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Horse attacked



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Sunny at home: Laurie Williams is concerned about injuries to her horse, Sunny. A loose pit bull Saturday viciously attacked the 19-month-old horse on Williams' Westland property. Sunny, a 1,000-pound Appaloosa with chestnut hair blanketed by white on its rear quarters, suffered injuries that ended hopes of him becoming a show horse.

Pit bull attacks, injures horse

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A loose pit bull Saturday viciously attacked a friendly, 19-month-old horse fondly named Sunny by the Westland family that owns it.

The attack occurred about 9:40 a.m. after the dog managed to get inside a fenced-in yard on Steinhauer, where Laurie and Wayne Williams own two acres of land near Merriman and Cherry Hill.

Sunny, a 1,000-pound Appaloosa with chestnut hair blanketed by white on its rear quarters, suffered injuries that ended hopes of him becoming a show horse, Laurie Williams said.

"He's got a big hole in his right knee, and the muscle is just hanging out," she said. "He's got a hole between his nostrils and his upper lip, and he's got a hole in his gums where the pit bull actually bit into his mouth."

"He's got bite marks on his throat, and he's got these sores all over his face," she added. "He's going to be scarred."

The attack occurred while Laurie and Wayne Williams were out of town with their son Oden, 19, and their daughters Inga, 13, and Tara, 12.



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Knee Injury: Sunny also suffered a knee injury in an attack by a pit bull on Saturday in Westland. The attack occurred while Laurie and Wayne Williams were out of town with their son Oden, 19, and their daughters Inga, 13, and Tara, 12. The attack occurred about 9:40 a.m. after the dog managed to get inside a fenced-in yard on Steinhauer.

Robbers hit 3 places in city

■ Westland police are investigating three armed robberies that occurred within three days in Westland. No one was injured, and no arrests have been made. Authorities don't know of any links among the robberies.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER



Westland police are investigating three armed robberies that reportedly occurred during a 53-hour period ending Sunday at a department store, a gas station and a pizzeria.

No one was injured, and Westland police Lt. Marc Stobbe said no arrests have been made. Authorities don't know of any links among the robberies.

The first incident occurred last Thursday at 9 p.m. when a 29-year-old woman was robbed in the parking lot of the Target store on Warren Road, between Wayne and Central City Parkway.

The victim told police that she had placed shopping bags in her car and was preparing to get inside when she heard footsteps of a man who suddenly grabbed her from behind.

The woman reported that the man "stuck something in her right side," told her that it was a gun and demanded money. The bandit then grabbed the victim's purse and fled on foot.

The victim told police that she screamed, turned around as the man fled and saw that he was carrying a handgun. No shots were fired.

The woman described the man as a 5-foot-8 white male who was in his 20s and who had short, dark hair. Westland police searched the area around Target but couldn't find the man.

The second incident happened around 3:25 a.m. Saturday when a gun-toting, masked man reportedly robbed the Total gas station on the southwest corner of Ford and Wayne roads, according to police reports.

An 18-year-old clerk, working alone, told police she was held up by a man who pointed a gun at her and ordered her to lie on the floor behind the counter. No shots were fired.

The man seized money from a cash register and then fled the store. A customer who entered Total seconds later reported seeing a man running toward Big Lots, a business directly south of the gas station.

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Local business plugs into annual Festival of Trees

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

They will see the festival for the trees.

The Uht Funeral Home in Westland is sponsoring a trip for area senior citizens to the Festival of Trees in Detroit.

The funeral home will provide bus transportation and the entry fee for about 145 senior citizens to attend the festival, which features 110 decorated Christmas trees. The buses leave at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, from the funeral home parking lot and will return at about 3 p.m. The senior citizens, who were signed up through area churches, have already been signed up for the trip.

Held at Cobo Center each year, the festival benefits the Evergreen Foundation, which aids the Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit.

Taking senior citizens to the festival is new this year for the funeral home, but involvement in the festival isn't. Funeral home employee Barb Husby

of Wayne and her sister-in-law Diane Doletsky of Westland and her sister, Gwynn Manzel of Northville, have been decorating a tree at the festival each year for the past 10 years.

Also, Uht Funeral Home director Harold Rediske's wife, Claudia, has been decorating a tree at the festival for the past five years and this year is decorating a tree with her daughter-in-law, Gayle Rediske.

Husby started decorating a tree for the festival when she decorated a tree

in remembrance of a friend. "It makes us feel so good," Husby said.

The central theme this year is angels, but designers don't have to decorate according to that theme, Husby said.

The trees are donated but the designers pay the cost of the decorations themselves unless they have a sponsor.

Husby's group was sponsored by the

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Veterans meal

About 75 people enjoyed a Veterans Day meal at Eova VFW Post 9885 in Westland last week.

The meal was provided to honor U.S. veterans and was held at the post at 6440 Hix Road in Westland.

Ryan's Steak House in Westland, Cake World in Westland, Top Notch Bakery in Canton, Al's Beverage in Westland, VFW Thursday Pool League Post 9885 and VFW Ladies Auxiliary Pool League Post 9885 contributed to the meal.

Toy Show

Westland Rotary's Toy Show, featuring antiques, collectibles, and obsoletes, will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Wayne Ford Civic League, 1645 N. Wayne Road in Westland.

Admission is \$3 and kids under 12 will be admitted free. The show will include Star Wars and Star

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Goodfellows

The Westland Goodfellows "No child without a Christmas" newspaper fund-raiser will be Friday and Saturday, Nov. 28-29, in Westland.

Volunteers are welcome. For information, call Jerry Smith at (313) 728-8888.

Christmas dinner

The Salvation Army will be having its annual Senior Christmas dinner 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at AMVETS Post 171 Memorial Hall, 1217 Merriman in Westland, for senior citizens living in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. The dinner is free. Participants must be 55 or older (one ticket per person). Transportation will not be provided.

To pick up a ticket, come to the Salvation Army at 2300 Venoy Road, Westland. For more information, call (313) 722-3660.

Shopping special

Senior citizens and shoppers with disabilities can shop from 7-9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at Mervyn's California in Westland. The event will include a 10 percent discount on purchases, personal shopping assistance, refreshments, entertainment, and gift wrap.

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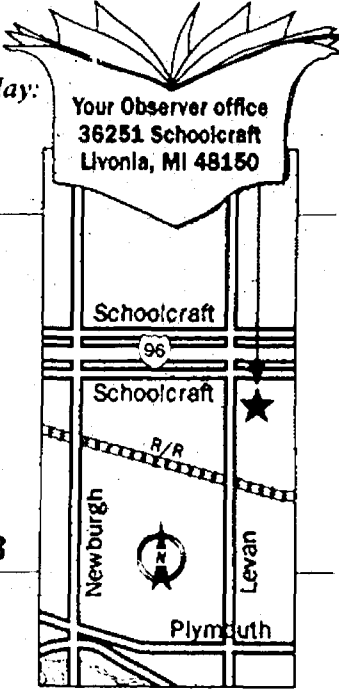
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Associate publisher named



Rick Ficorelli

Rick Ficorelli has been named associate publisher of the Westland and Garden City editions of the Observer Newspapers.

As associate publisher, he will be the newspaper representative at community events and in contact with business and nonprofit groups in the area.

Ficorelli is also marketing director for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. In that role, he is responsible for all sales support, marketing and promotion functions for the O&E, which publishes newspa-

pers in 15 communities in Oakland and western Wayne counties. He is also responsible for the Classified Advertising and the Enhanced Media departments at the O&E.

"I look forward to increased involvement in the Westland and Garden City communities," said Ficorelli.

"These are two important areas in our Wayne County Publishing Group. I hope to contribute in a positive manner to the growth and development in both communities."

A resident of Bloomfield Hills, Ficorelli has worked at the O&E for 13 years. He previously worked as vice president of marketing at The Metro Times Inc. and was director of telemarketing sales for Olympia Arenas Inc.

Ficorelli is a member of the board of directors of the Westland Chamber of Commerce and member of the Acraft Club of Detroit.

He holds a degree in marketing from Michigan State University.

Franklin band competes in nationals

BY DIANE HANSON
 SPECIAL WRITER

The Franklin High School Marching Band performed at its final competition of the year last week at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis. The Patriots were among 81 of the nation's top marching bands from 17 states at the Bands of America Grand National Championships Nov. 13-15.

Although the band did not advance into the semifinal round, the show, "Through the Eyes of a Child," was an audience-pleaser.

"I'm really proud of the kids. They've come a long, long way since band Kristi Jasin, referring to the week-long camp held in August. "They've just worked so hard on this show and put in a lot of changes since camp."

While the camp was the official start of the band season, practice for this year's show started back in June. Selecting, arranging and planning for the show began nearly a year ago. "They have had the most fun

with this show of any I've done at Franklin," Jasin said.

This is her fifth season as director of the 84-member band. "I have a great staff and wonderful parents and the kids have just been great to work with this year," Jasin said.

Audience members weren't the only ones pleased with the music, marching and theatrics of the Livonia band. The students were happy with their performance as well.

"I think we did a good job," said sophomore clarinetist Sara Casper of her first trip to the nationals. "I think we were a lot more focused than we were at states."

The band was among the top 10 Flight II bands selected to compete at the Michigan championships at the Silverdome Oct. 25. The intervening three weeks were spent in "a lot of practice" according to Casper, especially the basics.

Senior color guard captain Dana Crowe pointed out that national competition "is a time



Big band: The Patriots were among 81 of the nation's top marching bands at the Bands of America Grand National Championships Nov. 13-15.

to really perform our completed show." Crowe, who plans to major in accounting next year at the University of Michigan, said she enjoys watching the other bands at nationals.

"I think that they're learning so much about dedication. They're learning so much about teamwork and effort and what it takes to be part of something great."

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1998 town hall meetings set

Westland Mayor Robert J. Thomas has announced the town hall meetings for the 1998 calendar year.

There will be four town hall meetings at 7 p.m.:

- at Liberty Park
 - Thursday, May 14, 1998, at Holiday Park
 - Thursday, Sept. 10, 1998, Willow Creek
 - Thursday, Nov. 12, 1998, William P. Faust Public Library.

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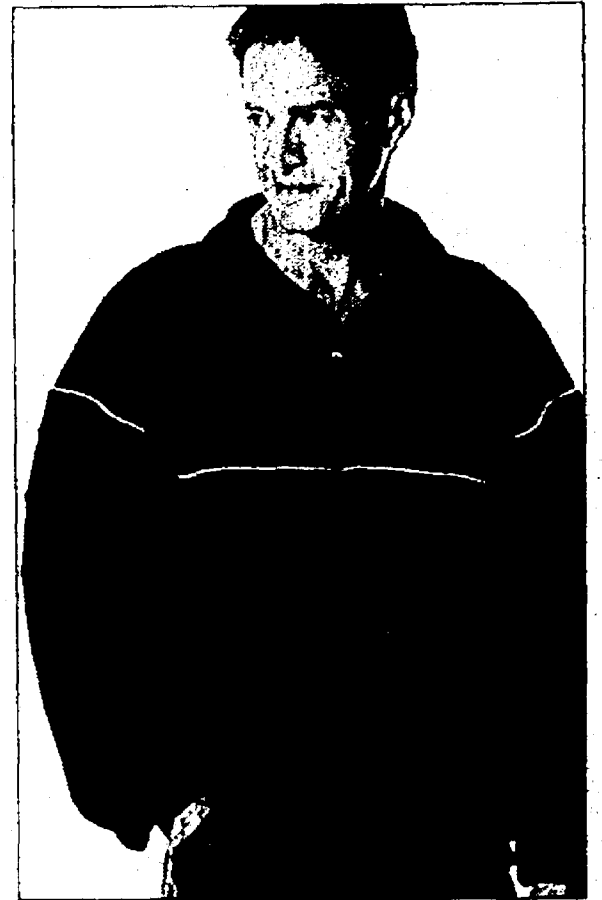
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Junior Miss program Nov. 22

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Twenty-three applicants are participating in this year's Wayne-Westland Junior Miss Scholarship Program.

They are seniors at Wayne Memorial, John Glenn and Churchill high schools. Applicants must live in Wayne or Westland or attend a Wayne or Westland high school.

The program will be at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at Stockmeyer Auditorium next to Wayne Memorial High School.

They will be judged on five categories: scholastic, presence and composure, physical fitness, talent and interview.

Up to \$10,000 in scholarship money will be awarded this year, according to Pat Hermatz, program chairman.

The program will include an opening number, physical fitness number, presence and composure number and closing number

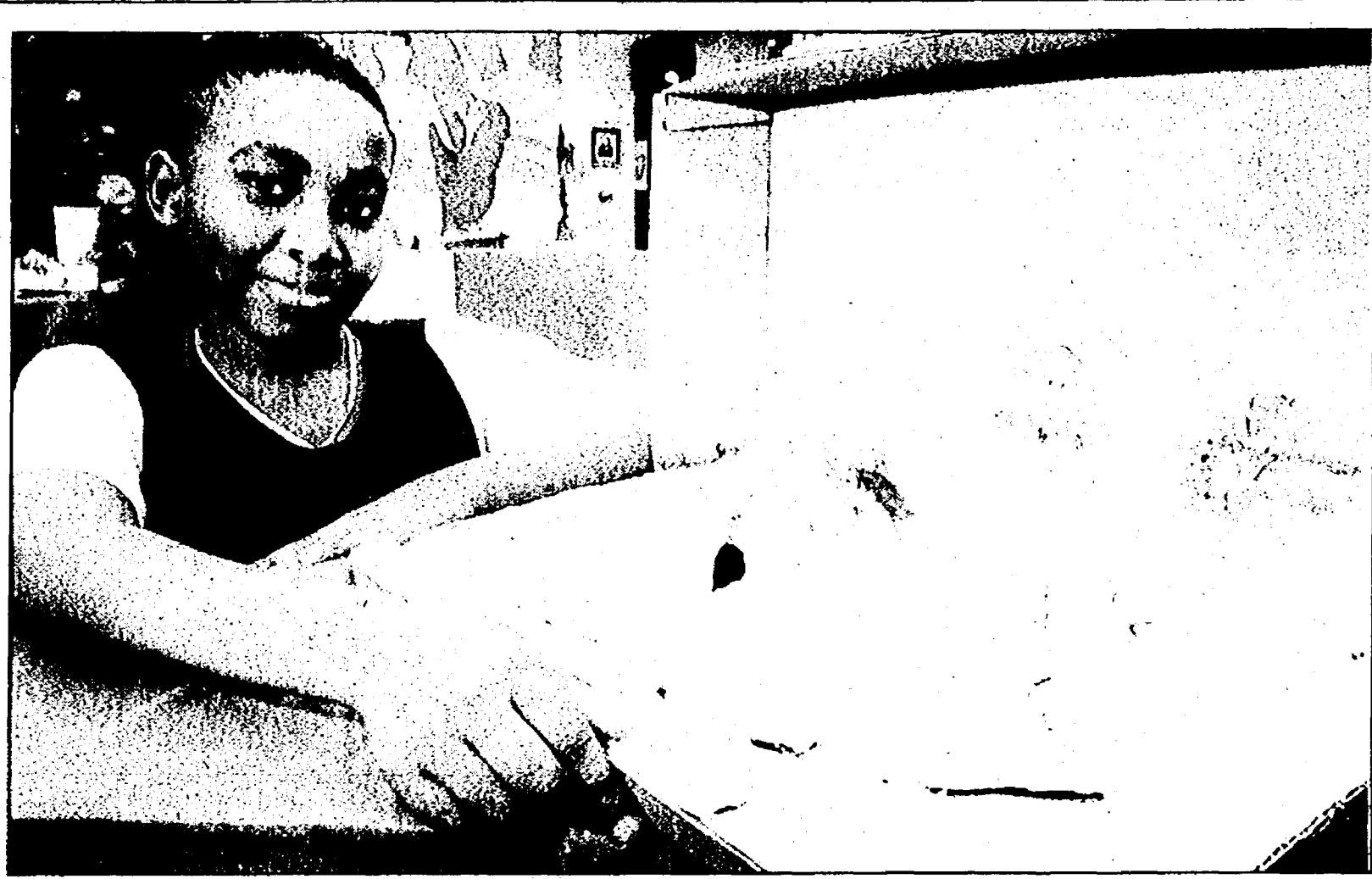
all with the theme of "In the News."

Participants this year include Katrina Zacharczuk, Stephanie Mead, Jamie McPartlin, Audrey Shyu, L'Oreal Fowlkes, Julie Anderson, Mary Crofts, AnneMarie James, Amanda Roberts, Amy McKerracher, Mary Gillispie, Jennifer Marchand, Kimberly Corney, Krista Kordie and Stephanie Thompson of John Glenn High School, Michelle Birchard, Michele Mayberry, Teresa Yorke, Alison Kulas, Crystal Bumbalough, Jean Leverenz and Lakesha Butler of Wayne Memorial High School and Melissa Anderson of Churchill High School.

The winner goes on to compete in Michigan's Junior Miss program at Alpena March 14, 1998.

The winner at the state level goes on to compete in America's Junior Miss program in Alabama.

Tickets to the Nov. 22 program are \$7.



Farm study: Jerrrod Smith's project shows an early Egyptian farm-house and a plow.

STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD

Santa Claus arrives Saturday

Santa Claus will arrive at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, by horse and carriage outside of entrance 6, east of JC Penney, at Westland Shopping Center.

John Glenn High School's marching band will lead Santa and Westley Holiday Bear to the West Court (at JC Penney).

The Bananas in Pajamas will join Santa and Holiday Bear with a holiday performance in West Court. Bananas in Pajamas stars B1 and B2 will perform "It's Nursery Rhyme Time" at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Nov. 22.

Westland Center also presents Digital Image Santa photographs and they will begin on Santa's set after his arrival. Santa will be on the set 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays.

When children visit Santa, they will be invited to join the Santa and Holiday Bear Club. They will receive a coloring activity book and upon completing the book they can present it to customer service and receive an official membership card, T-shirt and button. All children who join by Dec. 5, 1997, will receive a letter from Santa and Holiday Bear inviting them to a special Santa breakfast.

Sixth-graders take trip down the Nile

Stevenson Middle School sixth-graders last week transformed their school library into an Egyptian museum boasting nearly 300 exhibits.

"The exhibits ranged from pyramids to mummies to life on the Nile (River) to sphinxes to Egyptian kings," teacher Judy Howton said.

The exhibits culminated two months of studying ancient Egyptian life in reading and world studies classes. Students worked tirelessly on their projects, Howton said.

Students learned about everything from symbols of Egyptian society to mummification, and they studied different time periods of Egyptian culture.

Howton stressed that the project allowed "right-brain"

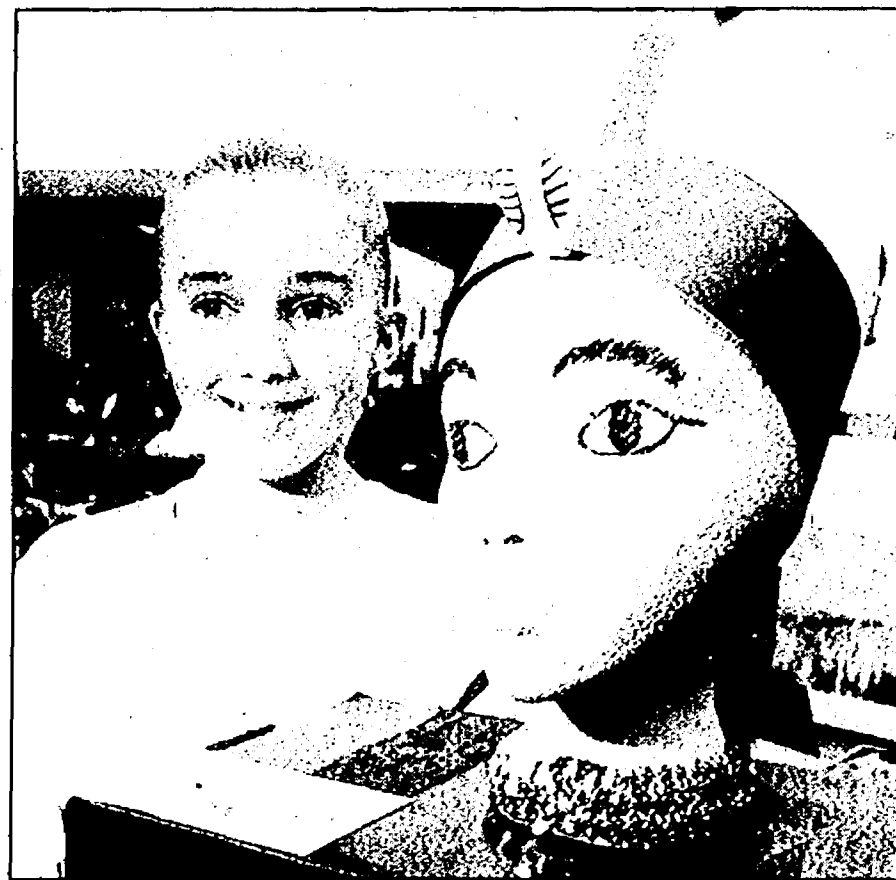
students — those who are creative but not necessarily test-takers or note-takers — a chance to showcase their talents.

"It gave those right-brain children a chance to show the learning they have done," Howton said.

The project marked the third year of an Egyptian exhibit at Stevenson.

Exhibits were created by nearly 300 students taught by teachers Howton, Donna Keller, Becky Ingersoll, Sandra Firth, Carol Middel, Stacey Barnard, Joyce Christoff, Bill Kelley, Keith Anolick, Susan Bilderbeck and Rosalyn Pollard.

Howton also credited principal Bill McLean with being supportive of the project.



Crowned: Courtney Baracy's project shows Egypt's double crown.

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Auditor wants more staff to meet county charter rule

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County's auditor general is concerned that he will not meet charter requirements approved by voters last November because commissioners won't give him additional staff to audit county departments or a separate budget that could be reimbursed with federal grants.

County voters approved a

charter amendment in 1996 to give the auditor general additional powers. Part of those powers include auditing the operations of county agencies and departments at least once every two years.

Auditor general Brendan Dunleavy does not believe he has enough staff to meet those requirements with only six auditors. On Tuesday, a request from Commissioner William O'Neil,

D-Allen Park, to separate Dunleavy's budget from the commission budget and add \$350,000 to it was not placed on the agenda by Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon.

Dunleavy was frustrated after the meeting.

"It's very difficult to meet the charter requirements," Dunleavy said after the meeting. And unless things change, "I expect that I will have to report to the

commission that we will be in violation of the charter."

Solomon told O'Neil, the chair of the commission's Committee on Audit, that he did not place the item on the agenda because the budget request faced an impasse — what Solomon called a "rejection" — at an earlier meeting. On Oct. 30, commissioners deadlocked, 7-7, on whether a separate \$350,000 budget should be approved for

Dunleavy.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, Commissioners Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton were among the seven suburban commissioners who supported such an action, while the seven Detroit commissioners opposed it that day. Outgoing commissioner Michelle Plawewski, D-Deerborn Heights, did not attend that meeting.

A budget battle

By keeping Dunleavy's budget in the commission's budget, Dunleavy's staff falls under the usual budget appropriations for the county commission through County Executive Ed McNamara and his Department of Management and Budget.

O'Neil said the office of the auditor general is currently sub-

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
Project: PUBLIC LIBRARY RENOVATIONS
BID PACKAGE - 'B'
Asbestos Abatement for Library Ceilings**

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Robbers from page A1

Police officers searched the area but didn't find a suspect, who was described as a white male in his 30s or 40s. He was 5-foot-6 to 5-foot-9 and had a stocky build, the victim reported. He wore a ski mask during the holdup.

The third incident reportedly occurred at 1:30 a.m. Sunday at Hungry Howie's pizzeria on the southwest corner of Newburgh and Palmer, according to police reports.

A 24-year-old female employee and a 27-year-old male worker told police that two masked bandits - one male and one female - entered the business through a rear door.

The man allegedly pointed a gun at the male employee and ordered him to lie on the floor while the female bandit took money from the business, police

reports said. The man reportedly threatened to kill one of the employees unless they complied, but no shots were fired.

The couple fled the store after seizing money. Police officers searched the area but couldn't locate them.

Hungry Howie's employees described one suspect as a 5-foot-10, 180-pound white male, 20 to 25 years old, with brown hair and brown eyes. His face was concealed by a ski mask, according to the witnesses.

The second suspect was described as a 5-foot-6 white female, 20 to 25 years old, with brown hair and brown eyes. She reportedly wore a nylon stocking over her head.

Police are encouraging anyone with knowledge of the three incidents to call the Westland Police Department at 722-9600.

Trees from page A1

Children's Hospital last year and they decided to decorate the tree with hundreds of toys.

After the festival, the hospital displayed the tree in the area where children wait before surgery. The children waiting for surgery are permitted to choose a toy from the tree.

The idea was such a hit that the tree stands year-round now and is restocked with toys for all children who undergo surgery at the hospital, Husby said.

The ideas for the next year's tree start the day after the current tree is decorated, Husby said. The ideas are discussed for a while before deciding on a

theme, she said.

This year Husby's group is decorating a tree with a Beanie Babies theme for auction.

"We have a really good time doing it," she said of decorating trees.

The *Festival of Trees* is open to the public Nov. 23 to Nov. 30. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors age 60 and older, \$2 for children 2-12 and free for children age 1 and younger. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 23, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 24, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 25 and 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 27, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Nov. 28 and 29, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 30.

TECHNOLOGY TRAINING: USING THE NEW CARD CATALOG

■ 10:30 a.m. Saturdays
Training sessions are held each Saturday at 10:30 a.m. to train library patrons on the use of the public access catalogs. The computers are the modern-day equivalent of the traditional card catalog. These training sessions take about 15-20 minutes. Library staff will teach the fundamentals regarding use of the public access catalogs and will be available for questions. This training is free and no registration is required.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

■ 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24
Youth Net
Twelve- to 19-year-olds ... We want you. Join our brand-new Youth Net, a Young Adult Advisory Board that gets actively involved in what goes on at the library. You'll get to suggest programs, help design a teen Web page, do some performing of your own, and more. Come to an organizational meeting at 4 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 24, in the Community Meeting Room.

■ 6-8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 and Wednesday, Dec. 10
Visit with Santa
Santa will be at the library from 6-8 p.m. on these evenings. Please stop in and tell him your holiday wishes in the Children's Services area.

■ 2 p.m. Saturdays in December
Deck the halls Saturdays
We'll be decking the halls on Saturdays in December. Each Saturday at 2 p.m. will feature a sea-

sonal craft for children that is sure to light up your house with holiday cheer. In the Children's Activity Room. No registration required.

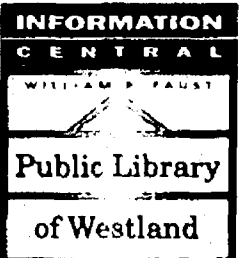
- Dec. 6 Holiday wreath
- Dec. 13 Gingerbread/snow person
- Dec. 20 Stained glass ornament
- Dec. 27 New year calendar

NOTES FROM THE FRIENDS

■ 7 p.m. second Tuesday of the month
The Friends of the Library are a membership organization that assists the library with fund raising and special programs. They are most noted for operating the Friends Shop and the semi-annual book sale. They meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the library conference room. The meetings are open to the public. If you are interested in joining the Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, fill out an application at the library reception desk or attend one of the meetings.

ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD

■ The annual meeting of the Friends will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998, in the Community Meeting Room. Election of officers will be held at this meeting. This meeting is open to the public and all are invited to attend. Only Friends members may vote in this election.



Horse from page A1

A witness who saw the attack phoned the Westland Police Department for help after she saw the pit bull hanging from Sunny's muzzle, police said.

"The dog had him down at one point," Laurie Williams said, based on reports of the attack.

The dog charged toward offi-

cers who came to Sunny's aid, but quickly turned its attention to the horse and started to attack again before police intervened with pepper spray.

The pit bull is being held at the Westland branch of the Michigan Humane Society until its owner can answer in court to two misdemeanor charges of having an unconfined, dangerous and vicious dog, animal control officer Dewey Frady said Tuesday.

The dog could face death if a Westland district judge orders it killed, Frady said.

"It needs to be put down," he said. "Its temperament is really something."

The dog's owner lives on Arenac, about a mile from where Sunny was attacked.

The Williams family didn't see their badly injured Sunny until they returned home Sunday and learned of the attack from a neighbor, referred to by Laurie Williams as "our critter sitter."

The family won't know until Sunny is 2 years old whether his knee will heal enough for family members to ride him, she said.

Sunny became the pride of the Williams family after their previous horse died of old age, Laurie Williams said.

"Sunny would always come right to us, but now he gets real skittish," she said.

Sunny even helped family members achieve recognition. Inga Williams, a John Glenn High School student, was chosen to enter a Miss Junior America competition in February at the Novi Hilton after she and Sunny were pictured in a photograph submitted for the contest.

Saddened by Sunny's injuries, Laurie Williams also said the attack has financial implications. She had been told prior to the assault that Sunny's \$2,500 worth would increase to \$5,000 by next year and eventually to as much as \$7,000.

"You can't make that kind of investment with a bank," Laurie Williams said.

Sunny may never be a show horse, but for now the Williams family just hopes to nurse him back to health with medication provided by a veterinarian.

"We just want him to get better," Laurie Williams said.

Swindler tricks cashier out of \$150

A swindler tricked a Westland restaurant cashier into giving him \$150 too much in change.

No, not \$1.50, but \$150, as in one hundred and fifty dollars.

According to a police report, the incident started one evening at the Ram's Horn restaurant on Middlebelt when a suspect asked a cashier for Alka-Seltzer and paid for it with a \$50. She gave him his change.

"He had her make additional change for a \$100 bill several times," the report said. "He wound up tricking her into giving him \$150 too much."

As if that weren't enough, the man didn't even leave a good tip.

"He gave her a \$1 tip for her services," the police report said.

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Ameritech dispute

One year later, CWW still waits for data

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Ameritech still cannot provide accurate numbers of billable telephone access lines for Wayne County communities.

All an Ameritech official could tell the community leaders of the Conference of Western Wayne on Friday was the figures would be ready by the first quarter of 1998. Harry Semerjian, a vice president with Ameritech, also apologized for an underpayment made to the communities in a reimbursement of an operational surcharge.

There are 28 different computer systems used for billing, collecting and distributing funds to western Wayne County, Semerjian said.

"What's happening in our industry is they are being modified to be used by our competitors. That's a major undertaking for us."

The CWW is a legislative consortium of 18 western Wayne County communities including the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland, and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren.

911 service

The CWW has requested that Ameritech provide reports on the number of billable lines in the entire CWW region and the number of lines in each community. That information is important because the CWW receives a disbursement check split among the 18 communities to provide revenue for 911 services.

CWW members continued to pressure Ameritech to provide the statistics by Dec. 2. CWW representatives will meet with Semerjian on that day.

Semerjian apologized for underpaying the CWW \$3,977 in July and August in Ameritech's \$372,000 payments. But CWW director Marsha Bianconi disagreed with his numbers.

"We will be continuing to discuss this with him on Dec. 2," Bianconi said.

Year has passed

Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey, who chaired the meeting in Westland Mayor Robert Thomas' absence, said he was concerned that the CWW did not receive its information even though a year has passed. He asked Semerjian if Ameritech's board of directors or president knew of CWW's request.

Semerjian said each week he meets with Ameritech President Robert Cooper and other top brass to discuss the report's progress.

Concerns were raised over the accuracy of Ameritech's 911 system. Out of its 7 million customers, nearly 10,000 numbers change every day, Semerjian said. If anyone knew a database that size that was 100 percent, Ameritech wanted to see that system, Semerjian said.

"This is a living, breathing database," Semerjian said. "While our objective is 100 percent, it is not clear whether that can be attained."

CWW 'not alone'

In a related matter, Wayne County Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy outlined a report completed by his office for county commissioners, which he shared with CWW officials.

"If it makes you feel any better, you aren't the only conference having these problems," Dunleavy said.

Dunleavy's report indicated Ameritech overcharged Detroit residents for equipment needed to implement the 911 system. These overcharges exceeded \$136,000 from October 1996 through February 1997.

Those customers will receive a smaller 911 charge in January 1998. "But again, no one is monitoring these things," said Odell Bailey, an audit manager in Dunleavy's office.

Dunleavy also cited difficulties faced by the city of Southfield

with the 911 system as that community had problems obtaining accurate information from it.

MPS ruling

A recent ruling by the Michigan Public Safety Commission found Ameritech responsible for the errors and required that firm to correct it or face stiff penalties. Dunleavy said Wayne County leaders had "no assurance" that these 911 problems will be fully addressed.

While the CWW did not act on Dunleavy's report, Dunleavy has filed his audit with the Wayne County Board of Commissioners. He wants commissioners to ask Ameritech to provide, at Ameritech's expense, a billable lines count for the county's three emergency telephone districts.

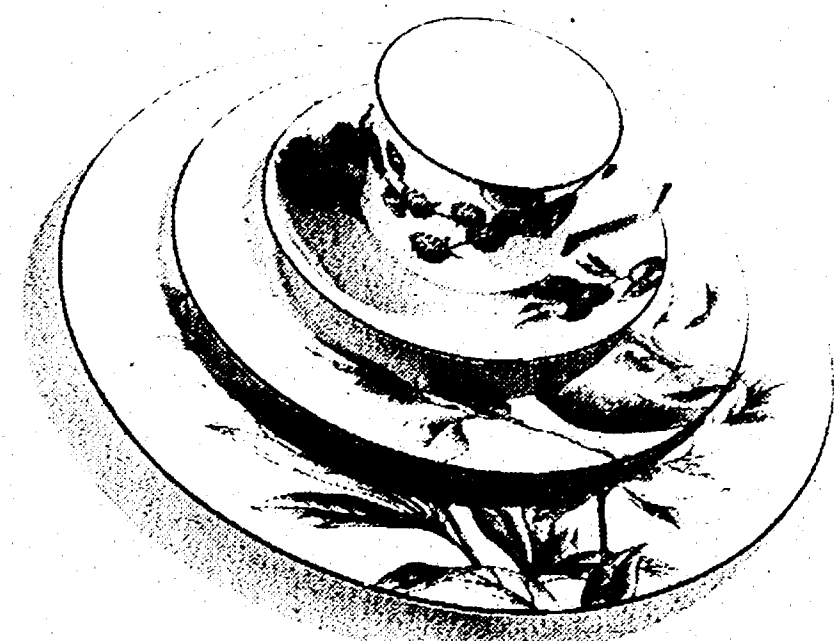
Dunleavy also wants to establish a mechanism to monitor Ameritech's 911 activities, along with other local telephone service providers.

Semerjian tried to appease the local officials.

"From your position I understand why you're concerned," Semerjian said. "Behind the scenes we are making tremendous progress."

Later, Dunleavy said: "I find it interesting that whenever there's a rate increase, they get it right on my bill."

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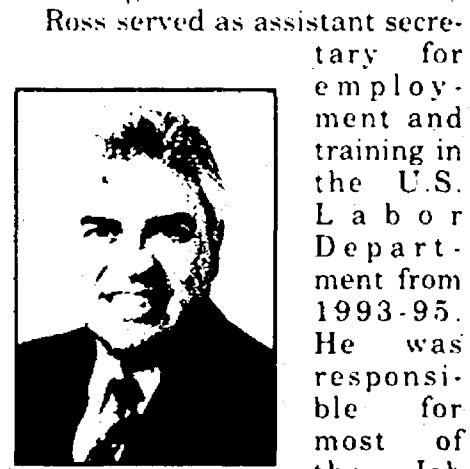
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Doug Ross to address area Dems on Tuesday

Doug Ross, a 1998 Democratic candidate for governor, will speak to the Westland Democratic Club at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House, 37025 Marquette, one block east of Newburgh.



Stumping: Doug Ross is seeking the 1998 Democratic nomination for governor.

Ross served as assistant secretary for employment and training in the U.S. Labor Department from 1993-95. He was responsible for most of the Job Corps apprenticeships, the employment service and unemployment insurance system. Ross spearheaded work force initiatives, including a system of school-to-work transition for all students.

Ross helped draft the president's GI bill for working Americans to provide comprehensive job training for laid-off workers.

Ross also served as the Michigan's commerce director in the Blanchard Administration from 1984-89. He led that administration's efforts to revive the economy in the early 1980s. By 1988, Michigan was again one of the nation's leaders in new manufacturing investments. In 1989, he was selected as a Michigani-an of the Year by the Detroit News. He also was presented with the National Governors Association Award for Public Service Excellence in 1988.

From 1978-82 Ross served as a state senator from Oakland County. Ross also led The Citizens Lobby from 1972-75 and 1976-78, a group he also founded. It organized a successful petition drive to repeal the sales tax on food and medicine.

Ross is currently a visiting lecturer at the University of Michigan, in the School of Public Policy. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's in public administration from The Wilson School at Princeton University.

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OBITUARIES

EDWARD V. CLANCY
Funeral services for Edward Clancy, 71, of Westland were recently in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home with burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Ronald Sayes of St. Bernardine of Siena Church. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Bernardine of Siena Church.
Mr. Clancy, who died Nov. 11

in Westland, was born in Detroit. He was a firefighter for the Detroit Fire Department.
Surviving are: sister, Mary Kelley; grandchildren, Alan, William, and Robin Henkel. Mr. Clancy was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ann; four brothers; and four sisters.

JAMES S. DREW
Funeral services for James S.

Drew, 97, of Westland was recently in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City, with burial at Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, Mich. Memorials may be made to hospice of your choice or Moslem Temple, 434 Temple Ave., Detroit 48201.

Mr. Drew, who died Nov. 7 at his residence in Westland, was born in Peterboro, Ontario, Canada. He learned to skate before walking and loved hockey. He played on many amateur teams in Canada and was on the first amateur team at the Olympia, playing goalie. He also played lacrosse, was a great swimmer and loved to fish.

His military career began in 1914 in the Public School Cadet Corps, Cobalt, Canada. At 17, he enlisted in the 70th Battery, Canadian Field Artillery and served with the 2nd Canadian Tank Battalion during World War I in England. He came to Detroit in 1923 and enlisted in the Regimental Headquarters Company of the 125th Infantry, Michigan National Guard serving 1932-1940. He served as adjutant of the Michigan State Troops in the Detroit area 1941-1942. In May 1942, he was ordered to active duty with the Technical Training Command of the Army Air Corps where he served as director of training and commandant of various Air Force schools until 1946.
After returning to civilian life,

Mr. Drew assisted in the organization of the 34th Air Services Group Reserves in which he was the group executive officer at Selfridge Field.

Mr. Drew was past commander and a life member of the Disabled American Veterans, Post No. 113 Redford Township; member of The Red Arrow 32nd Division-Post No. 361, Royal Oak; Royal Canadian Legion; Trench Rats; Old Poops Club; Redford War Memorial; 32nd Degree Mason; Shriner; Member of the Scottish Rite; member of Kiwanis No. 1 and later president of Tri City Optimist Club. He was instrumental in establishing the Livonia Optimist Club. He was a member of St. Martha's Episcopal Church, Junior and Senior Warden, head of the building committee to build St. Elizabeth's in Redford Township and on many diocesan committees. In later years, he began writing his autobiography.

