent, including violinist Phillip Setzer of the Emerson Quartet, the lauded St. Lawrence String Quartet and Grammy Award-winning composer John Corigliano.

Unlike the Lyric's informal conversation prior to their performance, the Winds upcoming concert, "Music and the Spoken



Spiritual language: Birmingham's Rev. Douglas Gallager and Barbara Woolf, musical director.

Word," offers a musical setting to feature the works of poet Edith Sitwell.

While the Winds perform their more traditional, high-volume brass concert in the English gothic environs of Christ Church Cranbrook, Birmingham Unitarian Church offers an intimate enclave to present their concert on the relationship between music and poetry.

"Worship is something you do with more than your head," said The Rev. Dr. Douglas Gallager, minister at Birmingham Unitarian Church. "Music is another religious language."

With superb acoustics, a seven-foot Steinway rather than an organ, and a busy schedule of concerts through May, Birmingham Unitarian Church may be the next best thing to an 18th-century parlor.

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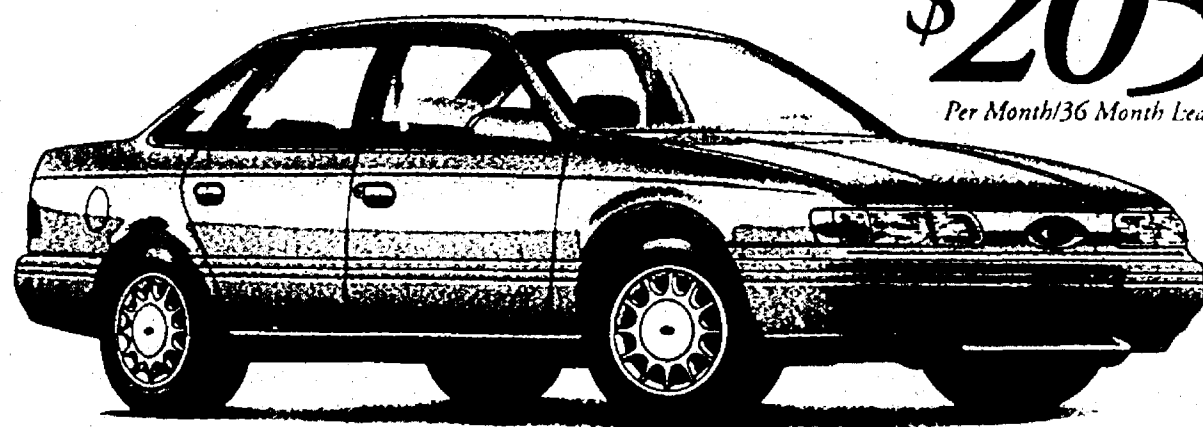
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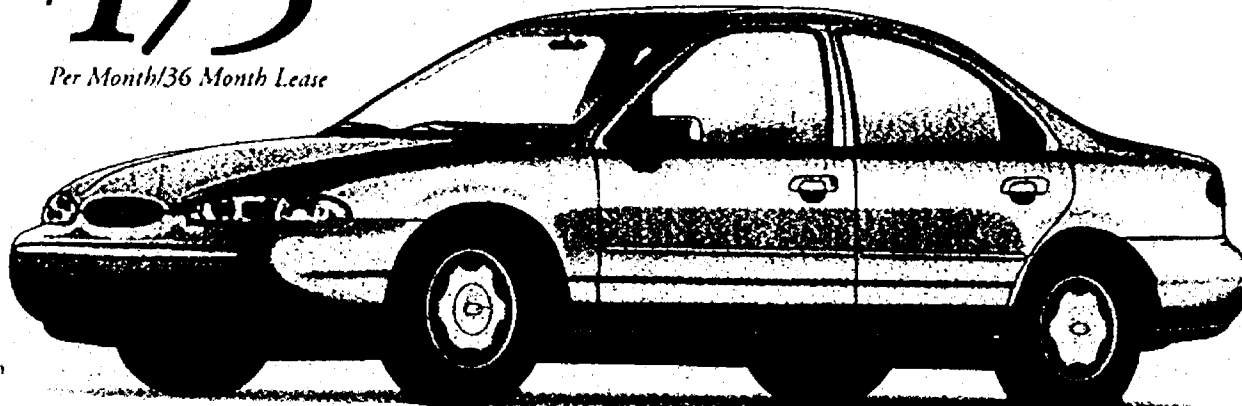
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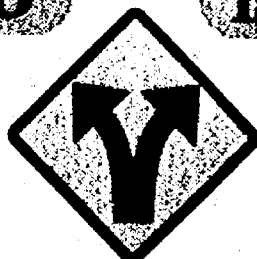
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Basketball signup

The Livonia Junior Football League, which recently voted to do business as the Livonia Junior Athletic League at last month's board of directors meeting, will hold basketball registration for boys and girls (third grade through age 14) from 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6 at the Bentley Center Cafeteria.

For more information, call Dennis Wright at (313) 422-2210.

WYAA volleyball signup

The Westland Youth Athletic Association is holding volleyball registration through Sept. 27 for two leagues — girls ages 9-11 and 12-16 — games to be played from mid-Oct. through mid-Nov. at the Bailey Recreation Center.

For more information, call Mark Rodriguez at (313) 721-5786 or Keith DeMolay at (313) 722-1251.

The cost is \$35 (with fundraiser) or \$80 (without fundraiser).

Cards 2nd ace

Al Hernandez, 70, of Livonia, recorded his second ace recently on the 186-yard, No. 8 hole at Idyl Wyld. He used a 5-wood.

Hernandez shot 44 for nine holes.

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Rockets zoom past Farmington

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

A 35-minute interruption because of lightning couldn't delay the inevitable.

State-ranked Westland John Glenn rolled to its third straight football win Friday night with a 42-0 victory over visiting Farmington in the Lakes Division opener in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Glenn All-Area quarterback Justin Berent showed little rust in the steady downpour.

The 6-foot-6 senior, who sat out last week's 16-0 win over Plymouth Canton after going down with an injured knee in the season opener against Detroit Mackenzie, was sharp in his return, completing 12 of 20 passes for 139 yards and two touchdowns.

"We had a brutal week of practice because we were disappointed with the way we played last week," Glenn coach Chuck Gordon said. "We went out to practice early and we stayed late. And the guys responded to what we wanted to do."

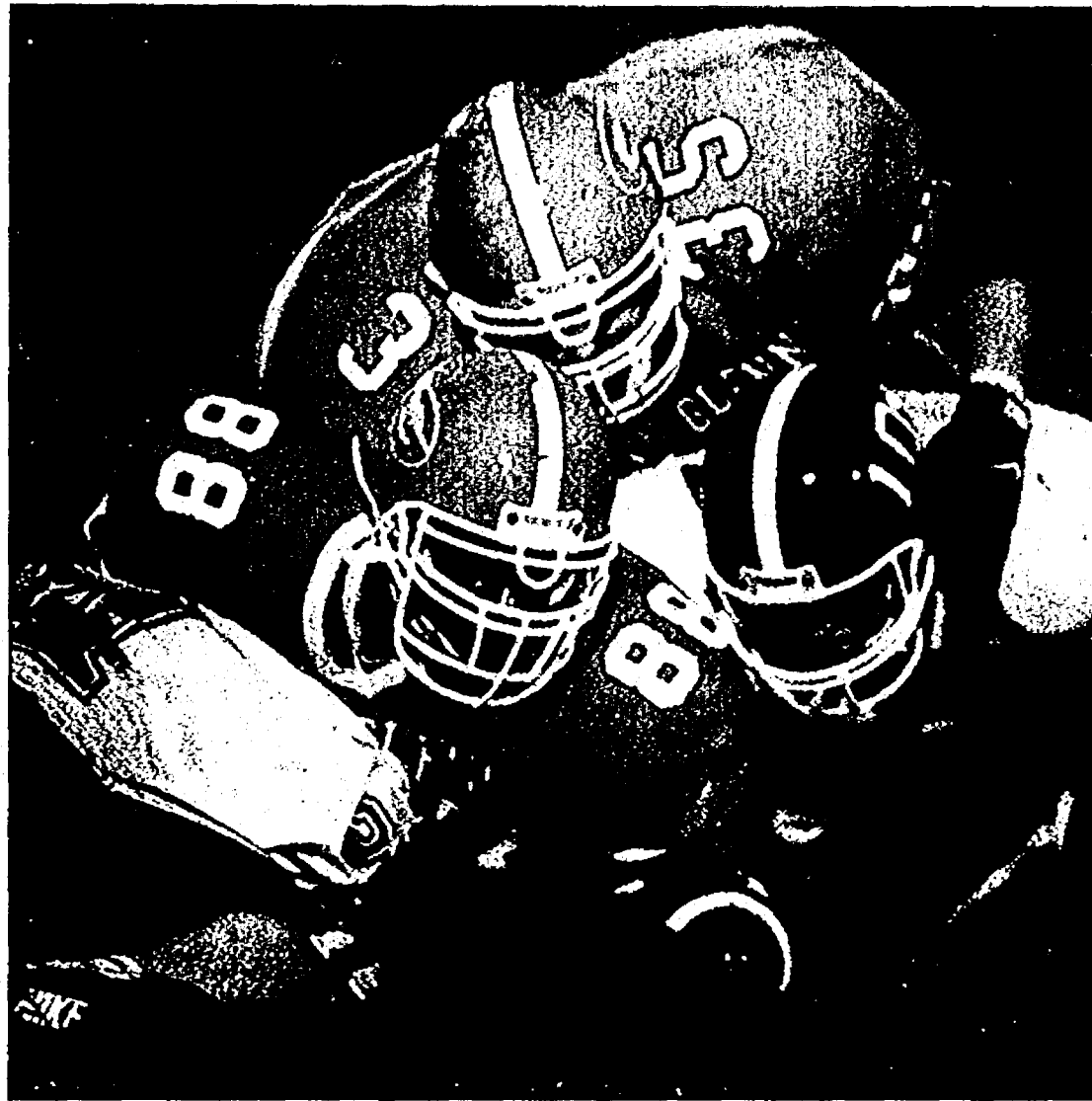
Farmington coach Lauri Niskanen, whose team dropped to 1-2 overall, also came away impressed with Glenn. It was only a week earlier that the Falcons took a 50-12 drubbing from defending state Class AA champion Walled Lake Western.

"We've played two hellish football teams two weeks in a row," Niskanen said. "Glenn is a power football team and they swarm to the football with a base defense."

"We told our kids it was going to be a street fight because Glenn plays smashmouth football."

The Rockets, however, showed some finesse offensively.

Berent came out throwing on the game's first play, connecting with



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

On top of things: Westland John Glenn's Jason Crofton (No. 88) and Sean Heard (No. 35) pounce on a Farmington fumble that was eventually recovered by teammate Kevin Brewster which led to a second-quarter touchdown.

junior Nick Hudson, who ably took over the QB duties against Canton a week earlier, on a 14-yard gainer.

Glenn marched 67 yards in 11 plays for its initial score, capped by Reggie

Spearmon's 2-yard TD run. Rob Mason booted the first of his six extra points to make it 7-0.

The Falcons only real chance of scoring came on their first possession, but

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a 76-yard bomb from Scott Kellner to Dave Viane was nullified by an illegal procedure call, the first of numerous flags thrown throughout the night.

