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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

School board: The Wayne-Westland school board meets at 7 p.m. at the district offices on Marguette in Westland.

Holiday exhibit: The Garden City Fine Arts Association will hold its Holiday Art Exhibit and Sale Dec. 8-13 in The Art Gallery/Studio at 29948 Ford, between Henry Ruff and Middlebelt (in Sheridan Square), Garden City.

TUESDAY

Winterfest: The Westland Winterfest Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Bailey Center. The committee is looking for ideas from the community for the upcoming Winterfest.

0 1997 HomeTown Communications Network, Inc Students mourn death of teen

Fourteen-year-old Alycia Madgwick died shortly before 3:30 p.m. Thursday after she was taken off of life support at the University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor.

BY DARRELL CLEM AND MARIE CHESTNEY STAFF WRITERS



Grief-stricken Livonia Franklin High School students are mourning the loss of 14-year-old Alycia Madgwick, a popular pompon squad member

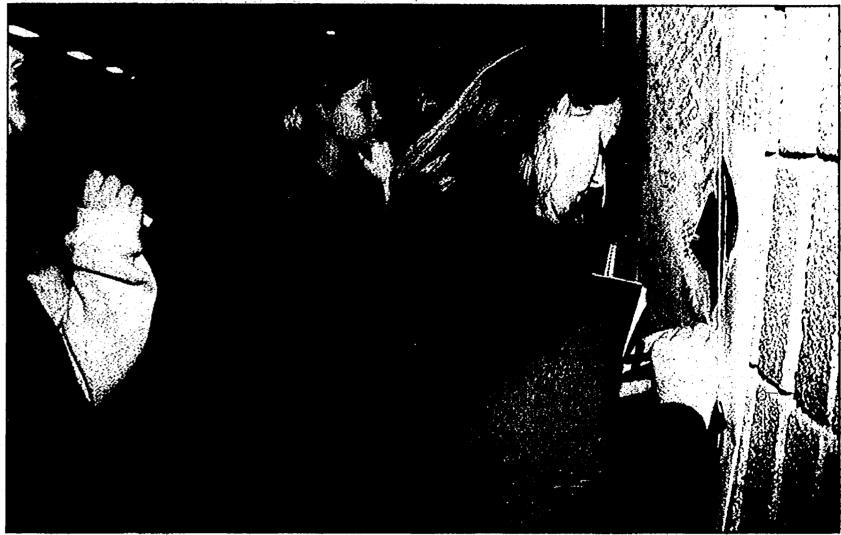
who died from injuries she suffered in a car that plunged into a Westland ditch on a rainy Wednesday night.

"She was always a happy, smiling person," 10th-grader Erin Huber said. "What I will remember most about her was she had the prettiest smile,"

10th-grader Andrew Morales said. Madgwick died shortly before 3:30 p.m. Thursday after she was taken off of life support at the University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor. The Westland girl's death came 20 hours after she and four friends were involved in a one-car accident on Joy Road at Ingram, west of Merriman.

"Alycia will always be remembered for her smiling, sparkling personality," 10th-grader and pompon squad member Dana Toll said.

Franklin pompon coach Tesha Thomas said practice won't be the same without Alycia.





PHOTOS BY JERRY S. MENDOZA

Remembering Alycia: Above, Franklin High School student Jaline Cartolano signs a special banner put up on the school wall Friday as a memorial to Alycia Madgwick who

Protecting assets:

Holiday concert: The

Westland Community

Foundation will host a

beginning at 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday at the St.

Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church

in Westland.

holiday classical concert

Richard Bockoff, attorney for the Senior Justice Center, will address Westland senior citizens on protecting and preserving assets with four documents at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh.

"Every day at practice I could look forward to seeing Alycia's shining smile and her beautiful red hair,' Thomas said. "But it wasn't just her looks that made her so lovely. She was one of the hardest workers on the team and never once complained.

"She was one of the sweetest girls I've known," Thomas concluded. "I will truly miss her."

On Friday, Franklin students hung two huge banners in a school hallway Please see DEATH, A2



died Thursday following a Wednesday night traffic accident. Cartolano was a friend and fellow pompon squad member of the Franklin freshman. At left, a memorial was set up at the site of the accident.

Teen-ager pleads guilty in March fatal accident

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

A Westland teen-ager has pleaded guilty to charges stemming from a fiery March 10 car accident that killed a 14year-old girl on Ann Arbor Trail near Hines Drive.

Joseph John Gackiewicz, 17, pleaded guilty Monday to a vehicular manslaughter charge stemming from the death of 14-year-old Nicole Mugurian, a Westland resident and Livonia

We staked out area stores to corner

And these young consumers - who

prompt others to chalk-up millions of

dollars in sales during the holiday sea-

Video games; remote control cars;

Last year's most popular toy, Tickle

Walking down a short toy aisle in the

boy's department at Sears, Chris

Petersmark, a fourth-grader at

Coolidge Elementary School in Livonia,

said Legos are his first choice quickly

followed by K'nex; Nintendo 64; Sega

His sister Caitlin, a sixth-grader,

wants Sega Genesis, Nintendo and

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Me Elmo, came up a winner again, too.

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the experts on their picks for the

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

hottest toys of the season.

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SPECIAL WRITER

Franklin High School freshman.

Gackiewicz's decision averted a trial that was scheduled to begin Monday in front of Wayne County Circuit Court Judge David Kirwan.

Witnesses who saw the one-car accident came to court prepared to testify. "Everybody was there to testify, but he took the plea," Westland police officer Jack McIntosh said.

Gackiewicz faces sentencing Feb. 6. He could face a maximum sentence of tree. The car burst into flames.

15 years in prison.

However, he won't face a second charge that has now been dropped, McIntosh said. The teen-ager had originally faced a second charge of causing a death while driving under the influence of liquor and marijuana, McIntosh said.

On the night of the accident, Gackiewicz lost control of a 1989 Buick Regal and slammed into a roadside

Mugurian, who was a front-seat passenger, died in the 10:30 p.m. accident. Gackiewicz and backseat passenger Michael Mahdi Ayoub, a 17-year-old Livonia resident, suffered injuries but. survived the accident.

Testimony during a May 20 hearing in Westland 18th District Court raised allegations that Gackiewicz had been drinking, using marijuana and speeding when he apparently lost control of,

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Children know toy story of what's popular

THURSDAY

WEDNESDAY

Forum: U.S. Rep. Lynn N. Rivers will be holding a town hall meeting 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday in the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey in Westland. The meeting will be an open forum.

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A few feet away, Elliott McDonald, 7 liked just about everything he saw. His mom, Linda, will have an easy time shopping for his gifts.

When pressed to give his first choices, Elliott thought a moment and declared that he wanted cars and anything with motors. During a five minute tour of the aisle, however, he said "I like this, too" at least five times as he pointed to various emergency vehicle cars, especially a fire engine that lit-up.

The second-grader from Detroit was awestruck after he spotted a microscope laboratory kit. "Mom, I would really like this," he declared.

Jason, a Botsford Elementary School student from Livonia, who was shopping with his mom, Amy, and his 10month-old baby brother, Justin, couldn't resist trying his hand at computers that were placed just within his reach. Aside from computers, Jason, 5, wants a basketball net; Nintendo; Gooey Louie; a water tag game and a



motorized Jeep. At Jacobson's in Livonia, four-yearold Catherine Vollmerhausen of Grosse Ile said she likes Princess Barbie and Christmas Barbie.

Four-year-old Brandon Evans of

STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE Dearborn had his eyes and hands on Brio train set

pieces. Amy Gulick said her 21-month-old son, Eddie, likes anything to do with

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Skating classes

Westland Sports Arena will have registration for its learn-to-skate program on consecutive Mondays, Dec. 8 and 15, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on two Saturdays, Dec. 13 and 20, from 9-11 a.m. Classes are available for skaters 4 years old to adult. Classes

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poster contest, which had the theme "Inside These Doors: One Year Later." Winners in the kinder-

School helper

Auto body repair students at the William D. Ford Career/Technical Center will benefit from a mechanics tool chest donated by Husky Tool Corp. and from a complete set of tools given by Home Depot in Canton Township. Auto body instructor Scott Heim said the chest and tools are valued at more than \$1,200. Career/technical center principal Bill Richardson said, "Donations of new tools and equipment by local companies to any of our 23 training programs provide a wonderful opportunity for our students to train with state of the art materials. They also provide some welcome relief for over-strained school equipment budgets."

Family affair: Dad Tim Evans goes over the list in: his notebook with sons Brad, Tad and Chad.

cyberspace that have to be fed and cared for); K'nex; laser tag games and anything to do with Barbie topped their lists.

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are available Monday afternoons and Saturday mornings. Seven-week sessions cost \$31.50. Also at the sports arena, Santa Claus will visit for open skating 1-2:45 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13. Admission will be \$2.75 for students and \$3.25 for adults.

Poster contest

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland has announced winners of its first-anniversary

garten through second grade category were: first place, Brooke Cabe, second place, Emily Rodler, and third place, Brandon Cabe. Winners in the third through fifth grade category were: first place, Annette Mihailovich, second place, Michelle Mihailovich, and third place, Amanda Sparks. Winners received certificates, meal coupons and copies of their posters on slick poster paper. First- and second-place winners also received color bookmarks featuring their own design.

Death from page A1

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for friends to sign - banners that will be given to Madgwick's family. Friends also started a memorial at the accident site.

Before she died, Madgwick, a Franklin freshman, was on her way to a hockey game between her school and rival Livonia Churchill High, Westland police officer Jack McIntosh said.

With five teen-agers in a 1996 Pontiac Sunfire. Madgwick was seated between two friends in the back seat when the driver, a 16-year-old girl, lost control while turning left onto Joy from northbound Merriman, McIntosh said.

"It was rainy, and visibility was pretty diminished." he said.

The accident occurred at 7:11 p.m. Wednesday in an area where Joy Road narrows from five lanes to two, and McIntosh said the Sunfire veered off the Livonia side of Joy, "fish-tailed" and crashed into a ditch on the Westland side of the road.

The car flipped over and the rear window broke, and Madgwick's body was half-ejected, McIntosh said.

"The vehicle came to rest on her head," he said.

The car landed upside down in a rain-soaked ditch.

Madgwick was believed to be dead at the scene, then doctors revived her at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia and arranged for her to be flown to U-M Medical Center.

But the outlook was bleak, and she succumbed to her injuries Thursday afternoon.

McIntosh said it will be the decision of county prosecutors whether to file charges against the driver, a former Franklin student now attending Walled Lake Western High School. But he stressed that alcohol was not a factor in the crash.

Madgwick was the only teen not wearing a seat belt, McIntosh said. The other teens, including two Franklin students and two Walled Lake Western students, escaped serious injury.

"They all got out of the car after the accident," McIntosh said.

He described all the teens as "good students."

Madgwick's death marked the fourth Westland fatality of 1997. One of those included another 14-year-old Franklin student, Nicole Mugurian, who died March 10 in a one-car accident on Ann Arbor Trail near Hines Drive.

On the squad: Fourteen-year-old Alycia Madgwick, a popular pompon squad member, died from injuries she suffered in a car that plunged into a Westland ditch on a rainy Wednesday night.

Madgwick's recovery as she lay unconscious in a hospital bed.

"Alycia was always there to listen," ninthgrade classmate Brianne Johnson said. "We would often go skating together."

Dana Georde, a 10th-grader, said Madgwick always worked tirelessly to achieve her goals.

"She was hardworking, energetic and never gave up," Georde said.

Services for Madgwick will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Griffin Funeral Home, 7707 Middlebelt, Westland. Burial will be in Roseland Park at Woodward and 12 Mile, Berkley.

Visitation will be 3-9 p.m. Sunday and noon to

Program's funding knocked

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

Westland city officials erred by spending \$10,000 to support a Wayne-Westland school district program that helps families get help for problems ranging from truancy to domestic abuse, a city resident said.

Westland City Council members shouldn't pay for Wayne-Westland programs unless they also give money to other districts, such as Livonia and Inkster, that serve portions of Westland, council watcher Dorothy Smith said.

"We're involved again with Wayne-Westland schools," she said Monday during a council meeting.

"I'm in the Inkster school district," she added later, "and I could care less about this in Wayne-Westland."

The latest city-school controversy came after Wayne-Westland school board member Mathew McCusker in November suggested that the city should spend

more money on youth programs. McCusker said he wishes the

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city would spend as much money on youth programs as it does on the senior citizen Friendship Center, which he referred to as "the temple on Newburgh Road."

The council's vote Monday pertained to a \$10,000 allocation for a Family Resource Center based at Lincoln Elementary. The center steers local families to agencies that can help them with problems such as truancy, drug abuse and domestic abuse, among others.

James Gilbert, Westland housing/community development director, said the city agreed to help the Family Resource Center because Wayne-Westland officials considered closing it due to a budget shortfall.

"This is some special assistance that the council gave them," he said.

inform other school districts "if you continue to do this." Gilbert said his department

sometimes refers parents to the Family Resource Center, which he said meets a need in the Lincoln Elementary area. The city grant marks only a portion of the center's funding, he said.

"If they (school officials) had come to us and asked us to fund the entire program, we would have told them no," Gilbert said.

Mayor Robert Thomas said Wayne-Westland officials were told that they would receive help for only two years. The latest allocation marks the second year the city has donated to the program, he said.

The city provided the money not for the school district, but to help children and their parents, Thomas said.

But Smith insisted that the city is spending money that it shouldn't spend to support school district programs.

"I don't know why you insist on doing this," she said.

But Smith threatened to

Stolen air bags recovered in raid

BY LEANNE ROGERS STAFF WRITER

Police recovered 2,000 stolen air bags during a raid on an Detroit auto parts business Monday night,

The air bags have a retail value estimated at \$1 million, said Michigan State Police Lt. William Darnell of the Western Wayne Auto Theft Unit. The business which was raided. C & J Metro Automotive Supply, located in the Greenfield-Jeffries area, hød paid an estimated \$200,000 for the air bags.

"Some of the air bags were identified with numbers. The ones we ran came back stolen.' said Darnell. "The air bags are real popular to steal, big time. A guy can get \$65 or \$100 per air bag. For a couple minutes work he's got a \$100 in his pocket." While the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit has taken over

the investigation which was initiated by the Metro Street Enforcement Team, which has officers from Westland; Garden City, Wayne and Inkster.

"Most of the credit goes to MSET. They got information on a guy possibly ripping off air bags," said Darnell. "They had him under surveillance and saw him walk into a place in Detroit with a bunch of air bags."

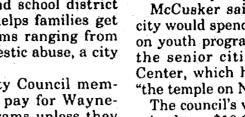
MSET surveillance units had been unable to locate the Detroit man but were keeping an eye on his girlfriend hoping she would lead them to the suspect, said Westland Sgt. James Ridener, who heads MSET. "We didn't locate them together except for when they were fencing the air bags," said Ridener. "He was a suspect in air bag thefts in Farmington Hills, Wayne, Westland and Garden City. He had been arrested in

August in Livonia."

After the couple sold air bags to the auto supply business, Ridener said the man was arrested on outstanding warrants on charges including bad checks and breaking into autos. The investigation in this case is continuing and charges are pending.

"If the number of air bags is correct, \$1 million is probably conservative," said Ridener. "We ended up in Detroit so we'll let Western Wayne take over as the State Police. Autos are their area of expertise and forte."---

Darnell indicated charge were unlikely against the auto parts business operators since they had complied with state law by obtaining identification from those selling the air bags and maintained proper records.



Meanwhile at Franklin, principal Michael Fenchel said news of Wednesday's accident was explained over the public announcement system to dispel rumors and ensure that students heard the facts. Written statements also went to staff members.

Some students sought help from counselors on Friday, one day after they had hoped for 9 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Madgwick is survived by her parents, David and Melanie Madgwick; an 11-year-old brother, Ryan; a 5-year-old sister, Shayna; and grandparents, David Sr. and Jane Madgwick, Mike and Helen Tocco and Victoria Reeves.

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The Westland Community Foundation needs people to support its effort to collect Christmas toys for needy children, foundation president Glenn Shaw said Friday.

Concert to aid toy drive

The foundation is sponsoring a holiday classical concert at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday at the new St. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 36375 Joy Road, adjacent to the Hellenic Cultural Center.

Rather than charging an admission, the foundation is asking those attending to bring an unwrapped toy that can be given to a needy child at Christmas.

Performing during the concert will be the Franklin High School Choir and La Corda String Ensemble. The choir will perform at 6:45 p.m., followed by a 7:30 p.m. reception. The La Corda String Ensem-

ble will perform at 8 p.m.

Anyone planning to attend should call 595-7727.

Also this season, the foundation is celebrating the holidays by donating its Christmas card budget to the children of Patchin, Edison, Lincoln, P.D. Graham, Hayes and Johnson elementaries.

Rather than buying cards, the foundation is giving money to the schools and having children design personal cards that are being sent out in the community.

Money given to the schools will, in turn, be donated to charities chosen by each school.





Marshall holds food drive

A Thanksgiving food drive at Marshall Middle School in Westland resulted in the collection of 2,040 food items.

Items were donated by the sixth-, seventh- and eighthgrade students at Marshall from Nov. 10 to Nov. 21.

The food was donated to the Salvation Army to make food baskets for the needy.

The items were picked up by a Rotary Club member

who had to make two trips with his pickup truck, according to Trish Zupko, student council adviser.

Student Council also sponsored a contest between classes to see who could bring in the most cans.

The winning class won a pizza party.

"It's one of the community service projects that we do," Zupko said.

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the car and hit a tree alongside Ann Arbor Trail.

Witnesses also testified that the teen-ager drove into a rightside flare lane to pass another motorist when he lost control of the car.

Gackiewicz was driving eastbound on Ann Arbor Trail at the time. He allegedly was driving in excess of 50 mph in the 35 mph zone.

He was identified as the driver by Westland police officer Jeff Jedrusik, among those who pulled the teens from the burning car.

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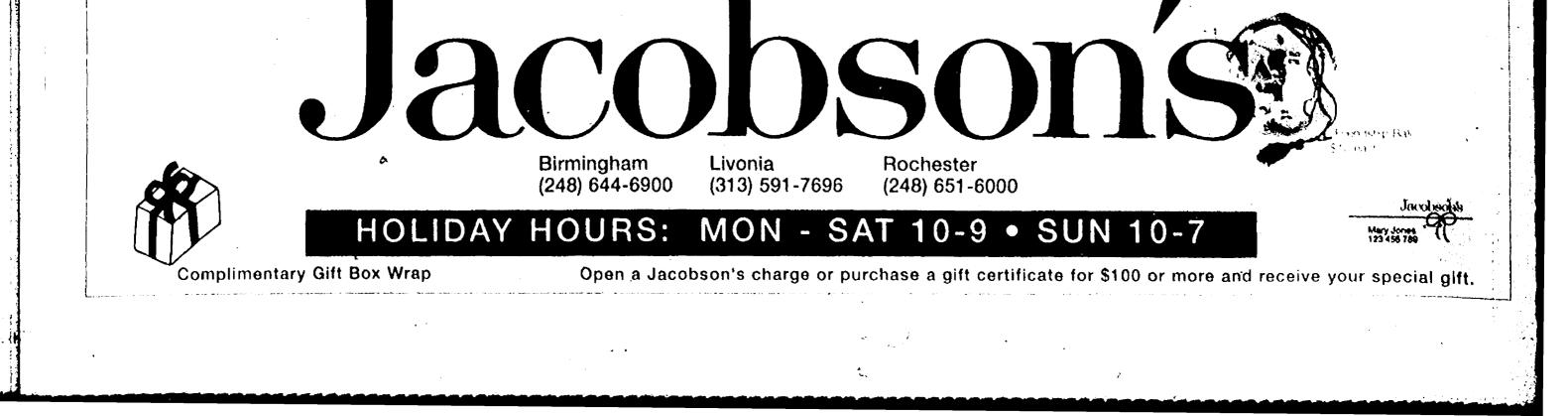
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Favorite foods: Fourth-graders Sarah Simonian (left) and Jessie Danielak sample some of the food such as Swedish meatballs and wish cookies, taco salad, hummus, African cornbread and pizza – to name a few. Sarah liked the taco salad and Swedish wish cookies and Jessie liked the Polish kielbasa.

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Students herald heritage

"Some fourth-grade students at Patchin Elementary in Westland got back to their roots recently.

As part of national Family Heritage Month in November. the fourth-grade students in Barbara Dankert's class have researched the country of their ancestors.

They also interviewed members of their own families to seek out traditions and family history, according to Dankert.

Then on Wednesday, Nov. 26, the students displayed the artifacts and research materials for parents and guests.

They also brought in pre-

Swedish meatballs and wish cookies, German gingerbread, strudel and wurst, Mexican tacos and pastries, Polish kielbasa, kolache, pierogi and kabushka, Irish corned beef, cabbage and potatoes, Puerto Rican rice and beans, Slovakian jam cookies, Czech cabbage rolls, African cornbread, Scottish shortbread and Italian pizza.

Several students also dressed in native costumes and there was also a program of songs, poems, and readings from the students' ancestral countries.

Patchin Elementary School

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WESTLAND ACHIEVERS

Heather Schultz of Livonia was selected by audition to sing soprano in Kapelle, the premier choir ensemble at Concordia University in River Forest, Ill. where she is a sophomore in the Director of Christian Education Program.

Schultz is the daughter of Richard and Judy Schultz and is a 1996 graduate of Lutheran High School Westland.

Catherine A. Boldt, a 1993 graduate of John Glenn High School, was recently awarded the William Randolph Hearst Leadership Scholarship at the University of Houston Honors College Fall Convocation.

The Hearst Leadership Scholarship was established with a gift of \$100,000 from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation.

The scholarship recognizes and encourages exceptional student leaders in addition to academic achievement.

The daughter of Carl F. and Janet Boldt, Catherine is currently a senior Spanish major. In January, Boldt will being working for the Boy Scouts of America as a district executive.

Dennis Lutz Jr. of Westland has enrolled in the Computer-Aided Drafting Technology program at ITT Technical Institute, 1522 East Big Beaver in Troy.

The local campus is one of a nationwide network of 54 ITT Technical Institutes operated by Indianapolis-based ITT Educational Services Inc.

The six-quarter program, which began in September 1997. will help Lutz prepare for an entry-level position in CAD.

Three Westland residents are among the 54 University of tv. Michigan-Dearborn students gaining on-the-job experiences in positions related to their career

goals, through the university's College of Arts, Sciences and Letters Cooperative Education Program.

Frank Adams, a psychology major, is working at American International Airways. John Campbell, a communications major, is working at Ghafari Associates. Carol Melancon. a general studies major, is working at the city of Dearborn. UM-Dearborn College of Arts, Sciences and Letters co-op students work at companies in southeast Michigan, gaining job experience and academic credit while earning money to help meet college expenses, according to Patricia Jones, co-op coordinator.

Albion College's Julie P. White is currently spending the fall semester studying in Aberdeen as part of Albion College's off-campus program.

Albion's off-campus programs allow students to study different cultures and work in professional environments with internships and studies offered in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and the United States.

White is a senior majoring in biology. She is the daughter of James and Patricia White of Westland and a graduate of Churchill High School.

Albion College is a private, coeducational, liberal arts college in the south central Michigan town of Albion.

Kevin M. Johnson, a 1979 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School, received his commission as an officer in the¹ U.S. Navy Reserves.

Johnson received a bachelor's degree from Madonna Universi-

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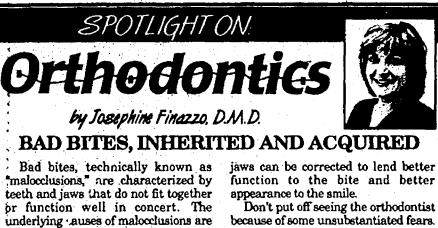
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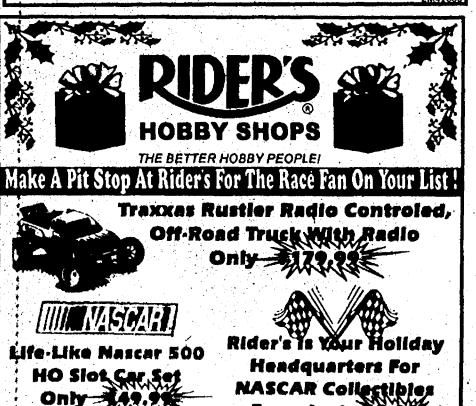
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Making music: Fourth-grader Mara Magyarosi (left) sings ethnic songs along with her classmates.

He is the son of Roland and Kathleen Johnson of Westland. He lives in Cohocta, Mich.

Schools fund computer glitch fix

By MARIE CHESTNEY STAFF WRITER

It will cost Livonia Public Schools at least \$720,000 to solve the "Year 2000" computer glitch.

Left unsolved, the glitch would distort all the district's record keeping after the beginning of that year, including report cards, bus schedules and payroll



checks.

The district has set aside \$885,000 in its 1998-99 budget to cover the worse-case scenario in costs.

"We have enough money budgeted this year to pay for it all," said Randy Liepa, assistant superintendent for business.

"Any money saved up to now (before the 1997-98 budget) will be used to change classroom technology."

To solve the problem, the district plans to spend at least \$377,000 to buy new Pentamation software and hardware.

That cost could rise to \$483,000, depending on the number of software options the district buys.

At the same time, it also plans to spend at least \$236,000 to buy new personal computers which would replace the 10-year-old ones now used by district employees.

This cost could rise to \$345,000, depending on the number of computers bought. The district expects to replace

between 150-200 computers.

It has been estimated that crossing into the next century could cost business and industry some \$500 billion worldwide.

The arrival of the year 2000 will automatically turn many computer clocks back to the year 1900 because clocks are based on two-digit numbers (00 to 99).

Without intervention, departments hit hardest in the Livonia school district would be accounting, warehouse inventory, food service inventory, payroll, student registration and student attendance, all of which handle a large number of dates.

While knowing the glitch was looming, systems users like the Livonia schools have waited to see if old equipment could be upgraded or converted before investing in new systems, Liepa said.

The Board of Education is expected to sign a contract with

Pentamation as soon as all details are worked out. Hardware would be installed in the summer of 1998.

The system would then be tested for about six months.

The district would then have one year to train employees before arrival of the year 2000.

Solving the computer glitch issue jump-started replacement of the 10-year-old personal computers used by staff, Liepa said.

"We would have liked to wait two-three years to change the old ones," he said.

'We would have been forced into doing something sooner or later, because the old computers are.obsolete.

"The old ones still work, but we can't run new programs on them. Their time has come. But we would have loved to push it out for another two years.

By signing now with Pentamation, the district will get a 50 percent discount on software.

"The closer you get to 2000. there will be no discounts,' Liepa said.

Toy applications are available

Applications for toys from the Westland Goodfellows for West-

CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

December 15, 1997

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and Council will hold a Public Hearing on December 15, 1997, at 7:20 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the adoption of a special use permit. At the hearing, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard. The proposed special use permit is as follow:

To solicit public comments on the introduction and approval of the Special Use Permit for 32843 Ford Road.

Copies are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office.

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

December 22, 1997

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and Council will hold a Public Hearing on December 22, 1997, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan for the land residents only are available at the following locations: Dorsey Center (32715) Dorsey Road),

Westland Chamber of Com-

merce (36610 Ford Road) and Westland City Hall (36600 Ford Road).

Applications must be submitted by 3 p.m. Dec. 12.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY December 9, 1997 - Board of Review

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO all property owners of the City of Garden City that the Board of Review will meet in session on Tuesday December 9, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to correct mutual mistakes of fact or clerical errors. PA74 of 1995 authorizes the December Board of Review to hear appeals for poverty exemptions, but not for poverty demptions denied by the March or July Boards of Review. This applies to current year only.

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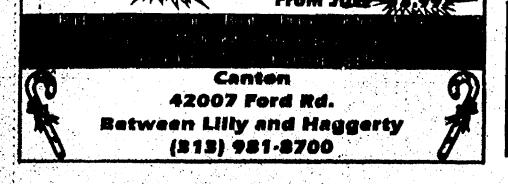
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CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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purpose of holding a public hearing on the adoption of the proposed ordinance amendment. At the hearing, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard. The proposed zoning ordinance amendment is as follows:

To solicit public comments on the introduction of the Dance Studio Zoning Ordinance Amendment.

Copies are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office.

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EPA praises efforts to clean Rouge River

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

A federal official from Washington, D.C., met Wednesday with local government leaders. praising the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project.

Robert Perciasepe, assistant administrator for water with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, met with local officials, legislators, plus state and federal representatives, at Warren Valley Golf Club in Dearborn Heights.

"The beauty of the Rouge cleanup project is the way the 48 communities are working together to restore the viability of the river," said Perciasepe. "Each community along the river needs to work in conjunction with its neighbors, and this is what we're trying to push nationally.

"Looking at the problem and trying to attack it with a logical approach is a key point."

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an update on the comprehensive program to restore the water quality of the Rouge River. The program is funded through EPA grants, and Perciasepe believes the federal government will continue to support the project.

"I think federal funds will always be part of implementing these programs," revealed Perciasepe. "This project has received a lot of demonstration monies to help the rest of the country learn."

U.S. John Dingell, D-16th District, warns that while the federal government is committed to the Rouge River project, there is only so much money to be received from the feds.

"The federal government plans to put up 55 percent of the estimated \$1.3 billion cost," said Dingell. "We now have about \$330 million of federal money in this. However, the local units of government and the state will have to start coming up with

Nearly 100 people met to get 'huge sums of money, which could mean significant increases in water bills and sewage charges."

> **Redford** Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley believes the gathering helped local communities get a message to the EPA.

> "While we want to clean up the Rouge watershed, we can only foot so much of the bill," said Kelley. "Our message to Washington is that we need to have more considerations as it pertains to money and time frames. While we are working hard to clean up the Rouge, we can't have it done by their timetable of 2005."

Jim Murray, director of Wayne County's Department of Environment, said the participating communities were at a "crucial stage in the project."

"In the next year and a half, we'll be getting data on what we're doing, and what's going to be the next generation of pollution control," Murray said.

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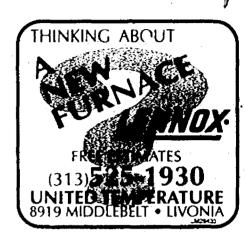
soil, energy, water, wildlife and the atmosphere," said John Rosenow, the Foundation's president.

"The Conservation Trees brochure is a central part of this educational project. It serves as a useful guide for people in all areas, whether they live in America's largest cities or in the country."

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Visitors to the Wayne County LightFest on Thursday, Dec. 11, and Thursday, Dec. 18 will be eligible to win a \$100 holiday feast courtesy of WOMC-FM and Farmer Jack stores.

Winners will be announced following drawings on the Tom Ryan Show on Dec. 12 and 19 between 4 and 5 p.m. The contest is part of a schedule that includes seven Wayne County LightFest giveaways by four of metro Detroit's top radio stations during the month of December.

"This is the first time we've had this many giveaways at Wayne County LightFest," said Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara. "We're pleased that so many of our sponsors are in the holiday spirit of giving and we hope all of the visitors to LightFest will enjoy."

Wayne County LightFest giveaways and contests include the following dates:

Monday, Dec. 8 and 15 -The first 99 cars will get free CD's, t-shirts and other memorabilia courtesy of WVCD-FM.

Tuesday, Dec. 9 and 16 -Morning on-eir personality Danny Bonaduce will give out merchandise and souvenirs from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 9, and the "Q Party Crew" will be on hand to distribute giveaways on Dec. 16 courtesy of WKQI-FM.

🖬 Wednesday, Dec. 10 -- First 105 cars will receive complementary coupons courtesy of WCHB-FM.

■ Thursday, Dec. 11 and 18 — All vehicles traveling through Wayne County LightFest are eligible for a drawing for two \$100 holiday feast giveaways courtesy of WOMC-FM.

Wayne County LightFest is open nightly through Jan. 1, except for Dec. 25, from 7-10 p.m. Cars enter Hines Drive at Merriman Road in Westland and proceed eastbound exiting at Warren Avenue just east of Telegraph Road in Dearborn Heights.

A \$5 minimum donation keeps Wayne County LightFest operating. For more information on Wayne County LightFest or to arrange bus or limo tours, call (313) 261-1990.



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Goodle: Justin Priver of Plymouth reaches for Elmo at Toys R Us in Livonia.



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Elmo.

"Everything is Elmo, Elmo," according to the Wixom resident.

He already has two of the Sesame Street character that shakes, talks and sent parents into a frenzy last year as they tried to find them for their children. You don't have to be a baby to like Elmo.

Justin Priver, 6, a Plymouth resident and first-grader at Allen Elementary School, was at Toys R Us in Westland and couldn't resist a Tickle Me Cookie Monster that shakes and talks just like Elmo.

"I like Tickle Me Elmo better," Justin clarified. It was just that Elmo was on a higher shelf and couldn't be reached as easily. He also wants Legos, a Tamagotchi, Play-doh and remote control cars.

Tim Evans of Livonia was previewing the merchandise with his three sons, Brad, 8; Tad, 6; and Chad, 4. The purpose of the 90-minute trip to the toy mecca was to get ideas for Christmas presents.

Brad wants radio control cars; Tad also wants radio control cars and they both want Star Wars items.

Two lanes down, Chad Fuller, 13, was shopping with his father. The Canton teenager, who attends Pioneer Middle School, wants Play Station video games, especially Gameday '98.

"I'm trying to get new games for Christmas," he said.

At Meijer in Canton, Lauren Price, 9, said she wants Tamagotchis; and Barbie dolls, especially Shopping Barbie, because the fourth-grader from Bird Elementary School in Plymouth, likes to shop.

Price also likes "baby dolls." Her father, Bruce, seemed to be taking mental notes about her choices as her three brothers, Kyle, 10, Devin, 5, and Alex, 2, finished grocery shopping with their mother, Kimberly.

Bruce knows exactly what his crew wants. The older boys like Laser Tag and the youngest wants Rugrats and Arthur toys.

Alyssa Guerin, 10, of Plymouth closely Prepared with a note pad and marker, Evans inspected Tamagotchis and Giga Pets. The fifth-grader from Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth wants Nintendo and Laser Challenge under the Christmas tree this year. These gift ideas, from the people who know best, will certainly ring-in the holidays on area cash_registers.

DIXIE I. QUILLEN BOGNAR

Mrs. Bognar, 67, of Westland died Nov. 29 in Oakwood Hospital Heritage Center.

Mrs. Bognar was a homemaker. Survivors include her daughters, Kathryn Celia Cogswell, Nikkie Miller, Taffee Lucas, Carol Bauer-Boik and Margie Payzant; sister, Pamela Dillon; brothers, Rick Quillen and Jack Quillen; 18 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 3 at the Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with the Rev. Roy Forsyth officiating. Burial was in Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne.

JEANNE C. HEATER

Mrs. Heater, 68, of Tempe, Ariz., formerly of Westland, died Nov. 23 in Desert Samaritan Hospital, Mesa, Ariz.

Born in Detroit, Mrs. Heater was a homemaker. She was a member of University Presbyterian Church and enjoyed gardening and antique car activities. She was a volunteer for community services for unwed mothers and abused children.

Survivors include her husband, Walter; sons, Thomas, Timothy, Warren and Lawrence; daughters, Marilee Wright, Patricia Heater, Wendy DeCarlo and Judy Heater-Unsworth; brother, Lester Harden; 13 grandchildren; and 10 greatgrandchildren.

Services were Dec. 6 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River, Farmington. The Rev. David Brown of Ward Presbyterian Church officiated. Burial will be in Acacia Park Cemetery, Birmingham.

LYDIA ELLA HUGHES

Mrs. Hughes, 98, of Southfield, formerly of Dearborn, died Dec. 2 in Henry Ford Hospital.

Mrs. Hughes was a retired aide. Survivors include her sons, Howard, Donald,

Stanley, Darrell, and Moris; daughter. Ruth Ford; 22 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Arrangements were made by the Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

RONALD F. SAMLAND

Mr. Samland, 44, of Westland died Dec. 2 in University Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria; son, Marcus; daughters, Amy and Teri; brothers, Robert, Herman, Dan, James and William; sister, Mary Tidwell. Services were Dec. 5 at the Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with the Rev. Larry Bartlett officiating. Cremation rites were accorded.

OBITUARIES

PAMELA B. GRIFFIN

Mrs. Griffin, 69, of Westland died Dec. 2 at home.

Mrs. Griffin was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Gerald; sons, Timothy, Ron and Jerry; daughters, Sharon Connelly, Sue Harrison and Chris Smith; brother, Bill and Albert Anderson; sisters, Alda Burns and Georgia Hill; 15 grandchildren; and eight greatgrandchildren.

Services were Dec. 5 at the Uht Funeral Home, Westland, with Deacon Bartley Connelly officiating. Cremation rites were accorded.

MAYNARD GENSLER

Mr. Gensler, 90, of Westland died Nov. 29. Born in Fostoria, Ohio, Mr. Gensler was a retired millhand.

Survivors include his daughters, Jane Elwood, Bonnie Maki and Sue Szwed; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Private services were held. Arrangements were made by the Care Memorial Society, Resurrection Funeral Home, Clinton Township.

BERNIECE C. FRADETTE

Mrs. Fradette, 89, of Westland died Dec. 3 in Ann Arbor.

Born in Minneapolis, Minn., Mrs. Fradette was a homemaker.

Survivors include son, Gary; daughters, Frances Mueller, Bonnie Green and Shirley Daymon; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 6 at the Santeiu Chapel of John N. Santeiu & Son Inc. Funeral Home with the Rev. Lawrence Witto of Hosanna Tabor Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Memorials may be made to Hosanna Tabor Lutheran Church and the Westland Friendship Center.

VIRGIL D. (CORKY) LAYMAN

Mr. Layman, 68, of Westland died Dec. 3 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia.

Born in Detroit, Mr. Layman was a standard analyst for Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.

Survivors include his wife, Dolores; sons, Matt,

won't be wandering aimlessly when it comes time to buy presents.

"It's an idea night," Evans said. "I let one go (child) at a time and he gets to show me anything in the store and then we go onto the next one. It's a fun evening for them.'

