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Bus stop sparks controversy

Several parents Monday implored Westland City Council members to help resolve a problem at a Livonia school district bus stop at Joy Road and Ravine. A study session is scheduled for Monday.

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Some parents suggest that a controversial school bus stop should be moved to alleviate a dispute that one Westland woman said "is tearing our neighborhood apart."

Several parents Monday implored Westland City Council members to

help resolve a problem at a Livonia school district bus stop at Joy Road and Ravine.

Parents have been accused of encroaching on a couple's corner property when driving children to the school bus stop. In response, Westland police have posted no-parking signs and issued several tickets, angering parents.

"We have a right to protect our children as they wait for the school bus," Virginia Klein told the council Monday, accompanied by several other parents and children.

In a report to city officials, parents indicated possible support for moving the bus stop to another Joy Road location, although one mother, Judy Bowles, said sidewalks would be needed along the busy road.

The problem is, the concerned parents aren't among the homeowners who would face paying for the sidewalks.

Councilman Richard LeBlanc has suggested that, to address bus stop

problems and ease neighborhood tensions, the city should consider paying the tab.

Council members plan to discuss the bus stop controversy during a study session at 6:30 p.m. Monday on the second floor of Westland City Hall.

In the meantime, parents are circulating petitions seeking removal of the no-parking signs on Ravine. Twenty-three people had signed as of Tuesday, Bowles said.

Parents drive their children to and from the bus stop three times a day — in the mornings, afternoons and in

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Happy homecoming



Under the umbrellas: Weather didn't scare everyone away from attending Wayne Memorial High School's homecoming game and activities last Saturday. The game was successful as Wayne had a last-minute win over Dearborn Edsel Ford, 25-19. See today's Sports section.

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Crowning moment: Wayne High School senior Elizabeth Klitch (left) is shocked after being chosen the 1998 homecoming queen for Wayne High School. At right, congratulating Elizabeth is Angela Moran also on the homecoming court.



Carver decision delayed

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Carver subdivision residents say they will work to get more petition signatures opposing a gas station, convenience store and ice cream parlor on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and Annapolis.

They fear the 24-hour business will attract drug dealers and other troublemakers to their neighborhood on Westland's southeast side, even though a businessman said he won't sell any alcohol.

Carver residents already had collected more than 200 signatures opposing the development prior to Monday, when Westland City Council members postponed a series of votes on the issue.

Resident Sherry Mallard said Tuesday that the delay will give opponents

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Summer Fest shows surplus

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Westland Festival Committee members Monday released financial reports for 1998, hoping to be more accountable and to squelch rumors that volunteers get paid.

"Nobody gets paid on this committee," festival chairman Kenneth Mehl said. "It's all volunteer."

The committee spent \$68,012 on the July 1-5 festival and ended the event with a \$39,389 surplus for next year.

"Overall we had the most successful festival we've ever had," Mehl said.

His remarks came during a Westland City Council meeting, on the same night that council members honored festival volunteers and praised them for their tireless efforts.

Councilman Charles Pickering said the festival was among the best he has attended.

"It just seemed like it was larger than before," he said.

Councilman Charles "Trav" Griffin said he was impressed by the large

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Construction trucks on Wildwood rattle residents

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Big construction trucks rumbling along Wildwood Road near a development site are rattling houses and residents' nerves, a Westland woman said Monday.

Bess Kunkle, addressing Westland City Council members, also alleged that some construction trucks aren't coming to a halt at stop signs.

"There is potential for bad things to happen, and I'd hate to see it happen," she said.

Another resident, Anita Gronas, also complained about construction trucks going to and from a residential construction site at the former Wilson School on Wildwood, north of Palmer.

Mayor Robert Thomas said trucks are supposed to be coming onto Wildwood only from Palmer to the south — the shortest route to the construction site.

■ 'We can't stop them from building, but we'll see what they're doing.'

Robert Thomas
Westland mayor

He said he would investigate complaints that trucks are traveling north from the construction site. "We can't stop them from building," he said, "but we'll see what they're doing."

Kunkle said one woman had to pull into a driveway to avoid construction trucks on Wildwood. She also said some trucks are moving too fast to stop at intersections.

"They're so heavy they cannot always stop at the stop signs," she said.

Referring to a recent earth tremor felt in Michigan, Kunkle said, "I didn't feel that as much as I do the trucks going by."

She said trucks rattle houses and could cause damages, although city officials don't see an end in sight at the construction zone.

"It could be a year before everything is completed," Richard Dittmar, public services director, said Monday.

City Attorney Angelo Plakas cautioned Kunkle and Gronas that not all trucks appearing to be too heavy are, in fact, violating weight limits.

City police officers have the capability to weigh a truck suspected of carrying a load too heavy for its size, and tickets can be issued.

Kunkle and Gronas offered to show city officials a copy of a videotape that they said reveal some of the problems they saw.

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between for half-day kindergartners. Most of the students attend Garfield Elementary School.

The issue mushroomed after Larry and Peggy Sullivan, who live on the corner, contacted the city to complain that their property is being eroded by the vehicle traffic. Ravine is a dirt road.

"We agree that these people have a right to protect their property," Klein told the council, adding that other homeowners would complain, too, under similar circumstances.

But Klein said the issue is "tearing our neighborhood apart" because parents also feel that they have a right to protect their children.

Parents said they aren't trying to be trouble-makers.

"We certainly want to work together as neighbors to resolve this issue," she said.

Steven Woodworth, Livonia district transportation supervisor, said there have been "a series of discussions" on how to resolve the problem, but no decisions have been made.

Larry Sullivan, a retired Wayne County sheriff's deputy, has said the parents at times have been rude, refusing to move their vehicles from the end of his drive and letting their children run free. The Sullivans are trying to sell their house.

Parents also have complained that traffic congestion near Joy and Ravine has been compounded by a landscaping business that brings in customers.

Parents said they aren't trying to be trouble-makers for the Sullivans and the landscaping business.

"We hope that an equitable solution can be found which will protect each party's rights and also protect the safety of our children," Klein said in her statement Monday.

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more time to gather even more signatures - as many as 400 - before the council revisits the controversy during a 7 p.m. Oct. 19 meeting at Westland City Hall.

She said residents will "absolutely" continue their fight against commercial plans proposed by businessman Salah Zubaidi.