Glenn scored again on its second possession, going 73 yards in 13 plays as fullback Antonio Gibson took it in from 2 yards out.

Spearmon wound up with 64 yards in 13 carries, while Gibson added 57 yards in 10 carries.

Things got worse for Farmington in the second quarter.

Kneller went down with a shoulder injury and the Falcons fumbled at the own 34 with 8:18 to play in the half.

Game officials then halted play for nearly 40 minutes as threatening skies forced spectators and players to nearby shelter.

"We talked about the importance of starting fast when we came back out," Gordon said. "I thought we did a pretty good job of handling the weather conditions and all stopping and starting."

When play resumed, Glenn made it 21-0 when Berent tossed a 12-yard TD pass to sophomore Eric Jones, who outfought two Farmington defenders.

Using short routes, Berent was able to spread the ball around effectively to keep the Farmington defense off-balance.

"We've got a number of guys who are capable of being pretty good players," Gordon said. "We want to utilize them and get them the ball to take advantage of the skill they have."

Glenn scored two more times in the third period to invoke the 35-point mercy rule.

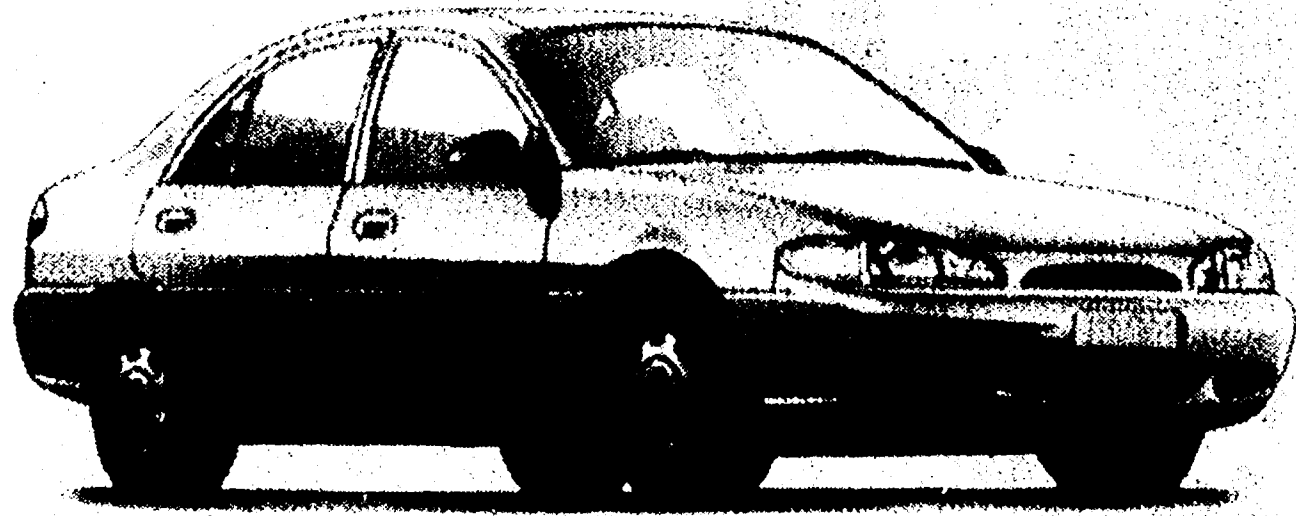
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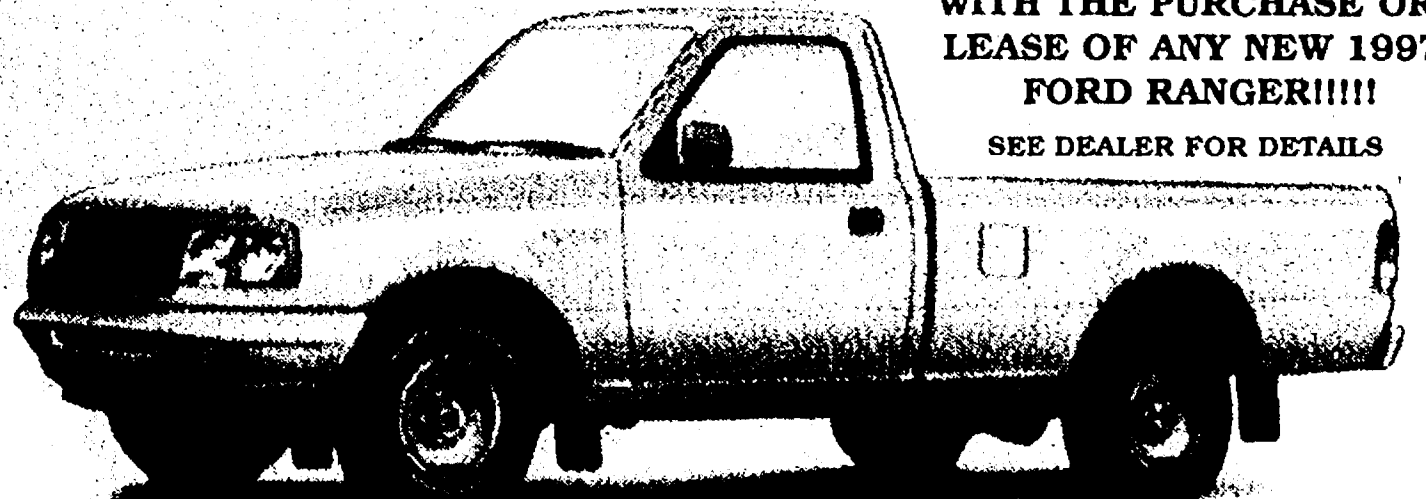
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Lutheran Westland trips Cosmos, 33-6

Lutheran Westland coach Gary Kamin was sleeping much better Friday night after his Warriors posted their first victory of the football season with a 33-6 win over host Hamtramck at Keyworth Stadium.

After being outscored 82-14 in their first two games, the Warriors racked up 391 total yards against the Cosmos to earn the Metro Conference victory.

"It was good for the team because it was the first game they believed in themselves," Kamin said. "We had some good sustained drives and that made the difference."

"We came out and played football. I'm excited for them."

Senior Jake Hatten had a big night for the Warriors with 141 yards rushing in 28 carries. He had a 10-yard touchdown run in the third quarter and caught a two-point pass to give Lutheran Westland a 20-0 lead.

Quarterback Gordie Engel completed six of 14 passes for 63 yards, but three of those completions went for TDs — 14 yards in the first quarter to Mike Fisher; 5 yards to Ryan Moser in the second period; a 20-yarder to Charlie Hoef in the final quarter.

Scott Archer added a 1-yard TD run in the fourth quarter and Dan Anderson kicked an extra point.

Moser had 59 yards in two carries, while Archer added 44 yards in 10 attempts.

Defensively, Bob Fox and Mike Baltz recovered fumbles, while tackle Jason James came up with his best effort of the year with a team-leading seven tackles. Hatten contributed six tackles.

Lutheran Westland is now 1-2 in the Metro and 1-2 overall. Hamtramck, held to is 0-3 and 0-2.

CLARENCEVILLE 18, CRANBROOK 6: Junior running back Walter Ragland had another big night Friday as Livonia Clarenceville earned its first victory of the season against previously unbeaten Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

Ragland, who had 136 yards in the opener and 198 last week, racked up 223 yards in 16 carries and two TDs to pace the Trojans.

Walter has had three huge games. Clarenceville coach Chuck Donaldson said, "He was running over people and it's nice to know he's only a junior because he'll get bigger and stronger."

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Cranbrook took a 6-0 first-quarter lead, scoring on their first drive when Tatsuya Sakai on a 2-yard run, but Clarenceville answered with 12 points in the second period — Ragland on a 64-yard run and quarterback Craig Rose on a 1-yard sneak.

Ragland then added a 47-yard TD run in the third quarter to close out the scoring.

Clarenceville's defense held Cranbrook to 177 total yards.

Senior linebacker Tim Atkins was in on 16 tackles for the Trojans, while senior defensive end Ed Kibitewski was on 12.

"Defensively, things went well for us after the first quarter," Donaldson said.

NORTHVILLE 16, CHURCHILL 14: Adam Tibble kicked a 38-yard field goal with 2:36 remaining Friday to lift Northville to a win over host Livonia Churchill.

The field goal capped an 11-play 31-yard drive for the Mustangs, which got a second chance at the game-winner after Livonia was called for a penalty. The loss dropped the Chargers to 1-2 on the season while Northville improved to 1-2.

The Mustangs led 13-0 at halftime. Northville caught an early break in the first quarter as a Churchill punt went awry.

A bad snap forced the Charger punter to punt the ball, and he was eventually stopped short of a first down. The Mustangs took the ball on Livonia's 14-yard line and scored three plays later on a five-yard run by Chris Whittington.

Northville made it 13-0 at 5:38 of the second quarter. The Mustangs marched 85 yards on 14 plays and scored on a one-yard sneak by quarterback Rob Reel.

Neither squad scored in the third quarter. Churchill's offensive came alive in the fourth, however.

Livonia got on the scoreboard at 10:50 by putting a 10-play 67-yard drive together. Quarterback Dale Smith hit senior wingback Corey Cook with a 32-yard touchdown pass. The drive started after senior defensive tackle Nick DePerro forced a Northville fumble.

Livonia quickly took the lead from the Mustangs. On the following kick-off, the Chargers' Vinnie Asclone forced another Northville fumble. Churchill recovered on Northville's 25-yard line and scored on a dramatic 22-yard pass from Smith to Ryan Kearney on fourth down.

The pass came at 8:51 of the fourth quarter. The teams then traded possessions before Northville got the 36-yard field goal late.

For the game, Churchill totaled 163 yards of offense while surrendering 272 to Northville. Asclone rushed for 30 yards and Smith wound up 4 of 12 for 71 yards, a touchdown and one interception. Kearney caught two passes for 33 yards.

Hawks' defense stalls Spartans, 65-52

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
STAFF WRITER

The good news for Livonia Stevenson was that it made two-thirds of its shots in the third quarter Thursday night.

The bad news was that Farmington Hills Harrison limited Stevenson to just six shots in the period.

Harrison's pressure defense resulted in a 65-52 victory in their mutual Western Lakes Activities Association opener.

"We were kind of down this last week," Harrison coach Pete Mantyla said. "We're just trying to get our feet back on the ground, play better as a team."

The Hawks stopped their losing streak and raised their season record to 5-2. The Spartans are also 5-2.

"We're basically inexperienced," Stevenson coach Wayne Henry said, "and they have everybody back from last year. They're ranked in the state and deserve to be."

"We just got (seniors) Carolyn Courtright and Melissa Backus back from ankle injuries. Everybody else on our team is inexperienced."

Mahogany Fletcher led all scorers with 20 points for Harrison, six in each of the first three periods, while Amy Roble had 18 and junior Ari Ault 10 plus two beautiful high feeds to Fletcher on the weak side.

Stevenson didn't put anybody in double figures but had nice balanced scoring with six players at six points or better.

Sophomore Katie King paced the Spartans with nine; Backus and Courtright had seven each and the trio of Colleen Brenneman, junior Stephanie Dulz and junior Becky Smith scored six apiece.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Passing fancy: Stevenson's Kim Giller (left) tries to slip past two Harrison defenders.

The third period was the difference. Stevenson recovered from a 23-17 deficit midway through the second period to take a 29-28 halftime lead.