Mark and Michael; daughter, Michelle Devlin; sisters, Barbara Smith and Mary Lou Megge; seven grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated Dec. 6 at St. Bernardine of Siena Catholic Church. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

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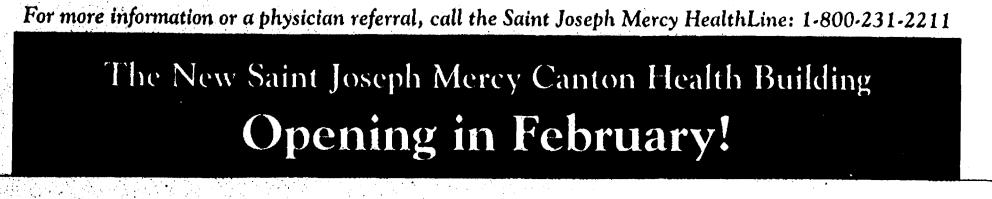
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Christmas lights should be checked

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Area fire officials say holiday lights and warm fires are a traditional part of the holiday season, however they want to make sure it's a safe time of year with some timely tips.

Canton Township Fire Marshal Dave Champagne says one of the most important rules homeowners can follow is making sure their store-bought lights are approved by a nationally-recognized testing laboratory,

When buying lights, make certain they've been tested by groups such as Underwriters Laboratories or Factory Mutual, relates Champagne. "These nonprofit testing agencies make certain the lights meet tough quality standards."

If you already have lights put away, make sure you examine them before putting them on the tree.

"Inspect them thoroughly, to make sure there are no bare wires, cracks or bad plugs," warns Champagne. "They're generally not repairable, so if you have any questions at all, dispose of them and purchase a new set."

"If you have a real tree, make sure it's freshly cut and watered regularly," Champagne reminds us. "Use additives that help the tree absorb water so it doesn't

🖬 'When buying lights, make certain they've been tested by groups such as Underwriters Laboratories or Factory Mutual.'

Dave Champagne -Canton fire marshal

dry out, making it a fire hazard." Champagne says artificial trees should be flame resistant, and no lights should ever be put on aluminum trees. Opt instead

for a colored spotlight. Redford Township Fire Marshal Les Wedge notes that while people enjoy the look of holiday lights, they should make sure to turn them off whenever leaving the house.

"The heat generated in just one minute by the fire from a tree is enough to destroy an entire room," Wedge said.

"When purchasing lights from the store, read the package to determine how many strings can be plugged together," Wedge said.

"You may have to plug multiple strings directly into an outlet. And if you use an extension cord, make sure you use one that can handle the electrical load."

Wedge also reminds homeown-

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Les Wedge —Redford fire marshal

ers to avoid heating ducts when putting up a fresh Christmas tree, because the heat will dry out the tree, making it more flammable.

For outside decorations, Champagne has these suggestions.

"Make sure the lights you purchase are intended for outdoor use, and be careful not to overload the circuit."

Many families like the warm crackle of wood burning in the fireplace during the winter.

"The number one problem with fireplaces is maintenance," said Bob Fields, Westland fire department's chief of the public education division. "We see a number of chimney fires related to a build-up of creosote, a by-product of burning wood, catching fire. Chimneys should be cleaned annually to avoid the danger."

Fields also reminds us "to keep the glass doors and screens closed when using the fireplace to keep the embers from shooting into the house, causing a fire. Also, remember to open the flue, otherwise you'll force smoke into the room."

When using wood burning stoves, Livonia Fire Marshal Rockney Whitehead says homeowners "should burn it on hot for 15 to 30 minutes a day, to burn off the creosote build-up and lessen the dangers for a chimney fire."

And, while many homeowners want a clean wood burning stove, Whitehead has some suggestions.

"Keep a couple of inches of sand or ashes on the bottom of the stove," recommends Whitehead. "That will keep the heat from radiating to the floor, possibly causing combustible material from catching fire."

Concerning kerosene space heaters, Whitehead alerts us to be careful.

"Don't use them in closed rooms like a bedroom," he advises. "Use mainly in open rooms, like a living or family room, to decrease the chances of carbon monoxide poisoning."

"And, make sure you don't accidentally use gasoline, instead of kerosene," warns Whitehead. "That definitely could cause the unit to catch on fire."

Canton Economic Club hosts Valassis CEO

David Brandon, president and CEO of Valassis Communications, will be the keynote speaker at the Canton Economic Club luncheon on Thursday, Dec. 18 at Summit on the Park.

David Brandon will be the keynote speaker at the Canton Economic **Club luncheon on Thurs-**



the Universervice organizations; and money for annual holiday programs for of Michigan. needy families.

The luncheon begins at noon in the Summit banquet center. commit-The event is open to the Can-

Guide highlights sites of Rouge contamination

A guide to sites of environmental contamination in the Rouge River watershed is available in 35 area libraries.

The Citizens Guide to Sites of Contamination was released by a subcommittee of the Rouge River Remedial Action Plan Advisory Council. It assists people in obtaining details on sites of environmental contamination. Information includes applicable regulations, health effects and appro-

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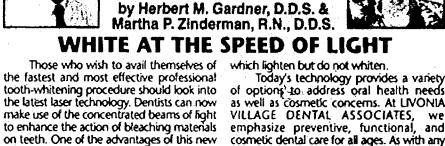
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The material was compiled by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Wayne County Department of Environment and interested residents.

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Brandon is responsible for strategic planning and day-today management at Valassis, which in recent years was selected as one of the "100 best companies to work for in America" by a national magazine.

day. Dec. 18 at Summit on the Park.

Before coming to Valassis, Brandon held several positions at Proctor and Gamble, including national sales manager. executive vice president and chief operating officer. Brandon is a 1974 graduate of ties for educational and social

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The economic club is run by the Canton Chamber of Commerce. Sponsors for the December luncheon are the Observer Newspapers and Rudolph/Libbe, Inc.



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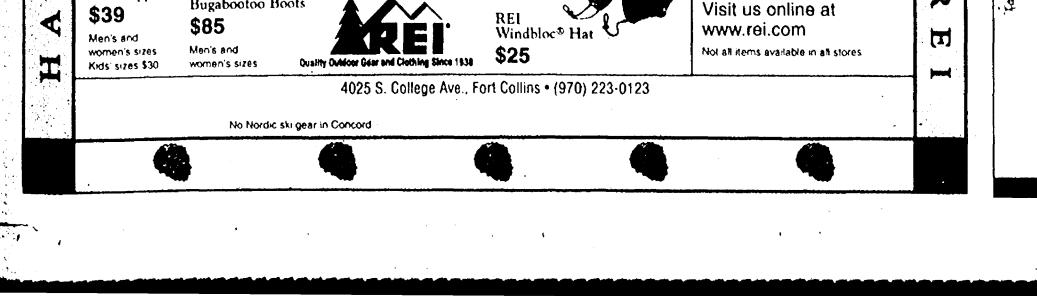
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Trustees set Dec. 15 deadline for residents to apply for board

By KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

John Walsh officially leaves the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees on Dec. 31, but he attended his last official board meeting on Nov. 19.

Walsh received a certificate of appreciation from the board for his dedication to quality education and commitment to community colleges. Walsh was appointed to the board in February 1993 and then elected for a six-year term in June 1993.

Trustees commended Walsh for his time served on the board.

Board Chair Patricia Watson commended Walsh for his time served on the board, calling him an "ambassador" for the board.

"He was always willing to serve on committees," Watson said. "He has served and served well.'

While Walsh is looking forward to sitting on the Livonia City Council, he said he was

somewhat saddened because he has enjoyed his time on the Schoolcraft board.

"I've made strong friendships and appreciate your support and comments," Walsh said.

Successor sought

Schoolcraft College is seeking a successor to John Walsh's seat on the board.

Trustees are accepting letters from interested candidates. The only qualifications are that they must live in the college district and they must be registered vot-

Persons wishing to apply for the position must be residents of the college district which includes the Plymouth-Canton. Garden Livonia. City, Clarenceville. Northville and part of the Novi school districts. The replacement will serve through June 30, 1999. The election for that seat will be in June 1999.

Trustees set a deadline of Dec. 15 for applications. Trustees also scheduled a Jan. 7 meeting to receive the applications, at which time they will discuss how to narrow that field. Tentative meeting dates were scheduled for Jan. 17 for interviews and Jan. 24, if the field of candidates is large enough to merit the need.

Trustees plan to approve a final candidate on Jan. 28.

Applicants will be asked to provide general biographical information and write a letter to the board on why they want to serve.

Applications are available in the Office of the President, Room 190, in the Administration Building. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For information, call (313) 462-4420.

Newspaper group joins SPRING

C & G Newspapers has joined the SPRING Newspaper Network, the organization that has brought many national and regional advertisers an easy, cost-effective way to reach suburban readers in the Detroit metropolitan area.

Founded in 1981 and headquartered in suburban Warren, C & G publishes 11 local newspapers serving 23 communities with an aggregate circulation of 375,000.

Newspapers, which has resigned from the group.

The new SPRING network will offer 32 individual community newspapers with an aggregate total midweek circulation of 619,700 and Sunday distribution of more than 500,000. This pers. breaks down midweek to 265,000 Oakland County and 228,000 in suburban Wayne County.

SPRING Network also offers a "Greater SPRING" buy, which HomeTown Communications includes community newspapers Network of Livonia, the corposerving Livingston, Monroe and rate owner of the Observer & C & G replaces Independent Washtenaw counties. The Eccentric Newspapers, another "Greater SPRING" buy delivers a total circulation of 673,000. "We recently conducted a the new SPRING reaches more group of studies through Pulse Research," said Jeff Demers, advertising director of C & G. "The research shows clearly that C and G publications are the best read community newspapers in Macomb County." "We expect to continue (313) 246-0887. unchanged our longstanding tra-

dition of excellent one-representative, one-order, one-bill, costeffective service to our accounts," said Mike Wilcox, president of Michigan Community Newspa-

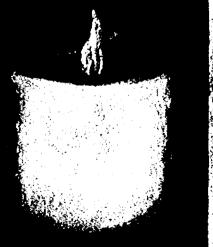
"There may be other networks in Macomb County, 126,700 in just starting up that claim to serve the entire metropolitan Detroit suburban market," said Richard D. Aginian, president of original SPRING founder. "But no other network can offer coverage of all Macomb County, the best portions of Oakland County and all of suburban Wayne County. SPRING covers the entire Detroit suburban marketplace," he added. For further information about SPRING, call Fred Manuel at



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"Compared to the old network, readers, provides better penetration, offers more concentration in the retail trading zone and delivers better demographics," said Fred Manuel, president of Heritage Newspapers of Southgate and one of the original SPRING founders.

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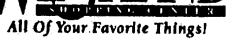
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FOCUS ON WINE



Working magic with wine and food

66 good is food and wine is wine, but magic can happen when you combine the two," says Simi Winery's Executive Chef Mary Evely. Evely has family roots in Michigan and in her just-published "The Vintner's Table Cookbook," she shares discoveries about why certain food flavors and textures pair magically with some wines and not with others.

Many authors have attempted to do what Evely has done. But they have either overwhelmed readers with technicalities or were so general in setting down principals that nothing they wrote was useful to the home cook.

Flavor and textures

Evely gets you going at the beginning by discussing flavor and texture, the major palate influences on food and wine harmonies. However, "sometimes a brilliant combination can be made by using contrasting rather than similar flavor or textures," she writes. She makes pairings based on color, using her trained artist's eyes and instructs readers on how to analyze a recipe for its potential wine affinity. Calling them chameleon foods and recipes, Evely, ever so helpfully, notes recipes that can, with minor alterations, be made to work with more than one wine. She sticks to the basics and doesn't go overboard with esoteric wines. Recipes included in the cookbook pair food with sauvignon blanc, chardonnay, rosé and blush wines, pinot noir, zinfandel, cabernet sauvignon, merlot and meritage bottlings. Relations between wines and dessert form the concluding chapter.

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WITH A FEW/MODERN FOOD/GIFTS

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

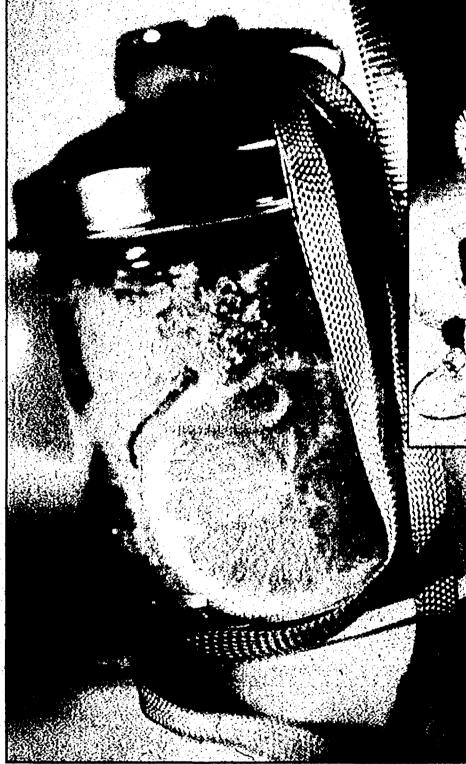
Food - one size fits all - it's the perfect gift.

"If you're on a budget, it can be very cost effective," said Martha Gill, a graphic designer, and author of "Modern Food Gifts," (Longstreet Press, 1997, hardcover \$18.95). "It's more personal. It shows you went out of your way to do something special."

Gill who is the creative director, principal and owner of Gill Design in Atlanta, began giving food gifts out of necessity. "I was trying to say thank-you to clients, but I didn't have a lot of time, or money."

Her gifts were so popular that clients started calling to ask if she could put gifts together for them. Clever packaging is her secret - "freshening-up food gifts and taking them into the new millennium."

Instead of wrapping up shortbread in aluminum foil with a ribbon, Gill puts them into a pretty ceramic teapot. "If you want to spend your whole Saturday baking that's fine," she said. "Or, you could go to the bakery." Some projects take, more time than others, but you're sure to be inspired by Gill's recipes for a variety of sure-to-be-enjoyed and appreciated food gifts, and explanations for wrapping them up. "The book also has a resource guide that tells you where we got everything so you won't go nuts trying to find everything," she said. "Use the book as a jumping off point for your own creativity." Her list of "favored merchants" includes a number of stores in your neighborhood - Ace Hardware, The Home Depot, Linens 'N Home Made in the Kitchen Things,





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Inside:

Holiday recipes

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Pinot noir

Because of our fondness for pinot noir, we focused on the usefulness of Evely's book and this wine. There are 14 recipe pairings for pinot noir and two "chameleon" recipes. Included are soup, salads, pastas, a gourmet pizza, seafoods, duck, beef and pork. This covers the gamut, sensitively recognizing options for those preferring meatless.

Noting food affinities such as seafood, meat and poultry, herbs and spices, sauces, cheese and nuts plus vegetables and fruits, Evely names pinot noir food conflicts for all but meat and poultry. Pinot noir does not match oysters, smoked fish orsushi. It is in conflict with cilantro, cumin, curry, cream sauces, aged Gouda, blue cheese and cheddar. It is unfriendly to artichokes, asparagus and green beans.

Please see WINE, B2

Wine Picks

- Pinot noirs that work especially well with recipes suggested in "The Vintner's Table Cookbook* by Executive Chef Mary Evely: 1995 Davis Bynum Limited Edition Pinot Noir \$30; 1995 David Bruce Central Coast Pinot Noir \$18 (just released) and 1995 David Bruce Sonoma County Pinot Noir \$20.
- Exceptional cabernet sauvignons for grilled meats or savory, spicy stews: 1993 Martini Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon \$20; 1994 St. Clement Cabernet Sauvignon \$26; and 1993 Kunde Cabernet Sauvignon \$24.
- Premium chardonnays pair well with wild mushroom risotto, polenta or corn chowder: 1994 Simi Reserve Chardonnay \$28; 1996 Pine Ridge Carneros Chardonnay \$20; 1998 Kunde Chardonnay \$15; 1995 Silverado Limited Reserve Chardonney \$38; 1996 Miressou Chardonnay \$12; 1996 Hermitage Road Reserve Chardonnay, Hunter Valley Australia \$16; and from Italy, 1998. Ruffino Libaio \$10 (a delicious blend of chardonnay and plnot grigio).
- Great Sanglovese; great price: 1998 Ruffino Fonte Al Sole, Sangiovese de Toscana \$10.
- Knock your socks off red: 1994 Stags Leap Winery Petite Syrah \$23.

LOOKING AHEAD

Michaels Arts & Crafts, Pier I Imports, Inc., Starbucks Coffee, Target and Williams-Sonoma.

"Remember, keep it simple and give the gift your own personal style," she writes. "Please don't make yourself crazy if you can't find the exact ribbon; a loosely tied shoestring will look great."

Flavored sugar - made by layering white or raw sugar with flavoring ingredients such as split vanilla beans, candied citrus fruits, and cinnamon sticks – is an example of what Gill calls "the quintessential modern food gift.

"Namely, that simple, inexpensive ingredients and everyday items can be combined in inexpensive ways to produce objects of wit and style."

"Flavored sugar is a good office gift," said Gill. "It's a small luxury.

You can stir it into tea or coffee. Everyone's like 'ooh we have

flavored sugar.' It's special."

"Modern Food Gifts," is available at Williams-Sonoma, Barnes & Noble and other bookstores. Every gift idea is beautifully illustrated. It's a thoughtful gift by itself, or packaged with a gift certificate for one of the stores listed in the book.

Look for Gill's "Modern Cocktails & Appetizers" in the spring, and "Modern Parties," in the fall. "We're excited about the series," said Gill. "It's all about lifestyle. You can have splendor without the stress!"

"Home Made in the Kitchen: Traditional Recipes and Household Projects Updated and Made Easy," by Barry Bluestein & Kevin Morrissey, (Penguin Studio, 1996) is another source of creative gift-giving ideas. Bluestein and Morrissey also offer suggestions for attractively packaging your gifts, and a resource guide so you can find everything you'll need.

"In an era of dissatisfaction with the manufactured and the mundane, 'Home Made in the Kitchen' offers simple, quick and

Thoughtful gift: (Left) Set out cruets filled with flavored sugar on your breakfast table, or surprise a friend at work. Flavored sugar is featured in "Modern Food Gifts" by Martha Gill. (Above) Cranberry Chutney in a Jam Jar is a quick to make gift that's sure to be enjoyed.

inexpensive ideas for entertaining with grace, creating unique gifts, and adding elegant personal touches to the dinner table and buffet," write the authors.

"Everyone loves something baked for the holidays," said baker-author Ken Haedrich who starts his holiday baking the first weekend after Thanksgiving.

"I know the weeks right before Christmas will be extra busy, so I turn to tried and true favorites that freeze well," he said. Quick breads, made with pumpkin, walnuts and pecans, fresh and dried cranberries, apples and pears are at the top of his makeahead gift ideas.

Loaf-type breads, said Haedrich are actually better baked ahead because their flavors meld and they become easier to slice. Bake your favorite quick bread in disposable mini foil pans from the grocery store, and freeze. Quick breads have a shelf life of 3 to 5 days.

For gift-giving Haedrich recommends wrapping mini quick bread loaves in clear cellophane gift bags which are available in party and stationery stores. Tie with a bow and attach a tiny ornament or fresh holly. See recipes & suggestions inside.

Don't throw your weight during holidays



tips:

the New Year. But first, we need to SENSIBLY get through the upcoming holidays -Hanukkah and Christmas. Holidays produce a lot of anxiety for many individuals. You've worked hard all year in reforming your diet. Perhaps you lost a significant amount of weight or became a vegetarian. Many of my clients worry that they will undo everything positive that they have accomplished all year. BEVERLY How can you prevent yourself from PRICE falling into the holiday food trap? Get a hold of yourself from the getgo. Develop a strategy to at least maintain'your current weight during the holiday season, here are some

Very shortly, we will be ringing in

and gorged yourself, think about how you felt afterward. At this year's holiday gatherings, have a plateful of what is being served and call it your meal. Make meat the side dish versus the main course, and fill up on side dishes. Avoid going back for seconds and thirds. If you want dessert, take a small piece. Research shows that you only taste the first, second and last bite anyway.

Think about how hard you have worked to keep your body fit

Picture your goal in one hand, and that piece of heesecake in the other hand. Is a rich dessert worth that fleeing moment of bliss? Although an evening of indulging won't put your weight back on, a week or month of indulging could. Bake healthy holiday goodies You can use nutritious fat substitutes such as Wonderslim or Lighter Bake, which consist of pureed plums or prunes, in place of fat called for in a recipes

such as butter or shortening. You can also use brown

rice syrup or barley malt in place of sugar in a recipes. In addition, use whole wheat flour in place of white flour - use 1/8 of a cup less of wheat flour. Your end product will be so much more nutritious.

Eat lightly before going to Hanukkah or Christmas dinner

If you save up all of your calories for the "big meal," you'll be so famished that you may eat everything in sight. Drink water throughout the day, too - sometimes we're actually thirsty, not hungry.

📕 Relax Give yourself some breathing room. Make time daily to deep breathe. This can redirect your energy, and improve digestion and uptake of nutrients. You can even listen to soft music or relaxation tapes. Keep up with your exercise routine It is important to take that exercise break, especially during this time of year. You will increase your

What to watch for in Taste next week:

Win the holiday race 📕 Main Dish Miracle

Learn from your mistakes

If you went to three different gatherings last year

Please see WEIGHT, B2

See related story on Taste front.

Recipes from "The Vintner's Table Cookbook" to pair with pinot noir wines.

MUSHROOM PANADE

- 3/4 ounce dried porcini mushrooms (available in Italian and specialty stores).
- 3 cups hot water

B2*

- 8 ounces shiitake mushrooms 12 ounces portobello, crimini and/or white mushrooms 1 large onion
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 or 2 bay leaves

2 (14-ounce) cans vegetable broth or defatted chicken

- broth 1 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground
- black pepper
- 8 ounces stale French or Italian bread, crusts removed 1/2 to 1 cup half-and-half (optional)

Soak the porcini in hot water in a bowl. Clean fresh mushrooms with a brush of paper towel and reserve a few for garnish. Chop fresh mushrooms.

Sauté onion in heated olive oil in a heavy saucepan over medium heat for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add fresh mushrooms and cook for 3 minutes longer, stirring constantly.

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Pair flavorful dishes with pinot noir wines

Add garlic, porcini with soaking liquid (strain first through a sieve lined with paper towel), bay leaf and broth. Simmer 20 minutes. 'Season with salt and pepper. Stir bread into soup. Cook for 5 minutes until bread is moistened well. Discard bay leaf.

Purée soup in several batches in a food processor and return to saucepan. Add half-and-half and enough water to thin to desired consistency. Heat to serving temperature. Ladle into soup bowls. Slice reserved mushrooms to top

servings. Serves six.

ROASTED DUCK LEGS WITH POMEGRANATE

4 duck legs with thighs salt and freshly ground black

pepper to taste

1 pomegranate 8 ounces Brussels sprouts

4 slices lean bacon, cut into

- 1/4-inch strips 1/4 cup duck or chicken stock
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar 2 tablespoons unsweetened
- pomegranate juice (avail-

able in health food stores)

Preheat oven to 400°F. Rinse duck and pat dry. Season with salt and pepper. Place skin side down in a heated sauté pan. Cook over medium heat until golden brown on both sides.

Remove duck to a small roasting pan. Roast for 40-60 minutes or until very tender and crisp.

Break open the pomegranate; separate and reserve seeds. Remove green outer leaves of Brussels sprouts. (Reserve cores for use in a soup).

Wipe the sauté pan used for browning duck. Add bacon and sauté until golden brown. Remove to paper towel with a slotted spoon. Drain pan, reserving 2 tablespoons drippings.

Stir-fry Brussels sprouts leaves in reserved drippings for 1-2 minutes. Add stock, vinegar and pomegranate juice. Cook for 1 minute longer, stirring constantly; leaves should remain dark green. Add bacon and pepper to taste.

Spoon onto warmed plates. Place duck on top and sprinkle with reserved pomegranate seeds. Serve immediately. Serves four.

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work equally well with an elegant dinner or a backyard grill," Evely notes.

Discussing her Mushroom Panade she explains, "I have always loved thick, hearty soups, and they are preferable with wine as they provide some contrast in texture. Using leftover

"Pinot noir has the style to bread as a thickening agent appeals to my thrifty nature as well as to my interest in low-fat cooking. It also suits pinot noir, which can be overwhelmed by dishes with a lot of fat. Chicken or vegetable broth also keeps flavors in a more delicate range.".

Evely has always been inter-

ested in the way her chef colleagues view matches. The idea for Roasted Duck Legs with Pomegranate comes from Richard Allen, Chef of the Willowside Café in Santa Rosa, Calif. "I tried this with a bottle of pinot noir and was blown away by the combination," she admits. "Keep your eyes peeled

for pomegranates in the market in December and jump on this. Pomegranate has just the right amount of delicate fruit and acidity to match that of pinot noir, giving a lift to the richness of the duck. In the recipe, the quick stir-frying of the Brussels sprouts leaves results in a total-

member of the cabbage family."

"The Vintner's Table Cookbook" is \$29.95, and can be ordered by bookstores through Ingram Book Company ISBN-0-9658718-0-0 or directly from Simi Winery by phoning (707) 433-6981 Ext. 106. A handsome phone, mailbox 1864. ly different impression of this addition to the library of a wine

aficionado who cooks, it makes a thoughtful holiday gift.

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

Cut fat from holiday favorites

mental and physical energy as well as keep your metabolism <u>friends</u> up

Weight from page B1

Set réalistic goals

Putting things down on paper will give you more of a commitment to a new plan of action for 1998. Set a reasonable time frame on how you will go about Day 10 pounds heavier. achieving your goals.

Train your family and

Share new ideas such as bringing a healthy dish to pass at a party and start hanging around health conscious friends.

If you follow these tips, you will avoid waking up New Year's

See related story on Taste front.

Recipes compliments of Beverly Price. Join her with guest chef Annabel Cohen for a healthy mouth-watering cooking class 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10 at Living Better Sensibly in Farm2 teaspoons grated onion 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

Peel and grate potatoes, drain half the liquid. Add the rest of the

ingredients and mix well. Oven method of cooking: Set oven temperature on broil. Spray 1 teaspoon vanilla. 1/2 cup chopped walnuts (optional)

Preheat oven to 350°F. Mix all ingredients in a large mixing bowl with an electric mixer. Spray loaf pan with nonstick cooking spray, pour batter in loaf pan and bake

for 45 to 50 minutes. Check middle

with toothpick to assure the bread

is completely done. Serves 10, 1/2-

Per serving: 133 calories; 1g

fat; 3g protein; 28g carbohydrate;

Omg cholesterol; 133mg sodium,

CHRISTMAS JUMBLES

1/4 cup Wonderslim Fat &

1/4 cup packed brown sugar

1 1/2 tablespoons water

1 1/4 cups whole wheat

1 cup raisins (optional)

the sugars and add water.

1/2 cup chopped walnuts

Heat oven to 350°F. In a bowl

mix together the Wonderslim with

Combine flour and baking soda;

blend into the sugar mixture. Stir

in M&M Baking Bits, raisins and

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 12-ounce package (1 3/4

cups) M&M semi-sweet or

milk chocolate baking bits

Egg Substitute

1/2 cup sugar

pastry flour

inch slices.

3g fiber.

nuts. Coat cookie sheets with nonstick cooking spray. Drop rounded tablespoonfuls of dough about 2 inches apart on cookie sheets. Bake 11 to 13 minutes. Cool 2 to 3 minutes on cookie sheets before transferring to wire racks to cool thoroughly. Store in tightly cov-

🖩 Enlist the help of a professional to develop a personal health program

It's OK to say "I need some "help." Ask questions of the professional you wish to work with - do they have credentials? What are their dietary and health habits like? Do they treat you as an individual? Or do you get the feeling that you're just another person seeking a low cholesterol diet?

Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist. She operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. She is the coauthor of "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," (Tall Tree Publishing.) Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste.

ington Hills. The cost is \$45 per person, and includes delicious foods with recipes. Call (248) 539-9424 for registration information. Space is limited.

POTATO LATKES

- 4 very large potatoes 1 heaping tablespoon cornstarch and 2 tablespoons water
- 1 tablespoon salt (optional) Dash pepper 1 tablespoon flour

cookie sheet with nonstick cooking spray. Make 2 inch round potato cakes and place on cookie sheet. Broil for 5 minutes on each side until golden brown.

Range Stove Top Method: Spray nonstick frying pan with nonstick cooking spray. Heat frying pan on high for 1 to 2 minutes until hot. Place 2-inch potato cakes in pan and cook both sides until golden brown. Serves 50, 2-inch pancakes.

Per serving: 16 calories; 0g fat; 1g protein; 3g carbohydrate; 0mg cholesterol; 3mg sodium.

BANANA BREAD

- 1 cup sugar 1/4 cup Wonderslim Fat & Egg Substitute
- 3-4 tablespoons water 2 small or 1 large banana
- mashed 5 teaspoons non-fat sour
- cream 2 cups whole wheat flour sift-
- ed 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt



ered container. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

Per serving (1 cookie): 100 calories, 2.8g fat (0.7g saturated fat; 25 percent calories from fat); Omg cholesterol; 21mg sodium.

Christmas Jumbles recipe from Betsey Kurleto, co-author of "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health.

Lighten-up Belgian waffles

AP - Belgian waffles don't have to be filled with fat and calories. Elaine Magee, an authority on health and nutrition, has created a low-fat version, using egg whites and 1 percent milk. Each serving of her Belgian Waffles contains 6.5 grams of fat and 290 calories.

The recipe is from her latest cookbook, "Lighten Up!: Low-Fat Versions of More Than 100 of America's Best-Known and Best-Loved Recipes" (Fireside Books, \$12). She is also the author of "Fight Fat and Win" and "The Fight Fat and Win Cookbook."

BELGIAN WAFFLES

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 egg yolks
- 1-1/2 cups 1 percent milk
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted 1-1/2 teaspoons vanilla
- extract
- 3 egg whites
- 6 tablespoons sugar

Combine the flour, baking powder and salt in a medium bowl.

In a large bowl, beat in the egg yolks well. Stir in the milk, butter and vanilla. Add the flour mixture and beat until smooth.

In a medium bowl, beat the egg whites until stiff but not dry. Slowly add the sugar, beating constantly. Gently stir one-third of the egg whites into the batter. Carefully fold in another third, then fold in the remaining whites

Heat a waffle iron and coat with nonstick cooking spray. Pour 1/2 cup of the batter into the waffle iron, or follow the instructions on





Thoughtful 'Modern Food Gift's show you care

See related story on Taste front. Recipes from "Modern Food Gifts" by Martha Gill (Longstreet Press, 1997, \$18.95). FLAVORED SUGAR

What you need

White sugar and/or raw sugar Selection of flavoring ingredients, such as organic rosebuds, crystallized ginger, citrus fruits, cinnamon sticks, and split vanilla beans

- Containers such as sugar dispensers, vinegar and oil cruets, flour shakers and bottles with stoppers
- Fabric ribbons

Pour sugar into a container to a depth of half an inch. Add a small amount of your chosen flavoring ingredient. (If using cinnamon sticks to flavor the sugar, break the sticks into small pieces). Continue layering the sugar and the flavoring, ending with the sugar 1/4-inch from the top of the container.

Replace lid. Loosely tie a ribbon around the neck or top of the container.

CRANBERRY CHUTNEY

3 pounds of cranberries Zest and juice of 2 oranges and 1 lemon 3/4 to 1 cup sugar 1/2 cup distilled vinegar

2 teaspoons chopped fresh ginger

- 1 to 2 teaspoons each of ground cumin, ground coriander seeds, and red pepper flakes
- 1 fresh mango, peeled and chopped into 1/4-inch chunks, or other fruits such as blackberries or strawberries

Wash cranberries and place in a medium saucepan. Add 1 cup of the sugar, the vinegar, and the zest and juice. Bring to a low boil and cook just until the berries burst. Add the ginger, spices, and mango or other fruit and stir once. Taste, adding additional sugar if necessary. (Mixture should be a little tart). Allow to cool. The chutney jell slightly as it cools. Chutney will keep for 1 week in the refrigerator. Makes about 3 cups.

How to package it - Pour prepared relish into jam jar. Put lid and spoon in place. Tie a ribbon around the lid.

SPICY GLAZED PECANS

1/2 cup sugar 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper 1 tablespoon water

TERRI TEAGLE

Wrappling it up: Cookbook author Martha Gill offers lots of creative ideas in "Modern Food Gifts"

1 1/2 cups pecan halves

1 1/2 teaspoons salt

Spread a 24 by 12-inch sheet of aluminum foil on a countertop and coat it lightly with vegetable oil.

Combine the sugar, butter, cayenne pepper, and water in a medium saucepan over mediumlow heat. When the butter has melted, add the pecans. Continue to cook for about 10 minutes, stirring constantly.

Pour the pecans onto the prepared foil. Quickly spread out and separate the pecans. Sprinkle the salt over and let the pecans cool for 30 minutes.

The Glazed pecans can be stored in an airtight container for up to 2

MILK CHOCOLATE CASHEW

3 1/2 ounces milk chocolate. broken up 2 tablespoons light corn

SVrup 1/2 tablespoon water

1 cup whole salted cashews

Line a baking sheet with wax paper. Coat it lightly with Vegetable oil and set aside.

Combine the chocolate, corn syrup, and water in the top of a double boiler and heat over boiling water, stirring occasionally, until

Suggestions

Here are some ideas from Martha Gill author of "Modern Food" Gifts."

Confections in a Tin – You can have some serious fun gathering and mixing lemon drops, gum balls, peppermints, jelly beans, and hard fruit candies. Pour them into round metal containers."

Parmigiano-Reggiano In A Knot – Tie a wedge of Parmigiano-Reggiano in a square of cheesecloth, package with a cheese slicer/grater.

Fruits and Nuts in a Crate - Put an eclectic assortment of dried fruits, pistachio nuts, and shredded coconut into individual pouches made out of paper or fabric. Package in a wooden crate and tie with a large silk ribbon.

■ Winter Vegetables in a Bag – Put your choice of 5 or 6 root vegetables in a cotton-mesh shopping bag. Include a decorative recipe card for roasted vegetables.

■ Coffee and Tea in a Cigar Box – Put a selection of coffee beans and tea (loose or in tins or bags) with accoutrements of your choice (tea ball or strainer, decorated sugar cubes, biscotti) in a cigar box. Clean box with a damp cloth, and let it air dry. Line with Japanese rice paper.

the chocolate has melted. Add the cashews and stir to mix.

Drop the mixture by teaspoonfuls onto the wax paper. Transfer the baking sheet to the refrigerator and chill for at least 45 minutes, until the chocolate coating on the nuts hardens.

Store the clusters in an airtight container in the refrigerator where they will keep for up to 3 months. Yield 24 pieces.

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Spicy Glazed Pecans and Milk Chocolate Cashew Cluster recipes from: "Home made in the Kitchen: Traditional Recipes and Household Projects Updated and Made Easy," by Barry Bluestein & Kevin Morrissey, (Published by Penguin Group, 1996, \$14.95).

Toss up a salad with the fruits of winter

Seasonal Salad: Tangerine Kiwifruit Salad with Cran-Berry Dressing is



Winter is no time to abandon your goal of eating five or more servings of vegetables and fruits each day for better health. To find fruit at the height of flavor during the winter months, look for fresh cranberries, grapefruit, kiwi, pears, tangelos and tanger-

sliced 2 kiwifruits, peeled, thinly sliced Cran-Berry Dressing (recipe

follows) Tangerine peel strips (option-

al)

ry sauce, canned

1/2 cup non-fat or low-fat strawberry or mixed berryflavored yogurt

In a blender, combine cranberry sauce and yogurt. Cover and blend until smooth Makes about 1 cup.

CLUSTERS

weeks. Yield 1 1/2 cups.

a refreshing start to a hearty winter meal.

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ines. Here's a hearty salad to try.

TANGERINE KIWIFRUIT SALAD WITH

CRAN-BERRY DRESSING Lettuce leaves

2 tangerines, peeled, thinly

On 4 salad plates, arrange lettuce leaves. Arrange tangerine and kiwifruit slices over lettuce. Spoon dressing over salads. Garnish with strips of tangerine, peel, if desired.

CRAN-BERRY DRESSING

1/2 cup whole-berry cranber-

Nutrition information: Each of the 4 servings contains 125 calories and less than 1 gram of fat.

Recipe and information from the American Institute for Cancer Research.

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Search futile for a 24-hour pharmacy

My husband and I took our 2-year-old daughter to the emergency room about 11 p.m. on a recent Saturday night. She had a high fever that we couldn't bring down.

We left the hospital about three hours later with a very tired - but less feverish - little girl, and a prescription for an antibiotic that we needed to get filled in time for her next dose, which was due at 6 a.m.

We asked a nurse if we could get the prescription filled at the hospital pharmacy. She said she was sorry, but that it was closed.



est 24-hour pharmacy was. Again, she said she was sorry, but that she didn't know. Oh well, we thought.

We're bound to pass one on the way home.

We asked her if she

knew where the near-

Top toys draw shoppers to the checkout

The quest for Ernie and Barbie have shoppers on the prowl this season, but leading toy stores assure Santa's helpers that their retail shelves are being stocked anew each evening.

BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON SPECIAL WRITER

Wish lists are long and supplies often short, but landing a Sing and Snore Ernie, or Talk With Me Barbie, may prove worth the search for many toy shoppers this holiday season.

And if the customers are anything like the ones that greeted Lisa Rowland outside of the Target store in Rochester last week, it's safe to say many are very determined.

"It has just been phenomenal, we had customers lined up halfway around this plaza the day after Thanksgiving," said Rowland, who is the store's Toy Team Leader. "When we opened at 7 a.m. they just all ran towards the toys."

The infamous "Ernie" doll by Tyco retails for \$29.99 and Target has been

hard-pressed to keep any of them on their shelves for more than a few hours.

"We don't have any in stock right now. I wish we did," smiled Rowland. "But also fortunately for us, the merchandise has been flowing in pretty steadily and we can re-stock our shelves every night."

Star Wars action figures and Hot Wheels cars remain popular among the elementary school set but again a stuffed toy is harboring the top spot on many Christmas lists. The Real Bubba Bear by Tyco talks and interacts with the child. The chatty bear, which is dressed in overalls and a big straw hat, retails for \$39.99.

We had some of the Bubba Bear come in here today and they just flew out of here," said Rowland.