He owned the James S. Drew Window and Awning Company from 1946-65. During the 1970s, he managed the National Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Drew are: wife, Florence; daughter, Carolyn Jackson of Dearborn Heights; and granddaughter, Jennifer Martin of Florida.

JOHN E. PERT
Funeral services for John Pert, 34, of Westland were recently in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral

Home with burial at Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit. Officiating was the Rev. Willet J. Herington III from St. Andrew Episcopal Church. Memorials may be made to the Trust Fund for Eric Panek.

Mr. Pert, who died Nov. 12 in Westland, was born in Detroit. He was a carpenter.

Surviving Mr. Pert are: mother, Virginia Pert; brother, Robert Vorase; sister, Linda Robinson of Westland; and grandfather, Charles Lehman. Mr. Pert was preceded in death by his father, Walter; and grandmother, Lorine Lehman.

ELSIE M. NYGAARD

Funeral services for Elsie Nygaard, 93, of Jenison, Mich., were recently in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Westland, with burial at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Arrangements were made by Uht Funeral Home.

Mrs. Nygaard died Oct. 24 in Lowell, Mich. She was a teacher. She was a founding member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Westland.

Surviving are: son, George; daughters, Marge Rehl and Judy Wideen; brothers, Bob Severinson and Chester Severinson; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. Mrs. Nygaard was preceded in death by her husband, Martin.

DOROTHY GANZ

Funeral services for Dorothy Ganz, 81, of Westland were recently in St. Raphael Catholic Church, with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights. Officiating was the Rev. Edward Prus. Memorials may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Mrs. Ganz, who died Nov. 16 in Superior Township, was born in Clay County, Ind. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: son, Nelson; daughters, Joanna Peterson, Carolyn Golemo; sisters, Louise Somheil and Flora Barnes; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. Mrs. Ganz was preceded in death by her husband, Mike.

ELVA MARTIN

Funeral services for Elva Martin, 84, of Wayne were recently in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Edward Dunford.

Mrs. Martin died Nov. 15 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne.

Surviving are: husband, Luster; son, Dean Bishop; stepsons, Thomas Martin and Alfred Martin; daughter, Sherry Bejster; stepdaughters, Dorothy Chandler, June Jackson; sisters, Lono Hoskins, May Sayers, Avonelle Hicks; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; 13 step-great-grandchildren; and two step-great-great-grandchildren.

THERMAN F. HOOPER

Funeral services for Therman Hooper, 68, of New Port Richey, Fla., were recently in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Parkview Cemetery, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Stanley Phillips.

Mr. Hooper died Nov. 6. He was a former Westland resident. He was an assembler.

Surviving are: wife, Betty Jean; son, John of Westland; daughters, Donna Wiatr, Dianne Moore and Betty, all of Westland; sister, Helen Lapeer; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and cousins. Mr. Hooper was preceded in death by his brother, Leo Hooper.

PETER KREMIDAS

Funeral services for Peter Kremidas, 88, of Westland were recently in St. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church with burial at Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. Officiating was the Rev. James Stathakios. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Mr. Kremidas, who died Nov. 13 in Livonia, was born in Lowell, Mass. He served with the U.S. Coast Guard. He was a cab driver.

Mr. Kremidas is survived by his nephew, Angelo Caracostas of Livonia.

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 27, 1997

Present were Mayor Breen, Councilmembers Wiacek, Leclercq, Ryall, and Dodge. Absent and excused were Councilmembers Barker and Juarez. Also present were City Manager Bayless, City Clerk-Treasurer Showalter, Department of Public Service Director Barnes, Parks and Recreation Director Whitson, Assistant to the City Manager Miller, and Buildings and Grounds Supervisor Buccilli.

Moved by Ryall; supported by Dodge:

- 10-97-412 RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable, as listed.
 AYES: Mayor Breen Councilmembers Wiacek, Leclercq, Ryall, and Dodge.
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Councilmembers Barker and Juarez.
 Motion passed.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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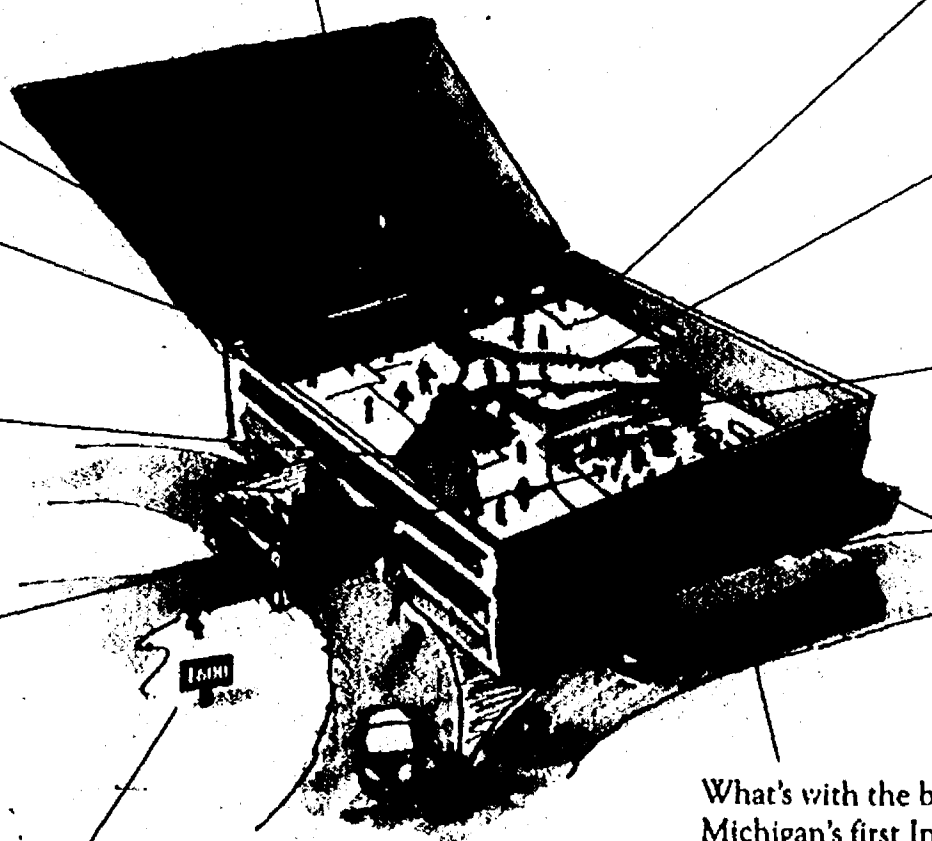
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Madonna honors 4 who work for peace, justice

Four persons were recognized for their work in promoting justice and peace during the Peace Symposium on Oct. 16.

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Awardees included the Rev. Gordon Judd, coordinator of corporate responsibility for the Sisters of Mercy Regional Community of Detroit. A graduate of John Fisher College and DePaul University, he received his pastoral theology training at St. Basil's College and Chicago Catholic Theological Union.

Judd has published articles, features, editorials, book reviews on issues of justice and peace-making in The Canadian Catholic Review, The Witness and Groundwork Publication. An active member of Michigan Faith and Resistance Retreats Steering Committee, he has also participated in fact-finding delegations to Nicaragua and Guatemala. Judd's ministry in social justice issues include

peace and nonviolence, human rights and conflict resolution.

Sister Mary Giovanni Monge, a Felician Sister of Livonia, serves as director of Angela Hospice. Born and raised in Westland, Sister Giovanni attended the Felician Academy and Madonna College where she completed bachelor's and master's degrees. With 300 volunteers and a hired staff of 125, Sister Giovanni opened the first free standing hospice facility in Michigan, Angela Hospice on the west end of the Felician Sisters' property. It can accommodate 16 residents, but volunteers serve over 120 patients and their families on a daily basis.

Sister Cecilia Egan, a Sister of Charity based in Cincinnati, has been director of the Hospice Education Program at Madonna University since 1984 and an employee of the University since 1973. An active member of the community, Sister Egan serves as a member of the tribunal for the Archdiocese of Detroit and tutor and lecturer for state board reviews for the American Nurses Association and the



Rev. Gordon Judd

Michigan League of Nursing. She has given numerous lectures and authored several curriculum pieces, as well as receiving numerous recognitions, including the Mother Seton Award from the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati; the first ever awarded Educator of the Year Award from the Michigan Hospice Organization; and the Faculty Excellence Award from



Sister Mary Giovanni Monge

Madonna University. Gerald Charbonneau, assistant professor of sociology and social work, has been at Madonna University since 1979. He completed his studies at Portland State College and Wayne State University. Charbonneau has worked in numerous service agencies such as Providence Hospital Day Treatment Center, St. Patrick's



Sister Cecilia Egan

Community Services and Humanistic Psychotherapy Center. Charbonneau has been involved in social justice education, awareness and action since his years of service in the Peace Corps where he worked in



Gerald Charbonneau

Colombia from 1964-66. Instrumental in designing a program of study for nursing, social work and other interested students, he will once again take a group to Morelia, Mexico, during the 1998 winter term for service-learning experience.

University seeks families to host foreign students

Madonna University in Livonia is searching for host families to give their international students an opportunity to experience a traditional American holiday. The university is searching for families during Thanksgiving (Nov. 27-30) and Christmas

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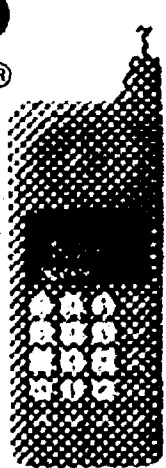
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Observer wins national, state honors

The Observer Newspapers recently won several awards in national and state newspaper contests.

In the Suburban Newspapers Association General Excellence Contest, the Livonia Observer, the largest circulation newspaper in the Observer & Eccentric division, took second place for General Excellence. Casey Hans is community editor of the Livonia edition. Six of the national honors came from the National Newspaper Association's 1997 Better Newspaper Contest.

The Observer Newspapers took first place for best coverage of health-related issues. The Health page appears every Sunday in Observers published in western Wayne County.

The Observer also took second place for coverage of performing arts and an honorable mention for business and economic reporting. Assistant Managing Editor Hugh Gallagher along with special editor Keely Wygonik and arts reporters Linda Chomin and Frank Provenzano comprise the features group which produces the award-winning

Arts & Leisure and Entertainment sections.

Reporter Doug Funke received the honorable mention for business and economic reporting.

Photographer Jim Jagdfeld took first place for best sports picture published in the Redford Observer while the Canton Observer took third place for general excellence. Tedd Schneider is community editor of the Canton edition.

Reporter Darrell Clem received an honorable mention for best feature story in the NNA contest.

"We're pleased to be honored for excellence in community journalism by national groups," said Observer Managing Editor Susan Rosiek. "Observer staff members are committed to putting out accurate, informative and interesting community newspapers. Our goal is to continue this award-winning tradition."

Michigan Press Assn.

In the Michigan Press Association 1997 Better Newspaper Contest, the Observer Newspapers received nine awards

including a first place for local news reporting by Darrell Clem of the Westland Observer.

Judges called Clem's stories on flooding in a Westland neighborhood "very thorough and tenacious reporting backed up by good photos and easily understood explanations of what went wrong."

Other awards included a third place for general excellence for the Plymouth Observer and an honorable mention for the Westland Observer. The Plymouth Observer is edited by Joanne Maliszewski. The Westland Observer at that time was edited by interim editor Casey Hans.

Judges cited the Plymouth edition for good photography and a good mix of hard news and features. "Writing was clear and easy to read and understand."

On the Westland edition's honorable mention, judges wrote: "The reader gets a sense that this paper has a good idea of its community judging by the breadth of reporting and development of a variety of topics."

The Garden City and Canton editions tied for third place for

overall design. The Garden City edition is edited by Leonard Poger. The Canton edition is edited by Tedd Schneider.

Sports Editor Steve Kowalski took first place in the sports writing category for a preview story on a Redford Township high school sports team. Judges singled out his work for taking "a great angle in what would be a routine preview story. Some fiery quotes included."

Photographers Jim Jagdfeld and Tom Hawley took first-place awards in the sports picture and feature picture categories, respectively.

Jagdfeld's winning photo appeared in the Garden City Sports section while Hawley was published in the Garden City news section.

Hawley also took second place in the feature picture category for a graduation photo that appeared in the Livonia Observer.

Members of the North Carolina Press Association studied more than 3,000 entries submitted by 148 Michigan newspapers for the contest.

STATE CAPITOL CAPSULES

Helmet vote

By a narrow vote, the House of Representatives on Nov. 12 voted to repeal a 30-year-old law requiring motorcyclists to wear protective helmet.

But the Senate is likely to kill the bill, and Gov. John Engler said he will veto it.

House Bill 4284, sponsored by Rep. Tim Walberg, R-Tipton, gives motorcyclists the choice of not wearing a helmet if they are 21 years old and have completed a safety course.

The vote was 58-46, just two votes more than the 56 minimum needed for passage. Here is how area lawmakers voted:

Yes - Bob Brown, D-DeARBORN Heights, Eileen DeHart, D-

Westland, Tom Kelly, D-Wayne, Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, Deborah Whyman, R-Canton.

No - Lyn Bankes, R-Redford.

'Don't call me'

Telephone solicitors would be prohibited from calling your home if a House-passed bill becomes law.

Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, won 99-0 approval of her House Bill 4694 on Nov. 13. All representatives voted yes.

It would allow residents to send a written request to the Department of Consumer and Industry Services (CIS). The department would maintain a list of names, addresses and phone numbers of those who

don't want solicitation calls.

Telemarketing firms who violate the law could be fined \$250 per call, consumers also could sue to recover up to \$1,000 plus attorney fees.

"Often the remedy is for consumers to purchase a call i.d. device or to simply not answer their phones when they suspect it is a telemarketing call," said DeHart. "My legislation removes that unfair burden and holds the telemarketers responsible for whom they call."

Non-profit organizations would be exempt from the bill.

Appointments

Gov. Engler has appointed:
 ■ Eric J. Colthurst, a

Northville attorney in private practice - to a new term on the Barrier Free Design Board, which is responsible for reviewing requests for exceptions to Public Act 230 of 1972. Colthurst will represent wheelchair users.

■ George Illingworth of Redford - to the Statewide Independent Living Council, which helps the disabled to maximize employment, economic self-sufficiency and independence. Illingworth retired after 41 years as word processor for American Community Mutual Insurance of Livonia. He will represent disability advocacy groups for a term ending Oct. 14, 1999.

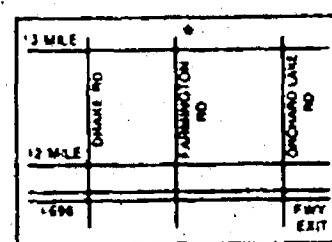
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State wetlands act coming under high court review

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Six state Supreme Court justices will have many eyes on them as they decide the future of Michigan's Wetlands Protection Act.

The U.S. Environmental Agency, many environmental and two property rights groups filed "amicus" briefs in the case of an Oakland County landowner who won a \$5.9 million trial court

decision by saying the Department of Natural Resources denied him the use of his land.

"A regulation is the use of police power, not a 'taking,'" said A. Michael Leffler, an assistant attorney general who filed DNR's appeal brief.

"The government can outlast and outspend us. The state has the power to litigate us into the ground," said attorney Robert Bunting of Oxford, who repre-

The U.S. Constitution's fifth amendment, best known for protecting people from testifying against themselves, also requires that government compensate owners when it takes their property.

sented Joseph F. Kosik Sr., his family and companies at both the trial and appellate level.

The U.S. Constitution's fifth amendment, best known for protecting people from testifying

against themselves, also requires that government compensate owners when it takes their property.

This case, *K&K Construction vs. DNR*, is the latest in the property rights' movement to make government pay when it deprives owners of use of their property through regulation. The 1992 and 1996 Republican national platforms square support property owners.

The Michigan Supreme Court will be one justice short in its deliberations. Clifford Taylor, appointed Sept. 1, was part of the Court of Appeals panel which last year upheld Kosik's trial court award and was absent from Supreme Court deliberations. The high court tries to rule within a year of oral arguments.

Backing DNR were the EPA;

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Auditor

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stantially smaller than internal audit departments of comparable municipalities. The city of Detroit has 24 auditors and a \$2.4 million budget, while Wayne County has a \$1 million budget and 11 positions.

Dunleavy said he needs "closer to 20 to 24 auditors."

The commission has received written letters from the Federal Aviation Administration, Arthur Andersen and David Griffith & Associates stating that it is appropriate to allocate the cost of auditor general's audits to the departments being audited.

As part of his resolution introduced Tuesday, O'Neil also wanted to allocate audit costs through an internal service fund or through the county's cost allocation plan so the county could generate additional revenue through grants.

Action expected

On Tuesday, commissioners also postponed action on a contract for that cost allocation plan until a meeting today (Thursday). They are expected to act on an \$88,500, two-year contract with the auditing firm of KPMG Peat Marwick of Detroit.

Peat Marwick was to develop a central cost plan to allocate various overhead costs with county departments. Before 1992, these costs were allocated to these departments.

In 1992, those costs were moved into the county commission budget by the Wayne County Department of Management and Budget.

When asked for an explanation of this action, Richard Walker, a director of accounting with the Wayne County Department of Management and Budget, told commissioners the auditor general used to be considered a fiscal advisor to the commission.

Vice Chair Beard reminded commissioners it was the Wayne County Management and Budget that changed things in 1992. "We are a separate branch of government and those types of changes should not be made," Beard said. "I want to be sure the auditor general is tied to the cost allocation, and I want to see it done now."

Commissioner George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, told commissioners wanted to ensure that legislative expenses would be reimbursed, and pressed on that issue throughout Tuesday's discussion.

O'Neil responded: "Why would anyone in the county be opposed to this? Let them (Wayne County Management and Budget) challenge us for a change."

Letters of support

Dunleavy even presented a letter from Peat Marwick, along with letters from Arthur Andersen and the Federal Aviation Administration, indicating that the auditor general's auditing costs could be allocated to the federal government. But Cushingberry wanted documentation from the federal governmental agency responsible for the grants.

"A letter from the Big 8 (accounting firm Arthur Andersen) doesn't do anything. I need to hear from the feds themselves," Cushingberry said. Earlier Dunleavy also cited a policy section from the comptroller general's office, but to no avail.

After commissioners passed on the Peat Marwick item, O'Neil said he expected the budget issue to resurface today and hoped the commission would forward the item back to the Committee on Audit.

O'Neil called the number of auditors an "embarrassment."

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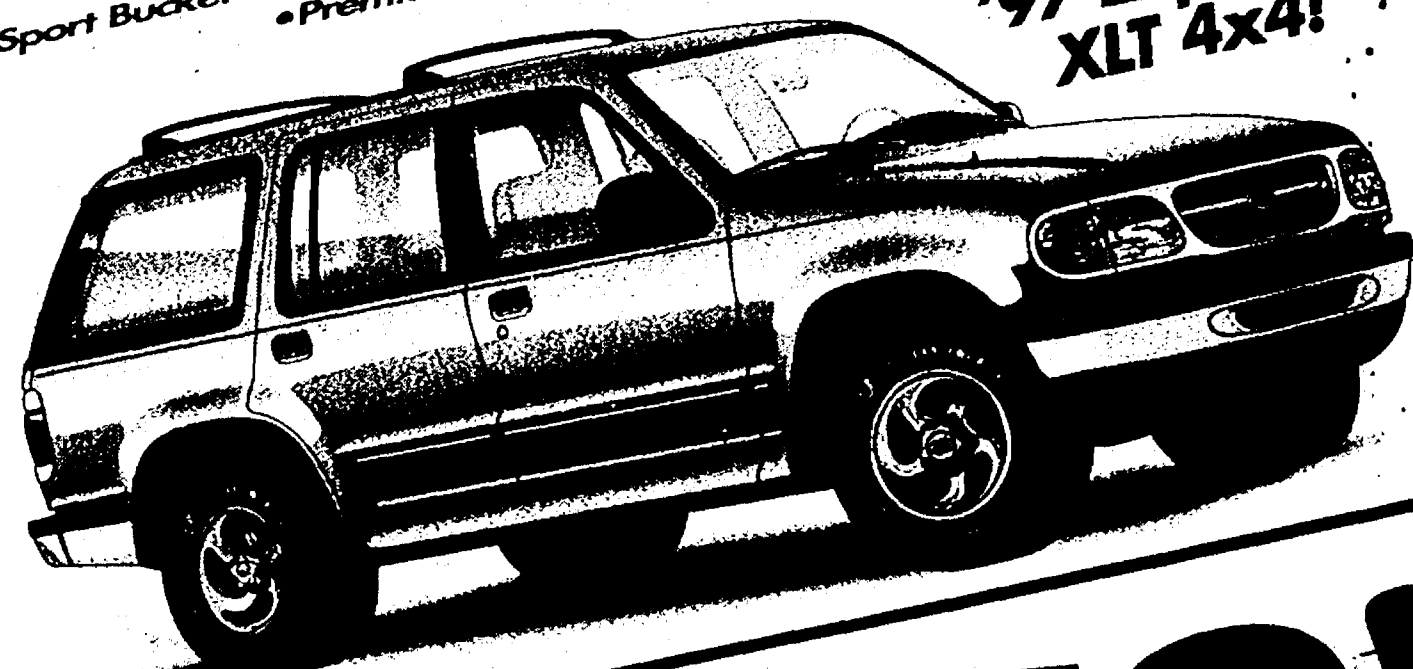
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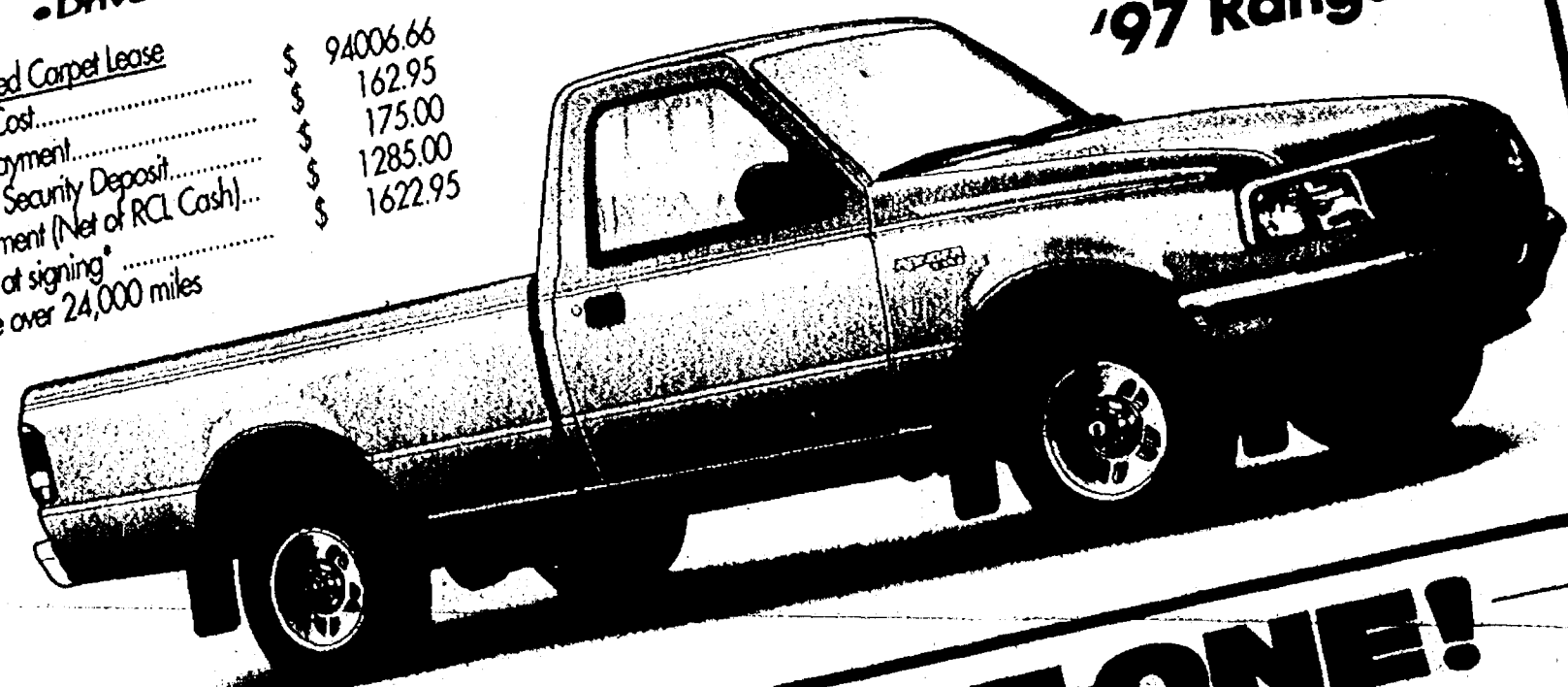
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Plan to leave early when using Metro this holiday season

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Have some holiday travel plans?

Good. Then plan to leave early and give the cabbies — or yourself — plenty of time to get you there.

Detroit Metro Airport officials say you should arrive at the airport least two hours early for a flight, and taxi drivers suggest giving them at least two hours to

get you there.

All too often, taxi riders don't plan enough hours of drive time to meet their departure times or allow for traffic congestion, a given during the holiday season.

"They'll want a cab at Seven Mile and Farmington at eight, and their flight leaves at nine,"

said Tom Peterson, general manager of Checker Cab in Livonia. "The biggest problems during the holidays is they don't allow for breakdowns or traffic tie-ups. They just don't allow for enough time."

Bill Peterson, a dispatcher with ABC Cab in Farmington

Hills and Livonia, whose no relation to Tom, also runs into the same problem, and advises a day's notice so that cab company can place them in the log book.

"They can call us Tuesday at noon, and we'll take care of them (for a Wednesday flight)," Peterson said. "A lot of times they will

call us at the last second, and they'll run into problems."

At a \$1.50 a mile, cab fares can run from \$15 to \$30 to the airport, depending on the distance. Checker charges that rate with four passengers riding for

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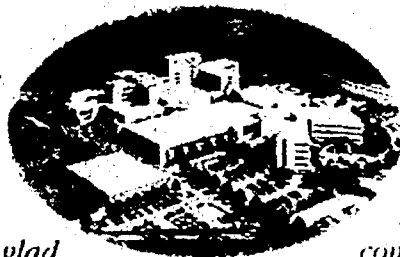
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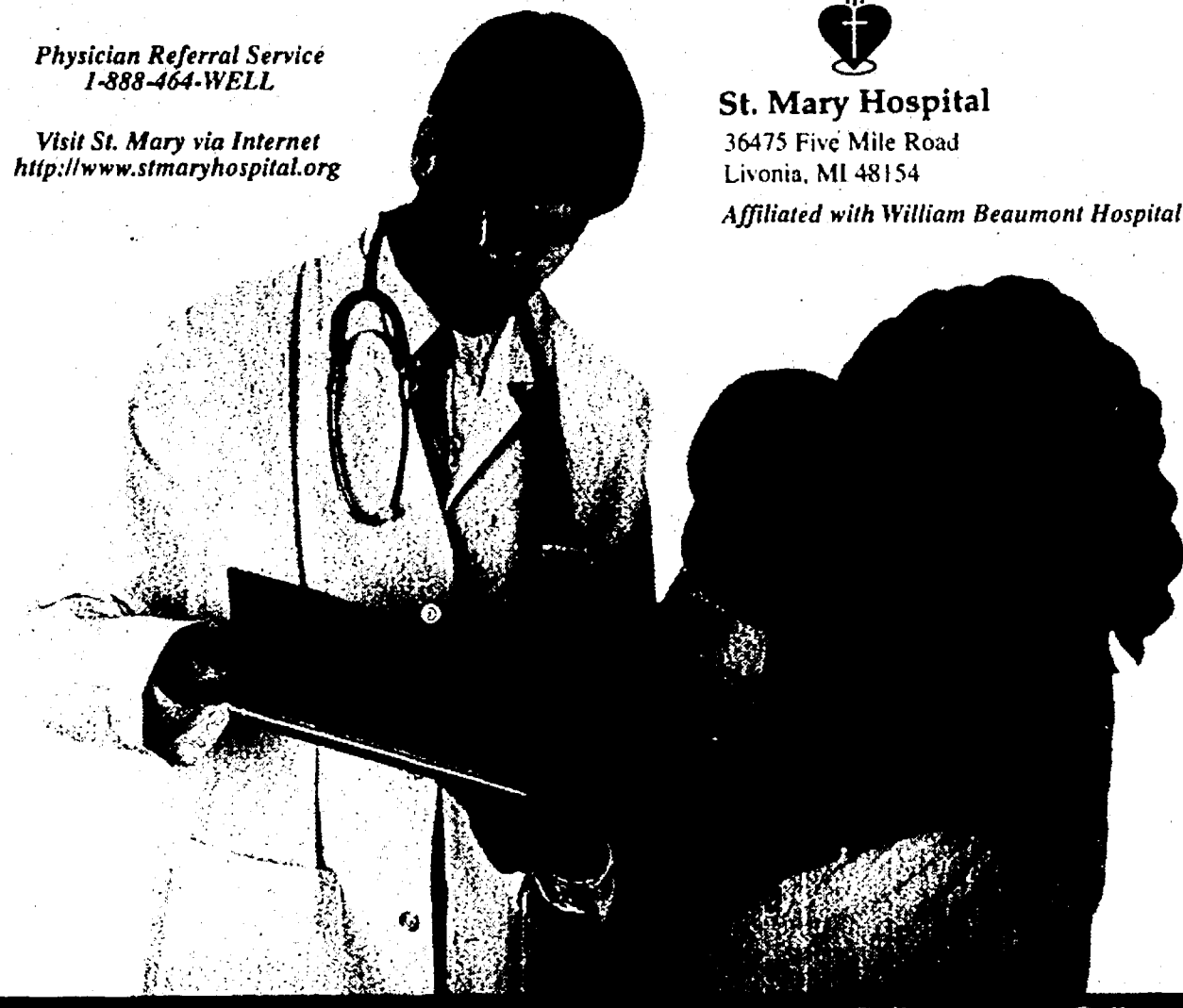


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Airport ready

Improvements ease congestion

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

If your bags are packed and ready to go, then Detroit Metro Airport will be packed and ready to send you.

Passengers traveling through the airport this Thanksgiving will notice approximately \$60 million in improvements airport officials hope will ease congestion and provide relief to airlines and passengers from record-breaking traffic demands. These interim projects will attempt to ease the congestion until the new Midfield Terminal is completed.

"These projects are just a few of the ways Wayne County's Detroit Metropolitan Airport is working with the airlines to keep up with the ever increasing air travel demand," said County Executive Edward McNamara. "Until the new Midfield Terminal is complete, we are doing all we can to make travel into and out of Detroit Metro as convenient as possible, especially during the holiday rush."

New check-in

An international check-in and ticketing facility was opened on Sept. 12 to help relieve curb front congestion and traffic inside the J.M. Davey Terminal. The 17,000-square-foot facility is adjacent to the Davey Terminal and increases Northwest's counter space by about 50 percent — adding 24 new agent positions.

The Northwest International Departures building will serve as a check-in and ticketing facility for both Northwest and KLM departures. Part of the construction included the addition of two lanes to the upper level of Rogell Drive to increase curbside capacity and allow traffic to flow more smoothly.

"The new check-in facility will help alleviate congestion inside the terminal, as well as at the curb fronts," said Airport Director Robert Braun. "Passengers traveling both internationally and domestically will appreciate having a little more room, and a little less wait during the check-in process."

The facility was officially dedicated on Nov. 4.

Another major addition since last year is the \$18.5 million

extension of Northwest's busiest concourse — Concourse C. The 28,000-square-foot extension added six new gates, a 240-foot moving walkway, a gift shop, a lounge and a ramp side shuttle stop for connecting passengers. The gate addition has helped reduce delays of arriving aircraft waiting for an available gate, especially at peak times.

Moving walkway

The moving walkway and shuttle stop have helped to eliminate the long walks of passengers. The ramp side shuttle stop allows connecting passengers to avoid long walks by riding the shuttle to the base of Concourse C, Concourse G or the International Terminal.

This sixth moving walkway was the final link in connecting Detroit Metro's two domestic terminals. The 325-foot-moving walkway bridges the terminal corridor between Concourses C and D, and allows seamless travel between the L.C. Smith and J.M. Davey terminals.

A \$12.5 million investment in a luggage system expansion in the

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the price of one. ABC Cab also charges \$1.50 a mile, except in Detroit and Southfield, where the fare is \$1.40 a mile.

Parking available

For those who don't want to take a cab to the airport, Detroit Metro has plenty of parking ranging from \$2 for 30 minutes to \$24 a day in a lot near the international terminal. (See map for locations.)

With the opening of a parking deck and 7,000 additional parking spaces, capacity at the airport now totals more than 12,000 parking spaces. The deck can cost a commuter \$50 for five days for one car.

People can park their cars on the deck and use pedestrian walkways to get to the terminal.

Short term parking can cost \$2 for 30 minutes, \$4 for one hour

and \$6 for two up to \$24 a day in a lot closest to the International Terminal. Airport spokesman Mike Conway said this short-term parking is intentionally expensive.

"It is not recommended for long term or overnight parking," Conway said. "We have other, less expensive lots they can use for that purpose."

The best values for long term parking are the green or yellow lots at \$6 a day or \$36 for a six- or seven-day week. One lot is located south of the parking deck, another is between the international terminal and adjacent to Rogell Drive.

Another overflow red lot is located near the rent-a-car return area and adjacent to East Service Drive.

Valet parking is \$18 a day. Metro also has 135 parking

spaces reserved for handicapped.

The airport parking hotline — and a person, not a recording — can be reached at 1-800-642-1978. That person will advise travelers of up-to-the-minute parking conditions at the airport.

Curbside pickups

Curbside check-in is still allowed in front of the terminals but curb fronts can become congested and are reserved for active loading and unloading only.

If you are picking up a friend or relative, make plans to park in one of the short-term lots and meet your party at the gate. Motorists will not be allowed to wait at curbside. Unattended vehicles may be ticketed and towed.



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Metro officials offer tips for smooth holiday travel

Officials at Detroit Metro Airport expect record-breaking passenger volumes with this year's traffic running 5 percent higher than 1995 levels.

Airport officials suggest that domestic passengers traveling Wednesday, Nov. 26 and Sunday, Nov. 30 should plan on arriving at Detroit Metro at least two hours before the scheduled departure of their flight. International travelers should allow a minimum of at least three hours.

"The Wednesday before and Sunday after Thanksgiving are two of the busiest days of the year at Wayne County's Detroit Metropolitan Airport," said Edward McNamara, Wayne County executive.

"We want to be sure that Detroit Metro passengers are prepared for the holiday rush, so their holiday spirit will remain intact throughout their traveling

experience."

Airport officials say that these are peak days, and travel will still be heavy throughout the week.

Airport officials offer the following travel tips:

Packing your luggage

■ Have ID tags filled out, both on the inside and outside of your bags, before you arrive. To identify luggage quickly you can tie a bright ribbon on the handle of your bags. Remove hooks, straps and removable wheels before checking luggage to avoid damage to your bags.

■ Passengers 18 years and older should be prepared to present a valid photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport, at the check-in counters. If a passenger does not have a photo ID, they should call their airline for check-in instructions.

■ Pack valuables such as jewelry, cameras, medication, pass-

ports and money in carry-on luggage.

■ Remember to keep carry-on luggage limited. Holiday flights tend to be completely full and carry-on space inside most aircraft is at a premium.

Airlines may limit carry-on items based on high passenger loads. Northwest Airlines, Detroit Metro's hub carrier, recently revised its carry-on luggage policy, limiting luggage to one piece per customer when the passenger load factor exceeds 70 percent.

■ Do not leave luggage unattended. Be prepared to answer questions about luggage.

■ All carry-on luggage is subject to search at the security checkpoint. Wrapped gifts may be opened by security, causing further delays and disappointments for yourself and other passengers. Plan on wrapping gifts when you arrive at your destination.

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Davey Terminal was completed this year, including modifications to the existing conveyor system, and construction of a new conveyor system under the International Departure Facility.

The expansion will increase the baggage handling capacity and improve performance, especially during peak travel periods

— such as the holiday season.

Passengers traveling overseas will notice some changes in progress at the International Terminal. The Federal Inspection Services area will be expanded to handle the increasing number of international passengers at Detroit Metro.

International traffic tops the growth chart at Detroit Metro,

with passenger volumes increasing over 15 percent last year, and more than tripling in the last 10 years. The terminal addition will increase the processing capacity of U.S. Customs, Immigration and Agriculture from 800 to 1,200 passengers per hour.

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Michigan United Conservation Clubs; Michigan Municipal League and Townships associations; the Audubon Society; the American Planning Association; Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council; Michigan Natural Areas Council; and Michigan Environmental Council.

Backing K&K was the Pacific Legal Foundation of Sacramento, Calif., and Michigan Peat, a division of Bay Houston Towing Co.

Packing the second floor courtroom in the G. Mennen Williams Building were students from Thomas Cooley Law School in Lansing.

K&K's side

One central argument is how much land is at stake along the south side of M-59 between North Oakland Blvd. and Airport Road in Waterford Town-

ship. DNR says there are 82 acres in four parcels.

Bunting says only the commercially-zoned parcel of 55 acres counts, and DNR's declaration that 28 acres are wetlands makes the property worthless for borrowing purposes. And besides, it's not wet, he said.

"There's the lovers' lanes. Equipment can go everywhere. It's not obvious (that it's a wetland). You have two inches to two feet of organic soil. Our soils borings went down 15-16 feet and showed stable gravel," Bunting told the justices.

"There is nothing observable that would indicate a wetland. Heavy equipment has been driven over the property. It is mowed regularly without difficulty. It appears to be high and dry."

"The entire parcel is both buildable and saleable except for the fact that in 1988, appellant

DNR designated the heart of it (28 acres) as wetlands. At no time prior to this action had any of the property been inventoried or designated by the state as being a wetlands," Bunting said.

He said there are different ownership patterns in three adjacent parcels totaling 27 acres to the south. Kosik and his wife bought the land in 1986. The 55-acre commercial frontage is in a limited partnership called JFK owned by their five children.

K&K Construction has a contract with JFK to build a restaurant and sports complex on it; K&K is a corporation owned by Kosik and one son. They filed for a DNR permit in June of 1988 and were denied. They filed a second plan, developed by civil engineer William Goga, after working with DNR. The agency first denied and then accepted the Goga plan.

"There has never been any plan for development which contemplated the wholesale destruction of wetlands but, in fact... there was a net increase in wetlands under the (Goga) development plans submitted," said Bunting's brief.

Asked Justice Elizabeth Weaver: "Did you check when you bought that it was a wetland?"

"You wouldn't even guess it was," replied Bunting, adding: "I'll never take one of these cases again. The state has so much power."

DNR's side

At stake, said assistant AG Leffler's brief, is the 1980 Wetlands Protection Act and "Michigan's entire wetlands protection program."