Henry's team quit making turnovers and

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made three of four shots plus five of six free throws in the final 3:47 of the half.

"We didn't change a thing (at halftime)," Mantyla said. "We tried to stay positive. And we had Amy Roble back on the floor from having three fouls in the first half."

(Junior) Charlotte Blashfield came in and gave us a big lift. Mahogany and Amy just kept making steals and shots, and Ari showed a lot of leadership."

Stevenson turned the ball over on its first five possessions of the second half without getting a shot off. Harrison scored on four straight trips down the floor to take a 36-29 lead.

The Spartans got a basket but then made turnovers on their next seven possessions — again without getting a shot off — while the Hawks expanded their lead to 43-31.

Most of the turnovers came before Stevenson could get the ball past the time line or just afterward as Harrison played the passing lanes well and double-teamed effectively.

"We played a nice first half," Henry said. "But we're not good enough to come back from being down 12."

"In the third quarter, the things we avoided doing against their pressure earlier in the game we started doing. Some of the things we weren't supposed to do, we practiced not doing, we tried to do."

Stevenson won the other three periods, 41-40, but Harrison wound up with a 25-11 margin in the third. And that was the game.

See girls basketball roundup below.

Patriots no match for Plymouth Salem

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS WRITER

Anyone who attended Thursday's Western Lakes Activities Association basketball game at Plymouth Salem could voice an opinion on when the outcome was decided.

By the end of the first quarter? Midway through the second?

But whenever they said, it's doubtful it was as early as Franklin coach Gary Warner's assessment.

"When they start 'em in the fifth and sixth grade, and you don't get started until the ninth grade, you're at a disadvantage already," Warner said, referring to the middle school program in the Plymouth-Canton school district that Livonia lacks. "And it

shows.

"You can't make up the lost time."

In other words, the Rocks didn't just tower over Franklin in size, but in experience. With those elements against them, the Patriots had little chance — which is why Thursday's Western Lakes Activities Association opener, a 65-22 Salem rout, may have clones in the weeks ahead (at least for Salem).

"I think our kids stepped up today and played pretty solidly," said Rocks' coach Fred Thomann.

Well, what could he say?

His team had more of everything than the Patriots, who did manage to keep it relatively close for a quarter.

It was 7-2, in favor of Salem, after one period. Unfortunately for the Patriots, they managed just one other basket, by Julie Cencer, in the first 5:40 of the second quarter.

In that same span, the Rocks scored 12 points — including three consecutive baskets by Andrea Pruett.

Salem's 21-7 halftime advantage grew to 47-15 by the end of the third quarter, leaving just one question to be answered: not who would win, but by how much.

"Yes, they are bigger than we are," Warner admitted. "But we can do other things to offset that. Instead of trying to throw over them, you throw bounce passes (for example)."

"But (his Patriots) decided to do things their way."

The Rocks had three players reach double-figures in scoring: Amanda Abraham, with 18 points; Tiffany Grubaugh, with 13; and Pruett, with 10. Abraham, the Rocks' 6-foot-1 point-forward, also had 10 rebounds, seven assists and five steals.

Pruett added eight boards and two steals, and Grubaugh had five rebounds and three assists. Christine Philips chipped in with nine points, seven boards and two steals.

Franklin's leading point-scorer was Cencer, with six.

Tera Morrill, Lori Jendrusik and Julie Warner added four apiece for Franklin, 3-4 overall.

Salem improved to 3-1.

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The two teams played under running time after Berent hit Jones for his second TD, a 10-yard; and Spearmon rushed in from 11 yards out (after Farmington fumbled the snap on a punt).

Glenn's Ray Utter closed out the scoring with a 4-yard TD run in the final quarter.

The Rockets displayed their dominance by outgaining Farmington in total yardage (304-32 and first downs (19 to one).

"We've played decent defense

all season, but there are bigger test this season and we have to continue to work and improve," Gordon.

And while Glenn travels Friday to Livonia Stevenson, the Falcons must face Walled Lake Central Saturday at home without their starting quarterback.

Joel Lewis, the starter last year, finished the game.

"We're banged up," Niskanen said. "We've got to regroup versus the teams in our league because it's a battle every week."

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North cagers run by Chargers

Freshman Samantha McComb had another big game for North Farmington and sparked the Raiders to a 70-57 victory in girls basketball Thursday.

Her 27 points, 14 rebounds and six assists helped the Raiders defeat Livonia Churchill in their Western Lakes Activities Association opener.

McComb entered the game tied with senior Kellee Fournier for the team lead in scoring with 13.6 points per game but raised her average to 15.8.

North dominated the rebounding statistics with a team total of 52. In addition to McComb, Katie Callahan grabbed 11 rebounds and Melissa Gratz nine.

Gratz also scored 16 points and Fournier 14, which included three three-point field goals.

The Raiders raced to a 25-11 first-quarter advantage, but the Chargers narrowed the gap in the next two quarters, getting within 36-26 at halftime and 50-39 after three periods, but never fully recovered.

"We struggled a little in the second quarter with turnovers," North coach Linda Perkins said. "We weren't being patient enough breaking their press."

"Once we worked through that

and got the passing game going against their zone press, it did settle things down, because the girls were rushing too much."

The Raiders (3-3, 1-0) were 15 of 20 shooting free throws and iced the victory by making nine of 11 in the fourth quarter.

Kersten Conklin scored 24 points and Stacey Sapanich 14 for the Chargers (3-2, 0-1).

CANTON 70, JOHN GLENN 24: Melissa Marzolf scored 19 points and Janell Twitmer contributed 15 Thursday as Plymouth Canton (4-3, 1-0) romped past Westland John Glenn (0-6, 0-1).

Latoya Chandler scored 10 points for the Rockets, who trailed 21-2 after one quarter and 35-5 at intermission.

LADYWOOD 61, ST. MARY'S 32: Livonia Ladywood evened its overall record at 3-3 Thursday by whipping visiting Monroe St. Mary's.

Junior forward Carly Queen scored 14 points, grabbed seven rebounds and had five steals for the victorious Blazers, who led 35-18 at halftime.

Senior center Sarah Poglits also scored 14 points, while freshman guard Melissa Harakas added 11.

Katie Jevc led the Kestrels with a game-high 16 points.

MONROE 41, WAYNE 34: Kim Montague pumped in 13 points Thursday as the Trojans (4-1, 1-0) opened Mega Conference-Red Division action with a victory over host Wayne Memorial (1-4, 0-1).

Natalie Garrison and Tonya Crawford each scored nine points for the Zbras, who tied the game with two minutes to go, 34-34, on freshman guard Erica Davis' two free throws.

But Monroe scored the game's final seven points to earn the victory.

LUTHERAN N'WEST 51, LUTH. WESTLAND 39: Renee Graef scored 17 points to pace Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (4-1, 3-1) past host Lutheran High Westland (1-5, 1-2) in a Metro Conference encounter.

The Crusaders outscored Lutheran Westland in each of the four quarters.

Hana Hughes scored 14 points in a losing cause, while Anna Schwewe contributed 11 rebounds.

"We're turning the ball over too much and that's where we're hurting," Lutheran Westland coach Ron Gentz said.

PCA 44, CLARENCEVILLE 22: Junior Liz Pugno led Plymouth Christian Academy (5-3 overall) to the non-league triumph at Livonia Clarenceville (2-5).

Pugno scored a game-high 19 points and junior forward Jenny Sutherland added seven points and 12 rebounds for the Eagles, who pulled away with a 22-12 second-half run.

Despite the loss, senior guard Rachael Koerke spearheaded the defense with two steals, while junior forward Danielle Siedt had four assists, two blocks and two steals.

Melissa Berry, a senior forward, had five points to lead the Trojans. Kristina Skrela added four points. Freshman guard Jessica Kennedy had six rebounds.

AGAPE 22, HURON VALLEY 21: Canton Agape ran its record to 4-2 Friday with a victory at Westland Huron Valley Lutheran.

The Wolverines outscored Huron Valley 10-7 in the fourth quarter to get the win. Kim Ther led the winners with eight points while Huron Valley (4-2) was led by Sara Tacia with nine and Jessie Cherundolo with eight points.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Ladywood harriers fall

Livonia Ladywood took about as tough a loss (26-29) as a cross country team can take last week against Bloomfield Hills Marian.

"Marian surprised us a bit," Blazers' coach Rod Sorenson said. "We didn't realize they were that strong."

Ladywood fell to 0-2 in the Catholic League's Central Division.

Sorenson said it was a good effort by his team despite the loss.

"I was disappointed with the loss," Sorenson said. "But our performance was about what I expected."

Ladywood's Jessica Hayden won the race in 21 minutes and 57 seconds. Ann Figurski was fourth overall (22:48); Sunni Piotrowski, seventh (23:30); Megan Reardon, eighth (23:32);

Carley Simpson ninth (23:26).

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Youth baseball tryouts

Livonia Travel, a 12-year-old Pee Wee baseball team, will hold its first tryout for next season from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at Bicentennial Park (diamond No. 3).

Anyone seeking a tryout cannot be 13-years-old prior to Aug. 1, 1998.

For more information, call coaches Larry Draughn (313) 422-1388 or Tim Happ (313) 425-0526.

Tryouts for the Michigan Bulls, a 12-and-under travel team, will be from 5-7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 and Thursday, Oct. 2 at Orchard Lake St. Mary's High School.

For more information, call Rick Moscow at (248) 888-9088

Hurricane Swim Club

The Hurricane Swim Club, co-sponsored by the Westland Parks and Recreation Department and Garden City Schools, are seeking boys and girls in grades K-12 who can swim 25 yards of any stroke.

The fall season will be Sept. 22 through Dec. 12. A free trial period for new swimmers will be available during the first two weeks.

Swim practice will be from 6:30-8 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Garden City Junior High School pool, 1851 Radcliff (near Ford and Wildwood). Registration will be held at the pool.

For more information, call Diane at (313) 292-8289.

BOYS SOCCER

Rocks get 3-0 victory

Churchill sits out 6 players for discipline

Livonia Churchill entered Wednesday's boys soccer battle with highly-regarded Plymouth Salem a little short-handed.

The Chargers, minus six starters because of disciplinary reasons, suffered their first defeat of the year against the host Rocks, 3-0.

Salem, now 8-0 overall, got a pair of goals from Andy Power and one goal from Brett Konley.

Goalkeeper Brian Wozniak recorded the shutout.

With only 12 available varsity players, Churchill coach Chad Campau had to dip into the reserve squad, calling up five players from the junior varsity.

"Our freshman goalkeeper (Eric Sicilia) did really well," Campau said. "I'm proud of the guys and the way they stepped up considering the circumstances. They played very well."

Campau, whose team fell to 4-1-3 overall, said the six suspended players will be reinstated for Monday's match at home against Walled Lake Central.

***FRANKLIN 3, W.L. WESTERN 1:** On Wednesday, host Livonia Franklin rallied from a 1-0 halftime deficit with three goals in a span of 12 minutes in the second half to beat Walled Lake Western.

After Alan Mukhtar's first-half goal gave Western a 1-0 advantage, Dave Moldovan tied it on an assist from Adam Shanks.

The game-winner came on a Shanks rebound off a 20-yard free kick from Bill Fischer.

The Patriots added an insurance goal on Fischer's header from Ross Bohler. Franklin coach Dave Hebestreit singled out the efforts of stopper Ryan Kracht, Bohler and Fischer.