The junior high set are desperate to find certain gifts under their trees this



Friday night fun: The Pressman Toy Co. has reintroduced Carcers. a 40-year-old board game of fame, fortune and happiness for a new generation of families. For 2-6 players, ages 8 and up, \$9.99 at Target, Toys R Us and Wal-Mart.

year too. Girls want the "Clueless" head set which is a hands-free phone spun from the popular movie of the same title. It retails for \$24.99.

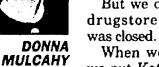
Teen boys want Game.com by Tiger which costs \$69.99. The toy is a handheld computer game that can also be hooked up to a personal computer The Talk With Me Barbie, and Barbie CD Rom, are in demand by both adolescent

Parker Brothers' Star Wars Monopoly and Milton Bradley's Chicken Croquet are the preferred games.

Target stores are experiencing a similar demand for games but their shelves are stocked with more than just the latest board games.

"I'd say the basic games, the oldres but goodies like Battleship and Cluc are all selling well, too," Rowland said





But we didn't. Every drugstore we passed When we got home,

we put Kathryn to bed and got out the Yellow

Pages. There were many pharmacy listings, but none of them said whether or not they were open 24 hours, and the seven or so that we called, were closed.

I decided to get on the Internet, hoping that it would speed up our search. I thought some of the chain pharmacies in our area might have store locator guides and sure enough, they did.

But, as with the Yellow Pages listings, none indicated whether or not they were 24-hour stores.

The Rite Aid site gave a 1-800 number to call for more information. I called it and had to go through its menu several times before a computer voice told me that it was going to connect me to Rite Aid's nearest 24-hour pharmacy.

Pay dirt, I thought.

But the phone just rang and rang. Nobody answered, and I had no idea where that store was or what its outside phone number was - the computer voice never said.

So I called the 1-800 number again and went through the menu several more times until I finally reached a different extension at that same store.

"Where are you located," I desperately, asked the woman who answered the phone.

"Six Mile and Newburgh," she said.

"Great," I told her. And then, just to be safe, I said, "You have a 24-hour pharmacy, right?"

'Yes, we do . . . but it's not open tonight," she answered.

"Why not?" I asked, in utter disbelief.

"Well, our pharmacist called in sick and we couldn't get anyone to fill in," she explained.

(Arrggh!)

She told me that the nearest 24-hour pharmacy was on Schaefer in Dearborn. But that's about 40 minutes from my house and by this time, it was 3:30 a.m. and I didn't trust myself to make that long drive because I was so tired.

Needless to say, Kathryn's next dose of medicine was late. I don't want this to happen to any other sick child - or adult, for that matter. So I decided to compile a list of 24-hour pharmacies in Wayne and Oakland counties.

I talked to spokespeople and representatives for Kmart, Kroger, Farmer Jack, Arbor Drugs, F & M, and Metjer, and was surprised to learn that none of them have a 24-hour pharmacy in Detroit. They do have some 24-hour retail stores in the area, but none of them include a 24-hour pharmacy.

To my knowledge, Rite Aid is the only company that has any all-night pharmacies in Detroit, Eleven of its locations are open 24-hours-a-day, 365 days a year.

Big Beaver / Coolidge. Troy. 100 volunteers have been working all week to deco-Three of those locations are in the (248) 643-3300. rate for the 6 p.m. tree lighting in Kellogg Park. A Observer & Eccentric's coverage area: Holiday concert adwittown shopping event is set for Friday, Dec. 12 from • Bloomfield Hills. Woodward at The Mercyaires perform everything from show tunes 7-10 p.m. with activities, entertainment and a canned Square Lake Road, (248) 338-7191. to holiday songs 3:30 p.m. west end of the mall. Free, • Livonia. Six Mile Road at Newgoods drive. Livonia Mall. Seven Mile / Middlebelt, mburgh, (313) 464-7960. Ann Arbor Trail / Main. Plymouth. (248) 476-1160. A scene from A Christmas Carol at Summit Place Mall. • Southfield. Greenfield at Nine Mile (313) 455-1453. ***(248) 557-8350**. ·

Win or get wet: The ball speeds toward you, so strike your flippers and send it back to your opponent. Score, and your foe is sprayed with a fine mist of water. Winners must score five points. From Pressman, \$24.99, at Target and Toys R Us.

SUNDAY, DEC. 7 Holiday exhibit open

Through Dec. 31, stroll through Victorian England recreated in 23 animated vignettes portraying the Charles Dickens classic A Christmas Carol. The 8th annual holiday exhibit is presented by Hudson's during regular store hours. Group tours are available to classes, clubs. There is no charge for admission. Critics are calling this year's offering "the best so far!"

Summit Place Mall.

Elizabeth Lake / Telegraph. Waterford. (248) 683-5299.

Holiday Puppet Event

Children's Theatre of Michigan presents Whose Earmuffs are these anyway? at the Pageant Wagon Theater in the Somerset Collection South rotunda, through Dec. 24 at 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Sundays 1,3, and 5

p.m. Free. Santa Claus photos in his three-story castle in Somerset North's Grand Court. Photo operation runs through Dec. 24 with option of Polaroid shot \$10, or roll of 35mm film for \$15, processed at parent's convenience. Appointments with Santa optional. A copy of the book "The Giving Season," available for \$19 at Ritz Camera with \$2

from each sale to Toys For Tots. The Somerset Collection.

Big Beaver / Coolidge. Troy. (248) 816-5484.

Village Santa

The local skating rink features children at play and forest animals with Santa Photos under a snow-covered pavilion through Dec. 24.

MeadowBrook Village Mall.

Walton / Adams. Rochester Hills.

(248) 375-9451.

Dept. 56 Village

Kids can send Santa E-mail messages from a computer station on the upper level, near JC Penney's. Santa visits and photos through Dec. 24. Snow Village by Dept. 56.

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



and pre-teen girls. They cost \$79.99 and \$29.99 each at Target, Rowland with girls. said.

Toys R Us spokesperson Michael Cullen said the retailer is much too busy this time of year to allow its managers to give media interviews regarding "hot" toys for 1997. Instead the retail chain provided a list of some of the most sought after items: Nintendo let kids pick their favorite top 10. The 64 and Sony Playstation Systems are full list is available by calling 1-800at the top of the Electronics list while Best-Toys.

And Mall Madness is still pe

Bob It, an action-packed hand held verbal command game, is another game that's being purchased at a swift pace by Target customers.

"We just price cut that to \$16.99 and it's really selling fast," said Rowland.

An annual toy study by DURACELL.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Carousel Santa

A 36-foot tall holiday carousel imported from Germany in mall's center court amuses visitors waiting for Santa. Laser light shows in the food court, Thursdays/Fridays 6 and 7 p.m. Saturdays/Sundays 1 and 3 p.m. through Dec. 22. The 15-minute show features a can drive for the Michigan Humane Society.

Wonderland Mall. Plymouth / Middlebelt. Livonia. (313) 522-4100.

Santa photos

"Wishes Can Come True," theme with giant reindeer and Santa sleigh, photos (\$6.95) through Dec. 24. Annabelle's Wish video and plush toy, \$16.98, to benefit Make A Wish Foundation at Information desk. Livonia Mall. Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

Polar Bear Christmas.

Digital image Santa photos through Dec. 24, giant polar bear decor.

Westland Center. Wayne/Warren.

(313) 425-5001.

Crystal Forest Set

Santa will be in The Crystal Forest along with 136life like animals designed and created by Ann arbor artist, Ira Imbras-Jansen through Dec. 24. Exploration Station offers computer-activities for classrooms and groups.

Twelve Oaks. 12 Mile/Novi. (248) 348-9411.

Snowflake Express

Santa Claus photos plus an exhibit highlighting the December holiday traditions around the world. Tel-Twelve Mall. 12 Mile / Telegraph. Southfield. (248) 353-4111.

Charlie Brown Christmas

See the Peanuts Gang in various holiday settings with an 18-foot high Snoopy doghouse featuring a 36foot tree through the roof. Santa photos through Dec. 24. Special computer-animation/lesson field trips available for classrooms.

Lakeside. M-59/Shoehnerr. Sterling Heights. (810) 247-4131.

Northstar Journey

Santa Claus gives kids a free coloring/story book based on the Boy and the Bear's search for the Northstar throughout the mall. Letters to Santa at Polestal Station in Montgomery Wards Court. Trolleys on duty through Dec. 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with free boxed lunches between office buildings and shopping center.

Northland Center. Nine Mile/Greenfield. Southfield.

(248) 569-6272.

Tree lighting

THURSDAY, DEC. 11

Toys For Tots Broadcast Jim Harper and The Breakfast Club from WNIC

radio airs their program from the mall 6 to 10 a.m. to collect new, unwrapped, Toys For Tots in the Lord & Taylor Court, lower level.

Fairlane Town Center.

Michigan / Hubbard. Dearborn.

(313) 593-1370.

Beauty Makeovers

Givency's Brigitte Schmitt works with customers 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment at Saks Fifth Avenue

Somerset Collection South. Big Beaver / Coolidge. Troy.

(2480 614-3337.

FRIDAY, DEC. 12

Holiday music series

Carolers and music groups perform Fridays through Dec. 20 from 2-4 p.m. in Lord & Taylor Court. Santa photos in Fountain Court.

Fairlane Town Center.

Michigan / Southfield. Dearborn. (313) 593-1370.

Santa photos in the park

Santa Claus, poses for children photos Fridays, 5.8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. in Kellogg Park.

Main Street. Plymouth.

(313) 453-1540.

Family fun

Byers Homestead and Country Store open house, noon to 8 p.m. Stroll through blacksmith shop, farmhouse, candy store and dress shop refreshments at the farm house.

213 Commerce Road, Historic Commerce Village. (248) 363-9795.

Artist visits

Native West welcomes Bruce Contway, 1998 Indian Artist of the Year through Dec. 14, to meet shoppers and sign pieces.

863 Ann Arbor Trail. Plymouth,

(313) 455-8838.

SATURDAY, DEC. 13

Children's Theatre of Michigan, Saturdays and Sun-

days through Dec. 21 from 4-8 p.m. "Wrens and Roost-

Meet Tara Lipinski at Nieman Marcus, 3:30-4:30

p.m. to promote the DKNY Children's Collection. Gift

Summit Place, Elizabeth Lake / Telegraph.

Summit Place Holiday "Is it Christmas Yet?" stories and sing-a-longs with

(248) 682-0123.

Skating champ visits

ers" are the strolling carolers.

with purchase from the line.

Somerset Collection South.

RETAIL DETAILS

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

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Malls offer field trips

Attention teachers! Both Lakeside (Sterling Heights) and Twelve Oaks (Novi) are debuting interactive holiday decor programs created by Technomasters of Birmingham. Each event lasts about two hours and costs \$5 per student.

At Lakeside, children visiting the exhibit can design programs (grade level appropriate, PreK through Grade 8) that focus on computer literacy skills, view the Peanuts classic A Charlie Brown Christmas; design their own wrapping paper using Peanuts cartoons to take home; explore Internet sites where Peanuts animation comes to life; and work with computer quick cams to learn how movies are created.

At Twelve Oaks similar projects have the Exploration Station theme. Reservations can be made by calling Technomasters (248) 258-9075.

New CD benefits leukemia fight

Motor City Rifts a compilation CD of original songs recorded by Detroit-area musicians is on sale for \$10 at all Harmony House stores to benefit the Leukemia Society of America. The promotion is co-sponsored by WRIF and Miller Genuine Draft Beer.

Northland hosts blanket benefit

"Share The Warmth" to benefit the Salvation Army will be held at the Northland Center, Nine Mile and Greenfield in Southfield, Dec. 6-24. For every \$150 in mall receipts, Northland and Cotton Incorporated will donate a blanket to the shelter in the shopper's name. Redeem receipts at the Customer Service Center.

sticks and oils from \$26. Dept. 56 decor seminars

Hudson's hosts designers from Dept. 56 holiday villages/collectibles, offering tips on how to set up the merchandise with special offers on retired pieces for sale. Dec. 8 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Somerset Collection, Troy; 5-8 p.m. at Oakland Mall, Troy; Dec. 9 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Summit Place, Waterford; Dec. 10 from 5-7:30 p.m. at Briarwood, Ann Arbor.

Laurel Park Place news

Shoppers who spend \$200 or more at Laurel Park Place in Livonia receive a free, handblown, jewel tone ornament. Shoppers can also make a holiday contribution to Angela Hospice by buying an ornament for the Tree Of Life standing tall at the mall. New retail tenants include: Animal House, **B'Silver Connection, Brook**stone, Canadian Fleece, Day By Day, Jar Cakes, New England Home, The Gold Cart, Potpourri Pie, Santas Scribes, and Time Zones.

Plaza hosts photography exhibit

Shoppers to the **Bloomfield** Plaza, Maple/Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills, can see the images of photographer Monte Nagler on display through Dec. 29. One of his images, graces the jacket of the CD Sounds of the Season by the Birmingham-**Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra** which is available at Harmony House and Borders.

Clearance furniture at Hudson's Northland Store

Hudson's opened a fourth floor Clearance Center with furniture discounted 30 to 50-percent off original prices at the Northland store in Southfield. The department hopes to move canceled special orders, floor samples and overstocks from Sealy, Nadeau and Bernhard. Deliveries are \$35. Manager Larry Williams said the Marketplace on the lower level was also remodeled with a new deli and floor plan.



Quill art set: The 18th century hobby of paper filigree makes a comeback in this kit from Pastime Industries. Kids can make pictures, bookmarks and gift tags with paper strips, a quilling tool, glue, patterns and foam boards.For ages 8 and up, from \$6.99-\$14.99 at Toys R Us.



This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise in the marketplace. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels

carousel for Beverly Gillette. •Replacement cutting blades for the Hair Wiz for Ron Petrel-

la. • Pleated rainbonnets that

• Toni permanent rollers, 4inches long, for Mary Callahan.

• Bugle Boy elastic waist Velcro closures in child's size

pants and elastic ankles with

Group sells gifts to help needy

Perhaps this year, Uncle Elmer doesn't need another tie. Maybe a business associate would really prefer something other than canned ham, mixed nuts or fruitcake.

If making a gift of charity would make the holiday more meaningful, there is a international relief organization, Alternative Gifts International, of Pasadena, California, that offers food, job training, medicines, eye surgery, solar cookers and even adoption of rain forest acreage.

AGI helps organizations, churches and schools develop alternate markets to sell trees, medicine, food, livestock, handmade crafts, tools and more. The gifts that donors give in honor of family and friends may bring new life and hope to people in the developing world and to people living in poverty in the United States.

Donors receive a gift card with their gift inscribed, to be mailed to the recipient of their choice.

For more information, call AGI at 1-800-842-2243.

Double-duty merchandise aids charities

Holiday shoppers at Hudson's may purchase special gifts that will return a portion of their sales to national charities.

Through a special holiday arrangement, six organizations that assist sick or dependent children and adults, will benefit from the project. • Every cent of the \$13 retail price of M.A.C. Viva Glam and Viva Glam II lipsticks are donated to the fight against AIDS. Two cookbooks, exclusive to Hudson's, will benefit the United Way, Potluck for 33.000. \$10.95 and With Warmest Regards, \$11.95. • Save the Children sterling silver jewelry, \$20 - \$30, donates a percentage of the profits to Save the Children, an international fund. These Christopher Radko holiday ornaments each benefit a different cause: A Caring Clown, \$36, benefits AIDS Awareness; Kitty Cares, \$30, benefits 1997 Pediatric Cancer research, and Watch Over Me, \$28, benefits the Polish Children's Home. • The Ronald McDonald House ornament, \$7.50, benefits the "house that love built" for children with lengthy illnesses and their families. • Through a special program between Hudson's and Help Me Grow, each P. J. Huggabee teddy bear purchase buys two. You can brighten a child's smile in your life as well as a foster child in need of a smile. Every time there is a purchase of P. J. Huggabee, \$20, another bear will be given to a child entering the foster care system in their state.

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Boutique adds new line

Tender, 271 West Maple in downtown Birmingham, has added the Alicia Lawhorn collection to its selection of fashion forward merchandise. The ethnic-inspired designs are of rich, unevenly-dyed tones including hand-painted dresses, patchwork cardigans and denim suits trimmed in sequins.

Twelve Oaks adds horse patrol

The Oakland County Mounted Division reservists and their personal steeds will help monitor the Twelve Oaks shopping center parking lot in Novi, Saturdays and Sundays through Dec. 24. The officers will assist shoppers with spotting cars or other car problems.

FYE opens at Wonderland

The multi-media store FYE (For Your Entertainment) is open at Wonderland Mall in Livonia, selling books, video, games, tapes and CDs in a 20,000-square foot emporium (in the former Woolworth's space.) The store is part of the center's west wing \$10 million renovation. Jeepers! a 25,000-square foot indoor, themed entertainment center, also opened in the west wing, a month ago.

FYE based in New York, is a division of Transworld Entertainment, which owns and operates the Record Town stores.

Spicy deal at Neiman Marcus

Neiman Marcus in The Somerset Collection South, Troy, introduced Frankincense and Myrrh scented products from Czech & Speake, including cologne, bath oil, soaps, scented candles, room spray, burning



Additional changes include the opening of Guess? shops for men and women, and the move to the third floor for Larger Sizes, Kids and Juniors.



Santabear '97: This year, Hudson's presents a Nutcracker Santabear, \$35.95, at stores while supplies last.

(or basement) please call Where -Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in the following Sunday's column.

What we found:

•The game **Cathedral** can be ordered from World Wide Games, 1-800-888-0987.

•Unicure hair and skin conditioner can be ordered by mail through the company's Atlanta, GA. headquarters, 1-888-UNI-URE, \$3 per bottle, according to company owner Richard Tucker.

We're still looking for:

• Corelle dishes in the very old, gold butterfly pattern for Peggy.

• Barb Thomas is looking for a 1995 Santa Bear and a plastic, popcorn bowl with stripes on the side.

• The Wizard card game for Barb of Westland.

• Sarah, a picture of Elvis Presley on black velvet. • Ruth needs a distributor

who sells the "miracle cleaner"

• The rustspot remover Magica for Michelle.

• Aziza crease resistant powder eye shadow base.

Swipe.

• Jean is desperately trying to come across a Cary Grant recording of Red Roses for a Blue Lady from many years ago.

• The Lone Ranger board game for Linda of Garden City. • A Bell and Howell #850

slide projector with vertical

fold to 3-inches and pleated rainbonnets that have a snap on the bottom.

• A Hallmark 15" red, bean bag Santa bought in 1988, for a handicapped boy whose "favorite friend" is falling apart, according to his mom. "Santa's wearing black shoes and has green mittens.'

• The old board game Call My Bluff, for Joe of Livonia.

• A filter for a Norelco clean water machine for Gertrude of Troy.

 A yellow, Answer Finder, to use with the Scribbles Learn With Me Club by Western Publishing for Sue of Canton.

• An original cast recording starring Albert Finney in Scrooge for Bill Jacobs.

• A 1941 copy of Jolly Jingle Picture Book by Rand McNally for Sharon Gage.

• The board game Cathedral "popular about nine years ago," for Mr. and Mrs. Elliot.

• A TV tuner adaptor for Game Gear and a hockey game for Game Gear for Colleen of Redford.

• Dick Clark cologne for Gloria of West Bloomfield.

• Lunch or dinner plates from Lynn Steimeist, Colorways pattern, for Joan Marinelli, who's also looking for small, glass windchimes.

• An instruction manual for the Apple LC II for Mary of Livonia.

 A basket for the crystal Frymaster, about 10 1/2-inches across for Shirley. • Sega Genesis Shining Force

One game for Norma.

Large for Jo.

• Two toys, Weebels Treehouse and Don't Go With Strangers book for Mary Ann of Canton.

• Donna Karan's Toner body stocking in nude or black, plus a book about a black, Scottie dog, Pieface for Dottie of Plymouth.

• A rocking wooden kangaroo (in the spirit of the hobby horse) for Mary of Livonia. "I bought the last one from The General Store on 10 Mile/Meadowbrook, but they're no longer there."

• Helen is desperate to find a 1990 Santabear and has doubles of the '86, '87 and '88 to part with.

• Sharon is seeking the old cleaning product Tetra D from the Wyandotte Chemical Co.

• Kim Stack of Livonia is hoping to locate an expansion cartridge "Oscar" for the Sesame Street talking computer.

• We have several callers looking for dolls: the Mrs. Beasley, an Emmett Kelly, Baby Shivers, and a Drowsy Doll.

• Cindy Reed and her dad hope to find the Burl Ives songbook (or others) of Sea Chantees.

• Ed Gilroy needs the recording, "Now That We're In Love."

• Linda of Livonia wants to replace an old talking Cookie Monster and Oscar.

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Kim Mortson, 313-953-2111

MEDICAL BRIEFS

Saint Joseph Mercy opens Canton facility in early '98

The new Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Building, which will include urgent care, pharmacy, physician offices and other services is scheduled to open in February 1998. The facility is located at 1600 S. Canton Center Road at Summit Parkway, between Michigan Ave. and Ford Road.

The building will have a focus on women's health including: specialists, service and educational programs for women of all ages. The facility also will be home to Michigan's first Interactive Health Education Center, set to open in Jan. 1999. The interactive center will draw visitors from across the state.

For more information, please call the Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine, (800) 231-2211.

Correction: The Sunday, Nov. 30 column of Medical Briefs incorrectly named the Canton center as a facility of Providence Hospital. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Garden City Hospital rehab earns accreditation

Garden City Hospital proudly announces a Three-Year Accreditation award by CAFR...The Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission. This represents the highest level of accreditation achievable by hospitals. Garden City Hospital was recognized for accreditation in Rehabilitation Service programs. This accreditation achieved by Garden City Hospital is awarded by CARF, the nation's accreditation authority in the field of medical rehabilitation, behavioral health and employment and community support services. The accreditation results from findings during CARF's recent on-site survey. Garden City Hospital has offered rehabilitation services since 1987.

CURATIVE or QUACKERY?

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

For an ancient Chinese "secret," magnets are attracting a lot of attention in some metro-Detroit health and sports circles these days.

Their "pull" is being felt in golf shops and by sports teams, through cable television infomercials and in some medical practitioners' offices - and even at the university level.

In the wake of claims by professional golfer Jim Colbert that magnets saved his career, at least two metro-area golf shops - Carl's Golfland of Bloomfield Hills and Gorman Golf Products, Inc., of Southfield - have begun selling magnets for backs and wrists and as shoe inserts.

And at least one chiropractor, Dr. Dave Taylor of Redford who practices in Garden City and Livonia, believes they're "the wave of the future, the missing link in the philosophy of chiropractic." (See related story.)

But despite that - and the fact magnets have been used as health and healing aids in the Orient and elsewhere for hundreds, if not thousands, of years - the question in Detroit and the United States remains: are they real or is it quackerv?

Or, as a Dearborn Heights magnets user and believer said in trying to guess why the U.S. medical establishment is seemingly resistant, if not opposed, to using magnets: "There's a lot of snake oil out there."

Because of the general lack of scientific research in the U.S. on magnets and health - a fact lamented by a University of Michigan professor - most of the available information is "anecdotal." which has tended to leave the topic in the realm of so-called "alternative medicine."

Personal experiences have ranged from senior golfer Colbert - who was quoted in a Detroit publication as saying he was "driving farther" since to a wide variety of therapies such as acupuncture

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wearing magnets to relieve back spasms - to everyday folk claiming relief from everything from insomnia and allergies to migraine headaches and arthritis. Others have claimed rapid post-operative healing while still others have even claimed being cured of, or at least seen diminished suffering from, such illnesses as multiple sclerosis and cancer.

Alternative medicine, which ranges from vitamins, minerals, herbs and other food supplements and aromatherapy, has nor deny it.

He did say, however, "There is a scientific basis for using" magnets in healing.

He explained that blood and other liquids, which contain sodium and potassium that have dissolvedmetal ions carrying electrical charges, are always moving inside the body. "Anytime a charge moves, there is the possibility of a magnetic field being generated, so when you bring another magnet upon these moving charges, the movement will be influenced.

Stop smoking clinic

The city of Livonia is sponsoring the Stop Smoking Clinic conducted by Dr. Arthur Weaver. The seven night program will be held at Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, just east of Farmington Road. No set fee is charged, although donations are accepted. Dates will include: Thursday, Jan. 8; Monday, Jan. 12 through Friday, Jan. 16; and Tuesday, Jan. 20. All sessions begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 9 p.m. For more information, call Livonia City Hall at (313) 466-2535 weekdays.

Sunday health club

You know you will make another resolution to get in shape for the new year, so why not take action now? The winter session of Schoolcraft College's Sunday Health Club convenes from Jan. 4 through March 29 and offers 13 weeks of unstructured activity in a fully equipped physical education facility. Family and individual fees for club members include to gyms for basketball, volleyball, jogging; six handball, paddleball, or racquetball courts: wallyball courts, weightlifting machines, treadmills, exercise bikes and a cardio-theater with a personal headset to watch television or listen to the radio.

The club is open each Sunday from 1-5 p.m. For information call (313) 462-4413.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerfy Road, between Six and Seven Miles roads in Livonia.

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Magnetic power: Bill Evans, University of Michigan professor of chemistry, is posed with a spectro-meter that allows researchers, like Evans, to study magnetic material and the compounds of which they are comprised. Evans says the spectro-meter is one of the most powerful pieces of equipment team and Detroit Pistons basavailable to study magnetic materials found in such things as therapeutic devices (shoe inserts, jewelry, magnetic patches).

become a major medical phenomenon in the U.S., with billions of dollars being spent annually hydemericans seek-ing answers dey feel they are not getting from conventional medicine.

"People are turning in desperation" to such things as magnets, said Dr. Bill Evans, a chemistry professor at the University of Michigan who has been studying such alternatives "since I went off to college."

Evans, a solid-state chemist who has taught and researched at U-M for 27 years, has been a consultant to companies making magnetic coatings for computer diskettes and cassette tapes. While he believes magnets "probably are not useful in" acute illness situations" such as MS or cancer, he does believe they have medicinal use.

For example, he said, magneto therapy "has been demonstrated to be effective in sports medicine" such as in treating ankle sprains: "Just lay a magnet on (the sprain) and it will stimulate the healing process," the professor said.

Indeed, rumor has it the Detroit Red Wings hockey ketball team have used magnets in therapy, although Evans could neither confirm

"So if you have an injury and there's a wound there, and you're trying to take away decaying tissue and bring in the healing fluids of the body, then putting a magnet up to that injury site will influence the flow of the fluids," said Dr. Evans.

In arthritis, for example, "inflammation is fluidflow to the joints" and either fluids are not getting to the area or are not getting out, he said. "You want to bring nutrients to the area and take away wastes and a magnet will influence that process."

Use of magnets "has been around for a long time," said Dr. Evans. It extends to an ancient Chinese practice known as geomancy, in which home builders as long as 3,000 years ago used magnets to decide where to build a house and which way it should face.

And one medical history book, he said, tells of an 18th-century English medical practitioner who built a magnetized conjugal bed to help conception.

Today, magnets are being promoted through network marketing and on television infomercials. Some companies offer only better sleep and more energy, while others have claimed medical cures.

However, the federal Food and Drug Administration has moved against the latter due to lack of scientific proof.

Today, in the absence of such proof, a person must take the stories with a grain of salt, said U-M's Evans, "because who's to say it's not a placebo effect" - a person feels better because he believes he will.

The bottom line is, said Evans, "Magneto therapy is here, whether we like it or not and we doctors and scientists have to put it on a sound basis in order to live up to our responsibility to the public."

He believes such research is coming. However, "At the moment, I think, except for some personal testimony, there is not a lot of basis" to claims about magnets.

"But look, if you're trying to get well, it doesn't really matter whether it's science or art" as long as

Positive results turn skeptic into a believer

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

Daniel McManaman of Dearborn Heights believes in the effectiveness of magnets.

When he came home from the hospital after quadruple-bypass open-heart surgery last year, "We put magnets all over him and he was off pain medication in three weeks," says his wife Nelda.

"He had cut way back on his medications even before that," she says. And when he went to his cardiologist six weeks after the surgery, "he was told he was two months ahead of schedule" in terms of recovery.

Daniel also uses them on his ankle to relieve the discomfort of the incisions from the vein grafts, says Nelda. "It keeps the swelling down and makes the discomfort go away."

Her husband "was skeptical at first," she says. "Like all guys - they kind of hold back," but once she put the magnets on him and they started working, he was a believer.

Nelda, who's been plagued for years by allergies and back problems, has been involved with "alternative nealth and nutrition," as she describes it, for 16 years and calls magnets "another wonderful alternative to help people enhance their lives and well-being."

the various nutritional products she takes for her allergies. She says they've also helped her backach-

A woman to whom she loaned some magnets said they helped her with jet lag on a flight to and from Italy.

Magnets, Nelda says, "keep the body in a harmonious state.

"It's not like taking a pill. It continues helping and enhancing your lifestyle, it puts balance in your lifestyle.

"My belief is that every human being needs magnetism - they just don't know it yet," she says.

However, magnetic therapy "is a kind of cloudy area in chiropractic," says Dr. Dave Taylor, an associate chiropractor with Gregg Chiropractic Life Centers in Garden City and Livonia.

"It's like massage therapy" in that it is "beyond the scope of the law, a kind of gray area."

While that keeps him from prescribing magnets in his practice, he nevertheless believes such therapy "is the wave of the future - the missing link in the philosophy of chiropractic."

The reason chiropractors touch people's backs is,

nature is magnetic flow."

He's seen magnets reduce discomfort and stress. "and we need to do everything we can to reduce stress." Getting a really good night's sleep - which he says magnet help provide - is one way to reduce stress, but the public hasn't been taught the importance of a good night's sleep.

"Sleeping on your stomach with six pillows on the mattress, making it soft and cushiony, is contraindicated as far as spinal health is concerned," says the doctor.

But he doesn't see a quick move anytime soon by medical men in the United States to embrace and prescribe magnets. "After all, it took the medical profession 200 years to accept the thermometer," he notes sardonically.

Is more research into magnets needed. "You can research something to death," he says.

Mike Fogarty, manager and buyer for Carl's Golfland in Bloomfield Hills, says his company sells magnets by Tectonics.

The magnetic pads can be worn in wraparounds for the back or taped to various areas like the neck, calf, knee and even the knuckles, and magnetic mattress pads are available. Although the debate rages as to the effectiveness of magnets, Fogarty believes "there's some very good validity" to the argument for them.



She sleeps on a magnetic mattress and pillow, which she believes helps her body to better utilize he says, "we're nerve doctors, not back doctors" and it's through the nerves that electric current and magnetic current travel.

"But none of our (chiropractic) textbooks mention magnetic flow, and yet the most powerful force in

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Chaplain joins hospice

Julie Weber, MA, of Livonia has joined the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute's hospice

program as a spiritual counselor. Weber is a certified chaplain with the National Association of Catholic Chaplains.

"Losing a loved one is one of the most difficult things we experience in our lives," said Weber. "Everyone grieves differently, so counseling must be tailored to the unique needs of each individual."

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Tree of Life

Angela Hospice of Livonia is extending an invitation to the community to honor and remember their loves ones this holiday season at the 10th annual "Tree of Life." The tree will be on display at Laurel Park Place through Dec. 31. Visitors may stop by to see the tree during mall hours and those wishing to

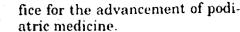
adorn the tree with an ornament A m e r i c a n bearing the name of a loved one are welcome to participate in this annual holiday event.

For more information on the Tree of Life, contact Angela Hospice (313) 464-7810.

Borovoy receives award Marc A. Borovoy, D.P.M., is the 1997 recipient of the Meritorious Service Award from the

Podiatric Medical Association (APMA). The award, presented at the APMA Annual Conference

tion of his dedi-



Borovoy, is the chief of podiatric surgery at Providence Hospital in Southfield and a noted author and lecturer. He has received the highest awards given to any podiatrist within Miehigan earning the MPMA Southeast Division's "Podiatrist of the Year" award and MPMA's "Shining Star" award.

Medical Weight Loss organizes fund-raiser for Livonia woman.

Medical Weight Loss Clinic is donating five cents for Support: every pound its clients lose during the next month, to Judy Judy Busby, 34, of Livonia who is stricken with a disease which has spread to her legs, forcing them to be Busby, 34, amputated.

Busby is suffering from chronic osteomylitis-connec- embraces tive disease. She also suffers from sensory nuropathy. her son The disease, which she has had since childhood, has Corey, 6. infected her arm, which she will probably have to have Busby sufremoved.

Providence Hospital is helping Judy with medical fers from atreatment and expenses, however, her parents Mae and chronic dis-Bill Busby of Northville, have encountered severe ease that financial problems trying to support Judy and her six- led to the year-old son Corey.

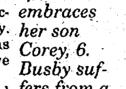
amputation "One of our employees knows the Busby family quite well and talked to us about helping them out this holi- of her legs. day season. "We decided to get our clients involved by Her parents donating five cents for every pound each client loses. are hoping We see thousands of patients who lose thousands of the MWLC pounds," said Art Langer, vice president of Medical fund-raiser Weight Loss Clinics. Charts will be placed in each elinic will allevitracking patient's weight loss.

Busby's "Weight Loss Drive" runs from now through ate some of Dec. 24. Individuals wishing to make financial contri- the finanbutions may drop off checks payable to Mae and Bill cial strug-Busby at any Medical Weight Loss Clinic throughout gles they're Michigan.

Medical Weight Loss Clinics are located in Ann facing. Arbor, Canton, Dearborn, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Novi, Pontiac, and Redford.

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Low-income workers and their families in Michigan can sign up now to receive free eve care in March through a program called VISION USA.

Optometrists who are members of the Michigan Optometric Association are among nearly 8,000 optometrists nationwide who are donating their services through VISION USA to provide free comprehensive eye exams to low-income people in March.

To qualify for the free eye care, people must have a job or live in a household in which at least one member is working part-time; have no health insurance that covers eye exams; meet certain income criteria based on household size; and not have had an eye exam at a doctor's office within the last two years.

Individuals or families can obtain an application form by writing: VISION USA, 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141. Completed forms must be postmarked by Jan. 23, 1998, according to Dr. Ross H. Williams, the VISION USA coordinator for Michigan.

HEALTH TIP

Applicants will also be screened for eligibility by phone only from Jan. 2 through 30th, 1998. The number to call then is (800) 766-4466. Phone lines will be open weekdays from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

"There is no doubt in my mind that many people in low-income families are being held down because they can't see well enough to do their jobs or to learn in school," said Williams. "Some also have eye health conditions that could cause blindness if left untreated."

The Michigan VISION USA coordinator said approximately 220,000 low-income children and adults have received free eye care in the first seven years of the program. Among the 20,000 examined last year, more than seven out of every 100 had eye health conditions and seven out of 10 needed a new eyeglass prescription.

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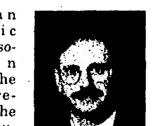
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cle regarding bunion surgery performed at the Canton Foot Specialists practice.

Three errors were made in the Sunday, Nov. 9, arti-

Dr. Steven Watson and Dr. Ellen Mady, D.P.M. did not "perfect" the tri-correctional bunionectomy procedure. They are performing the procedure that was developed by Alan J. Selner, D.P.M., of North Hollywood Medical Center in California.

The clinic was not founded by Mady and Watson but in fact by Dr. James Kawwas approximately 10 years ago. Watson took over the practice from Kawwas when he took a medical leave. Mady then joined Watson in practice at the Canton Foot Specialists in November 1996.

Tri-correctional bunionectomy is not a new procedure but an advanced technique of a procedure developed years ago, which is a modification of an Austin bunionectomy developed 30 years ago.

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MON, DEC. 8 BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT

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LaLeche League of Livonia meets monthly for breastfeeding support and information. Babies and children are always welcome. Next meeting at 7 p.m.. Please

Theresa 261-6814, Vicki 937-3011 or Michele 591-7071.

CELIAC SPRUE SUPPORT

Tri-County Celiac Sprue Support Group is a support group for persons who have been diagnosed with Celiac Sprue and Dermatitis Herpetiformis, their families, spouses and friends. Monthly meetings include infor- . mation on testing, ideas for children and information from professionals at 7 p.m. at the Southfield Presbyterian Church located at 21575 West 10 Mile Road. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. For further informa(313) 522-8522.

GETTING THROUGH HOLIDAYS

For those grieving the loss of a loved one, the Angela **Hospice Bereavement** department offers a twohour workshop designed to help these families cope with the holiday season. This free of charge workshop is open to the community and will be held on Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. The workshop will last ninety minutes and will be followed by a half hour of fellowship and refreshments. Call Angela Hospice at (313) 464-7810.

Association course that teaches CPR and the Heimlich maneuver on victims age birth to eight years. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 10 p.m. Call Livonia Public Schools for more information, (313) 523-9277. The fee for Livonia residents is \$23, others \$26.

HANDLING THE HOLIDAYS We will discuss sensible, healthy suggestions for planning your holiday happenings. There is no cost to attend the December event at Henry Ford Health System's HealthCore Site. 22950 Michigan Ave. from

tion.

HOLIDAY EATING

Henry Ford Health Core will host a free seminar on "Handling the Holidays" at the Dearborn Health Core Store at 11 a.m. Health Core's registered dietitian will speak on eating sensibly during the holiday season. For more information, call, 562-7800.

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delivery can make the entire experience more rewarding. The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers a six-week Childbirth Preparation Class based on the Lamaze method. A six week session will be held from 7-9 p.m. every Monday in the West Conference Room A. Cost is \$55. Preregistration for this class is required. For more information call, (313) 655-1100.

DEC. 8, 15, 22 FIRST AID/SAFETY

This course teaches Standard First Aid (identifying and caring for life-threatening bleeding, sudden illness, and injuries) and Adult and Infant/Child CPR. Three certificates are issued for successful completion. Course length is 10 hours. Fee includes course cost and materials (\$43). The Dec. 8 program on Monday in Livonia runs from 6-10 p.m. and the Dec. 15 & 22 program from 6-9 p.m. To register for the American Red Cross program call (313) 422-2787.