Letting the Kosiks collect \$5.9 million, he said, would impair

the ecosystem, aesthetics and vitality of lakes and rivers; affect groundwater storage capacity; harm flora and fauna, and upset flood control.

"The entire 82 acres of plaintiff's property must be considered as one unit," the state's attorney said. "Title to the property does not allow the owner either to injure the rights of others by altering the natural character of wetlands or to violate state constitutional and statutory provisions."

"The plaintiffs' reasonable investment-backed expectations are limited by statutes that were in effect when the property was acquired."

In court, assistant AG Stanley Pruss said DNR's permit denial was not a "categorical taking" under a U.S. Supreme Court decision in a South Carolina case, because "not all economic usage was extinguished." A taking occurs when government 1) acquires ownership, 2) extinguishes all economic value or 3) makes a regulation that "goes too far."

"There's still tremendous economic opportunity for the plaintiffs at this site," he said.

Michigan's 1980 wetlands law, called the Goemaere-Anderson act for the representatives from Roseville and Southgate who

sponsored it, "has the most detailed statement of purpose of any state statute," Pruss said.

MUCC raided

An amicus brief filed by Michigan United Conservation Clubs' general counsel, M. Carol Bamberg, argued:

"The entire 82 acres of plaintiff's property must be considered as one unit."

"Ownership doesn't convey the right 'either to injure the rights of others by altering the natural character of wetlands or to violate state constitutional and statutory provisions.'"

As the case was being argued, Gov. John Engler announced the appointment of Bamberg to the post of legislative liaison for DNR effective Dec. 1.

"Carol's professional representation of the largest conservation organization in the nation has demonstrated her abilities to effectively promote and defend environmental and natural resources issues," Engler said.

Bamberg has served on the state's Environmental Code Commission. In 1995 she received the Cooley Law School's "environmental lawyer of the year award."

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Happy anniversary

Library proves to be popular

What a difference a year makes. A year ago, the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland was just opening its doors.

Now it's one of the most used libraries in the area.

Westland's public library boasts the second-highest circulation in a 56-facility network.

The \$12 million facility is closing the gap on Livonia's top-ranked Civic Center Library.

In August, Westland's library had a 32,521 circulation compared to Livonia's 36,483. That's a 3,962 difference. In September, the gap narrowed to 2,490.

The library - located on Central City Parkway south of Warren - ended its first year on Nov. 4 with a door count of 260,037 patrons.

Library officials had projected 170,000 first-year patrons - far less than the number of visitors who actually came.

And all those patrons have many materials to choose from as the library has 115,016 books, an increase over the 55,000 books that stocked shelves one year ago; 4,121 books on tape, including 3,823 for adults and 298 for children; 414 audio cassettes: 106 for adults and 308 for children; 212 compact discs, including 111 for adults and 101 for youngsters; 3,020 educational videos, specifically 1,551 for adults and 1,469 for children; and 47 children's "kits" that typically include cassettes and books.

In one year, the library has issued 17,129 user cards. Not everyone comes in for books,

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videos or audio cassettes as many patrons are using Westland's library because it offers Internet access.

The library also is receiving support from the community in other ways. In the past year, the library has received 9,098 donations.

Of those, 6,209 went to the Friends of the Library, a volunteer group that uses money from used book sales to help buy items for a library wish list. Patrons can buy used books during any visit to the library.

About 1,500 of the donated books were placed on the shelves.

The Friends of the Library group has raised \$12,726 during the first year. The money came not only from book sales, but also from donations and the sale of items such as T-shirts and book bags at the library.

Westland waited for many years to get its own library, and now that it's here it's good to see so many people are using it.

At the library



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Hitting the books: Theresa O'Rourke of Westland, who attends Madonna University part time, works on her homework at the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland.

LETTERS

Westland still 'small'

Westland will continue to be a "small" city as long as it has a "small" mentality. The citizens don't demand excellence from their representatives. They don't challenge officer holders to provide for the welfare of all citizens. There is no outrage when needs are ignored or denied. They can stand in line for hours at Sears (the store the taxpayers built) for a free bucket, but they can't get to the polls to vote. The city cannot grow when its priorities are based on the wants of a few who pander.

Norwayne is treated as an afterthought. And at the northeast end, the dirty secret of destruction related to the far over-deadline sewer project is silenced despite its plague on the citizens there. In contrast, the senior citizen center receives annual high-budget funding plus grants for what appears to be an exchange for swayed votes. The master plans has a singular purpose - stores. Well, stores don't make a "big" city. Nor do congested and crumbling roads.

It takes "big" vision and true accomplishment instead of bragging about others' past actions or current faux deeds. The amenities which do exist here are the initiation of creative citizens and hard-working volunteers. Politicians show up only for photo ops and back-slapping.

Checks and balances are required at City Hall. Instead we get "yes" men and women. Leadership is urgently needed but non-existent. Further, it is apparent that the two main activities at City Hall are sucking up and feathering of nests for politicians and their pals. Westland, a "big" city?? Not in my lifetime.

Beatrice Scalise
Westland

Baracy, who is a clone and protege of the Denny O'Neill and Tom Svitkovich tax-them-to-death clan, hopes to hit local taxpayers for costs to repair buildings that he states are in disrepair.

What he and the board fail to tell us is that President Bill Clinton announced a 10-point plan which would provide federal dollars for improvements to buildings needing repairs.

These are dollars we are already paying to the government in our weekly paychecks.

Do we really want to be taxed twice?

He also wants money for technology. Well, the feds are providing dollars for computers for schools too.

Only problem is Baracy, who is being paid a pretty penny to serve as superintendent of the district, isn't motivated enough to go out and get those dollars. Instead he gives us the old song and dance. Don't be fooled. Higher taxes will only hurt our communities in the long run. Try selling a home with that kind of debt attached to it.

Also beware that Baracy and fellow board members are planning an election on a cold day in January or February so that they can get out the positive voters who they have brainwashed that we need this bond indebtedness.

What they do is hope that the parents who have children in the schools will be fooled by their scheme and get out and vote in this bond. Don't be surprised if they have it on a Saturday when they hope we aren't paying attention. It's the oldest trick in the book.

The Wayne-Westland school board is returning to the days of old - when cheating the taxpayers was as common as a cold in winter.

J. Varcoe
Westland

Donor system needs changes

Three bills are plodding through the Michigan Legislature to strengthen the state's organ donor program.

Grim as it is to contemplate death, realistic adults should consider ways to donate organs and tissue, in the event of their sudden demise, to patients whose lives could be extended.

Michigan currently ranks 45th among the 50 states in per-capita donation rate. Michigan has 17 donors per one million residents versus a national average of 21 per million.

It's not that Michiganders are stingy. Many just don't know about the program. Currently, Michigan drivers may affix an optional sticker to the back of their driver's licenses indicating they wish to become organ donors. It's a good system, but it could be better.

When hospital personnel determine there is a potential donor, they contact Gift of Life, an organization which checks its registry to see if there is someone in need.

"The single most frequent response we hear when families are asked about donating organs and tissues from a loved one, is, 'We never talked about it; we'd better say no,'" said Tom Beyersdorf, executive director of the Gift of Life Agency in Michigan.

But when the wishes of the deceased are known, family members invariably honor those wishes. That makes common sense.

There are five organs that medical people can transplant to patients. In Michigan each year, there are typically more than 270 kidney transplants, 100 or so livers, more than 40 hearts, 30 pancreases and 35 lungs.

The state House of Representatives has passed three bills by votes of 102-0 to 105-0 to ease organ donations. The bills are hardly controversial if lawmakers get a chance to vote on them. Sponsors are Democrats Lynne Mar-

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tinez of Lansing and Lingg Brewer of Holt.

The concept is supported in the Senate by Republican John J.H. Schwarz of Battle Creek. "On any given day," said Schwarz, "nearly 2,000 Michigan patients are waiting to receive a vital organ; 150 of those will die this year because no organ became available. These deaths are senseless," said Schwarz, a physician and surgeon who should know.

The bills, currently awaiting Senate action:

■ House Bill 4029 would allow a donor to sign a consent sticker on the reverse side of his or her driver's license that would be sufficient permission to remove organs in case of death.

■ HB 4030 would require the secretary of state to ask applicants of licenses whether they would like to make an anatomical gift. This is tie-barred to HB 4029, meaning both must be passed for either to become law.

■ HB 4031 is the same as 4030 except that it would apply to applicants for a state identification card.

Use those bill numbers when you write to your state senator, State Capitol, P.O. Box 30036, Lansing 48909.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Should juveniles who commit violent crimes such as murder and armed robbery be tried as adults?

We asked this question at Kroger in Westland.



"Personally I would probably say yes. The punishment should fit the crime."

Merrill Hoffenbacher



"Depending on the circumstances, I'd say yes for violent crimes such as carjackings or physical violence against anybody."

Eric Bradley



"Oh, yes. If they do an adult crime, they should do the adult punishment. If you can't do the time, don't do the crime."

Nellie Speen



"Depending on the age. Sixteen years old and up, they should know better."

Marlene Lave

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POINTS OF VIEW

Endowment funds are the key to permanent giving

Throughout southeastern Michigan, large and small institutions, from cultural treasures to neighborhood human service agencies, owe their success to individual generosity and corporate good citizenship.

Metro Detroit, unlike other major Midwest cities, has evolved a year-by-year, pay-as-you-go approach to its philanthropy.

In the lean and mean 1990s, "angels" who fund shortfalls have become harder to find. Donors want to see more stability among the recipients of their gifts. The climate for government support certainly has changed.

Southeastern Michigan needs to establish a tradition of permanent giving; that is, donations to an endowment fund. fundt's principal is

never touched. Its earnings help stabilize a non-profit's annual budget no matter the economic or political climate. As new endowment gifts are obtained, this rock-solid base adds more security to the future of an organization.

Historically many southeastern Michigan non-profits have operated with little or no endowment, while their counterparts elsewhere typically have significant endowments.

That was the setting for the launch of a unique effort to help southeastern Michigan non-profits build a stable future: The Van Dusen Endowment Challenge.

A partnership was formed back in 1991 between The Kresge Foundation and the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan, a vital and growing entity with the best knowl-



JOHN MARSHALL

edge of, and contacts with, the region's non-profits. They challenged the non-profits to jump-start their endowment-building efforts.

We dangled a carrot. For every \$3 in endowment they raised, The Van Dusen Endowment Challenge provided an additional \$1. We gave them three years to reach target goals. In

that time, we provided revenues equal to what their target endowment would have earned.

Meanwhile, the Community Foundation - which continues to manage these endowment funds - provided a training program.

The six-year challenge, started in 191, is drawing to a close. Bottom line: 38 non-profits have gathered new permanent funding that totals more than \$50 million.

Locally, the YWCA of Western Wayne County raised \$100,000 and received an additional \$33,333.

All participants gathered Nov. 17 for a "Celebrate Success, Endow the Future" dinner. It's only a start. The best aspect of endowment giving is that success breeds success. Individual donors who see their gifts at work permanently for a vital organization

feel a true sense of investment in perpetuating that organization's work.

Virtually all the challenge money they raised came as cash. But endowments also enhance the appeal of making a major permanent impact on an organization via planned giving. It takes longer for a planned gift to materialize in a non-profit's coffers, but a planned gift offers advantages to the donor that can result in a larger gift.

The real success will be measured in the future, when we see if a new avenue for permanent individual giving inspires even greater leadership, and an even larger heart.

John Marshall of Bloomfield Hills is president of The Kresge Foundation, one of the nation's 15 largest foundations, established in 1924 by Sebastian S. Kresge.

Local government experience asset for higher offices

Television is tough to do because you have time to ask just one-third of the questions or make half the remarks you prepared.

So it was on the pre-election Channel 7 "Spotlight" show when we discussed mayoral races. I observed that no mayors I could see had the credentials or interest to run for high office such as governor.

Historically, it has been like that. Detroit Mayors Albert E. Cobo in 1956, Frank Murphy in 1936 and Hazen M. Pingree in 1896 ran for governor, with Murphy and "Ping" making it.

Livonia Mayor Ed McNamara in 1970 made a bid for lieutenant governor. Somewhere around 1958, a Huntington Woods mayor was the GOP nominee for state treasurer. For three or four years, Democrats have talked about Detroit's Dennis Archer as a ticket leader, but Archer has too full an agenda at home to think about.

Gov. Fred Warner (1903-08) started as Farmington village president

but rose politically through the Senate and secretary of state offices.

Michigan Lt. Gov. Jim Brickley (1970-74 and '78-82) started his career on the Detroit council, but was U.S. attorney and president of Eastern Michigan University when Gov. Bill Milliken tapped him as a running mate. More on Brickley later.

Other states have had governors who came up through city hall. California's Pete Wilson was mayor of San Diego (before going to the U.S. Senate). Ohio's George Voinovich and Frank Lausche were mayors of Cleveland. Florida's Bob Martinez emerged from Tampa.

Former Livonia Mayor Bob Bennett, who had no yen for higher office, reflected on the scarcity of Michigan mayors who ran for statewide office. Mayors are oriented toward doing a job for home folks rather than puffing up themselves for a statewide audience, he believes.

Many of our progressive cities, such as Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo,



TIM RICHARD

have city manager systems, where the mayor does little more than chair council meetings. (The home rule act says every city must have a mayor, whether or not he or she has any independent power.)

Bill Clinton was governor of a state with 1 percent of the U.S. population when he was elected president. So why couldn't a city with one percent of Michigan's population (94,000 plus or minus) produce a governor?

That would make Dearborn, Westland, Livonia, Southfield and Warren

farm clubs for the State Capitol. Yet it isn't happening.

This is not just about political machinations. There is a gut reason that it would be desirable to have a governor with first-hand experience running a municipality. The reason is urban sprawl.

Urban sprawl occurs when you pave over land faster than your population rises. Urban sprawl isn't "growth." In Michigan in one decade, we paved over the equivalent of the entire area of Washtenaw and Livingston counties with little rise in population.

Urban sprawl raises our taxes (new roads, schools) and depletes natural resources.

With urban sprawl, we pave over farmland for big-lot housing, industries and mega-malls. So we must ship food from a greater distance. Food shipped a long distance loses freshness, has more preservatives, and is handled by more people.

Think of all the tainted food news

stories you've read or heard in the last few years. Why did those Battle Creek schoolkids get sick from strawberries? Because the strawberries were imported from Mexico. Whatever happened to Michigan strawberries?

Govs. John Engler and Jim Blanchard, whatever their other merits, didn't grasp the meaning of "urban sprawl." Milliken, influenced by Brickley, did understand it and actually took steps to preserve old downtowns.

Urban sprawl is a gut issue, literally, and a more important problem than teen gangs, parental control of the schools, and many junk issues that gubernatorial candidates will discuss in 1998. And it's why city halls, with their knowledge of land use planning, should produce more candidates for high state office.

Tim Richard reports on the local implication of state and regional events. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047, Ext. 1881.

Prison priorities need fixing

So Gov. John Engler wants to build five new prisons.

In a special report to the Legislature last week, the governor argued that Michigan will exhaust its prison capacity as early as next month and needs right away to start construction on 5,400 new beds.

That's fine. No red-blooded politician dares oppose locking up murderers, felons and drug dealers. And just maybe, our prison system is up against court orders prohibiting overcrowding.

But sooner or later, somebody is going to have to start paying tough-minded attention to costs, efficiency and priorities.

State Rep. Donald Gilmer, vice chair of the House Appropriations Committee, is off to a good start: "I'm personally convinced we could build a hundred new prisons and we'd never have enough. If we continue this way we will eventually spend every dime we have on corrections."

Predictably, the governor's message did not estimate the capital or operating costs for the new facilities he wants. Best guess around Lansing is that debt service and additional operating costs, mainly for guards and other prison staff, would add up to an extra \$150 million each year.

Currently, the Department of Corrections spends more than \$1.3 billion annually to house around 43,000 inmates at state prisons, camps and halfway houses. That's something like 15 percent of the general fund budget for the whole state, way up from the 5 percent that went to Corrections in FY 1982-83, when the prison budget was \$228 million. Over the past 15 years, the growth in spending for the Department of Corrections has far outstripped the growth in any other state department.

State Rep. Kirk Profit, who was undersheriff of Washtenaw County from 1980-84 and so is immune to charges of criminal coddling, has been grumbling about excessive spending on prisons for years. He makes some mighty interesting points:

■ Michigan's average daily cost per inmate is \$53, whereas the average daily cost per inmate in Ohio is \$37. If Michigan's prisons were run as cost effectively as Ohio's, our state would save more than \$250 million per year.

■ Michigan incarcerates 430 people for every 100,000 residents. Indiana's rate of incarceration is 279 inmates per 100,000 residents. Should Michigan choose to imprison our residents at the same rate as Indiana's, taxpayers would save more than \$400 million per year.

Another way to look at Michigan's prison policy is as a matter of relative priorities as defined



PHILIP POWER

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by the way our government spends its money. Michigan's priorities are these, in order: We spend an annual average of \$25,000 per inmate in prison, \$5,500 per student in our K-12 school system, around \$4,000 per student in our state colleges and universities, and an average of \$2,000 per mental health recipient.

The conclusion is simple. State policy, as reflected in actual spending, considers warehousing felons as four times more valuable than educating our kids. That's ridiculous, of course. But thinking about priorities in this way helps highlight the enormous amount we are spending on our prison system.

My guess is that Engler is right to argue that our prison system is dangerously close to overcrowding. And political reality, with an election year coming, is that the Legislature will make sure it is all for locking up criminals.

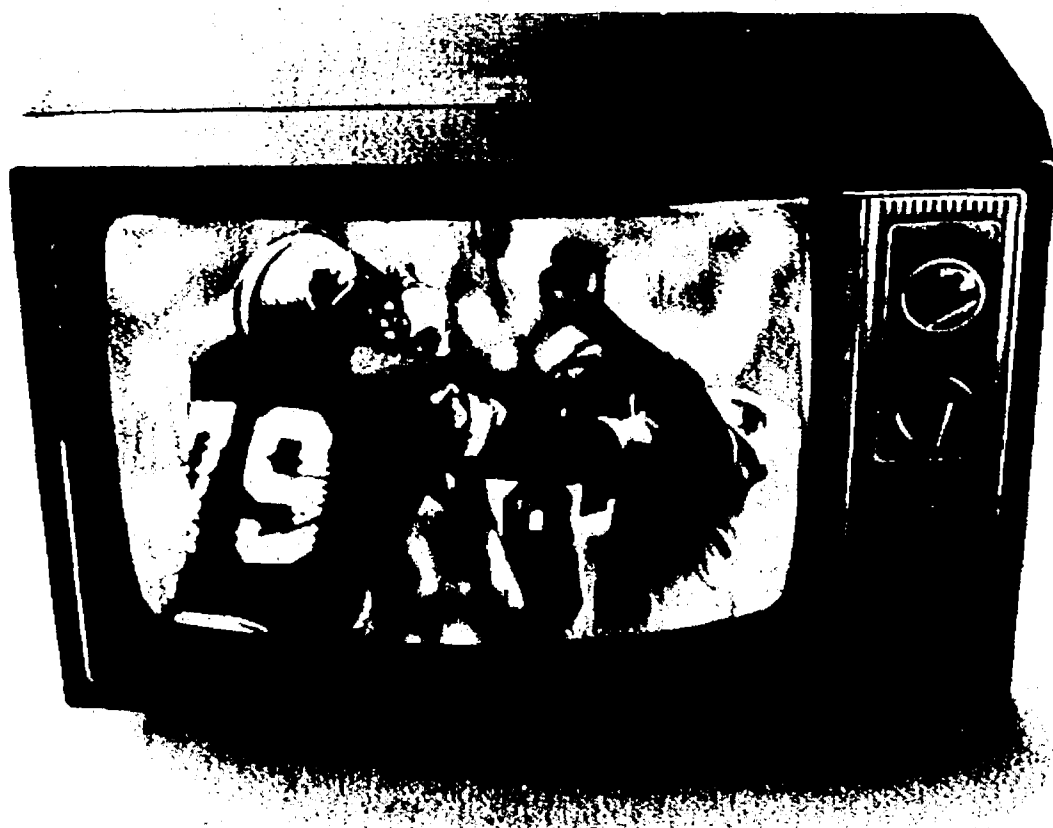
But it might be a good idea to link building new prisons with creating a serious blue-ribbon commission to take a searching look at the cost-effectiveness of Michigan's prison system and make recommendations. Just why is it that Ohio's costs are \$16 per day per inmate less than Michigan's? How has it come about that a bunch of federal judges are effectively micro-managing our prisons in matters ranging from the number of inmates per cell down to the kinds of basketball shoes the taxpayers are required to buy?

Sometimes commissions of this sort can be very effective, especially in a highly charged political environment. And with \$1.3 billion to look at, I'm sure some hard-headed folks could ask a lot of questions, shed a lot of light and, just maybe, find some good ways to save a lot of money.

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

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CLASS REUNIONS

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

ALLEN PARK

Class of 1977
Nov. 29 at the Dearborn Inn, Dearborn.
(313) 386-4549

AVONDALE

Class of 1977
Is planning a reunion.
(248) 627-9168, (248) 625-1778,
(248) 620-0173 or (248) 624-2534

BERKLEY

Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

BIRMINGHAM GROVES

Class of 1987
Nov. 28 at the Kingsley Hotel Suites, Bloomfield Hills.
(800) 677-7800

BISHOP GALLAGHER

Class of 1977
A reunion is planned for Nov. 28.
(313) 881-0744

BLOOMFIELD HILLS LANSER

Class of 1987
March 21 at Doubletree Guest Suites, Southfield.
(248) 360-7004, press 2
Class of 1978
Aug. 1 at Somerset Inn, Troy.
(248) 366-9493, press 3

BROTHER RICE

Class of 1972
Nov. 28 in the Brother Rice High School cafeteria.
(248) 647-2531

CHERRY HILL

Class of 1983
Reunion and alumni family picnic is planned for August 1998.
(313) 729-6783

DEARBORN HEIGHTS ROBICHAUD

Classes of 1971-72
Nov. 29 at the Marriott in Romulus.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

DETROIT CASS TECH

Class of 1968
Looking for classmates for a reunion in 1998.

Pam Yee Gianola, 1243 Smith Road, Beulah, Mich. 49617-9493 or e-mail at mie-nai@aliens.com
Classes of 1980-82
Are planning a reunion.

Stephanie Bradford Wright '80, 1753 Cornell, Southfield 48075, (313) 945-8473; or Dylan Warmack '81, 2131 Bryanston Ct., Detroit 48207, (313) 963-7665
Class of 1985
Is planning a reunion.

Dwayne Harvey, 18850 Lamont, Detroit 48235, or (313) 226-6080, (810) 626-6964 or by e-mail at eusyeg@voyager.net
Class of 1987
Nov. 28, 6 p.m. to 1 a.m., The Roostertail, Detroit, \$50 a person in advance.
(313) 272-6649 or (248) 352-3527

Class of 1988
Is looking for names and addresses of classmates.
(313) 896-0736, (313) 859-0261 or (313) 882-1632

Class of 1978
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(248) 442-9320, by fax at (248) 442-8830 or Sharon Law-Williamson, 28479 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia 48152

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Is planning a reunion.
Send names, addresses and telephone numbers to Ron or Pat (Tish Mack) Matthews, P.O. Box 7647, Bloomfield Hills 48302, or call (810) 745-8422, (248) 696-6342 or (248) 857-6043.

Class of 1978
Is planning a reunion.
Send name, address and telephone number to Chrystal Esau, 27930 Berkshire Dr., Southfield 48076, or call (248) 358-5236, (313) 526-8667, (313) 839-9858 or (313) 372-3159

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al Center, Bloomfield Hills.
(800) 677-7800

FRASER

Class of 1972
A reunion is being planned for Fraser Steffens Park.
(810) 293-2160

GARDEN CITY

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for October.
(810) 765-1380 or (313) 513-6071

Class of 1962
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 722-7551, (313) 565-8024 or (313) 422-8129

GARDEN CITY EAST/WEST

Class of 1967
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 728-8352 or (313) 451-0052
East graduates or (313) 427-8768 or (313) 420-0156 West graduates

HIGHLAND PARK

January-June Classes of 1947
planning a reunion for 1997.
(248) 737-1983 or (888) 456-1947

Class of 1969
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 864-5943, (313) 583-5418 or (313) 867-3201

Class of 1978
Planning a 20-year reunion for July 1998. Seeking classmates.
Fax info to C. Jones (313) 836-5302 or write to HPCHS reunion committee, c/o P.O. Box 760484 Lathrup Village, MI 48076.

IMMACULATA

Class of 1972
Nov. 29, Novi Hilton.
(248) 642-6298

JOHN GLENN

Class of 1967
Is planning a reunion.
(248) 471-4814
Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for Nov. 28.
(313) 261-4970

MADISON

Class of 1948
Is planning a reunion.
(248) 548-5470 or (810) 264-9191

MARIAN

Class of 1982
11:30 a.m. Dec. 27 at the Fox & Hounds Restaurant, Bloomfield Hills.
(248) 644-1750

Class of 1977
7 p.m. Nov. 29 at the Birmingham Country Club.
(248) 644-1750

Class of 1987
7:30 p.m. Nov. 28 at the Birmingham Community House.
(248) 644-1750

MARIAN/BROTHER RICE

Class of 1987
Nov. 28 at the Community House, Birmingham.
(248) 645-6867

Class of 1972
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

MERCY

Class of 1987
Nov. 29 at Best Western Hotel, Farmington Hills.
(810) 366-9493, press 9

PLYMOUTH CANTON/SALEM

Classes of 1988
A joint reunion will be held June 20, 1998.
CEP Class of '88, P.O. Box 5356, Plymouth 48170

PONTIAC

Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion
(248) 473-7100

PONTIAC NORTHERN

Class of 1987
Is planning a reunion.
(248) 473-7100

REDFORD UNION

Class of 1987
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.
(248) 615-7782 or (313) 255-2965

WAYNE MEMORIAL

Class of 1983
Sept. 26 at the Roma Banquet Center, Garden City.
(248) 360-7004, press 1

CITY OF GARDEN CITY
MICHIGAN
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY that sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, MI 48135 (Telephone: 313-525-8814), on or before 2:00 P.M., Friday, December 5, 1997, for the following work according to plans and specifications prepared by George J. Hartman Architects, P.C.:

CITY OF GARDEN CITY

Project: PUBLIC LIBRARY RENOVATIONS

BID PACKAGE - A

Moving, Storage & Reassembly of Library Books & Fixtures

Proposals must be submitted on forms furnished in the Specification Book, in a sealed envelope, endorsed with the name of the item(s) bid. Plans and specifications are available after 2:00 P.M., Monday, November 24, 1997 from the Purchasing Department of Garden City. There is a recommended Walk-Through scheduled for 9:00 A.M., Tuesday, December 2, 1997 at the Garden City Public Library, 2012 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan.

This project is partially funded by the Federal Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) Title II grant that is administered by the Library of Michigan, and Federal Block Grant Funds. Contractors must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act for Federally funded projects and all Federal Prevailing Wage Requirements. A contract for this work will also obligate the Contractors and subcontractors not to discriminate in employment practices based on race, color, sex, religion, natural origin or age in compliance with the President's Executive Order 11246, "and that it will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants and employees are treated during employment" without regard to these factors.

The Bid and Contract security requirements will include the following, as further described in the Supplementary Conditions of the Specifications for this project:

1. Bid Bond of 5% of the total bid.
2. Performance Bond of at least 100% of the contract.
3. Labor and Material Bond of at least 100% of the contract.
4. Workman's Compensation Insurance
5. Contractor's Public Liability Insurance and Property Damage Insurance.
6. Subcontractor's Public Liability Insurance and Property Damage Insurance.
7. Product/Completed Operations Liability Insurance.
8. Liquidated damages may be assessed if the project is not completed in the allotted time period.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities when deemed in the best interests of the City.

R. D. SHOWALTER,
City Clerk-Treasurer

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 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, and City Attorney Cummings.

Moved by Ryall; supported by Leclercq: 10-97-400 RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 6, 1997. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Leclercq; supported by Juarez: 10-97-401 RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable, as presented. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek: 10-97-402 RESOLVED: To approve the Resolution providing for street closure for the annual Santaland Parade on Saturday, November 29, 1997, starting at 10:00 a.m., as recommended by the City Manager. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Barker; supported by Leclercq: 10-97-403 RESOLVED: To take no action on the Special Use Permit for 31308 Ford Road. AYES: Mayor Breen, Councilmembers Barker, Leclercq, Ryall, Juarez, and Dodge. NAYS: Councilmember Wiacek. Motion passed.

Moved by Dodge; supported by Juarez: 10-97-404 RESOLVED: To approve Change Order #29 for the 1996 CSO Abatement Program, which will reconcile all differences between as-built quantities and quantities paid to date. This change order will result in a net decrease of \$277,460.54, as recommended by the City Manager. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Dodge; supported by Barker: 10-97-405 RESOLVED: To approve Progress Payment to Sunset Excavating in the amount of \$540,792.78, for the period ending September 30, 1997, as recommended by the City Manager. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Leclercq; supported by Barker: 10-97-406 RESOLVED: To award the bid for Plow Bolts, Nuts, Bolts and Washers to Tradesmen Fastener and Tool Co., the lowest responsible bidder, at a total price of \$2,157.01, as recommended by the City Manager. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Wiacek; supported by Dodge: 10-97-407 RESOLVED: To reject all bids for the Lighted Field project, as recommended by the City Manager. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Barker; supported by Wiacek: 10-97-408 RESOLVED: To hold a Special Council Meeting, October 27, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. to consider the revised Accounts Payable list. AYES: Unanimous.

Moved by Wiacek; supported by Dodge: 10-97-409 RESOLVED: That this Council reaffirms the Council Policy as set forth in resolution 7-72-243 on July 17, 1972, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council condemns the recent use of City facilities for "Political rallies" and finds said Political rally in direct violation of resolution 7-72-243; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council censures the actions of Councilmembers Edward Juarez, Alice Leclercq and Elva Ryall for their knowing participation and their direct and willful violation of Council Policy, 7-72-243, regarding "Political rallies". (See Attached) AYES: Mayor Breen, Councilmembers Barker, Wiacek, and Dodge. NAYS: Councilmembers Leclercq, Ryall, and Juarez. Resolution passed.

Moved by Barker; supported by Wiacek: 10-97-410 RESOLVED: To go into closed session to discuss pending litigation and City Attorney recommendation. AYES: Unanimous.

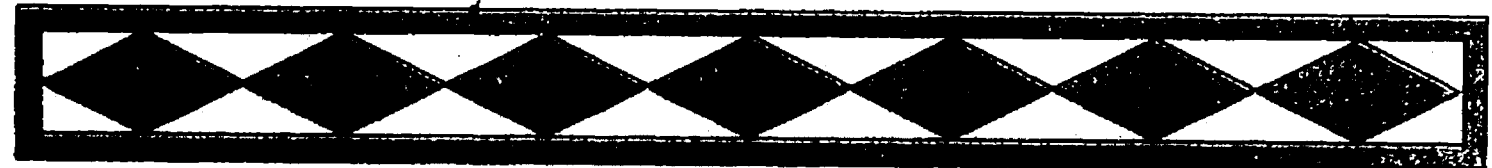
Moved by Juarez; supported by Ryall: 10-97-411 RESOLVED: To accept the recommendation of our Attorney in the matter of Dickson vs. City of Garden City. AYES: Mayor Breen, Councilmember Leclercq, Ryall, and Juarez. NAYS: Councilmembers Barker, Wiacek, and Dodge. Motion passed.

The meeting was then adjourned.

RONALD D. SHOWALTER

City Clerk-Treasurer

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Bananas in Pajamas
Welcome Santa

Saturday, November 22
11:00 a.m.

Make it Westland Shopping Center for Santa's arrival this year. Join the fun as he arrives by horse and carriage led by the John Glenn High School band, outside entrance 6, just east of JCPenney.

Bananas in Pajamas will be on hand to greet Santa as he arrives with Westley, The Holiday Bear. And then it's time for a Banana Holiday featuring the yellow fellows in a musical performance. Bring the kids for a fun family day, and take time for a photo with Santa following the show.

Additional Showtimes
1:00 & 3:00 p.m.
Meet and Greet following the show.

Santa Photo Hours Begin
November 22

Monday - Saturday
11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Santa Breaks 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Sunday
12 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Professional Digital Photos now available.

Make it Merry

WESTLAND
SHOPPING CENTER

Wayne and Warren Roads, Westland
Hudson's, JCPenney, Sears, Kohl's and over 80 Specialty Stores
Mall Hours: Monday - Saturday 10 - 9, Sunday 11 - 6

Cards
Use your American Express Card to shop for all of your favorite things

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Sue Mason, Editor 313-953-2131

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Memories

Scrappers 'create' history out of photo albums



JACK GLADDEN

Policies put a new spin on 'harmful'

You must have read about this. It happened last year in Dayton, Ohio, and made national headlines.

A 13-year-old junior high school student was suspended for 10 days for drug possession. Her crime? She had accepted a Midol tablet - that over-the-counter stuff used to ease menstrual cramps - from another eighth-grader. School officials mercifully decided to reduce the suspension to three days, but only after the student agreed to take part in a drug counseling program.

She got off easy. The 14-year-old girl who handed her the pill - the "pusher" - was also suspended for 10 days, then notified that she would be expelled for 4 1/2 months. That sentence, too, got reduced to an additional three days of suspension, but only after the "pusher" filed a federal lawsuit against the school district, claiming that she was treated more harshly because she was black.

While the district reduced the penalty against her, it denied that race had anything to do with it. She was punished more severely, a spokesman said, because she commit-

Please see GLADDEN, B10

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

The lucky ones among us have parents and grandparents who documented our family histories by maintaining photo albums. But, most of us have found their efforts were spoiled by time. The pictures are faded and we can't identify a lot of the subjects.

People across the country, like Julie Barnes of Westland, want to change that for future generations by maintaining memory books.

The mother of two children, Barnes is documenting family photos and other precious moments in elaborately decorated scrapbooks. She meets every couple of weeks with a group of friends, many from Plymouth Church of the Nazarene, to update their photo stories.

Barnes has three books, one for her son Trey, 3; another for her 8-month-old daughter, Olivia; and a third that chronicles special times with her husband, John Mark.

"I want my children to see what their lives were like when they were little," Barnes said. "Hopefully, my grandchildren can see pictures of their parents when they were babies."

Barnes uses an album from Creative Memories with acid-free pages and other specially prepared materials that ensure the photos will remain intact. A big motivation for using acid-free materials is that the memory book Barnes' mother made for her has deteriorated.

"The fact is that when you put your pictures in a standard photo album they have acids in them and they will deteriorate, discolor and tear 20 years later when you try to get them out," said Barnes, who takes up to an hour to finish a two-page layout in her

album. "The time depends on how picky you are."

"It's also a fun hobby. For me, it's my only hobby."

Creative Memories is run by home-based consultants who hold demonstrations and sometimes have stalls at craft shows. When Barnes' Creative Memories consultant left the community, other members of the church started to fall behind on their books.

"People who come here have a time where they can get away to get together with other moms and adults," Barnes said. "A lot of us are stay-at-home moms."

Preserving memories

Creative Memories stresses the importance of preserving memories, as

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL



New look: Starting with her birth, Julie Barnes of Westland is documenting life for 8-month old daughter Olivia in her own memory book (above). One place providing supplies for memory book enthusiasts is Scrappin' and Stampin' in Livonia where Barb Gentile (at left) shows customers, Sara Kimball and Denise Varner - with Emily, age 1, on her back one of the newest albums available.

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well as journaling and photo documentation, according to Rhonda Kay Collier, a Creative Memories unit manager in Westland. Classes last about two hours and inventory is available for people who want to begin immediately.

"Our purpose is to preserve our memories and to make sure our history is passed down to our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren," Collier said. "It's not just a photo story, but a story book that can include memorabilia."

Keeping family scrapbooks has grown in popularity since it took off in 1987 when Rhonda Anderson and Cheryl Lightle, co-founders of Creative Memories, had an idea to take the memory book concept nationwide.

"A throwback to times when heritages were talked about around the fireplace, today families are devoting countless hours to putting together scrapbooks that have detailed information, from first dental visits to romps in the snow. The books feature fabric borders and simple to elaborate art work that are guaranteed to stay intact. The ideas are only limited by the creator's imagination."

"No matter where people go to do scrapbooks, the most important thing is for them to document those photos so that it can be passed on to future generations," said Kim Fredericks, a Creative Memories consultant in Novi.

Creative Memories is the first album and photo preservation company in the world to have the Wilhelm Imaging Research, Inc. stamp of approval. Henry Wilhelm is an expert on the care and preservation of color pho-

'When people come into our store they are impressed. They say: 'Oh my gosh, it has everything I need.''

*Anne Kmet
Scrappin' and Stampin'*

tographs working with national archives. Creative Memories also reportedly sells more albums than other album suppliers combined.

"It was something that no one had hardly heard of before," Fredericks said. "They (Anderson and Lightle) started informing people about the importance of preserving these albums. Creative Memories was the first company and from there it has started to roll."

Fredericks, who had one daughter and "500" rolls of film capturing her pride and joy in action, started her business two years ago. But, Creative Memories consultants stress that kids and their milestones aren't the only memory book theme. Ideas run the gamut from weddings and vacations to pets and outings.

"The meaning behind Creative Memories really hit home for me to preserve photos and document them," Fredericks said. "I had never done a scrapbook before. It only takes five years and the pictures will start fading, if they're not taken care of properly."

Fredericks' grandmother and great-aunt recently started to redo their albums with Creative Memories materials in hopes of preserving their family history.

"My grandma is using her

albums to tell stories about what it was like when she was growing up," Fredericks said. "Some of those stories my mother hasn't even heard. And my grandmother is telling stories about her parents whom I've never met."

Most popular craft

Since Creative Memories began, craft stores are making room for scrapbook materials. In fact, materials and tools for memory books are the most popular craft right now, according to Nancy Chrusciel, store manager of Michael's in Westland. Nationwide sales of scrapbooks and supplies topped \$200 million last year, according to the Hobby Industry Association.

Other stores that exclusively offer scrapbook materials, like Scrappin' and Stampin' in Livonia, are cropping up. Barb Gentile opened the store last April after seeing a proliferation of scrapbook shops out west, especially in Utah. She also offers demonstrations on how to use the tools and materials to make beautiful pages that tell a thorough story.

Scrappin' and Stampin' offers albums to fit any budget and style, according to Ann Kmet, Gentile's partner. Every other Friday from 6 p.m. to midnight Kmet and Gentile host a Moonlight Crop, inviting the public to come in and work on their memory books.

"It's kind of like the old-fashioned quilting bee," Kmet said. "The '90s version of that is the scrapbooks. They share ideas and for some people it's uninterrupted time. It can be difficult to pull your things out when



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Page maker: Valerie Kaledas of Garden City works on a page of wedding book as part of a recent Creative Memories demonstration, given by Rhonda Kay Collier, at Julie Barnes' Westland home.

there's kids around."