Zubaidi, who has support from most Westland Planning Commission members, has said his commercial development will help make the neighborhood safer by providing 24-hour lighting and attendants.

But Mallard said his statements are "insulting" and that residents don't believe the commercial development is in the neighborhood's best interest.

Council President Sandra Cicirelli said Monday that the issue was postponed until Oct. 19 because she wanted the full council to discuss Zubaidi's plans. Council members Shavon Scott and Justine Barna didn't attend Monday's meeting.

Zubaidi needs a rezoning (partly from residential to commercial), a special land use permit and site plan approval before he can proceed with his plans.

On Monday, Westland resident Dorothy Smith said the council should halt its practice of rushing to approve so many related items at once - in Zubaidi's case, three.

But Planning Director Ted Kilroy said the proposals have been known since at least June, when planning commissioners started considering them.

The planning commission in June denied Zubaidi's plans but reversed itself Sept. 22 after he dropped a proposal for a fast-food restaurant with a drive-through lane.

Meanwhile, Mallard raised concerns Monday that the city doesn't enforce ordinance violations in Carver subdivision. She said she has seen abandoned refrigerators, cars, water tanks and other items that get ignored by the city.

"I pay my taxes," she said, "and I think we should have enforcement automatically in our area."

Building Director Robert Fritz told Mallard he would investigate the neighborhood eyesores mentioned by Mallard.

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number of families he saw at the festival.

The new financial report contained 36 separate expenses.

The biggest single cost was \$11,500 for festival fireworks, one of the most popular attractions of the event.

Other expenses that topped \$4,000 included food (\$7,439) festival bands (\$7,050); Westland police security (\$6,095); beer (\$5,081); MediaOne advertising (\$5,000) and stage rental (\$4,240).

But the report accounted for even small expenses, such as \$71.89 for phone bills.

In total, committee members had \$107,401 going into the festival.

That came from \$75,034 that they raised on top of what was carried over from the 1997 event.

By leaving a \$39,389 surplus, the committee ensured that money is already available to begin planning for the 1999 festival.

Committee members said planning efforts are already in the works.

OBITUARIES

LUCILLE TACKETT: Funeral services for Lucille Tackett, 73, of Westland were Oct. 5 in Vermeulen Funeral Home with burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Drex Morton of St. Michael Lutheran Church of Canton.

Mrs. Tackett, who died Oct. 1 in Wayne, was born in Cobb, Ky. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: sons, Michael (Deborah) and David; daughters, Diane Caleja of Westland, Karen Connor of Brighton, Pamela Morton of Eastpointe, Janice (Rick) Smith of Garden City and Nancy Clement of Dearborn Heights; brothers, Robert Mitchell of South Carolina and

Thomas Mitchell of Remus, Mich.; father, Fay Mitchell of Kentucky; 28 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Tackett was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse (July 1998), and son, Kenneth.

WILLIAM J. SHOEMAKER: Funeral services for William Shoemaker, 84, of Westland were Oct. 6 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Shoemaker, who died Oct. 3 in Westland, was born in Iron Mountain, Mich. He was a truck driver.

Surviving are: wife, Emojene; sons, James and Richard; daughter, Sandra Treiber; brother,

Richard; sister, Dell Shoemaker; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

PHYLLIS ANN FRY: Funeral services for Phyllis Fry, 52, of Taylor were Oct. 5 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Woodmere Cemetery, Detroit. Officiating was the Rev. Bob McDonald.

Mrs. Fry died Oct. 2 in Heritage Hospital. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: sons, Rusty (Tami) Fry, Roger Fry and Todd (Julie) Fry; daughters, April (Terry) Mettler of Westland and Darlene (Peter) Kosciolik; companion, Bill Nickles; and seven grandchildren.

K. VIRGINIA WOODRUFF: Funeral services for Virginia Woodruff, 84, of Westland were Oct. 6 in John N. Santeju & Son Funeral Home with burial at Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit. Officiating was the Rev. Lawrence E. Witto of Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Woodruff, who died Oct. 2 in Garden City, was born in Detroit. She was in sales.

Surviving are: sons, Edward of Dearborn Heights and Kenneth (Margaret); and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Woodruff was preceded in death by her husband, Edward "Ted."

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Academy open house



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Finding fossils: Justin Valdez, 8, (left) and Frederick Welch Jr., 7, both second-graders at The Academy of Detroit Westland, look for fossils at a recent school open house. Behind is Stacie Prostell and Frederick Welch Sr.

Meeting with teacher:

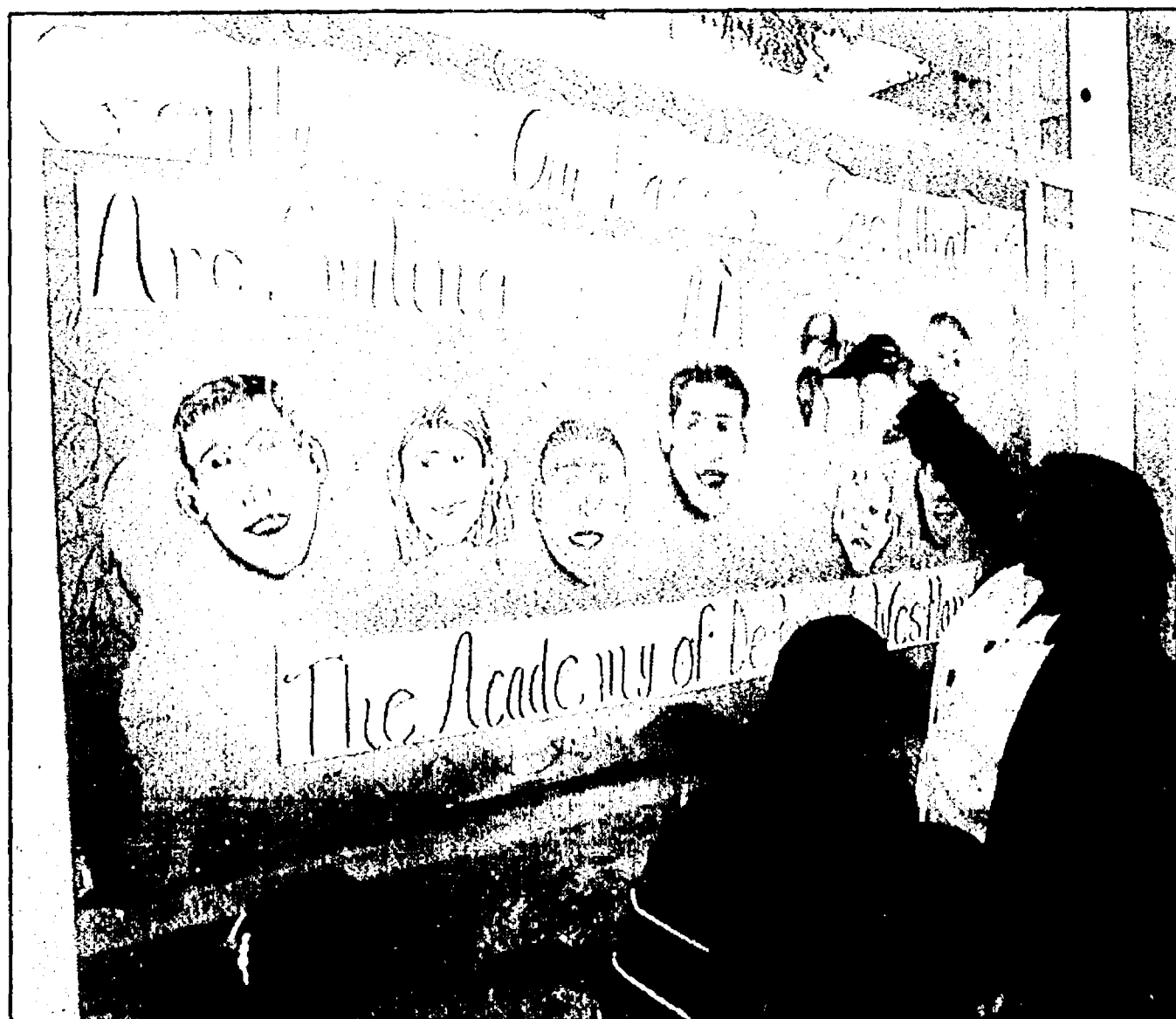
Angela Watkins (center) of Detroit with her two daughters Zun-Quen-vyun Young, 10, (left) a fifth-grader, and Synquis Young, 8, (right) a fourth-grader, talk to Synquis' teacher Venetia Williams.



Family fun: Parents and their families attended The Academy of Detroit Westland spaghetti dinner and open house recently.



Selling: D'Andre Tillman, 7, (left) and Antonio Morris, 7, (right) both in the second grade at The Academy of Detroit Westland, were selling bubbles.



In line: Jeanetta Bryant of Detroit (right) looks at the faces on a poster while waiting in the food line for spaghetti at the open house. The academy is at 300 Henry Ruff in Westland.

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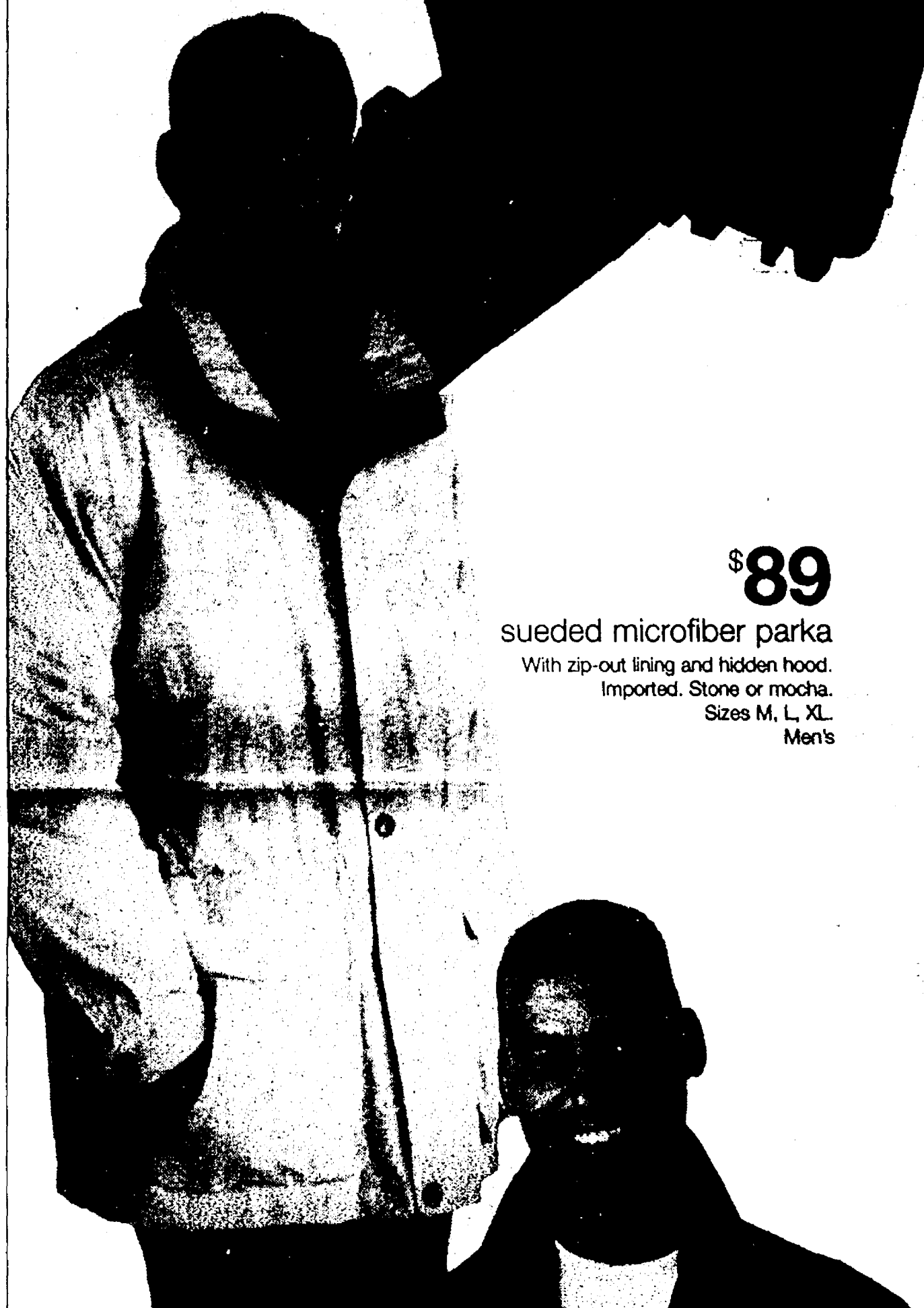
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Schoolcraft board splits on union contracts

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Schoolcraft trustees approved contracts with four unions Sept. 30, which will pay the groups' 348 members 3.25 percent annually for four years. While five trustees supported the contract with the Faculty Forum, the union representing the college's 121 full-time instructors, two trustees abstained, stating they wanted

more time to review the documents.