TUE, DEC. 9

SPINAL SCREENING AWARENESS A complimentary spinal analysis with the Paraspinal EMG will be given from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. It will provide a vivid illustration of one's back, showing problem areas and any nerve interference in the spine. Please call (313) 458-7100 to register. Program is free of charge sponsored by Med-Max of Westland; 35600 Central City Parkway

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT

Susie Lucas of Unique Hair Designs, will be the guest speaker at the Marian Women's Center Breast Cancer Support Group from 7-8:30 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. Lucas will give a presentation of wigs, baseball caps, and various hair coverings for patients

istration is required by Dec. 2. For more information call (313) 655-1100.

WED, DEC. 10 ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT

A support group for family members, friends and caregivers of person afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders. Meetings provide mutual aid and support as well as affording the opportunity to share problems and concerns. Sponsored by the Alzheimers Association and is free of charge. Group meets at 7 p.m. on Dec. 10 in Classroom #1 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Bldg. Call 458-4330 for information.

BONE DENSITY SCREENING

Do you know if you are a candidate for osteoporosis? Find out with this simple, painless, noninvasive procedure. The cost is \$30 for members; \$35 for nonmembers and runs from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Please call (313) 458-7100 to register. Program is sponsored by MedMax of Westland; 35600 Central City Parkway.

SENIOR HEALTH FAIR

A senior Health Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dearborn Henry Ford Health Core store. Information on the importance of blood pressure monitoring, diabetic monitoring and home safety tips as well as healthy gift ideas for Christmas. Call, 562-7800.

DEC. 10, 17 COMMUNITY FIRST AID/SAFETY

This course teaches Standard First Aid (identifying and caring for life-threatening bleeding, sudden illness, and injuries) and Adult and Infant/Child CPR (recognizing and caring for breathing and cardiac emergencies for adults, infants and children). Three certificates are issued for successful completion. Course length is 10 hours. Fee includes course cost and materials (\$43). The Dec. 10 & 17 pro-

gram in Livonia runs from 6-9 p.m. To register for the American Red Cross program call (313) 422-2787.

GETTING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS For those grieving the loss of a loved one, the Angela Hospice Bereavement department offers a two-hour workshop designed to help these families cope with the holiday season. This free of charge workshop is open to the community and will be held on Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. The workshop will last ninety minutes and will be followed by a half hour of fellowship and refreshments. Call Angela Hospice at (313) 464-7810.

THUR, DEC. 11

NEW, EXPECTANT FATHER CLASS St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a class for new and expectant fathers, "Just for Dads...Childbirth and Beyond." from 7-9 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. Twohour class helps fathers understand feelings and changes associated with the birthing process, how to become an active participant and the new role of father--hood. Cost is \$15 per person and registration is required, call, (313) 655-1100.

DEC. 12, 19 **COMMUNITY FIRST AID/SAFETY**

This course teaches Standard First Aid (identifying and caring for life-threatening bleeding, sudden illness, and injuries) and Adult and Infant/Child CPR (recognizing and caring for breathing and cardiac emergencies for adults, infants and children). Three certificates are issued for successful completion Course length is 10 hours. Fee includes course cost and materials (\$43). The Dec. 12 & 19 program in Livonia runs from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. To register for the American Red Cross pro-

gram call (313) 422-2787.

SAT, DEC. 13 MERIT BADGE PROGRAM

St. Mary Hospital, in collaboration with Madonna University and the Livonia Family YMCA, is proud to announce the "Be Your Best" Merit Badge Program for all Brownies and Girl Scouts, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Madonna University. The girls will learn more about health and fitness and earn a merit badge. Enrollment is limited and preregistration is required by Dec. 6. For more information and to register call (313) 655-2922.

DEC. 13, 20 STANDARD FIRST AID

This course teaches Standard First Aid (identifying and caring for life-threatening bleeding, sudden illness, and injuries) and Adult CPR (recognizing and caring for breathing and cardiac emergencies for adults). Two certificates are issued for successful completion. Course length is 7 hours. Fee includes course cost and materials (\$33). The Saturday, Dec. 13 program runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Dec. 20 from 9 a.m. to noon. To register for the Livonia American Red Cross program call 422-2787.

TUE, DEC. 16

SPINAL SCREENING AWARENESS A complimentary spinal analysis with the Paraspinal EMG will be given from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. It will provide a vivid illustration of one's back, showing problem areas and any nerve interference in the spine. Please call (313) 458-7100 to register. Program is free of charge sponsored by Med-Max of Westland: 35600 Central City Parkway.

STOKE/ANEURYSM SUPPORT

For those who have had or have a cerebral aneurysm or stroke. - 11 h. 111 Family members/friends wel-come. Group will meet at Garden City Hospital for a presentation and to promote a sharing interaction free of charge. Call 458-

4396.

ADULTS WITH INSULIN SUPPORT

The Adults with Insulin-Dependent Diabetes Support Group is an informal place to go for acceptance, encouragement and information. It meets the third Tuesday of every other month. The next meeting, a holiday gettogether is at 7 p.m. For more information on this or related programming, call (248) 477-6100.

WED, DEC. 17 ADULT CPR CLASSES

Three hour evening class conducted at 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road (between Ford and Warren Roads) teaching one person rescue through a film, lecture, demonstration and return demonstration. Registration is required. Call 458-4330.

BREATHER'S CLUB

A support group for persons and/or families with respiratory problems. Meets at 7:30 p.m. in Classroom #2 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building and is free of charge. Call 458-3481 for additional information.

LARYNGECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP

For people who have had or are going to have surgical removal of their vocal cords and their family and friends. In coordination with the Michigan Cancer Foundation Support Services. The group meets at 2 p.m. free of charge. Call 458-3381 for additional information.

THUR, DEC. 18 **CPR REVIEW**



Individuals with current CPR certificates can be recertified in Adult, Infant/Child, Community CPR or CPR for the Professional **Rescuer**. Certification and text is required to take this review course. Course length is four hours. Fee includes course cost and materials. Cost is \$16, Adults; \$20, community; and \$24 professional. To register for the Livonia American Red Cross program call 422-2787.

FRI, DEC. 19 PREMARITAL COUNSELING

Michigan law requires those applying for a marriage license to undergo education for sexually transmitted diseases. This course provides knowledge about STD's, HIV, and AIDS, with skills to separate facts from misinformation. Course length is one hour. Fee includes course cost and materials, \$12. Special appoints are available for \$20 per person. The Friday program runs from 6-7 p.m. For more information about the Livonia American Red Cross program call 422-2787.

DEC. 16 - FEB. 3 CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION CLASS

Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery. The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers a Childbirth Preparation Class based on the Lamaze method. A six week session will be held from 7-9 p.m. every Tuesday in the West Conference Room A. Cost is \$55. To register by Dec. 9 call, (313) 655-1100.

undergoing chemotherapy. The support group meets the second Tuesday of each month. Preteg-

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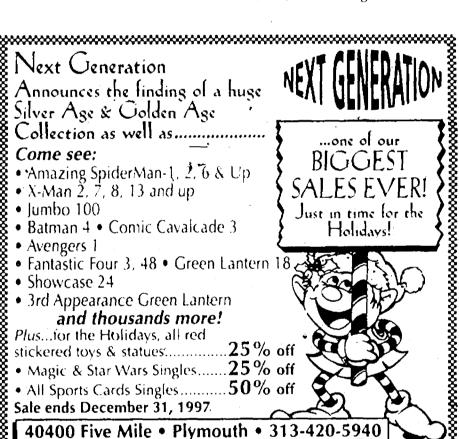
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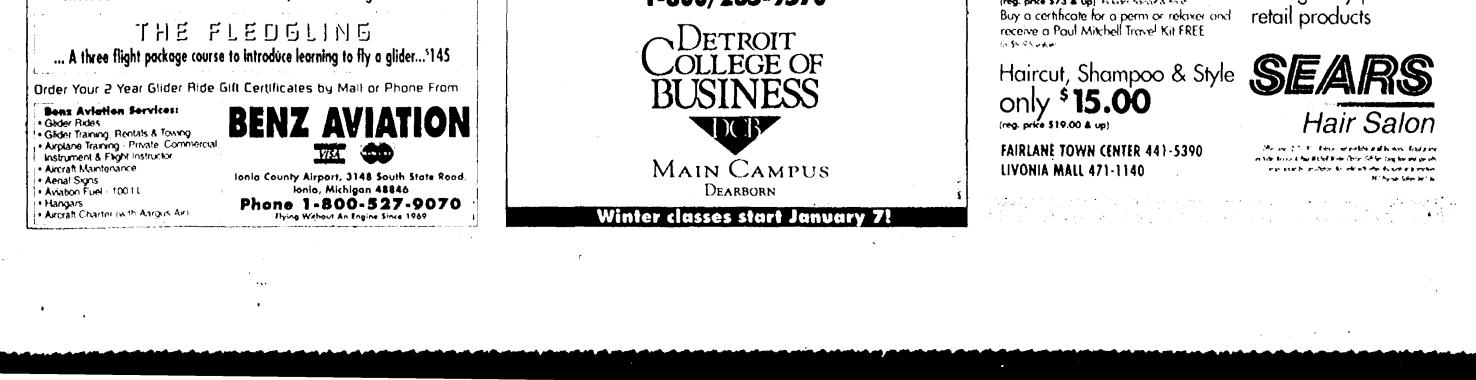






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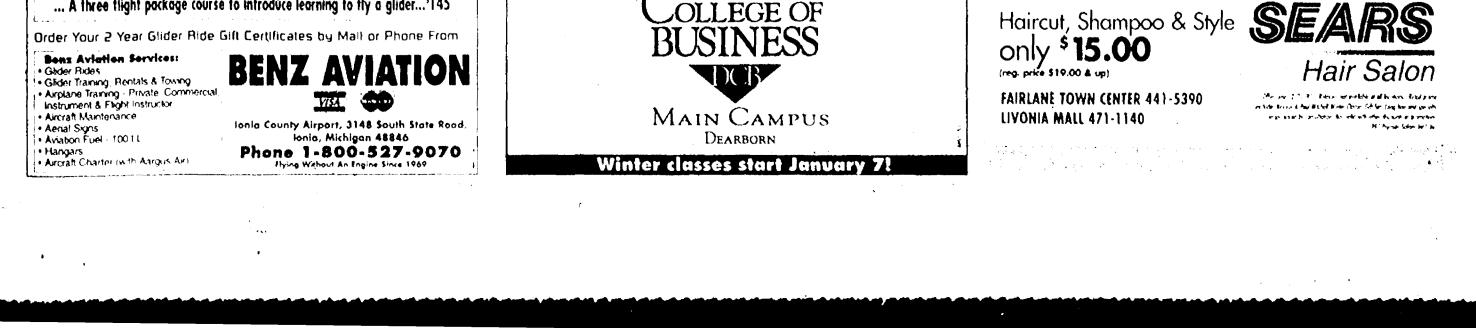
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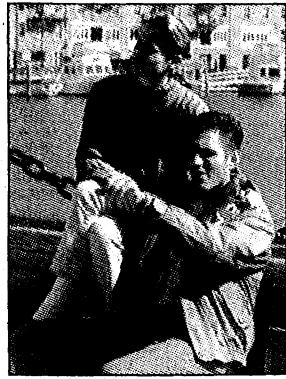
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SATISFACTION GUARANTEED Attractive SWF, 25, 4'10', 145lbs, blonda blue, enjoys movies, quiet even ings, skating, long walks, hockey and football. Seeking SWM, 25-35, who is looking for a LTR 178044

IN YOUR DREAMS You're in mine, i you're a tal, medium-large buit S DYYM, honest, affectionate, N/S and financially secure. DWF, 37. 5'9', toht-brown blue, attractive, full-figured, N/S, various interests, with one child, 128176

WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? I didn't think it would be this hard to find a man who is 24-35, dark-haired, in shape, college educated and seeking

warm, beautiful woman - me. Please help me end my search - quick! 27937 SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL

SWPF, 25, enjoys movies, racquetball, softball, quiet evenings at home, seeks athletically built SM, 24-32, to share similar interests. N/S preferable. 17478

PICK ME Lonely, attractive, petite SF, 25, seeks honest, reliable, sincere, hard-working, semi-intelligent SM, for companion ship, friendship, possible relationship, It you cheat, don't bother calling. 27660

OLD-FASHIONED Divorced mother of one, 30, very shy, blondish/brown, blue eyes, 5'7", 110bs. enjoys dancing, cider mils, all whiter activities. Seeking caring, true roman-tic, sensitive, old-fashioned guy. 177853

ARE YOU THE ONE? Altractive SWF, 26, Aubum/blue, hopeless romantic, seeks attractive SWM, 26-32, who enjoys the outdoors, movies, museums, sports, quiet times, for LTR, for Mr. Right. 17907

UFE IS BEST WHEN SHARED Attractive, warm female, 42, seeks att ractive, healthy, warm male, for friend-ship, possibly romance. \$18142

SOMETHING DIFFERENTI SBF: 24, 5'4, dark skinned, curvaceous feminine, seeks financially secure, WM, 30+, for fun and friendship. 128049

FUN-LOVING, PRETTY, CULTURED Bionde lady, fun and adventurous, respects life and people, appreciate kind-

ness and honesty. Seeking emotional-ty available, secure, tall gentleman, 45-Spunky, attractive widowed WF, 56, 5'3", 125lbs, blonde, Pisces-Aries-Ca-60, for travel, adventure, and companpricom, retired consultant, seeks SWM, 59+, to share ballroom dancing, movies, ionship. 278050 travel, good conversation and family get

SINCERE, PRETTY, PROFESSIONAL

Petite, slim SWF, 36, blonde, enjoys working out, dining, theater, travel, some sports. Seeking sincere, honest, attractive SWM, 30-39, physically fit, N/S, financially/emotionally secure. T 2559

enjoys bowing, movies, dining out, quiet times at home. Seeking gentleman, 40-55, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. \$7701 LOOKING FOR A FRIEND Down-to-earth divorced WF, mid 50s, burnet end burne with small states of humor, enjoys dancing, the movies and dining out. Seeking S/DWM, 56-55, great sense of humor with similar inter-TOU ARU ME Shapely, sharp, first class, modern SF, 5', 122bs, natural blonds/green, seek-ing DWM, 45-50, nice thick hair, with same qualities, to share life's simple pleasures and ...? Truth is foremost. To 7666 friendship first, possible LTR. ests, for **1**7949

MUSSING SOMEONE SPECIAL

Versatile, open and very tonest DWF, 41, with kids, seeks attractive, confident, secure SWM, 30-50, N/S, to enjoy life so you don't have to be Ken, DJF, 40ish. realizes we still kook good, but aren't 20 anymore. Seeking fun, romantic, smart, funny SWM, 39-49, N/S, dnnker. Let's with: 128003 play! 177667

BEST OF BOTH WORLDS Attractive, affectionate, athletic, adven-turous. Warm, romanic DWPF, 5'5", 50, bionda/blue, médium built, educated, seeks gentleman, 5'9-6'4", 48-62,

SOMEONE SPECIAL SWF, 70, feels younger, seeking WM, 65-70 who is sexy, passionate, loving and honest, who loves to laugh and have fun. I am a lady with many inter-ests, so give me a catl. 177849

GO NO FURTHER

DWF, 40s, professional, blonde, attrac-tive, stender, seeks gentleman, N/S, professional, 40s, for driing out, theater.

travel, quiet evenings at home, possi-

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TH A GOOD ONE!

Attractive DWF, S0sh, 557, 125bs, boking for Mr. Nice Guy a 50sh pro-fessional SWM, with positive attrude and obsitive to forestive attrude

and great smile, for friendship or more.

SECOND TIME AROUND

WAITING IN WESTLAND

Passionate, honest, upbeal, humorous DWF, 43, 5'6', 160 lbs, long brown/ hazel, smoker, social drinker, N/Drugs,

YOU AND ME

I'M NOT BARBIE.

ble LTR 17814

togethers 17572

PRETTY PETITE, BRUNETTE DJF, 40ish, N/S single mom, enjoys mo-

vies, music, dancing, dining out. See-king romantic, caring honest S/DJM, 40-49, N/S, for friendship, possible LTR T 7902 SI YEAR OLD

ENTREPRENEUR

ATTRACTIVE ASIAN

Non-smoking AF, 36, seeks attractive health-conscious, dependent-free WM, 30-40, 5'9'+, for casual dating, possible LTR. 18040

I'D LIKE TO WATCH "Friends" on Thursdays! Single mom of three, 30, straight-forward, honest, enjoys rollerblading, camping, working out. Looking for a friend 26-33. Rel-ationship possible. 177604

SOULMATE

WHERE ARE YOU? SWF, mid-40s, dark hair/eyes, seeks outgoing, tun-loving SWM, mid-30s-mid-40s. My interests: bowling, bingo, auto races, spectator sports, gambling trips walking, funny movies. 228034

WAITING FOR YOU DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PH.D. SWM, 35, seeks honest, sincere, car-ing, slim DWF, 20-40, for friendship, with Cultured, mean apple pie. Golf, tennis, and sking enthusiast. Theater addiction, dance fever. Seeking male counterpart. 34-47. 177699 the possibility of something more sen-ous. 178132

LADY IN WAITING Foxy 45 year old, DBCPF, hopeless romantic, 5'5', 145lbs, enjoys, traveling cooking theater and guite evenings at home, seeking, SCM, 40-55, with similar interest, N/S, prosperous, for finendship possibly more. 27700

LAUGH WITH ME DWF, seeks S/DWM, 55-62, who likes to dance, take walks, has good sense of humor, family oriented, a good communicator. Serious inquires only.

HONEST AND AVAILABLE SWM, 34, athletic, enjoys outdoors seeks courageous, compatible, commu-meative SWF for friendship and pussible LTR. 188025

T8139

The turkey, the trimmings. HANDSOME MID-AGED GENT Contemporary, mature, rational, compassionate, caring, but lonely S&M. My virtues are many, my needs are few, if you can believe that. Seeking same and lowing female, 40-55 Race unim-portant. TR8114

> **RUA BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS?** Handsome, educated SWM, 30, 5'9". 135/bs, N/S, never married, money manager, enjoys romance, opulence, simplicity, commitment. My princess is an elegant, articulate, truly beautiful SF 23-33, N/S, size 2-6. **1**8116

S.O.S.

FIRST-TIME AD Seeking SWF, 27-30, under 5'4", N/S. H'W proportionate. Profession or social status unimportant. Will return all calls. 128175

HAPPINESS COUNTS SWPM, 33, 510°, never marned, nice-looking Enjoys dinner, dancing, sports and companionship. Seeking SWF. 25-33, down-to-earth, for meaningful rel-ationship 128177

DOES ANYONE READ THESE? SWM, 35, N.S. H/W proportionate, seeks friend and lover, H/W proporfor friendship, relationship, martionate nage 118138

ONE IN A MILLION MAN Financially secure, early retired SBCM, 38, lovés to travel, enjoys sports, mo-**11**8027 hes, quiet weekends, seeks female, 20-45, with same qualities. Kids ok. 17950 SINCERE AND HONEST SBPM, 35, 5'5', 1458bs, no dependents camping, movies and kids, seeks SWF, 24-35, for friendship/companionship seeks a attractive, special single female 23-39, who has a great sense of humor, is well-educated, and profesand trust 17931 sionally employed 128006 CHILI COOK SWM, 41, physically It. 54°, multi-careered professional, multiple interests, seeks petite SWF, 32-45, for compan-Seeking missing spice for seasonal tavorite. SWM, 34, 6'2", 190'bs, attractive, professional, and humorous Seeking a dash of attractive soint to ionship and possible relationship. No games 17934 complete mix before simmering 27955

RELATE. THEN IT'S A DATE! Slim, sensual, Taurus, spinitual SJM, 44. 5'9", 155lbs, seeks relationship-oriented SWF, sournate, 33-43, who enjoys

25-35, N/S, social drinker, who enjoys sports (especially water sports). Must love kids: 178126 puters, and trying new things. Seeking SWF, N/S, for mendship leading to LTR.

Loving, caring, honest, sensitive SWM, from overseas, 26, 5'6", 170bs, black/ blue, seeks same in an attractive SWF. 18-35. 18128

Attractive humorous, honest, educated, never married, Catholic WM, 44, 5'10". 165/bs, blond blue, N/S. Appreciates: class/style, walks, fire sides, music, and small towns. LTR. No games, #8129

DWM mid-40s, 5'6", 155lbs, seeks companionship for dining-out, movies, theatre, comedy clubs, sporting events, romanuc evenings at home, age/looks not as important as friendliness and co-mpatibility. 178131 ture. 177996

NORMAL GUY Active, hard-working SPM, 39, 5'6", 150fbs, considered good-looking, hon-

WHY BE ALONE?

enjoys dining out, movies, travel, warm vacations, holding hands, long walks. Seeking petite/medium-sized, warm, caring woman, 35-50, for LTR/monog-amous relationship. 178140

THE GAME OF LIFE

A SUPERIOR CARING MALE

professional with similar interests

CHARMING PROFESSIONAL

Attractive SWM, 40, 5'6", 130bs, enjoys

traveling, cooking, the children, seeks attractive SWF, for LTR. \$7946

FAMILY MAN

DWM, 49, 511", family oriented, caring, average man, looking for an average woman, 38-50, kids welcome. 27954

COUNTRY CLUB/MUSIC

large frame, western dances often, has

handicap of 6 golfing. Seeking attractive SWF, 35-55, comfortable in jeans or

formal gown at private country club

GIVE ME A TRY

which could possibly lead to more? Enjoy the outdoors, movies, dinners, and friends? Are 28-48, social drinker?

YES, I'M LOOKING FOR YOU

SWM, 20, seeks a SWF, 30-45, for the time of your kfel 27998

SEEKS MODEL/DANCER

Athletic, assertive, very attractive, rom-antic, sincere SWM, 24, 5'11", seeks

athletic, caring, affectionate, skim WF

18-32, with good personality, for friendship, maybe more. Your call could bring us together. 127969

PREFERS BLACK FEMALE

Handsome, athletic, honest, romantic

sincere, Italian SWM, 24, 6', dark hau

enjoys music, working out, having fun

Seeking sim, attractive, sexy, romantic

BF, 18-30, for friendship, fun, possible relationship. 1815

FINANCIALLY SECURE

Good time could be waiting for you. SWM, 34, 5'8", enjoys travel, outdoors. Need a tady, 25-35, to share my toys

NICE GUYS? MEI

SM, 32, 5'7', looks Italian, muscular, working on weight. Us: serious only

when necessary, considerate, affec-bonate, caring, desire 28 team, N/S, not uptight. You: 25-38, toothpick to +20,

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL

Handsome, hardworking, horiest SWM, 34, 6', 180bs, brown blue, seeks attrac-

tive SWF, 20-35, for friendship, and rela-

FRANKIE AND JOHNNY

FRANCIE AND JOHNNY Honest, open-minded, intelligent SWM, 27, 5'10', 185/bs, long brown hair, very hard-working, part-time coflege stu-dent. Seeking lady, 20-31, who's hon-est, looking for friendship, sharing good times, possibly more. **17**8024

SENSITIVE GENTLEMAN Intelligent SWPM, 50, 510°, 17085, enjoys movies, dining out, music, and dancing Seeking lady 35-50, for dating.

TOO GOOD TO BE THROUGH

Hard working, intelligent, humorous SWM, 41, 65*, 2500s, No: whes/ex-whes/tids Seeking WF, 25-50, HW pro-portionate, with similar qualifies \$7932

CONSIDERATE AND AFFECTIONATE AND AFFECTIONATE Ansitive. considerate DWM, 57, N/S.

N.D. interests very from family activities (4D) interests very train family activities to craft shows, country music to danc-ing, cockouts etc. Seeking S/DWF, 40+, who desires a sincere, hustworthy, communicative relationship. ☎7941

ONE-ON-ONE FOREVER

Handsome DWM, 41, kind of shy, very

toving caring affectionate seeks woman

30-early 40s, for lun, loving, laughing,

cuddina, dinina, lastina

friendship, possible LTR. 128026

CARINO

with 228029

kids ok TR8036

bonship. 188092

I'm a blue-eyed DWM, 40. 17993

Do you like a one-on-one friendship

Young SWPM, 48, 5'10°, handsome

TENDER cere, spunky romantic, passionate, adventurous and a good sense of humor Enjoys movies driving and quiet ev-enings at home. Seeking slim SF. 32-

HEART OF GOLD Good-looking, mature SWM, 24, 5'11", romantic, communicative, enjoys outdoors, music, sports, biking, running

ful, attractive SWF, 20-30, for friendship first, and possible infinite happiness.

THE ULTIMATE MAN

Extremely altractive, romanic, honesi, passionate, sexy SWM, 24, 6, great kisser, seeks slender, attractive, active SWF. Age unimportant. If you like being swept off your feet, give me a cal 128052

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OLDER WOMEN!

Handsome, romantic, athletic, confident, passionate, clean-cut SWM, 24, 6', dark

har. Seeking attractive, slender, cang, active, sexy WF, 25-45, for heavenly friendship/felatoriship, that will keep you

ROMANTIC QUALITY TIME

Sincere, attractive, SWM 27, 62*, 200/bs, blond hair, college educated professional, seeks SWF, with slim to

medium build and nice sincere nersor

ality, for romanic companionship and LTR. 177952

COULD IT BE YOU? Good-booking SYYM 44 5111, 190ibs, full head of grey hair, brown eyes, encys PHC, Buegrass music, outdoors/ nature. Seeking SWF, fate 30s-47. Piease be intelligent, humorous, HW ptoportionate, ready for serious rela-tionship. TR8032

GENTLEMAN

Romantic, humorous, educated, down-to-earth SWM, 50, 5'8", who enjoys

nature, travel, dancing and home kie. Seelong loving SWF, 40-50, to share goals, interests, and adventures, with-

PALACE AWAITS PRINCESS

Honest, sharing, loving, special DWM, 43, 57", 160/bs, multiple home-owner,

financially secure, various interests. Sa

eking sincere, communicative S/DWF, 30-40, H/W proportionate, who tikes variety, nature, travel, romance, for pos-sible LTR/marnage. \$28043

AS TIME GOES BY

Honest, loyal, hopeless romantic SWM, 53, 5111, N/S, social drinker, commu-

nications manager, sense of humor

envoys simple things in ite, nature, vaca tions, love. Seeking SWF. 18088

TRY THIS QUALITY GUY

Unique, sincere, romantic DWM, 50, 5110, seeks honest woman, with sense

of humor, for dining, dancing, plays, trav-el, cider mills. Seeking special friend to

share autumn activities and time logeth

SPICE GIRL TYPE?

Very attractive blue-eyed blond, fall, fal and trim SWM, 32, great smile, awa-some in jeans, 1958s. Seeking sweet

and hot, very pretty SWF, 5'5"+, 22-32, under 130lbs. T 8039

NO ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

Outgoing, fun, well put logether SWM, 22, blond/blue, 6', 165/bs, enjoys out-

doors, travel, dancing, diving out and so much more, seeks SWF, with similar interests, sense of humor, for tun and frolic. \$8053

TALL, DARK,

AND SEARCHING

SBM, 19, enjoys sports, art, poetry, and just locking back, relaxing, and enjoy-ing life. Seeking SF, for conversation, and fun. 17957

RED WINGS RULE!

RED WINGS RULE!! The Stanley Cup is ours! Handsome, outgoing, athletic SWM, 24, loves sports, rollerblading, music, movies, romance, outdoors. Seeking attractive, athletic, stender, outspoken SWF, 18-28, for friendship, summer fun, maybe more. \$818127

LOYAL AND SINCERE

Tall DWM, 53, 64*, slender, in good physical condition, honest, sense of humor, N/S, self-employed, would ake

to meet a siender, somewhat attractive tady, 41-49, for companionship, possi-ble LTR. 178122

Second & Instruction

GYMNATRIXE

Serious body builder/fitness buff seeks female counterpart for activities inside and outside of the gym. SWPM, 38, 58°, 1500s, blonds/bue looking for friend-ship and possible romance. 177843

SENIORS

SECURE AND FUN

Attractive, SWF, early 60s, seeks active, tun, SWPM, for Iriendship and to enjoy

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est, open, principled, outgoing and ro-mantic. More interested in who you are, then what you do. 228136 Good-looking, thoughtfull, caring, affec-tionate, honest WM, 50, 577, 180/bs,

Good-looking SWM, 43, 5'9", 158, sin-

42, for a forever relationship. Troy area

boating, beach walks, volleyball, movies, art fairs, dancing, coffee houses, ethnic AFFECTIONATE DVM. 35, seeks honest, sincere, cardining 28120 ing, slim DWF, 20-40, for friendship, possible relationship. 28093 WANT TO HAVE FUNIL DWM, 5'9', 169/bs, dark/dark, seeks SF, Please save this somewhat shy, pro-fessional, skin SWM, 29, from being alone, enjoys racquetbalt, music, com-

BEASTIE BOYS Smashing Pumpikins, Led Zeppelin(my three favorites) Good-looking, tail, ath-letic, outgoing SWM, 22, great person-atity, enjoys concerts, the outdoors, music(all types), biking. Seeking slen-der SWF, 18-28, with similar interests. Exercise funct LOOKING FOR COMMITMENT

Friendship first. \$7966 A NEW BEGINNING LOOKING FOR "THE ONE" A REW BEGINNING SWM, late 40's, 5'11', 180ibs, black/ blue, retired truck driver, enjoys going out, singing, country rides, and long walks, seeks WF, 30's, for serious, committed relationship and future family Must want children. \$7967

QUIET GENTLE SINCERE AUTO WORXER Steady and dependable SWM. 45, 6'5', 250lbs, new home owner, N'S. N/D, enjoys current events, reading etc Seeking a SWF, 35-45, with similar values to work together for a positive fu

KIHO-HEARTED Easy-going, SBM, 42, 517, 170lbs, medium build, knows how to treat a lady Soeking a SDWF, 35-50, for finen-dship and fun. 128005

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP

Handsome, open-minded SWM, 45, 1950s, 6', brown brown, encys movies, drung out and music. Seeking SWF, 40-50, for long-lasting relationship. 17945

NEW TO THE AREA

ISENT IU THE AREA Outgoing, sensitive SWPM, 20, 611, 160bs, part-time student, enjoys walk-ing, movies, dining out, cuddling Seeking a sensitive woman, 20-30, who shares similar interests 177948

BEASTIE BOYS

ITALIAN STALLION SWM, 44, 6', attractive, muscular, very active, financially secure. Seeking attractive, fit female, 45 or under, for possible relationship 128035

YOUNG WIDOWER

SWM, 39, 5'7', 160bs, professional, honest, intelligent, good-natured, caring, humorous, extengent, good-naturéd, caring, humorous, outgoing, no dependents, homeowner. Enjoys dining, movies, dancing, sports, outdoors. Seeking SWF, NS, fit, similar interests, for linend-thin, once to complement for the second ship, open to commitment. Livonia. T 8037

HUSKY MAN WANTED

Attractive, honest, kind SWF, 24, 5'11". H/W proportionate, blonde/blue, enjoys movies, concerts, parks, and not the bar scene. Seeking tall, 58*+, husky built SWM, 24-34, honest, caring, and romantic, for finendship, possible LTR. **1**7939

LARGE.

LOVELY WOMAN SF, 35, brown brown, morn, seeks dark-haired, handsome WPM, similar interests, for fun, movies, dancing, moonlit, walks, children ok. If this sounds interesting to you, please respond 17480

STOPI Look no further. You have just entered the dark and lovely zone. Gorgeous BF, 30, 5'7", one dependent, seeks attractive, gorgeous WM, 30-45, 5'10'+. N/S, N/D, for friendship and dancing. \$77608

WHERE'S MY KNIGHT? Cute nice DWF 35, 5'7", 126/bs fun Cute, not burr, 33, 51, 12005, 50 down-to-earth, one son, N.S. enjoys jog-ging, bling, concerts, travel. Looking for SWM, 35-49, who's fun, carrig, francially secure, N/S, to enjoy life with T 7692

54 AND PRETTY Two lives can be joined together in friendship. Pretty SWF, short blonde/ blue, sometimes shy, but always honest, enjoys fine dining, and casinos.

THAVE A LAWN

Edectic, attractive, active, classy, slender SF, 57", brunette/hazel, N/S, enjoys tennis, golf, dancing, boating, most mu sic, gardening, spectator sports. See-king a tall, special, loyal, active flexible, fun gentleman, 50+. \$8085

LOOKING

FOR A MIRACLE DBF, 5'4", 126/bs, blackbrown, humor-ous, employed, seeks S/D indian M with long hair, 5'7" 5'9", 35-45, handsome, slim and fit, fun, kind for quiet evenings -and more. Friends first. 177936

CAN YOU GIVE 110%? If treated the same, you get it all; lov-ing, caring, passionate, blonde/blue, 41no one believes it, love hockey, boating, 4-wheeling, sledding, Seeking Mr. Wonderful, 30-42, attractive, loves kids, you won't be disappointed. 127964

GEMINI GIRL DF: 43, 5'6", siender, medium-length bionde hair: Looking for tall, outdoorsy type of guy, who's happy, caring, com-municative, financially secure, who likes kids, for friendship and possible

romance. 17761 LET ME BE

YOUR SUNSHINE Widowed WF, 59, 52, NVS, social

drinker, bionde/blue, emotionally/financially secure, seeks honest SM, 57-65, with sense of humor. \$\$7575

ROMANTIC PARTNER WANTED

SWF, 47, 5'8', blonde/hazel, home ow ner, no dependents, believes in God, enjoys stock cars, movies, travel, and more. Seeking SWM, animal lover, with passion for life, for romantic, monoga-mous LTBL possible marriage. 27824

NEW TO THIS, ARE YOU? Humorous SWPF, 32, 57°, physically fit, enjoys golfing, cooking, going up North, boating, amusement parks. Seeking

humorous; trustworthy, sensitive, Catholic SWPM, 29-38, 510'+, physically fit, N/S, for friendship first. Ply-mouth/Novi area. 17780

PRETTY BLONDE LADY Refined, giving, loving, educated, young Golsh, 55°, good Boure, N'S, many inter-ests, seeks gendeman, 65-75, with sense of humor, caring, intelligent, secure, N'S, for lasting relationship.

UNCHAINED MELODY Sim, stractive DWPF, 50, N/S, seeks S/DWPM, 45-55, 518**, HWW propor-tionate, for C&W dancing, rollerblading, and companionahip. West Side Area 12

HAVE HERPES?

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SWF, 38, smert, attractive, fun-loving, great sense of humor, enjoys sports, travel and more. Seeking a humorous, honest, marriage-minded, N/S man with herpes, to build a relationship, \$2

TEDOY BEAR WANTED Seeking big, warm, cuddly S/DWM, 38-50, to keep cute, heavysel, romantio, names active SWF, 41, 5'5', warm, 12 caring, active SWF, 41, 5'5', warm. 8135

sweet, intelligent, honest, polite, for a real relationship. 277819

whose honest, N/S, who likes the arts, outdoors, travel, for possible LTR. T

EVE GOT

WHAT IT TAKES

Attractive, slender, intelligent, refined, affectionate, humorous JF, 54, blonde/

oreen 5'5", seeks classy cent, who is

7765

PRINCESS NEEDS PRINCE Playful, fun SWF, 27, 5'2, medium build brown/brown, enjoys outdoors, sports camping, dancing, and much more. Seeking SWM, 24-35, with similar interests, to make me laugh for friendship and maybe more. 128051

A GOOD WOMAN Intelligent, attractive DWPF, 38, blonde meen, full-figured, has kids and great sense of humor. Seeking stable, fun, tall, courageous, intelligent man for friend-17756 ship, maybe more 17846

LOOKING FOR LOVE NOT GAMES

101 WAYS SWF, Mom, Big Beautiful Woman, seeks N/S man, 40-65, who is into a lit-Attractive DWF, young 49, 5'4', brown/ blue, N/S, fnanciaty/emotionally secure, enjoys movies, dining, sports, travel, and romance. Seeking attractive, hontle bit of everything 17813 LOOKING est, caring, compassionate SWM, 45-55, financially secure, for friendship, leading to LTR. \$28083

AND WANTING Intelligent, attractive SWF, 39, 5'6", employed, with kids, romantic-at-heart, seeks tall fit, down-to-earth, intelligent, honest, caring, humorous, romantic SM, 34-45, N/S, financially secure, for friendship/more. \$7515

FIRST TIME AD Attractive redhead, professional, 40s. 57, HW proportional, N/S, seeking co-mnanionship, gentleman, 40-55, for mpanionship, gentleman, 40-55, driing out, travel, quiet evenings at d all the good things life has to offer. 17522

T'HOW UOY **BE DISAPPOINTED IF.**

SEEKING

THE MAGIC AGAIN

Are you? DWF, young 54, varied inter-ests. Seeking older soulmate, social drinker only, who'll treat a lady like lady,

for special relationship. Loves warm South Carolina beaches, and fishing for

FAST, CHEAP

OUT OF CONTROL

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SINCERE REPLIES ONLY you're looking for a petite, creative, sensitive, very attractive, multi-degreed SPF, 49, with a twinkle in her eye and Versatile, romantic SWPF, 43, 5'8", attractive medium build bloode/brown N/S, sound heart, mind, seeks nice-look-ing, confident, secure SWPM, 35-50. rollerblades on her feet. Seeking intelligent man, 45-60. Physical fitness. important. 27821 5'11"+, N/S, knows how to love, be loved, for LTR. 177476

PERKY

BROWN-EYED GIRL that's not me. Humorous, honest, intel-ligent DWF, mid-40s, N/S, seeks fun, DWF, 38, 5'1", brown/brown, romantic, caring; kind, seeks S/DWM, 35-43, for romantic, financially secure gentleman, 40-49, with similar qualities. The only friendly, enjoyable weekends, a little hand-holding; slow dancing, and good games I'll play are monopoly and pin nacle. 128091 conversation. 17601

SOLID SECURE GENTLEMAN Independent, WF 38, full-figured, work-SWF, 41, 5'5", 120/bs, dark brown/ sense of humor, never married. humor, seeks mate 30+, with a patient no children, enjoys quiet evenings at heart, who enjoys watching participating in sports, quiet times, nights out, for home, dining-out, drag racing, boxing. Seeking, honest man, old-fashioned valfriendship. 27568

SPECIAL WOMAN

ATTRACTIVE, PETITE ...

professional DWF, with a passion for

love and life, enjoy jazz, the arts, fine

dining, some sports, outdoors. Seeking

fident, N/S PM, 40-53. Race open. T

financially secure, handsome, tall, cor

ues. For LTR. 127933

please. 17935

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BEEN THERE, DONE THAT

DWF, 44, 5'1", 155/bs, N/S, mother of Affectionate DWF, 44, full-figured, red-head, loves dancing, cudding, quiet times at home. Seeking SWM, N/S, 40-50, who wants a one-on-one relationtwo, employed, affectionate, romantic and carling, likes camping, movies, music, art, antiques, almost all sports. Seeking WM with similar interests, for ship. C&W dancing a plus. No games possible LTR 177570

MISSING SOMETHING?