Paper, pens, punches, scrapbook scissors with different blades and anything else you would need is available. Glues, paper, stickers, templates, ink,

stencils and other products are guaranteed acid-free.

"When people come into our store they are impressed," Kmet said. "They say: 'Oh my gosh, it has everything I need.'"

Carol Justin, a Garden City resident, is a regular customer and was introduced to the hobby by a friend who "has beautiful, beautiful books that turned my head."

"I do it for my children (two girls ages 4 years and 5 months)," Justin said. "When they grow up, they will see a history of our family."

She spends between 24 and 30 hours weekly on her scrapbooks and would like to spend more time. As far as the cost, she said, it's worth the expense.

"If it preserves my pictures and my grandchildren can look at it, it's not expensive at all," Justin said. "In fact, I have my mother doing it and I'm learning stuff about my mom's side of the family that I never really knew."

For more information about Creative Memories, call 1-800-468-9335.

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Volunteers honored by council

Five western Wayne County residents were among 20 Girl Scout volunteers, employed at Detroit area corporations and organizations, who have been selected as Corporate Volunteer of the Year Award recipients by the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council.

The volunteers were honored at the council's sixth annual corporate luncheon, held at the Westin Hotel in Detroit. More than 250 local business professionals were in attendance when the volunteers were presented with their award by Penny Baller, chief executive officer, and Gloria Lara, president, Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council.

Local honorees were Katy Colling, Carol Galizia, Kathy Hoen and J'Nice Stork, all of Livonia and Sher Walker of Westland.

The "Corporate Volunteer of the Year Award" provides employers and council an opportunity to recognize corporate employees who support Girl Scouting and generously give their time to make a significant impact on the lives of girls.

The award is open to adult council members who actively serve in one or more volunteer positions and are employed at a metro Detroit corporation or institution.

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Sansoterra-Schettler

Joanne Schettler and Michael Sansoterra were married Sept. 13 at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery of Detroit by Rev. Gene Simon.

The bride is the daughter of Richard and Kathleen Schettler of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Jim and Jan Sansoterra of Grosse Pointe Shores.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn. A former employee of Campbell Ewald Advertising in Warren, she is currently executive director of Forum Investment Club in Naples, Fla.

The groom also is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is employed by Northern Trust Bank in Naples, Fla., as a trust investment associate.

The bride asked Karen Schettler to serve as maid of honor with Ann Osmer, Joyce Odom and Elizabeth Cox as bridesmaids.

The groom asked Mark San-



soterra to serve as best man with Joseph Promo, William Kalmar Jr. and Chris Kurtz as groomsmen.

They received guests at a reception at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club before leaving on a Caribbean cruise. They are making their home in Naples, Fla.

Poole-Budden

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poole of Alexandria, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Carleen, to Randall Clifford Budden, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Budden of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Hayfield High School. She received a bachelor of arts degree from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. She is an employee of the U.S. Department of State, currently on detail to the National Security Council.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Bentley High School. He received his bachelor of science degree from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is a Foreign Service Officer of the U.S. State Department and a former area manager for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.



An August wedding is planned. The couple will reside in Malta.

Landskroener-Herron

Jim and Sue Steinke of Brooklyn, Mich., and Jake and Dennis Landskroener of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Tarese, to Marcus Lee Herron, the son of Robert and Linda Herron of Millington.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Jackson Community College where she studied nursing. She is employed by the Westland Convalescent Center in Westland.

Her fiancé is attending the University of Michigan-Dearborn and is employed by Michigan National Bank in Livonia.

A May wedding on Mackinac Island is being planned.



Gotham-Boman

Nancy Boman and Greg Gotham were married June 29 at Bethlehem United Church of Christ in Ann Arbor by Dr. Orval L.E. Willmann.

The bride is the daughter of Richard and Betty Boman of Ann Arbor. She asked Laurene Steinaway to be her maid of honor with Kim Kyro, Jennifer Serttunc, and Valerie Boman as her attendants. Junior bridesmaid was Alicia Kozub with Beth Boman as the flower girl.

The groom is the son of Bryon and Alice Gotham of Livonia. He asked Jim McDowell to be his best man with Greg Wlosinski, Jeff Cherenzia, and Jack Boman as attendants. Rich Boman was the ringbearer.

The bride is a graduate of Ann Arbor Huron High School. She is employed by the University of Michigan School of Information.

The groom received his bachelor of science degree in business administration from Madonna



University and a master of business administration degree from Eastern Michigan University. He is employed as a financial services manager at Rima Manufacturing Co. in Hudson.

Cairo-Branim

Anthony and Paula Cairo of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann, to Nathan Michael Branim, the son of Perry Branim and Debbie Lehner, also of Canton.

The couple are 1996 graduates of Plymouth Salem High School. The bride-to-be is enrolled at Schoolcraft College and is employed by Phillip I. Greco Title Co.

Her fiancé is a lance corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps.

An August 1999 wedding is planned.



Lynch-Fried

Lois Lynch and Robert Lynch, both of Lansing, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cheryl Marie, to Marcus William Fried, the son of William and Barbara Fried of Livonia.

The bride-to-be received her master of business administration degree from Wayne State University. She is employed as a

market research analyst with Allison-Fisher Inc.

Her fiancé received his master of mechanical engineering degree from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is employed as an engineer by the Ford Motor Company.

A November wedding is planned at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia.

Graban-Gale

Robert and Marlene Graban of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Renee, to Kevin Arthur Gale, the son of Arthur and John Gale of Hillsboro, Ohio.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a senior at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where she is pursuing a bachelor's degree in secondary mathematics education.

Her fiancé is a 1990 graduate of Hillsboro High School and a 1997 graduate of Miami University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. He is a sixth grade teacher at Whitewater Valley Elementary School in Harrison, Ohio.

A May wedding is planned for



Sesquicentennial Chapel at Miami University.

Dee-Garbarino

Rick and Kristin Dee of Novi, Mich., announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary A., to Richard B. Garbarino of Livonia.

A spring wedding is planned.



NEW VOICES

Edward Campbell Jr. and Nicole E. Blackwell, of Garden City announce the birth of **Dylan James Campbell** Sept. 3 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a sister, Ashley Nicole Blackwell Campbell, 2. Grandparents are James Blackwell and Nancy Sybolt of Garden City, Ed Campbell Sr. of Inkster and Diane West of High Point, N.C.

Marc and Kiersa Peerbolte of Canton announce the birth of **Carra Elisabeth** May 29 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. She joins a brother, Jordan, 6, and a sister, Alaina, 3. Grandparents are Jack and Nancy Thompson of Monroe and Robert and Bonnie Peerbolte of Highland.

Christopher and Shannon Hendrix of Garden City announce the birth of **Elisabeth Dansby** Sept. 5 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, Wesley, 3, and a sister, Whitney, 18 months. Grandparents are Bruce and Carole Whitney of Talbot, Tenn., and Winford and Carol Hendrix of Hickory, N.C.

Mark and Laura Riegel of Westland announce the birth of **Bailey Marcus** Sept. 1 at St. Mary's Hospital, Livonia. Grandparents are David and Elaine Pavlov and Joseph and Patricia DeBono.

Luc and Stacey Beaudreau of Canton announce the birth of **Elise Marie** Sept. 19. She joins a sister, Nicole. Grandparents are Larry and Carmen Michrina of Canton and Paul and Georgette Beaudreau of Livonia.

Glen Wiper and Tracy Marich of Westland announce the birth of **Tristin Kyle Marich** Sept. 7, at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins two brothers, Daniel, 6, and Adam, 11. Grandparents are Thomas and Bridget Piascecki and Glen Wiper, all of Westland.

Mike and Jeannie Weber of Novi announce the birth of **Matthew Ryan** Aug. 30 at St. Mary's Hospital, Livonia. He joins a brother, Jeffrey, 3. Grandparents are Ron and Pat Ginnard, Ken and Dee Duran of Plymouth, and Wally and Marilyn Weber of Dearborn. Great-grandmother is Virginia Ginnard of Livonia.

Garry Dickey and Ruth Shaw of Westland announce the birth of **Ayrel Mae Dickey** Sept. 3 at the Birthing Center of

Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, Joseph Tarrow, 4, and a sister, Amanda Shaw, 8. Grandparents are William and Marlene Dickey of Westland and Diana Shaw of Las Vegas, Nev.

Joel and Nina Leake of Canton announce the birth of **Tessa Noelle** Aug. 29 at Oakwood Hos-

pital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Helen and Louis Tluczek of Garden City and Warren and Kathy Leake of Wayne. Great-grandparents are Robert and Marion Foley of Westland.

Sondra Ginger Richards of Westland announces the birth of

Thomas Colby Sept. 10 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Blanche Richards, Lawrence Richards and Thomas Mark Bedwell, all of Westland.

Brian and Sharon Anderson of Wayne announce the birth of **Autumn Rose** Sept. 18 at Oak-

wood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are David and Elaine Dowell of Westland, Mary Anderson of Canton and Michael Anderson of Redford.

James and Melisa Partin of Westland announce the birth of **Shelby Helen Elizabeth** Sept. 13 at the Birthing Center of Gar-

den City Hospital. She joins two sisters, Kimberly, 2 1/2, and Aliscia, 5. Grandparents are John and Carol Partin of Taylor and Debbie Patterson of Westland.

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of Westland announce the birth of **Madison Mackenzie** Sept. 22 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Marcie and Robert Barnes of Garden City and Sharon and Jim Roush of Milford.

Ronald Martin Jr. and **Malissa Kuck** of Westland announce the birth of **Cody Daniel Martin** Sept. 13 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Cheryl Clark and Gerald Kuck of Romulus and Ronald Martin Sr. of Westland.

Gary and Michelle Brown of Canton announce the birth of **Autumn Marie** Sept. 26 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She joins a sister, **Ashley**, 11. Grandparents are Richard and Karen Roberts of Canton and Fred and Patricia Brown of Dearborn Heights.

Duane and Heidi Cox of Garden City announce the birth of **Chloe Annamarie** Sept. 14 at

the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital.

Matt and Sherry Chaffin of Redford announce the birth of **Christopher Michael** Sept. 25 at Providence Hospital, Southfield. He joins a sister, **Rebecca**, 4. Grandparents are Ted and Janet Chaffin of Redford.

Duane and Leanne Wallace of Garden City announce the birth of **Trent Duane** Sept. 17 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Jimmie Wallace, Penni Stapleton, Leroy Stapleton and Dorothy Wallace.

Brad and Gina Ramp of Westland announce the birth of **Katharine Nicole** Sept. 16 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Charles and Linda Piazza of Canton, Robert and Joanne Ramp of Superior Township, and the late Barbara Ramp.

Arthur and Lisa VanDeMark of Westland announce the

birth of **Collin Ray** Sept. 17 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins two siblings, **Cody**, 3, and **Devin**, 7. Grandparents are Robert Neil of Dearborn Heights, Gloria and Jerry Elliott of Westland and Grady and Linda Toppins of Huntington, W.Va.

David and Shannon Davis of Taylor announce the birth of **Christopher** Sept. 5 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother and sister, **David II** and **Candace**. Grandparents are Genevieve Newton and Bill and Marti Sponseller, all of Taylor.

Raymond and Angela Stander of Garden City announce the birth of **Cody Michael** Sept. 19 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins two brothers, **Sabastian**, 5, and **Billy**, 11 months. Grandparents are Carol Bruton of Westland, Sharlet Synowiec of Royal Oak and Raymond Stander of Dearborn Heights.

Skip and Brenda Lutman of Livonia announce the birth of **Richard Platt** Sept. 19 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a sister,

Amber, 19 months. Grandparents are Karol Lutman of Bloomfield Hills and John and Gail Breckenridge of Farmington Hills.

James and MaryJane Richards of Canton announce the birth of **Miranda Jane** Sept. 22 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins two brothers, **Jimmy**, 9, and **Michael**, 2. Grandparents are Ray and Delima Phillip and Gordon and Glenda Richards, all of Westland.

Jeffery McLaughlin of

Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and **Lori Adams** of Livonia announce the birth of **Jake Jeffery Adams-McLaughlin** Sept. 23 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a sister, **Paige Marie Adams-McLaughlin**, 4. Grandparents are Jeff and Joyce Adams of Livonia, Debbie Jahns of Harrow, Ont., Canada, and Jorig Mantika of Windsor, Ont., Canada.

Jason and Dawn Burke of Inkster announce the birth of **Samantha Ann Maria** Sept. 24

at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, **Jason Jr.**, 22 months. Grandparents are Sheila Burke of Garden City, John Burke of Detroit and Sandy and Ted Longsdorf of Inkster.

Brian and Tina McMillan of Garden City announce the birth of **Kory Harry** Sept. 24 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a brother, **Kyle**, 2. Grandparents are Dennis and Carol Emery of Garden City and Marge McMillan of Wayne.

Auction aids Forgotten Harvest

Forgotten Harvest has been selected as the beneficiary of a cable television community Holiday Auction slated for this evening (Nov. 20).

CATM, Cable Television, a marketing society, and Women in Cable and Telecommunications will hold their fifth annual auction 5-7:30 p.m. at the Livonia Holiday Inn, Six Mile and I-275, Livonia.

The event is open to the public

and all money raised will be donated to Forgotten Harvest. The cost of admission is a non-perishable food item or \$5. Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be provided and there will be a cash bar.

There will be silent and live auctions. The silent auction will have "premium items" - items normally not available to the public - from all the programming suppliers to the cable industry, including T-shirts, jackets and similar items from HBO, Showtime, Discovery Channel, CNN, HGTV, Fox Sports Network, Pay-Per-View and dozens of other programs.

There also will be items from the event suppliers like World Championship Wrestling, T.V.KO and the world of boxing and from specific movie studios.

The live auction will feature

gift baskets, signed items from Joe Dumars of the Detroit Pistons, boxer Oscar De la Hoya, gift certificates to many major stores and malls in the metropolitan area, unusual items like a Disney Channel animation cell, compact disc player, and boom boxes.

Forgotten Harvest was selected as recipient of proceeds from the auction because of the great need in the metropolitan Detroit community and the "terrific job" is done in that area, said Betsy Kellman, vice-president for Viewer's Choice and co-chair of the event.

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BY MARY RODRIGUE
STAFF WRITER

Nurse Laurie Goldi remembers working on the bone marrow transplant floor at Harper Hospital last May when she encountered a little girl with leukemia.

Her heart went out to the child's mother.

"I never dreamed I would be in her shoes just two weeks later," said the Farmington resident.

On June 3, Laurie and her husband, Rob, learned that the younger of their two sons, Matthew, then 20 months old, had acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL).

"I never in a million years thought it would be my child," said Goldi.

Now 2 years old, Matthew is in the process of 130 weeks of treatment, both in-patient at Children's Hospital of Michigan and out-patient. He was the first CHM pediatric patient to have chemotherapy treatments at home.

"He's technically in remission, but we have to follow through the full course of treatment," said Rob, an attorney in practice in Bingham Farms. "Matthew is very outgoing, mischievous. He's a real trooper; he's handled it well."

Twenty years ago, there was no effective treatment for the disease. Today, thanks to research, a five-year survival

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Rob Goldi
-Farmington

rate can be achieved by 73 percent of young patients with ALL, a cancer that attacks the blood forming tissues, bone marrow, lymph nodes and spleen.

The Goldis wanted to support the search for a cure.

"We put together a (solicitation) letter with Matthew's picture on it and sent copies to friends, family and colleagues," Rob said. "We've been very successful. We've raised close to \$13,000."

The couple is warmed by the support.

"Research has come so far, but there is still such a long way to go," said Laurie. "We're still losing 25 kids out of every 100 to leukemia."

The couple was further buoyed by the response of the Country Cupboard, a home furniture and

accessories store at 15970 Middlebelt Road in Livonia. Co-owners Sharon Eccles and Sue Delfgaw are sponsoring a mega Beanie Baby raffle with all proceeds going to leukemia research in Matthew's name.

"Rob has been our attorney for 15 years," said Delfgaw. "The letter explaining about Matthew's illness made us sick. We knew Rob before he was married or had children. We had to do something."

They saved Beanie Babies from several of their shipments and launched a raffle during their Christmas Open House last weekend.

For just \$1 per ticket, customers can buy a chance on five prizes. The grand prize is a wooden tree decorated with 30 Beanie Babies, including some

characters that have been retired. Each Beanie Baby is wrapped in cellophane and are wired to the tree that's affixed to a wood stand.

The other four prizes are baskets, each filled with 10 Beanie Babies. Those prizes also include at least one retired Beanie.

Tickets for the raffle were printed, free of charge, by American Speedy Printing on Middlebelt Road.

Delfgaw and her business partner hope to raise \$10,000 for leukemia research with the raffle.

"We decided to make the tickets affordable, so customers can buy lots," she said. "The drawing will be Monday, Dec. 15 at 4 p.m. and the winners need not be present. We'll have a customer pick the winning tickets."

The store is on Middlebelt Road between Five Mile and Six Mile roads, next to A.R. Kramer. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 313-425-1990 for more information.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Baby love: In the midst of a 130-week-long chemotherapy regime for treatment of acute lymphocytic leukemia, 2-year-old Matthew Goldi can still smile about his collection of Beanie Babies.

Workshop focuses on scout badge

The Livonia Family YMCA, St. Mary Hospital and Madonna University have teamed up to offer all Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts an opportunity to earn the national Girl Scout contemporary badge Developing Health and Fitness - Be Your Best.

The badge is part of the national programming of the Girl Scouts of the USA and is designed to improve the lives of girls with basic knowledge and awareness about good health principles and self-discipline.

The badge workshop will be offered 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan Road in Livonia. The cost will be \$20 per scout. The deadline for registrations is Friday, Nov. 28.

The six-part badge workshop will allow Brownies and Juniors to work in small groups with Madonna University nursing students on such topics as good nutrition, physical exercise, reducing stress, avoiding harmful substances, looking your best and environmental factors.

Scouts will complete all requirements for the badge during the day-long workshop.

"The all-day workshop is a very convenient opportunity for leaders to complete a very complicated and time-consuming badge in one day," said Joan Smykowski, community program assistant director.

For more information, or to receive an application, call the Y at (313) 261-2161, Ext. 310. Registration forms also are available at the Y, 14255 Stark Road, Livonia.



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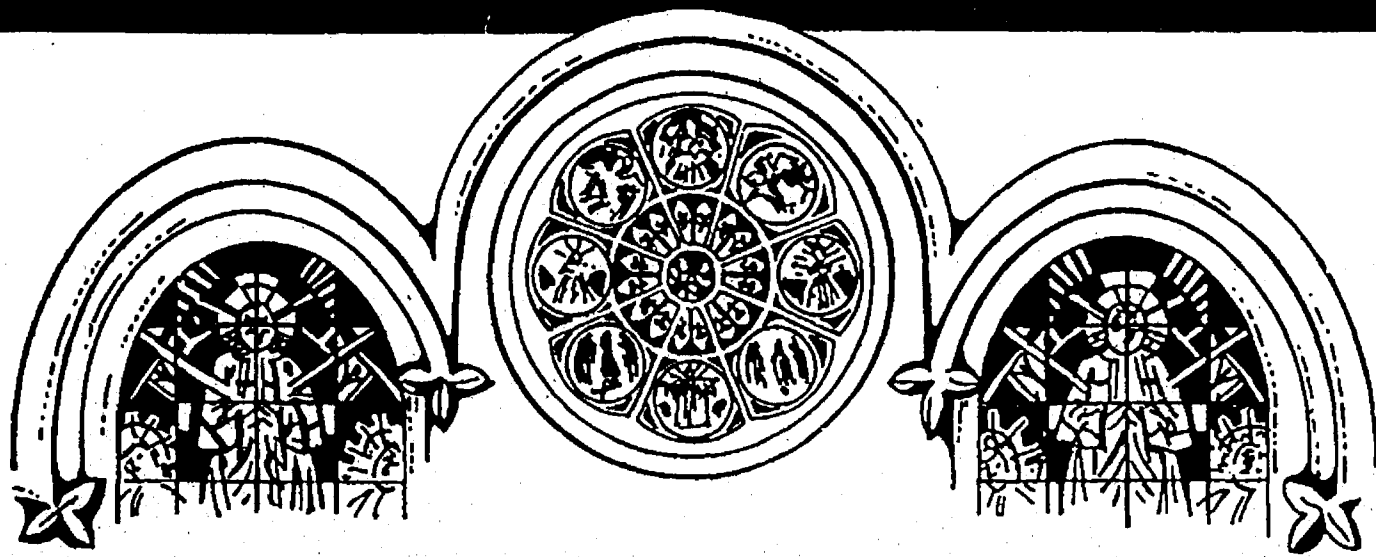
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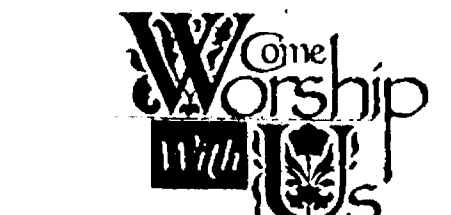
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Kwanzaa, Hanukkah added to Festival of Trees lineup

The Cobo Center ballroom will once again be transformed into a village of Christmas trees during the annual Festival of Trees Sunday, Nov. 23, through Sunday, Nov. 30. This year's theme is "A Celebration of Angels."

The largest annual special event fund-raiser for Children's Hospital of Michigan, the festival features 113 professionally designed trees and holiday vignettes, including, new this year, Kwanzaa and Hanukkah exhibits.

The Hanukkah vignette will feature a small living room setting with toys depicting different aspects of the holiday. With traditional Jewish decorations and other items from everyday life, specific Hanukkah articles such as a menorah and several dreidels will be on display. Information about the items will be provided.

The Kwanzaa vignette will depict one of the seven principles of Kwanzaa, "Umoja," a Swahili word meaning "unity." According to Deborah Love-Peel, a volunteer helping to coordinate the display, they chose the theme because it represented communities coming together.

A black angel will adorn the top of the holiday tree, which will be decorated with hand-made ornaments, depicting different races. The vignette will include a tree skirt and special pillows made out of African fabric.

Wreaths, stockings and other holiday decorations will be displayed and available for purchase along with the trees. Sponsored by Ralph Roberts Real Estate, Inc., and The Loan Source, Inc., a Gingerbread Village, designed by professional

chefs and culinary students, will be on display. Live entertainment also will be featured each day, except for Thanksgiving Day, at the festival.

Among local residents and businesses decorating trees are the Black-Eyed Susans/Livonia Autoplex Inc.; Uht Funeral Home, Westland; Red Spot Westland Inc.; Kari Jo Lockhart and Debra Foust of Garden City; Michael's Angel Attic, Livonia; Doris Vincent of Westland; Freudenberg-NOK, Plymouth; the Office Depot Design Team, Plymouth; KR Designs, Livonia; Decorating Den; Canton; Parisian, Livonia; Kathleen Blech of Livonia, and M'Hawk Productions, Redford.

Also, A&W Restaurants Inc., Livonia; The Village Painters, Canton; Michelle Mamo of Livonia; The Survivors of Plymouth; American Community Mutual Insurance Co., Livonia; Blevin's Flower Shop, Westland; Michael's Arts and Crafts, Westland; Walnut Ridge Collection, Westland; Marilyn Rollins, Livonia; and Thorn Designs, Redford.

Another attraction is the Santaland, sponsored by AirTouch Cellular. It includes a "Candy Cane Choo-Choo," which offers round-trip fare to a Secret Santa Shop. Tickets also are available for a fish pond, age-related hands-on arts and crafts projects and photographs with Santa Claus.

New this year is a magical mailbox from the U.S. Postal Service where children can send special messages to the North Pole.

A Teddy Bear Tea will be held for children and adult at 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23. "Mr. Magic"



Showman-ship: Volunteers spend as much time working on the display as they do planning and decorating their trees for the annual Festival of Trees that opens Sunday, Nov. 23.

Ronnie Cee and ventriloquist, humorist and author Richard Paul will perform. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children ages 11 and younger and include admission to the Festival of Trees.

Proceeds from Festival of Trees benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan's Evergreen Endowment Fund, which supports

research into the causes and cures of diseases affecting children. Last year's festival raised \$550,000 for the Evergreen Endowment Fund.

Funds raised this year will support the work of the Positron Emission Tomography Center, the first in the world used primarily on pediatric patients for

the study of childhood disorders. Positron Emission Tomography is one of the most advanced research and analysis tools in modern medicine.

Tickets - \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors ages 60 and older, \$2 for children ages 2-12, and free for children ages 1 and younger - are available at the door and at

participating Meijer stores and all English Gardens locations.

Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 23, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 24, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 25-26, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 27 (Thanksgiving Day), 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Nov. 28-29, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 30.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Listings for the Religion Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

NEW PROGRAM

St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church is offering a new adult education program that encourages participants to come and learn about orthodoxy from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays through Dec. 11. Speakers and topics include: "What We Believe About Icons" Nov. 20 by Jim King, "What We Believe About Scripture and Tradition" Dec. 4 by King, and "What We Believe About Heaven and Hell" by Father Shalhoub Dec. 11. The church is located at 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 422-0010.

LINE DANCE LESSONS

Line dancing lessons will be taught 7:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church-Canton Campus, 46001 Warren Road, Canton. There is no charge for the fellowship. For more information, call (313) 522-6830.

HEALING MASS

Our Lady of Loretto Church

will have a charismatic healing Mass at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at the church, Six Mile and Beech Daly roads, Redford. The Mass will be celebrated by the Rev. Joseph Esper with music by Dale Swezene's Vision Band. Participants can bring finger foods to share, and groups can bring banners for the service. For more information, call Lynne Wendt at (313) 537-4219 or Grace Weible at (313) 464-1896.

CARD PARTY

The St. Aidan Women's Guild is hosting a card party 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at the church's activity center, 17500 Farmington Road. The more than 80 door prizes include turkeys. There will also be special table prizes and a "Star-Studded Raffle." Snacks and dessert are included in the admission. To make a reservation, call (313) 591-2145 or (313) 464-8628.

'PEACE CONCERTS'

James F. Twyman will present "Songs from the Peace Concerts" 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Twyman has performed the peace concerts in front of thousands for Bosnian television and continues to perform concerts as the "Peace Troubadour" around the world. The Peace Concerts inspired

Twyman when the leaders of the 12 major religions of the world came together in the name of peace to share their religions' peace prayers. Twyman put the prayers to music and created an album called "Emissary of Light" songs from The Peace Concerts. The cost of the event is a \$15 donation. For more information, call (313) 421-1760.

COAT/SWEATER SALE

Tried and True Lutheran Resale Store, 5004 Michigan Ave., Wayne, is having a coat and sweater sale through Tuesday, Nov. 25. All sweaters in all sizes cost \$1, coats are \$1-\$5.95. Dress coats, winter jackets, ski jackets, furs, leathers, children's, infants, men's and women's sizes will be available. Those who bring a canned good to the store receive a 1/2 off coupon. Store hours are 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. For more information, call (313) 728-9777. Proceeds go to the POBLO Lutheran Outreach.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will host a "Where Do We Go From Here" seminar, exploring topics such as being single, personality and gender differences, building healthy relationships, and keeping things in perspective, from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, and 9

a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at the church's Lighthouse, 17000 Farmington Road (at Six Mile Road), Livonia. The workshop, presented by Dick Bont, will cost \$10. Child care will be available for free and lunch will be provided on Saturday for those who preregister. For more information about the activities, call the Single Point Office at (313) 422-1854.

YOGA CLASSES

The Unity of Livonia Church, located at 28660 Five Mile Road in Livonia, hosts yoga classes from 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays throughout November and December. The class, taught by Linda Haught, is offered on a love offering basis. For more information, call the church at (313) 421-1760.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series, "What is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQBH-AM 1400. The topic will be "Where did Christian Science start?" on Nov. 23, "Does your church have missionaries?" on Nov. 30, "What are these Reading Rooms all about?" on Dec. 7, "What does Christian Science say about sin?" on Dec. 14, "How can anyone have that much faith?" on Dec. 21, and "Just what is a

Christian Science practitioner?" on Dec. 28.

"The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Adult Ministries of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville will present "Dating in the '90s: The Challenge of Reinvesting" at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, in the Youth Room of the church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. The cost is \$24 in advance and \$27 at the door. For more information, call (248) 349-0911.

TEAMKID

TeamKid, a unique club which blends activity with interactive learning, discipleship and Bible memory, meets 5:45-8 p.m. Sundays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The program is for children in grades 1-6 and provides practical Biblical answers in a fun and interesting setting. For more information, call the church office at (313) 421-0472.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Men Who Make a Difference, a small group of Christian men dedicated to the biblical principles of building a "Godly Man," meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The group is open to men of all denominations who wish to diligently seek the face of Jesus. For more information, call (313) 421-0472.

SUNDAY LESSONS

The Rev. Leo Booth will discuss "Spirituality is an Inside Job," 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Church of Today West in Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook (between Haggerty and Meadowbrook roads), Novi. Booth will also present a workshop, "A New Spirituality: Breaking the Myths," 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the church. Tickets are \$10 in advance, and \$15 at the door. The lesson on Sunday, Nov. 30, will be "Field of Dreams." For more information, call (248) 449-8900 or <http://www.cotw.com>.

BIBLE STUDY

Hosanna Tabor Lutheran Church will present a Christian support Bible study, "Living with Grief," 9:45-10:40 a.m., starting Sunday, Nov. 23, at the church, 9600 Leverage, Redford. For more information, call the church office at (313) 937-2424.

PRAYER LUNCHEON

Sister Loretta Mellon, O.P., will be the guest speaker during a Thanksgiving prayer luncheon Monday, Nov. 24, at Sveden House, 29477 Seven Mile Road (at Middlebelt Road), Livonia. The room opens at 11 a.m. with lunch to follow at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$5.75. For reservations, call Kathleen Hollowell at (313) 427-4371 or Mary Ellen Klotz at (313) 427-0002.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mgr. John Zenz of the Archdiocese of Detroit will do a Millennium presentation, "Jesus, the Moral Teacher," at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 31530 Beechwood, Garden City. For more

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LHM radio show features Bob Keeshan

A host of colorful personalities will fill the airwaves throughout the holiday as the nationally syndicated radio talk show, "Woman to Woman," introduces a new special for the season.

The weekly half-hour program, produced by the Lutheran Hour Ministries, is heard locally at 3:30 p.m. Sundays on WAAM 1600 out of Ann Arbor and 3:30 p.m. Sundays on WEXL 1340 out of Royal Oak, both on the AM dial.

Hosted by Phyllis Wallace, the "Woman to Woman" Thanksgiving special, "Now Thank We All," will air Sunday, Nov. 23, and will feature an interview with Bob Keeshan, known to millions

as Captain Kangaroo, who has been a children's advocate for more than 50 years.

Keeshan will discuss his passion for encouraging children to be thankful for what they have and to work hard to develop their talents.

The special also offers an inspiring interview with Heather Whitestone McCallum, the first-ever physically challenged Miss America, who learned that her road to success came by her "just being herself."

Later in the season, "Woman to Woman" will broadcast a Christmas special, "Mysteries Revealed." The guest list for the Dec. 21 show includes children's

author Dandi Daley Mackall who wrote the new Lutheran Hour Ministries children's book series, featuring The Puzzle Club.

The program also includes interviews with cartoonist Charles Schulz, known for his lovable "Peanuts" characters, and Dr. Raymond Damadian, the inventor of the magnetic resonance imaging scanner.

To learn more about "Woman to Woman" and other programs from LHM, visit the "Wired With the Word" Internet site at <http://www.lhm.org>.

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GENERAL MEETING

The Congregation Beit Kodesh Sisterhood will hold a general meeting 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the synagogue, 31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Following the meeting, there will be a Hanukkah arts and crafts workshop and home celebration ideas will be shared. Guests are invited. Refreshments will be served.

The group will have its annual paid-up membership luncheon at 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at the synagogue. For entertainment, a video, "Catskills on Broadway," will be viewed.

A white elephant sale fundraiser, sponsored by the Sisterhood and the youth group, will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at the synagogue.

THANKSGIVING EVE

Good Hope Lutheran Church of Garden City and Christus Victor Lutheran Church of Dearborn Heights are holding a combined Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at Good Hope, 28680 Cherry Hill Road, Garden City. For more information, call (313) 427-3660.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills is holding a Service of Praise and Thanksgiving at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at the church, 20805 Middlebelt (at Eight Mile Road), Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 474-0675.

Faith United Methodist Church is having a community Thanksgiving Eve service 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road (south of I-94), with the Rev. Tom Cusick of St. Anthony Catholic Church preaching. Call (313) 483-2276 for more information.

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church is having a special service of praise and thanksgiving at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at the church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. The service will feature uplifting music by the church's choir, the Cherub and Choristers choirs, Sunday School children, orchestra and handbell choirs. Participants are encouraged to bring a canned food item for the Wayne County Family Shelter.

Thanksgiving Day worship

will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Canton campus, 46001 Warren Road, also featuring special music of praise and thanksgiving. Call (313) 522-6830 for more information.

A Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 13542 Mercedes Ave., east of Inkster Road and south of I-96, Redford. People attending are asked to bring at least two non-perishable food items for donation to the Redford Interfaith Relief. For more information, call (313) 538-2660.

THANKSGIVING DAY

The spirit of gratitude will be celebrated at the First Church of Christ Science, 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth at 10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27. The service will include testimonies of healing by Christian Scientists. Members of other religious denominations are invited to attend, and child care will be provided.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Archdiocesan Chorus and orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Norah Duncan IV, will be performing Handel's "Messiah" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, at Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward Ave. (at Belmont, just north of Chicago), Detroit.

Advance ticket prices are \$10 for general admission, and \$8 for

students and senior citizens. Tickets will be sold at the door on the day of the concert for \$12 or \$10. To order tickets, send a check or money order, made payable to the Cathedral Culture Series, and a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich., 48202. Ticket orders must be postmarked by no later than Monday, Nov. 24.

For more information, call (313) 237-5782.

'MOVING FORWARD'

Patricia Ann Hopkins, a master of divinity of candidate, will speak on the topic of "Moving Forward in Spite of..." at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, at the Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Hopkins will receive her cooperative master of divinity degree in the year 2000 from the Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit and the McCormick Theological Seminar in Chicago. As part of her training, she will remain at the Unity of Livonia until the spring.

DIVORCECARE

DivorceCare, a special video seminar and support group, has begun a 13-week session, 7:15-9:15 p.m. Sundays at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon Road, Canton Township. The series features nationally recognized experts covering such topics as "Facing Your Anger," "Fac-

ing Your Loneliness," "Depression," "New Relationships," and "Forgiveness." Child care is available. Call (313) 459-3333 for more information.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Advent Worship Services will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesdays Dec. 3, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills. A soup and salad dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. A Christmas Fantasia Cantata will be presented at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19. For more information, call (248) 474-0675.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road (east of Merriman Road), Livonia, continues with its monthly speaker series on Thursday, Dec. 4, with the program "Handling the Holidays" and on Jan. 8 with "Moving On." There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need.

For more information, call the church office at (313) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (313) 462-3770.

HOLIDAY PARTY

The 50-Plus Club at Redford Baptist Church will have its annual holiday party at noon Thursday, Dec. 4. The event will feature a catered luncheon, music by the Jubilee Trio, a

sing-along, and a visit from St. Nick. Call (313) 533-2300 for reservations before Friday, Nov. 28. Transportation is available.

'THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS'

Temple Baptist Church will present its annual musical production, "The Glory of Christmas: A Holiday of Hope," at 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays Dec. 6, 12-13, and 19-20, and at 6 p.m. Sundays Dec. 7, 14, and 21, at the church, 49555 N. Territorial, Plymouth. Tickets are priced \$6 to \$10 and can be purchased at the church's ticket office, by mail (orders will be processed until 10 days prior to the performance), or Visa/MasterCard by calling the ticket hotline at (313) 414-3980. No children younger than age 4 will be admitted to the performances. A special performance for the deaf and hearing impaired will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4. Tickets are \$10. For more information about that show, call TTY (313) 414-3992 from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays for reservations.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

St. Aidan Youth Group is raising funds in December by selling the Entertainment Ultimate Book which contains discounts on dining, travel, shopping, movies, special events and sports. The books cost \$40 with a portion of the proceeds going to help fund youth conferences and workshops. For more informa-

tion, call (313) 425-5950 or (313) 425-9333.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK

St. Michael's Orthodox Church, 26355 W. Chicago Road (between Beech Daly and Inkster roads), Redford, is hosting a cookie walk sale from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6. Cookies will be sold by the pound.

ADVENT COMMUNION BREAKFAST

The Detroit Presbyterian Men's Council is hosting its 17th annual Advent Communion Breakfast at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort St. at Third Street, Detroit. The guest speaker will be Lewis T. Hickson, the executive director of the Capuchin Fathers Outreach and Soup Kitchen Programs. Tickets are \$6 and are available from the Detroit Presbytery office. For more information, call (313) 345-6550 or George Irwin at (313) 425-3024.

ADVENT RETREAT

Madonna University in Livonia will hold an Advent Retreat, "Hold Fast to the Hope," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at the campus Residence Hall and Chapel. The Rev. Patrick Halfpenny, vice rector of Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit, will be the facilitator for the event. The cost is \$12 and includes lunch and refreshments. For more information, call (313) 432-5419.

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ted a more serious "offense." If that case sounds a bit convoluted, one down in Houston, Texas, was more clear-cut. A 13-year-old honor student at Riverwood Middle School drew a one-day suspension after bringing a bottle of Advil to school in her backpack. Both the girl and her mother said she had put the Advil in the backpack the night before when she had a headache and went to a friend's house for a sleepover.

She forgot about the contraband until the next day when a drug-sniffing dog (Yes, that's right, a drug-sniffing dog!) sniffed it out while going through students' belongings. In addition to the one-day suspension, the girl's grade on her Spanish honors test was reduced 20 percent (in accordance with the district's drug policy) bringing her overall grade in the class to a C.

In regard to the incident, a school board member was quoted as saying: "Nothing is more important than keeping drugs off campus."

Students in the 23,000-student district are required to take all medications - except for cough drops - in the presence of a school official and then only with a parent's permission.

But it's just a drop ...

If that policy seems a bit strict, it might have benefited another junior high student, this one in Belle, W.Va., who was suspended for three days earlier this month after giving another student - you guessed it - a cough drop.

Strictly speaking, what he handed out was a zinc throat lozenge, a relatively new over-the-counter medication that is supposed to reduce the length and severity of the common cold.

The lozenges have become so popular that an Arbor Drugs spokesman called them "the Elmo of health care." Stores can't keep them on the shelves. A Canton pharmacist says you shouldn't use them on an empty stomach or they can produce nausea, but other than that he knows of no adverse side effects.

But the West Virginia school nurse claimed the zinc could cause anything from abdominal problems to breathing problems and the principal didn't like the way the lozenge looked. He said it "wasn't a candy-colored cough drop. It was an unidentified tablet, a large pill, kind of dirty white with granules on it. It had no appearance of a cough drop at all."