Franklin is now 4-6 overall and 1-1 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

***STEVENSON 6, HARRISON 0:** Brandon Good scored a pair of goals Wednesday as Livonia Stevenson (4-2-1 overall) won a WLAAs crossover game at Farmington Hills Harrison.

Other Stevenson goal scorers included Ken Schraufnagle, Nick Soper, Adam Coulter and Matt Freeborn.

***WAYNE 2, CHADSEY 0:** Ken Raupp and Nick Warmolts each tallied goals Thursday as host Wayne Memorial (3-2-1 overall) earned the non-league win over Detroit Chadsey.

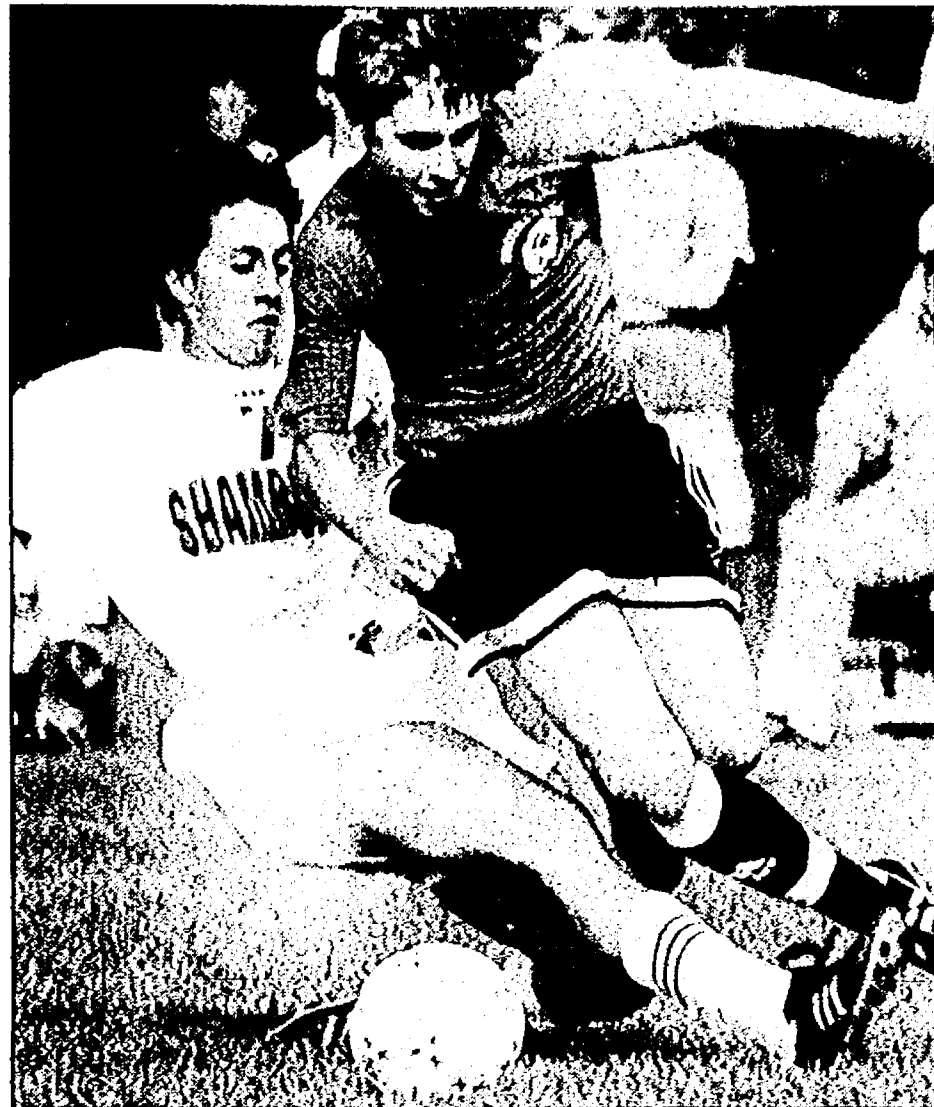
Mike Zielinski posted the shutout.

On Wednesday, Raupp's hat trick lifted host Wayne to a Mega-Blue Division triumph over River Rouge, 5-0.

Rob Kantner added one goal and one assist, while Josh Slabaugh tallied the other goal for Wayne, now 2-2-1 overall and 2-0-1 in the Mega-Blue.

Zielinski posted the shutout.

***JOHN GLENN 4, THURSTON 3:** Westland John Glenn tallied four second-half goals to rally from a 2-0 deficit at inter-



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

Collision course: Joe DiGirolamo (left) of CC battles for the ball Brother Rice's Kevin Oakley in Friday's Catholic League Central Division match.

mission Friday to beat visiting Redford Thurston in a non-leaguer.

Glenn is now 5-4-1 overall, while Thurston is 3-2-1.

Junior captain Ian Bain, a midfielder, scored unassisted with 26 minutes remaining to give Glenn the victory.

John Sterling added a penalty kick, while Jeff Ruppel had a goal and one assist. Jeff Shelby also scored for Glenn. Matt Trussler contributed an assist.

Senior Ryan Krum had a pair of goals for the Thurston. Louis Martinez had the other Eagle goal.

On Wednesday, senior Sam Vida scored three times and senior Mike Maile added a goal and two assists Wednesday as host Northville (4-3-1 overall) defeated the Rockets in a WLAAs crossover.

Junior midfielder Tony Canfield, on an indirect free kick from 20 yards out from sophomore captain Ruppel, accounted for the lone Glenn goal.

On Sept. 15, host Glenn and Walled Lake Central battled to a 3-3 draw.

All three Glenn goals were scored in the second half — Shelby (penalty kick with 20 minutes remaining).

***RICE 3, REDFORD CC 1:** Birmingham Brother Rice remained unbeaten in the Catholic League's Central Division with a home triumph over the Shamrocks at Inglenook Park in Southfield. By winning, the Warriors improved to 4-1-3 overall and 2-0-2 in the Central Division.

CC slipped to 4-3-3 overall and 2-2-0 in league play.

Rice scored all of its goals in the opening half — the Warriors had the wind at their backs — as senior tri-captain Jeff Beeler fueled the attack with a goal and an assist.

Pat Duerr gave the Warriors a 1-0 lead 15 minutes into the first half. The aforementioned senior scored on a header following a corner kick by teammate Victor Gordon.

Beeler made it 2-0 five minutes later, heading in a throw-in from sophomore Pat Wilson.

CC's Matt O'Neill brought the Shamrocks within 2-1 at the 34-minute mark,

but three minutes later Beeler set up senior tri-captain Chad Nowak to restore Rice's two-goal advantage.

Neither team was able to score during the evenly played second half.

***LUTH. WESTLAND 0, LUTH. NORTH 0:** Playing at Lutheran Westland, the Warriors and Macomb Lutheran North got one half in before heavy rain and lightning rolled in.

Under Michigan High School Athletic Association rules, a game is official if one full half is played. Coach Rich Block said the nasty weather started at half-time.

In the half that was played, Lutheran North was the aggressor early on. "They had their way with us early on," Block said. "But we settled down 10 to 15 minutes into the half."

Sophomore Andy Giesman made three saves for Lutheran Westland. The Warriors, now 2-0-1 in the Metro Conference and 8-2-1 overall.

***HAMTRAC 12, CLARENCEVILLE 1:** The Trojans are still seeking their first victory after falling Thursday to the visiting Cosmos.

Clarenceville is 0-4 overall and 0-2 in the Metro Conference.

Senior Lance Couturier scored the lone Clarenceville goal from junior Brian Pankow.

Earlier in the week, Clarenceville fell at Hamtramck, 10-0.

***FAIRLANE 4, HURON VALLEY 0:** Donald Smith scored twice, while Jeremy Goodnough and Aaron Alberts each added one goal Friday as Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian trimmed visiting Westland Huron Valley Lutheran in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game.

The game was suspended 10 minutes into the second half because of bad weather.

The loss drops Huron Valley to 1-7 overall and 0-3 in the MIAC. Hawks goalkeeper Jared Ridenour made nine saves in defeat, while Jeremy Zahn nearly scored on a restart before the game was called.

On Thursday, junior Eugene Height scored the game-winner Macomb Christian downed host Huron Valley, 5-0.

Schoolcraft rolls

Konley leads Ocelots to 3-0 win over Delta

It wasn't exactly a deluge, but Ryan Konley did help ease a tense situation for Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team.

The Ocelots had been experiencing some problems scoring goals and, in Wednesday's match against visiting Delta CC, their troubles were not abated. Dave York put SC up 1-0 five minutes into the match, but that's the way it stayed — until Konley took over.

COLLEGE SOCCER

The Plymouth Salem HS graduate scored twice off set plays in leading the Ocelots to a 3-0 triumph. The victory pushed SC's record to 5-2-1 overall, 2-0-1 in Region 12 play.

Konley's first goal came on a direct kick on a restart just outside the 18-yard mark. Konley's shot bent just into the corner of the net, giving SC a 2-0

lead with 15 minutes left in the first half.

His second goal came with 27 minutes remaining in the game, off a Bart Mays (from Livonia Stevenson) corner kick. Konley headed it just enough to put it past the Delta keeper and into the net; Mays drew the assist.

Mike Ferrautti (Redford Union) started in goal for the Ocelots, in place of Eric O'Neil (Stevenson), who was resting a strained knee.

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BOYS GOLF RESULTS

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 201
NORTHVILLE 201
(Glenn wins tiebreaker)
Sept. 19 at Tanglewood

Glenn scorers: Kyle Gierada, 36 (medalist); Chris Tompkins, 40; Brian Reed, 41; Ryan Shamrock, 42; James Daniel, 42; Jeff Sosnowski, 43.

Northville scorers: Dean Conway, 38; Philip Cowles, 38; Chad Elledge, 39; Greg Rankin, 42; Raji Lenta, 44.

Glenn's dual meet record: 6-1 overall; 5-1 Western Lakes Activities Association, 3-0 WLAAs-Lakes Division; Northville, 1-6 Western Lakes.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 199
FARM. HILLS HARRISON 219
Sept. 19 at San Marino

Stevenson scorers: Steve Polanski, 33 (medalist); Mike Byberg, 39; Roy Rabe, 40; Dave Vanecek, 43; Jeff Lang, 44.

Harrison scorers: Brian Grohman, 39; Kenny Lee, 41; Jeff Boxman, 43; Chad Hines, 47; Chris Hone, 49.

Dual meet records: Stevenson, 3-2 overall and 3-1 Western Lakes; Harrison, 4-2 in Western Lakes.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 216
PLYMOUTH SALEM 222
Sept. 19 at Hilltop

Churchill scorers: Evan Chali, 39 (medalist); Tom Fitzstephens, 41; Randall Boboige, 44; Chris Lavaque and Brad Bescoe, 46 each.

Salem scorers: Eric Krueger and Pat Belvitch, 40 each; Adam Wilson, 46; Ryan Nimmergarth, Mark Ruckey, Mike Thackaberry, 48 each.

Dual meet records: Churchill, 3-3; Salem, 3-3.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 198
NORTH FARMINGTON 215
Sept. 17 at Fox Creek

Stevenson scorers: Roy Rabe, 37 (medalist); Steve Polanski, 38; Jeff Lang and Mike Byberg, 40; Kevin Yuhasz, 43.