Supporting the contract were Board President Patricia Watson and trustees Mary Breen, Brian Broderick, Carol Strom and Greg Stempien. Trustees Dick DeVries and Steve Ragan abstained. The three remaining contracts were approved with DeVries joining the same five trustees in support, while Ragan again abstained.

The 13 percent pay hike over the contract's duration also will be paid to the 59 members of the Schoolcraft College Association of Office Personnel; the 41 physical plant employees of the college's Personnel Association, a part of the Michigan Education Association and National Education Association; and the 27 members of the Schoolcraft College Association of Administrative Personnel.

The agreements include the current fiscal year and last until

2002. Watson was pleased that the four groups reached four-year agreements, which brings "continued stability" to the college's projected expenses and budgets.

Watson was confident the college's revenue would cover the raises, even with an economic recession. "The administration has demonstrated for many years they are fiscally responsible," Watson said. "I trust their assessment of it. It is a fair and

appropriate settlement." Ragan abstained because he had "real serious concerns" whether the board could responsibly vote for the contracts. He received a summary sheet that afternoon, hours before the board ratified the agreement. "I don't think it's enough information for something that covers 78 percent of the budget the next four years."

DeVries echoed Ragan's concerns.

Trustees Broderick and Watson believed they had enough time to study the agreement. Watson said the negotiable items and contract issues had been discussed at earlier closed sessions, while Broderick said he didn't believe the two sides would have benefited from delaying the contract.

Broderick said, "The longer you can tie into contracts, then you know where you will go for the next four years."

GOP women honor Sen. Geake

The Suburban Republican Women's Club will host a farewell luncheon for Sen. Robert Geake who is retiring after 21 years in the Michigan State Senate.

The luncheon is planned for noon Thursday, Oct. 22, in Bobby's Country House, Five Mile, just east of Levon, Livonia.

Club members, guests and



elect officials will honor Geake for his service to Michigan.

Geake, a Northville Township resident, is credited for his strong anti-crime measures, such as Michigan's anti-stalking legislation and tougher penalties for drunken driving. He also sponsored streamlining the unemployment insurance system and supported elimination of Michigan's inheritance tax. Besides the state Senate, Geake has served as a state representative.

Cost of the luncheon is \$15. Reservations are due tomorrow. Call 248-471-5859 for more information.

NAACP hosts scholarship dinner

The Western Wayne County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is sponsoring its annual Fight for Freedom and Scholarship Fund Dinner Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8000 Merriman, Romulus.

A reception is set for 3 p.m. with dinner at 4 p.m. The keynote address will be delivered by Aj D. Jemison, general manager of Fairlane Towne Cen-

ter. Master of ceremonies will be Pamela Morrison Kersey, treasurer, city of Romulus. Honorary chairman is Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano.

Tickets are \$50 per person and including a one-year basic membership in the NAACP. For tickets, contact Leonard Mungo, president, (313) 963-0407, Eugene Thompson, co-chair, (313) 563-8682, or January Bivens, co-chair, (313) 274-9333.

Fly a kite for peace on Sunday

A kite-flying event has been scheduled for 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at the Arbor Hills Landfill, 10690 Six Mile in Salem Township, in conjunction with the international One Sky/One World, "Fly a Kite for Peace" day.

BFI will sponsor the event atop the 210-foot-tall landfill, called by organizers "the highest point in southeastern Michigan." Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars to check out the view.


BFI will host Windjammers, a local team of professional kite flyers who will showcase stunt kites and perform synchronized formation flying demonstrations.

Free kites will be distributed while they last. Kite-flying enthusiasts are welcome to bring their own kites and families can pack a picnic lunch. Participants should bring jackets because it is windy at the site.

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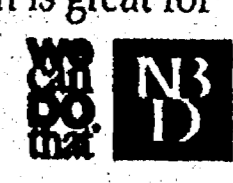
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Rivers mulls vote on impeachment inquiry

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The U.S. House of Representatives is expected to vote today on whether the House should launch an impeachment inquiry of President Clinton.

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, said she hasn't decided how she will vote on an impeachment inquiry recommendation from the Republican-controlled House Judiciary Committee. Rivers, whose 13th District includes part of Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Westland and

Garden City, first wants to read the Democrat's alternative proposal — which had not been completed by early Wednesday afternoon — and listen to the debate expected today on both proposals.

"I would like to see it handled expeditiously," Rivers said. "It has monopolized the attention of Congress for too long."

Rivers believed the Democrat's proposal would allow for a limited scope and limited time.

The Republican plan has no time limit on the inquiry and does not limit its focus to the possible charges recommended

by Starr. Starr dealt with Clinton's attempts to conceal his relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

Discussions and decisions surrounding Clinton's sex scandal were not partisan when the issue was first discussed a few weeks ago, Rivers said. Rivers supported the release of the entire Starr report, but opposed the release of videotape of Clinton's grand jury testimony.

"Unfortunately the last couple weeks have been partisan."

Debates surrounding both proposals are not expected to last long today. The Democrats' pro-

posal is expected to be introduced under a parliamentary maneuver, where House discussion is limited to one hour.