Me too... someone to share fun, quiet times with: SF; 45, 5'2", brunette/g ive in northwest side, seeks honest SM, to care about, who cares back, who enjoys movies, family, having fun. 27689 FUN-LOVING

YOUR LUCKY DAY!

DOWN-TO-EARTH

A LITTLE SHY SWF, 38, 5'7', red blue, honest, loving, caring, likes bowing, camping, fishing

Attractive, intelligent DWF, 40s, 5'4". 115/bs. black/brown, seeks secure, handsome, sincere S/DWM, 40-50, H/W proportionate, for companionship, fur, Seeking honest, sincere, romantic SWM, 36-42, not married. \$7962 possible LTR. 27693

Classy, upbeat, witty, vivacious, pro-fessional WF, 52, 5'6", 150/bs, quiet a MEET FOR COFFEE Young 62 year old WF, Farmington Hills area, seeks companionship/friendship of package. Needs athletic, romantic, humorous, N/S PM, 5'9"+, to let her a man of same age group. Loves ani-mals, long walks/drives, dining in/out, movies and shows. Would like to meet cherish #7706 for coffee, conversation. 127965

LUCKY YOU Petite SWF, N/S, outgoing senior, needs a sweet, sincere SWM, 68-71, to join the for golf, bowling, cards. Must enjoy people and have family values.

17991 CASINO ROYALE DWF, 39, full-figured, shy, hard worker, smoker, enjoys BINGO, Vegas, travet, and quiet times. Seeking employed male, 30s-40s, who is honest and car

ing, Nationality unimportant. #7999 SWEET, SENSITIVE Intelligent, attractive full-figured woman. 22, seeks tall, financially secure, attrac-tive, non-smoking, God-fearing man. Race unimportant, 178000

SPARKLING SPUNKY, STYLISH Sensual, gorgeous, fit, 40, 57°, 130bs. MA degreed, into biking, reading, antiquing, gloging, seeks SWM, N/S, degreed, fit, outgoing guy. \$7968

LADY LOOKING FOR LOVE Fun, honest SWF, 33, loves animals, looking for marriage-minded SWM, 35.

Pretty, successful, gring, loving, likes movies, plays, concerts, traveling, boat-ing, swimming Looking for her knight in shining armor. Any sincere, successful, caucasian gentleman, 45-70, please re-ply. 177944

SEEKING ROMANCE I'm attractive, slender, tall, and a young looking 51, plus intelligent, refined, hu and a smoker. Seeking gent who's 50-65, intelligent, tail, classy, conand selectively marriage-minded

OUR TURN NOW

771

why not, DWF late 40s, seeks degreed, N/S, for life's finer moments, let's journey through life together, enjoys durners, plays, stimulating conversation, travel, and antiques. Now that the kids are raised, it's our turn to enjoy life. **1**8090

SEXY BUT

WHOLESOME Petre, Italian DWF, very young 47, N/S, N/D, great sense of humor, enjoys eth-nic during, comedy clubs, the beach, seeks attractive DWM, with similar interests, for possible LTR. **17**7938

DREAMS DO COME TRUE

Well-rounded, humorous SWF, 43, 57°, brown/hazet, N/S, enjoy sports, jazz, C&W, qu'et times at home. See-king honest, romantic, humorous, ma-ture S/DWM, 38-52, 57°+, N/S, who can appreciate me, for possible marriage 17942

KIND-HEARTED

DWF, 40, aubum/green, 5'5", 120ibs, N/S. no dependents, attractive, caring enjoys movies, old cars, nature, an tiques, art fairs. Seeking tall, fit WPM 36-43, N/S, N/Drugs. 27961

FROM THE HEART Affectionate, warm, sensitive SWF, 46,

enjoys movies, plays, music, dining in/out, sports, quiet times. Seeking loving SWM, 44-55, with sense of humor with similar interests, for LTR. 27754

BLUE EYES, FULL LIPS SF, 5'7", enjoys "Northern Exposure" travel, current events, entertaini attractive, good cook. Seeking mate, 40-60, with bin end. Set 60, with big ego. Self-respecting kind-hearted only apply. 277812

LOOKING

FOR PETER PUMPKIN DWF, 56, 5'3", 13005, looking for SWM, 5'7"+, N/S, social drinker, 53-63, a happy gentleman, with a sense of humor, who enjoys music, drincing movies, walking, traveling, and some quiet times. 27513

FULL FIGURE

If you're looking for a full-figured woman, please contact me. SCF, 5'6', red/ brown, seeks tun-loving man, 45+. 27 7481



SPECIAL LADY Sensuous, attractive DWF, 5'5*, 135/bs. black hair, sexy eyes, seeks tall WM 45+, to share, hin, romance, and adventure, in rewarding LTR Senous only

rephy. 28033

NORDIC SKI ENTHUSIAST Attractive, fit, petite SWF, 40 plus, seeks ski partner, for weekend thos, North Lower, Up. If you know difference between "free style/skating," and "clas-, can ski 20K plus (both styles), call

me **1**8046 LOOKING FOR THE SAME! Let me introduce mysell, I'm a 49, N/S. DWF, with red hair. Fonly have one natural high and that's life! I have strong

morals and values. Let's talk soon 177953 ABOVE THE LAW SWF, 5'2", brown brown, seeks law enforcement officer. 17861

LOVING LADY Warm-hearted SWF, mid 50s, seeks SM, over 50, for companion and to share the beauty of life. Tell me where you want to be! 27518

PRETTY Full-figured 32, seeks employed WM, who enjoys country music, night life, evenings at home. Smoker and social drinker. 177618

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

TIRED OF **BAR SCENE?** Attractive, spontaneous, athletic, roman-tic, sincere, SWM, 24, 5'11",black/green, enjoys, outdoors, music, animals, biking, roller blading, people Watching, parks,

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brown blue, home owner, work and skill trades, enjoys hockey, and outdoors

movies, making people laugh, seeks, slender, SWF, 19-28, with similar interest, and characteristics. 128141

HANDSOME, DOWN ... to earth. SWM, 37, 6'2", 200'bs, ath'et-

Seeking trim, attractive, pleasant SF, 28-39, to build a strong relationship.

A YOUNG ROBERT REDFORD

is what I promise to you. Attractive DWPM, 43, 5'9', 160ibs, enjoys dining. SM, 510, 165lbs, blond hair, home-owner, self-employed, loves the outdancing, sports, and quiet evenings. You are attractive, 35-45, slender, N/S, doors, boating, skiing, hiking, picnics, working out, traveling. Seeking tall female. Must work-out, have a sense of humor and be employed 27994

ADVENTUROUS SWM, 28, 5'10', 155lbs, professional dark hair and eyes, considered good looking, enjoys traveling, skiing, sport ing events, good conversation, humor, romantic dinners and much more. Seeking an outgoing and attractive wo-man 127947

A GOOD CATCH SV/M, 5'9", 175lbs, 49, offers kindness security, good sense of humor. Seeking sincere, loving, female, all responses answered \$\$8119

I FT'S SHARE THE HOLIDAYS SWPM, 45, 5'11', 195/bs, brown blue, professionally employed, no depen-dents, college-educated, N/S, social drinker, 25/134

TALL WM, 60, 6'1', 195lbs, handsome, college-graduate, good health, financially' independent. Seeking WF, 45+, pretty and slender. 118137

TALL GENTLEMAN Humorous SWM, 36, 6'4", attractive Seeking SWF; who's attractive, enjoys comedies, movies, walking, or just fun Plymouth area. 28028

SEEKING TRUE LOVE Handsome, mature, honest, romantic, sincere, athletic SWM, 24, 511*, enjoys sunsels, moonlit walks, outdoors, music, biking. Seeking pretty, stender, affec-tionate SWF, 18-28, to talk, walk, and journey through life with 17951

ONE IN A MILLION Handsome SWPM, 38, 5'10", 175%s. trim, in great shape, enjoys outdoors, volleyball, rock music, biking, dancing, comedy, being spontaneous. Seeking sweet, attractive, slender/trim, independent female, with similar interests 18048

WIZARD SEEKS WIZARDESS You trim bright, ambitious, humorous SWF, 26-36. Me. handsome, professional secure optimistic romantic open-minded male, 6', who enjoys indoor/outdoor activities and fun Let's

put a spell on each other. 27960 CHILD OF UNIVERSE Spiritual, growth-minded SWM, 41, seeking stable, proportional SWF, 32-

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BUSINESS CALENDAR

Business-related calendar items are welcome from the Observer area and should be sent to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

TUE, DEC. 9 **ASQ GENERAL MEETING**

The Greater Detroit Section American Society for Quality (formerly ASQC) will meet at the Livonia Marriott, 17100 Laurel Park Drive North in Livonia beginning at 5:45 p.m. with registration and networking. Carol Ward will facilitate section business at 6:15 with a sit down dinner at 6:45 p.m. (members \$20; non \$25) and the main speaker

at 7:15 p.m. Stephen Gill will discuss the role of evaluation in Human Performance Technology/Improvement and how that help companies plan programs to achieve their strategic goals.

WED, DEC. 10 EXECUTIVE WOMEN INT'L DETROIT

The Executive Women International Detroit-Windsor Chapter holiday business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner following at 6:30 p.m. at Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$26 (U.S.) Special presentation: Martini Revival by Fris Vodka: The Perfect Martini. For more informa-

tion call Cynthia Hazard (810) 448-8682 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

Business Network International, regular meeting of the Laurel Park Chapter from 7-8:30 a.m. at Richards Restaurant, Plymouth and Newburgh roads. Call BNI for more information, (313) 844-3432.

THUR, DEC. 11 PERSONAL LEADERSHIP STYLES

"A View of Personal and Leadership Styles," presentation by Christina Pitts of Pitts-Aldrich Associates will speak at the regular monthly luncheon meeting and networking session of the

National Association of Career Women - Metro Detroit Chapter from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Southfield Marriott. For reservations call (248) 851-8130. The Marriott is located on the south service drive of Northwest-

ern Highway between Lahser

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through the presentation process, laying out the fundamental elements of a presentation, and identifying the seven "must haves" for inspiring an audience. Admission is free, but seats are limited. To register call Rita Long at (810) 750-1766.

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L Business Network International regular meeting of the Livonia Chapter from 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Koney Island, Plymouth Road near Stark. Call BNI for more information, (313) 844-3432.

TUE, DEC. 16 LIFE MANAGEMENT The National Association of Career Women is currently building a west suburban chapter. We are looking for career women, including business owners, to come together for informative speakers, a super support and networking environment, and great company. We have an informative and enriching program: Lizabeth M. Lush, senior consulting psychologist with Plante & Moran will discuss team building, personal effectiveness, interviewing, and outplacement. The luncheons are held at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information regarding upcoming meetings, programs or membership to NACW, please call Judie, (313) 453-7272, Ext. 223.

BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

Marketplace features a glimpse of suburban business news and notes, including corporate name changes, new products, office openings, new affiliations, new positions, mergers, acquisitions and new ways of doing business. Items for Marketplace should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Shop and ship

The Post Office is coming to the nearest shopping mall near you to make it more convenient for shoppers to mail packages. Beginning the day after Thanksgiving until Jan. 4, the U.S. Post Office will be located in Wonderland Mall in Livonia offering full retail service, staying oven Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (These hours are subject to change per individual mall hours).

The Wonderland Mall post

will acquire the operating assets. of Universal Self Care, including the stock of its two principal operating subsidiaries - Diabetes Self Care, Inc. and USCI Healthcare Management Solutions, Inc.

DMS honored at convention

Atlas Van Lines Inc. honored DMS Moving Systems Inc. of Canton at Atlas' 50th Annual Convention. The local company was -recognized for Sales Achievement, COD sales, Hauling Achievement and Hauling Excellence. Accepting the awards on the Canton agency's behalf were Rick Meyer and Kathy Phillips.

The COS Sales Award was earned by DMS, which ranked 1st among the top three revenue-producing agencies in this area.

GCS relocates

"It's Official. . .we're racing to office center is Livonia will be our new facility," says GCS Serlocated across from For Your vice Inc. of Livonia. The business has relocated to 31829 W Eight Mile Road, Livonia effective Nov. 24. For more information call (248) 426-9500, 800-772-2936 or fax (248) 426-7555.



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Entertainment and down the hall from the Information booth. There are also two permanent Post Offices mall locations at Livonia Mall in Livonia (near A & W open Monday - Friday 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) Westland Mall in Westland has an office by J.C. Penney open Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

"The mall Post Offices are a great convenience for our customers, especially during the holidays," said Carl T. January Jr., Detroit district manager.

CPA merger 👘 🏸

Livonia CPA firm, Dickshott & Co., merged with Walsh Cenko & Haynes, P.C., a Bloomfield Hills CPA firm. The combined firm of sixteen professional will continue with offices in both Livonia and Bloomfield Hills.

Dickshott & Co. has served a variety of individuals and businesses located primarily in southeastern Michigan for over twenty-seven years.

Operating assets sale

Universal Self Care, Inc. of Livonia will sell substantially all of its assets to Gainor Medical Management, LLC.

Universal Self Care announced the definitive agreement Nov. 17 subject to shareholder approval. The seller is traded over NASDAQ. Gainor is closely held.

Under terms of the agreement, Gainor Medical Management

Credit unťon, AutoInspect unite

The Livonia Community Credit Union, in cooperation with the Livonia-based company, AutoInspect, is providing its members with a member only discount for pre-purchase used auto inspections. Similar to a home inspection for members buying a house, AutoInspect's mobile service goes to the location of the used auto, conducts a bumper-to-bumper inspection and provides a written report of the auto's mechanical condition. Members of the credit union will receive a ten percent discount off the regular price of the used auto inspection.

For more information contact AutoInspect Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at

Canton Kroger grand opening

grand opening for it's newest store located at 1905 Canton Center Road near Canton. Acceremonial ribbon-cutting took place Dec. 7 to officially open the new Kroger location. The store, will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The new 63,500 square foot Kroger Food & Drug features customer conveniences including a full-service pharmacy, Comerica Bank Branch, Kid's Korner and One-Stop Meal Shoppe.

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

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Wills named VP

Robert Wills was recently promoted to executive vice president at HDS Services of Farmington Hills, a Michigan-based foodservice and hospitality management company. A careerlong employee, Wills was cited as being an integral part of HDS Services' development, beginning

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Internet use, speed up

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■he latest surveys now estimate that 56 million American adults use the Internet. That works out to almost 27 percent of the population 16 and older.

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The survey, from the Intelliquest Information Group, says another 16 million are expecting to be online by this time next year. I put a lot of stock in this survey. Intelliquest has spent much of the past two years. carefully measuring and tracking online user demographics, usage patterns and growth rates and their study has a sampling relia-

bility of plus or minus 1.5 percent. What the company found is that the Internet has become a habit in many peoples lives. Fully two thirds of those 56 • help desk at DirectPC says that shouldn't happen. million Net users now have access from home.

"The thousands of users we have interviewed over the course of this study are telling us that the medium is becoming more mainstream in their lives," says Tom Fornoff, Intelliquest's managing director for Internet Services.

"They're getting online from more locations, spending more time online, performing a wider variety of activities and finding it to be a highly useful channel for shopping and buying."

The survey also shows that the amount of time spent online is also increasing, from just under seven hours a week last year to 9.8 hours today.

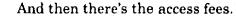
With so many now online, the number one need is speed. Speed of access. Modem speeds have indeed been increasing and with billions to be made in profits, the telecommunications giants are jumping all over themselves to repair and expand the Internet infrastructure. But there are some other exciting Internet access means available.

Satellite access

I just installed a new DirectPC satellite system from the Hughes Network Systems group. It consists of a 20-by-36-inch satellite receiving dish mounted on my roof and hooked directly into the back of my PC, using an adapter card that took all of about two minutes to install.

I have the DirectDuo system, that also provides over a hundred satellite-beamed movie and sports channels to my TV.

But it's the Internet access that intrigues me the most. Using their software, I dial into my regular Internet provider, make connection and then get patched through the Net to the DirectPC operations center, which, in turn, links my computer to 'a satellite.



Because you still need to have an account with an Internet Service Provider to make your dial-up connection, you'll be spending around \$20 a month for access. Add to that the \$50-a month cost for the DirectDuo connection and you'll be spending around \$70 a month for everything.

That sounds steep. Hey... that is steep. But when you consider that \$50 a month is what it costs in most places for cable TV access, the Direct Duo fee is not that outrageous because you're getting the extra TV programming and the fast Internet access.

The only area where I haven't noticed an improvement in downloading time is with e-mail. The DirectPC connection is actually slower in downloading my e-mail then my 28.8 modem. The

But, on my system, it does. And they; haven't been able to help me fix it.

Still, overall, I'm impressed. I use the Net a lot. I'm always downloading files. And the satellite link makes my net time a lot more effective.

You can spec out your system and learn more from the Hughes Web site at www.direcpc.com {{{CQ}}}}

Cable TV access

This is increasingly becoming an attractive option in many parts of the nation and the Metro Detroit area as cable television companies make very high speed Internet access available over the same coaxial cable that brings television programs into your house. Cable television Internet access typically costs about \$49.95 a month. Right now, Cable TV speeds receive at very fast rates, even beyond that of a T1. But they send at slower speeds, about that of a 56 kbps modem. Check out www.comcast.com or www.mediaone.com for information on cable TV access.

Fast phone line access

There are two telephone services that provide fast Internet access.

The least costly is through a high-quality telephone line called an ISDN line, for Integrated Services Digital Network. An ISDN line is about four times as fast as a 28.8 modem. The phone company typically charges about \$50 a month for one of these lines.

Then there's another telephone line called ADSL, for Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line. These will run around \$100 a month, on top of a pretty hefty \$500 installation fee. ADSL connections operate at speeds from 10 to 50 times faster



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Internet service, nearly 14 times faster then my normal 28.8 modem connection. In practical terms, 2 megabyte movie clip that would normally take me about 9 minutes to download with a 28.8 modem takes about 40 seconds with my DirectPC satellite connection. Besides the vast improvement in download speeds, what I notice most about this is how fast web pages load, especially those with lots of graphics

The installation costs around \$200. Technicians come to your home, install the dish, tune it into the satellite (you need a good clear view of the southwestern sky) and run the cables to your TV and computer.

But if you want to watch your local TV stations, you're going to need to buy and install an outside TV antenna. Depending on where you live, that can add another \$200 to the bill.

What does that do? It gives me blazingly fast , than an ISDN, or 200 times as fast as a 28.8 modem.

> There is so much on the Net about both ASDL and ISN that any good search engine like Alta Vista (www.altavista.digital.com) or Yahoo (www.yahoo.com) will give you tons of detailed information.

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

AT& T launches Digital PCS

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON STAFF WRITER

The telecommunications explosion has made it possible for consumers to be "untethered," says Bill Malloy, AT&T Wireless Services Central Region president.

AT & T Wireless Services launched its AT & T Digital PCS service in the Southeast Michigan phone market this past week equipping customers with "anyplace communications from an all digital network built from the ground up."

customers with a range of communications options that will allow them to said Malloy.

The all-in-one communications system provides individuals and businesses with individuals, heavy-use convoice, paging and e-mail messaging capabilities with added features such as enhanced voice quality, enhanced privacy and fraud protection, extended battery life, plus access to the "largest digital wireless network in North America."

Malloy said the state-of-theart network is a reflection of the times and affords consumers anyplace communication options - particularly for those persons wishing to maintain a blend of business and home life.

"The digital wireless network phone," Malloy noted. Other advantages of the new offers an array of chhanced choices such as e-mail up to 150 wireless network include: Flat characters per message, voice roaming rate of 60 cents per they've never had in one device mail and Caller ID," said Mal- minute of travel in most cities before," said Malloy. loy. "Other familiar features across the U.S., Canada and AT&T Digital PCS/available such as Call Waiting, Forward-Mexico. Digital PCS "is competiat the Novi store, 43267 Crescent ing and Three-Way Conference tively priced, offering a tier of Blvd., Novi Town Center. Store monthly calling plans. hours are Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m. to 9 Calling are still in place." The expansion of AT&T's Digi-You are not required to sign p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 6-p.m.; and an annual service contract; and tal PCS wireless network allows Sun., noon to 5 p.m.

"We've reinvented wire- Cutting edge: AT&T Wireless Services commemorated the less service to provide Dec. 2 openings of five area stores with ribbon cuttings. Shown here is the store at Novi Town Center. From AT&T Wireless Services: (front, from left)Bill Malloy, Central stay connected with Region president; Ken Childress; Maralisa Vidosh, store greater ease and conve- manager; Dave Marshall, marketing manager; Tammy nience than ever before," Smith; Mekisha Page; Susan Snyder, Central Region vice president market operations; and Rackeline Hoff, external affairs manager.

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Five new AT&T Wireless Service store were opened for consumers and businesses including locations in Novi, Ann Arbor, Roseville Utica and Lathrup Village. Malloy said additional stores are expected to open in 1998 in Detroit and throughout Southeast Michigan. The retail stores offer Digital PCS phones, service and accessories as well as other AT&T services.

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Handcrafters is one of the few shows around, produced by crafters. Smith,

Jolly old elf: Mary Dolan of Grand Haven creates Santas in time for Holiday gift giving. Her work will be for sale at the Handcrafters Arts and Crafts Show crafters, how it Dec. 12-14. feels to be turned down for

who holds a patent on her work, creates wreaths from whole spices such as nutmeg, bay leaf, cinnamon, and star anise. Pemberton cuts and paints wood gingerbread men, snowmen and Santa ornaments. "We understand what it's like-to be

a show," said Smith. "People don't realize that crafts are a time-consuming job, 10 to 12 hours a day, not just a weekend show. These crafters are professionals so we treat them with respect."

Dennis Gerathy's vintage-looking signs are sure to be popular with University of Michigan fans. Gerathy crafts the signs in his Redford shop. Among the other works included in the show are hand painted dog and cat ornaments by Marlene DeFoor of Livonia; quilted and cross stitched ornaments, Roberta Baraszu, Plymouth; stained glass valances and boxes, Marsha Filipiak, Royal Oak, and seasonal florals, Sandy Callahan, Bloomfield Hills.

Variety

"We feel we have the best variety of craftsmen in the area," said Pemberton. "Our customers come back year after year. There's something for everybody's taste and pocket book from Victorian Christmas Carol dolls to porcelain Santas, and shadow boxes shaped into French gardens. There's ornaments for \$3 to larger Santas for a couple hundred dollars."

Handcrafters hosts six shows a year, three in Northville, two in Taylor and one in Mt. Clemens. Smith and Pemberton welcome artists and craftsmen to apply for entry in the juried shows. The two try to exhibit 25 percent new crafters at each show.

"We're looking for uniqueness in handmade items and a fine quality of

Ensembles groove on C

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

The SCool JAzz and SCool JAzz PRime vocal ensembles new CD brings back fond memories of the groups' Russian tour. Director Steven SeGraves and members of the ensemble were invited to tour Russia by Alexander N. Demchenko, Ministry of Culture, last June. The Schoolcraft College ensembles chose the selections according to the response of Russian audiences.

Recorded with Jack Brokensha in his home studio, the CD puts listeners in a mellow mood with jazz classics such as "Take the A Train," "Tve Got the World on a String," "All the Things You Are," and "Angel Eyes."

"We narrowed it down by how the Russian people reacted to a song, if they loved it so much, they had us do it again," said SeGraves. "The group is financing the CD. We decided it was so important to put forth our own money because we want to get this music out there. It was a significant investment

(\$5,000) but we're interested only in breaking even. It's a great stocking stuffer and people would be supporting college students."

The CD's (\$15) and tapes (\$10) will be on sale at the groups' annual "Jazz Up the Holidays" concert 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, in the community room at Schoolcraft College's Radcliff Center in Garden City. The concert is free, but donations accepted at the door go toward music scholarships and funding future tours.

"When people hear the word jazz sometimes they get scared that it's wild and crazy," said SeGraves. "We use imaginative arrangements. It's like a big band that has been translated into voices. Ella Fitzgerald's and Louis Armstrong's scat singing were unique instrumente."

hear a lot about," said SeGraves. "It's difficult, challenging and rewarding."

SCool JAzz and SCool JAzz PRime were the first American college jazz choirs ever to be invited to tour Russia. Before the trip, the groups received a letter from President Clinton congratulating them and relaying the importance of fostering understanding between the cultures.

For SeGraves, the highlight of the 12-day Russian tour was the folk and dance festival in Cheboksary where a crowd of 30,000 lined the Volga River. The groups marched in a three-hour parade leading up to the festival. "The people were very warm and generous

and kind," said SeGraves. "The Cheboksary festival was my favorite part of the tour because we had the chance to get in amongst the people. The people is where you really get a sense of Russia. There's more similarities than differences. The children are like children anywhere - some of them got into mischief, some didn't."

An American commodity, SeGraves says jazz is growing in popularity since its introduction during the years following the dissolution of the U.S.S.R. in 1991, The group performed middle-of-the-road arrangements so as to slowly acclimate its audiences to the fine nuances of vocal jazz.

"We did run into one Russian jazz band, but we were a unique thing there," said SeGraves. "People were fascinated with us as Americans. The young people love it because it has a beat and includes a band."

The groups traveled with an interpreter who, when the group asked if they could go down to the river, replied, "it's a free country." SeGraves said the interpreter repeated this phrase again and again.

"The impression I got was that they were happy with their freedom and wouldn't want to go back to the old days," said SeGraves. When asked if they would like to tour Rus-"Vocal jazz is an art that many people don't | sia again, SeGraves replied enthusiastically.

"We would do it again in a heart beat," he said. "The CD came out of that. We were so pleased with the tour we decided to record the music to communicate the tour but also that's what quality groups do. It's also good publicity for the college and can be used as a tool in recruiting."

Founded by Bradley Bloom in 1968, SCool JAzz was formed so students could learn about vocal jazz, sing jazz, learn about its history and work on the singers' skills. SeGraves took over the group four years ago. The first year, he decided to divide SCool JAzz into two ensembles according to age and experience, SCool JAzz is primarily comprised of undergraduates ranging in age from 18 to 22 because Schoolcraft is basically a two-year institution and SeGraves sometimes only has students for one year. SCool JAzz PRime is similar to a community chorus and consists of singers selected for their experience and talent.

The CD is the first the group has recorded. And if SeGraves has his way it won't be the last. The groups plan to perform at the 1999 Montreaux Jazz Festival in Switzerland pending approval by the school and available funds. It takes \$35,000 to \$40,000 to produce a tour.

"We want to thank the school for supporting us and helping with the more than \$30,000 in expenses," said SeGraves. "Jean Bonner, in particular, went to bat for us because she believed in us."

If you miss SCool JAzz and SCool JAzz PRime's Dec. 10 concert, they'll be back singing during the annual Mardi Gras Celebration of jazz and creole cooking 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at Schoolcraft College. For information, call (313) 462-4417.

ART SHOWS



Artist molds international reputation

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

John Murphy could hardly believe the letter stating he was one of two American clay artists accepted into the fifth International Triennial of Contemporary Porcelain taking place June 12 through Oct. 11 in Nyon, Switzerland. Murphy is an advanced ceramics instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. A jury of international ceramists and museum curators selected him and 13 other artists from 253 entries from 35 countries. Murphy and Wayne Higby will represent the United States. "I'm very honored to be one of two chosen to represent this country in this international exhibition," said Murphy. "It's been worth the 20 years of hard work to find oneself in this position. This is really a great honor; I'm looking forward to sending my work. Murphy credits his success as a clay artist to the fact he is responsible for every square inch of the work, a premise learned while studying for his master's degree

at Wayne State University. Even the insides and bottoms of the vessels are finished with Murphy's trademark black and white surface decoration.

"I use black and white as a symbol of good and evil, positive and negative," said Murphy. "I'm very aware of racial issues because my wife's African American. But I worked in black and white before I met her. Maybe it's subconscious, but I'm not consciously trying to make a statement that black and white can work together."

Murphy's first contact with clay came at a potter's wheel more than two decades ago. Over the years, throwing clay gradually evolved into a lengthy process

workmanship," said Smith. "We like to think our show has craftsman you wouldn't see anywhere else. I exhibit in a lot of shows out of state, so I see some unique, one-of-a-kind items

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STAFF PHOTO BY JDI JAGDFELD Mixing techniques: John Murphy lays clay in a mold and places it on a potter's wheel before building up a lip for his newest work, a wall hanging shield titled "Bullseye."

which incorporates techniques consisting of hand build ing and forming works in molds. Murphy demonstrates the intricacies for visitors to his Old Redford'studio. After manipulating a hunk of clay to remove all of the air bubbles, Murphy begins to craft his newest porcelain work "Bullseye." The piece, reminiscent of a shield, is meant to hang on the wall. Black and white circular

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Expressions from page D1



Crafty duo: Sue Smith and Molly Pemberton bring yet another of their popular arts and crafts show to Northville Dec. 12-14.

what I try to bring into our fine arts. The emphasis is defishow. We want to make sure we have the \$5 items for a teacher's gift as well as a lot of personal-

nitely on fine crafts but we do have fine arts, also. Smith display her wreaths in

ized items. We also try to get 30 shows a years. That's a full-

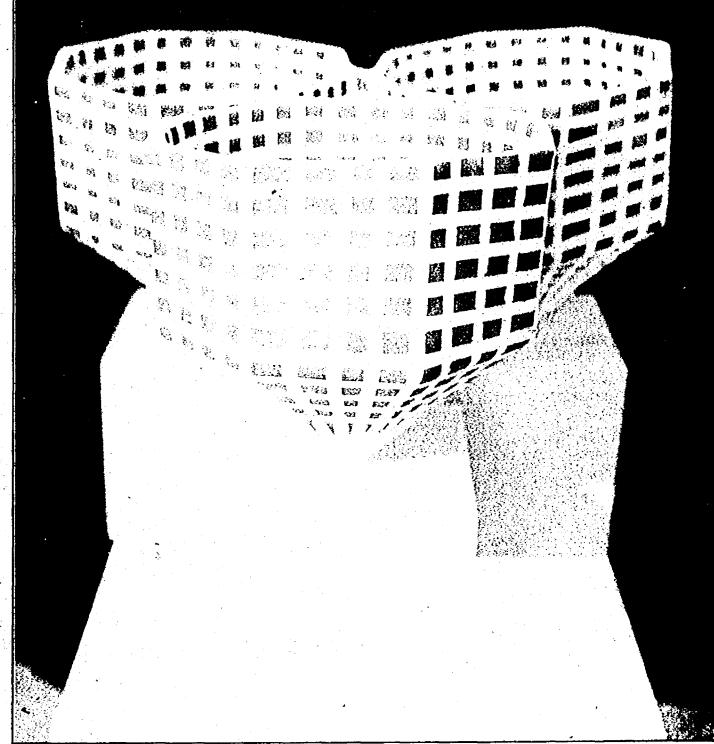
'We like doing our crafts, but the promoting part is our great love. We have artists and craftsmen who have been with us since we've started. They've become friends.'

Sue Smith

time business in itself. So why do Smith and Pemberton continue to promote shows after all these years?

"We like doing our crafts, but the promoting part is our great love," said Smith. "We have artists and craftsmen who have been with us since we've started. They've become friends.'

Linda Ann Chomin is an arts reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call her at (313) *953-2145*.



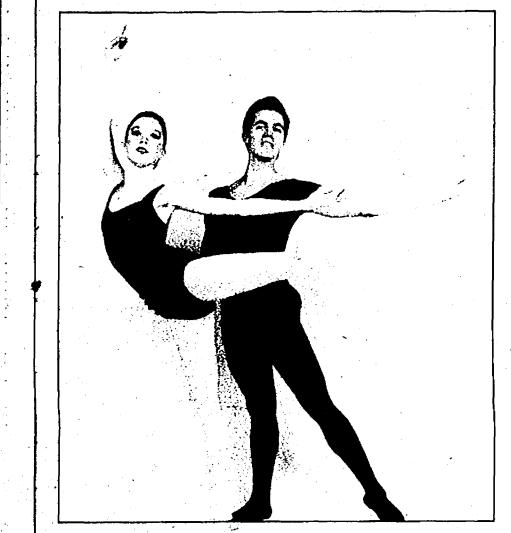
STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Sculptural clay: John Murphy created this work titled "Home." It is similar to a sculpture recently exhibited in a national show at Penn State.

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solution by laying the rolled out trol. It has a mind of its own." lines zero'in on the target.

Holiday Enchantment



Magical Moment: The Plymouth Canton Ballet Company and Plymouth Symphony Orchestra with principal dancers Dawnell Dryja and Mark Nash of the Cincinnati Ballet present Tchaikovsky's magical "Nutcracker Ballet Dec. 12-14. at the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road at Canton Center Road in Canton. Dryja, an award winning dancer, graduated from Plymouth Canton High School. Tickets are \$15 for adults and senior citizens, \$8 for children K-12, and available by calling the symphony office at (313) 451-2112.

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"I'd been intrigued with shields in African art, more for their geometric shape than as a means of protection," said Murphy. "I thought it was fitting to hang them up on the walls because that's the way they're displayed in museums."

For the next step, Murphy places a mold on top of a potter's wheel. He rolls out the clay with a pin then places it in the mold.

"I've been changing the format from a vessel to sculptural closed forms to wall forms," said Murphy. "My work is constantly evolving." --

One of the problems, Murphy encountered is designing the shield so that it could be displayed on a wall. He arrived at a

clay in the plaster mold. He then builds up a lip for the back by throwing the work on a wheel. "I wanted the shield to be self-

sufficient, to hang on its own," said Murphy. "This way the shield seals to the wall and is aesthetically pleasing even when viewed from the side."

Murphy utilizes repetition and geometric shapes in his work in an attempt to marry design elements.

"Even though I work in raku and stoneware, I love porcelain. It's clean and smooth and nice and white," said Murphy. "But porcelain is more difficult to con-

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Murphy's first shield evolved from a demonstration for his students at Schoolcraft College. He will teach advanced ceramics and raku during the winter term.

As a child, Murphy snuck into his father's workshop to use the tools. Later on in life, he crafted jewelry before turning to clay. Murphy's "always had this urge to work with his hands." But over the years, it's become a passion. In order to create art, he works full time building experimental engines for Ford Motor Company.

Is Murphy worried about shipping the fragile porcelain pieces to Europe? No. in fact several of Murphy's works recently were mailed to Penn State University for a national exhibition. Murphy says, he'll "just package them very carefully."

Murphy exhibits his work as often as possible. His clay art has been included in shows at Gallery Functionart in Pontiac; the Ann Arbor Art Association; San Angelo Museum of Fine Art. Texas, and Louisville Visual Arts Center, Kentucky.

His work is currently on exhibit in "Earthly Treasure." Pewabic Pottery's annual Holiday Invitational, which continues through Dec. 31.

Murphy's works are also on display at the Swann Gallery. Detroit, and in "Undefining the Holidays," a show continuing through Dec. 23 at the Detroit Artists Market.







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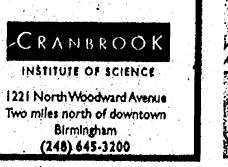
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"Handel's "Messiah" - 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, St. Mary Catholic Church, 730 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. Tickets: \$25 preferred; \$18 general; \$10 students. (248) 650-2655.

UMS CHORAL UNION

"Handel's Messiah" - 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7. Featuring conductor Thomas Sheets, soprano Nicole Heaston, countertenor David Daniels, tenor John Aler and bass Nathan Berg along with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$10-\$18. Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. (313) 764-2538. LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, "Song and Style," featuring the Living Christmas Card Vocal Quartet. Tickets: \$30. At the home of Dr. William Kupski of Grosse Pointe. For details, call (248) 357-1111. MERCY HIGH SCHOOL 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, "Annual Christmas Concert," featuring Mercy High School vocal ensembles, the Mercy Orchestra and the Mercyaires, 29300 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 476-8020.



Hot steps: Omavra Amava and "Flamenco Without Limits" display the passion of Spanish flamenco at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Detroit Institute of Arts Theatre. The concert is presented by Musica Viva International;

HILL GALLERY

Through Dec. 15 - 6:30-8 p.m., *Carl Toth; Recent Works." 407 W. Brown Street, Birmingham; (248) 540-9288. EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY Through Dec. 19 - "Fiber, Clay, Metal." alumni invitational exhibition. Ford Gallery Art Dept., 114 Ford Hall, EMU. Ypsilanti; (313) 487-0465.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY Through Dec. 19 ~ "Functional Things: Objects by Lisa Norton," associate professor of metals at the School of Art Institute in Chicago, 1719 W. Fourteen Mile Road. Royal Oak; (248) 549-3016. WETSMAN COLLECTION

Through Dec. 19 - Exhibition of four metalsmiths from metro Detroit: Wendel Heers, Thomas Madden, Hiroko Pijanowski, Karen Miller Thomas, 132 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 645-6212.

ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY Through Dec. 20 - Watercolors of Karin Klue, 32782 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak; (248) 647-7709. LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY Through Dec. 20 - "From Nature's Mould," featuring eight artists from Michigan's Thumb area, 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716. ROOM WITH A VIEW Through Dec. 20 - "Photography of Russ Marshall," 803 N. Main, Royal Oak: (248) 548-1446. MATRIX GALLERY Through Dec. 21 - :Near and Far: Recent Landscape Paintings by Lauren Kingsley," thru Dec. 21, 212 Miller Avenue, Ann Arbor; (313) 663-7775. U OF M - DEARBORN Through Dec. 24 - "People Figures: Puppets, Robots, Transformers and Dolls," an assortment of vintage and

contemporary toys and sculptures from several regional private collections. The Art Museum Project, UM-Dearborn. 4901 Evergreen Road, 1165 AB. Dearborn: (313) 593-5058.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY Through Dec. 24 - "Holiday Exhibition," featuring metal artist Darcy Miro. Show runs concurrent with "Downes, Phelan, Morley: Recent Paintings.* 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642

HOLIDAY SALES SHOW

Through Dec. 13 - "Gifts of Art," featuring ceramics, glass, jewelry, wood, fibers, toys, wearables, ornaments. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866. POTTERY SALE

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 18-20 14th Annual Pottery Sale," student and professional potters featuring functional ceramic pieces. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644 0866.