North scorers: Greg Kozlowski, 40; Bryan McCoy and Brady Dwyer, 43 each; Mike Barnett, 44; Derek Spicer, 45.

Dual meet records: Stevenson, 2-2 overall and 2-1 Western Lakes; North, 1-3; Churchill, 2-3.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 211
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 213
Sept. 17 at Idyl Wyld

Franklin scorers: Tony Fotu, 39 (medalist); Jon Keebaugh, 41; Tim Kufel, 43; Ryan Weakley and Ken Foor, 44 each.

Churchill scorers: Kevin Anger, 40; Chris Lavaque, 41; Randall Boboige and Evan Chali, 42 each; Will Bashara, 48.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 2-1; Churchill, 2-3.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 204
WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 221
Sept. 17 at Fellows Creek

Glenn scorers: Chris Tompkins, Kyle Gierada and James Daniel, 39 each (ice medalists); Brian Reed, 43; Ryan Shamrock, 44.

Central scorers: Ted Felix, 43; Leo Alto, 44; Don Vitale, 43; Gary Johnson, 45; Jason Howell, 46.

Glenn's dual meet record: 5-1 overall.

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 155
L'O JESUIT 187
Sept. 17 at Detroit Golf Club

CC scorers: Erik West (medalist), 38; Adam Peters, Armand Sambucetti, Greg Berger, 39 each.

CC's dual meet record: 2-3 in Catholic League.

GIRLS TENNIS

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7
PLYMOUTH SALEM 1
Sept. 19 at Salem

No. 1 singles: Whitney Crosby (LS) def. Amanda Miller, 6-1, 6-1. No. 2: Megan McGinch (LS) def. Yuka Kurisu, 6-1, 6-2. No. 3: Mara Mazzoni (LS) def. Erin Griffin, 6-0, 6-0. No. 4: Laura Haddock (LS) def. Sarah Mater, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Lindsay Pfeifer Anita Plante (LS) def. Kelly Kubeck, 6-0, 6-2. No. 2: Amanda Schmidt Paula Shureb (LS) def. Jennifer Koloski Danielle Winkler, 6-1, 6-0. No. 3: Jackie Fsadni Manah Paul (LS) def. Sarah Kindred Kelly Lehane, 2-6, 6-2, 6-0. No. 4: Megan Bohr Jill Stein (PS) def. Stephanie Mucci Audrey Kline, 6-1, 6-2.

Stevenson's dual meet record: 5-0.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7
LIVONIA FRANKLIN 1
Sept. 17 at Stevenson

No. 1 singles: Whitney Crosby (LS) def. Cheno Berner, 6-0, 6-0. No. 2: Lindsay Pfeifer (LS) def. Karen Katerzko, 6-0, 6-1. No. 3: Jeanette Ferstman (LS) def. Katie Brown, 6-2, 6-0. No. 4: Amy Widrosky (LF) def. Jamie Perrin, 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.

No. 1 doubles: Kim Samsel Andrea Jarczak (LS) Anne Lipski Karen Savage, 6-0, 6-1. No. 2: Janice Hankim Sutton (LS) def. Lisa Walski Christina Clutter, 6-0, 6-2. No. 3: Jackie Fsadni Manah Paul (LS) def. Danielle Coleman Lauren Kuzmanovich, 6-0, 6-0. No. 4: Audrey Kline Kelly Ross (LS) def. Michelle Brian Heather Croston, 6-1, 6-1.

Stevenson's dual meet record: 7-1.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7
WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 1
Sept. 16 at Stevenson

No. 1 singles: Whitney Crosby (LS) def. Melissa Buttkie, 6-0, 6-1. No. 2: Megan McGinch (LS) def. Dana Holman, 6-1, 6-2. No. 3: Mara Mazzoni (LS) def. Brooke Kennedy, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2. No. 4: Heather Barton (W) def. Laura Haddock, 6-3, 6-1.

No. 1 doubles: Lindsay Pfeifer Anita Plante (LS) def. Tanya Latta Jenny James, 6-1, 6-1. No. 2: Amanda Schmidt Paula Shureb (LS) def. Angie Salerian Jennifer Williams, 6-1, 6-1. No. 3: Stephanie Ladd Kim Samsel (LS) def. Karen Campo Star Galtner, 6-0, 6-1. No. 4: Andrea Jarczak Julie Yamback (LS) def. Amy Duskyo Fukuta, 6-0, 6-1.

RECREATION

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

For Enzo Greco of Livonia, last Saturday night (Sept. 13) turned out to be a big bust.

Enzo had just completed the first seven frames of the second game, when a police officer came upon the scene and placed him under arrest.

Handcuffed and led him away. To make matters worse, he had all strikes through the game on his way to a possible 300 game.

This police officer's name happened to be Ginger, from the Jokers Are Wild Agency, and she quickly did her duty by handcuffing him to a chair in the cocktail lounge.

Most of the bowling had stopped at this time as everybody wanted to see just what was going on. It became very apparent that Ginger was not with the Livonia Police Department, for her uniform was quickly coming off, revealing a very attractive and voluptuous performer, whose sole duty was to entice and tease her prisoner. This was all arranged for by Enzo's wife, Carol who conspired with their kids, Laura and Anthony to help celebrate Enzo Greco's 50th birthday.

According to Enzo, "It was a total surprise."

In case some readers may find this shocking, Ginger did not quite reveal all, as she still was wearing a teenie weenie bikini during her act.

Now you might be curious, what happened with the seven strikes in a row, and he did throw a perfect strike in the eighth frame after a lengthy delay, but the ninth shot was not quite right, and he left a 2-5 spare, which he easily converted, then another strike to start the tenth followed by an eight-count and a fine score of 266.

Not enough for a perfect, but easily good enough for the high game jackpot which helped make it a very happy birthday party in spite of having to go through such a distraction.

Many amateur bowlers like to bowl with the professionals in Pro-Am competition whenever the Professional Bowlers Association tour comes along.

No need to wait until June, as the 1997 Mobil 1 Classic is coming to Bay City next month and the Pro-Am will be held on Oct. 17-18 at Bay Lanes.

As in all PBA tournaments, this one will feature the elite pro bowlers in the nation competing for \$150,000 in prize money.

Each fully paid entrant will receive a new Triton Bowling Ball, made by Track, Inc. It is valued at \$200. The Pro-Am will also feature a first prize of \$1,500 and this is based on the combined scores of amateur entrant with their pro partners, everybody receives a free strike in the third, sixth and ninth frames.

Total cost to enter is \$150 for adults and \$40 for juniors (\$120 with ball). Entry forms are available on counters at most bowling centers or call (517) 684-0381.

One of this area's brightest young stars, Vernon Peterson, has taken Las Vegas by storm. He won the \$30,000 top prize in the Mini-Eliminator by climbing up the stepladder finals defeating Mike Truitt of Illinois 255-194 after taking out Joel Reyes of San Diego 279-223 and Harry Mickelson from the senior division 246-181.

This was the first time for Vern on National TV, as ESPN telecast the finals. Peterson averaged 255 for his five matches.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth)

Suburban Prop Men — Mark Voight, 252/627; Jack Olliphant, 246; Robert Custard, 237/615; Tim Magyar, 228/626; Bob Hanenbert, 226.

Cloverlanes (Livonia)

All-Star Bowlerettes — Julie Wright, 279; Novella White, 276; Robin Ostro, 275; Tamika Glen, 266; Lisa Keough, 256.

Sunday Nite Mixed — Darryl Scott, 267; Keith Lee, 279/687; Rick Hill, 257; LaRoyce Hill, 256; Brandi Ward, 236/624.

St. Aidan's Men — Cliff Merritt, 255-254/645; Vince Bastinee, 224; Tom Evasic 233.

Western Wayne Youth Travel Classic — John Paronish, 215-216/606; Jim Wilson, 213-213/604; Steve Bates, 209-233-245/687; Pat Barter, 222-224/610; Jackie Haner, 225-210/587.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia)

Early Birds — Mary Sharrar, 252.

Senior House — Gary Durrard, 295/744, 279; Gerald Urban, 681; Mike Perczak, 676; Don Rousseau, 678.

Afternoon Delights — Phyl Long, 216-246-257/719; (her first ever 700 set).

Men's Trio — Jim Rozell, 277/728; Kevin Murto 736; Erv Watson, 278; Chuck Myers, 702; Jeff Roche, 719.

Woodland Midnight Mixed — Tim Magyar, 279-216-268/763; John Hurley, 236-245-258/739; Dave Parker 211-211-211 (nice triplicate); Jim Prostell, 256-245-226/727; Paul McMurry, 224-267-237/728; Noreen Rose, (181 avg.) 266.

St. Edith — Scott House, 299.

Bators — Dale Hicks, 670; Randy Smith, 669.

Super Bowl (Canton)

Suburban Prop Travel Men — Tony Ballarta, 237; Tony Claybourne, 236; Dave Jacobs, 223; Dennis Allison 223.

Suburban Prop Travel Ladies — Gloria Mertz, 236; Mary Baratta, 207; Barb Buhler, 200.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford)

Monday Seniors — George Koppolowicz, 236; Bill Britton, 230/615; Ed Patrick, 245/627; Pat Valerio, 225/606; Art Kuzniar, 237/653.

Wednesday Men's Senior Classic — Howard Davis, 205-247-234/686; Wil Soukes, 244-211/637; Paul Temple, 256-245/670; O. McGill, 245; Jess Macclocco, 234-212/638.

Country Lanes (Farmington)

Tuesday Mixed Trio — Larry Horn, 276; Chris Chism-Shively, 258/617; Andy Rubin, 269/712; Tammy Arnt, 223/578; Jeff Eisenbert, 267; David Edelman, 267/704.

Loon Lake — Kenric Rose, 237; Jeff Amolsch, 230-612.

Country Keglers — Dean Johnson, 259/674; Gary Via, 255/638; Judy Myers, 23/540; Judy Stefani, 224/537.

Detroit Paint Club — 226-205.

Novi Bowl

Westside Lutheran — Bill Mueller, 658; Paul Krohn, 611; Dave Neubauer, 604; Terry Krohn, 6-3.

Thunderbird Lanes (Troy)

Tuesday Mixed Trio (Plus 1) — Ed Haddad, 255-245/686; Steve Bly, 251.

Thursday T-Bird Men — Larry Chaney, 208-213; John Lukas 213-212; Rich Taskie, 254; Greg Coury, 236; Bob Greaves, 221.

Williams, Ranta head for Ironman in Hawaii



Bob Ranta

BY NEAL ZIPSER
STAFF WRITER

In 1978, *Sports Illustrated* covered a small endurance event in Hawaii and labeled the event as "lunatic."

And maybe the magazine's view of the event was accurate. After all, 15 athletes competed in grueling heat to complete a 140.6-mile event for the right to be called Ironman.

Ironically, in 1978, Bill Williams was beginning his senior year at Livonia Stevenson where he was a stocky, 200-plus pound defenseman on the hockey team. After graduating in 1979, he eventually ballooned up to 330 pounds and was smoking up to two-and-a-half packs cigarettes a day.

But today, Williams is one of those lunatics. Along with 1,500 other athletes, Williams will compete in the Ironman Triathlon World Championship on Oct. 18 in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.

"My wife thinks I'm crazy, but she's not complaining about a trip to Hawaii," said Redford's Bob Ranta, who also qualified for the Ironman.