He said if it had been a clearly marked Hall's cough drop, the student wouldn't have been suspended. Well, now Hall's has come out with candy-colored, clearly marked Hall's Zinc Lozenges. Would that really have made a difference with the nurse and the principal? Probably not.

"We shouldn't and don't have to determine if this was a narcotic," the principal said. "There has to be zero tolerance for kids not following the procedures in our attempts to protect them from something harmful."

In Loudoun County, Va., "something harmful" apparently includes mouthwash. A high

school senior was suspended for 10 days last year after taking a swig of Cool Mint Listerine in class.

Nutritious snack or ...

And a 13-year-old middle schooler in Anchorage, Alaska, created a real uproar when she brought some roasted hemp seeds to school, seeds she and her father had bought at the Straight and Narrow Hemp Store in downtown Anchorage. The school at first suspended her for 10 days, then put the suspension on hold until the seeds could be tested to determine if they were a nutritious snack similar to sunflower seeds, as the store claimed, or an illegal drug containing THC, the hallucinatory chemical in marijuana.

And while schools continue their rigorous enforcement of these mandatory "zero tolerance" policies, suspensions and expulsions continue to increase, some school boards are beginning to complain that they are spending more time dealing with disciplinary actions than with school policy.

But a spokeswoman for that school district in Texas - the one that brought out the Advil-sniffing dog - says such policies are just designed to protect students from harm. Call it "Midol Madness." We must protect the children from harm, even if we have to destroy them in the process.

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Jack Gladden, a copy editor at the Observer Newspapers, is a Canton resident.

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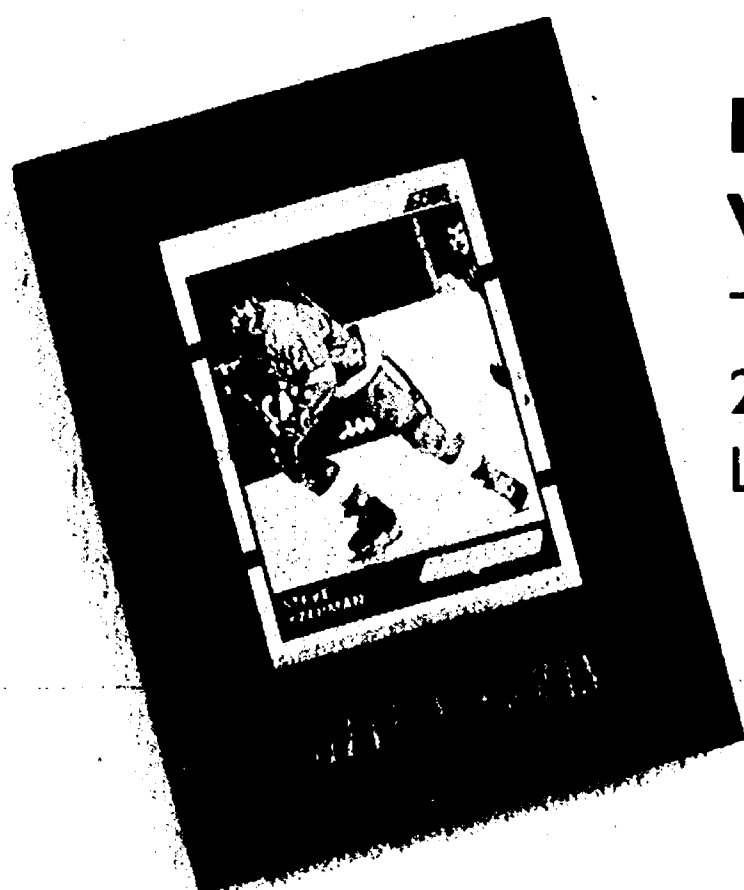


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HARRIS-KEHRER

The Ladies Auxiliary of Harris-Kehrer VFW Post 3323 will have its annual arts and crafts bazaar Saturday, Nov. 22, at the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call Pam Janis at (313) 721-6304.

HOMESPUN TRADITIONS

Homespun Traditions will have its arts and craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Summit on the Park, Summit Parkway between Palmer and Cherry Hill roads, Canton. Americana, folk art, Christmas quilts and pleasures will be featured. Admission will be \$2. For more information, call (313) 513-5769 or (313) 397-6800.

ST. AGATHA

St. Agatha's Women's Club will have its Fall Boutique 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 22 in the gymnasium of the school, 19750 Beech Daly, Redford. There will be crafts, bake sale, raffle, snack bar and Beanie Babies. For more information, call Marion at (313) 534-0914.

PRCUA SYRENA

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

ST. PETER AND PAUL

Sts. Peter and Paul Romanian Orthodox Church will have its ninth annual arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 22 at the church, 750 N. Beech Daly Road, Dearborn Heights. There will be a raffle, bake sale and lunch, featuring ethnic food. Admission will be \$1. For more information, call (313) 381-4913 or (313) 525-3559.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

Bethlehem Lutheran Church will have its annual bazaar 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at the church, 35300 W. Eight Mile Road, west of Gill Road, Farmington Hills. There will be handmade crafts, white elephant, book and bake sales, raffle and homemade pickles, jams and jellies. Raffle prizes include a handmade quilt and designer doll. For more information, call (248) 478-6520.

ST. VALENTINE

St. Valentine Parent/Teacher Club's sixth annual holiday craft shoppe will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 22 in the school activity building at Hope Street and Beech Daly, Redford. There will be more than 50 crafters, country kitchen and bake sale. Two holiday raffles will be held, one with a first prize of a 27-inch television and second prize of Detroit Red Wing tickets, and hourly 50/50 cash raffles. Proceeds will benefit the children of St. Valentine Parish and School. Admission will be \$1. For more information, call (313) 255-6825.

ST. EDITH

Cookbook raises funds for parade

Along with Thanksgiving feasts, America's Thanksgiving Parade has long been a tradition for Detroit-area residents.

This year, the two traditions come together as The Parade Company releases "Traditions: America's Thanksgiving Parade Cookbook," a collection of favorite recipes from Detroit personalities.

The book - put together by Linda Hayman, a Parade Foundation trustee, and Annabel Cohen, a chef and food writer - features family recipes from area celebrities such as Tim Allen of "Home Improvement," Mayor Dennis Archer and Judge Trudy DunCombe Archer, radio personality Ken Calvert, Gov. and Mrs. John Engler, Denise Ilitch Lites and TV newsmen Mort Crim, Carmen Harlan, Chuck Gaidica and Devin Scillian.

"Traditions: America's Thanksgiving Parade Cookbook" is available for \$10 (plus \$3 shipping and handling) by calling (313) 923-COOK. All proceeds benefit The Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation, producers of America's Thanksgiving Parade.

St. Edith Parish of Livonia is hosting a "craft mall" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, at the parish hall, 16089 Newburgh (south of Five Mile Road), Livonia. The mall features crafts made by artisans from around the world. Gift wrapping paper, ribbon and refreshments will also be for sale. Admission is free. Call (313) 464-2027 for more information.

SENIOR HOUSE

Senior House of Livonia will have its eighth annual Christmas bazaar 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 4, at the retirement residences, 11526 Farmington Road, south of Plymouth Road. There will be a bake sale, white elephant booth, new gift items, decorations and ornaments. For more information, call (313) 425-3050.

ST. KEVIN'S

St. Kevin's Church will have an Christmas bazaar 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, in the church social hall, 30053 Parkwood, Inkster. Table rental will be \$15. There will be artists and crafters, Santa's living room,

bake sale, lunch and snacks and hourly raffles. For more information, call (313) 728-2470 or (313) 595-1305.

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL

"Treats and Treasures," a sale at Meadowbrook Congregational Church, will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at the church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi. Holiday cookies and other baked goods, Christmas decorations, jewelry, attic treasures and cutlery will be featured. Admission is free. For more information, (248) 348-

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BISHOP BORGESS

Bishop Borgess High School still has table space available for its 17th annual holiday bazaar on Sunday, Dec. 7, at the school, 11685 Appleton, Redford. For more information, call Amy Nanni at (313) 255-1100.

PLYMOUTH PARKS

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department still has openings in its annual arts and crafts 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 6 and noon-5 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525

Farmer St., Plymouth. Admission and parking are free. For more information, call show director Carol Donnelly at (313) 455-6620.

UNITY OF LIVONIA

Unity of Livonia is hosting a Christmas bazaar and bake sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, and Sunday, Dec. 15, at the church, 28660 Five Mile Road, Livonia. There will be crafts, tree ornaments, and other items available for Christmas. For more information, call (313) 421-1760.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

McMullens rule 8K race

The husband and wife team of Paul and Jill McMullen came away winners in the first annual Wayne County Lightfest 8-kilometer run Tuesday in Hines Park. Each won \$100.

The race drew over 500 runners. Proceeds benefitted Friends of Wayne County Parks and the American Heart Association.

Paul McMullen, a former NCAA champion from Eastern Michigan University who represented the U.S. in the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, Ga. in the 1,500-meter run, won the event in 24 minutes, 19 seconds. He is a native of Cadillac.

His wife Jill, who represented the U.S. last summer at 800 meters (placing ninth) in the World Championships in Athens, Greece, was the women's winner in 30:01. She is a product of Western Michigan University.

Collegiate notes

•Kalamazoo College had two area players named to the second-team All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association football team.

Senior defensive back Eric Kelly (Livonia Churchill), who broke up 11 passes and ranked fourth on the Hornets in tackles (41), was named along with sophomore tackle Nick Lachapelle (Redford Catholic) Central, who was second in sacks (3.5) and third in tackles for loss (nine for minus-43). Lachapelle was also named MIAA defensive player of the week (Oct. 18).

•Michigan State University freshman goaltender Joe Blackburn (Livonia Churchill) earned the victory in his first collegiate hockey appearance Nov. 14 as the Spartans defeated Mankato State (Minn.), 5-2.

Blackburn faced just 13 shot in the victory, making 11 saves.

MSU is 9-1-2 overall and 5-1-1 in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association and is the consensus No. 1 team in the nation this week.

Tournament time



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACQFIELD

Above the crowd: Wayne Memorial's Tonya Crawford scored a game-high 19 points Monday in a 52-38 victory over rival Westland John Glenn in the Class A district tournament opener at Garden City High School. See roundup on C2.

Wayne Memorial escapes Franklin

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Wayne Memorial and Belleville have locked district final horns for years in boys basketball.

And now the girls get their chance on Friday in the championship game at Garden City.

Wayne, overcoming a 22-point and 11-rebound performance by Livonia Franklin sophomore center Tera Morrill, advanced through Wednesday's semifinal round with a hard-fought 46-41 victory.

It was the fourth straight victory for the Zebras, now 7-14 overall.

Belleville, behind Ryann Kilgore's 15 points, improved to 20-2 on the year with a 39-21 victory over Romulus (18-3 overall) in the first game of a double-header.

Friday's final starts at 7 p.m.

"In my estimation, Belleville (of the Mega-Blue) could have easily competed in our division (Mega-Red)," said Wayne first-year coach Matt Godfrey. "They're big and strong. They didn't play particularly well tonight, but I'm sure they'll be ready for us on Friday."

Wayne overcame a 35-33 third-quarter deficit by outscoring Franklin 13-6 in the decisive final period.

Junior forward Tonya Crawford's steal and layup with exactly three minutes to go enabled Wayne to pull ahead by three points, 43-40, and the Zebras would never look back.

Freshman point-guard Ericka Davis, who led Wayne in scoring with 13 points, made a pair of free throws with just under 16 seconds remaining to seal the verdict.

Wayne won despite making only 10 of 25 free throws (40 percent), 18 of 56 shots from the floor (33 percent) and 18 turnovers.

"We'll take it," Godfrey said. "To be honest, that's about what we shoot at the free throw line."

"And most teams who have played us this year have used zone pressure. And

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for us, sometimes it comes out good and other times it comes out bad."

Morrill, a 5-11 left-hander, scored 10 of her 22 points during the second quarter as Franklin took a 22-20 lead at intermission.

"She's the best we've played against this year because she can do it inside and outside," Godfrey said of Morrill. "I had no idea she was a sophomore. She's a pretty good player."

Franklin, which shot only 30.1 percent from the field (16 of 53), went ice cold during the final eight minutes, converting on just two of 15 shots.

The Patriots' last lead was 40-39 with 4:46 left on a basket by Julie Cencer, who finished with nine points.

"We felt the key to the game was getting on the boards and we didn't do a very good job of it," Franklin coach Gary Warner said. "Those second and third shots hurt us."

"And we made some key turnovers down the stretch. (Franklin had 20 on the night)."

Wayne's front line of 5-11 Natalie Garrison (10 points), 6-0 Beth Molitor (six points) and 5-11 Crawford put Franklin at a disadvantage.

"I felt good about the matchups and the refs let us be physical," Godfrey said. "We go after it on the glass until the refs blow the whistle."

"Tonight we really did fight hard. We had lost a lot of games like this."

For Franklin, it marked the end of the careers of four senior starters — Julie Warner (eight points), Cencer, Lori Rynkiewicz and Lori Jendrusik.

"This was a hard game, especially because it's the end," Warner said. "I've coached those four since CYO and I've seen them grow from girls into mature young ladies."

"Overall they're a good bunch, and I'm proud of them."

Blazers oust Stevenson

BY SCOTT DANIEL
STAFF WRITER

Sarah Poglits made basketball look like an easy game to play Monday night.

The 6-foot Ladywood senior center dominated in a 59-36 Class A district opening win over cross town rival Livonia Stevenson by scoring 22 points. She also made steals, blocked shots and found open teammates with passes.

"She did a good job of hitting shots when we needed them," Blazers' coach Andrea Gorski said.

Poglits established position in the low post early and then hit a variety of six and eight-footers from the baseline and around the basket.

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Stevenson coach Wayne Henry said his team needed to deny Poglits the basketball, but couldn't.

"When you let her get the ball," he commented, "she's going to score."

Henry said Ladywood beat his team in every category Monday.

"There isn't any part of the game we executed properly," he added.

Stevenson closes the year at 11-10, while Ladywood, which advanced to Wednesday's second-round game versus Southfield, improved to 9-11.

As for Monday's game, Steven-

son played the Blazers just about even in the first quarter.

Ladywood took a 13-8 lead on a Poglits jump shot at 2:24. But the Spartans rallied with baskets from Melissa Backus and Carolyn Courtright to make it a 13-12 game by the end of the period.

That's as close as Stevenson would come, however. Ladywood took control of the game in the second quarter despite some sloppy play.

Poglits scored the first six points of the period as the Blazers took a 19-12 advantage at the 4:55 mark. Ladywood missed opportunities to make the game a rout by not converting on Spartan turnovers.

"Our defense kept us in the game," said Gorski. "We struggled offensively in our half-court set."

Ladywood took a 25-16 advantage by halftime.

Stevenson tried to battle back in the third period. Every time Ladywood pushed the lead to 11, the Spartans would come back and cut it to nine.

But that's as far as the rally would go.

"We had a couple of mini runs," Henry said, "but then we'd give up an offensive put-back that would take the momentum away."

Ladywood junior forward Elena Sventickas was the rally killer as she scored all seven of her points in the third quarter. The Blazers led 43-27 by the end of the period and were never challenged in the fourth.

Despite the win, Gorski said her team needed to step up its effort to win the district.

"We'll have to play a lot smarter (against Southfield)," she added.

Besides Poglits' 22 points, Erin Hayden added nine and Sventickas chipped in with seven.

For Stevenson, Stephanie Dulz had 10 points and Courtright added eight.

Ladywood easily defeats Southfield to reach final. See page C2.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Protecting the ball: Ladywood's Erin Hayden (left) tries to swing around Stevenson defender Lindsay Gusick.

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STATE GIRLS DISTRICT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

Crawford, Davis lift Zebras, 52-38

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Tonya Crawford did her usual number on Westland John Glenn in Monday's Class A district basketball opener at Garden City.

The junior forward from Wayne Memorial, who scored 28 points and grabbed 12 rebounds in a 48-31 win over the Rockets back in September, finished with a game-high 19 points as the Zebras advanced in the state tournament with a 52-38 triumph.

But this time Crawford had some help, most notably freshman point-guard Ericka Davis who chipped in with 11 points.

"I feel our team is coming together at the right time," said first-year Wayne coach Matt Godfrey, whose team improved to 6-14 overall. "We struggled the first 10 games and we lost some close games."

"But the biggest difference has been Davis. She's not a freshman anymore. She's played 20 games for us."

Davis played a steady floor game as Wayne raced out to a 16-4 lead after one quarter before going into the locker room at halftime ahead 31-12.

"Ericka has helped relieve the pressure off of (senior) Natalie Garrison as far as handling the ball," Godfrey said. "Now when we get a chance to run, that's right up our alley. And when we're able to do that we're a decent team."

The 5-11 Crawford, who jumps well and finishes most of her shots inside, scored 16 of her 19 points in the middle two quarters.

"I've never coached a girl with that kind of athletic ability," Godfrey said. "She can grab the rim and she runs the

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floor faster than any player we have."

Beth Molitor added six points for Wayne.

Samantha Crews, a sophomore, led Glenn with 11 points, while Jayonna Akins added nine. Bridget Hensley and LaToya Chandler contributed seven and six, respectively.

"Wayne moved very well on offense," Lloyd said. "And number 13 (Davis) has improved. She didn't play like a freshman. She took care of the ball and she took it to the basket."

Despite trailing by as many as 25 points in the third quarter, Lloyd refused to quit.

With just under three minutes to play, Hensley suffered a severe gash to her forehead when she crashed to the floor while hustling down the floor chasing a Wayne dribbler.

"We've tried to develop a trademark that no matter what the scoreboard says, we want to give four quarters of effort," Lloyd said. "And Bridget's effort at the end was typical for her and her teammates."

After going 1-20 a year ago, Glenn finished this season with a 3-18 mark. Everybody returns next season with the exception of senior Mishelle Sanders.

"We have had a successful season," Lloyd said. "Our measuring stick is not the win-loss column."

"We believe we've taken steps in the right direction to turn it around. My hope during the off-season is that we're as active and productive, and not to put to waste the effort we put in this season."

Ladywood vs. Redford in final

Livonia Ladywood will try and defend its Class A district girls basketball title Friday night at home.

The host Blazers improved to 10-11 overall with a 54-29 district semifinal victory Wednesday over Southfield High.

Ladywood will take on Detroit Redford, beginning at 7 p.m., for the title.

Redford (7-8) advanced with a 38-33 triumph over Redford Union behind junior guard Melissa Adams' 20 points.

Sarah Poglits led the victors with 12 points, while Meryl Denton contributed 11 points, including a pair of three-pointers. Sheryl Wroblewski added seven.

Ladywood led 19-6 after one quarter and increased its lead to 40-12 at halftime.

Southfield, which bowed out at 4-16 overall, got eight points from Jennifer Kelson.

GRASS LAKE 52, HURON VALLEY 29: Sarah Kimball tossed in 20 points Wednesday as the Warriors (10-11)

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earned the Class D district victory over Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (7-14).

A 26-10 second-quarter run by Grass Lake sealed the Hawks' fate.

Two of Huron Valley's post players — Sara Tacia and Stephanie Graves — each picked three early first-half fouls.

"We got killed on the boards," Huron Valley coach Allan Ruth said. "We're a young team and we lack height as it is."

"They (Grass Lake) have five seniors. They overpowered us."

Stacie Graves, a sophomore guard, led Huron Valley with eight points.

"I'm very proud of them," Ruth said. "We're building for the future. And if we keep together, we'll be good in a couple of years."

Season ends

Warriors, C'ville, Churchill exit

Lutheran High Westland was a first-round casualty Monday in the Class C district girls basketball district at Riverview Gabriel Richard.

Senior center Megan Helstowski scored 21 points and Katie McCabe scored 13 points to lead Allen Park Cabrini past the Warriors, 48-39.

Lutheran Westland bows out with a 12-9 overall record, while Cabrini upped its record to 9-12.

"After a 1-6 start and end up 12-9 I'm quite pleased because they could have quit on me," Lutheran Westland coach Ron Gentz said. "We played them tough and I'm very pleased."

Lutheran Westland couldn't get over a sluggish first-quarter as Cabrini led 14-7.

"We were real tentative in the first quarter, but then the girls picked up pretty good intensity," Gentz said. "I don't like to lose, but they gave it their best effort."

Junior forward Hana Hughes led Lutheran Westland with 10 points, while junior forward Jenny Schulz and junior center Anna Schewecke added eight and seven, respectively. (Schewecke fouled out.)

It was also the final game for seniors Kierra Decker, Cheryl Polkinghorne, Michelle Wiersig and Sarah Hoffmeier.

BORGESS 72, CLARENCEVILLE 17: A team should never go into a game thinking it'll lose. But sometimes you have to be realistic, too.

Going up against one of the state's best basketball teams on its home court, Livonia Clarenceville coach Rosie Marano told her team to simply do its best.

"I told them this would be a learning experience," she added. "I just wanted them to be patient offensively, play defense and play their game."

Redford Bishop Borgess (19-1) did dominate. But Marano said she was proud of her team's effort.

"Nobody quit," she said. "Everyone hustled."

Michelle Berry scored eight points to lead Clarenceville (4-17). Tiffany Simon had 23 for Borgess while three players added nine.

NOVI 61, CHURCHILL 61: Livonia Churchill fell behind by 10 points in the first quarter and then tried to play catch up the rest of the way.

Novi, which is hosting the district, led 27-16 by halftime. The Chargers rallied in the third quarter and cut the deficit to three midway through the period.

Coach Dave Balog said pressure defense brought his team back.

"They couldn't deal with our speed and pressing defense," he added. "We were much quicker than them."

But Novi (15-6) was able to hang on and take the victory. Kristen Kearney led the Wildcats with 17 points.

For Churchill (10-11), Kersten Conklin scored 18 points and Andrea Galindo added nine.

WEEK AHEAD

STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Saturday, Nov. 22
(Class AA semifinal)

Redford CC vs. S.H. Stevenson

at Pt. Huron Mem. Stadium, 1 p.m.

(Class A semifinal)

Harrison vs. Birm. Seaholm

at Rochester H.S., 1 p.m.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL DISTRICT FINALS

CLASS A

at GARDEN CITY

Friday, Nov. 21: Wayne Memorial vs. Belleville, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ypsilanti-Lincoln regional semifinal vs. Temperance-Redford district champion.)

at NOVI

Friday, Nov. 21: Plymouth Canton vs. Novi, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Plymouth Salem regional semifinal vs. Detroit Mumford district champion.)

at LIVONIA LADYWOOD

Friday, Nov. 21: Livonia Ladywood vs. Detroit Redford, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield regional semifinal vs. Detroit Cady district champion.)

at BLOOMFIELD HILLS LAHSER

Friday, Nov. 21: North Farmington vs. West Bloomfield, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Plymouth Salem regional semifinal vs. Birmingham Groves district champion.)

CLASS C

at REDFORD BISHOP BORGESS

Thursday, Nov. 20: Redford Bishop Borgess vs. Detroit Communication & Media Arts, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Petersburg-Summerfield regional semifinal vs. Riverview Gabriel Richard district champion.)

PREP HOCKEY

Friday, Nov. 21

Stevenson vs. Northville.

Franklin vs. Dexter

at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 4 & 6 p.m.

Redford CC vs. Red Wing Alumni

at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 22

Churchill at Trenton, 7:15 p.m.

Redford CC vs. Southgate

at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday, Nov. 20

Mich. Christian at Madonna, 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 21

(Monroe, N.Y. Scholars'Nip Tourney)

Schoolcraft vs. Gloucester, N.J., TBA

Saturday, Nov. 22

Schoolcraft at Monroe Tourney, TBA

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Saturday, Nov. 22

Taylor (Ind.) at Madonna, 2 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Nov. 21

Whalers at London, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 22

Whalers at Erie, 7:30 p.m.

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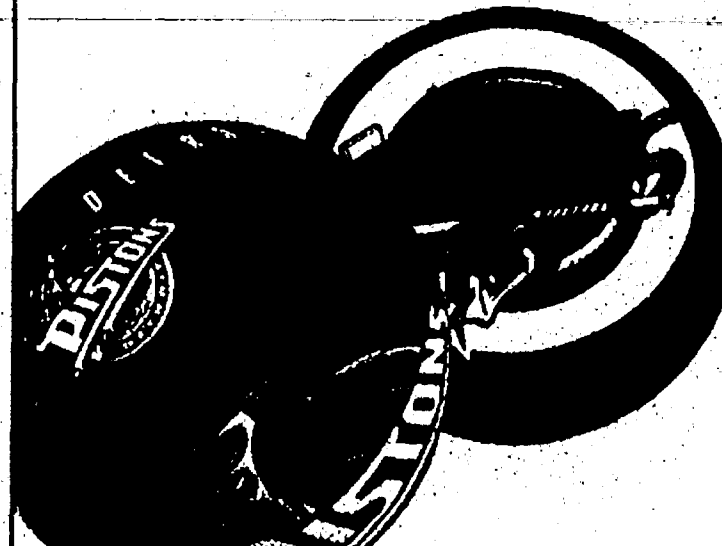
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Shamrocks bowl over Troy

BY JIM TOTH
STAFF WRITER

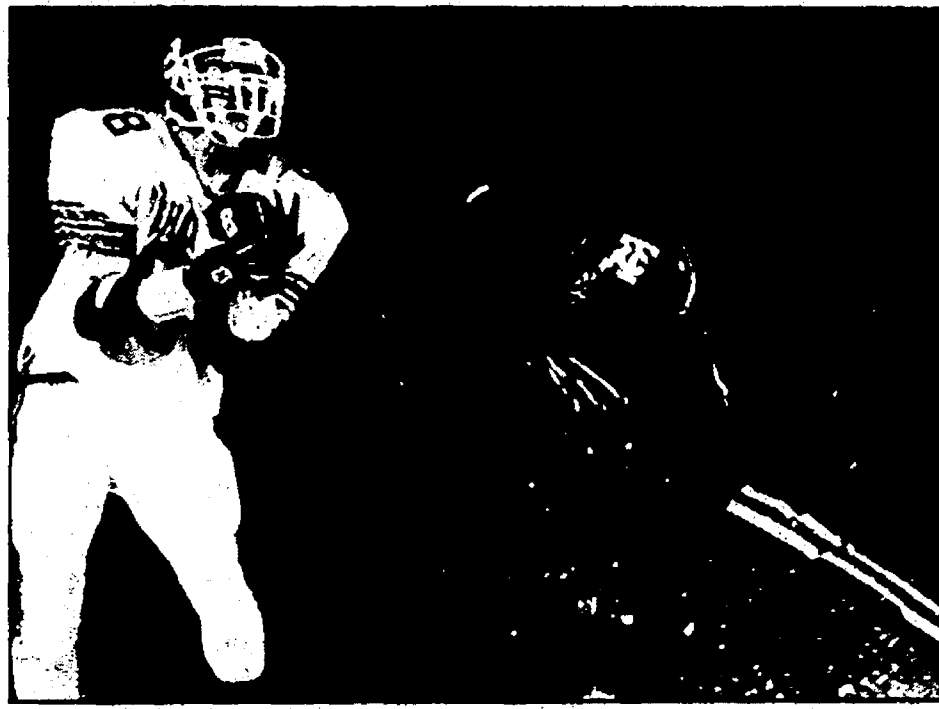
What is it about Troy and Redford Catholic Central that brings out the fury in Mother Nature?

For the third time in the past six years, these two perennial powers met on the gridiron in state tournament competition in pursuit of that coveted state championship. And for the third time in as many years, the weather was better suited for the state ski finals than the football playoffs.

With a stiff breeze blowing and snow covering the playing field Saturday at Troy High, the Shamrocks, as they had in their past two meetings with the Colts, appeared better equipped for the task at hand. Riding the right arm of senior quarterback Adam Tubaro, the Shamrocks stayed alive in tourney play by hanging a 21-3 defeat on the heads of the Colts in the Class AA Region 3 final.

With the win, CC, now 10-1, moves onto state semifinal play Saturday at Port Huron Memorial Stadium. On tap for the Shamrocks will be undefeated Sterling Heights Stevenson, a 42-21 winner Saturday over Rochester Adams in Region 4 final play.

The loss put an end to another



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

TD catch: Catholic Central tight end Don Slankster hauls in the pass over Troy defender Tom Kalbfleisch.

highly successful season by the Colts that included a perfect regular-season ledger and victory in the opening round of tournament play.

Coach Tom Mach's Shamrocks seemed unfazed by both the weather conditions and the vaunted Colts' defense as they took the opening kick-off and marched 80 yards in 11 plays for a touchdown. Tubaro connected

with senior Don Slankster for the final 15 yards.

The Colts came right back on their first drive with a scoring chance of their own. But Mark Boehms' short field goal attempt went wide leaving the Colts still trailing by seven.

The margin remained the same until late in the third quarter when Boehms' redeemed himself with a 30-yard three-

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pointer. With the Colts trailing 7-3 and the Shamrocks facing a fourth-and-three from the Troy 37, coach Gary Griffith's specialty team was whistled for a roughing the kicker call with 7:30 remaining. Tubaro and the Shamrocks' offense took advantage of the mistake by scoring their second six-pointer of the game. Again it was Tubaro and Slankster teaming up from 15 yards out.

Tubaro's third scoring strike — a 37-yard pass to senior Joe Jonna — iced the game with 2:05 remaining.

"We played hard, we just made too many mistakes," Griffith said.

Senior Chris Dueweke paced the CC ground game with 93 yards in 20 carries.

Troy senior running back Jim Essian, playing in his last varsity game totaled 93 yards, but was held without a touchdown for the first time this season.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

YOUTH SOCCER CHAMPS

The Livonia Family Y Jets, an under-9 boys team coached by Gary Niemczak and Kevin Winters, recently captured a division championship in the Western Suburban Soccer League with an 8-0 record.

Members of the Jets include: Evan Chapman, Andrew Eschaki, David Herbeck, James Jordan, Zak Katikos, Jeff Kliman, Jacob McDonald, Kurtis McQuade, Kevin Murphy, Bryon Niemczak, David St. Amant, Matt Winters, Chris Yackley and Ben Ziegler.

ADULT SOCCER CHAMPS

The Livonia Bullets recently won a championship in Division I over-30 Michigan United Soccer League. The team won over-30 cup and the league title as well.

The Bullets posted a 10-1-1 record scoring 52 goals and allowing just 13.

Team members include: Peter Chapman, Dan Turner, Larry Greene, Pierre Lamarre, Pasko Polisevic, Paul Ashworth, Gary Mexicotte, Boris Andrikos, Tom

Derdelakos, Marko Doljevic, Joseph Bernardini, Setrak Mordiroian, Gordon Wells, Vierel Stavar, Emanuele Murva, Rick Hamers, Gary Reynolds, Russ Gans, Steven Collins, Saio Becovic and Rich Koszowski.

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Sterling Heights next for CC

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

And now he has to worry about the pass.

Next to getting home safely, that's the first thing Sterling Heights Stevenson football coach Rick Bye thought Saturday night after watching Redford Catholic Central defeat host Troy 21-3 in a snowstorm for the Class AA region III championship.

The Titans, who couldn't stop CC's punishing ground game in a 29-13 loss two years ago in the Class AA semifinals, are just as worried about the Shamrocks' air attack this time.

The two teams meet in another Class AA playoff semifinal at 1 p.m. Saturday at Port Huron Memorial Stadium.

"I don't know if you're ever prepared to play those guys," Stevenson coach Rick Bye said. "They're really sound. And now they throw more, are more versatile, give you more to defend. I thought they played a pretty smart game, with short passes. They still have a big fullback (Chris Dueweke) and a big quarterback (Adam Tubaro) who did a nice job in the snow."

Stevenson, which lost to Walled Lake Western, 34-18, in last year's state championship game, gives the Shamrocks some worries as well.

For starters, the Titans are 11-0, and haven't been challenged since the season opener against East Kentwood. After jumping to a big lead, the Titans had to hold on and beat the Falcons, 31-30.

Stevenson has recorded three shutouts and outscored 10 opponents, 374-83, since.

Its two running backs, senior Joe Alls and junior Mike Ten-

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nessee, have combined for 3,100 yards. Junior quarterback Kurt Hunsanger has been effective, completing 60 of 110 passes for 1,176 yards.

CC senior linebacker Joe Sgroi, the Shamrocks' leading tackler, said Alls and Tennessee look as dangerous as Orchard Lake St. Mary's backs Ty Washington and Rico Epps. St. Mary's handed CC its only loss in 11 games, 24-20.

"They're a little bigger than the guys from St. Mary's but they're quick, too," Sgroi said.

Cass Przybylski, a 6-foot-3, 255-pound senior, is the Titans' only two-way lineman who returns after sitting out last week's 42-21 win over Rochester Adams with the flu. Martin Berishaj, a 6-5, 260-pound senior tackle, is a standout on the offensive line.

Jon Bracci, a 6-0, 180-pound senior, is the Titans' leader in the defensive secondary and also handles the punting and kickoffs.

The Titans' dominance of opponents made it difficult for CC when it came time to ask for films to watch.

"You can't find a game except maybe the first where they hadn't beaten a team by 21 points," CC coach Tom Mach said. "Their backs are better than two years ago and that makes them a better football team. They can score from anywhere on the field. Their defense is big, shut most teams down pretty well."

Bye said CC's quickness on defense is a concern. He mentioned 6-1, 190-pound junior tackle John Abshire, who has a team-

high seven sacks, in particular.

"Every play a different kid pops up at you," Bye said. "That number 46 looks kind of like a wrestler, has great balance, strength. He looks to be in the right spot a lot of times. Both ends (Mike Carroll and Brian Beardsley) are real solid. Their tackles (Lou Willoughby and Chuck Spolsky) are not huge, but strong."

"They've good good linebackers (Sgroi and Casey Rogowski) too and that (Dave) Lusky is a good, physical kid. That's how teams win in AA football. Put together a good defense and the offense comes along as the season goes on."

CC senior fullback Chris Dueweke had 95 yards on 21 carries against Troy and leads the Shamrocks with 939 yards on 209 carries (a 4.5 average per carry). Senior tight end Don Slankster had two touchdown catches of 14 yards each against Troy and leads CC with 24 receptions for 431 yards.

Senior wide receiver Joe Jonna has 20 catches for 307 yards and three TDs. The bulk of the praise goes to Tubaro, who has thrown only one interception in 143 attempts.

He has completed 76 passes for 1,059 yards and 14 TDs.

"I think Adam's done a tremendous job," Mach said. "As the quarterback, he's been the leader for our team and I think he's one of the best around. This is the 'Year of the Quarterback' and he hasn't gotten a lot of publicity. But he's thrown over 1,000 yards and has one interception. That's pretty darn good."

Hawks fly past Ypsilanti, 38-0

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

"Let it snow; let it snow; let it snow!"

It wasn't the Farmington Harrison glee club singing that song Saturday but the school's undefeated football team.

The Hawks could've cared less about the poor weather conditions for their Class A playoff game with Ypsilanti.

Harrison (11-0) had the right solution for the snow and mud that covered Buller Field as it rolled to a 38-0 victory in the Region 3 championship game.

The Hawks played smash-mouth football and used an effective power game to crush the Braves (9-2).

Getting a big push from its big offensive line, Harrison amassed 222 of its 274 total yards, as well as five touchdowns, on the ground.

"We ran the power-I and the offensive line was pretty dominant," Harrison coach John Herrington said. "We ran three or four basic plays and kept pounding it at them."

Senior Zack Cornwell continued his post-season scoring rampage with 26 points on three touchdown runs, five extra points and a 30-yard field goal.

Senior Chris Ghannam and junior Matt Reed scored the other TDs on runs of 4 and 8

yards.

"We knew the game would be won or lost with the people up front," Ypsilanti coach Dan Brown said. "That's the first time anybody has controlled the ball like they did. We couldn't get any penetration."

Junior Ricky Bryant returned the opening kickoff 45 yards to the Ypsilanti 35, but Harrison's first possession ended with an interception at the 13.

Junior Brett Foster blocked the Ypsilanti punt, and the Hawks had just 22 yards to cover in six plays. Cornwell scored on runs of 1 and 4 yards in the first half.

The Hawks scored on their next three possessions, starting at the Ypsi 43, Harrison 49 and Ypsi 40. The drives consisted of seven, five and four plays, respectively. The score was 28-0 at halftime.

"They had the long kickoff return to start the game, and that gave them all the momentum right there," Brown said. "We wanted to throw our defense out there and see what kind of tempo we had to set, and they got off to a fast start."

Cornwell, who rushed for 90 yards on nine carries, kicked the field goal early in the third quarter and ran 34 yards for the final TD at the start of the fourth.

"The Grubbers were terrific;

they set the tone early and kept pounding away," Herrington said. "We have some speed, too, that we couldn't use. But the field conditions were in our favor for the power game today."

The Braves never crossed midfield and had just four first downs. They were held to 57 yards rushing and 66 total.

Ypsilanti was minus two backfield starters because of injury—fullback Shane Bradford (ankle) and wingback Andrae Brooks (knee).

"When speed is your best asset, it didn't help the field was as slippery as it was," Brown said. "Even when we did have a hole, they closed it quickly."

"Once we couldn't control the line of scrimmage, we knew we had to have something else happen to generate some offense, and it didn't happen."

"We had to get on the corners; that's how we were going to beat them. They were better inside and going straight ahead."

Ghannam rushed for a game-high 94 yards on 19 carries, Reed 33 on five. Senior Jared Hopkins completed four of 12 passes for 52 yards.

Ypsilanti's Patrick Kendrick gained 26 yards on eight carries. Jesse Gandley was 2-of-10 passing for nine yards and was intercepted twice by Jason Sharp and Cory Davis.

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CLASS A FOOTBALL SEMIFINALS: HARRISON VS. SEAHOLM

Maples match up well with Harrison

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Hardly a day passes that coach John Herrington doesn't look at a memento of the last (and only) time his Farmington Harrison football team played Birmingham Seaholm.

"I still have a picture up in the family room of John Miller running through the mud," he said. "It was a hard-fought game; I don't remember the score, but it was close."

The Hawks won the 1984 Class A playoff game; Herrington did remember that, but his vagueness on the finer details is understandable. That was 13 years, 134 wins and five state championships ago.

Harrison (11-0) meets Seaholm (10-1) again at 1 p.m. Saturday in a Class A semifinal contest at Rochester High School.

This time the stakes are higher. A trip to the Silverdome and a berth in the state final on Friday, Nov. 28, is the reward instead of a regional title.

Way back in August, Herrington thought it might come to this. That's why he and his staff have scouted the Maples a half dozen times or more.

"Right from the very beginning of the year, we thought they'd probably win that region," he said. "They probably thought about us; so I'm sure they have as many films as we do on them."

Both teams have high-scoring offenses and rock-solid defenses. Like the first meeting, this one has the potential to be a close, hard-fought game, too.

Harrison has scored 91 consecutive points in two playoff games. After leading Dearborn Edsel Ford at halftime, 25-21, the Hawks have outscored opponents 69-0 in the last six quarters. The Maples haven't give up a point in two playoff games while scoring 55.