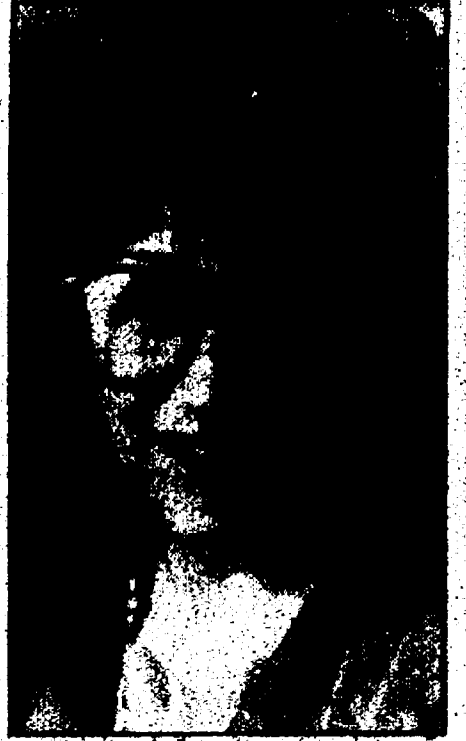
No matter what she decides, Rivers knows she will not please all her constituents.

"Even if I decided to vote for the impeachment inquiry to decide the issue, there absolutely no consensus with the public."

In a letter to about 1,000 constituents who contacted her office on the inquiry, Rivers said the inquiry process is "not exactly legal and not purely political." Several legal questions must be addressed.

"Did the president perjure himself, suborn perjury in others, and/or tamper with witnesses? These crimes have specific legal definitions which do not necessarily comport with the public's understanding of them and a determination must be made whether crimes were actually committed."

Rivers also said little guidance exists on "high crimes and misdemeanors" committed by presidents because "these types of proceedings are rare occurrences and history gives us scant assistance."



SC's 'Kids on Campus' named best in country

Schoolcraft College's Kids on Campus program received top honors as the best in the country in the community services category from the National Council for Continuing Education & Training.

"In naming Kids on Campus the NCCEET Exemplary Program Award winner, committee chair Dyanne Lyon said, "We received top-notch applications, making the selection extremely competitive."

The program is offered through Schoolcraft's Continuing Education Services.

"We are delighted to receive this national honor," said Katrina VanderWoude, assistant dean of continuing education services. "Kids on Campus is a flagship program for the college and it gives the youth in our community the opportunity to have an on-campus experience at an early age."

The program enrolls between 1,600-1,700 children annually, including sessions during the week in the summer and eight consecutive Saturday sessions during both the fall and winter terms. It offers quality enrichment opportunities for children of all ages and talented and gifted classes.

"Kids on Campus opens new doors and exposes children to ideas they may not encounter until much later, such as a botany class or a Japanese language class for 5-year-olds," said Melissa Rensi, program coordinator.

"Our program has received tremendous interest and support from the community as a compliment to children's school experiences."

VanderWoude said the program will expand next summer to include a day camp, combining courses and enrichment activities. She will travel to Portland, Ore., to accept the award Oct. 27.

"For information on the Kids on Campus program, call Rensi at (734) 462-4448.

Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile.

Karen Newman, Johnny Trudell will headline St. Mary event

There's still time to buy tickets to "Hollywood Nights" Thursday, Oct. 15, featuring Karen Newman and the Johnny Trudell Orchestra.

Guests will enjoy Newman's musical selections and dancing to the Trudell Orchestra. Proceeds from Hollywood Nights, an annual benefit for St. Mary Hospital, go towards medical and health programs for the community.

The black tie option benefit will be at Laurel Manor, on Schoolcraft Road, in Livonia starting with a cocktail party at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and dancing and entertainment at 8 p.m.

Gene Taylor of radio station Q95 will serve as honor toastmaster while Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey will handle the honorary chair duties.

David and Jan Brandon of Plymouth Township are the honorary co-chairs of the event.

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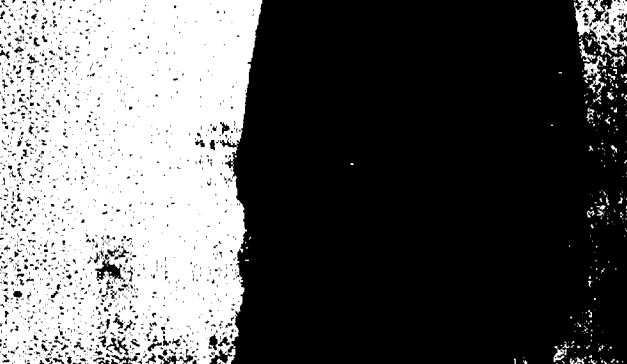


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County parks to host Halloween fest for kids

On Saturday, Oct. 24, otherworldly visitors will arrive at Hines Park-Nankin Mills Picnic Area as children come dressed as ghouls, ghosts, monsters and goblins for Wayne County Parks Halloween Fest '98.

From 1-3 p.m. Wayne County will offer free games and activities including magicians, prizes and a candy hunt at 3 p.m. Hayrides will be available for 50 cents per person.

Parents are asked to register their children in advance for the festival by calling (734) 261-1990, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The dead-

line for registration is Monday, Oct. 19.

This year's festival will feature performances by ventriloquist Richard Paul and magical entertainer Chris Linn. From 1:30-2 p.m., Paul will delight children of all ages with side-kicks Headlee Lamar, the Talking Skull, and Wanda, the Absent-Minded Witch. From 2:15 to 2:45 p.m. Linn combines magic, comedy and audience participation.

The Hines Park-Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. For information, call (734) 261-1990.

Commission extends auditor's term

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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In 1996, Wayne County voters approved a charter amendment giving the county's auditor general more auditing powers over county departments.

The county charter now requires the auditor general to audit the financial transactions of all county agencies once every two years, or as otherwise directed by the county commission.

On Oct. 1, county commissioners extended the current auditor general's appointment four years which will allow Brendan Dunleavy a chance to continue

expanding his office's auditing duties.

Dunleavy, a Plymouth Township resident, was supported by 12 commissioners present out of the 15, including all four western Wayne County commissioners - Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland; Kathleen Husk, R-Redford; Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia; and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton.

Prior to the extension, Brendan Dunleavy had two years left on his appointment. Now the extension takes him to 2004.

"I'm very pleased," Dunleavy said. "I believe it will help the office further its independence."

Dunleavy was evaluated by Commissioner William O'Neil, D-Allen Park. O'Neil also chairs the commission's Committee on Audit.

O'Neil called Dunleavy "one of the most innovative and creative auditor generals the county has ever had."

"With the approval of the county commission, he combined the current audit staff with outside audit contractors from KPMG Peat Marwick and Alan Young and Associates and is now coordinating more than 20 financial audits concurrently," O'Neil said. "Through this innovation the office will more than double

the number of audits completed in any given year since the office's inception."