The race has evolved into an international event in the past 20 years as now more than 25,000 athletes try to fill the 1,500 openings in the event. Men and women ranging from 18 to 78 years old from more than 50 countries will compete in this year's event.

Calling the Ironman challenging would be an understatement. It consists of 2.4-mile swim in the Pacific Ocean, 112-mile bike race on a highway cut from the lava fields of west Hawaii and a 26.2-mile marathon on the same highway and through the village of Kailua-Kona.

The event occurs annually the Saturday in October closest to the full moon, with the moonlight providing increased light for contestants still on the course. All contestants must finish the race in 17 hours.

Last year's winner finished in a record time of 8:04.08 (9:06.49 for the women).

Athletes must qualify for the Ironman at one of more than 20 qualifiers held throughout the world. They qualify for a spot by winning or finishing near the top in their respective age group.

The routes Williams and Ranta have taken to qualify for their first Ironman Championship are quite amazing.

Williams, who still lives in Livonia, shed 120 pounds and quit smoking to test his endurance. Making the 36-year-old's story even more incredible is the fact he must take four medications daily to fight off what doctors call "severe asthma."

But Williams has beaten the odds against smoking, weight and his asthma — and then won a lottery to gain the chance to qualify. He capitalized on his opportunity on June 15 by finishing the Iron Horse Triathlon in Springfield, Ill.

Williams first became interested in the Ironman when he coincidentally took a vacation in Hawaii in during the 1988 Ironman competition. The event intrigued him because he was a serious bicyclist.

Williams now has a six-day intense training schedule which includes extensive swimming, running, biking and weight lifting.

"I'm now in the best shape of my life in

terms of endurance," he said. "Endurance athletes tend to peak in mid-to-late 30s. I'm not the fastest of runners, but in a longer race you can make up for it through endurance. In addition, you have to be a disciplined athlete in the three sports."

Williams recommends that athletes interested in competing in the Ironman should begin by competing in various triathlons in Michigan, where distances are about half that of an Ironman.

Training for the race typically requires 18 to 24 hours per week for six to eight months to develop the stamina and endurance needed to complete the 140.6-mile event.

"You also need to make the most of the time you have to train," said Williams, who balances the training with his full-time job as a stockbroker for the Ohio Company in Plymouth, where he works with his father. Williams also referees anywhere from 10 to 25 youth and adult hockey games per week.

And in addition to being time consuming and requiring intense training, the sport can be expensive. According to BIKESPORT of Dearborn, high-quality bikes for the Triathlon range from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

Ranta's story is also interesting.

The 65-year old tool-and-die retiree began competing in triathlons five years ago. He qualified in a qualifier on Aug. 3 in Allentown, Pa. where he took second place — his best-ever finish.

The trip to Hawaii is actually the culmination of 16 years of training for Ranta, who has competed in 56 marathons. He began running to control his weight and has since lost about 25 pounds.

Typical training for Ranta includes 200 miles a week on his bike, seven miles of swimming and 35 miles a week running.

"I was never much of an athlete when I was younger, but I consider myself in the best shape I've been in since I was in my 20s," Ranta said.

Ranta, who considers himself in the middle of the pack in his age group (65 to 69), is realistic about his chances of winning.

"My goal is to finish the event in the 17 allotted hours," said Ranta, who has 10 grandchildren.

Both local athletes will have their hands full with the course which is known for intense heat with average temperatures during the race ranging from 82 to 95 degrees and with humidity around 90 percent. Temperatures on the bike course can exceed 100 degrees because of heat reflected from the lava and asphalt.

Making matters worse are the "mumuku" crosswinds on portions of the bike course which can gust as high as 60 mph.

Ranta will prepare for the heat by staying the entire month of October in Hawaii.

"I'll be there 18 days ahead of time to train in the heat," he said. "It will be 29 days of play and one day of work."

"If you're properly hydrated, the heat shouldn't be a problem," added Williams, who will also travel to Hawaii a couple of weeks in advance to prepare.

Williams has the support of his wife, Kim, who starred in volleyball and softball at Livonia Ladywood. However, she will not be making the trek to Hawaii because she'll be eight months pregnant.



Bill Williams



Bill Williams

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

On my walk to the Civic Center Library I noticed several leaves had fallen from the hackberry trees growing near the library and city hall.

When I picked one up it had many enlarged projections protruding from the surface of the leaf. I recognized it as a gall, a structure grown by the plant in response to a disturbance of the plant, but I did not know the name, nor the cause of the gall.

Back home in my library, I determined that the leaves had been infected by a small jumping plant louse which causes what is called the hackberry nipple gall.

Judging by the abundance of galls, there was

quite an infestation. An extremely heavy infestation may cause some disturbance to the plant, but typically galls do not affect the functioning of the plant. Actually, scientists feel that the disturbance caused by the insect stimulates growth, and may be beneficial to the plant.

As I walk the fields I have seen more goldenrod bunch galls than I can remember seeing for a long time. It is found on Canada goldenrod and looks like a dense cluster of leaves about an inch and a half in diameter along the stem of the plant.

This gall was formed as the result of a small midge (a mosquito-like insect with feathery antennae) laying an egg on the plant.

Plant tissue developed around the egg in the form of the bunch gall while the insect remains inside.

Insects occupying a gall will use it for protec-

tion and for food. The egg of this midge will hatch into a larva, which will feed on the inside of the gall until it is ready to pupate. Each gall will contain just one pupa and from that pupa an adult midge will emerge.

Remember that the goldenrod blooming now is not the cause of pollen for those who suffer from hay fever — ragweed is the culprit.

When you walk through fields you will also see goldenrod that will have round swollen sections of stem and some with elongated swellings of stem. These are two different galls formed by two different insects. The round gall is caused by a fly and the elongated gall is caused by a moth.

Once you begin to look for unusual growths on plants, its amazing how many you can find.

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Non-smoking AF, 36, seeks attractive, health-conscious, dependent-free WM, 30-40, 5'9" for casual dating, possible LTR. #5378

STILL SEARCHING
Tall, attractive SWF, 36, never married, yet, Height/weight proportionate, dark hazel, enjoys movies, concerts, rollerblading and back rubs, seeks tall SWM, 5'11", who is sincere, with sense of humor and open to a lasting relationship. #5235

WHERE ARE YOU?
SWF, 25, brown/blue, employed and educated, seeks SWM, 25-35, who is financially secure and enjoys going out, along with quiet evenings at home. #5238

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

SEXY
BUT WHOLESOME
P 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 #24, 13 and crooks mobile. #5731

COULD CONNECT...
with tall, H/W 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 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

ANTIQUARIAN HUNTER
Cute, outgoing, fun lady, 53, long red hair, slim, wants to meet great guy, 55-62, to share love of flea markets, antique shows, travel, etc. Oakland County area only. #5846

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE?

So am I. Attractive, sexy DWPF, 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, 5'7", enjoys golf, tennis, travel, etc. In search of active professional, relationship-minded individual, SWM, 35-45, N/S. #5547

ETHNICITY UNIMPORTANT
You're on my mind, but so very hard to find. Pretty DWF, 54, enjoys laughing and good conversation, fine dining, occasionally 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, scarless, nice truck, ok property. Seeking 35+, tall, attractive, patient working guy, Friends first. No professionals, smokers, drinkers, overweight or Momma's boys Salesmen ok. #5552

ARE YOU FOR ME?
SWF, 37, 5'3", 135lbs, fairly attractive, seeks WM, 36-55, to be honest, caring, loving, sincere, and marriage-minded, for happiness together. Must be financially secure. #5511

FUN, PROFESSIONAL
DWF, 48, 5'3", 135lbs, enjoys most sports, golf, skiing, hockey, football, nature, travel. Seeking fun-loving, affectionate, kind, N/S WPM, 43-55, for LTR. #5514

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

CURVY CONTOURS
DWF, 40-something, copper-colored hair, N/S, social drinker, seeks gentleman, 6+, for romantic dinners, nature, antiques, art. Friendship first, possible LTR. #5568

KIND-HEARTED
DWF, 40, Auburn/green, 5'5", 120lbs, N/S, no dependents, attractive, caring, enjoys movies, old cars, nature, antiques, art. Seeking tall, fit WPM, 36-43, N/S, N/Drugs. #5454

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

VERY ATTRACTIVE
SWF, 40, 5'7", 115lbs, selective, successful, and honest. I don't smoke or drink, and have no dependents. Seeking the same qualities in a trim, tall, 38-48 year-old SWM. #5360

LOOKING FOR YOU
Attractive, full-figured SWF, brown/green, enjoys freerelax up North, being together. Seeking attractive S/DWPM, 40-52, who is loving, kind and needs a good woman. #5362

TALL SLENDER BLONDE
Catch your attention? Actually I'm more like Rosie with red hair. DWF, 39, good sense of humor, like to do just about everything, but love to do it alone. Looking for a LTR, possible marriage. #5370

HAPPILY EVER AFTER?
SWF, 40, attractive, intelligent, has spent enough lonely weekends to last two lifetimes. If you are SWM, 50+, N/S, who is extremely generous with time, attention and affection, let's talk. #5233

MOTORCYCLE?
Love Harley men. It must be something in the jeans! Romantic, passionate, brunette, early 40s Business owner, works out regularly, looking for strong, silent type. North Oakland. #5234

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

SLOW HAND, EASY TOUCH
Handsome DWPM, 49, 6', 175lbs, N/S, financially secure. Enjoys travel, outdoor/indoor sports, theater, and movies. Seeking SWPF, 38-48, 5'5", financially secure, outgoing, looks good in jeans/formal attire, for LTR. #5824

WIN THIS TAURUS!
(astrologically speaking) Handsome 1955 model, low maintenance, high appreciation, seeks caring, careful, WK driver, age unimportant. #5820

BY PASSING THIS AD?
Think again? Mellow SWM, 42, wise, witty, loves a challenge, broad interest, seeks special connection with delightful lady, for fun and romance. #5831

GENTLEMAN, YOUNG 50S
Hardworking seeks companionship of good woman to enjoy the beauties of what life has to offer. Dying out, quiet evenings at home, outdoors, having fun. #5700

EMILIO ESTEVEZ...
look-alike. Turned over age 35, low miles, runs great, one horsepower, no luggage rack, will take best lady. Westside. #5638

CALL MY DAD
Warm, kind, sensitive, down-to-earth DWPM, 38, 5'9", Catholic, brown/hazel, custodial parent of two, social drinker, enjoys movies, cooking, candlelight dinners, Cedar Point, camping, socializing. Seeking DWF with kids, for companionship, monogamous relationship. #5651

HONEST, ROMANTIC
SWPM, 33, 6'2", medium build, black/brown, enjoys working out, camping, music, travel. Seeking SWF, 21-38, for dating, possible LTR. #5653

FINANCIALLY SECURE
Retired SBCM, 38, 6', enjoys sports, movies, quiet evenings, travel. Seeking SF with similar interests, for LTR, possible marriage. #5658

LOOKING FOR THE ONE
Caring, passionate, fun, lovely Caucasian gentleman, 35, N/S, enjoys outdoor activities, the lake, dancing, music, weekend car trips. Seeking SWF, N/S, medium-full-figured, who is loving and good-hearted. Age open. #5667

A YOUNG ROBERT REDFORD
SM, 5'10", 165lbs, blond hair, homeowner, self-employed, loves the outdoors, boating, skiing, hiking, picnics, working out, traveling. Seeking tall female. Must workout, have a sense of humor and be employed. #5604