The Hawks feature a balanced offense that has been effective in different ways and with different players.

"We might be throwing the ball, running outside or powering it," Herrington said, adding the Hawks have been able to adapt to the weather as they did Saturday against Ypsilanti. "One week it might be (Chris) Ghanam, (Zack) Cornwell the next; then we might be throwing to Ricky (Bryant) or (Mike) Hoad."

"And it starts with the offensive line being able to block people. If you can block people, most plays will work."

Harrison faces a Seaholm defense that has posted six shutouts and allowed an average of 7.9 points per game, which is slightly better than Harrison's 8.7.

"Their three linebackers are very active," Herrington said. "We saw some games where people barely got a first down on them. Every time we've seen

SEAHOLM OFFENSE		HARRISON OFFENSE	
C: senior Mark Hampel (5-10, 215)	Q: junior Ben Fisher (5-10, 230)	Q: senior Brian Lewis (6-1, 250)	Q: junior Brett Foster (6-1, 205)
G: senior Kevin Mills (6-2, 230)	T: senior Mark Reynolds (6-2, 240)	T: senior Mike Fisher (6-3, 255)	T: senior Chris Gadjev (6-0, 240)
T: senior Luis Mayolo (6-1, 220)	E: senior James Connolly (6-2, 230)	E: junior Mike Hoad (6-1, 200)	E: junior Ricky Bryant (6-1, 155)
E: junior Scott Ripmaster (6-4, 185)	Q: junior Bill Schuerman (6-3, 196)	Q: senior Jared Hopkins (6-3, 200)	U: senior Zack Cornwell (5-10, 180)
U: junior Chris Stefanos (6-0, 198)	T: junior Asa Sherwood (5-8, 165)	T: senior Chris Ghanam (5-7, 175)	S: senior Jason Sharp (5-11, 150)
S: sophomore Cory Vann (5-10, 160)		S: senior Tom Salley (5-8, 175)	
SEAHOLM DEFENSE		HARRISON DEFENSE	
T: junior Russ Dobson (5-11, 185)	T: senior Mike Stefanos (6-1, 210)	N: junior Bryan McGhee (6-1, 235)	T: senior Mike Fisher (6-3, 255)
E: Jun. Gabe Hemmingway (6-0, 180)	E: senior Sean Cavanaugh (6-3, 185)	T: senior Brian Lewis (6-1, 250)	E: senior Matt Struble (6-2, 195)
L: senior Zack Leader (5-10, 175)	L: senior Chris McCuiston (6-1, 210)	E: junior Brett Foster (6-1, 205)	L: senior Matt Walker (6-2, 200)
L: junior Chris Stefanos (6-0, 198)	C: senior Adam Ritter (5-9, 155)	L: junior Mike Hoad (6-1, 200)	C: senior Kareem Smartt (6-0, 165)
C: senior Ben Barry (6-0, 165)	B: senior Trevor Cromar (5-10, 167)	B: senior Zack Cornwell (5-10, 180)	H: senior Jason Sharp (5-11, 150)
S: senior Todd Ritter (5-9, 160)		S: junior Ricky Bryant (6-1, 155)	

them it seems one of the Ritter kids comes up with an interception to turn the game around.

"When you make a mistake on Seaholm, they advantage of it. Any team that drives on them ends up fumbling or having a pass intercepted. They take it right back, and Asa Sherwood ends up breaking one."

Seaholm's offense doesn't take a back seat to the defense,

either. Harrison's scouting report on its offset I-formation was 33 pages thick.

And the offense is not limited to Sherwood. The Maples are the best passing team the Hawks have played, according to Herrington.

"They have a very sophisticated passing game," he said. "They send Asa out of the backfield and give you a lot of things to cause

you to make adjustments in the secondary.

"Their quarterback, (Bill) Schuerman, is tall and effective. He runs the bootleg and is effective throwing the ball down field. "Sherwood is a shifty runner and has real good feet. He can cut back against the grain and be at full speed in a hurry. We'll have to make sure we get in our pursuit lanes."

POST-SEASON TEAR: Harrison senior upback Zack Cornwell has accounted for 50 of the team's 94 points in two playoff games.

He has rushed for five touchdowns, made good on three of four field-goal attempts and kicked 11 extra points. Cornwell also is averaging 13.6 yards per carry on 15 rushing attempts.

That's not bad for someone who played quarterback as a freshman and golf as a sophomore.

"When he came back (as a junior), we moved him to fullback, and he's gotten better and better," coach John Herrington said.

"We like to kid him about it. He was maybe a little burned out from Little League, but he came roaring back."

Cornwell rarely leaves the field now. He also starts at monsterback on defense and plays on most special teams.

For the season, he leads the Hawks in scoring with 136 points on 17 touchdowns, three field goals and 25 of 28 extra points. He has rushed for 426 yards on 59 carries and caught 21 passes for 260 yards.

"He's small but he really blocks

well," Herrington said. "He's one of our fiercest competitors."

HARRISON STATISTICS: Chris Ghanam is the leading rusher with 930 yards and 13 touchdowns on 176 carries. He's second in scoring with 93 points.

Jared Hopkins has completed 61 percent of his passes (90-of-148) for 1,528 yards and 17 touchdowns with six interceptions.

Ricky Bryant's 34 receptions for 706 yards and seven TDs makes him the leading receiver. Mike Hoad has caught 14 passes for 326 yards and five TDs. Bryant has scored 60 points, Hoad 34.

Hoad leads the Hawks in tackles with 75. Brett Foster has 63, Bryant 56, Mike Fisher 52, Brian Lewis 51, Matt Struble 49, Matt Walker 48 and Bryan McGhee 38.

Bryant also has five interceptions. Kareem Smartt and Jason Sharp three each. Hoad and Cornwell two each.

THE COACHES' CORNER: Seaholm coach Doug Fraser plans to retire from coaching after this season to concentrate on being the school's athletic director.

"I think back to when they beat Brother Rice (in the 1993 playoffs) right after we lost to Rice, 35-0," Herrington said. "I knew Doug had the program going in the right direction."

"I know coach Fraser spends hours and hours in preparation. One time he called me and asked to see our state championship film from 1988."

"He thought he had the same type of team and wanted to see what we did in that game. He loves to watch video and prepare."

Seaholm seeks to upset heavily-favored Hawks

BY MARTY BUDNER
STAFF WRITER

Birmingham Seaholm's football team successfully completed the first phase of the playoff run it had hoped for. Now the Maples face a major obstacle.

Coach Doug Fraser's Oakland Activities Association Division II champions defeated both of their first two playoff foes with relative ease. Seaholm captured its first regional championship with a 22-0 thumping of city rival Groves.

The two wins vaulted Seaholm into the Class A semifinals against No. 1-ranked Farmington Harrison Saturday at Rochester High School. The teams have met one time Harrison scoring a 17-6, first-round playoff victory in 1984.

"We're happy to be here. We felt all along this is where we should be, considering the guys we have on our team," said Fraser, who is in his 11th and final

season as Seaholm's head coach.

"The \$64-million question now is, what will happen from here on?" he said. "We're certainly facing a team with considerably more size, more speed and more experience than us. Our guys are excited for the challenge."

Seaholm's biggest triumph in school history occurred in the first round of the 1993 playoffs when it upset heavily-favored Birmingham Brother Rice for its first-ever playoff victory.

According to Fraser, this clash with Harrison presents the biggest challenge of his career.

"As strong as (the Warriors) were, they had lost a couple of games, and you knew (a win) was possible," he said. "There was good reason for Brother Rice to look past us to the point which set the stage for the upset."

"I don't feel there are circumstances this time that would set the stage similarly. No one has touched these guys this year."

Indeed, Herrington's Hawks have been absolutely awesome. Harrison averages 39 points and has scored 50 or more three times.

Despite all of Harrison's tradition and success, Fraser believes the Maples are not in awe of the Hawks.

"Normally, I feel like I would have to do something special, but these guys are unfazed about anything," Fraser said. "We're focused more on how they line up and the players they have."

Seaholm's strength is its defense, which is led by smart, steady and hard-hitting linebackers Chris McCuiston and Chris Stefanos.

McCuiston missed the first two games of the season and did not play the final game of the year because of an ankle injury suffered in the previous game against Rochester Adams.

It's no coincidence, in the games McCuiston missed, Seaholm's opponents scored 74 points. When he's in the lineup, the Maples have not allowed a rushing touchdown and only one passing touchdown all season. He has 83 tackles with six sacks.

Chris makes plays from sideline-to-sideline," said Fraser. "He's a third-year starter, and he really has his reads down. He gets to where he's supposed to be and waits for the ball."

Stefanos leads Seaholm with 88 solo tackles and a state-record eight fumble recoveries. He also has forced five fumbles and has three interceptions.

"Harrison has some huge tackles, and I'm concerned they're going to be knocking our defensive linemen into our linebackers," Fraser said.

Defensive backs Adam and Todd Ritter have combined for 60 solo tackles, seven interceptions and a dozen pass break-ups. Gabe Hemmingway, a transfer from Southgate

Aquinas, has been a rushing threat at end.

Seaholm's offense has been surprisingly inconsistent at times. Even though the explosive Maples have averaged 31.7 points, there have been times when it took them a while to get going. In the final regular-season game, the score was 7-7 at halftime, but Seaholm erupted for 27 second-half points.

Fraser hopes Seaholm can control the ball more against the Hawks and keep the Harrison offense off the field.

Tailback Asa Sherwood has rushed for 1,466 yards and 16 touchdowns. He also has 14 pass receptions for 261 yards and three TDs. Sherwood has 2,395 yards and 21 TDs in his career.

Quarterback Bill Schuerman is 81-of-180 passing for 1,208 yards and 16 TDs for a 45-percent completion rate. The leading receiver is tight end James Connolly with 20 receptions for 229 yards and three TDs.

FARMINGTON HARRISON (11-0)

Harrison 28, Oxford 15.
Harrison 48, W.L. Central 28.
Harrison 51, Livonia Franklin 6.
Harrison 21, W.L. Western 7.
Harrison 41, Plymouth Canton 0.
Harrison 56, Livonia Churchill 7.
Harrison 35, Northville 0.
Harrison 27, W.L. Central 6.
Harrison 29, Detroit Country Day 6.
Harrison 56, Orbn. Edsel Ford 21.
Harrison 38, Ypsilanti 0.
Harrison 430 points, opponents 96.

BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM (10-1)

Seaholm 19, Rochester 13.
Seaholm 44, West Bloomfield 24.
Seaholm 35, Berkley 0.
Seaholm 27, Royal Oak Kimball 0.
Seaholm 37, Pontiac Central 0.
Seaholm 35, Waterford Kettering 0.
Seaholm 36, Pontiac Northern 6.
Rochester Adams 31, Seaholm 30.
Seaholm 34, Birmingham Groves 13.
Seaholm 30, Hazel Park 0.
Seaholm 22, Birmingham Groves 0.
Seaholm 349 points, opponents 87.

Huron's big plays end Western's hopes of repeating

BY CHRIS MAYER
STAFF WRITER

Over the past few seasons Walled Lake Western football has been synonymous with the big play.

The ninth-ranked Warriors ventured to snowy Ann Arbor Saturday night, hoping their quick-strike capabilities would lead them one step closer to a

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second straight Class AA state championship.

Instead it was No. 7 Ann Arbor Huron, a first-time state playoff qualifier, that made the big plays in a 21-0 regional final win at Riverbank Stadium.

The playing conditions were

less than ideal. Snow fell during much of the game, leaving the field snow-covered and slippery.

"Both of us played in this and I've never used that for an excuse," Western coach Chuck Apap said. "People will say we're a quick team and this (weather) didn't help, but it's a football game. It's snapping the ball; it's trying to block, run and tackle. They've got to do the same thing."

"I would like to have been in the (Silverdome) on a dry field. We'd like a dry field, but you don't always get those things, and you just have to try and do the best you can."

The tone for the game was set

immediately. Western took the opening kickoff and drove from its 38-yard line to Huron's 41, but quarterback Frank Stanford was trapped for a loss on fourth-and-1.

Huron then marched 58 yards in nine plays, culminating in senior fullback Michael Porter's 12-yard touchdown run late in the opening quarter. Sophomore linebacker Cody Cargill blocked the point-after to keep the score 6-0.

The Warriors would lose two of three fumbles and miss a 34-yard field goal attempt in the first half. The second fumble

proved the most costly.

Western drove deep inside Huron territory in the second quarter, but the River Rats (11-0) recovered a fumble at the 14 and quickly capitalized.

Joel Przygodski connected with Thabiti Williamson for a 76-yard TD pass. Przygodski found Williamson on the two-point conversion for a 14-0 lead with 2:26 remaining before halftime.

"When we called the play, I said it was going to be six points," Huron coach Paul Verska said. "I just knew it was there if we didn't drop it or overthrow it. It was there because (Western) was coming up with their corners and rushing nine or 10 guys, and they weren't even looking for a pass."

Przygodski, who finished 5-of-8 passing for 144 yards, added a 15-yard touchdown pass to Mike

Kelleher with 1:35 left in the game.

Western mustered only 136 rushing yards and 160 in total offense. The Warriors (9-2) came in averaging 315 rushing yards per game. Dave Johnson returned from a bruised lower leg to gain 71 yards on 18 carries. Stanford ran for 41 yards.

"What bothered us was that we drove the field and then didn't score," Apap said. "We got within the 18 or 19 a few times and didn't put it in."

"If we put a couple of those in the end zone, that long touchdown pass doesn't look like very much. But I've got to say the better team won tonight. Huron did an exceptional job; I have to congratulate them."

"I'm proud of our kids. The seniors had a two-year run that is phenomenal; they've set a standard for the Warriors of the future."

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Lady Crusaders capture WHAC tourney

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Not bad for a rookie. Madonna University, competing in its first volleyball season in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, came away with the title Saturday by defeating Aquinas, 15-8, 15-5, 17-15.

The victory sends the Crusaders (31-13 overall) into the eight-team NAIA Region tournament beginning tonight (through Saturday) at Aquinas.

"We're a whole different team than we were a month ago," said Madonna coach Jerry Abraham. "Early on we were very methodical, but we're starting to flow and things are happening naturally on the floor. It's been a long process, but we're a more relaxed and confident team right now."

During the WHAC regular season schedule, Madonna and Cornerstone tied for first place with identical 10-2 records.

"It's neat we're playing in a league," Abraham said. "I like the All-League

team and every game means something. It was a necessary step for us. The (region) independent members had been shrinking anyway."

Ironically, Cornerstone was upset in the semifinal round by Aquinas (15-12, 15-13, 15-13), while host Madonna defeated Spring Arbor (15-12, 15-8, 15-5).

Aquinas bowed out at 21-23 overall.

"When you play a team three times you start to worry," Abraham said. "Aquinas played us tough Tuesday. We won in four, but they beat us the second game."

"And in the regional they always play well against us. But I was surprised Cornerstone lost to Aquinas because they had beaten them twice before."

Karin Sisung, a 5-foot-9 outside-hitter from Monroe St. Mary's, was the catalyst for Madonna.

Named WHAC Player of the Year, Sisung recorded a team-high 16 kills in the championship final and 13 in the win over Spring Arbor.

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"I've said it all year, the way she (Sisung) goes is the way we go," Abraham said. "Because of injury, she missed the two matches we lost in conference (to Tri-State and Siena Heights)."

Two other Madonna players made first-team All-WHAC including the team's only senior, 5-8 senior outside-hitter Erin Gregoire (Monroe CC), and 5-11 middle-hitter Brandy Malewski (Redford Thurston).

Gregoire had 18 kills on the day, while Malewski finished with 19. Malewski also had four solo blocks against Spring Arbor.

"Erin is our heart-and-soul," Abraham said. "She's our leader on the floor. She's the core of the whole team, the one who keeps it together."

"Brandy is on her way to being a great one because she has the speed, the reach and the height. When we recruited her we knew she had all the

tools and we knew she was a player. She still makes freshman mistakes, but that happens with every young player."

Sophomore setter Deanne Helsom (Grand Blanc), in her first year as starter, finished with 75 assists on the day. She was named second-team All-WHAC.

"I'm very happy with Deanne, she played well the whole tournament," Abraham said. "It took a whole season for her to feel comfortable. But quarterbacking the team is a long process. Now she's leading the team."

In the win over Spring Arbor, 6-1 sophomore Stephanie Uballe (Milford Lakeland) came through with three key kills in the third and deciding game.

"Right now she's ready to start, she's stepped up big-time," Abraham said. "She gives us big-time depth. She gives up a different prospective. We can come in with a big lineup and she makes a major difference."

Redford Union product Vicki Toth, a

5-10 junior, also contributed heavily with five digs in the second game against Aquinas.

"She gave us a big lift serving and made some outstanding digs, it was uplifting," said Abraham, who was named WHAC Coach of the Year. "When we needed another kid to play defense, she's there. She's like a coach on the floor and we needed that today."

The Lady Crusaders now have their sights set on winning the regional, which would catapult them in the NAIA Nationals (Dec. 3-6 in Bourbonnais, Ill.) for the fourth time in five years.

"I'm very happy to see them play as well as they've played the last three weeks," Abraham said. "We're playing good enough to win it."

"The region will be interesting because all eight teams are good. But I think we'll play well and we're starting to peak right now."

Results of the NAIA Region tournament will appear in Sunday's Observer.

Lady Ocelot harrier Wolf from 4th

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Look what was accomplished in less than half a season.

Sonny Gavoar wasn't supposed to be coaching Schoolcraft College's women's cross country team. But when he returned from his trip to China in mid-October, SC athletic director Ed Kavanaugh asked him if he could take over the program for the remainder of the season after coach Laura Loggins' resignation.

Gavoar accepted the half-season challenge and, at last Saturday's NJCAA Cross Country Championships in Levelland, TX, the Lady Ocelots responded by finishing seventh in the 22-team field.

Perhaps more impressive was the performance of Plymouth Canton graduate Becky Wolf from, a freshman who posted her personal best time (19:22) in finishing fourth overall in the meet.

NJCAA NATIONALS

Her placing earned Wolf from NJCAA All-American status.

The NJCAA team championship went to Paradise Valley CC (from Phoenix) with 72 points. In second was Colby CC with 84, followed by Vincennes (Ind.) CC with 127, Lansing CC with 141, Macomb CC with 148, Hagerstown (Md.) CC with 153 and SC with 204.

As impressive as Wolf from's performance was, she wasn't the only Ocelot who stood out. Kelly Passino also had a personal-best time of 20:51 in placing 26th. Next best for SC was Sarah Swieczkowski (Canton), 51st in 21:45; Val Lawrence, 57th in 22:17; and Kelly Prais (Livonia Stevenson), 67th in 22:38.

Four of SC's five runners put up faster times in the finals than they posted in the regionals.

Gavoar boasted of no miracle

plan that inspired the SC girls to reaching new heights. "I was strange to them (when first becoming coach) and they were strange to me," he said. "I just tried to make it fun for them. I tried to keep them relaxed and focused. I only have five kids, so the thing I had to be careful of was sickness or colds."

"They all worked very, very hard."

In a season split by the resignation of the team's coach, a season in which the team still managed to place seventh in the nation (matching the team's '96 performance), Gavoar could only praise his Ocelots. "I told them that this is like putting deposits in the bank. If you don't put them in, you can't get them out."

With any kind of recruiting fortune, SC will have plenty more to choose from next season.

Cooper MVP as S'craft cagers sweep pair

The Schoolcraft College women's basketball squad got on track last weekend by winning the Waubensee College Invitational.

The Ocelots, now 3-2 overall, defeated Waubensee in the final 59-38 on Saturday.

Crissey Harmon, a sophomore, Schoolcraft with 15 points and three rebounds.

Playing in Sugar Grove, Ill., Schoolcraft took a 39-13 lead after the first half. Host Waubensee outscored the Ocelots by five in the second half, but it was too little, too late.

Schoolcraft got strong performances from several players besides Harmon.

Theresa Cooper scored 14 points and grabbed 12 rebounds while Stacy Cavin added eight points and 14 rebounds. Yvonne Malewski (Redford Thurston) had seven assists.

In the tournament opener, Schoolcraft handed Waukesha a 95-78 setback on Nov. 14.

Four players scored in double figures. Amber Tackett led the way with 24 points. Harmon had 23, Cooper 20 and Cavin 11. Cooper also snatched 22 rebounds and made six steals.

The Ocelots trailed 48-43 at halftime, but outscored Waukesha by 22 in the final stanza. Schoolcraft hit on 50 percent of its three-point attempts, including five triples from Harmon.

Three Ocelots made the all-tournament team: Harmon, Cavin and Cooper.

Cooper, a sophomore, was named the tournament's most valuable player.

Madonna splits
Madonna University opened its season last weekend by splitting a pair of games at the Saginaw Valley State Classic.

The Crusaders evened their record on Nov. 15 with a 76-64 win over Aquinas College.

Katie Cushman led the way with 20 points and six assists.

Hot three-point shooting was key for the Livonia university. Madonna nailed nine triples for 27 points while Aquinas had just 15 points from its long range shooting efforts.

Chris Dietrich led Madonna with three three-pointers. She had 16 points total.

Dawn Pelc added 12 points for the Crusaders and Lori Enfield added 11.

On Nov. 14, Madonna fell 89-75 to Indiana-Purdue University-Indianapolis, also on the road. Pelc played a strong game in defeat by scoring 18 points and making four steals. Mary Murray had 16 points, Cushman 11 and Angie Negri added 10.

HUPUI grabbed 49 boards to the Crusaders' 29.

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OUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND WESTLAND

SPECIAL EVENTS

TOY SHOW

Westland Rotary's Toy Show, featuring antiques, collectibles, and obsoletes, will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Wayne Ford Civic League, 1645 N. Wayne Road in Westland. Admission is \$3 and kids under 12 are admitted free. The show will include Star Wars and Star Trek items, figurines, Hot Wheels, Match-Box, slot cars, GI Joes, games, comic books, dolls, children's books and Beanie Babies. For information, call Ken Belanger, (313) 721-1810, or John Toye, (313) 728-TOYE.

TOWN HALL MEETING

U.S. Rep. Lynn N. Rivers will be holding a town hall meeting in the Dorsey Community Center at 32715 Dorsey in Westland from 7-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11. The meeting will be an open forum at which attendees are free to discuss a wide range of subjects with the congresswoman. Rivers will begin the program by discussing recent actions in the 105th Congress. She will then open the floor to questions. The program is designed to provide participants with an opportunity to raise issues, offer concerns and become informed about current congressional activities. For more information, call Michelle Heika in Rivers' district office, at (313) 722-1411.

GOODFELLOWS

The Westland Goodfellows "No child without a Christmas" newspaper fund-raiser will be Friday and Saturday, Nov. 28-29, in Westland. Volunteers are welcome. Call Jerry Smith, (313) 728-8888.

SHOPPING SPECIAL

Senior citizens and shoppers with disabilities can shop from 7-9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at Mervyn's California in Westland. The event will include a 10 percent discount on purchases, personal shopping assistance, refreshments, entertainment, and free gift wrap. A bonus free gift will be given to the first 100 shoppers. Mervyn's California is at 35555 Warren Ave. west of Wayne in Westland.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

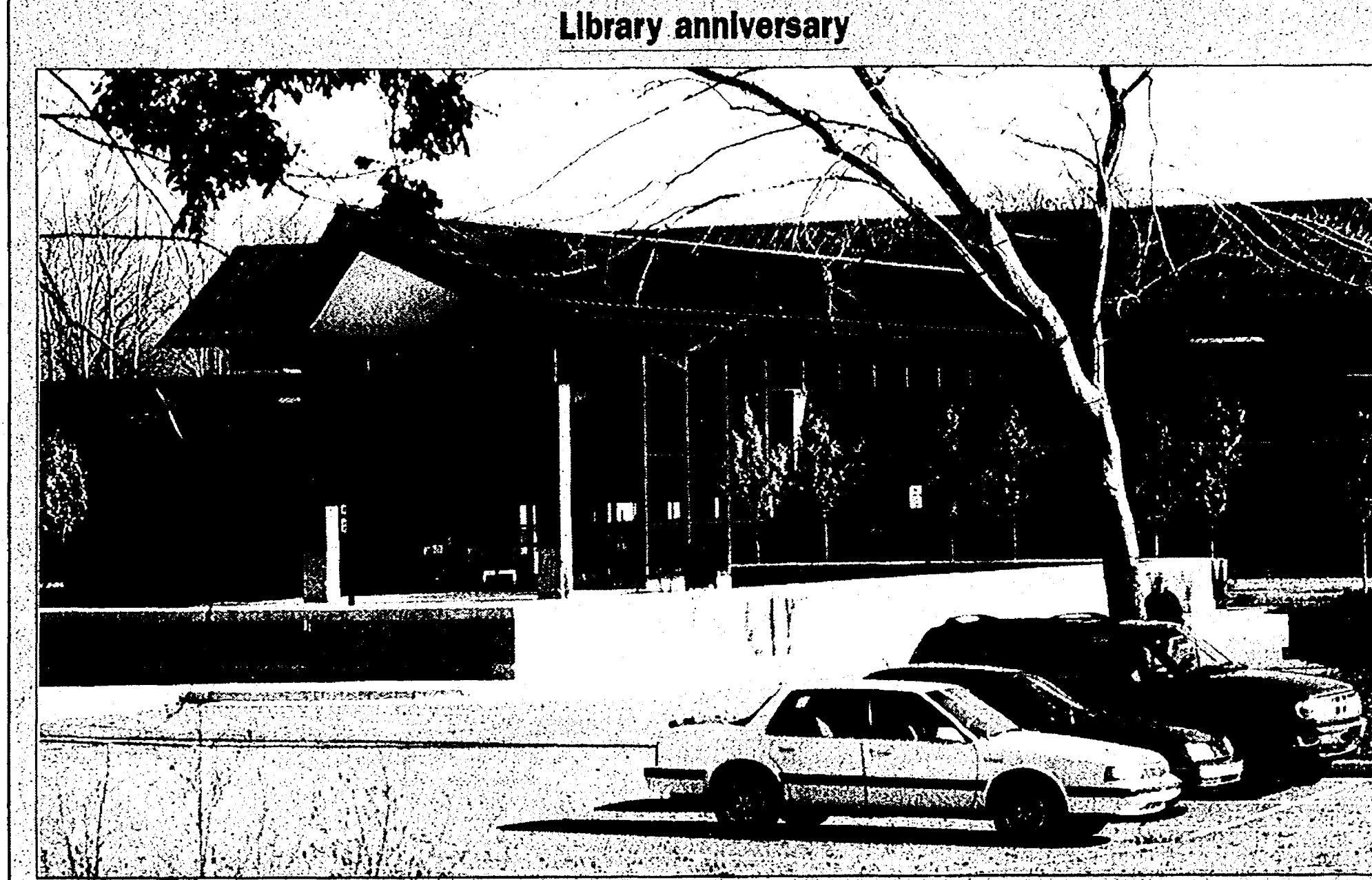
The Salvation Army will be having its annual Senior Christmas dinner for senior citizens living in Wayne, Westland and Romulus from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at AMVETS Post 171 Memorial Hall, 1217 Merriam in Westland. This dinner is free. Participants must be 55 or older. One ticket per person. Transportation will not be provided. To pick up a ticket, come to the Salvation Army at 2300 Venoy, Westland. For more information, call (313) 722-3660.

TREE OF MEMORIES

A Tree of Memories will be on display from Friday, Nov. 28, to Wednesday, Dec. 24, during mall hours at Wonderland Mall in Livonia. For a donation, patrons can buy golden angel ornaments in memory of loved ones and then hang the ornaments on the memory tree. The event, in its eighth year, is run by and all proceeds benefit Community Hospice and Home Care Services Inc.

RECREATION

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



Library anniversary

Celebration: The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland has reached its one-year anniversary, drawing 260,037 patrons in its first year. To celebrate, special activities are planned. At 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 22, The Wish Giver, a children's play performed by September Productions, will be held in the community meeting room. All week, National Children's Book Week Challenge will be held. Take the challenge, see how well you know your children's books and win a free book.

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FIGURE SKATING

The Westland Figure Skating Club is forming an Adult Introductory Precision Team. The team is for those who want to have fun with other skating adults and get good exercise. Practices are 6-6:50 a.m. Saturdays. All levels are welcome. For information, call (313) 722-1091.

VOLLEYBALL

Open volleyball is offered for those age 18 and older 6:30-8 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month at the Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, Westland. All skill levels play just for fun. There is no charge. Baby-sitting is provided. For information, call (313) 722-3660.

SCHOOLS

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an Early Intervention Program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a Pre-Primary Impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is ongoing from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (313) 595-2660 for information.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL

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

PLUS PRESCHOOL

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

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YWCA READINESS

The YWCA of Western Wayne County Early Childhood School Readiness Program is available to 4- and 5-year-old children. The YWCA is at 26279 Michigan Ave., Inkster. (313) 561-4110.

CHARTER SCHOOL

The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through seventh grade. The school emphasizes a basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with Internet. Call (313) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.

LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road in Livonia, has openings in the Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoon session for 3- to 5-year-olds. For information, call (481) 471-2077.

FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High PTSA is seeking new members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and community, and members aren't required to have a student in the school. Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should be made payable to Franklin PTSA and sent to 31000 Joy, Livonia 48150.

TUTORIAL PROGRAM

A free tutoring program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-

Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy, Westland. The program is for students in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. It will meet 3:30-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. For information on participating or volunteering, call Shabaura Cobb, (313) 722-3660.

HISTORY ON VIEW

WESTLAND MUSEUM

The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays at 857 N. Wayne Road, between Marquette and Cherry Hill. (313) 326-1110.

FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet 7 p.m. on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Information, president Jim Franklin, (313) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

FOR SENIORS

GRANDMA'S ATTIC SALE

Grandma's Attic Sale will be at the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh Road, Westland, daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also included in this sale are hundreds of ceramic molds and hundreds of pieces of greenware and a kiln. For information, call 722-7632.

TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Group meets 12:45 p.m. every Friday in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents, \$12.50 for non-residents. (313) 722-7632.

CARD GROUP

The Friday Variety Card Group at the Westland Friendship Center meets at 2 p.m. Players enjoy euchre, pinochle, bridge, Uno, rummy and poker. Light refreshments are served. Call (313) 722-7632 for information or just show up to play cards. The Friendship Center is at 1119 N. Newburgh Road.

DYER CLUB

The Dyer Seniors' Center Travel Club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month in the center, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

MONTHLY MEAL

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

DANCE FUN

Westland Shopping Center hosts a senior citizen dance 11 a.m. the first Monday of

each month in the lower level auditorium, Wayne and Warren roads. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m. The dance will end 2 p.m. The dance is held on the first Monday, with the exception of holidays.

SENIOR DANCE

Senior dances will be noon to 4 p.m. the first Sunday of every month at the Wayne Ford Civic League, 1651 N. Wayne Road, Westland. There will be dinner, a live band, beer and pop. Members \$5, non-members \$7. (313) 728-5010.

WORK REFERRAL

Information Center Inc. refers workers to seniors who need help. The program is for people interested in providing transportation, yard work, house work, etc. Workers can specify the type of work they are willing to do and the communities they want to serve. Chore Worker Program, (313) 422-1052.

DYER CENTER

The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday-Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, Kitchen Band, 10 a.m.; bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Hall A. Instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (313) 722-7632.

VOLUNTEERS

BOY SCOUTS

A few good young men ages 11-18 are needed to work with Boy Scout Troop No. 865 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays at Hamilton Elementary School, corner of Avondale and Schuman in Westland. Monthly campouts will be featured. For information, call (313) 729-1283.

PET-A-PET

The Pet-a-Pet Club, which offers pet visits to nursing

home residents, needs special pets and people. Pets undergo a slight screening and need proof of shots to participate. Local sites include Camelot Hall Convalescent Center (Debbie McDermott, 427-3791, 10 a.m. the second Saturday of the month), Garden City Rehab (Stacy Suida, (313) 422-2438, second Thursday of the month at 3 p.m.) and Roosevelt-McGrath School (Lynn Eichbrecht, (313) 591-3347, the last Wednesday of the month). Information is available from Ruth Curry, (313) 535-0410, or Daisy Doran, (313) 565-1981. There is a \$5 membership charge.

DEMS' BINGO

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

DEMS' BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, in the M.J. Hall, 35412 Michigan Ave., next to Farmer Jack, in Wayne. (313) 421-1517.

BINGO AND SNACKS

The VFW Post 3323, Westland, serves snacks and hosts bingo at 1 p.m. every Sunday in the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road at Avondale. Doors open 9 a.m. (313) 326-3323.

SHAMROCK BINGO

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

SMOKELESS BINGO

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

NO SMOKE

"No smoking" bingo will be 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road, Westland. Residents from Westgate Towers, Taylor Towers, Greenwood Towers, Liberty Park, Presbyterian Village and Carolon Condos, etc., are eligible for transportation to bingo if they have a minimum of five players. (313) 722-7632.

JAYCEES

Westland Jaycees host bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, Westland. Three jackpots paying \$250, \$300 and \$300, progressive. Call the Jaycee Information Hotline at (313) 480-4984.

PUP TENT BINGO

The MOC pup tent 18 bingo will be held 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the VFW Post Hall, 1055 S. Wayne, Westland. A snack bar is available. Doors open at 2 p.m. (313) 326-3323.

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Date and Time:

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Schoolcraft off to 4-0 start as Melson's 38 tops Lansing

You'd have to check deep into the annals of Schoolcraft College men's basketball to discover the last time an Ocelot squad got off to a 4-0 start.

Schoolcraft, behind Kevin Melson's 38 points and 13 rebounds, continued their amazing ascent under first-year coach Carlos Briggs by downing Lansing Community College in the Macomb Hoops Classic, 86-78.

Schoolcraft now owns victories over three quality Western Conference teams in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association — Grand Rapids, Muskegon and Lansing.

Lansing, 20-6 a year ago and honorable mention pick in the NJCAA Division II preseason poll, boasted 6-8 returnee Rudy Gaytan, who recently signed a letter-of-intent with Central Michigan.

Gaytan, however, was held to four points by a suffocating SC defense.

Melson, a 6-6 swingman from Detroit Communication & Media Arts, made 13 of 25 shots from the floor (including both three-point tries) along with 10 of 13 from the line.

"It's the best game Kevin has played so far because of the competition we played," Briggs said.

Freshman guard Derek McKelvey (Adrian) came off the bench to contribute 15 points. Jamar Eddins (Ann Arbor Pioneer) added 14.

Two local products also played significant roles in the win.

Freshman forward David Jarrett (Westland John Glenn) had seven points and 13 rebounds, while sophomore point-guard Pete Males (Garden City) played another steady floor game with nine points and six assists.

"We went to a small lineup to start the second half because their big men were out-quicking our big men," Briggs said. "Our half-court defense turned the game around. We got transition baskets off of our defense. And we had 19 offensive rebounds."

Two blocks and a steal by Emeka Okonkwo (Pio-

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

neer) late in the game helped seal the victory.

Nile Watson and Dion Woods led Lansing (1-1) with 18 and 17 points, respectively.

Schoolcraft was 17 of 21 from the line and nine of 20 from three-point range.

Madonna beats Grace Bible for title

Madonna University evened its record at 2-2 by capturing the Grace Bible Tournament in Grand Rapids.

The Crusaders defeated host Grace Bible in Saturday's championship final, 107-64, as Narvin Russaw (Milan) led the way with 24 points and 17 rebounds.

Five other Madonna players scored in double figures including Nick Hurley (Plymouth Canton), 14; Mark Hayes (Birmingham Seaholm), 12; Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston) and Erick Giovannini (Livonia Stevenson), 10 each.

Tim Dyskstra led Grace Bible and all scorers with 34 points.

Madonna scorched the nets with 48 of 95 shooting (50.5 percent). They Crusaders also out-rebounded Grace Bible, 59-29.

In Friday's opening round, Hayes poured in a team-high 30 points on 13 of 18 shooting from the floor as the Crusaders edged Northland Baptist (Wis.), 98-94.

Russaw added 15 points and eight rebounds, while John Mark-Branch contributed 14 points. Putnam added 12 points, while Jason Maschke (Livonia Franklin) had nine. Hurley had five assists.

Madonna shot well from the floor — 42 for 77 (54.5 percent).

D.J. Bolke led Northland with 36 points.

CC basketball star makes his choice: He plans to play for the Wolverines

Detroit Catholic Central's 6-foot-9 senior center Chris Young has signed a national letter of intent with the University of Michigan men's basketball team.

Young, who verbally committed to the Wolverines in July, is one of two players to sign during the early signing period.

He signed despite the recent turmoil at U-M surrounding the firing of coach Steve Fisher, who was replaced on an interim basis by Brian Ellerbe.

"The fact of having the opportunity to get a degree from the

RECRUITING

University of Michigan and the weight and prestige that a U-M degree carries is a huge factor in my decision," Young said in a statement. "The recruiting process is very flattering and was a great opportunity for me to learn about other schools, talk to and get to know great coaches."

"Waiting to the spring will allow us to know who the permanent coach will be, but will not

change how I feel about the program, the players, the coaches there now, or the school. At some point basketball will end and the degree will last a lifetime."

Young said he has a "very good and long-standing relationship with (U-M assistant coaches) Scott Trost and Brian Dutcher. Coach Ellerbe is contacting me in the last couple of weeks. These coaches are a tremendous asset to U-M."

Trost and Dutcher were assistants under Fisher.

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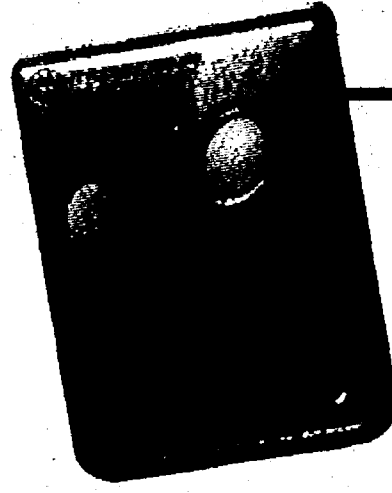
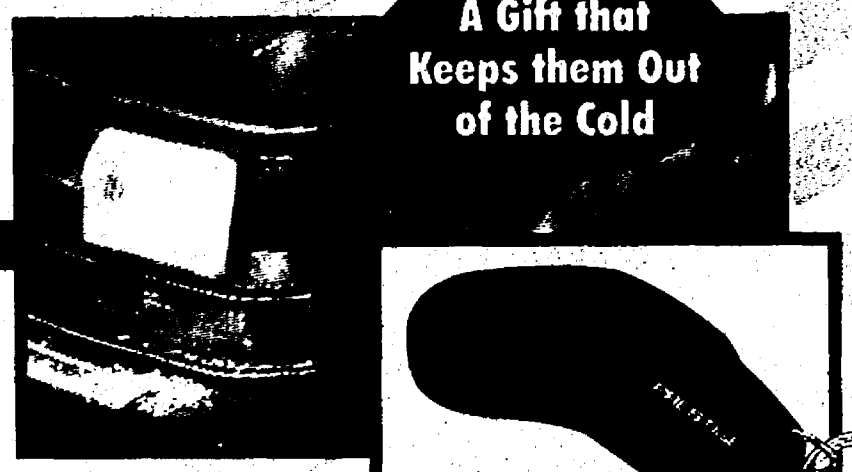
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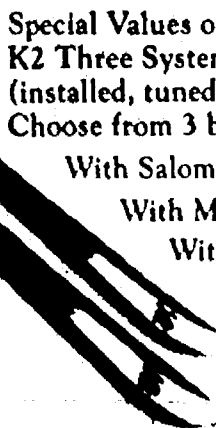
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Whalers get 1 of each: win, loss, tie



After a disappointing letdown Saturday against the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds, the Plymouth Whalers repulsed a Sarnia Sting comeback Sunday to record a 5-3 victory in an Ontario Hockey League game at Compuware Arena.