Dunleavy also has reconfigured his office to accommodate 19 auditors.

"To complete his objective, he eliminated various vacant positions within the department and established various new positions to enable the office to hire more 'field auditors' and fewer administrators," O'Neil said.

McCotter also serves on the Committee on Audit. "Brendan's done a tremendous job," McCotter said. "The extension helps promote the independence of the office."

S'craft sponsors consumer conference

Consumers lose an estimated \$40 billion each year to fraudulent telemarketers, and more than half of the victims are people 50 years or older.

For a \$5 registration fee, older adults can arm themselves against senior-targeted crime by attending "Scams, Schemes and Swindles: A Consumer Conference for Senior Adults and Those Working with Older Adults."

The conference, sponsored by Schoolcraft College and the Michigan Sheriff's Association, will be held 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Livonia. Esther Shapiro, former director of consumer affairs for the city of Detroit, is the keynote speaker. Topics will include telemarketing scams, door-to-door and home repair schemes, financial exploitation and working with law enforcement agencies.

A recent American Association of Retired Persons survey showed that the majority of older telemarketing fraud victims regularly contact friends and family, remain in the workforce and participate in various social activities. In other words, they are intelligent people who made an unwise decision. While they may have experienced a recent trauma in their lives, they are not socially isolated nor mentally impaired. This conference will offer senior adults

invaluable tools for avoiding becoming victims of fraud.

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Upon earning her medical degree at Wayne State University, Dr. DiMaggio went on to complete her internship and residency at Providence Hospital. She is a member of the American Medical Association and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.


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Candidates tell how to keep WSU affordable

BY TIM RICHARD
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It's a constant struggle to keep Wayne State University affordable, both in tuition and fees, candidates for its board of governors agree.

The Detroit-based institution was begun after the Civil War and taken over by the state in 1956. Its students range from the urban poor to professionals and business executives, from those fresh from high school to transfer students from community colleges.

Every candidate attending a Sept. 24 public forum before the American Association of University Women in Livonia listed tuition or fees as a major issue. Candidates are quoted in the order in which they replied.

Vernice Davis-Anthony (R) listed the threatened loss of state and federal aid as the chief problem for disadvantaged students. She also cited attacks on affirmative action. To address the need for technology, the board passed a student fee.

John Kelly (D) said WSU's challenge is "to maintain affordability and access. More people are being squeezed (in attempting to go to college)." He also called WSU "a think tank and a place for the business community to interact with research."

Scotty Boman (L) attacked the technology fee that Davis-Anthony favored. "The omnibus fee is up to \$120 for undergraduates and \$160 for graduates, over and above the tuition increase. It was passed at the beginning of summer, when there was very

little time for students to respond. I collected 500 signatures on campus. There was no response (from the board of governors)." Boman added that much parking space has been lost.

Ron Amen (D) said the recent tuition increase could put costs beyond many students' reach. He promised to be "the voice of the student." He will finish his degree work before the next board term begins.

Elizabeth Hardy (R) and Jon Coon (L) were no-shows.

Charter schools

Of the 100 or so public school academies chartered in the state, Wayne State has chartered only one. The University of Michigan and Michigan State,

the other institutions with elective boards, have chartered none. Candidates were asked whether WSU should do more chartering.

Davis-Anthony (R): "I hope we can charter more" because charters are a good thing. "Wayne believes in teacher education."

Kelly (D): "Charter schools were meant to be an experiment. They were never designed to take over all education. The first evaluation is coming in; there are 34 sets of criteria. We need to see if they do improve education — or an opportunity to get rich quick."

Boman (L): "I'm not comfortable with the state takeover of taxes for school funding. As a public school teacher, I see no

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REPUBLICANS

- **WILLIAM P. BOMAN**, Grosse Pointe, elected in 1996; attorney in Birmingham firm; resident of Franklin Village; previously an aide to two U.S. senators.
- **Vernice L. Davis-Anthony**, incumbent, appointed in 1996 and 1997; Farmington Hills resident; senior vice president of community health at St. John's Health Systems in Detroit; former director of the Public Health Department and director of Wayne County Health Department.

DEMOCRATS

- **JOHN KELLY**, Grosse Pointe, former state senator for 16 years; currently teaching at Oakland University; has taught at WSU and UD-Mercy; attorney and political scientist; former Army reservist and National Guard officer.
- **RON AMEN**, Dearborn, a chief steward in the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, negotiated union contracts; completing work on master's degree at WSU.

LIBERTARIANS

- **SCOTTY BOMAN**, Detroit, teaches in Highland Park schools.
- **TOM JONES**, Detroit; no biography available.

SC hosts Halloween concert

The annual Schoolcraft College Children's Halloween Concert will get under way 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, in the Community Room at Radcliff Center in Garden City.

Musicians will be in costume and concertgoers are encouraged to wear Halloween attire. There will be a costume parade.

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Road rage leads to death on I-275

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A battle over a lane of freeway led to the death of a 51-year-old West Bloomfield man on I-275 near 10 Mile in Farmington Hills.

Around 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, a black Mercury Sable LS traveling south on I-275 crossed the median and then was hit by a Chicago Beef Co. truck, killing the driver of the Sable. The driver of the Sable is identified as Terence Salisbury of West Bloomfield.

The driver of the beef truck suffered minor injuries and was taken to Botsford Hospital, Michigan State Police said. Witnesses told police the Sable and a blue pickup truck had changed lanes repeatedly on southbound I-275. The pickup then clipped the Sable, causing the driver to lose control and cross the grassy median near the M-5/Grand River entrance.

"Evidently, they got into a cussing match jockeying for some type of lane position," said Michigan State Police Trooper Gregory Stevens.

"(Witnesses) said the two vehicles came in contact with another. His (the pick-up driv-

er's) statement was they had 'stabilized their positions' when contact was made. What you call 'stabilizing your position' I don't know."