A.C.,T. GALLERY

Through Dec. 20 - "RED," two and threedimensional work inspired by the colori-The gallery is an artists' co-operative, 29 E. Grand River, Detroit; (313) 831-2862. PAINT CREEK ART CENTER Through Dec. 20 - 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov.

22, "Holiday Gift Gallery Party." Proceeds go to nonprofit art center. 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110. TOUCH OF LIGHT

Through Dec. 24 - Hand-blown glass show, featuring work of John Fitzpatrick. including ornaments. 23426 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 543-1868. ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Dec. 26 - Holiday Gifts show, featuring 28 artists, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor: (313) 994-8004. SILK PHOTOGRAPHY

Through Dec. 28 - "Annual Holiday Photo" Sale." 14261 Nadine. Oak Park; (248)" 544-1203

GALLERY BIRMINGHAM *

Through Dec. 29 - Holiday exhibit, fea turing Manel Anoro, John Asaro, Sohol Hohn and Rick Laney. 390 E. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 540-8505. CHRISTIE'S GALLERY

Through Dec. 30 - "Art Wear & Gifts." featuring jewelry, handbags, ceramic ornaments. 34649 S. Woodward, Birmingham.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE

Through Dec. 31 - Annual gift shop includes all media. Proceeds benefit the arts center, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac: (248) 333-7849:

featuring works by local artists, 279 ₩.*

Nine Mile Road, Ferndale; (248) 414-

MILLERS ARTISTS SUPPLIES Through Dec. 31 - "Holiday Gift Bazaar."

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HARBOR BELLS

English secular hand bell choir has openings for ringers 18 years or older. Must read music. Rehearsals once a week, Sept.-June. (248) 681-6453. NAT'L JURIED EXHIBIT AT PCCA Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks entries for national juried all media exhibition, March 27-April 24, 1998. Deadline for slide entries: Jan. 15, 1998. For prospectus send a SASE to PCCA/Exhibitions, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, MI 48307; (248) 651-4110. **17TH ANNUAL MICHIGAN FINE ARTS** COMPETITION

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association seeks entries for its statewide all media competition, March 6-27. For information and a prospectus, call (248) 644-0866.

BENEFITS

FRIENDS OF POLISH ART

6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, the annual Christmas Wigilia celebration, a traditional Polish Christmas Eve meal. Proceeds benefit the fine arts fund. Polish Century Club, 5181 E. Outer Drive, Detroit; (313) 455-6207.

MS THROUGH THE EYES OF A CHILD A calendar of 12 images selected from the 87-piece international exhibit, and holiday cards and note cards. Write/contact the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 733 Third Avenue, New York, NY, 10017; (800) FIGHT MS.

CHOIR/CHORUS

NOVI CHORALAIRES

Novi's Community Chorus presents music for Christmas celebration - 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, Church of the Holy Family, 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi. Donation: \$5, purchased at Novi Parks and Recreation office, or at the door. (248) 347-0400.

SCHOOLCRAFT CHOIR

"Alleluia, Rejoice!' featuring Christmas -Cantata by Daniel Pinkham. Dates: 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 W. Church Street, Plymouth; 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, St. Matthew's United Methodist-Church, 30900 Six Mile Road, Livonia; ▶ (313) 462-4435.

A CAPELLA

8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8.1 The Grunyons," perform extensive repertoire including seasonal music. Sponsored by the Fair Lane Music Guild, Henry Ford Estate - Fair Lane, U of M Dearborn, Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road; (313) 593-5330.

TUESDAY MUSICALE OF PONTIAC

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, "Annual Christmas Concert," Central United Methodist Church, Waterford; (248) 673 6568.

CANTATA ACADEMY

"Holiday Favorites" - 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lake Shore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms; 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, St. Hugo of the Hill, 2215 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills: (248) 546 0420. CHRISTMAS CONCERT

4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, featuring nine choirs of the church along with brass and percussion. Proceeds benefit Farmington

S Families in Action. Nardin Park. Methodist Church, 29887 W. Eleven Mile

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS

"Holiday Brass," an annual seasonal celebration for large brass choir, including works by Handel, Mancini, Bizet and Gershwin, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church; 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, Christ Church Cranbrook, Tickets: \$20 general, \$16 students/seniors, \$10 children under 12. **DETROIT BRASS SOCIETY**

3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, First United Methodist Church, 22331 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 546-2503. BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE

1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, "Holiday Celebration," conducted by Judith Premin and accompanist Eleanor Whelan, including carols and seasonal songs featuring soprano Grace Ward, Joan Chandler Bowes and John Muller. Central Woodward Christian Church, 3955 W. Big Beaver at Adams Road, Troy. (248) 475-5978.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, "Classics on the Lake," featuring holiday favorites and jazz flutist Alexander Zonjic and a Detroit gospel choir. Tickets: \$12 & \$20: 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake; (248) 683-1750.

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT 8 plm. Wednesday, Dec. 17, The Beaux Arts Trio. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Tickets: \$5-\$40; (313) 833-3700. OCC'S COMMUNITY CHORUS 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, Vivaldi's "Gloria," for chorus and orchestra, conducted by Thomas Sheets of the University Musical Society Chorale, Also, a holiday sing-a-long. Tickets: \$5, adults; \$3 students, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696, Farmington Hills; (248) 540-1540.

CONCERT BANDS

B'HAM CONCERT BAND

3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, "Holiday Concert," featuring seasonal favorites and inspirational music. Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1800 W. Maple Road, Birmingham.

NOVI CONCERT BAND

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, "Annual Holiday Concert and Sing-A-Long." Novi Civic Center, 10 Mile Road, west of Novi Road.

DANCE

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7. "Holiday Spectacular." Tickets: \$6-\$10 Studio Theatre, Varner Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills; (248) 370-3013.

FLAMENCO

8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, "Flamencowithout Limits," featuring Omayra Amaya and her dance company. Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 833-7899. CONTEMPORARY CIVIC BALLET "The Nutcracker," under the direction of Rose Marie Floyd, with New York dancer. Alexander Schlemepp, and Samanthal Shelton, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at Warren Woods Middle School auditorium East 12 Mile, west of Schoenner.

(313) 833-2323.

Warren, \$8 at the door, (248) 641-9063/546-7484. 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 (presented by Valley of Detroit-Scottish Rite of Freemasonary, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral Auditorium at Masonic Temple, Detroit. \$5 at the door. (248) 641-9063.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA With principal dancers Evelyn Cisneros and Anthony Randazzo from the San Francisco Ballet, and Kimberly Glasco and Aleksandar Antonijevic from the National Ballet of Canada, along with members of lacob Lascu's Dance Detroit perform "The Nutcracker" ballet, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$14-\$53 adults, \$10-\$24 children and seniors. (313) 833-3700

ERIC JOHNSTON'S DETROIT BALLET

2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at the State Theater on Wayne Road in Wayne: Tickets are \$8 adults, \$5 children and available by calling the theater at (313) 721-7400; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19 at the Harrison High School auditorium on 12 Mile between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt roads in Farmington Hills. \$8 adults, \$5 children. (248) 473-9570. The 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 and Friday. Dec. 19 productions are set to the music of the Detroit Ballet Orchestra, under the direction of Christopher Keen.

FARMINGTON FESTIVAL OF DANCE With the Detroit Dance Collective, and members of the WSU Dance Company. Michigan Classic Ballet Company, Stardust Ballroom Dance Studio, Annette and Company, Main Street Dance Company, Barbara Hatch School of Dance, Michelle Millman, Eric Johnston's Detroit Ballet Company, and the O'Day School of Dance, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12.1 Farmington High School auditorium, 32000 Shiawassee (west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington. \$5, \$2 seniors and children. (248) 473-9570

THE HARLEM NUTCRACKER

Donald Byrd's jazzy version of the holiday tale featuring a live Jazz orchestra, regional gospel choir and children's casts, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10-Friday, Dec. 12, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday. Dec. 13-Sunday, Dec. 14, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$16 \$34. (800) 221 1229

HURON CIVIC THEATRE

"The Nutcracker," with the Taylor Ballet Americana and the Southern Great Lakes Symphony Orchestra, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at the theater, 32044 Huron River Dr., New Boston: \$14, \$10 children ages 10 and younger (313) 782-5380

LAKES AREA CIVIC BALLET

"The Nuteracker" 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec 13, at West Bloomfield High School audi torium on Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield \$10, \$8.50, special rates available for community organizations. purchasing 15 tickets or more (248) 666 1971

LIVONIA CIVIC BALLET

MICHIGAN BALLET THEATRE

The company (under Cornelia Sampson) joins the Warren Symphony for "The-Nutcracker," 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13-Sunday, Dec. 14, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, with guest artists Michele Wiles, 1996 Gold Medal winner of the International Ballet competition in Varna, Bulgaria, and currently with American Ballet Theatre II, Sergio Brindusa, a Romanian dancer who freelances and trains at the prestigious Kirov Academy in Washington, Sean Stewart of the American Ballet Theatre, and Casey Herd, American Ballet Theatre II, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Hall Road (M-59) and Garfield, Clinton Township, \$22, \$20 seniors and children under age 12; \$18 for groups of 20 or more for main floor seating, \$17 for balcony. Call (810) 286-2222/(248) 645-6666

PLYMOUTH CANTON BALLET COMPANY "The Nutcracker," under the direction of Dawn Greene, featuring principal dancers Dawnell Dryja and Mark Nash of the Cincinnati Ballet, and the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, 8 plm. Friday, Dec. 12- Saturday, Dec 13, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road (at Canton Center Road), Canton, \$15 adults and senior citizens, \$8 for children K-12. A Sugar Plum Fairy Tea, where children will have a tea party with the Sugar Plum Fairy and other performers, will be held after the Saturday. Dec. 13, and Sunday, Dec. 14 concerts: \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door. (313) 451-2112 THE RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACU-LAR

Numerous performances through Saturday, Dec. 27, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit: \$10 \$50 All ages. This week's performances: 1 p.m. 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10; 8 p.m. Thursday. Dec. 11; and 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12. (313) 983 6611/(248) 645 6666

EXHIBITS (ON - GOING)

MACOMB CENTER

Through Dec. 8 - "Macomb Arts Council Prestige Art Show, 7 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Twp. (810) 286 2141 PROVIDENCE MEDICAL CENTER Through Dec. 8 - Collective Visions, a group exhibit 30055 Northwestern Hwy at Inkster Road; (248) 865 4000

BOOK BEAT Through Dec. 10 "Gods of the Spirit" Haitian Vodou Flags and Objects 7 26010

Greenfield: (248) 968 1190 ARTSPACE II Through Dec. 14 - "Gold Scupture and

Painting by Barbara Kovacis 1:303 E Maple, Birmingham, (248 - 258 1540) ARIANA GALLERY Through Dec. 11 Platters That

Matter," works by 30 artists, 119 S. Main, Royal Oak, (248) 546 8810 COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through Dec. 12 7 p.m., "Graduate

Works in Progress * Wayne State

8250. CARY GALLERY Through Dec. 27 - "Earth in Search of Water: Pastels by Sky Mikinak.* 226

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY*

G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY

Through Dec. 28 - 6 p.m., "The

Christmas Show," featuring works by

Diana Gamerman, David Mandiberg,

SWANN GALLERY

3656.

Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-MOORE'S GALLERY

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Through Dec. 31 - "African Gift Items." including baskets, batiks, dolls, masks Through Dec. 27 - "A Moveable Feast," and jewelry. 304 Hamilton Row, featuring works of Breivik, Celmins, Birmingham; (248) 64-SHONA. Crawford, Guston. 163 Townsend, PARK WEST Birmingham, (248) 433-3700. Through Dec. 31 - "Annual Holiday Show," featuring Linda Le Knief, 29469 Through Dec. 27 - "Tyrone Mitchell: Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) Recent Works.* 161 Townsend, 354-2343 Birmingham; (248) 642-2700. PEWABIC POTTERY

Through Dec. 31 - Annual holiday show. "Earthly Treasures 10125 El Jefferson Detroit: (313): 822-0954. VILLAGE POTTERS GUILD

Annual holiday sale. Dec. 4-6. featuring 25 ceramic artists: 340 N. Main, G.4. Plymouth: 313, 207 8807

MUSEUMS

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ART MUSEUM '

Through Dec. 14 - Sepphoris in Galilee: Crosscurrents of Culture, the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology and Art Museum; through Jan. 4 - "Glances and-Gazes of the Social Fantastic: Early 20th Century French Photography; through * Jan. 4 - "Fifteen Visions, Books by Contemporary Regional Artists, 525 S State Street, Ann Arbor; (313) 764 0395.

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through Jan 4 - "Photography and Site " an exhibit of nine contemporary photographers: "Fragments Toward a City: Architecture and Photography.7 1221 N Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 645-3323

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE Through Jan 4 - "Seasons Lab," a fea tured attraction at the Experiment Gallery, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills: (248) 645 3324

MUSEUM OPENINGS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Dec. 12 - 6-8 p.m. 1997 Winter Degree Show Tfeaturing Mary Preston, metal-5 smithing, and Mark Kolodziejczak, architecture 1221 N. Woodward Avenue.

READING

BALDWIN LIBRARY

Wednesday, Dec. 10, "Let's Talk About It," a series of discussions based on Nobel Prize winning novels and authors, featuring D: Wilma Garcia of Oakland University in a discussion based on Ton: Morrison's Beloved 1 300 W Merrill, downtown Birmingham. For time and details, call .248: 647 1700 ext 2 OPEN MIC AT CARIBOU Third Wednesday of each month, Caribou

Coffee Walton & Liverbois, (248) 544-4657

RECITALS

ORGAN REPERTOIRE

8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8, "Thomas Murray, Yale University organist and international concert and recolding artist. Christ Church Granbrook, 470 Church Road, Broomfield Hills, (248) 644 5210. STUDENT PIANO CONCERT 2.30 p.m. Subday Dec. 14, the Art of Music under the direction of Diane Clemete presents a student concert, 🔨 Christmas Gathering Birmingham Unitarian Churchi 651 N. Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 879 9356

Virinder Chaudhery, 1250 Library Street, Detroit: (313) 965-4826. C POP GALLERY Through Dec. 30 - "Nocturnal Planet: Paintings, Prints and Drawings by Glenn Barr. 515 S. Lafayette, Ste. D. Royal Oak; (248) 398-9999 JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY Through Dec. 31 - "Threads," an exhibit and sale of quilts, fabric art, textiles and tapestries. Jewish Community Center. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield: (248) 661-7641. KNOLLWOOD GALLERY Through Dec. 31 - "Food Art of David

McCall Johnston," 6447 Inkster Road at Maple, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 626-9844. OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA Through Dec. 31 – *50th anniversary exhibit of the Michigan.Weaver's Guild." 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Second Floor.

Executive Office Building, Pontiac: (248) 858 0415. ZEITGEIST GALLERY/PERFORMANCE

VENUE

Through Dec. 31 - "The Hi & Goodbye Show," paintings by Jacques Karamanoukian and sculptural woodcuts and prints by Karl Schneider, 2661 Michigan Avenue, Detroit; (313) 965 9192.

EXHIBIT OPENINGS

IMAN Dec. 7 - 5:30 p.m., "Muslim Women Artists: An exhibit of contemporary and traditional artwork," thru Dec. 21. Oak Park Public Library, 13600 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park; (248) 377-2266. URBAN PARK GALLERY

Dec. 12 - 5.30.9 p.m., *Celebration of Color," by Michele Roorda, 508 Monroe Street. The Alley, Greektown Detroit ART LEADERS GALLERY

Dec. 13 - 10 a.m. 7 p.m., the Holiday limited print collection of Thomas Kinkade 33216 W 14 Mile Road. West Bloomfield, (248)539-0262

FESTIVALS

11 a.m. 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, "Holiday

Guild of Artists and Artisans, who orga-

under 12 Oakland Community College

Farmington Hills. (313) 662 3382. (248)

Bldg, H. Orchard Lake Road at 1.696

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Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 476 8860 VANGUARD VOICES

7 p.m. Sunday. Dec. 14. *Christmas Concert," featuring Repighi's sequence of carols, "Laud to the Nativity of the Lord." St. Clement Roman Catholic Church, 5275 Kenilworth, south of Ford Road, Dearborn; (313) 317 6566. HOLIDAYS REVISITED 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, the

The official ballet of the city of Livonia. presents "The Nutcracker" 7-30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, and 2 p.m. Sunday Dec. 14, at Clarenceville High School auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road, Livonia \$12 adults, \$9 seniors/students, \$6 children ages 5.9, \$6 each for groups of 12 persons or more +51.3 427 9103 (248: 477 0520)

University campus, 150 Art Building Detroit, (313) 577 2203 WETSMAN COLLECTION

Through Dec. 13 TMetals & Stone Common & Uncommon," works of Wendel Heers, Tom Madden, Hiroko Pijanowski, Karen Miller Thomas, 132 N Old Woodward, Birmingham, 12481-645 6212

AHOLIDAY ART GIFTS GIFT GALA

10 a.m. 8 p.m., featuring files, paper shells, stained glass, beads, furniture. Royal Oak Women's Club, 404 S Pleasant, corner of Fourth Street, Royal Oak 248 549 4099

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W Side of Advanced same-day tickets available & 2:15, 5:15, 8:15 Telegraph වංගුන විසාස්ත ANASTÀSIA (G) NV SUNDAY THRU THURSDAY 810-332-0241 1:10, 4:05, 7:00, 9:10 No one under age 6 admitted for PG Bargain Matinees Daly **GIFT BOOKS NOW ON SALE** 991 Livonia Mall THE RAINMAKER (PG13) NV 13 & Rinted blins after 6 pm All Shows Until 6 pm Livenia Mal, Middlebelt at 7 Mile 1:35, 4:29,7:05, 9:55 Continuous Shows Daily THE RAINMAKER (PG13) 810-476-8800 & 2:30, 5:30, 8:30 NP ALIEN RESURPECTION (R) Late Shows Fri. & Sat ALL SEATS 99¢ ALL SHOWS TWO SCREENS STARSHIP TROOPERS (IR) HV 11(0), 12(0), 1:30, 2:30, 4:00, 5:00, THOU THURSDAY 210 (4:00, 5:30 @ \$3:50) 7:00, FREE Relia on Drinks & Popcom 1:15, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00 6 30, 7 30, 9 00, 10 00 940 SOUR FOOD (R) NY NO VIP TICKETS FLUBBER (PG) MIDNICHT IN THE GARDEN OF SWITCHBACK (R) 1:25, 4:10, 6:55, 9:25 NP THE RAINMAKER (PG13) 10:45, 11:15, 12:50, 1:20, 3:10, 3:40, 5:10, 5:40, 7:10, 7:40, 9:20, 9:50 GOOD AND EVIL (R) THE WINGS OF THE DOVE (R) NY 9.15 10:45, 11:45, 1:45, 3:30, 4:45, 6:45, AIR BUD (PG) 1:45 (5:00 @ \$3:50) 8:15 1:30, 4:15, 7:20, 10:05 8:00, 9:45, 11:00 RAINMAKER (PG-13) BEAN (PG13) I KNOW WHAT YOU DID LAST 4:30, 7:00 12 30, 1:00, 3:50, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, NO VP TICKETS 2:30 (4:50 @ \$3:50) 7:10, 9:35. MEN IN BLACK (PG13) SUMMER (R) NP WINGS OF A DOVE (R) 9:40, 10:10 **ALIEN: THE RESURRECTION (R)** 1:55, 4:55, 7:25, 9:45 5.15, 7:30, 9.45 11:25, 2.00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30 DEVIL'S ADVOCATE (R) GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG) - 2:60, 2:30 (4:30 & 5:00 @ **5**3:50) NO VIP TICKETS 4 00, 6 50, 9 30, 7 00, 7:30, 9 30, 10 00 5.00 **NP MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF** BEAN (PG) **'I KNOW WHAT YOU DID LAST** GOOD AND EVIL (R) 11 30, 1 30 NO CHILDREN UNDER 4 AFTER 6 PM SUMMER (R) 11:15, 12:30, 2:45, 3:45, 6:00, 7:00, EXCEPT ON G OR PG RATED FILMS 1 50, 9 50 United Artists Oakland 9:15, 10:15 Inside Oakland Mal NO VIP TICKETS 810-585-7041 THE JACKAL (R) ALL TIMES SUN-THURS 12.45, 4.15, 7.45, 10.30 Showcase Pontiac 6-12 2405 Telegraph Rd. 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DEVIL'S ADVOCATE (R)

BOOKS New Ann Arbor mystery explores history, family

B'ack Dlamond By Susan Holtzer

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1997 -

computer expert Anneke Haagen returns in this fourth-in-aseries mystery novel. This time around, she's joined by new pal Zoe Kaplan, introduced to readers in Haagen's last adven-

Who committed this rather untidy crime? And why? And where has the "crazy" Gerald Swann been all these years?"

Soon, Zoe, Anneke and Lt. Karl Genesko of the Ann Arbor P.D. will be hot on the trail of the killer – a trail that will take them all the way to the forests of northern Michigan and eventually on trip into the state's rowdy past.

It's a big plus for this series that its star character seems to take on just a bit more life with each episode, and Holtzer usually manages to integrate this fleshing-out of Anneke Haagen rather seamlessly into her curlicued plots. With this story much of which revolves around the intricacies of familial relationships - Anneke herself wrestles with the difficulties of parenting grown children, as daughter Emma refuses to accept her relationship with Genesko because she considers him a

"dumb jock cop." Speaking of Genesko, the former Wolverine linebacker is also taking on his own strong identity. Picture a teddy bear with a lively brain and a predilection for lamb vindaloo, and you begin to get the picture of what Anneke Haagen's intended is like. He participates so actively. by the way, in solving this crime that a reader may wonder why the book is marketed only as "A mystery featuring Anneke Haa-

gen and Zoe Kaplan."

As to Kaplan, readers may also wonder if she's a permanent addition to the Haagen series. Whatever happens in that case. she's certainly a natural for this particular story which has as part of its focus a strong friendship between two women of the 19th century.

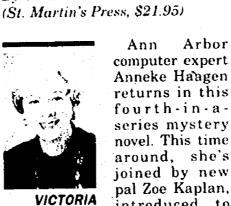
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Holtzer's extensive research into Michigan's logging history is truly remarkable. And her ability to-bring this background to life can be fascinating (if you'd like to get acquainted with Michigan's very own "wild west" era, start here). But her characters from the past – revealed as they are only through letters written years earlier - don't ever come alive the way most of her multi-dimensional, contemporary cast does, and this gives "Black Diamond" a slight, bothersome imbalance overall. (Two of her characters - train robber John Smalley and prostitute Cora Brown - are based on fact.

It's all great fun, though. And nobody writes about Ann Arbor today like Susan Holtzer does. Don't miss it, especially it you're a fan of Michigan mystery novels.

-Victoria Díaz is a Livonia free lance writer who specializes in book and theater reviews. You can reach her by voice mail at 953-2045, then press 1854.

Author traces her family's past



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ture, "Bleeding Maize and Blue." The non-stop action (mental and physical) begins here with the discovery of a lifeless body in the old University of Michigan dormitory known as East Quad, that "rambling pile of brick and concrete and oak fronting directly onto ... East University ... (and) flanked by pizza mills, copy shops, drugstores and the usual commercial slurb that sur-

rounds any campus area." The murder victim - discovered by Zoe and her dorm-mate, Clare - is Gerald Swann, at one time a brilliant, highly eccentric professor of anthropology at the university. Twelve years earlier, he had walked out on his family and "disappeared." Now, in a sense, he has returned: Gerald Swann is Clare's father, and it is in her dorm room that his body is found.

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I KNOW WHAT YOU DID LAST

SUMMER (R) NY

through 3 generations of women

Where She Came From **By Helen Epstein** Little, Brown and Co., 1997.

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ready to fall into place when we need to reconnect.

Not so for persons displaced by the devastation of war. Entire families are annihilated; the place of birth is either a distant memory or merely a spot on the map. Photo albums, family china, treasured books - even birth certificates - all are lost.

Such was the case for author Helen Epstein. When her mother died in a New York City hospital, she longed to take comfort in the knowledge of her roots. Yet the past lay in Czechoslovakia, where her great-grandmother, grandmother and mother had been born and raised. A series of political upheavals had all but obliterated the signs of their existence. Although Epstein's seamstress mother told many stories, she could never make the discrete parts fit, the way she could when attaching a bodice to a skirt.

"These dysfunctions fascinated me," writes the author of "Children of the Holocaust" and affiliate of Harvard University's Cen-

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Gary Graff editor of the MusicHound Blues, Observer & Eccentric rock music writer

ter for European Studies. Using sewing as a metaphor for storytelling, Epstein reveals, "I was never much interested in the construction of clothes but always drawn to the construction of stories, to what was said and what was withheld."

Thus, the former journalist began the long and arduous process of putting the pieces of her family history together through travel, research, and interviews that spanned three continents. The result is "Where She Came From: A Daughter's Search for her Mother's History." In this book she lovingly brings three generations of increasingly secular and liberated women to life and integrates their experiences with the political and social changes taking place in Czechoslovakia.

Epstein begins with greatgrandmother Theresa, an innkeeper's daughter who came in daily contact with her father's mainly non-Jewish clientele. Before assimilation became the norm, she fell in love with a Christian but was hurriedly married off to a poor Jewish peddler. Crippled by despair when her oldest son died, she leaped from a fourth-story window, leaving three orphaned children behind.

Theresa's 8-year-old daughter became the charge of an orthodox aunt.

Dedication to her craft turned Pepi into a successful seamstress, with her own salon in Prague and frequent trips to the fashion capitals of Europe. a private tutor with Una Later, her talented daughter, Franci, attended the best French and German schools and followed in her mother's footsteps by entering the world of business

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and high fashion.

Theirs was a life of hard work but also of privilege and freedom. For Pepi and Franci. Judaism belonged to a past characterized by superstition and needless restriction. Under the liberal and humanistic leadership of Thomas Masaryk, they enjoyed an era of enlightment and tolerance when creativity. not class or custom, determined one's value to society.

Yet their lives changed dramatically when Hitler's army marched into Czechoslovakia. When the first transports to the concentration camps of Theresienstadt and Auschwitz took place, neither Franci's loyalty to the Czech republic. nor her father's love of German music and literature, nor her mother's sterling reputation as a highfashion dressmaker could save them. From then on: survival depended on chance plus an uncommon supply of mental and physical fortitude.

The author's attempt to reconstruct her family's history testifies to our human need for continuity. When we stitch the past to the present, Epstein seems to say, we make life more bearable and create hope for a more meaningful future.

Helen Epstein appeared at the Jewish Community Center for the annual Book Fair. "Where She Came From" is available at Barnes and Noble.

Esther Littmanr is a resident of Bloomfield Township. She is Dworkin and Associates. You **-can leave her a message from** a touch-tone phone at (313) 9<u>5</u>3. **2047, mailbox number 1893.** Her -fax number is (248) 644-1314.

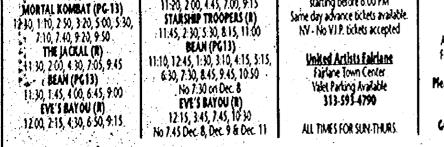
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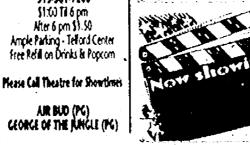
HALFWAY DOWN THE STAIRS

Storytime features "A Creature's Christmas," 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at the story 114 E Fourth St., Rochester, Mi 48307. (248)652-6066.

SHAMAN DRUM

Geri Larkin discusses her new book "Stumbling Toward Enlightenment," 4 p.m. Sunday Dec. 7: Leslie Perlow discusses *Finding Time: How Corporations. Individuals and Families Can Benefit from New Work Practices," 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10; Ann Arbor Boys Choir performs 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 at the store, 313 South State Street, Ann Arbor





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Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send news leads to Linda Ann Chomin, Arts & Leisure reporter, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schooleraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

SWEET DREAMS

If you missed the Livonia Symphony Orchestra's performance of "The Nutcracker," there's still time to experience Tchaikovsky's enchanted tale.

Livonia Civic Ballet Company, the official ballet of the city of Livonia, presents "The Nutcracker Ballet" 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14. at Clarenceville High School auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road, Livonia.

Tickets are \$12 adults, \$9 seniors/students, \$6 children ages 5-9, \$6 each for groups of 12 persons or more. (313) 427-9103/(248) 477-0520.

For a seventh year the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company join together to tell Tchaikovsky's classic story of "The Nuteracker" 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 12-13, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road at Canton Center Road in Canton.

Tickets are \$15 adults and senior citizens, \$8 for children K-12, and available by calling the symphony office at (313) 451-2112.

A Sugar Plum Fairy Tea, where children will have a teaparty with the Sugar Plum Fairy, the King and other performers, will be held after the Saturday, Dec. 13, and Sunday Dec. 14, concerts. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door.

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra with principal dancers Evelyn Cisneros and Anthony Randazzo from the San Francisco Ballet, Kimberly Glasco and Aleksandar Antonijevic from the National Ballet of Canada, and members of Jacob Lascu's Dance Detroit perform "The Nutcracker" ballet, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, I p.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sun-

day, Dec. 21, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Tickets are \$14-\$53 adults, \$10-\$24 children and seniors; and available by calling (313) 833-3700.

This is the second year, gymnasts Hillary Bracht of Plymouth and Laura Hamilton. Northville will take the stage as acrobats in the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's "Nutcracker."

FREE CONCERT

Pianist Louis Nagel will present a lecture/recital focusing on the "Fantasie in C Major, Opus 17" by Robert Schumann at noon Wednesday, Dec. 10 in the Recital Hall of the Forum Building at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia.

Nagel, a performer and faculty member at the University of Michigan School of Music, is a graduate of the Juilliard School of Music. He has appeared in New York City recitals, at the National Gallery in Washington D.C., and on numerous college campuses.

Nagel has performed internationally in Jerusalem, St. Petersburg, Taichung, Sydney, Vienna, and Berlin. As the artistic director of the Detroit-based Lyric Chamber Ensemble, he performs with the group in extensive chamber music programs throughout the metropolitan Detroit area. He has recorded the Bach Partitas for Educo Records, Inc.3 and his CD "Four Centuries of J.S. Bach" on the SKR label has received critical acclaim.

HOLIDAY SALE

BEAT EVERYONE

TO THE PUNCH...

The Garden City Fine Arts Association holds its' annual Holiday Art Exhibit and Sale-Dec. 8-13 in The Art Gallery/Studio at 29948 Ford Road, between Henry Ruff and Middlebelt (in Sheridan Square), Garden City. An opening reception and

awards presentation takes place ter, 4640 Walnut Lake Road, 7. p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 at the gallery.

more information, call (313).261-0379.

"KIDS ONLY" FINE ARTS WORKSHOPS

Preschool sessions to make fine arts gifts ranging from watercolors to printmaking, and woodcraft begin Dec. 9 at D & M Studio's Once Upon An Easel, 8691 North Lilley Road at Joy in Canton.

Sessions for students and teens have already begun. For more information or to register. call (313) 453-3710.

While you're at the studio take a minute to view a display of student work. Portrait artists include Aaron Tone, a senior at the Center for Creative Studies. Tone works in pencil, pastel and watercolor and does portraits of pets and celebrities. Also view work by Shandy Buffington, an Eastern Michigan University student.

D & M's Artist Gallery features the work of owner Sharon Dillenbeck, Hugh Burley and Carol McCreedy. Also on display are hand painted ceramic ornaments by Sidney Boyce. The bulbs are painted green ware which is fired then coated with a mother of pearl glaze. In addition, visit the Studio Students Gallery where holiday art such as handmade cards, ornaments made from paper bags, and paintings are displayed.

CREATIVE GIFT WRAPPING

It may be a "riddle wrapped in mystery inside an enigma" or it might just be a toaster. Either way, all gifts, great and small, benefit from creative gift wrapping. Taught by Lisa Gleeson, owner of Gift Wrappers, Inc., this class shows you how to create great gifts using festive bows, decorative boxes and the latest wrapping papers 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9 at West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Cen-



ART BEAT

Gymnasts: Hillary Bracht (left) and Lauren Hamilton perform handstands in their role as acrobats with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's "Nutcrack er^{n} Dec. 12.21 at the Detroit Opera House.

A variety of mediums including paintings, drawings, and three-dimensional art will be on hand. Don't forget to cast your ballet for the People's Choice Award.

Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For

east of Farmington Road. Gleeson will also show you how to make a florist bow.

The cost is \$1,2 for West Bloomfield residents, \$15 for nonresidents. Advance registration is required, call (248) 738-2500.

HOLIDAY SAMPLER

The Lucile B. Conger Alumnae Group of the University of Michigan hosts its fourth annual market featuring over 30 artisans 9

a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 Ann Arbor.

Admission is \$2. For informaat the Barton Hills Country-Club, 730 Country Club Roady tion, call (313) 662-2746.

Choose from a Holiday Sampler of gift's for the home, family and you. Works include blankets and scarves; painted floor cloths; boiled wool garments and accessories; primitive folk art; stationary and paper goods: art dolls: contemporary and traditional arships.

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The Lucile B. Conger Alumnae Group is actively involved in raising funds to provide needbased scholarships for students attending the University of * Michigan, Proceeds from the show will support several schol-



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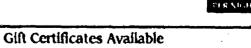
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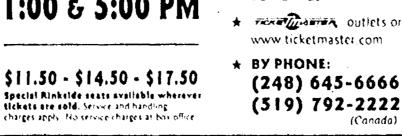
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DANCE

Dancing in the neighborhoods

'Festival of Dance' spotlights emerging Farmington area

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER

On the fifth floor gymnasium above Christ Church on Woodward Avenue in downtown Detroit, Barbara Selinger conducts a group of dancers slinking to a bewitching zydeco beat.

Selinger's Detroit Dance Collective has found a home in a rather strategic location in the heart of the region's burgeoning entertainment center, not to mention halfway between heaven and those who cast their spiritual appeals upward.

Back in suburbia at Eric Johnston's Dance Studio in Birmingham, the familiar swell of Tchaikovsky's sugar plum melody rattles the thin walls. It's a conspicuous sign that the former principal dancer of the London Ballet Company is preparing another production of "The Nutcracker."

By dancers' standards. Selinger, 50, and Johnston, 41 both of Farmington Hills - are past their prime. By any other measure, however, they're not only hitting their stride, they're bringing a community of dancers along with them.

This week, their talent along with other dancers, choreographers and teachers will be on display during the First Annual Festival of Dance in Farmington, a celebration of ballet, jazz, modern. lyrical, folk and ballroom dancing.

"There just isn't much recognition of dance, yet we have more and more people interested in dance," said Johnston, who provided the original idea for the festival. "I want the art to be accessible. It's the only way to build an audience for dance."

The festival will showcase a range of dance while providing a public venue for local dancers. Ten local dance companies. including more than 50 dancers will participate at the Friday evening concert at Farmington High School.

"Some people feel you have to understand dance." said Selinger. "You just have to open yourself up and let the movement speak to you. It's like looking at an abstract painting. Everyone will go away with a different interpretation."

For those awaiting a sign of a dance revival, take note: prayers answered.

Now listen to the movement.

From the grassroots

The weeklong celebration of dance includes an open dress rehearsal of the Detroit Dance Collective and their concert. Space. Time and Energy." which combines performances and teaching to students from Farmington, Farmington Hills, Berkley and Waterford school districts.

The festival culminates on Friday with performances by dancers from throughout the Farmington area, highlighted by an appearance of the Dance Collective, featuring Selinger. named 1997 artist of the year by the Farmington Arts Commission.

"The (festival) offers a

Farmington Festival of Dance

Where: Farmington High School, 32000 Shiawassee, (between Orchard Lake and Power Roads, one block north of Grand River).

Highlights:

5 p.m. – Monday, Dec. 8, "Open dress rehearsal of the Detroit Dance Collective, directed by Barbara Selinger

■ 10 a.m. - Tuesday, Dec. 9, "DANCEABOUT 1997," by the Detroit Dance Collective, a teaching-performance concert for students of Farmington, Berkley and Waterford schools, sponsored by Hudson's Corp.

🛢 9 a.m. – Thursday, Dec. 11, a master class in modern dance

■ 8 p.m. - Friday, Dec. 12. a dance concert featuring the Detroit Dance Collective, and dancers from ten studios in the Farmington area, Farmington High School Auditorium.

Tickets: \$5, adults; \$2, students, for information call (248) 474-3174.

activities usually come from art ingham, Pontiac, Royal Oak, institutions," said Weikal. "In-Oakland County, we have a strong community base, people from neighborhoods forming arts groups.

With the Festival-of Dance along with Farmington's annual Festival of the Arts and City Founders Parade, the Farming- zations in the county. ton area is transforming its image as a suburban enclave.

"Farmington, just now, is finding its identity," said Johnston. including community sym-"Can we make Farmington as artsvas downtown Royal Oak? Definitely.'

of Dance has become a catalyst state to establish the Michigan for discussions about other art

Rochester and the Farmington area.

Participation and interest in the arts throughout the county. according to Weikal, is thriving. He cited 11 community theater groups, 12 art councils and over 100 historic preservation organi-

For more than two decades. the Farmington area has been home to many arts groups, phonies, theater, dance and fine_ arts associations. In the mid 1970s, the success of the Farm-Already, it seems, the Festival – ington Arts Council inspired the Council for the Arts.



Rehearsing:

David Guzman (left) and Susan Clayton practice their parts for the Farmington Festival of Dance.

nine-member board, works alongside the restructured Arts Council, composed of representatives from 22 local arts groups with about 1,500 members.