TOP NOTCH
Attractive, bright, humorous, caring, dynamic, well-educated, engineering manager, mid-40s, empty nester, slim, athletic build, seeks healthy, slim, attractive, mid-40s. #5696

BEASTIE BOYS
Zezephell (my three favorites), good-looking, tall, athletic, outgoing SWM, 22, great personality, enjoys concerts, the outdoors, musical types), blond Seeking slender SWF, 18-28, with similar interests. Friendship first. #5750

E-MAIL ME
SM, 5'9", brown/brown, enjoys sports, golfing, fishing, outdoors, skiing, hanging out with friends, quiet evenings at home, C&W music, and having fun. #5736

MOONGazing OPTIMIST
SWM, 43, dashing, affluent, achieves positive outlook on life, seeks adventure and romance with pleasurable, spirited WF age open. #5739

ACCEPT MY CHALLENGE
Maybe it's me you're searching for. Jovial, dynamic, great-looking SWM, 40, enjoys adventure, spontaneity, mystery. Seeking carefree, outgoing SWF, age unimportant. #5741

LIVONIA RESIDENT
SBM, 30, 6'2", 210lbs, N/D, ND, have all accessories for LTR. Seeking SWF, 21-28, enjoys music, sports, dancing. Let's talk. #5743

NO SECRETS
Slim, trim, financially secure DWM, mid-30s, homeowner, with very mid herpes, enjoys Harley's camping, movies, dining, etc. Seeking honest, caring, active, playful, young lady, under 40 for LTR. North Oakland. #5744

FRIENDLY, HARD-WORKING & INTELLIGENT
Fit SM, 53, 5'9", 160lbs, seeks physically fit SF, under 45, under 57, enjoys outdoors, books, movies. Let's meet. Smoker ok. Kids a plus. #5746

READ THIS, THEN CALL IT
Are you tired of third wheel syndrome? Do you like the outdoors, social gatherings, movies or cards? SWM, 27-6', average attractive and hard-working. #5694

SEEKING FOOTBALL FAN
SWPM, 35, 5'11", brown/blue 195lbs, employed no dependents, good sense of humor, seeks SWF 30-40, who enjoys attending Michigan State football games and more. #5695

GARTH BROOKS LOOK-ALIKE
Attractive male seeks SWF, sound bird/guitarist (25-35), to country karaoke, and play music with Also enjoys 99.5 concerts, and dancing. Visit Nashville with me possible LTR? #5748

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, handsome, 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 dinners, and much more. Seeking an outgoing and attractive woman. #5625

ROMANTIC WARRIOR
College-educated, athletic, adventurous, creative, attractive SBM, 32, 5'7", enjoys getaway week-ends, dancing, romancing jazz, martial arts, open-minded. Seeking fit, witty SWF, 20-40, for possible relationship. #5661

SEEKS SLENDER BRUNETTE
Pretty, long-haired SWM/AF 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, 38, 6'4", attractive. Seeking SWF, 27-40 who's attractive, enjoys comedies, movies, walking or just fun. Plymouth area. #5826

SINCERE PHYSICIAN...
seeks petite, professional woman who is honest, sincere, and wants to be treated like a lady. #5749

SANDY HAIR, BLUE EYES
Trim, somewhat rugged SWM, 35, 5'11", good-looking, would appreciate a nice sweet tm gal who enjoys outdoor activities, lakes, woods and back roads on motorcycle or working around home garden. Kids ok. #5643

OLD-FASHIONED GUY

Romantic, handsome, honest, sincere, athletic, intelligent SWM, 23, N/S, good morals/values, seeks slender, pretty SWF, 18-26, with similar qualities/interests, enjoys music, good conversation, outdoors, mountain biking working out. #5742

LOVES ROLLERBLADING
Fun, handsome, outgoing, athletic SWM, 21, 5'11", enjoys summertime, cycling, movies, working out, rollerblading at Kensington Metro Beach, seeks sincere, fit, attractive SWF, 18-25, for friendship, summer fun, maybe more. #5670

MY MOTHER SAYS...
"Somebody you'll meet a special woman and make her very happy. You're handsome, intelligent and sincere." SWM, 24, enjoys outdoors, music, romance, seeks slender, energetic SWF, age unimportant. #5829

SEEKS MODEL/DANCER
Athletic, assertive, very attractive, romantic, sincere SWM, 24, 5'11", seeks athletic, caring, affectionate, slim WF, 18-32, with good personality, for friendship, maybe more. Your call could bring us together. #5740

SEEKING TRUE LOVE
Handsome, mature, honest, romantic, sincere, athletic SWM, 24, 5'11", enjoys sunsets, moonlit walks, outdoors, music, biking. Seeking pretty, slender, affectionate SWF, 18-28, to talk, walk, and journey through life with. #5639

LOOKING FOR LOVE?
Romantic SWM, 27, 6'2", 200lbs, brown/blue, enjoys sports, music, romantic times, seeks sincere, SWF, 21-29, for possible LTR. #5822

IVORY SEEKS EBONY
Attractive, slim, affectionate WM, late 40s, intelligent, outgoing, humorous, sincere, seeks similar black female for occasional LTR. #5634

PICTURE PERFECT
Is a romantic comedy type relationship possible? SWM, 40, handsome, humorous, playfully hip, enjoys the interplay of romance, hilarity. Seeks to tickle the fancy of WF equivalent. #5654

CREATIVE MUSICIAN
Good-looking SWM, 23, dark green, unique, romantic, open, communicative, athletic, clean-cut, deep-thinking, song writer/drummer. Seeking pretty, slender, creative, spontaneous, sweet SWF, 18-32, who also loves music. #5660

ON THE GO
Young WPM, 48, 5'10", handsome, large frame, dances often, has handicap of 6'golfing. Seeking attractive WF, 35-55, comfortable in jeans or formal gown at private country club. #5602

VERY LOVING MAN
Very handsome, caring gentleman, looking to share life with a kind woman, emotionally/financially secure. I'm sure I can bring joy into your life. #5613

ATTRACTIVE & INTELLIGENT
Witty, honest, college-educated, trim DWPM, 47, N/S, enjoys bridge, tennis, dancing, movies and moonlit walks. Seeking attractive, trim, educated WPF, 37-49, with similar traits and interests for LTR. #5819

STRAIGHT EDGE
Cute, funny SWM, 25, enjoys skateboarding, rollerblading, music (70s rock, punk, ska). Seeking SWF, 18-27, to hang with, maybe more. Is this what it takes to meet other straight-edge folks? #5833

RELATE, THEN IT'S A DATE!
Slim, sensual Taurus spiritual SM, 44, 5'9", 155lbs, seeks relationship-oriented SWF, soulmate, 33-43, who enjoys boating, beach walks, volleyball, movies, art fairs, dancing, coffee houses, ethnic dining. #5834

TAKE A CHANCE
SWPM, 41, 5'8", fit, dependent-free, Catholic, communicative, humorous, introspective, enjoys bicycling, jogging, eclectic taste in music, movies. Seeking trim, athletic, emotionally available SWF, 30-40, to share happy, healthy relationship. #5724

CUTE BUTT
Down-to-earth DWM seeks kind-hearted lady, who still values family and enjoys flowers, will answer all calls. #5734

BRAD PITT TYPE
Sexy, long blonde/blue, 6'2", 32, fun, kind, reliable, sharp dresser, good listener, 100% healthy, seeking selective, slender, peach, 21-33, for more than a great appearance. #5699

DARE 2 BE DIFFERENT
Good-looking, thoughtful, caring, affectionate, honest SWM, 50, 5'7", 160lbs, enjoys dining out, movies, travel, warm vacations, holding hands, long walks. Seeking petite/medium-sized woman, caring woman, 35-50, for LTR/monogamous relationship. #5637

ROMANTIC

Sensitive, considerate DWM, 57, N/S, ND, interests vary from family activities to craft shows, country music to dancing, cookouts etc. Desires to meet special white lady, 40-55, who is marriage-minded. #5640

A GOOD CATCH
Attractive, SWM, 39, 5'8", blond/blue, 160lbs. Enjoys dining out, movies or quiet nights at home. I have no children. Seeking attractive female, height/weight proportionate, for casual or LTR. #5644

NO GAMES
SM, 5'9", 220lbs, easygoing, truck driver, enjoys dancing, barbecues, friends, seeking loving, caring SF, 45-50, spontaneous, H/W proportionate, for LTR. #5649

HAS ALMOST EVERYTHING:
success, good looks, warm heart. Athletic SWM, 42, great communicator, seeks intelligent, attractive S/DWF, for special relationship, possible LTR. Age open. #5650

MASCULINE, MUSCULAR, SEXY
SWPM, 44, 6'11", 185lb, enjoys music, sports, fishing, bowling, dancing. Seeking slim, sexy SF, 25-45, with same interests, for friendship, maybe more. #5655

ITALIAN STALLION
SWM, 44, 6', attractive, muscular, very active, financially secure. Seeking attractive, fit female, 45 or under, for possible relationship. #5657

LIVONIA ROMANTIC
SWM, 53, secure, likes movies, sports, travel, dining, quiet times. Seeking SWF, 43-50, N/S, ND, for companionship to LTR. #5659

SWM, OVER 60
Wanted, female, 50-60, light drinker/smoker ok, who enjoys boating and camping. Can talk over coffee. #5663

SWM, 30
Construction worker, 6', 195lbs, have one daughter, Seeking Ms. Right, SWF, 25-35, to share life with. If you like romance and having fun too, you and I could make a love connection. #5666

HANDSOME ENGINEER
Young-looking DWM, 53, 6'1", 195lbs, N/S, graduate degree (MBA), excellent health/physical condition, ex-Marine. Seeking very attractive woman, shaping, with great legs, friendly, someone special for permanent relationship. #5516

KIND-HEARTED
A SBM, 42, 5'7", 170lbs, with a medium build, easygoing, knows how to treat a lady. Seeking a S/DWF, 18-30, for friendship and fun. #5518

VEGETARIAN
SWM, 49, 5'11", N/S, no dependents, financially secure, physically fit, seek SWF, 30s to early 40s, N/S, with same qualities, who is very health-conscious, and a vegetarian. #5607

HAKUNA MATADA
Affectionate, compassionate SM, 46, 6'2", 207lbs, enjoys the outdoors, golfing, and quiet evenings at home. Seeking slender female, 25-45, for dating and possible relationship. #5609

CURIOUS GEORGE
Very attractive SWM, 29, 6'11", 190lbs, likes bike riding, movies, concerts, dining, hockey. Seeking attractive SWF, 25-35, with similar interests who is honest and likes to laugh. For LTR. #5610

HANDSOME KIND TEACHER
DWM, 44, 6', 200lbs, teacher, full-time dad, loves guitar, outdoors, family cottage in northern Michigan. Seeking SF for serious, loving relationship. N/S, social drinker. #5615

HORSE LOVER
SWM 45, seeks partner for harness race horse. #5517

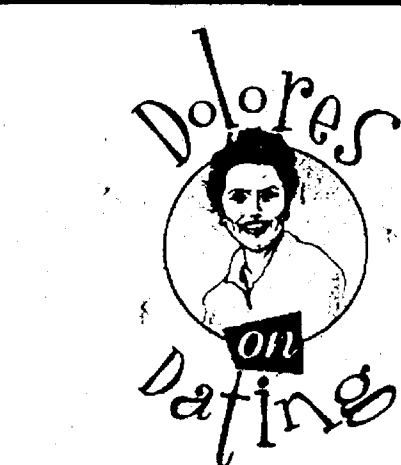
GOLFER WANTED
SWF N/S, good-looking, clumsy, non-athletic, seeks, SWM, N/S, 40-50, good-looking, non-clumsy, athletic, golfer to give pointers on how to play the game. #5182

LET'S TEE IT UP
Pretty, independent, slender, good golfer seeks handsome, trim, gentleman golfer partner, young 50s, for tournament play. Let's exchange rounds of golf, your club or mine? #5356

SENIORS

PHONE PAL
Livonia senior, WF, interested in senior phone pals, for friends to talk to. I'm Catholic and I love pets and friendly people. All calls will be returned. #4967

GET UP AND GO!
DWF, attractive, slim, intelligent, down-to-earth, 56, smoker, reading, dining out, plays Seeking man, 58+ N/Drugs, ND, no touch potatoes, no games. #5363



Dear Dolores,
I am a 5'11" woman, and while I'm not vain, I prefer to date guys who are taller than me. Short of crashing a basketball team's locker room, how can I meet a tall man? - Long Tail Sally

Dear Sally,
I like 'em tall myself. But if you're particular about height then you gotta be up front about it. The best place to find this guy is in the personals. Just tell 'em you want to meet a nice guy 6' or taller. Good luck, Stretch. - D

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Madonna manhandles Concordia to stay atop WHAC

Concordia College did manage to draw first blood in its soccer match with Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference newcomer Madonna University Thursday.