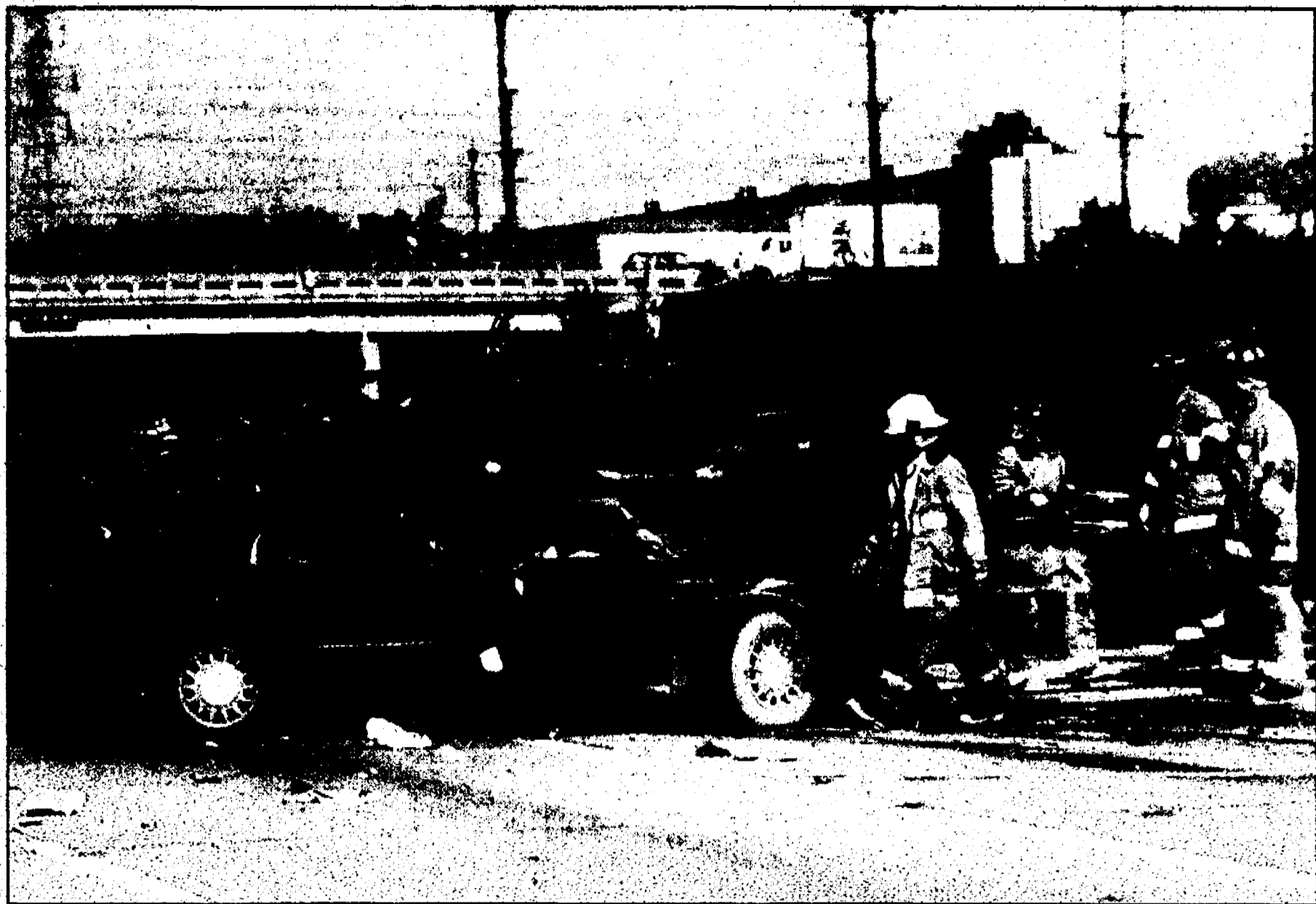
The driver of an older model blue Chevy pick-up left the scene but returned an hour-and-a-half later at I-275 and Eight Mile. The Dayton, Ohio man, 30, was taken into custody.

He could face charges ranging from leaving the scene of an accident to murder, police said.

"He said he thought he may have been in an accident and was returning to the scene," Stevens said.

The accident snarled traffic on northbound and southbound I-275 and eastbound I-696 for five hours. Police closed northbound I-275 at Eight Mile until 4:30 p.m. while investigators examined the scene.

The driver of the meat truck told police he saw the Sable veering across the median and tried to brake. A 60-foot-long skid mark on the road led north to the crash, which sheared the front portion of the Sable and caused the meat truck to overturn. Farmington Hills firefight-



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Tragedy: "Road rage" may have been involved in a fatal accident on northbound I-275 south of Ten Mile. A southbound pickup truck and Mercury Sable battled for the same lane. The vehicles clipped each other, the driver of the Mercury lost control and crossed the median, striking a truck. The driver of the Mercury was killed instantly.

ers were on the scene to prevent any explosions from leaking fuel.

Road rage takes numerous forms, and motorists are increasingly concerned, said a AAA of Michigan spokesman.

Drivers should allow plenty

of time to get to their destination, which alleviates the need to be in a hurry.

"What happens is when people are in a hurry, they do things aggressively," said Jerry Basch, manager of AAA Community Safety Services.

"They tailgate, they drive too fast in the passing lane.... All these things irritate other drivers."

Motorists need to realize other drivers make mistakes and not to take it personally, Basch said.

If involved in a conflict, Basch suggests people should drive to a police station or a crowded place.

"Do not get suckered into a situation where you're confronted by a road rage driver," Basch said.

Church to host forum on Proposal B

Deanna Aikman, the 39-year-old leader of Deanna's Friends, the group based in Ann Arbor that is opposing Proposal B, will be a featured speaker at a symposium on assisted suicide at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 12, in St. Michael Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia.

Aikman was diagnosed last year with ALS, a terminal illness known commonly as Lou Gehrig's disease. She now uses a wheelchair. She has joined with

Ann Arbor physicians in forming Deanna's Friends to give talks explaining why they believe Proposal B is bad legislation.

Proposal B would legalize assisted suicide, and was put on the ballot by Merian's Friends. The group is named after Merian Frederick, who also had Lou Gehrig's disease and died with the assistance of Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

Speaking at this event will be radio talk show host Al Kresta of Catholic Radio in Detroit and Ann Arbor (WDEO and WCAR), U.S. Appeals Court Justice James Ryan, co-chairman of the Michigan Campaign for America,

Dr. Catherine Dowling, an Ann Arbor physician who helped form Deanna's Friends, and the Rev. Alberto Bondy, pastor of St. Michael's Church.