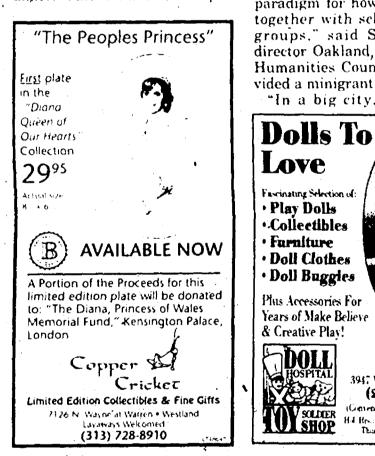
Besides improved communication and networking among the various groups, the collaboration represents a growing populist trend in the arts.

"We have thousands of people saying. We want more cultural hearings. services in our community" said Nanette Reid, who serves on the Arts Commission and the Arts Council. In the Farmington area. according to Reid, they're building culture from the grassroots.

1998. Currently, preparations are being made to draft a master plan for the arts in the Farmington area. Once in place, the plan would offer additional art instruction and public facilities. The criterion for drafting the plan includes circulating a community wide survey, conducting focus groups and holding public

Many Farmington area resi

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paradigm for how cities can get together with schools and arts groups," said Steve Weikal, director Oakland County Arts & Humanities Council, which provided a minigrant to the festival. "In a big city, the cultural

festivals in Farmington, including a film festival. On a pragmatic level, the Festival of Dance offer further proof that there isn't a central cultural district in Oakland County, but "areas of culture," such as Birm-

Included in the 1976 Farmington Hills charter, for instance, was the establishment of an arts commission, a provision not present in the founding documents of many other municipalities.

Today, the Arts Commission, a



A master plan

"Many of the community bands, orchestras, choirs and arts groups were here before we were a city," said Dan W. Potter, director of special services, who oversees the parks and recreation department. "The nucleus for the arts has been here. But now, we're speaking with a unified voice."

Apparently, voters are also responding with a unified appeal.

With the overwhelming passage of a millage in November. \$1.6 million will be designated for senior and culture activities over the next 10 years, including funds for a full-time arts coordinator position to be filled in

dents believe there's a need for a community arts center, in addition to the William Costick Activities Center, where many programs are currently held. Reid called the master plan a "first step in working toward an arts center."

A proposed performing arts center at Novi Road and Grand River Avenue is under consideration by the City of Novi, said Reid, who noted that partnerships in the arts could extend beyond city boundaries.

Considering that a new art center may cost as much as \$30 million, Potter is cautious about the possibility. "People aren't in a mood to support additional taxes," he said. "It might be down the line, but right now we're just in the walking stage."

For this week, Potter might want to change his assessment. Clearly, the current stage is all about dancing.

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THEATER

'Shiva Queen' is no Dolly

Jewish Ensemble Theatre presents "Shiva Queen," by Rebecca Ritchie, continues through Dec. 31 in the Aaron DeRoy Studio Theatre, Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets range from \$13 to \$23, discounts available for seniors ages 65 and older, and students, call (248) 788-2900. Special New Year's Eve Performances 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31. Tickets for the 7 p.m. New Year's Eve performance are \$35, includes champagne and hors d'ocuvres; 10 p.m. performance tickets \$50 also includes champagne, hors d'oeuvres and breakfast. Call for reservations/information.

BY BARBARA MICHALS SPECIAL WRITER

Despite its intriguing title and billing as a comedy, the Jewish Ensemble Theatre's world premiere of Rebecca Ritchie's "The Shiva Queen" is neither clever nor funny. Instead, a very fine cast does its best with very mediocre material.

Act One is the exchange of letters between two singles who meet through a "personals" ad and write to each other's P.O. box numbers. Lee (Charles McGraw) is a hypochondriae geneticist so afraid of commitment that he besitates to even give out his name to his pen pal. Shirl (Michelle Mountain), anxious to find a mate, is so wishy! washy that, she offers to make herself into anything Lee wishes.

Five years later Act Two finds



World premiere: Charles McGraw (left to right), John Michael Manfredi, Michelle Mountain and Joyce Feurring in a scene from "The Shiva Queen."

REVIEW

a successful endodontist who has just lost the wife he adored and turns into a helpless child when pounced upon by his overbearing all-business mother Bess (Jovce Fuerring).

Turns out that Bess is some sort of famous fatal expert, and when Lee calls at the house in pursuit of genetic research on the deceased, Bess's domineering personality brings out his devoted servility. Meanwhile, Shirl now has enough self-confidence to quietly stand up to Bess and thus earns Roger's gratitude and affection. If there is a point to all this, it seems to be suggesting that one should be neither too weak nor too strong-willed. Perhaps there is comic potential here somewhere, but on opening night "The Shiva Queen" drew only an

isolated chuckle now and then. A "Hello Dolly" it is not.

All four players are very talented actors who make their characters as believable as possible, with Mountain meeting the greatest challenge in giving substance to Shirl. Under director Joanna Hastings Woodcock, nearly all aspects of the production seem as fine-tuned as the material allows.

The costuming is sometimes questionable, though. Putting Roger in his pajamas certainly enhances the image of him as a floundering child, but would a man really wear this on his way



daytime phone number to: New Year's Eve at Second City, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, Michigan

Shirl has been married and widowed. She now earns a living organizing the shiva, the traditional Jewish ritual period of seven days of deep mourning, for those too grief-stricken to handle the details themselves.

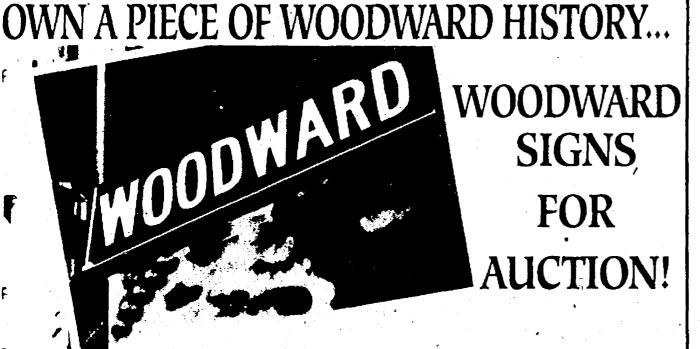
She has been called in to help Roger (John Michael Manfredi), home just because he'd been staying overnight at the hospital with his dying wife? It's appropriately symbolic that Lee wears a facial mask to keep him apart from the families he interviews, but why a pointed mask that makes him look like a clown?



48150. Entries must be received by Thursday, December 18, and three winners will be picked at random.

Winner's names will be published in the Observer & Eccentric on Sunday, December 21. All winners will be contacted by phone on Monday, December 22. Employees of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Second City/Olympia Entertainment are not eligible to win.

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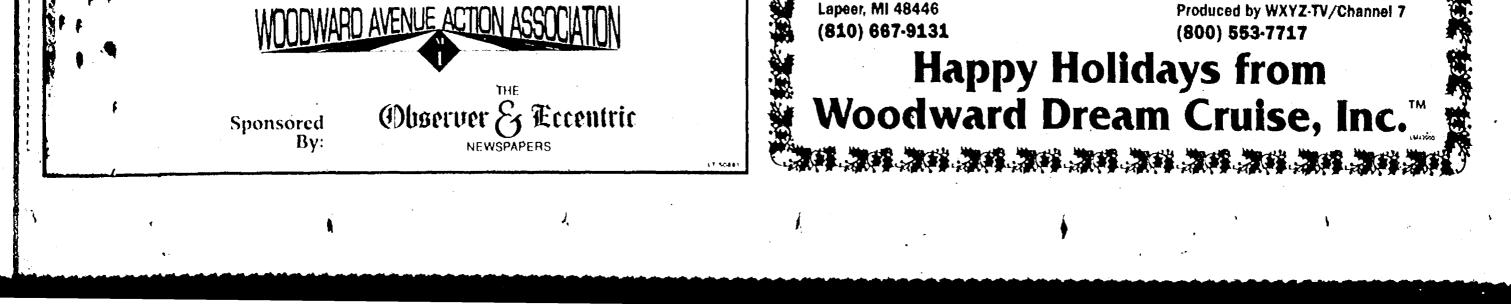
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Cruises take worry out of family trip

BY BETTY SWARTZ TRAVEL AGENT

CRUISE SELECTIONS INC.

Do we take them or leave them when we choose to cruise.

We're not talking about clothing - we're talking about children, families. Is a cruise appropriate for a family? By all means, so much so that those land vacations of past years may seem like nightmares.

Brochures do a great job of selling romance on the seas and all of the frills to ignite the spark. Yes, cruising is romantic but just imagine having the romance as well as having your children with you and sharing this great vacation experience with them; the memories will last for years to come. Today's families lead a lifestyle that is so demanding, which results in an absence of conversation around the kitchen table. Guilt may at times invade the mind when you're not able to be together, as a family, for any length of time. Consequently, the family vacation is an important event. However, a cruise may not come to mind to fulfill this need but it should be at the top of the list.

Cruising is no longer for older adults waiting in line for the shuffle board. Cruising is for everyone. Most major cruise lines, today, position themselves as family experiences. The extensive programs for children, geared to age groups 3 to 17 years, is indicative of the need to serve the younger set as well as adults. Playrooms, computer rooms and teen discos are just a few of the designated areas for children. Parents may feel that their children will always want to be with them - just like home. Not so, once they see and meet their peers they will join in the fun provided by trained counselors. In fact, parents may feel abandoned by the children! That's the time they can enjoy being alone and being satisfied knowing the kids are having a great time - as the saying goes, "We're happy when our kids are happy." Remember those land vacations when everyone wanted to eat at a different fast-food restaurant - those times certainly did not make for a happy

experience. In contrast, a cruise is great for a family children don't have to eat gourmet food, as in the olden days of cruising. Today, children's menus are available to satisfy the young palate. Pizza parlors and buffet dining (not only for breakfast and lunch but also for dinner) are available in a casual atmosphere enjoyed by children and adults as well. Casual dining on board is becoming quite popular. Mom and Dad can accompany the children to a casual dining area, even prepare for a more formal dinner and get a sitter for the evening, if the ship does not provide evening activities for the kids.

Cruise lines have gone so far as to plan shore excursions geared to families. In fact, one cruise line has Alaskan shore excursions for "children only." Imagine the dinner conversations that night - everyone trying to get a word in about their day!

Yes, cruising is for families. Take the opportunity to expose your children to different places and different surroundings. A cruise will give them all of those experiences and more - watch their independence blossom. You're together but each is enjoying his or her own thing.

Prices are reduced for a third or fourth person sharing a cabin (sometimes a standard cabin will accommodate a fifth person, depending on the cruise line. Many of the new ships have family suites; they

Families enjoy kid-friendly cruises

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF. WRITER

When someone mentions going on a cruise, the first thought might be of a romantic get-away - just the two of you. Or, maybe, if you're single a cruise is a chance to meet a stranger across a crowded deck.

But many people are finding that a Caribbean cruise makes the perfect, all-inclusive family vacation.

"We've never vacationed without him and didn't consider not taking him," said Suzanne Colvin, explaining why she and her husband, Dan, took their 3year-old son, Thomas, on a cruise.

The Colvins of Farmington Hills sailed for four days in April on the Royal Caribbean's Sovereign of the Sea to the Bahamas and Key West. And while they enjoyed adult activi--ties, Thomas had his own appointments to keep.

"They had a kids program every evening from 8 to 10 p.m. There was a special room where he could go and play just for 3- to 5-year-olds. They did crafts and talent shows. He looked forward to it. He got to play with other children," Colvin said.

Cruise lines have always emphasized that they take care of everything from dining to recreation to sleeping arrangements for a worry-free vacation. But the marketing has usually been directed toward couples, singles and older travelers.

Recently the trend has moved toward promoting family excursions (see the accompanying article by travel agent Betty Swartz). Even DisneyWorld offers a cruise ship/resort pack-

and Scott Feinthel, going to the

Carol Feinthel of Bloomfield

Hills treated Her family to a

cruise on the Sovereign of the

Sea in February as a Christmas

present. The family included

Julie, 10, Scott, 12, husband,

Jerre, and Jerre's parents, Gene

"It was wonderful." Carol

Feinthel said. "One entire level

was devoted to children. There

was a game room with pingpong, a billiard table. There

were activities all afternoon and evening, so if parents wanted to

shop of take a nap they could,

the children were under teen

supervision, and the teens came

their own activities and made

She said the children chose

And when the children wanted

from all over the country."

some new friends on board.

to join the adults, they could.

floor show was part of the fun.

picked him up."

and Lucy Feinthel.

The children were also invited to attend the Captain's Dinner where they were served nonalcoholic drinks,

Marc Alent of Farmington Hills said his family enjoyed their first cruise in 1995 so much they went again in 1996.

"It was wonderful," Alent said. "We loved it so much we went again and will go again this year if prices are right. We had never been on a cruise before, but Carnival was offering a special deal, adults were about \$700 apiece but children free and the second year the kids were only \$129." Alent, his wife, Grace, and

children, Jeffrey, 9, and Diane, 7, sailed on Carnival's Sensation both times. Like, Royal Caribbean, Carnival offers special programs appealing to children, called Camp Carnival.

"They would wake up and didn't want to be with us, they wanted to get to the programs," Alent said. "They ran from 6 a.m. to 10 at night. Certain other nights were sleepovers. The kids enjoyed it. It was well supervised and well organized."

Alent said his children also enjoyed the floor shows. He said the first two shows were "clean enough we could take the kids." A third, midnight show, was identified by Carnival as for adults only.

shore programs.

Colvin said Thomas loves the water and Beach Day at Royal Caribbean's private island was his favorite. He also enjoyed the port stop at Nassau.

"We made the mistake of not bringing a stroller. But we went to an aquarium in Nassau and there was a lot of stuff for him to



Family affair: Carol Feinthel, left, treated her family to a trip on the Sovereign of the Sea. Pictured, left to right of Carol, are husband Jerre, Scott, Lucy, Julie and Gene Feinthel.

climbed on the waterfall."

And for those who worry if their children will eat on a cruise ship, Alent said he encouraged his children to try something different every day, and they liked Children can also take in the it. But the Sensation also had a

24-hour pizzeria, just in case.

For information on family programs by Royal Caribbean, Carnival and other cruise lines, contact a travel agent.



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are not plentiful, so booking early is a must for those accommodations.

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"They took in two shows. The early shows were at a family level, no profanity, the jokes under. Hours are 3-9:30 p.m. were understandable," Feinthel Wednesday-Friday, 11 a.m. to said. "There were jugglers and a 9:30 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. unicyclist. It was fun and nicely to 6 p.m. Sunday.

done."

do," Colvin said. "Every evening he went to the

She was expecting Thomas' kids program was the perfect brother, Jimmy, at the time of time for us to take in the show," the cruise and she said when said Colvin. "We had an early Jimmy, now 3-1/2 months old, is dinner, went to the show and old enough she would consider another cruise. For older children, like Julie

The Feinthel's also took a tour of Nassau by taxi and visited the zoo and botanical garden. But the Feinthel children also enjoyed the all-day beach party on Coco Beach best of all.

The Alents took different routes on each cruise - Jamaica, St. Martin, St. Thomas, Cozumel and Nassau were stops.

"They enjoyed it, but they had more fun on the ship," Alent said. "Ocho Rios (in Jamaica) was good for kids because they

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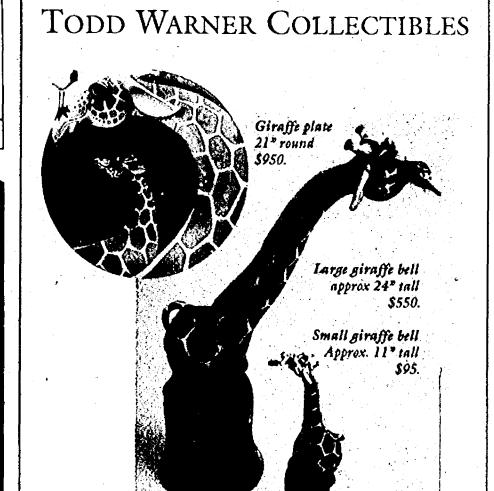
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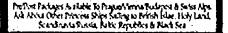
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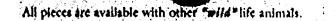


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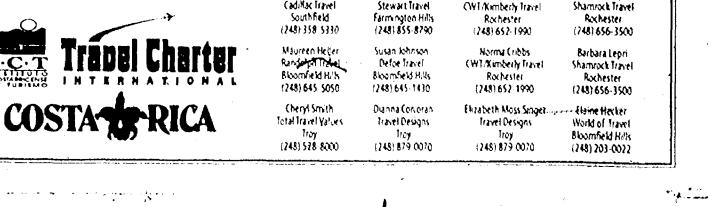




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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Cage Champs

The St. Colette Cougars won the St. Robert Bellarmine Thanksgiving Tournament on Nov. 30. After defeating \$.S. Peter & Paul 44-8 and a tough Bellarmine team 35-30, St. Colette upset a good Our Lady of Victory team 35-26.

Team members include: Brandon Chitwood, Nick Ehlendt, Tony Hoblack, Mike Huff, Brad Karas, Bill-Marsack, Jerry Murray, Jerry Shinkonis, Marshall Sied and tournament MVP Ryan Drolet.

Vardar III

The Vardar III under 12-year-old girls soccer team closed its fall season tied for the champion in the Little Caesar's premiere soccer league. Enduring a long fall schedule, the team ended with a 14-0-2 league record and outscored their opponents 72 goals to 9. The team's overall record including tournament play was 21-2-2. The U12 team won the Northwest Ohio tournament, won three games to advance to the semi-finals in the Troy Classic tournament, and won three games to advance to the quarter finals in the highly respected. and recognized Washington Area Girls Soccer tournament in Washington D.C.

Local residents on the team included: Erin Deroo (Farmington), Kyle LaPorte (Livonia), Ashley Lynch, Michaela Pawlewicz, Erica Rose and Megan Mains (Farmington Hills).

Comet smashing

Bishop Borgess crushes Kalamazoo Christian 77-36 for trip to 'C' final

STATE PLAYOFFS

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER

Kalamazoo Christian basketball coach Bill Hoffman could stand watching the film of Redford Bishop Borgess' Class C state quarter final game against Sandusky.

He probably won't ask to see reruns

of Friday's semifinal between his team and Borgess, played in Central Michigan University's Rose Arena.

Borgess sprinted to a 31-9 halftime lead and cruised in the second half to a 77-36 victory before 1,310 fans.

The win put the Spartans, 26-1 overall, in the finals for the fourth time in the last five years. They played the winner of Friday's other semifinal between Hancock and Shelby in the championship game Saturday.

This wasn't the same Borgess team

Hoffman saw on film methodically beat Sandusky, 41-26, three days earlier.

"I thought coming in we had a shot based on what we saw on film," Hoffman said. "What we saw tonight. They didn't shoot a lick against Sandusky and tonight they shot the way they're capable of every night. We also saw tenacious half court defense."

Borgess made 30 of 47 (64 percent) and limited the Comets to 10 of 44 (23 percent), including 2 of 14 in the first half.

Borgess enjoyed a 34-25 rebounding edge and had 14 steals that led to fast break points. Junior forward Tiffany Simon had a game high 19 points and senior forward Koren Merchant had 18 points on 8 of 9 shooting.

Senior guard Christina Anderson had 12 points and six assists and junior forward Shermaine Drake had nine points and six steals.

The Borgess attack was so strong it needed only six points and five

Please see BORGESS, E3

Zebras ready for life without Guess

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

There are no 'Guessing Games' in area boys high school basketball for the first time in four years.

Lorzeno Guess, and his twin brother LaVelle, have gone on to college from Wayne Memorial high school.

That's a loss for fans of quality play and good kids, but feel no pity for Coach Chuck Henry of the Zebras.

Henry has coached more than 300 winners during his superlative high school career and a good two-thirds of them came before the Guess brothers appeared on the scene.

"This is the first year without Lorenzo in four years," said Henry, who loses four of

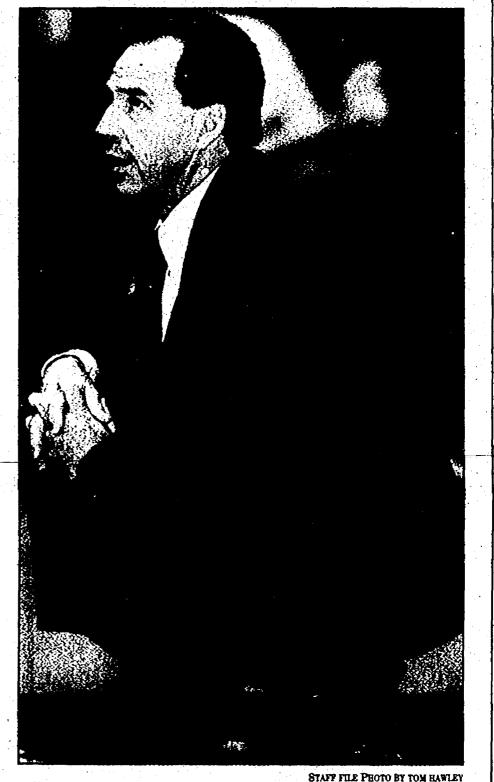
HOOP PREVIEW

Tim Newman, respectively.

All three must replace 3.5 starters but all three report positive things happening in their programs as they seek to restore Livonia basketball to a place of prominence in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

"I think Romulus is just loaded," said Henry, who is in the highest level (Red Division) of the Michigan Mega Conference. "I'm sure Plymouth Salem is looking for a big year with all the returning people they have.

"You have to start with who has the most coming back. Those are know of."



LHA Ducks win

The Livonia Hockey Association Mite Ducks won their divisional Farmington Hills Thanksgiving Hockey tournament. The Ducks, which is made of 8 and 9-year-olds, split their first two games, but finished strong relying on strong defense to win their final two games and capture the championship. The Ducks are coached by Jerry Harbowy and Tim Jahn.

Team members include: Kyle Bridges, Chad Cezon, Joseph Cummings, T.J. Gosselin, Jacob Harbowy, Ryan Hewitt, Mike Jahn, Justin Krauziewicz, Sean O'Neil, Matt Petrul, Josh Sidor, Mike Sherron (goalie-tourney MVP), T.J. Stencel, Marcus Voran (top scorer), Michael Voran and Jacob Wagaman. Assistant coaches include: Mark Voran, Richard Sherron, Kevin Hewitt, Jerry Cummings, Al Bridges and Don Sidor.

Tennis

Livonia residents Brady Crosby (boys 14), Erin Mazzoni (girls 12) and Kristen Palombo (girls 14) were invited to attend the United States Tennis Association Training Center (USTA) from September until May. The Detroit Area Training Centers are two of the 118 USTA Centers through out the country.

Forty of the most talented and promising boys and girls in the 12 and 14 and under groups were chosen based on their SEMTA and Western Rankings. The Training Center is an intense camp that is well coached by specially trained and selected group of coaches.

Crosby and Mazzoni are in the seventh grade at Holmes Junior High and Palombo is an eighth grader at St. Michael in Livonia. They play at the Sports Club in West Bloomfield.

Michigan United soccer

The Michigan United U13 boys of the Wayne-Westland Soccer Club took first place in the their open select division for the fall season.

Team players include: Wesley Boyde, Andy Brown, Steve Cox, Ryan Fazio, Mike Goethe, Ryan Leach, Chris Peck, Steve Thornton of Canton; Phil Garber, Alan Holt, Brad Karas, Jesse McCaffrey of Livonia; Clay Welton and Daniel Wong of Plymouth; Andy Rodger of Romulus and Carl Bednark and K.C. Dahn of Westland. Coaches are Jim Thornton and Mike Brown:

CC Grappiers Win

Redford Catholic Central's wrestling team opened its season with a victory Friday by trouncing Hazel Park, 46-21. Highlights for the Shamrocks were pins by Ed Lendrum and Mitch Hancock. Lendrum recorded his fall at 1:50 in his match at 119 pounds, while Hancock nailed his opponent to the mat in 1:29 in the match at 135.

five starters to graduation. "The first year in three without the others. They played as sophomores.

"We'll coach the kids who are here, and hopefully teach them some good things. The greatest thing is to see them succeed when they go on.

"You love to see them get degrees and be successful in whatever they chose."

All of Wayne's departed starters have gone on to college ball, not surprising since_ the core of the team produced some 60 victories in three years and were habitually regional champions.

With Lorenzo Guess now apparently in line for some significant playing time as a freshman at Michigan State, the mantle of the area's best player falls to Michiganbound center Chris Young of Detroit Catholic Central.

The Shamrocks have a nice mix of size, speed, post play, inside strength, experience and youth. They should be a poll power all season long.

Whether they emerge as a state power won't be known until March. Because CC is in the state district as Detroit Redford again this year and Redford has four starters back from the team which bumped them off last year.

Livonia Churchill, Franklin and Stevenson are in the second seasons for newcoaches Rick Austin, Dan Robinson and

"Our (WLAA) conference is going to be very strong again," Franklin's Robinson said. "I think Salem has to be a front runner. Walled Lake Central and Farmington Harrison will both be very tough as well.

"It's going to be a competitive league. We're really going to have to play well and play as a team to be successful.

"There are a lot of good programs in our league, where coaches do a good job of teaching the kids, teaching fundamentals. That's what we're trying to establish at Franklin.

Churchill's Austin-believes "Salem has got enough to run away with the conference title, but it's going to be real close for . the next few spots.

"It's going to be interesting. Our kids feel they can play with anybody now."

Stevenson's Newman feels the WLAA is blessed with 'quality teams and quality kids. Walled Lake Central has to be the front runner. They've got just about everybody back.

"The Plymouth schools, Canton and Salem, will be tough and Westland John Glenn has good athletes.

"You've got to be ready every night. And that's fun.'

Westland John Glenn has the talented

Please see BOYS BASKETBALL, E3

Fresh start: Wayne Memorial boys' basketball coach Chuck Henry has many new faces in his lineup.



Churchill dominates Franklin icers by five

The Livonia Franklin hockey team will have Jan. 23 circled on its calendar.

That will be the next time the Patriots get a chance to play rival Livonia Churchill and avenge Wednesday's 7-2 defeat.

Franklin was forced to play without five players in uniform and proved to be undermanned in its loss to the Chargers at Eddie Edgar Arena.

One of the players who missed the game was Franklin standout Greg Job, who was serving a suspension after being disqualified in the previous game.

Juniors Chuck Leight and Dan Cook score two goals apiece for Churchill, which improved to 3-1-1.

Leight opened the scoring just 1:34 into the game after scoring on a pass from Felix Jentzmilk, The Patriots tied the game three minutes later after a tally by Trevor Skocen (assisted by Erik Rakoczy).

Goals by Ed Rosssetto and Cook gave the Chargers a 3-1 lead after one peri-

HOCKEY

The Patriots (2-2 overall) scored its final goal on a power play. Tony Saia found the net after passes from Dave Tyler and Brandon McCullough. Churchill's B.J. Tehan countered with a power play goal to end the game's scoring. Jentzmilk recorded his third assist of the game on the play.

"The guys really get up for the Franklin game and it means a lot to them," Churchill coach Jeff Hatley said. I thought we played well, but we have to do a better job staying out of the box (Churchill was called for seven penalties)."

. The Chargers outshot Franklin, 39-20.

"We played very well against a very good hockey team," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said. "We adjusted some of our systems due to our short bench and Churchill's skills. There is no doubt that the next time we play Churchill that we will give them all they can handle.' STEVENSON 8, DEARBORN **UNITED 3**: The Spartans rebounded for a defeat earlier in the week with the help of a second-period hat trick by John May. Junior Matt McLeod made his first start in goal Friday night at Eddie

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL Show me the puck: Livonia Churchill's Jason Turri battles Franklin's Jeremiah White for control of the puck in Wednesday's battle of city teams. The Chargers went on to win the game easily, 7.2.

Churchill scored three more unanswered goals in the second period to take a commanding 6-1 lead. The second goal of the period was a shorthanded goal off the stick of Matt Grant. The play was set up by Brandon Martoia. A power play goal by Leight with two minutes left in the period gave Churchill its 6-1 lead.

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BOYS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Churchill, Franklin look for jump in WLAA standings; CC strong

WAYNE MEMORIAL

Head coach: Chuck Henry, 21st season. League affiliation: Michigan Mega Conference (Red Division).

Season opener: 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9, vs. Canton.

Last year's overall record: 24-2 (District. Regional champions)

Notable losses to graduation: Lorenzo Guess (MSU), LaVelle Guess (Kalamazoo Valtey CC), Richard Rashad (Saginaw Valley), Rodney Hurst (Albion).

- Loading returnees: Karl Calloway, 6-2, forward; Brian Williams, 6-2, guard.

Promising new starters: Quentin Turner, 6-7, forward; Shomari Dunn, 6-3, swing; Reddick Borkins, 5-8, guard; Alf Williams, 6-2, forward. - Henry's 1997-98 outlook: "I think it's going to be a fun season. There's a challenge. It's almost like a mystery -- even I don't know what's going to happen.

"We're an untested team. And our schedule is the toughest it's been since I've been at Wayne.

"Our early schedule includes two of the top five teams in the state - Romulus and River Rouge. Plus we play Belleville, Ypsilanti, Willow Run and Inkster.

- 'it's going to be fun from the standpoint that every game is going to be a challenge. "I say it's going to be fun. I hope it's going to be fun."

DETROIT CATHOLIC-CENTRAL

Head coach: Rick Coratti, fourth season. League affiliation: Detroit Catholic League (Central Division).

Season opener: 7:30 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9. at Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher.

Last year's overall record: 15-8. Notable losses to graduation: Marc McDon-

ald (Loyola, III.), Matt Martinez (Madonna), Brian Teesey (Wayne State football).

Leading returnees; Chris Young, 6-11, center (tendered to Michigan); Joe Jonna, guard; Nick Moore, 6-1, Junior, guard; Dave Lusky, 6 2. Junior, guard/forward; Don Stankster, 6-3, ` forward.

probably go to Chris a little more. He was our second-leading scorer and should emerge this year.

"Chris improved between his sophomore and junior years and he's improved again. He's getting stronger. He's finishing up almost everything inside now."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

Head coach: Mike Schuette, fourth season. League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Lakes Division). •

Season opener: 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9, at Ann Arbor Huron

Last year's overall record: 9-13. Notable losses: David Jarrett, John Becher, Brad Wilde graduated, Returning starter Justin Berent will miss season with a football knee injury.

Leading returnees: Jason Crofton, 6-1, forward; Reggie Spearmon, 5-10, junior, guard; Eric Jones, 6-0, sophomore, guard; James Harden, 6-2, forward.

Promising newcomers: Ty Haygood, 6-4, Junior, forward/center; Yahu Moton, 6-7. sophomore, center: Cornelius Murray, 6-3, junior, forward; Devin White, 6-0, junior, guard; Stevon Lawson, 6-0, junior, guard.

Schuette's 1997 98 outlook: 'The kids have worked real hard. They're doing a real good job in practice and seem to be coming together real good. They're working together well.

"There's a brand new attitude. We should be competitive this year.

"We'll be quick. We'll run. We'll get it down the floor real guick with our guards. And we should be able to do a good job under the boards.

"The key to our season is how well we stay together. If we play as a team and hustle, create some mistakes and capitalize on them, we'll do all right."

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

junior, forward; Michael Kennedy, 6-5, junior, center; Ryan Vickers, 5-10, junior, guard; Justin Jakes, 5-11, junior, guard; Jeff Palazzolo. 6-0, junior, forward.

Austin's 1997-98 outlook: "We're a lot more athletic than we were last year.

"We've developed a nice core of athletes. Our seniors, led by Corey Cook and Smith, will be excellent post-up players.

"I think so far they've done an excellent job in the low post, screening and blocking out and doing the fundamental things.

"Our best outside threat, Lamar Smith, has really improved his jump-shooting ability.

*Randall Boboige looks to be a good offensive threat as well. He's got great range and jump shooting ability.

"Right now the kids want to work hard. They believe they can finish in the top three in their (WLAA) division. Their goal is to make the conference tournament at the end of the season, be one of the top eight teams. *Defenskively, we'll continue to be aggressive. Our defense kept us in games last year.

"Now that we've developed some offensive firepower, we look to be much more competitive."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Head coach: Dan Robinson, second season

League affiliation: WLAA (Western Division).

Season opener: 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9, at Garden City.

Last year's overall record: 10-11. Notable losses to graduation: Matt Bau-

man, Pete Sosa, Paul Terek, Mike Klisz. Leading returnees: Nick Mongeau, 5-8. guard; Brian Facione, 6-3, guard; Eddie Wallace, 6-0, guard; Jay Fontaine, 6-3, forward. Promising newcomers: Dustin Kuras, 6-4.

junior, forward; Jacob Goedde, 6-3, forward.

Robinson's 1997-98 outlook: "We lost a lot from last year, of course, by losing a Division I

Koch, 6-2, junior, forward; Paul Bowers, 6-4, junior, forward; Brian Vermillion, 6-4, junior, forward; Marty Kennedy, 5-10, junior, guard; Brad McCrory, 6-0, junior, forward; Kesha McChristian, 6-0, sophomore, guard.

Newman's 1997-98 outlook: "We just want to keep improving.

'The league itself was a little bit more balanced last year. There seems to be a bigger split this year. There are a lot of teams with a lot of kids returning. We're not one of them.

"It's how quickly they can buy into what we're doing and improve, so we can be competitive. Thats what we're looking for at this point. Our kids are working real hard right now, and that's encouraging.

"We'll pretty much do what we did last year - go up-tempo when we can, picking and choosing our spots. We'll run a variety of defenses, depending upon whom we play, what we need to do.

"We have very little game experience, so we don't know how quickly these kids are going to come around."

LUTHERAN WESTLAND

Head coach: Dan Ramthun, second season, League affiliation: Metro Conference. Season opener: 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9, vs. Dearborn St. Alphonsus.

Last year's overall record: 11-10. Notable losses to graduation: Joe Pruchnik, Kevin Wade, Ben Meyer.

Leading returnees; Brad Woehlke, 6-5, forward. Jake Hatten, 6-0, guard.

Promising newcomers: Scott Randall, 5-9, guard: Tom Habitz, 6-2, junior, forward: Jason James, 6-0; center; Dustin Campbell, 5-8, guard; Brian Spoljarick, 6-0, guard.

Ramthun's 1997-98 outlook: "We're a smaller, inexperienced team than a year ago.

"But overall we're a quicker team. We could be a better overall ball-handling and shooting team. Hopefully our team quickness



Promising newcomers: Rob Sparks, 6-2, sophomore, guard; Justin Ockerman, 6-9. freshman, center.

Coratti's 1997-98 outlook: "We have a chance to be a pretty good team, if things fall into place. If all the young kids come along. "With Chris, Nick Moore and Joe, they played almost 32 minutes a game last year. so the kids have a lot of experience. And everybody's healthy.

"It's going to be spread around a little more with Marc McDonald gone but we'll

Head coach: Rick Austin, second season. League affiliation: WLAA (Western Division)

Season opener: 7 p.m., Tues:, Dec. 9, vs. Dearborn

Last year's overall record: 3-18. Notable losses to graduation: Shawn Woloszyn, Kevin Renaud, Matt Van Buren. Leading returnees: Corey Cook, 6-3, forward; Dale Smith, 6-2, forward; George Keithas, 6-3, junior, guard; Lamar Smith, 6-1, guard; Eric Uhlinger, 6-0, guard. Promising newcomers: Randall Boboige, 6-

C, sophomore, guard; Ryan Kearney, 6-1,

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player plus several other key players. "We're definitely not as big as we were last year. However we should be quicker. We need to use that to our advantage.

"We're inexperienced, so I've been telling people we're teaching an old dog new tricks. "We can't really play the way we have in the past. The faster we pick that up, learning the new styles, the more successful we can be.'

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Head coach: Tim Newman, second season. League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division), Season opener: 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9, vs. Wyandotte.

Last year's overall record; 6-14. Notable losses to graduation: All five starters - Scott Babinski, Ed Szumlanski, Tyrone Davidson, Wayne Bowers, Mike Potem-

Leading returnees: Mike Blazaitis, 6-0, guard; Bill Bauer, 6-1, guard; Bryan Schleif, 6-3. forward: Mike Voutsinas, 6-4. forward.

Promising newcomens: Dave Stando, 5-11, junior, guard; Matt Freeborn, 6-0, junior, guard; Ryan Tobin, 6-2, junior, forward; Brett

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and speed might allow us to do some different things from a defensive standpoint.

"If we get there (11-10) again, it would be a pretty good accomplishment. "But we've got a lot of seniors, they've

been working pretty hard and they're pretty good leaders. So who knows?"

HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN

Head coach: Bill Ohlsson, first season. League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Season opener: 7:30 p.m., Tues., Dec. 9. vs. Taylor Light & Life

Last year's overall record; 1-18. Notable loss to graduation: John Nielson. Leading returnees: Jeremy Zahn, 5-10, senior, guard; Tom Husby, 5-10, senior, guard; Jared Ridenour, 6-0, senior, center; Nick Wisniske, 5-8, senior, guard; Jason Bytner, 6-1, junior, forward/center; Adam Davidson, 5-10, junior, guard; Brian Johnson, 6-4, junior, center: Pat Hoepner, 5-10, junior, guard.

Promising newcomers: Alan Kleinke, 5-11 sophomore, forward/center. Ohisson's 1997-98 outlook: "We have a

nice group of nine players that we will rotate in and out and we liven't be losing much. "We won't overpower anybody with size or

height, but we're a quick team and very balanced. "We have some good outside threats with Jeremy (Zahn) and Tom (Husby), and I think Brian (Johnson) and Alan (Kleinke) are

improved and a pair to watch for this year. "We'll be aggressive and look to push the ball any chance we get. We'll be a pressing

team which should lead to some easy baskets. There's a new attitude on the team and the guys are working extremely hard and getSTAFF FILE PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

He's back: Wayne Memorial's Brian Williams will be one of the Zebras' leaders in 1997-98.

Marian, Country Day advance to state finals

The girls basketball teams from Birmingham Marian and Detroit Country Day were one win away from state championships in their respective classes after winning state semifinal games Thursday and Friday.

Detroit Country Day, the 1995 Class B state champion, defeated Flint Powers Catholic, the defending Class B champ, in Friday's semifinal game 59-42 at Central Michigan University's Rose Arena.

The Yellow Jackets (26-1) met Saginaw Swan Valley (25-2) in yesterday's Class B state championship game.

The Class B semifinal was close throughout the first half with the Yellow Jackets holding a slim 29-28 halftime lead. The teams traded baskets through the first three minutes of the third quarter before DCD went on a 13-0 spurt to break the game open.