And the host Cardinals also got in the last laugh. Unfortunately (for them, anyway), there was an awful lot that came in between those two, and all of it belonged to Madonna.

The Fighting Crusaders overcame an early deficit to take a 3-1 lead by halftime, then repelled Concordia's comeback attempts in procuring a 4-2 triumph.

COLLEGE SPORTS

The Emerts (both from Walled Lake Central) played a major role in Madonna's offense. After Concordia's Jeremy Harrison gave his team the early lead, Andy Makins converted a pass from Christian Emert to tie the game at 1-1 at the 31:30 mark.

Emert's first goal put the Crusaders ahead 2-1 just 2 1/2 minutes later, Ryan Thomason assisting. Emert's second goal, assisted by Scott Emert, pushed

Madonna's lead to 3-1 at halftime.

Zach Wilkinson gave the Crusaders a 4-1 advantage midway through the second half (Seamus Rustin assisting) before the Cardinals' Harrison got his second goal with 12 minutes remaining.

Dave Hart was in goal for Madonna, making six saves. Jason Batkoski and Marshall Collins shared net duties for Concordia, combining to make nine saves.

The Crusaders had a 13-8 shot advantage. The win improved Madonna's overall

record to 4-3; the Crusaders are 4-0 in the WHAC. Concordia is 3-4 overall, 0-2 in the WHAC.

Madonna spikers rule

Well, there's one thing a Madonna University team has yet to experience as a WHAC member:

A loss. The Lady Crusaders ran their league record to 2-0 with a 15-6, 15-8, 15-2 victory Thursday at Spring Arbor College. They are 12-4 overall.

The Cougars fell to 3-10 overall. Karin Sisung and Erin Gregoire

paced Madonna's attackers, each collecting seven kills. Sisung also had three digs and four solo blocks, while Gregoire got two digs, four solo blocks and two block assists.

Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston), Nicole Scharrer and Stephanie Uballe added three kills each. Malewski also had two solo blocks and five block assists. Setter Deanne Helsom contributed 16 assists to kills, two service aces and five block assists, and Jennifer Russell led Madonna with three aces and six digs.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 26
Garden City at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Churchill at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
Canton at Northville, 7:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Salem, 7:30 p.m.
Harrison at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.
Wayne at Southgate, 7:30 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Bishop Gallagher at Roseville Memorial, 7:30 p.m.
St. Agatha vs. A.A. Gab. Richard at Ann Arbor Huron, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

W.L. Central at Farmington, 1 p.m.
St. Alphonsus at Luth. W'sld, 1 p.m.
Bishop Borgess vs. E. Catholic at Garden City Jr. High, 7 p.m.
Clarenceville at Harper Wds., 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday, Sept. 22
Agape at W. Highland, 5:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 23
H. Woods at Clarenceville, 6:30 p.m.
Luth. W'sld at Kingswood, 6:30 p.m.
Franklin Road at PCA, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Macomb, 7 p.m.
Ladywood at H.W. Regina, 7 p.m.
Mercy at Divine Child, 7 p.m.
St. Agatha at R.O. Shrine, 7 p.m.
Churchill at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
A.A. Huron at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Crestwood, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Farmington, 7 p.m.
Harrison at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Hamtramck at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.
Bishop Borgess at Mercy, 7 p.m.
St. Alphonsus at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Kennedy at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Belleville at Thurston, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Churchill, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Canton, 7 p.m.
Salem at Harrison, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26

Saline Christian at Agape, 5:30 p.m.
C'ville at Lutheran N'west, 6:30 p.m.
Divine Child at Ladywood, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley vs. S'field Christian at Marshall Jr. High, 7:30 p.m.
PCA at B.H. Roeper, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Adrian at Salem, 4:30 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Monday, Sept. 22
Wayne at Southgate, 4 p.m.
Garden City at Allen Park, 4 p.m.
Thurston at Taylor Kennedy, 4 p.m.
Huron Valley at Warren Zee, 4:30 p.m.
Agape at W. Highland, 4:30 p.m.
Northville at Farmington, 5:30 p.m.
Harrison at N. Farmington, 5:30 p.m.
W.L. Central at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.m.
Salem at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Fordson at Redford Union, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Redford CC at U-D Jesuit, 4 p.m.
Luth. Westland at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.
PCA at S'field Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Farmington at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Huron Valley at Immaculate, 4:30 p.m.
Wayne at Ypsilanti, 5 p.m.
Canton at Harrison, 5:30 p.m.
Redford Union at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem (CEP), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Luth. North at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. W'sld at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26

DeLaSalle at Redford CC, 4 p.m.
Taylor Truman at Garden City, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at Thurston, 4 p.m.
Saline Christian at Agape, 4:30 p.m.
Baptist Pk. at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.
PCA at Oakland Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Troy Athens at Churchill, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Farmington at W. Bloom., 12:30 p.m.
Canton at Troy, 1 p.m.
Salem at Brighton, 1 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Monday, Sept. 22
Madonna at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Macomb at Schoolcraft, 5 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

EMU at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
Madonna at Aquinas, 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Sunday, Sept. 21
Kettlog at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.

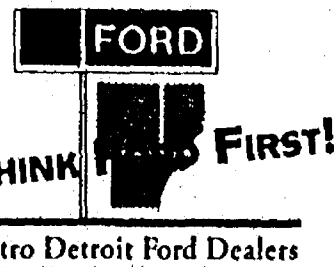
Saturday, Sept. 27


Schoolcraft at DuPage (Ill.), noon.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Sept. 23
Schoolcraft at Oakland CC, 7 p.m.
Madonna at Concordia, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 7 p.m.
Wayne State at Madonna, 7 p.m.

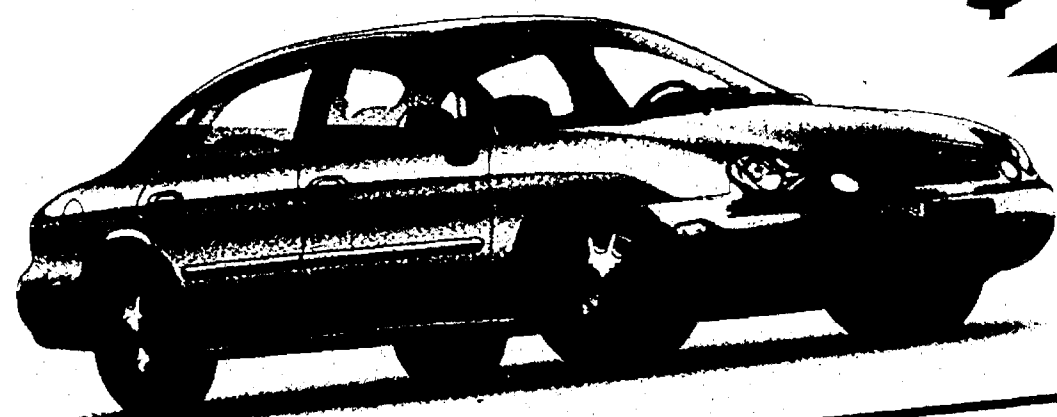
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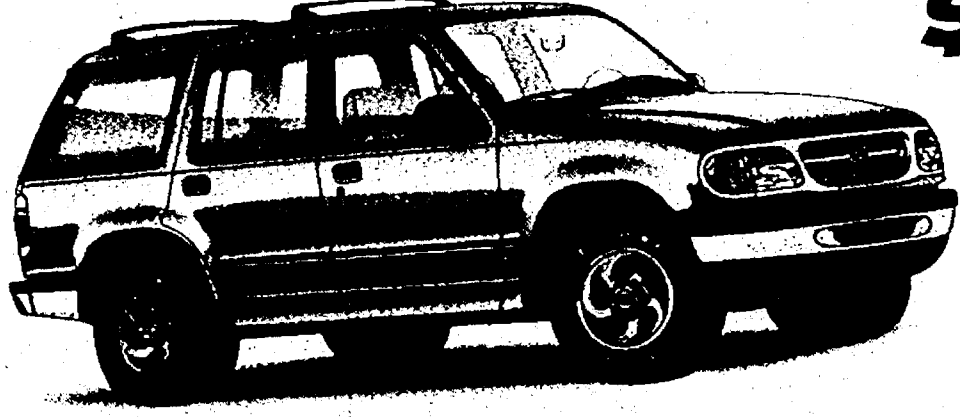
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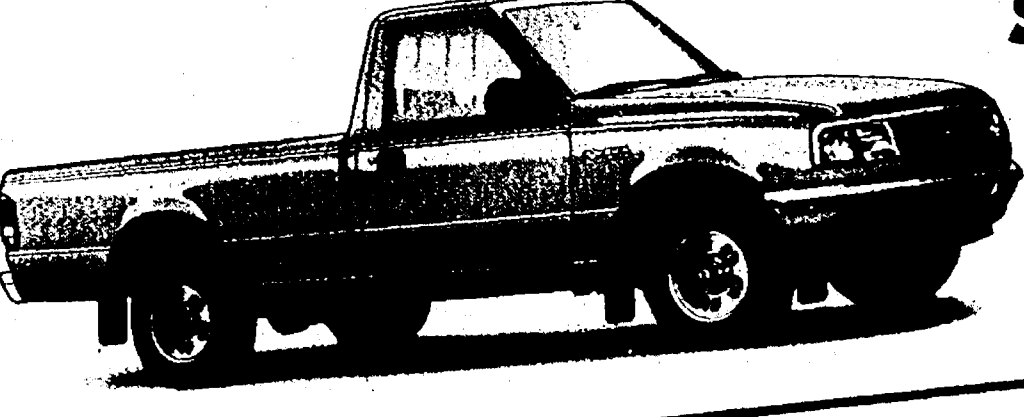
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