Unfortunately, it was the Sting who avenged that Sunday defeat at Compuware by beating the Whalers 5-1 Tuesday in Sarnia.

The Sting opened the scoring in Tuesday's rematch, getting a first-period goal from Andrew Proskurnicki. Ivan Novoseltsev made it 2-0 before the Whalers retaliated, getting a goal from David Legwand, his 22nd of the season.

But it was all Sting after that, as Detroit slipped to 11-7-3. Sarnia is 10-9-5.

On Saturday, the Whalers and the Greyhounds battled to a 7-7 tie after the Whalers let a 7-3 third-period lead get away from them.

The Whalers remain tied with the Erie Otters for second place in the OHL's West Division with 25 points. The London Knights are in first with 29 points (14-6-1).

In Sunday's win over the Sting, the Whalers got two goals and an assist from Randy Fitzgerald — the last an empty net score that assured Plymouth of victory. Yuri Babenko, Legwand and Andrew Taylor each contributed a goal and an assist to the victory, and Harold

Druken had two assists.

Robert Esche made 34 saves to gain the victory in goal for the Whalers.

Against the Greyhounds, the Whalers erupted for six goals in the first two periods, two of them short-handed — one by Julian Smith, who had two goals in the game, the other by Brian Passmore, who also had an assist.

Legwand led Plymouth with three goals and an assist. With Tuesday's goal, the first-year player has 36 points,

making him sixth in the OHL. Legwand's total leads all OHL rookies.

Babenko also had a goal and two assists for Plymouth, while Taylor added two assists.

Stevie Lyle was in goal for the Whalers; he made 35 saves.

Peter Cava had a goal and four assists for the Greyhounds, who also got two goals from John Osborne and four assists from Ryan Jardine.

Through Sunday, the Greyhounds were 4-14-3.

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

DATES/DEADLINES

DEER

Firearms season runs through Sunday, Nov. 30. The second archery season runs Dec. 1-Jan. 1 statewide. Muzzleloading season runs Dec. 5-14 in Zone I and Dec. 12-21 in Zones II and III. A special late antlerless only season will run Dec. 20-Jan. 4 on private land only in Zone III.

DUCKS

Duck season runs through Dec. 2 in the North and Middle zones and through Dec. 9 in the South Zone.

GOOSE

The second part of the Canada goose season runs Nov. 27-Dec. 7 in the South Zone outside the five Goose Management Units. Check the 1997 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for dates of the season in the GMUs.

PHOENIX

A special late pheasant hunt will once again be offered in southern Michigan Dec. 1-15. Check the 1997-98 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for exact boundaries of the hunt area.

SQUIRREL

Fox and gray squirrel season runs through Jan. 1 statewide.

RABBIT

Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

NATURAL HERITAGE GRANTS

December 1 is the deadline to apply Natural Resource Natural Heritage Program small grants from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. To receive an application contact the DNR at P.O. Box 30180, Lansing MI 48909-7680 or e-mail your request to sargen12@state.mi.us. The grant application and examples of past grants awarded are also available on the DNR Wildlife Division web site at: http://wildlife.dnr.state.mi.us/homepages/Natural_Heritage/.

ARCHERY

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

3D LEAGUE

A 3D league begins Wednesday, Dec. 3, at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

CLASSES

FIRST AID

Learn to be aware of and prepared for outdoor emergencies such as hypothermia, dehydration, frostbite and sprains during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Thursday at REI in Northville. Call (248) 347-2100 for more information.

FLY TYING

Bueters Outdoors in Northville still has openings for its fall fly tying classes. Call (248) 349-3877 for more information.

OUTDOOR CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6858 for more information.

FISHING CLUBS

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at

Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (810) 656-0556 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn

Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are noon to sunset on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday's and Fridays and 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesdays. On Saturdays and Sundays the rifle and pistol range is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the sporting clays course is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range

hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours through Dec. 22 are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

POINTE MOUILLEE

The rifle and pistol range at the Pointe Mouillee State Game Area in Rockwood has been closed due to environmental concerns. Call (313) 379-3820 for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nomi-

nal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat-launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 and \$8 for senior citizens. The annual boat launching permits are \$18 and \$9 for senior citizens. Call 1-800-477-PARKS for more information.

LOGGING ERA

Home schooled children ages eight and older will learn about Michigan's logging era during this program, which begins at 2:30 p.m. today at Stony Creek.

TRAMPING IN COSTA RICA

Naturalist Bert Szabo will take you on a slide-illustrated journey to the beautiful rain forests of

Costa Rica during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Stony Creek.

SKY SEARCH

Junior girl scouts can earn their Sky Search badge during this program, which will be held Saturday at Indian Springs. Call for times.

WINTER WILDFLOWERS

Learn to identify the remains of summer and fall wild flowers during this program, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Kensington.

GREAT LAKES INDIANS

Celebrate Thanksgiving by learning how native Americans lived before Europeans arrived during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Sunday at Stony Creek.

OUT OF SIGHT

Find out how Michigan's animals adapt to winter conditions during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



Christine Chemello stars as Luisa and Steve Jones as Belomy in "The Fantasticks" opening 8 p.m. at the Millennium Centre in Southfield, (248) 552-1225 or (248) 645-6666.

SATURDAY



Catch the holiday spirit at Greenberg's Great Train, Dollhouse & Toy Show, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center.

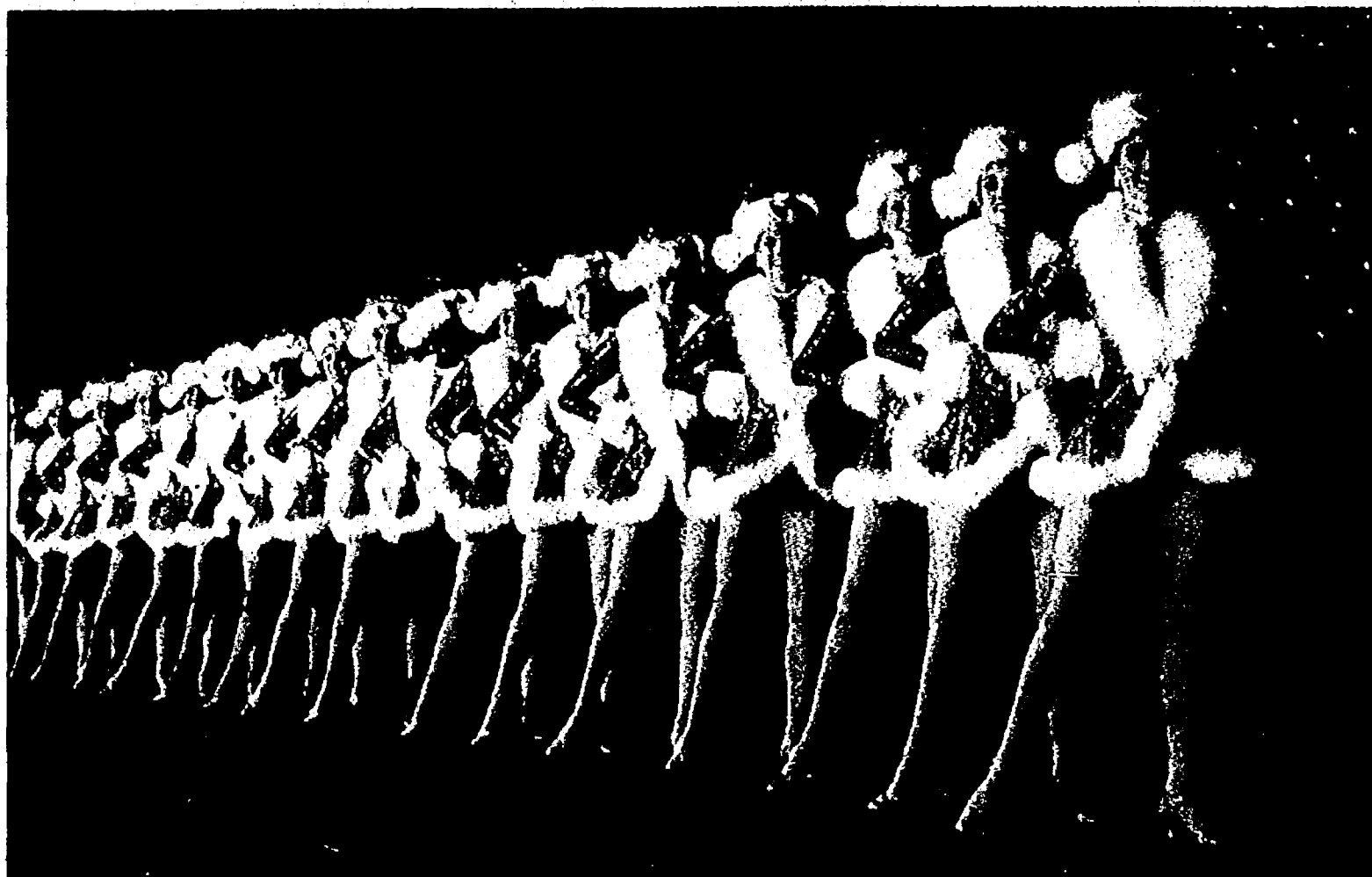
SUNDAY



James and Jeanne Galway join the Detroit Symphony at Orchestra Hall at 3 p.m. for a performance of Cimarosa's Concerto for Two Flutes, (313) 833-3700.



Hot tip: The Detroit Zoo shines bright during the fourth annual Wild Lights exhibit Nov. 21 through Jan. 4. Admission \$3 adults, \$2 children ages 2-12; children under 2, free, (248) 541-5835.



Spectacular: The Radio City Rockettes in "Christmas in New York," a featured number in "The Radio City Christmas Spectacular."

IT'S A KICK

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BY JULIE YOLLES
SPECIAL WRITER

"Step, kick, kick, knee, kick touch. Again. Turn, turn, out, in, touch, step, step, down, back, step, pivot, step, step, walk, walk. And 5, 6, 7, 8," shouts the choreographer.

"God, I hope I get it," thinks every expectant dancer at the grueling audition in "A Chorus Line" back in 1976 when it first opened on Broadway.

Today, the routines are more advanced, the requirements more stringent, the competition fierce. But the desire is just as intense. That was the scene last April at Wayne State University's Old Main Building when 65 lithe dancers showed up at an open casting call. Their dream? To be selected for one of 18 coveted spots in the ultimate chorus line and become a Radio City Rockette.

More than 500 would-be Rockettes and six months later, four chorus lines of 18 each have embarked on marathon rehearsals for "The Radio City Christmas Spectacular."

The Radio City Rockettes will be performing their world-famous Eye-High Kicks in shows opening in New York City; Branson, Mo.; Myrtle Beach, S.C.; Chicago and, for the first time, here in Detroit at the Fox Theatre, Nov. 28 through Dec. 27.

Six Detroit-area dancers survived two strenuous cuts and a callback, which entailed learning a ballet

"The Radio City Christmas Spectacular"

■ **When:**
Friday, Nov. 28 - Saturday, Dec. 27.

■ **8 p.m. performances:**
• Nov. 28-29
• Dec. 2-6
• Dec. 9-13
• Dec. 16-20
• Dec. 22-23
• Dec. 26-27

■ **3 p.m. & 7 p.m. performances:**
• Nov. 30

■ **1 p.m., 4 p.m. & 7 p.m. performances:**
• Dec. 7
• Dec. 14
• Dec. 21

■ **2 p.m. performances:**
• Dec. 24
• No show Christmas Day

■ **Where:** The Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit

■ **Tickets are \$10-\$50 and can be purchased at the Fox Theatre Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations. To charge tickets by phone, call (248) 433-1515. For more information, call (313) 983-6611.**

combination, jazz combination and tap number, plus smiling - at the same time.

Of course, the initial cut was easy for Linda Haberman, choreographer and director of "The Radio City Christmas Spectacular," who auditioned all 500 dancers in 10 cities across the country.

"You have to be between 5 feet 5 1/2-inches and 5 feet 9-inches tall to be considered," said Haberman on a 10-minute break at the Masonic Temple, where the Rockettes were rehearsing before moving into the Fox Theatre last week. "There's no weight requirement, it's just a matter of them being fit and looking good. And there's a certain amount of stamina required."

To prove her theory, Haberman had her auditionees stand in place with their arms out to their sides and do the Rockettes Eye-High Kick 25 times in a row.

"Once I see that they're adept at the technical aspects, then there's their presence to look at," said Haberman, who was a dancer on Broadway before becoming the Rockettes choreographer five years ago. "Can they hold themselves and carry themselves and present an optimistic outlook and feel that they really want to do it? It's that desire. Certain people don't want to blend in with 17 other girls, to fill in and be a part of the ensemble."

Not so for 5-foot, 8-inch Denise Caston of Clarkston. When she got the call, she took the semester off from Oakland University where she's dual majoring in computer engineering and dance, to focus all her efforts on being a Radio City Rockette.

"I started thinking about and aspiring to be a Rockette a few years ago," said Caston, after she took a

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Changes make great show better

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The students will be at the barricades again, though, ironically, in the plush surroundings of the Fisher Theatre.

"Les Miserables" is returning for its sixth Detroit engagement.

But this will be a slightly different "Les Miserables," incorporating changes made to the Broadway production this past spring.

Why tamper with success, a musical seen by more than 40 million people, 830,000 in Detroit alone, a musical that has been on tour since 1988 and taken in a worldwide gross in excess of \$1.6 billion?

Touring producer Peter Lawrence said when the show's 10th anniversary came, the creators Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schonberg, directors Trevor Nunn and John Caird and producer Cameron Mackintosh decided to take another look at what they were presenting on Broadway.

They replaced cast members who had become tired of their roles, did a complete relighting to give a more dramatic backlit effect, refurbished costumes

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Les Miserables

- **What:** Musical based on Victor Hugo's novel.
- **Where:** Fisher Theatre, Grand Boulevard, Detroit
- **When:** Nov. 26 through Jan. 4, 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays, 2 p.m. matinees Saturdays and Sundays. Special holiday performances 1 and 7 p.m. Nov. 26 and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 31. No performances Dec. 24 or Jan. 1.
- **Tickets:** \$15 to \$58 available at the Fisher Theatre Box Office and all Ticketmaster outlets. To charge tickets by phone, call (248) 645-6666.



Arise: Students and workers throw up the barricades in Paris during the climactic second act of "Les Miserables."

STREET SCENE



Fervent following: The Howling Diablos, featuring singer Tino Gross, created a frenzied fanbase by playing the Bear's Den in Berkley every Sunday.

And it goes like this:

Detroit funksters Howling Diablos give fans the 'Green Bottle'

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

The Bear's Den is a tiny liquor stand nestled perpendicular to Coolidge Highway in downtown Berkley. On most days, a few cars trickle into the parking lot.

On Sundays, however, the unassuming bar hosts one of the hippest, sweetest nights in the Detroit area when the Howling Diablos bring in its blues/rock/funk sound.

"It's like a Fellini film in there," said band leader/singer Tino Gross of Royal Oak. "It's a complete freak show."

Blue-collar workers, frat boys and sorority girls, Deadheads, drunks, swingers, and regulars hang off the rafters and each other, dance in the aisles and on tables at the Bear's Den to get a glimpse of the jam session.

Besides its fervent following, the Howling Diablos have attracted the likes of rappers Insane Clown Posse and Kid Rock, and Black Crowes keyboardist Eddie Harsch.

"We have a mutual admiration society going on, no doubt. We're a live band and the clowns (ICP) have a lot of respect for musicians and we have a respect for what they do," Gross said.

"It's great to see bands in this town getting together and supporting each other."

The only problem with the Sunday night music marathon and the Howling Diablos's other shows was that the music stopped there. Fans didn't have anything to take home with them.

To tide fans over, the Howling Diablos released a live album on

Top Dog records, Kid Rock's label. It was taken from a session at the White Room Studios in Detroit.

"It was an exact representation of that day. The live album did phenomenal. It did way beyond my expectations. (Then-rock station) 102.7 was playing it. It was amazing that it got added. A live album doesn't usually do that," Gross explained.

"We wanted to take the time to do this one right."

After two years of work, the Howling Diablos - percussionist Amjed-Abdullah "AJ" of Oak Park, guitarist Jeff Grand of Ferndale, Gross, saxophonist Johnny Evans of Berkley, drummer Jerome Day of Dearborn, and bassist Mike Hollis of Detroit - released its first studio CD, "Green Bottle," on Novi's Overture Records.

The Howling Diablos will celebrate the release of "Green Bottle" with a party and performance, with special guests The Holy Cows, Broken Toys, Merge, and The Almighty Lumberjacks of Death, 7 p.m.-2 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at the State Theater in Detroit. DJ Bad Rockin' Brad will spin tunes between the acts. The show-closing song "Go Gene Go" will feature a jam session with Kid Rock and surprise celebrity guests.

"Green Bottle" reflects a melting pot of influences culled from blues, rock, and hip-hop artists.

"I think one of my favorite bands is the Rolling Stones. They were a white band in the '60s that wasn't afraid to explore black

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two-hour class with the Radio City Rockettes when she was in 11th grade. "When I tried out for the Rockettes in 1996, I was newer to the audition process.... The second year when I went back, I was a lot more familiar with the movements and what they wanted and what they expected out of us, so I had more confidence the second time around."

Watch Caston taking that next step, seventh from the left. Erica Bromm is just two spots over from Caston - fifth from the audience's left - in the famous chorus line. Bromm, who's living with her parents in Farmington Hills during rehearsals and the run of the show, was working as a dancer in the casinos and waiting tables in Memphis. She went to the auditions in Nashville and

was later cast for the Branson, Mo., "Radio City Christmas Spectacular." Because Bromm's entire family lives in Michigan, she asked to be a part of the Detroit show and was granted her request. Though she started dancing when she was 5 in Rochester Hills, Bromm was a competitive gymnast first, before giving it up during her freshman year of

high school when her gymnastic meets started conflicting with her dance competitions. "I just enjoyed dancing a lot more, and gymnastics is really tough when you're my height," said the 5-foot, 7-3/4-inch first-time Rockette from a Russian splits position on the floor. "This is a workout in itself,

these rehearsals. You can't tell, but we're all sweating by the end of the day. We all have sore muscles and blisters on our feet. Dancing is tough. We don't get the recognition that we deserve as being the athletes that we really are. Everyone thinks that it looks so easy. But that's our job, to make it look easy. We're working really hard out there." That's why Bromm and Caston

say they don't have to diet - though Bromm confesses an addiction to chips and dip. Any other tips for Rockettes wannabes? "It's training. And it's training in all areas, because they require us to do tap, jazz and ballet," advises Bromm. "Being a triple threat - singing, dancing and acting - is what keeps you working in this business."

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and wigs which had become drab with age and made surgical changes in the script. "There is a new scene," Lawrence said, in a telephone call from his New York office. "The authors put it in between 'The Master of the House' number and 'The Bargain.' There was

always mention of Valjean meeting Cosette at the well and now he does." The show has also been re-directed, with an emphasis on personalizing the performances. Lawrence said the playing of the lead roles had been done by formula, every part played the

same way everywhere. "It was important for the directors to see what the actors thought of their roles," he said. "Now the actor who plays Javert on Broadway will play it differently than the Javert on the road. By making it more personal for the actors, it becomes more personal for the audience."

Once the changes had been made on Broadway, Lawrence said, Mackintosh called him to have the changes incorporated in the road show. The total redo has cost about \$2 million. "In Detroit we will be using a new sound system for the first time," Lawrence said. He said it will provide state-of-the-art fidelity and clarity. "Les Miz," as it is universally known, is on its way to becoming the most popular musical of all time. One young Rochester actor said he has seen the show four

times and looks forward to seeing it again. Though based on Victor Hugo's sprawling novel, which is nearly 1,400 pages in most English-language editions, the sung-through musical focuses on the core story of Jean Valjean, a petty thief hounded by a by-the-books detective, Javert. It is also the story of Fantine and her daughter, Cosette, whom Valjean agrees to remove from an abusive foster home. It ends with the Paris uprisings of 1830 involving Cosette and her lover, Marius.

find my way into the story. But at the finale, where the whole cast backs away leaving Marius and Cosette. Those two people are the future, those people are the future of France." Finding a personal connection is one of the things Lawrence and the directors are emphasizing to all new cast members. Lawrence said that Gregory Calvin Stone has come up from the ensemble to take the lead role of Valjean. "He sings 'Bring Him Home,' better than anyone I've ever heard," Lawrence said. J.P. Daugherty represents another kind of musical style as the comic scoundrel Thenadier. "He has that English music hall tradition that you don't find," Lawrence said. "He's funny as hell and conveys a different period." Lawrence became involved

with "Les Miz" after working on Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Sunset Boulevard" and Mackintosh's production of "Miss Saigon," another Boublil-Schonberg musical. He said Mackintosh shows are the same on the road as they are on Broadway. "If you see any of our shows on the road, you'll have the same experience visually, aurally and every other way that you'd have in New York," he said. Lawrence is hoping the show's popularity continues long enough to overtake "Cats" as the longest running show in history. "This show has no signs of winding down. We expect to be on the road at least five more years." You can probably expect that Detroit will continue to be a regular stop.



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music. They drew on the blues, absorbed it and let it come out in rock 'n' roll. We do the same thing with today's black music which is hip hop," Gross said. "Rock 'n' roll has to have fresh flavors going on if it's going to survive." The ingredients include rock ("Criminal Mind," "Funky Daddy"), a blend of funk and hip-hop ("Green Bottle"), hard-driving rock ("6th Street Opera," "Whack The DJ"), and old school ("It's My Party"). The album has already proved to be a hit locally. With its hook-laden chorus "And it goes, and it

goes, and it goes like this/I'm a high high hippie hippie yes I am," the single "Green Bottle," a song dedicated to Jagermeister, debuted at No. 20 on the list of top sellers at Harmony House stores. "All the other bands (on the list) were national acts and we're selling as good as they are," Gross said excitedly. Besides selling well, the single, mixed by Mike E. Clark of ICP fame, has received or is receiving airplay on Detroit-area radio stations WKRC, WRIF, and CIMX. "It's tough for local bands to get airplay, the politics the way they are," Gross said. For the album, the Howling Diablos worked at several stu-

dios including the White Room, 54 Sound in Ferndale, A&M in Hollywood, and the legendary studio United Sound in Detroit. "That place is like the temple of funk. There's so much history there. George Clinton worked there, the Red Hot Chili Peppers cut there. There's an endless legacy of groups that have been there." There was also an endless stream of guest musicians - organ player Chris Codish, pianist Eddie Harsch, guitarist Bobby East, drummer Jeff Fowlkes, background vocalist Mildred Anderson, violinist Mary Alice, and drummer Vinnie Dombroski, lead singer of Sponge. "We have Vinnie playin' drums on a couple of the songs. They all know him as the singer in Sponge. People don't remember what a great drummer Vinnie is." Rapper Kid Rock, who recently inked a deal with Lava/Atlantic records, remixed "Reefer Man" and provided drum loops for the album. With the success of "Green Bottle" and its live album, the Howling Diablos have garnered some interest among major labels. Gross said whether the band signs a deal or not, the Howling Diablos will remain true to its mission. "We're always gonna be a live band that takes it live to the people. Of course we'd like to hook it

Who: Howling Diablos along with special guests Holy Cows, Broken Toys, Merge, The Almighty Lumberjacks of Death and DJ Bad Rockin' Brad

When/Where: Wednesday, Nov. 26. Doors open at 8 p.m. - State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets: \$11 in advance and \$13 at the door for the 18 and older show. For more information, call (313) 961-5451 or (248) 645-6666.

Additional performances:

- ◆ Howling Diablos, Megadeth, Jackyl, Jimmie's Chicken Shack, and Creed - Perform as part of the "Nightmare Before Christmas II" concert, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17 at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (1-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. Tickets \$15 and \$10 for the all-ages show. For more information, call (248) 377-0100.
- ◆ Howling Diablos - 9 p.m. Sunday throughout November, at: The Bear's Den, 2972 Coolidge Highway, Berkley, call (248) 545-2246 for more information.
- ◆ Howling Diablos and The Parka Kings - 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets \$20 in advance for the 18 and older show. For more information, call (248) 544-3030.

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Blue Eyed Soul serves up something 'Delicious'

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

As a student at Henry Ford Community College, Christian Draheim recorded an entire tape in the bathroom of his mother's house for a class project.

"The room had a real tight sound. It was just me and an acoustic guitar. It didn't get that crappy echo. I just always remember that. When I walk in a new building I always listen to the acoustics," Draheim said.

Two years later when it came time for his rock band Blue Eyed Soul to record its debut CD, "Delicious," Draheim took his bathroom experience into consideration.

"I thought, 'This bathroom would be awesome to record in but it's too small to put a drum kit,'" said Draheim of Farmington Hills, formerly of Livonia.

So he improvised and brought in a guitar, cabinet and mic and went to work.

"I did a guitar solo in the shower. It's awesome. Now there's rugs and stuff in there. But the acoustics are very good. It has all natural reverb. There



Celebrating debut: The Farmington Hills-based rock band Blue Eyed Soul - from left, bassist Scott Kolassa, guitarist Allan Maclean, singer Michale Welchans, drummer Daniel Lago, and guitarist Christian Draheim - recently released its debut CD "Delicious."

was no added effects," Draheim said of the slide guitar solo in "Smell."

"Smell" is one of nine songs on the five-year-old band's debut CD "Delicious," released in mid-

September on Blue Eyed Soul's Acid Groove Records. The week ending Sept. 16, the first week in the stores, it charted at No. 178 in Detroit on SoundScan spurring the interest of major record labels. The week ending Nov. 11 "Delicious" reached No. 134.

After 17 seconds of thunderous drums in the instrumental "BHT," the nine-song "Delicious" kicks off with the funk-laden title track, and continues with morsels of acoustically driven ballads and rockers ("Scratch," "Smell"), and straight-ahead rock songs ("Easy," and "Smother").

Like "Smell," the album was recorded primarily in the home that Draheim shares with lead singer Michale Welchans.

The dread-locked Welchans, a former Redford resident, described recording at home as "really comfortable."

"A lot of recording has to do with getting used to the environment that you're in. I'm always self conscious about what the

engineer is thinking. At least I feel comfortable about being at home."

Draheim added that you can't beat the price of recording at home.

"There's no pressure as far as worrying about being on the clock and the money issue. Plus, when you're in a creative mood and your mindset is at its best, you could go and record."

"Delicious" is the culmination of a two-year project for Blue Eyed Soul.

The band began recording the album in 1995 but internal problems erupted and two guys were let go. As a consequence, Blue Eyed Soul trashed some of the songs and started over.

With the new lineup of singer Welchans, Draheim, drummer Daniel Lago of Westland, guitarist Allan Maclean of Canton, and bassist Scott Kolassa of Northville, "everybody has a respect for the direction that we're going on."

Draheim cited the songs "Delicious" and "Easy" as the new direction.

"We'll still continue to wander out of that. None of them (the songs on the album) sound alike but it sounds coherent."

He added that like "Delicious," Blue Eyed Soul's next album will be recorded at home.

"Next time, I definitely want to try different rooms in the house," Draheim said.

Blue Eyed Soul performs with Son of Adam and The Krinkles, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road (south of Ford Road), Dearborn. Cover charge is \$5 for the 21 and older show. For more information, call (313) 581-3650.

Other upcoming shows include: 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at Record Collector, 28143 Eight Mile Road, Livonia. Admission is free. (248) 473-8350; and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at Blockbuster Music, 482 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac. Admission is free. (248) 338-4700

For more information about Blue Eyed Soul, visit its website at <http://www.blueeyedsoul.com> or call (313) YES-SOUL.

Hilberry serves up a tasty family show

BY SUSAN SUCHYTA
SPECIAL WRITER

If there were a category for aromatic special effects, the smell of onions in ragu waiting through the auditorium of the Hilberry would win by more than a nose. The Neapolitan comedy by Eduardo Filippo runs in repertory through Jan. 30. Call (313) 577-2972 for ticket information.

If all the comedies of Italy's beloved playwright Eduardo de Filippo translate as well, it's a mystery why his works aren't performed more often in the United States. His simmer blend of family fare, flings, feuds and forgiveness make for a tasty theatrical treat.

The action centers around food and the family dining room, which sets the stage for the play's main course. Whether the food is being praised, prepared or relished, it is central to, and symbolic of, the nurturing of family relationships and friendships.

Mary Vinette embodied the passion and stubbornness of Mama Rosa, the family's matriarch. Her scenes with her husband, Peppino, ran the gamut of marital emotion, through anger, caring, guilt and jealousy. Bret

Tuomi played the patriarch well, seething with a barely contained rage, frustrated by his own perceived powerlessness.

Rosa and Peppino's family provide a varied menu of side plots and entertainment. Antoinette Doherty was whimsically amusing as the headstrong daughter spurning her conservative fiance's attempts to control her. And Karl Kippola's Luigi was obnoxious to the point of being amusing and not annoying.

The properties manager, Deidre Bullock, literally had to double as chef and had the challenge of props that must be replaced for each run of the show. The smell of the onions really set the mood, though, and was an important part of the ambience.

The set was wonderfully detailed, creating a kitchen and dining room that were the central focus of the action and the welcoming arms of the home. The set establishes the intimacy of the family with its inviting kitchen and the importance of the Sunday meal with this formal, revered dining room.

The period costumes from the '50s were also beautifully done as well, right down to the men's hats and women's pumps.



Making dinner: Rosa (Mary Vinette) starts her Sunday ragu, while her husband Peppino (Bret Tuomi) looks on in "Saturday, Sunday, Monday."

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1515 BROADWAY

Trittico theatre Company presents "I Love Christmas," a new comedy by Detroit playwright Kim Carney, presented by Trittico theatre Company through Sunday, Dec. 14, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 4 p.m. Sundays, at 1515 Broadway, Detroit. \$12.50 and \$10, \$2 discount for students/seniors. (313) 965-1515/(248) 645-6666

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

"In the Sweet Bye and Bye," a comedy by Donald Driver, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays. 3 p.m. Saturdays. 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15, \$40 for season subscription. (313) 868-1347

FISHER THEATRE

"Les Miserables," Wednesday, Nov. 26-Sunday, Jan. 4, Fisher Theatre in the Fisher Building, Detroit. 8 p.m. Saturdays. 7:30 p.m. Sundays, 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and special holiday performances 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. No performances Wednesday, Dec. 24, or Thursday, Jan. 1. \$15-\$58. (248) 645-6666/(313) 871-1132

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

Charles Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol," Friday, Nov. 28 to Sunday, Dec. 28, 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays, 6 p.m. Saturdays, and 6:30 p.m. Sundays, on the Oakland University campus, Rochester. \$23-\$33.50, discounts for students, seniors and groups, and special family discounts on 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, only through Meadow Brook box office. (248) 377-3300

MILLENNIUM CENTRE

"The Fantasticks," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the center, 15600 J.L. Hudson Dr., Southfield. \$10 and \$12, \$9 for groups of 20 or more. \$20 dinner/show package with family-style buffet at Stockyard Restaurant. (248) 552-1225

PERFORMANCE NETWORK

"The Waiting Room," a sharp comedy that takes on medical ethics and sexual stereotypes, Thursday, Nov. 20-Sunday, Nov. 23, and Thursday, Nov. 27-Sunday, Nov. 30, at the theater, 408 W. Washington (2 1/2 blocks west of Main Street), Ann Arbor. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays. \$15, \$12 for students and seniors. "Pay-What-You-Can" on Thursdays. (313) 663-0681 or http://comnet.org/PNetwork

THE PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy about a family's deer hunting trip by Jeff Daniels, through Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Garage Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, and 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10. \$20-\$25. (313) 475-7902

WINDSOR LIGHT OPERA

"Annie Warbucks," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. (800) 387-9181

COLLEGE

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

"Guys and Dolls," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, and 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4-Saturday, Dec. 8, Quirk Theatre, 103 Quirk, Ypsilanti. \$5 bargain night Thursdays; \$10 general admission Fridays and Saturdays. \$8 general admission for matinee; \$7 and \$5 for maintenance members; \$8 and \$6 for EMU students in advance. Add \$2 for tickets purchased at the door. (313) 487-1221

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THEATRE FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES
"The Prince and the Pauper," 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, and Friday, Dec. 5, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, and Saturday, Dec. 6, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, and Sunday, Dec. 7, at the college, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. \$5, \$3 children. (313) 845-9900

OU DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC, THEATRE AND DANCE

"Othello," by William Shakespeare, starring Esau Pritchett, the national winner of the Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship last April in Washington D.C., 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22-Saturday, Nov. 23, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Varner Hall's Studio Theatre, Oakland University campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013

U. D. THE THEATRE COMPANY

"Little Joe Monaghan," the story of Josephine Monaghan, a woman cowboy who passed as a man for almost her entire adult life, through Sunday, Nov. 23, at Earl D.A. Smith Studio theater, University of Detroit Mercy campus, Livernois and McNichols roads, Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. \$10, \$8 seniors and students



Holiday light show: The Detroit Zoo shines bright during the fourth annual Wild Lights exhibit Nov. 21 through Jan. 4. Admission \$3 adults, \$2 children ages 2-12; children under 2, free, (248) 541-5835. The exhibit will be open 5:30-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and Sunday; 5:30-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The exhibit features more than 50 animated animal light displays that wind along a half-mile trail at The Detroit Zoo, located at the intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward (just off I-696) in Royal Oak. Tickets may be purchased at the door nightly. The exhibit is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Nightly themes include band and choir performances, ice sculpture demonstrations; and storytelling for children. Call the number listed for details.

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

"Ladyhouse Blues," Kevin O'Morrison's play about women beginning to assert their independence in a man's world in 1919, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre in the Michigan League, 911 N. University, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. \$14, \$7 students. (313) 764-0450

WSU HILBERRY THEATRE

"Saturday, Sunday, Monday," by Eduardo de Filippo, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20; "The Lady's Not for Burning," by Christopher Fry, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21; "Othello," by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, and Friday, Nov. 28, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

WSU STUDIO THEATRE

"Look Back in Anger," by John Osborne, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the theater below the Hilberry Theatre, 4743 Cass Ave., Wayne State University campus in Detroit. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATER

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE

"A Little Night Music," 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20-Friday, Nov. 21, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22-Sunday, Nov. 23, AACT Playhouse, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. \$18, \$6 students and seniors. (313) 971-AACT (2228)

AVON PLAYERS

"Born Yesterday," a comedy which had one of the longest runs in history on Broadway and spawned two hit movies, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 21-22, and Thursday Nov. 20, at the theater, 1185 Tienken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road), Rochester Hills. \$11, student/senior/group rates available for Thursday and Sunday performances. (248) 608-9077

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Adult comedy, "Sylvia" by A.R. Gurney, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20-Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills. \$8 (248) 553-2955

PARK PLAYERS

"Steel Magnolias," 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21 (\$20 to benefit Greater Rosedale Grandmont Business Association, call (313) 837-7823), 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22 (\$10), at North Rosedale Park Community House, Detroit. (313) 538-2338

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

"1940s Radio Hour," by Walton Jones, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the playhouse, 21730 Madison (near Monroe and Outer Drive), Dearborn. \$12. (313) 661-TKTS

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

"Showstoppers of the Musical Stage" featuring 30 numbers from Broadway's best shows including "Phantom of the Opera," "Grease," "Cats," "Oklahoma," "A Little Night Music," "Pippin" and "Showboat," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, at the playhouse, 206 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. \$15, call for reservations. (248) 988-7049

ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

"Lend Me a Tenor," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River Ave. (one

block east of Lahser Road), Detroit. \$10, \$9 seniors/ students to age 18. (313) 537-7716

ST. DUNSTAN'S GUILD OF CRANBROOK

"70, Girls, 70," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, West Bloomfield. \$15, \$12 students and seniors. (248) 644-0527

TROY PLAYERS

"The Foreigner," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Hunter Community Center, 509 Fisher Court, Clawson. \$8, \$7 senior citizens and children. (248) 879-1285

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

DANCE CONCERT FOR YOUNG FOLKS

The 44th annual On Stage Dance Performances for Children presents "Body Language: Reading, Writing and Dancing" performed by the Wayne State University Dance Company, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Community Arts Auditorium on the WSU campus, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$4 children/students/seniors. (313) 577-4273

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

"Ancient Echoes: Tales from Egypt," performed by Wild Swan Theater 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, at the DIA, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7, \$5 DIA Founders Society members. Recommended for children ages 5 and older. (313) 833-2323

MARQUIS THEATRE

"Aladdin," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 22-23, 29-30 and Dec. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28 and Jan. 3-4, and 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday Dec. 26,

29, 30-31 and Jan. 2, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. \$6.50. (248) 349-8110

YOUTH THEATRE

"Steel Bandits," from George Family Musicians, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, as part of the Movin' Up Club Season for children ages 7 and older, at Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. Group rates, birthday parties, season tickets, and drama workshops available. Children younger than 5 not admitted. (313) 963-7663

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DJ SPIN-OFF

Featuring Detroit DJs competing for \$500 prize, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Tremors! in the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Dr., Livonia. \$5, 21 and older. Interested DJs must register by Friday, Nov. 21. (313) 462-2196

RECORD AND CD MUSIC COLLECTIBLES EXPO

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Livonia Elks Hall No. 31, 117 Plymouth Road (one block east of Merriman Road, one mile south of I-96), Livonia; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Clawson Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main St. (1/2 mile north of 14 Mile Road), Clawson. \$3. (248) 546-4527

SILENT FILM AND ORGAN CONCERT

8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, and 2 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 7, 1920 silent film "Way Down East" starring Lillian Gish, with Lance Luce providing the dramatic moments on the Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$10, all tickets reserved. (248) 541-6430

TRAIN, DOLLHOUSE & DOLL SHOW

11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22-Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Drive, Novi. \$6 adult (includes parking), \$2 ages 6-12; admission covers both days. (248) 348-5600

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60 wrestlers in three rings, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$12-\$35, \$50 ringside seats. All ages. (248) 377-0100

FAMILY EVENTS

AMERICA'S THANKSGIVING PARADE

Featuring floats, giant balloons, marching bands, equestrian units, clowns, specialty acts and celebrities traveling down Woodward Avenue from Mack Road to Jefferson Avenue, 9:15 a.m.-noon Thursday, Nov. 27. Free. \$12.50 prime grandstand seating available along the parade route. (248) 645-6666/(313) 923-7400

CHENILLE SISTERS

11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free. All ages. (313) 271-7701

TEDDY BEAR TEA

With "Mr. Magic" Ronnie Cee, ventiloquist/humorist/author of "The Magic Telescope," Richard Paul, and Jean Cane "Mrs. Santa Claus," 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Detroit. \$10, \$8 for children younger than 12, includes admission to the Festival of Trees. Benefits Children's Hospital of Michigan. (248) 650-8733

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor and flutist James Galway, and flutist Jeanne Galway performing works from Rossini, Mercadante, Cimarosa, and Mendelssohn, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20-Friday, Nov. 21, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, With conductor James Paul and violinist Jennifer Koh performing works from Tchaikovsky, Britten, and Debussy, 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17-\$60. (313) 833-3700

LOGAN SKELTON

Pianist performs music ranging from a Haydn sonata to Bolcom rags, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Britton Recital Hall of the E.V. Moore Building, 1100 Baits Dr., University of Michigan north campus, Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (313) 764-0594

U-M CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Performs Beethoven's Symphony No. 2 and Richard Strauss's Suite from "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme," 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (313) 764-0594

DARRETT ZUSKO

Piano recital by 12-year-old Darrett Zusko, first place winner of the 1996 Music Competition at Guelph and third in the Saskatoon Festival, 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at St. Joseph Hall on Ryan Road, south of I-696, Warren. \$12 adults, \$8 seniors, \$5 students, free for children under 13. (248) 879-8167

AUDITIONS

LES MISERABLES

The associate director and the musical supervisor of "Les Miserables" will hold open auditions for children for the roles of "Young Cosette" and "Gavroche" for the Broadway and national touring companies on Saturday, Nov. 29. The auditions will be at the Fisher Theatre, Fisher Building, 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit. Sign-up for the auditions will be at 10 a.m. The auditions will begin at 10:30 a.m. Each child will be asked to sing one song of his or her choice, bring sheet music. An accompanist will be provided. No tape recorded or "sing along" music may be used. The songs the child characters sing can be heard on the Broadway cast recording, available at all music stores. Young Cosette, girls ages 7-11, delicate, innocent, young girl, heartbreaking and walk-like; sweet soprano voice; approximately 50 inches tall - no girls over 50 inches should attend this audition. Gavroche, boys ages 7-11, tough street kid, lots of spunk and personality, street-wise orphan, clever, must be a terrific actor, strong singing voice, approximately 52 inches tall. No boys over 52 inches should attend this audition. Children should bring a recent photo stapled to a resume that lists singing and acting experience or training. Professional experience is not required. Children and parents must be willing to relocate to New York or travel on tour if hired. If you are interested in auditioning but unable to attend, please send photo and resume to: Johnson-Liff Associates, 1601 Broadway, Suite 1400, New York, NY 10036; Attn: Les Miserables.