Powers did not score until the 6:28 mark of the fourth quarter and by that time Country Day had a 12-point lead (48-36).

"Their desire and attitude that they had all year showed in the third quarter," DCD coach Frank Orlando said. "They weren't going to be denied. I felt all along we were going to win."

Jennifer Thomas played another strong game for Country Day. The jupior center scored a game-high 23 points and cleared 11 rebounds. She netted 12 of those points in the fourth quarter while playing with four fouls. Junior forward Katharine Hanks finished with 18 points and seven rebounds. Freshman forward Suzanne Morrison grabbed nine rebounds and sophomore guard Lindsey Smith had eight assists.

Birmingham Marian, the defending Class A state champion, qualified for this year's title game with Thursday's 56-52 overtime victory over Detroit Martin Luther King at Rose Arena. The Mustangs (22-4) played undefeated Grand Rapids Christian (27-0) yesterday in the Class A state championship game.



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Borgess whips K'zoo 77-36

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> Koren Merchant -Borgess basketball player

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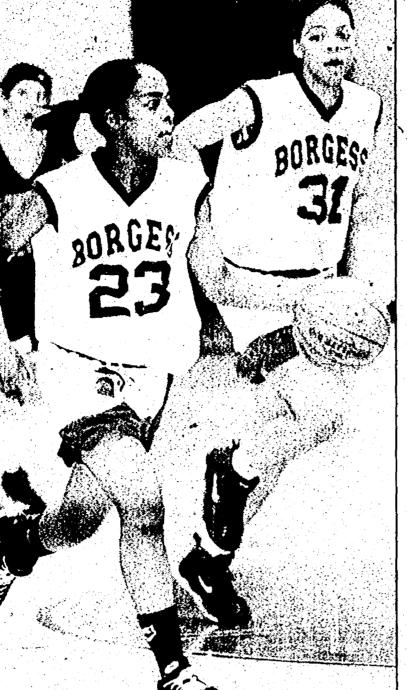
Borgess has now beat its six playoff opponents by an average margin of 35.7 points.

A 19-point win over Riverview Gabriel Richard in the region semifinal was the closest margin.

"I think we're the best team inthe state so we should beat everybody by 35.7 points, I guess," said Merchant. "In practice, coach (Dave) Mann told us our motto was, 'in defense we trust.'

"If we don't make our shots its alight, just make sure they don't make one."

Candace Kool scored 11 points for the Comets, wich finished 23-4 overall.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Movin': Bishop Borgess' Christina Anderson scored 12 points against Kalamazoo Friday night.

Boys basketball from page E1

Eric Jones, a sophomore who after just one season has become one the area's top talents.

The Rockets will have guards and young frontcourt personnel and might be a team that will be a lot tougher by February. John Glenn suffers from being in the same division of the WLAA as Salem and Walled Lake Central but that could be a blessing by season's end.

Rick Coratti at Detroit Catholic Central has the same goals his WLAA counterparts have - a conference title, postseason tournament and the state tournament.

"We take it a step at a time and build it from there," he said. "The Detroit Catholic League is important to us. And we're the three-time defending champions. The state tournament is important to everyone. You build to that."

Part of that building is putting some meat in your pre-conference schedule. This year Coratti has CC in the River Rouge holiday tournament (Dec. 26-27).

"That should be tough. River Rouge and (Detroit St. Martin) de Porres are in and we play de Porres in the opener.

"Redford Bishop Borgess is

going to be very good. (Warren) DeLaSalle is supposed to be - laner during free throws until pretty good and Birmingham Brother Rice is a big rival for us -- besides all the others."

In the Metro Conference, Lutheran Westland's Ramthun believes "Hamtramck will probably be the favorite again. (Grosse Pointe) University-Liggett and (Harper Woods) Lutheran East will probably be right up there also. That looks like the top three.

Bill Ohlsson takes over for Tod Bartholomew at Huron Valley Lutheran. He tabs Fairlane as the team to beat in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

He has 18-point scorer Jeremy Zahn, who holds the school single-game record of 43 points, as his key returnee.

"It should be different this. year." Ohlsson said. "There is a new attitude and the guys are working hard. We're a balanced team with nine players. We're fast but not big.'

Rules changes of note include not permitting players to encroach on the paint area (the the ball touches iron.

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Teams also had a full timeout taken away, replaced with a pair of 20-second timeouts, during which players must remain on the floor.

"I don't think the rules changes are going to matter," Coratti said. "The biggest one is the free throw rule.

"It's going to be interesting with the 20-second timeout. It could be a momentum changer. There are a lot of times in game where you want to stop the game. That's going to be nice."

The new free throw rule, Austin said, could aid quickness:

"We enforced it at summer camp," he said. "It livens things up in the key on free throws. It used to be that the defensive team challenged for most of the rebounds.

"It's not going to be that way. Guys with quick hands and quickness will be getting a lot of buckets off free throws.

"Kids will learn. They're flexible and they adapt."



Hockey from page E1

Edgar Arena and turned back 16 of 19 shots. "It was his first start and he played with a lot of confidence," Stevenson coach Mike Harris said. "We're glad to be back on the winning track."

Stevenson took a 3-0 lead after one period was as up 8-2 after two. Mike Zientarski, Mike period as the Spartans piled up a 13-4 margins in shots

more than 2,500 students. The combined school format doesn't bother Hatley.

"We're not opposed to playing combined schools even though they have more students to draw from because we want to play the best competition," the Churchill coach said. "We feel fortunate that we

Ryan Sinks sandwiched goals around the first goal of May's second-period hat trick.

Sinks and May also had assists in the opening period. Tim Allen, Wilson, Bill Marshall and Mike Walsh also had two assists in the game.

Zientarski, Roy Rabe, Mike McCowan, Steven Anderson and Darin Fawkes each recorded one assist. The Spartans had 37 shots on net.

"It was a combination of many things," Harris said: "It was a solid team effort. Our kids realized it was a conference game. They played like they're capable of playing.

"They showed a lot of intensity. When we play like this, we should win many, many, many more.

"May was outstanding, but it was a bigger night for Matt McLeod."

Stevenson improved to 5-0 in the league and 5-2 overall

•CHURCHILL 3, TROY 3: On Thursday, the Chargers played to a tie in front of a packed crowd in Troy.

Brandon Martoia recorded a playmaker (three assists) as Churchill rallied from a 2-0 deficit.

Matt Wysocki got the Chargers on the scoreboard on a power play goal midway through the second period. A shorthanded goal by Matt Grant early in the third period tied the game at 2-2.

The Chargers took the lead when Dan Cook scored 5:28 into the final period (Martoia and Adam Krug recorded the assists). Troy tied the game with six minutes remaining.

"We dominated the game, but their goaltender" stood on his head and made some great saves." said Hatley, whose team held a 40-20-shot advantage

The Troy squad combines players from both Troy High and Troy Athens, with each school enrolling

Radakovich and Willie Wilson scored in the first don't have only one team from Livonia. There are good athletes at Churchill and we don't need to be in that situation.'

> **•REDFORD UNION 7, WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 2:** Redford Union took an easy victory over visiting Walled Lake Central Thursday.

> Joel Halliday netted three goals and an assist for the Panthers (2-4) and notminder Mike O'Keefe stopped 21 Viking shots for the win. Redford Union led 3-0 after one period and took a 5-0 lead into the third-

> Other Panther goal scorers were: David Aird, Andy Dornfried, Mike Karath and Tim Kennedy. Jarrett Noble and Brad Geister added assists

> For Walled Lake Central (1-4), Brian Shelferly and Chris Pyzik each had a goal.

> •BIRMINGHAM UNITED 7, STEVENSON 5: Late-game lapses cost the Spartans on Wednes-

> day's non-conference game at Eddie Edgar Arena. A pair of late second-period penalties let Birmingham United start the final session with a two-

> man advanta_be, trailing 5-3. Two power play goals deadlocked the score, 5-5,

> and Birmingham cashed in on another penalty to take a 6-5 lead. Stevenson pulled its goalie late in the game even though it was short-handed at the time and Birmingham notched an empty net goal with 16 seconds to play. Sophomore Chris McComb played goal for the Spartans.

> Ryan Sinks scored Stevenson's lone goal in the first period, which ended 1-1.

> Darin Fawkes scored twice with Jeff Lang and John May also notching goals to give the Spartans a 5-3 lead after two periods.

> Fawkes also had two assists while Lang, Sinks, May and Mike Walsh had one piece.

> "This was a perfect example of being undisciplined," Coach Mike Harris said. "When you take unintelligent penalties, they come back to haunt you.

Madonna drills Albion by 32

Madonna University's women's basketball team continued its stellar play, jumping on top of visiting Albion College by 20 points by halftime Thursday en route³to an 85-53 non-conference triumph.

The win pushed the Lady Crusaders' record to 5-2. Albion is now winless in five games.

Again, junior guard Katie Cushman - who was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference player of the week after averaging 28 points and 7.5 assists in two victories - helped jump-start Madonna.

Cushman scored 15 points (on 6-of-8 shooting, including 3-of-4 on three-pointers), dished out four assists and had three steals in the triumph. She shared center-stage with Chris Dietrich, who connected on 7-of-9 shots (3-of-4 on threes) while scoring 20 points.

All nine of the remaining Crusaders scored as well in the rout, in which Madonna led 45-25 at halftime. Neither Cushman nor Dietrich played

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more than 22 minutes.

Dawn Pelc added nine points and eight rebounds; Angie Negri added nine points, six assists and two steals; and Mary Murray totalled six points, seven rebounds and seven steals.

Schoolcraft 126, Lambton 54 (men): Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team ran its record to an impressive 6-2 with an easy victory over visiting Lambton (Ont.) University Wednesday.

Five Ocelots reached double-figures in scoring as SC got off to its best start to a season in more than a decade.

Kevin Melson led the Ocelot barrage with 31 points. David Jarrett (from Westland John Glenn) scored 20, Emeka Okonkwo and Dan Gomez chipped in with 12 aprece, and Jimar Eddins totaled 10.

Whalers top Oshawa Generals

It's nice to be home.

Nov. 29 against the Oshawa David Legwand continued his Generals. It took overtime for offensive assault for Plymouth, the Whalers, but they did prevail collecting two goals and assisting on a third Legwand still by a 4-3 count.

Certainly the Plymouth Whalers are developing a warm feeling for their 15-month-old residence, Compuware Arena, And why not? The Whalers are riding an 11 game winning streak on their home ice. The latest in this streak came

The game-winner came from leads the first-year players in team captain Andrew Taylor. He the Ontario Hockey League in scoring with 26 goals and 15 didn't waste much time, either, knocking home the winning goal assists for 41 points. He is fifth just 27 seconds into OT in the OHL in scoring.

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North Farmington pitching ace signs with Michigan

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

One way or another Jeff Trzos is headed for a dream team.

The 8-foot-5 North Farmington left-handed pitcher has signed a national letter of intent to throw baseballs for the University of Michigan next fall.

"Over 130 colleges were recruiting Jeff to play baseball," said his father, Ron Trzos. "All the top 20 that you hear about all the time, the Southern schools, were really after him.

"Ninety offered him a complete education. He really had a choice."

It's that way when you're left-handed, buzz a fastball in excess of 90 miles per hour — with control — can break off a nice curve and mix in a changeup.

But first the multi-talented athlete must negotiate his high school season. And maybe a professional baseball contract after that.

The major league teams are more than a little interested.

Right-handers who throw in the 90s can be found on every big league roster. Lefties who can banks, Alaska.

"I'll listen, definitely," Trzos said, "I'm anxious, You're not really sure where you're at until the draft comes around.

"It would be hard to turn down a college education, though. That would be a tough decision. Luckily, I've got a couple of months to make it."

Coach Geoff Zahn of Michigan, who last year lost recruit Ryan Anderson to the pros, has a bundle of hot prospects in his bid to make the Wolverines a national power in collegiate baseball.

"He's made the recruiting coups of the century,' Ron Trzos said. "He's telling people that if football equals Pasadena, baseball equals Omaha (site of the College World Series)."

Among the recruits Zahn has allegedly assembled are Andy Brown, a southpaw similar to Trzos who comes from Bloomington, Ind., and possibly another North Farmington southpaw, Kirk Taylor.

David Parrish, a catcher like his famous father Lance, has a shot to start as a freshman this spring and the Wolverines reportedly have a hotshot shortstop, Scott Tousa, a junior college transfer.

Brighton's Drew Henson signed a football tender should help there.

bring it are as rare as January sunshine in Fair- but his pitching and hitting credentials probably will get him drafted in the first round by some team

> "I hope the pros don't get too many of them," Ron Trzos said. "I'd like to see them take Michigan back to its former flory. But the money is just incredible."

> Trzos has gotten a lot of help from Jeff Kaiser, former major league pitcher who now helps kids out of the Downriver Baseball Center.

> Kaiser is a left-hander who's seen the ups and downs of major and minor league life. He pitched with Oakland, Detroit and Toronto as well as in the Tigers' minor league system.

> "He's really a nice guy," Ron Trzos said. "Jeff started seeing him some time ago. He really made some very demonstrable strides.

> "He helped me with my mechanics overall," Trzos said. "my balance, weight transfer, arm motion, making sure I'm square to the plate when I follow through."

> He's made the necessary adjustments at every level to get where he is today. Now he's got to push even harder to continue his climb.

Coming from a family of athletes and scholars

Ron Trzos played baseball as a youngster but .: couldn't get anywhere with it because "I ran in the same spot too long, as they say."

Older brother Bill preceeded Jeff at North Farmes ington and is majoring in criminal justice, with an at eye on an FBI career, at Michigan State Universi-

An even older sister also went to Michigan State. graduating in microbiology and psychology and continuing her education.

Staying close to family is one of the things that influenced Jeff to stick close to home with his choice of a college.

Michigan won out over UCLA, Pepperdine, Stan ford and Florida Atlantic.

"The Florida schools all said, You're going to be playing the top teams in the country if you sign with us.' Ron Trzos said. "The Texa's schools and the California schools all said, 'You're going to be playing the top schools in the country if you sign with us.'

"But Zahn said, 'We're going to play the best schedule we can (in the spring), then come back and play in the Big Ten and then try to get to the College World Series.' They're going to play all the teams he would have been playing anyway."

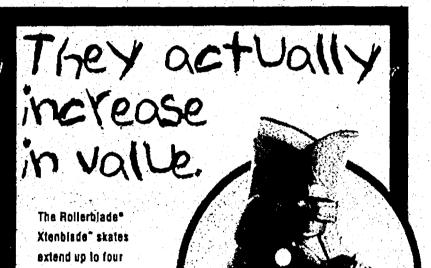
Canton could be facing first rebuilding season in years

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

Time's up, Dan Young. The Plymouth Canton basketball coach is entering his fourth season as head coach, and for the

first time he's doing so without a proven, dangerous lineup. "We're kind of redoing the

whole thing," said Young, who has taken Canton to one Western Lakes Activities Association



WLAA Tournament. titles (they've won four in a row) and a pair of state district tournament

> championships. In his three previous years, six players have gone on to play college-level basketball.

What the Chiefs lack this year is that stand-out kind of talent. Only one player returns from last year's top seven: Joe Cortellini, a 5-foot-11 junior guard who averaged about seven points a game, with a high of 21 vs. Farmington Harrison.

"He's a good shooter and a through it yet.

championship, three-straight smart player," said Young.

Six seniors have graduated. One who's back is Eric Larsen, a 6-4 post player who saw limited playing time last season. "He's a good rebounder and a good athlete," said Young.

Replacing those six graduated players, from a 16-7 team, will not be easy. Young admits it will take time to develop his team and determine roles.

"It's a new group, but they're working hard," he said. "I have a lot of young kids. They're good players, they just haven't been

"I think we'll see a real lot of improvement as the year goes on. We'll build as the season goes and hopefully, we'll be able to compete by season's end."

Three juniors Young will be looking to for some help are Scott Samulski, a 6-5 forward who's "a good perimeter player, but he must improve his defense and rebound for us"; Nate Rau, a 6-2 swingman who's "strong around the basket"; and Jason Darow, a 6-4 forward who Young wants "defense and rebounding" from.

who will get a long look, too Jason Waidman, a 6-4 forward with size and shooting ability Dan McLean, a 6-2 swingman who has displayed a good feel for the game; and Justin Romer, a 2 6-foot guard who's a good, solid worker.

A pair of freshmen Nick Cabauaton, a 5-10 guard with good quickness and shooting and Oliver Wolcott, a 5-11 guard with strong shooting and deci sion-making skills could get some playing time as well.

There are some sophomores

THE WEEK AHEAD

John Glenn at Wayne, 7 p.m. Salem at A.A. Huron, 7 p.m. L'Wsd at Annapolis, 7 p.m. Lakeland at Churchill, 7:30 p.m Monroe at Canton, 7:30 p.m. Clarenceville at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m. PCA Eagle semifinal, 7:30 p.m. Huron Valley at MLHS Tourney, TBA. Saturday, Dec. 13 Andover at Farmington, 2 p.m. PCA Eagle championship, 7 p.m. Huron Valley at MLHS Tourney, TBA MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Wednésday, Dec. 10 Madonna at Wayne State, 7 p.m. Schoolcraft at Owens Tech, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 OCC at K'zoo Valley Tourney, 5:30 p.m Saturday, Dec. 13 OCC at K'zoo Valley, 2 or 4 p.m. Grand Rapids at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Thursday, Dec. 11 Wayne State at Madonna, 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 Madonná at Lake Superior, 5:30 p.m. PREP HOCKEY Wednesday, Dec. 10 Churchill vs. Redford Union. Franklin vs. Lapeer West

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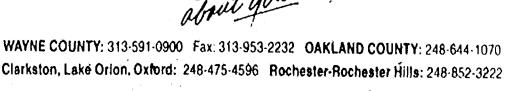
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ment bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every

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BIRDING BASICS

An introduction to bird identification, field guides, binoculars and techniques will be offered beginning at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.-

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Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

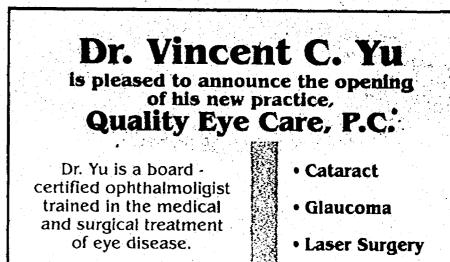
HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Create hand-made gifts for the holidays during this craft session, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at Independence Oaks.

STATE PARKS

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Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

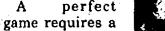


Perfect game requires lots of skill

Everyone knows that it takes 12 strikes in a

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row to bowl a 300 game. Easy to say, but not very easy to do. A



does not know if his feat set any records for a senior league bowler, or for any bowler at the tender age of 63.

Cloverlanes in Livonia also had some 300 games to get excited about as Hall-of-Famer Aleta Sill

Mike Troy, 244/725.

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth): Powertrains -Dale Ling, 277-198-214/689.

Waterford Men - Tom Truxal, 266-266-•The All-Star Bowlerettes at 233/765; Mike Langston, 254-233-226/713; Andre Roy, 244-204-243/691; Russ Belanger. 279-255-227/761; Rich Planko, 266-205-255/726; Jon Demeter, 237-243-224/704; Rusinek 649 Saturday Night Mixed - Tiffany Harvey,

703. Thursday Gals - Tammy Wilbur, 600. Men's Friday Night Invitational - Robbie

Cook, 300; Bill Reynolds, 300. Wednesday Merchants - Derrick Jasper.

SNACKS WITH SANTA

lot of skill, concentration and perhaps a certain amount of luck. The long string of consecutive strikes creates an excitement in



this sport that is truly unique to bowling.

Even with the high-tech equipment available to bowlers, the 300 game is still quite a feat but what about two in a row? It happened last week at Bowl One Lanes in Troy by 63-year old Hurston "Wally" Wallace.

Wally started play in the Frank Gavie Supply Senior Classic League with a 220 game, and yes fellow bowlers, that is a decent game. Now the rest of the story.

Wally finished the first game with three strikes and went the rest of the day without having to make a spare for he kept throwing strikes — 27 in a row.

He admitted he was just hoping to achieve his first 800 series, which he did with an 820, but around the middle of the last game, he started thinking about another 300.

Wally credits Bud's Pro Shop in Waterford for setting up his Columbia 'Boss' just right. The right equipment at the right time can do some amazing things on the lanes.

Wally, a Lake Orion resident,

rolled a perfect game last Monday in the first game.

When asked how many perfect games she had recorded, Sill responded "about 26 or so, I think." Even with that many 300 games the thrill is still there and it makes for an exciting evening.

The evening became more exciting when Detroiter Rose Edwards fired her very first 300 game. Edwards, who is a fifth grade teacher, is a veteran bowler and this was her greatest thrill.

Edwards is a member of the Riverside Ford Team which had enjoyed a perfect game several weeks earlier, courtesy of teammate Gwen Finley.

Edwards was averaging 191 in the league, but her 724 series vill boost that average up a bit.

Lisa Bishop gave the gals a run for the money with 279 and 278 games and a 763 series, but that was topped by Karen Hagan's 783 series, which included a 269 game. Other top games were turned in by: Mickey Webb, 279; Consuela Cleveland, 269; Lisa McLenahan, 256; and Carmen Allen, 256.

It was a hot time on the lanes last week.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Super Bowl (Canton): Super Tuesday -Todd Spitz, 299/748; Rick Lang, 290/764; Jim Jesson, 270/726; Dennis Archer, 269/784; Jack McGrail, 267(734; Mickey Higham, 269/715; Terry Edward), 258/718;

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Mayflower Lanes (Redford): Good Neighbors - Stella Sarnocki, 199-196/553; Gail Galitz, 220/552

Wednesday Men's Senior Classic (Nov. 26) - Bill Britton, 279/629; Phil Horowitz, 238-217-227/682; Roy Lince, 246-255/693; Howard Davis, 215-238-212/665; Tom Pawlowski; 268/648.

Wednesday Men's Senior Classic (Dec. 2) Hunt, 245/604; Ted Kress, 234-215-223/672; John Bierkamp, 246-225/652; Phil Horowitz, 247-255-269/771.

Friday Seniors - Owen Southard, 229/655; Gene Pike, 235/650; Chet Zajac. 239/632; Roger Dinsmore, 243/603 (85 pins over avg.); Stan Wesner, 235/600.

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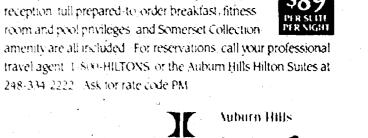
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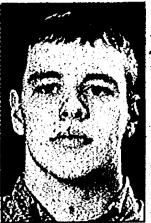
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State champions dominate All-Area team

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FOOTBALL

1997 ALL OBSERVER FOOTBALL TEAM

LINEMEN

Sr. Brian Lewis (6-1, 250) Farm. Harrison Sr. Noah Swartz (6-5, 288) John Glenn Sr. Matt Lawson (6-6, 290) Liv, Franklin Sr. Mike Fisher (6-3, 255) Farm, Harrison TIGHT END

Sr. Don Slankster (6-3, 225) Redford CC

WIDE RECEIVER

Jr. Ricky Bryant (61, 155) Farm, Harrison Sr. Justin Villanueva (6-4, 190) Clarencev. Soph: Eric Jones (5-11, 183) John Glenn QUARTERBACKS

Sr. Jared Hopkins (6-3, 200) Harrison Sr. Adam Tubaro (6-2, 198) Redford CC RUNNING BACKS

Jr. Reggie Spearmon (5-9, 175) Wd. Glenn Sr. Chris Dueweke (6-1, 225) Redford CC Sr. Anthony Grech (5-9, 185) Liv. Franklin Sr. Kirk Moundros (6-2, 205) North Farm.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

Jr. Brett Foster (6-1, 205) Farm. Harrison Sr. Chuck Spolsky (5 11, 200) Redford CC Sr. Matt Struble (6-2, 195) Farm, Harrison Sr. Mike Carroll (6-1, 215) Redford CC

LINEBACKERS

Sr. Sean Heard (5-10, 225) John Glenn Jr. Mike Hoad (6-1, 200) Farm, Harrison Sr. Sean Clark (5-11, 215) N. Farmington Sr. Joe Sgroi (6-0, 215) Redford CC Sr. Brett Wells (6-2, 215) Liv. Churchill Sr. Brett Burleson (6-0, 190) Ply. Salem

BY DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITER

North Farmington's football program had struggled through losing seasons in recent years, but the Raiders came roaring back in 1997.

After finishing 1-8 a year ago, North Farmington rebounded with a 6-3 record this year.

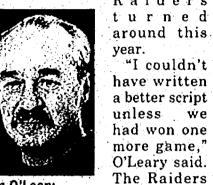
It was the school's first winning season since 1991 and a fitting farewell to coach Jim O'Leary, who retired after 15 years as head coach.

O'Leary has been named Observerland Coach of the Year for the job he did getting the Raiders

"I couldn't

would have

made



Jim O'Leary N. Farmington

the Class A playoffs if they had. "We had a winning season with a team no one expected to have a winning season. The kids played as hard as they could and believed in themselves. It was a great group of seniors to graduate with.' O'Leary, 55, will continue to teach biology classes at North. He coached football there for 33 years and had a 75-61 record as a varsity head coach. Observerland can boast of having the Class A and AA state champions, and the coaches of those teams, John Herrington (Farmington Harrison) and Tom-Mach (Redford Catholic Central), deserve recognition, too. Herrington's Hawks (13-0) won the Class A crown and their eighth state title. Mach's Shamrocks (12-1) are the AA winners and five-time state champions.

Bryant was Harrison's big-play, deep-pass threat. A three-year starter on offense, he had 42 receptions for 858 yards and nine touchdowns.

He also returned punts and kickoffs. He had a punt return for a TD and one rushing touchdown. He was third in scoring with 72 points.

Bryant has also started for two years at free safety. He was first in interceptions (five) and fifth in tackles (85).

"Overall, Ricky is the most talented player on our team," Herrington said. "1 think he has a chance to make All-America next year. That's saying a lot, I know, but he has the talent. He'll be a four-year starter, and not even John Miller did that."

(Miller played four years on the varsity from 1981-84 but didn't start as a freshman.)

Justin Villanueva, end, Clarenceville: He caught 26 passes for 919 yards and eight touchdowns. He also returned two kickoffs for touchdowns and averaged 27 yards per kick return, 19 on punts.

Villanueva was an outside linebacker on defense and made 36 tackles.

"He's an electrifying football player," coach Chuck Donaldson said. "He was a threat to go all the way every time he touched the ball. He mixes size with speed; he's 6-foot-4 and runs well."

Eric Jones, wide receiver, John Glenn: There was no such thing as a sophomore jinx for Jones, who made 38 catches for 597 yards and six touchdowns.

"He was excellent at catching the ball in traffic," Gordon said. "He was a key guy on our team; he was a game-breaker. He just got better as the year went along."

Jared Hopkins, guarterback, Harrison: Hopkins was a three-year varsity player

He's a former fullback who volunteered to fill a need on offense as a sophomore.

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Foster was tough against the run, finishing third with 71 tackles. He also recovered a fumble for a key touchdown in the WLAA championship game and had an Interception.

"He was outstanding at pulling and blocking on the corner," Herrington said. "As a defensive end, he was very tough to move. His technique was excellent."

Chuck Spolsky, lineman; Redford CC: Spolsky was a two-year starter who played offensive guard and defensive tackle. He had 58 tackles (20 solos) and five sacks. His interception in the state final led to CC's first touchdown in a 23-7 victory.

"He was a great two-way player," Mach said. "He has great quickness and tenacity: a couple times he almost dominated. the game. He played much bigger than he was. He did a heckuva job against people who outweighed him."

Matt Struble, lineman, Harrison: Struble became a two-way starter this year and played well on both sides of the ball as an offensive guard and defensive end.

He made it difficult for opposing backs to get upfield, stringing out a play to the sideline. He made 65 tackles and was second in sacks (seven).

"He comes from a family of good football players," Herrington said. "He was the smallest of our lineman but did an outstanding job. He could stop the screen pass and was a good pass rusher. He stayed home to handle the reverse and counters."

Mike Carroll, lineman, Redford CC: Carroll was a tough, aggressive player at defensive end and a major reason the Shamrocks were so good on defense





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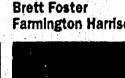


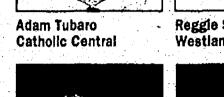
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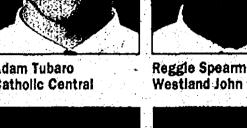
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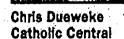








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COACH OF THE YEAR Jim O'Leary-North Farmington High School

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FIRST-TEAM OFFENSE

Brian Lewis, lineman, Harrison: Lewis was a three-year starter on the offensive line, playing center the last two years, and called all of the blocking schemes.

He also started two years on defense, moving from end to tackle this year. Lewishad 63 total tackles and led the team with eight sacks. His last game, in the Silverdome for the state championship, might have been his best. He had eight. tackles, stole the ball from a Midland Dow back to set up a TD and recovered another fumble.

"He was a great team leader; we could always count on him," coach John Herrington said. "He was a leader on and off the field. He always knew who to block and was very tough to move when playing defense.

Noah Swartz, lineman, John Glenn: Swartz was a devastating blocker and dominating player at offensive tackle. He made nearly every post-season honor team and will play college ball. Totedo has already offered a scholarship.

"He's one of the best linemen we've ever had at John Glenn," coach Chuck Gordon said. "He has good balance, quick feet. He just keeps getting better and better."

Matt Lawson, lineman, Franklin: Lawson was a two-tackle for the Patriots and a repeat selection on the All-Observer first team. He carries a 3.3 grade point and is destined to play college ball. Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Toledo and Michigan State have expressed interest.

"He was the No. 1 guy on our team and one of the reasons we did have some success," coach Rick Lee said. "He was a lot more aggressive this year. He got after . people; he was quicker and stronger."

Mike Fisher, Ilneman, Harrison: Fisher was a three-year starter at right tackle on offense and a major reason the Harrison offensive line was so effective and highly regarded by opposing coaches.

He was a force on defense, too. As a two-way tackle, Fisher helped make the Hawks strong against the run. He was fourth on the tackle chart (67) and third in sacks with six,

"He's a big time prospect," Herrington said. "For a lineman, he could operate in the open field whether blocking or tackling. He was a captain who led by example, a very solid player."

Don Slankster, tight end, Redford CC: Slankster wasn't just a blocking tight end: He caught 28 passes for 485 yards and 12 touchdowns. He was second in . scoring behind Chris Dueweke. the probably made more big plays for usias a receiver than anyone I can renterber." Mach said. "He made tremendous catches when we needed them. When we got down, we usually went to him; he was so reliable. His speed and hands really made him a threat." Ricky Bryant, wide receiver, Harrison:

who became a starter this year and performed as well as Harrison quarterbacks before him, leading the Hawks to an eighth state championship.

He completed 59 percent of his passes (100 of 169) for 1,691 yards and 19 touchdowns. His TD pass to interception ratio was nearly 3-to-1 with just seven picks.

"He had an outstanding senior year. and he was a good team leader." Herrington said. "He was very good at throwing out of the pocket. He handled the offense well and made some excellent automatic calls."

Adam Tubaro, guarterback, CC: Tubaro also stepped into a starting role as a senior and led⁴the Shamrocks to a state championship. CC was more of a passing team, too, with Tubaro throwing for 1,229 yards and 17 touchdowns with only five interceptions. He completed 86 of 163 pass attempts for 53 percent. Tubaro also rushed for 223 yards and two touchdowns.

"He's like an extra coach on the staff," Mach said. "He does such a fine job of leading and setting an example for the rest of the team. He has all the qualities to become a good quarterback in college. He made plays when we had to have them."

Reggie Spearmon, back, John Glenn: Spearmon carried the ball 219 times for 1,259 yards and 11 touchdowns. It was his second-straight season over 1,000 yards. He also caught 13 passes for 100 yards. Spearmon played defense, too.

"We ask an awful lot of our tailback," Gordon said. "He rarely came off the field. He played well all the way around for us.*

Chris Dueweke, back, Redford CC: Dueweke filled the role of the hard-running back in CC's ground-oriented offense and was the go-to guy for most of the season. He rushed for 1,025 yards and 13 touchdowns on 233 carries.

*Chris gave us a strong, inside running game," Mach said. "He upheld that tradition of a strong fullback at CC. He did a tremendous-job, showing toughness, getting an extra yard when we needed it."

Anthony Grech, back, Franklin: A threeyear varsity player, Grech broke six school rushing records. He set career standards for rushing attempts (527) and yardage (2,563), season marks for carries (218) and yards (1,141) and single-game records for carries (38) and yards (222):

He has the third-longest touchdown run in school history (80 yards). Grech rushed for seven touchdowns this year and had one receiving touchdown. He also had 1,432 all purpose yards.

"He was our most explosive back since Joe Ransley," Lee said. The worked hard to get ready for his senior year and was very dedicated.*

Kirk Moundros, back, N. Farmington: Moundros set a single-season rushing record with 1,399 yards and 13 touchdowns on 226 carries, breaking Todd Anderson's mark of 1,353 yards.

He also returned kicks and punts, caught 16 passes and set another singleseason record with 2,041 yards in total offense. His two-year total of 3,254 allpurpose yards is a career record, too.

"He was the difference this year on offense," O'Leary said. *After the first game, everybody knew who was going to get the ball, and teams still had a difficult time stopping him.

"He was a great team player. He never cared about individual stats; he had no idea, until the end of the year, he was close to any kind of record. He just went out and played the game like it's supposed to be played."

again. He made 82 total tackles (21 solos), including six sacks.

"He has great speed, a nose for the ball and great tenacity," Mach said. "He doesn't know when to say quit. You've got to love a guy like him who wants to get to the ball that bad. He chases guys down and does whatever is necessary to get the iob done."

Sean Heard, linebacker, John Glenn: Heard was his team's leading tackler for the second year in a row with 61 first hits and 63 assisted tackles.

A three-year varsity player, he also played some fullback on offense, rushing for 126 yards and two touchdowns.

"He's a very smart player who really knows the game," Gordon said. "He's tough, physical and a good blocker."

Mike Hoad, linebacker, Harrison: Hoad was his team's leading tackter with 95 total hits (56 solos) and three sacks. He also had two interceptions. Hoad has started for two years at tight

end, making 15 receptions for 326 yards and five touchdowns this year.

"We think he's one of the best linebackers we've ever had," Herrington said. "He has tremendous sense for where the ball is going. He's one of our toughest hitters on defense - and he's coming back!"

Sean Clark, linebacker, N. Farmington: Clark was the leading tackler in Oakland County with 70 solo stops and 61 assists. His 268 defensive points broke a 25-year-

kicks, caused four fumbles, recovered two fumbles and had one interception. He started for three years on the offensive

ly different," O'Leary said, "He's not the mild-mannered kid I see in the hallway or

ever coached because of his dedication. His knowledge of football, the amount of time spent studying film, is beyond anything we've had."

Joe Sgrof, Inebacker, Redford CC: Sgroi was the heart of the CC defense at middle linebacker, leading the Shamrocks with 102 tackles. He was a blocking back on offense but also carried 23 times for a 7.1 average and one touchdown. Sgroi was CC's long snapper, too.

"When he hits you, he hits you with great authority," Mach said. "He was the emotional leader on defense. He's also a very intelligent player. He made the calls on the field and the adjustments to different formations teams would give us."

Brett Burleson, Ilnebacker, Salem: Burleson was a three-year starter, and a three-time, all division player. He led the Rocks with 98 total tackles from his middie linebacker position. As a fullback, he rushed for 264 yards on 56 carries.

"He's one of the few three-year starters we've had (in 25 years)," coach Tom Moshimer said, adding Burleson was the captain of the front seven. "He had to read formations and get us in the right places. He'll certainly be hard to replace after three solid years."

Brett Wells, linebacker, Churchill: Wells was his team's leading tackler with 53 first hits and 30 assisted tackles. He also played tight end and made 12 receptions for 223 yards and three touchdowns. Wells caught the attention of recruiters and will likely play some college football.



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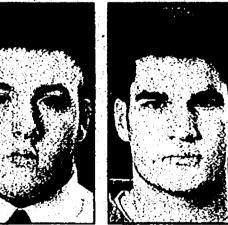
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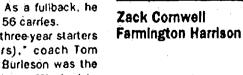


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> right time," Mach said. "On defense, he wasn't the fastest or quickest guy in the world, but was always where he was supposed to be, making the right plays.

> "He's one of those guys who doesn't get a lot of praise, but you need him to win. He's always doing something to help your team.*

> Jeff McKlan, back, Salem: McKlan had 18 solo tackles and 36 assists. He intercepted three passes and broke up five



finished a lot of scoring drives. He rushed for 582 yards and 17 touchdowns on 81 carries. He was the leading scorer with 154 points, which included three field goals; he was 31-of-34 on extra points.

"He's one of our toughest hitlers," Herrington said. "He's probably, pound for pound, the meanest kid on the team. He's a tremendous competitor. We call him Buildog in baseball, and that's what he is In football."

Joe Jonna

line. "When he steps on the field, he's total-

classroom. He's totally focused. "He's probably the best linebacker I've

old team record (210). He also had five sacks, blocked two

FIRST-TEAM DEFENSE

Brett Foster, Ilneman, Harrison: Foster, the strongest player on the Harrison team, started at left guard and defensive end."

"Any improvement we made is largely attributable to Brett,* coach John Filia traut said. "He anchored our defense and was our go-to guy on offense." J Zack Cornwell, back, Harrison: Cornwell, who played quarterback as a freshman and golf as a sophomore, returned to football as a junior and became a two-way starter as a senior.

As the monsterback, he had 38 tackles athletes, always in the right place at the and four interceptions. As a fullback, he

Joe Jonna, back, Redford CC: Jonna did a little of everything for the Shamrocks as a defender, receiver and return specialist; and he could have played quarterback if needed. He had six interceptions, 18 solo tackles and 17 assists. He also caught 20 passes for 304 yards and three touchdowns

"Joe is one of those very, very smart

others, recovered three fumbles and caused another and blocked three kicks. He was a wide receiver on offense with 14 receptions for 214 yards and two touchdowins. "Jeff was our coach in the secondary."

Moshimer said. "He kept all the guys in the right place. We thought he would be a dominant player, and he came through even more than we expected *