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Looking for singers for the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America. The chorus rehearses 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail (1/2 mile east of Newburgh Road), Livonia.

The ability to read music is not required. It is preparing for its Christmas season performances and its annual show in March. (313) 981-6342

ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

Auditions for five men and three women for "The Boy Next Door" by Tom Griffin, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, at the Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River (one block east of Lahser), Detroit. For performances to run three weekends beginning Jan. 30. No previous acting necessary. Auditions consist of script readings. For a copy of the script, call (248) 594-8694

CHORAL

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR

Daniel Pinkham's "Christmas Cantata" and a variety of seasonal compositions by Brahms, Rutter and Britten, under the direction of Donald Stromberg, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4 (\$4, available at the door) at First Presbyterian Church, 701 W. Church St., Plymouth; 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church of Livonia, 30900 Six Mile (between Merriman and Middlebelt roads). Donations accepted during intermission. (248) 349-8175/(313) 462-4435

JAZZ

ALEX BUGNON

With Gerald Albright and Waymon Tisdale, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$28.50. All ages. (313) 872-1000

HERBIE HANCOCK AND WAYNE SHORTER

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (313) 668-8397

KOQ'S KATS

7-11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-6750

KATHY KOSINS

7-11 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

SHEILA LANDIS

With Rick Matle and Steve Adams, 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Bistro 313, 313 E. Walton Boulevard, Pontiac. Cover charge, 21 and older; With Rick Matle and WenJell Harrison, 8 p.m.-midnight Sunday, Nov. 23, Bomac's Lounge, 281 Gratiot, Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older; With Rick Matle, 8-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Borders Books and Music, 1122 Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 332-7184/(313) 961-5152/(248) 652-0558

THE LUDDITES

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Roadrunner's Rait, 2363 Yemans, Hamtramck. Cover charge, 21 and older. (cabaret-style jazz/folk) (313) 873-RAFT

THE MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With bassist Dan Jordan, drummer Jerry McKenzie, and special guest Larry Nozoro, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner order (served 6:30-9 p.m.) plus a \$5 drink minimum. 21 and older. (248) 474-4800

MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22 at D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road at M-59, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-0550

ROBERT PIPHO TRIO

7-11 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

BOB SEELY

Boogie Woogie pianist, 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23 at Sam's Pizzeria and Cantina, 2215 Wyandotte West at Randolph, Windsor. \$12, \$10 in advance. (519) 944-9798

SOULSTICE

9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29, America's Pizza Cafe, 129 S. Main St. (one block south of 11 Mile Road), Royal Oak. (bebop, swing, contemporary and traditional jazz) (248) 544-1001

PAUL VORNHAGEN TRIO

8:30-12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older; 8 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Nov. 22, Agape Cafe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. All ages. (sax/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150/(248) 546-1400

ALEXANDER ZONJIC

9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29, Thai-Chi Express, 630 Woodward Ave. (two blocks north of Jefferson Avenue), Detroit. \$7.50, 21 and older; 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, J.D.'s Club 2001, 31 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens. Cover charge. All ages. (313) 963-8424/(810) 465-5154

8 days a week

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Sons of St. Patrick, Warren, Free. 21 and older. (Irish ballads/sing-alongs) (810) 758-7602

"FESTIVAL OF INDIA, THE MIDDLE EAST, AND NEARBY REGIONS"
With Troupe Ta Amullat, an Ann Arbor-based ethnic dance groups that performs dances of the Middle East, North Africa and Central Asia, Armenian folk musician Ara Topouzian, sarod and tabla performers Matthew Rosen and Ajit Acharya. Shades of Pakistani musical, dance and fashion performances, and Digerleri, a Turkish vocal and instrumental group. 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, U-Club, first floor of the Michigan Union building, University of Michigan campus, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$7. \$5 students and seniors with ID. \$3 kids ages 6-12, and free for children ages 5 and younger. (313) 763-3202/(313) 668-1359

IMMUNITY
9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22. Hoops, 2705 Lapeer Road, Auburn Hills. Free. 21 and older. 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 373-4744/(248) 349-9110

LASH
As part of a St. Patrick's Day party. 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, The Viper Room Detroit, 17320 Harper (between Moross and Cadieux roads), Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (Celtic) (313) 881-3611

LEAHY
8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, Chrysler Theatre in the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. \$25 Canadian, includes GST. (Celtic) (800) 387-9181

MICHAEL O'BRIEN
9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, and unplugged performance 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

ODD ENOUGH
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, and Wednesday, Nov. 26, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Warren. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135/(313) 758-7602

JIM PERKINS
5-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

"REGGAE BORDER CLASH '97"
With Infinity, Roots Rock and Conquerus. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 before midnight. 21 and older. (313) 836-8686

THE SHANNON BROTHERS
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

PATRICK STREET
8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10. \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (Irish) (313) 761-1451

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

JIM AKANS
8-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Borders Books and Music, 45290 Utica Park Boulevard, Utica. Free. All ages. (248)/(810) 726-1178

CANADIAN SHOWCASE
Featuring Keith Dick and Richard Moody, Taxi Chain, and Cate Friesen, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (313) 761-1451

CONKERS
With Susan Grace, Joyous Noise, Burt Carol Singers, and Paint Creek Jammers. 7:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, as part of The Paint Creek Folklore Society's Tin Whistle Coffeehouse in the Fellowship Hall of the University Presbyterian Church, 1385 Adams Road, Rochester Hills. \$10. (248) 682-8551 or (810) 778-9643

IMAGES
1994 first place winners of the Mid-Eastern dulcimer championships. 7-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Dixboro Dulcimer Store, 5740 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. \$5. (Civil War music/Mexican and traditional folk) (313) 665-2357

THE LEWIS FAMILY
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, as part of Oakland Community College's "Bluegrass Series," Royal Oak campus, Lila Jones Johnson Theatre, 739 S. Washington, Royal Oak. \$12. (248) 544-4903

RFD BOYS
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$9. \$8 members, students, seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1451

POETRY/SPOKEN WORD

"THE ECONOMY TOUR"
A multimedia modern/classic performance art show featuring the poetry of Daniel X. O'Neil, and the music of Dylan Morgan Orchestra with Forrest Roush. 10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Java Coffeehouse, 517 S. Washington, Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 547-9530

DANCE

DEARBORN BALLET THEATRE
"The Nutcracker," with the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. Friday, Nov.

28, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, Edsel Ford High School Auditorium, 20601 Rotunda Dr., Dearborn. (313) 943-3095

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING
Workshop and dancing led by Erna-Lynne Bogue, Eric Arnold and Don Theyken, with live music by David West and Donna Baird. 7:30-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, Chapel Hill Condominium clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road), Ann Arbor. All dances taught. (313) 663-0744/(313) 662-5158

THE RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR
Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Dec. 27, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$50. All ages. (313) 983-6611/(248) 645-6666

ROYAL WINNIPEG BALLET
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, Chrysler Theatre in the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. (800) 387-9181

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
Joe Mulligan, Tim Wilson and Joey Bielaska, Thursday, Nov. 20-Friday, Nov. 21, Kirk Noland and Joey Bielaska, Wednesday, Nov. 26, Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays-Saturdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays and Sundays. Cover charge changes according to act. (313) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Mitch Mullany, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show package). 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner/show package); Norm Stulz, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29 (\$10, \$20.95). 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
Kirkland Teeple, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20 (\$7); Tommy Chong, 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22 (\$17.50); Lowell Sanders, 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29 (\$10), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (313) 996-9080

MR. B'S ROADHOUSE
Pete George, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22; Ruben Ruben, and Derrick Richards, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, Mr. B's Roadhouse, 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford. \$10. (248) 628-6500

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
O'Brien and Valdez, with Jill Washburn, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19-Thursday, Nov. 20 (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23 (\$6); Leo DuFour and Symba, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26 (\$6); Dan Wilson and Symba, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29 (\$12), 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30 (\$6), at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900 or http://www.comedy-castle.com

SECOND CITY
"Generation X-Files" through December at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. The cast performs a free improvisational comedy set after Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday shows, and the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. \$14 Thursdays, \$17.50 Fridays, \$19.50 Saturdays, and \$12 Sundays and Wednesdays. The show's title is reflective of current cultural trends, not necessarily the show's content. (313) 965-2222

SUZANNE WESTENHOEFER
The first lesbian comic to get her own HBO special. 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$17.50. All ages. (313) 761-1451

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December 1998, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission. Wednesdays: \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger. Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
IMAX movies include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays; "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 12:45 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. Saturdays, and 1:45 p.m. Sundays; "Destiny in Space," 12:45 p.m. Sundays, at the museum, 5020 John R. (at Warren Road), Detroit. \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or http://www.sciencecenter.org

MEADOW BROOK HALL
"Set for the Holidays" 1997 holiday

walk, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily Friday, Nov. 28-Sunday, Dec. 7, remaining open until 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, and Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the historic house at Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. Tours also available of Knole Cottage, the six-room, 3/4 scale mini mansion near the hall. \$10, \$5 children ages 12 and younger, \$5 0U affiliates with ID for Meadow Brook. Discounts available for groups of 20 or more, \$1 Knole Cottage; Black tie gala dinner, 6:30 p.m. with 8 p.m. candlelight dinners followed by dancing and an afterglow, Thursday, Dec. 4-Saturday, Dec. 6. \$175 for patrons, \$250 for benefactors. (248) 370-3140.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

"Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou," the first comprehensive exhibition to explore the arts produced within this religion, runs from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays through Sunday, Dec. 28, at The Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush St.), Detroit. "Sacred Arts" features a wide spectrum of art objects including sequined flags, sacred bottles, pots, painted calabashes, beaded rattles, bound medicine packets, dolls, cosmographs, musical instruments, multimedia assemblages and contemporary paintings. The exhibit is rated PG-13 as some of the images in Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou may not be suitable for children ages 13 and under, or individuals sensitive to graphic images. Adult supervision is suggested. \$3 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. (313) 494-5800.

POPULAR MUSIC

FIONA APPLE
With Laika, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (piano-driven pop) (313) 961-5451

ATARI TEENAGE RIOT
With EC80R and Shizu, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. All ages. ("digital hardcore") (248) 333-2362

ATOMIC FIREBALLS
With The Volcanoes, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (jump R&B/swing/instrumental surf) (313) 833-POOL

BENNY AND THE JETS
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, Wine Cask Inn, 22100 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Heights. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 730-1627

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (jump blues) (248) 543-4300

THE BIZER BROTHERS
9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and Wednesday, Nov. 26, Pages, 23621 Farmington Road, Farmington. Free. 21 and older. (248) 477-0099

BLUE EYED SOUL
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Record Collector, 28143 Eight Mile Road, Livonia. Free. All ages; With Son of Adam and The Krinkles, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road (south of Ford Road), Dearborn. \$5. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 473-8350/(313) 581-3650

BLUE HAWAIIANS
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BLUES CONNECTION
9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BLUES TRAVELER
With Jonny Lang, 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$22.50. All ages. (rock/blues) (313) 961-5451

BOTFLY
With Boogie Shoes, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-8555

ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE
8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$13. 18 and older. (southern rock) (418) 335-8100

BUGS BEDDOO BAND
9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650/(248) 360-7450

BUMPIN' UGLIES
With Tin Woodsmen, Anxieties, Mad Henchmen, Smoke Bombs, and Tonsil Boxers, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (punk) (313) 833-POOL

BUTLER TWINS BLUES BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

DANNY COX
10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Tuscan Grill, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (acoustic) (248) 652-1600

THE CRAMPS
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$15. All ages. (punk) (248) 333-2362

CRYSTAL METHOD
With Lunatic Calm, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$8. All ages. (techno) (248) 334-1999

DETROIT BLUES BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-6433

DJ DIMITRI
9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, as part of "Family" night, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 18 and older. (313) 369-0090 or Motor3515@aol.com

DISCIPLINE
With Tiles and House of Usher, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door. 18 and older. (progressive rock) (248) 544-3030

DURAN DURAN
7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-5451

GLEN EDDY
9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

FLEETWOOD MAC
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills. \$65 and \$45. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100

FOLISH MORTALS
10 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

KIM FOX
8 p.m. Fridays in November, Gargoyles', 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (pop) (248) 745-9790

FRETBUZZ
With Elephant Gerald and 10-Pound Train, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, The Viper Room Detroit, 17320 Harper Road (between Moross and Cadieux roads), Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 881-3611

GETAWAY CRUISER
With American Mars and dBass, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6. 19 and older. (alternapop) (313) 996-8555

GREEN DAY
With Superdrag, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-5451

GRIN
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 485-5050

GUS GUS
With Cornershop, 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$15 in advance. All ages. (techno/Punjabi and Brit pop) (248) 334-1999

HARPER
9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

JULIANA HATFIELD
With Mysteries of Life, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12. All ages. (pop) (313) 833-POOL

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, D.L. Harrington's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-6433/(248) 852-0550

HOWLING DIABLOS
With Holy Cows, Broken Toys and The Almighty Lumberjacks of Death, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$11 in advance, \$13 at the door. 18 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 961-5451

JILL JACK
With Sun 209 and Scott Fab, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (roots rock) (248) 544-3030

KILLER FLAMINGOS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (248) 543-4300

MIKE KING
8:30-11 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Woodward Avenue Brewers, 22646 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 546-3696

KNEE DEEP SHAG
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (funk) (313) 485-5050

KUNG FU DIESEL
9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 485-5050

JOHN D. LAMB BAND
9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Frigates, 1103 E. Lake Dr., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (singer/songwriter) (248) 624-9607

THE LOOK
10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29, Mr. Sport, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford Township. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110/(313) 534-7420

MR. FREEDOM X
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 485-5050

MISS BLISS
With Velour 100 and Morella's Forest, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

MOONPIE FONTANA
9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

MOSHI PARTY
With DJ Digital and Aux88 as part of "Maximum Overload," 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$6. 18 and older. (313) 369-0090 or Motor3515@aol.com

MOTOR CITY JOSH AND THE BIG 3
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300/(313) 581-3650

MOTOR JAM
10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750

MUDDUPPY
Celebrates release of new CD "White Bread and Hot Sauce" with a party and performance, with special guest Rootbox, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Cover charge. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030

OPIE'S DREAM
9 p.m. 2 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, Rosie O'Grady's, 175 W. Troy, Ferndale. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28-Saturday, Nov. 29, Charlie CarPartz, Heritage Holiday Inn, 17201 Northline Road, Southgate. Free. 21 and older. (classic rock) (248) 399-8888/(313) 283-4400 or http://www.ozzy.net/~mic

THE PLANTS
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, JD's Macomb Theater, 31 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 465-5154

WALLY PLEASANT
8 p.m. Tuesdays in November, Woodward Avenue Brewers, 22646 Woodward Ave. (two blocks south of Nine Mile Road), Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (quirky acoustic pop) (248) 546-3696

PURPLE FLY
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Commerce Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (funk) (248) 360-7450

"RAMPANT TOUR"
Featuring DJs Larry Bishop, Chris Brown and John Debo, as part of "Maximum Overload," 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$10. 18 and older. (313) 369-0090 or Motor3515@aol.com

GARY RASMUSSEN
8:30-11 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Royal Oak Brewers, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 544-1141

SGT. ROCK
9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, Woodbridge Tavern, 289 St. Aubin, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 259-0578

MATTHEW RYAN
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, Gargoyles', 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac

MOVIES

'Jackal' fails to improve on the original version



JOHN MONAGHAN

Part of the fun in 1973's "The Day of the Jackal" was the obscurity of the actor playing the assassin, a master of disguise. It gave you the paranoid feeling that the nondescript fellow with the wide tie and sideburns sitting next to you on the airplane (or in the movie theater, for that matter) could be a political assassin.

The new version, shortened to simply "The Jackal," features Bruce Willis in various personas (and wig styles) from pot-bellied Canadian to blond-maned fisher dude. The only problem is: the elaborate get-ups don't add up to

much except tedium for the audience and another star vehicle for Willis that goes nowhere fast.

An MTV-style credit sequence, backed by music from Primal Scream, is practically a mini-movie about the fall of the Soviet Union.

This hip intro couldn't contrast more with the rest of the movie, which, directed by "Rob Roy's" Michael Caton-Jones, quickly becomes your standard-issue espionage thriller. When a gangster's brother is killed during a Russian nightclub bust, a mysterious assassin is hired. For \$70 million, the killer (known only by the code name "Jackal") will murder the American FBI director and then disappear without a trace.

Enter Declan Mulqueen (Richard Gere), an imprisoned IRA bomber and the only man who can identify the Jackal by

sight. He strikes a deal with the authorities (led by a stern Sidney Poitier): collar the would-be killer and the Irishman will have his sentence lessened.

And you thought Brad Pitt's accent in "The Devil's Own" was suspect? Check out the gray-haired Gere; he makes Pitt sound like Michael Collins. Moreover, he has virtually no chemistry with Willis, save for the slow-motion shots of their inevitable face off stolen from director John Woo.

Even worse served is Poitier, who keeps appearing in thankless roles like this in forgettable action movies. Can't the man generally regarded as one of the nation's premier black actors find work in better projects?

"The Jackal" sinks lowest when it mixes violence with humor when the assassin uses a

greasy-haired shop rat as a moving target for his latest weapon.

The movie's sole good idea comes near the end. The chase takes the men deep into the subway tunnels, capped by a shot of a narrow escape that may be the movie's only true thrill. Even this is hindered by surprisingly low-tech special effects.

My love/hate relationship with

Bruce Willis continues with "The Jackal." Used so effectively in "Pulp Fiction" and "Twelve Monkeys," the egomaniac actor is asked to do little more than look stone-faced as he carries out his mission.

By the end of the movie, he reverts to your run-of-the-mill raging psychopath, holding innocent people hostage and taunting

Mulqueen with cries of, "you can't protect your women, can you?" It's a bloody and stupid end to what his Irish adversary might call a bloody stupid film.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

SCREEN SCENE

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

Detroit Film Theatre Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 833-2323 for information. (\$5.50; \$4.50 students/seniors)

"Hollow Reed" (Britain - 1996). Friday-Sunday, Nov. 21-23 (call for showtimes). When a nine-year-old boy begins to show signs of possible abuse, his father must decide what action to take.

"Vive L'Amour" (Taiwan) 1994. 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24. In the crowded city, a lonely real estate agent uses one of her vacant high rises to conduct an affair, unaware that a young man, has found her keys and is living there too.

Main Art Theatre 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (248) 542-0180 for information. (\$6.50; \$4 students, seniors and matinee; \$3 twilight)

Samuel L. Jackson stars in this black-themed drama, set in a small backwater Louisiana community, where the story of a seemingly prosperous family is told from the perspective of a 10-year-old girl.

"Washington Square" (USA - 1997). Jennifer Jason-Leigh and Albert Finney star in this adaptation of a Henry James novel about an awkward rich girl caught between her over-protective

father and a penniless suitor.

"Wings of the Dove" (Britain - 1997). More Henry James. This time the turn-of-the-century romantic entanglement occurs between a conniving woman (Helena Bonham Carter) and a handsome journalist (Linus Roache). They devise a plan to have him woo a dying woman and thus inherit her fortune.

Magic Bag Theatre 22918 Woodward, Ferndale. Call (248) 544-3030 for information. (\$2)

"Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (USA-1971). 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20. The movie version of the Roald Dahl novel about every children's fantasy: winning a ticket to the candy story (or in this case chocolate factory) led by tour guide Gene Wilder.

"Swingers" (USA-1996). 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26. A group of aspiring young actors in L.A. form friendships, try to pick up women, and cruise the city's martini bars in this independent exploration of the Cocktail Nation.

Redford Theatre 13671 Lahser (at Grand River), Detroit. Call (313) 537-2560 for information. (\$2.50)

"Broadway Melody of 1940" (USA-1940). Friday-Saturday, Nov. 21-22 (organ overture begins a half hour before showtime). Fred Astaire and Eleanor Powell team in this MGM musical with the tunes supplied by Cole Porter ("Begin the Beguine," "I Concentrate on

You.")

Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield Call (248) 424-9022. (\$3)

"Stormy Weather" (USA-1943). 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21. A legendary lineup of black entertainers appear in this pioneering musical, including Lena Horne (singing the title song), Fats Waller ("Ain't Misbehavin'"), Cab Calloway, Dooley Wilson, and Bill "Bojangles" Robinson.

Star Southfield 12 Mile Road (west of Telegraph), Southfield. Call (248) 372-2222. (\$6.50; \$4.50 before 6 p.m.)

"The Ice Storm" (USA-1997). A film adaptation of Rick Moody's confessional account of life in the 1970s, starring Kevin Kline, Sigourney Weaver and directed by Ang Lee ("The Wedding Banquet," "Sense and Sensibility").

Windsor Film Theatre, 2135 Wyandotte Street West, Windsor, Canada. Call (519) 254-FILM. (\$5.25 Canadian; \$4 U.S.)

"Drowning in Dreams" (Canada-1997). 7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 20-23. A documentary account of one man's obsession in which the wreck of a luxury yacht, discovered in 1970 in Lake Superior, leads to misfortune for the man who tries to raise it.

"Different for Girls" (Britain-1997). 9:15 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 20-23. A gender-bending romance between a heterosexual male and a transsexual "woman."

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, Nov. 21

"JOHN GRISHAM'S THE RAINMAKER"
Drama based on John Grisham's best-selling novel about a law student who finds himself involved in a high-profile civil litigation. Stars Matt Damon, Claire Danes, Danny DeVito, Mary Kay Place, Mickey Rourke, Jon Voight.

"MORTAL KOMBAT: ANNIHILATION"
Sequel to the 1995 hit where a group of heroic fighters must save Earth in a no-rules Mortal Kombat tournament. Stars Robin Shou, Talisa Soto.

"MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND BEAUTY"
A magical mix of music, adventure, romance and comedy in a full-length animated motion picture about the fabled lost Russian princess. Features the voices of Meg Ryan, Kelsey Grammer, Angela Lansbury, John Cusack and Christopher Lloyd.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, Nov. 26

"FLUBBER"
Remake of the classic Disney comedy about a bumbling professor who accidentally invents an anti-gravity material which he names "flubber." Stars Robin Williams, Marcia Gay Harden, Ted Levine and Clancy Brown.

"ALIEN RESURRECTION"
Sigourney Weaver returns as Ripley who discovers that her "resurrection" is the result of an incredible experiment which has altered both her and the creature she had been carrying. Also stars Ron Perlman.

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Backstage Pass takes time for fishes



ANN DELISI

Have you ever looked down at your calendar and discovered it was something like National Formica Awareness Day? Or Adopt A Naked Mole Rat Week? Or Razor Burn Prevention Month? If we actually got all this "official"

time off from work - say to educate ourselves about the importance of durable, stain-resistant countertop veneers in our lives - we'd never get anything done.

But not all such designations are punch lines. For instance, 1997 is the International Year of the Coral Reef, a call for everyone on the planet to bone up on the importance of the coral reefs to the health of earth's ecosystems. We at Backstage Pass, along with everyone at Detroit Public Television, are doing our part to get the word out. But perhaps the most active participant in the spirit of the year is the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the Detroit Zoo. They've been housing a coral reef exhibit, with underwater photographs and art inspired by these living canyons of the sea. Now, to complement the exhibit, the gallery commissioned Detroit's Mosaic Youth Theatre to create a live performance piece dramatizing the importance of the reefs.

I spoke with Yvonne DuQue about the show. Now, I don't want to liken Yvonne to a Dr. Seuss character, but she wears a lot of hats in the renaissance of Detroit's indigenous theater scene: associate director of Mosaic Youth Theatre, director of the Next Stage Company - an extension of Mosaic with an older cast - one of the founding members of, and a producer at, Planet Ant in Hamtramck.

Just typing that list wears me out, but Yvonne somehow found the time to write, direct and create the coral reef show for the zoo, and even some more time to tell me about it. "The show is called 'Rain Forest of the Ocean: Drama on the Coral Reef.' Mosaic has been wanting to do something with the zoo, and Gerry Craig (curator of the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery and a crack Backstage Pass art correspondent), wanted to do something about the coral reef. It's been very collaborative with the zoo. They've been giving us fish lessons, so we're educated and accurate. They've also been generous about letting us be very creative."

The show posed some interesting problems for Yvonne: it had to be geared toward kids and driven by content. "We wanted to get them excited about the coral reef, but we didn't want it to be scientific. So we had to come up with a format: What can we pull from our research to tell the story."

Luckily, the reefs are home to real-life fish whose names sound downright theatrical - Damsel-fish, Clownfish, Foxface, among others. The names lent themselves to a story kids already knew. "What if instead of the wolf, we have a fox? Damsel is Little Red Riding Hood, and instead of taking goodies to grandma's house, she's taking algae, because their home is

dying, because humans are killing the coral.

Next problem: create drama without making anyone the bad guy. Solution: "It's a play within a play. The actors are playing fish who are actors. Because they're not bad fish. They all get along. So Foxface can come out saying, 'Why do I have to play a mean character? I'm a mild-mannered algae grazer!' so we don't misrepresent him. And later on, in place of 'what big teeth you have,' Damsel-fish can say, 'my, what a dog-like snout you have.' That way we get the fish facts in there."

By humanizing the reef's inhabitants, the show drives home its message to kids. "In 20 years, 70 percent of coral reefs could be gone if we don't do something. This is a way of saying to the kids, 'Hey, recycle plastic, and do all these other things you've been hearing about, because now you know who we are.'" It's a great project, and tonight on Backstage Pass we'll talk some more with Yvonne and Gary.

Also on the Big Show, we'll get a live performance from one of Dan Aykroyd's favorite blues-funk-rock bands, Detroit's own Mudpuppy. We'll look behind the scenes at preparations for the Thanksgiving Day parade. And we'll show you the musical talent of Detroit's own King of All Media, Mitch Albom, when he performs live in the Detroit Public Television studio with his wife, Jeanine. That's tonight on Backstage Pass at 9:30 on Detroit Public Television, Channel 56.

STREET SCENE

Loneliness prevails on Duran Duran's new tour



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Duran Duran singer Simon Le Bon has only been on the road for a day and already he's finding it extremely lonely and boring. After he makes sure I'm not a groupie calling his hotel room, Le Bon said he'd rather play the teeny-bop magazine game.

"You're not going to ask me my favorite color or the color of my underwear?" he asked.

He cites pink as his favorite color.

"It's the color of all good things. It's the color of my favorite things. It's the color of girls. We're Duran Duran. We're still a girl group. That's why we get such (bad) reviews from all the critics. It's because they're sexist. They think that girls haven't got any taste in the world."

Le Bon is speaking on the telephone from a hotel in Hartford, Conn., Wednesday, Nov. 12. Although Duran Duran hadn't played a gig yet, he found the tour interesting.

"I just found out that Connecticut has three C's in it. Con-

nect-i-cut," Le Bon said slowly putting emphasis on each of the C's. Upon being told that this tour has proved to be educational, Le Bon said, "That's as much as my little brain can handle."

Proud of his accomplishments, he tells of the state's connection with the "Last of the Mohicans."

"I'm going mad, which is what happens when you're in hotel hell."

On top of being lonely and bored, he's upset that the book he's reading, "Credo" by Melvyn Bragg, is "crap."

"It's sensationalist. It's set in the dark ages. There's a lot of rape and pillage. The sex scenes are really bad. Doesn't that tell you that it's written by a guy? The battle scenes are really good, but I'd rather it be the other way around - good sex scenes and bad battle scenes," Le Bon said.

Suddenly it strikes him. He's supposed to talk about music and his new album "Medazzaland" (Capitol).

The album, Duran Duran's best in years, is the first as a trio; bassist John Taylor left in January. "Medazzaland" harkens back to Duran Duran's earliest albums. The first single "Electric Barbarella" carries a keyboard/techno sound similar to

one of the Duran Duran's first singles, "Rio." Classic Duran Duran is the common theme running throughout "Medazzaland." "Big Bang Generation" absorbs '90s dance grooves while songs like "Michael You've Got a Lot to Answer For" blends Duran Duran's playful pop sounds with industrial-driven rock.

"I think there's an excitement there that was rediscovered that was on the first couple of albums. I guess after what happened with 'Thank You' (the band's miserable cover album), our backs are really up against the wall. It just drew the best out of us," Le Bon explained.

"With John leaving the group, it made us fight for survival. When you want to get shrubs to flower, you want to plumb it, put it under threat. It responds by becoming very prolific. That's exactly what happens with artists. They fight back, at least we do anyway."

The trio and John Taylor began working on "Medazzaland" off and on since the end of 1994.

"We wrote the songs and then we went out and did an eight-month promotional tour with 'Thank You.' We only started reworking on this in November 1995."

"We had seeds at the beginning. We went away and came back to grow them. This has been a very horticultural conversation. If I hadn't become a musician, I would have been a gardener."

Duran Duran's tour, which comes to the State Theatre in Detroit on Monday, Nov. 24, will include the trio, a bass player and a drummer - that's it.

"It's the first time since 1982 that there's only five guys on stage. I'm really proud of that. There's no horn players, no extra percussionists, no backing vocalists. It's just the band on stage.

It's great."

According to music web sites, the band's set includes songs from early in Duran Duran's career.

"We have a lot of old stuff practiced up. We have some real surprises, some things that you wouldn't expect us to play, songs that we haven't played in 16-17 years that work really well with the new stuff. The 'Notorious' period is not working with what we're doing now. We have returned to that slightly left of center dance rock, harder sort of sound with this album."

Remembering he's lonely in a hotel room, Le Bon asks, "Will I see you at the show? Please, bring some girlfriends."

Duran Duran performs at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets, \$25 general

admission and \$40 reserved seating in the mezzanine, are still available for the all-ages show. For more information, call (313) 961-5451.

• After touring arenas and summer sheds, Billie Joe Armstrong, singer/guitarist for Green Day, is excited to be back in clubs.

"It's a lot more intimate. I can make more of a spectacle out of myself, which I have never had much of a problem with anyway," Armstrong said with a laugh.

Green Day is touring in support of "Nimrod," its third album for Reprise Records and fifth overall.

Green Day and Superdrag perform Thursday, Nov. 20, at the State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., in Detroit. Tickets are \$17 in advance. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT.

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DINING

Supper Club theme clicks at Clawson Steak House

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

Established in 1958 by brothers Greg and Paul Alexopoulos, the Clawson Steak House is one of only two remaining upscale Supper Clubs in the Detroit suburbs. The other is Excalibur in Southfield.

Since the late 1980s, second generation, Nick, John Alexopoulos, and Jim Alex carry on tradition, but are at the same time, in tune with dining preferences of the 90s. They've had the now-popular steakhouse concept in motion for a decade!

Nick and his cousin Jim manage all aspects of the business or in restaurant lingo, "the front of the house." One of them is always on premise to greet diners, a large percentage of whom are regulars. Nick's brother John is executive chef. All three family members grew up in the restaurant business and are infectious about their continuing success.

"We don't advertise," Nick said. "New customers find us by word of mouth. A lot of our regular customers were brought here by their parents and now, they are bringing their kids. There were a number of restaurants like this in the 1970s and young people are curious about that era."

You've got that right! Who

would have predicted the current Tony Bennett phenomenon?

The sign on the entry door sets expectations. "No shorts or tee shirts. Proper attire required." Get a booth in the bar smoking area or sit at one of the 20 comfortable stools at the bar. The main supper club, done in soft tones of mauve and two-toned blue, has upholstered booths seating four. Tables, many snuggled close to the fairly-large dance floor below the stage, seat two, four or six in comfortably-large upholstered chairs.

The Mark James Band (keyboard, percussion and vocalist) performs live on stage from Wednesday through Saturday for both listening and dancing pleasure. "Other than a wedding, this is one of the only places you can dance close," Jim remarked.

A long list of appetizers are dinner eye catchers. Escargot, sautéed in garlic butter is \$6, and touting Greek family traditions of the owners, Saganaki "Opa" flamed tableside at \$4 are among the hits. Not into starters? The Baked French Onion Soup awaits.

While defining itself as a steakhouse and calling its 30-ounce porterhouse \$22 "a steakeater's dream," fish selections are among the top sellers. Royal Oak's Superior Fish Company makes eight to 10 deliveries of

Clawson Steak House

Where: 56 S. Rochester Road (south of 14 Mile Road), Clawson, (248) 588-5788.

Hours: Lunch Monday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dinner Monday through Thursday 4-11 p.m., Friday and Saturday until midnight.

Menu: Supper Club style steakhouse featuring not only beef, but veal and fresh seafood. Extensive daily-dated specials at both lunch and dinner.

Entertainment: Live band Wednesday and Thursday 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Cost: Lunch sandwiches \$3.50-7; entree-size salads \$6-7.50; specials \$7-10. Dinner appetizers \$4-6; steaks, chops, veal and seafood \$9-22.

Reservations: accepted, but on Friday and Saturday, for tables of six or more only.

Credit cards: all majors accepted.



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At your service: Jim Alex (left), Executive Chef John Alexopoulos, and Nick Alexopoulos carry on the tradition of the Clawson Steak House.

fresh seafood each week. Two combos top the list, Surf and Turf at market price and New York and Shrimp Orly, a 12-ounce New York strip steak and golden-fried, beer-batter-dipped shrimp, incredibly reasonable at \$15. It comes, as do all entrees, with soup, salad and choice of vegetable, potato or pasta.

Other popular seafood entrees are Lake Superior White Fish, broiled and lightly-seasoned \$11,

one full pound of Alaskan King Crab Legs \$20 and deboned, broiled filet of Holland Dover Sole Almondine \$17.

Three preparations of Provimi veal are menu staples at \$12-14. Choose from Picatta, Marsala or Parmesan. And where else can you always find Roadhouse style (lightly-battered, garlic-accented and deep-fried) Frog Legs \$12? Or Beef Stroganoff as one of the daily specials? And calves liver

smothered with onions \$9?

Chef John Alexopoulos touts his specials. Gordon Doyon, co-owner of Birmingham's Doyon Brothers Salon and a regular at the Clawson Steak House, confirms. "The lamb chops here are the best ever." Marinated and

rack cut, lamb chops are char-broiled. Three are \$15 and five are \$22. "I like leftovers for lunch the next day, so I always order five," Doyon added. "But the very best is the Land and Sea special, two lamb chops and a large filet of grilled salmon."

THANKSGIVING DINNER OUT

*Call restaurant for reservations/information.

■ **Ernesto's** - 41661 Plymouth Road (west of Haggerty) Plymouth, (313) 453-2002. Open noon to 6 p.m., all day buffet includes traditional turkey with trimmings, ham, porkloin, Italian dishes, desserts, and more. Cost \$17.95 per person, children ages 6-12, \$8.95; children five and younger complimentary.

■ **Leather Bottle** - 20300 Farmington Road, Livonia, (248) 474-2420. Open 1-6 p.m., Thanksgiving Day menu features choice of turkey, baked Atlantic cod, glazed ham, beef, and chicken breast supreme. Cost \$11.95 per person, children's menu also available.

■ **Leon's Family Dining** - 28904 Seven Mile Road, Livonia (248) 478-7811. Open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Special Thanksgiving menu, turkey dinner, \$6.95 per person, \$4.95 children 12 and under.

■ **Mama-Mia Restaurant & Pizzeria** - 27770 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (313) 427-1000. Open noon to 9 p.m. Whole turkey dinner for parties up to eight, \$79. Single turkey dinners, and other menu items will also

be available.

■ **Mitch Housey's** - 28500 Schoolcraft (opposite Ladbroke DRC) Livonia, (313) 425-5520. Seatings at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner with trimmings. Cost \$9.95 per person plus tax, tip and beverages.

■ **Plymouth Landing** - 340 N. Main St., Plymouth, (313) 455-3700 - Offering a buffet 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thanksgiving Day. Includes traditional turkey dinner with trimmings, baked pineapple glazed ham, Seafood Newburgh, Beef Stroganoff, Pasta Italiano, Greek Spinach Pie, fresh fruit, pastry table and more. Cost \$15.95 per person; \$6.50 for children ages 5-10; no charge for children 4 and under.

■ **Water Club Grill** - 39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, (313) 454-0666 - Open 1-6 p.m., Thanksgiving Turkey dinner with the trimmings - roast turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, soup or salad, rolls \$10.95 per person, children 10 and under \$5.95, regular menu will also be available.

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