Speakers will explain the legal, medical and moral implications of Proposal B, the Nov. 3 ballot proposal that would legalize assisted suicide in Michigan.

Admission is free.

This event is hosted by Call to Holiness and Catholic Campaign for America.

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reason why the state shouldn't have variations. We could expand on charter schools." Amen (D): While charter school supporters are vocal, "We don't hear about the charter schools that have failed. We don't hear about those that start the year with 300 pupils and end up with 30. They're an opportunity for some people to make money. I wouldn't want to see Wayne State become a charter mill."

Affirmative action

WSU's sister institution, U-M, is fighting two suits in federal court of racial bias in admissions. Candidates were asked their attitudes toward "affirmative action."

Boman (L): "I oppose demographic discrimination by race, sex or lifestyle." The university should do "some outreach." Every group should be represented.

Amen (D): Favors affirmative action so that "past injustices should be remedied." Being of Arab descent, he sees "great diversity at WSU. I'd like to see it reflected on the board."

Davis-Anthony (R): Favors "affirmative action for women, minorities and others. I'm a product of affirmative action as an undergraduate."

Kelly (D): "In 16 years in the Legislature, I supported affirmative action in all its forms. Everyone benefits. It's very good in bringing this country together."

Open meetings

Candidates were asked their attitude toward the Open Meetings Act, which requires that candidates for president be interviewed in public after a closed screening process. Retired WSU President David Adamant had argued strenuously for a closed process.

Kelly (D): "People want to

know how decisions are made. We need to make sure qualified candidates aren't chilled (by too much pre-hiring publicity) that can create problems back home (where they currently work). The final stages - perhaps the last 10 candidates - should be open."

Boman (L): "I'm all for complete openness."

Amen (D): "It's not important for 50 or 60 applicants (to be an open list). Once we get down to the short list," interviews should be open.

Davis-Anthony (R): "We were able to test the new law," which required the five finalists to be interviewed in public. "That process worked. There are some difficulties, but I support the present law as it stands."

AAUW's interviews of state education board candidates were videotaped by Time Warner of Livonia. Contact your local cable company to request a showing.

High court from page A10

Crockett III of Wayne County - "efficient, timely, prepared. Treats litigants with respect."

Corrigan (R): "I've done a good job as leader" on the Court of Appeals, reducing the 5,800-case backlog. Best judge: Cornelia Kennedy, of the U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals because "she would hit the zinger issue immediately. Invariably fully prepared. Objective on the law."

Kaufman (L): "Common sense. These people, before they were attorneys, had common sense." Favors televising Supreme Court sessions. Best judge: Horace Gilmore of the federal bench - "the silver fox. He taught civil procedure and pro-

fessional ethics at Wayne State. We're standing on the shoulders of a giant."

Abel (I): "I'm not accepting campaign contributions." He criticized party-nominated candidates for accepting party contributions because in two years they will rule on legislative reapportionment. Best judge: Michael Sappala of the Wayne circuit - "thoughtful, does his own research, listens."

Borman (D): "Many years of experience as a trial judge, every kind of case that can possibly arise. I've talked to children in custody. I have more trial court experience than anyone running

for or on the Supreme Court."

Cavanagh (D): "Continuity. We recently lost two outstanding justices through retirement - Levin and Boyle. Our institutional knowledge could be lost. He is working on dealings with the Indian tribal courts. Best judge: Marvin Salmon of the Ingham circuit bench - "patience; preparedness; even-tempered; steady approach; an excellent role model."

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Recreation Center's planning important

Feasibility studies are expected to begin soon on plans for a new state-of-the-art recreation center in Westland, but the whole process doesn't seem to be moving in a logical order.

As studies get under way, we hope city officials can finally begin to look at this project in a serious light.

So far, there has been a lot of talk and a little bit of study but very little substance to the plans. The city is looking at plans to use money from taxes collected in a special taxing district to fund the building of a recreation complex.

But those plans started with an expensive trip. In June, a seven-member delegation went to Colorado to visit recreation centers there in an effort to plan one for Westland.

This week, city officials were to interview firms to conduct the feasibility study.

Now there is talk of surveying residents along with the feasibility study. Shouldn't that have been a first step and then a feasibility study and then a trip out West?

The city is talking about building a multi-million dollar complex, and the city's residents have yet to be consulted.

Another area that needs a closer look is the Bailey Center. Talk so far seems to indicate there is a vague plan that it would continue to be used but for some unnamed, undefined programs.

The Bailey Center's pool also seems to have fallen into disrepair and is in need of major renovations to save it. That still raises the

question of what will happen to it.

Will the city pay to keep it usable? Is it really usable but being painted as a shambling to convince people of the need for a new one? If it's closed altogether, then what? Will it sit unused and unusable?

While the idea of a new recreation center for a city the size of Westland doesn't strike us as out of the question, we urge city officials to take a close look before leaping.

If a new pool is needed along with walking tracks, multipurpose rooms and exercise areas, and the residents want it, then moving ahead may be appropriate.

But the cost of maintaining and operating the center must also be studied. Will it support itself or will taxpayers be forced to foot the bill if it doesn't?

If the Bailey Center has fallen into disrepair whose fault is that? Will that be the fate of the new center?

Included in the cost of building is the cost of maintaining. It shouldn't just be an afterthought or planned for only if there's money available.

It should all be part of the plan. And that's what this project needs - careful planning.

Building a center just to keep up with neighboring communities isn't good money management or good government. But building one because it's needed and well-planned would be an asset for Westland. We hope city officials plan to do all their homework.

Community sale



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Helps groups: The Westland Community Garage Sale, which was held in September, benefits two local groups: Westland Youth Assistance and the Westland Therapeutic Recreation Club. Another sale is planned for spring.

Proposal C deserves approval

We urge voters to say "yes" to Proposal C, the Clean Michigan Initiative bond issue on the Nov. 3 ballot.

We laud Republicans and Democrats in both chambers of the Legislature and the Engler administration for putting aside partisan posturing and coming up with a proposal to clean up Michigan lands, waters and parks.

Proposal C is a \$675 million bond issue. About half, \$335 million, will go for "brown-field redevelopment and environmental cleanup." The rest will go to the Clean Water Fund, state parks revitalization, local parks and recreation, waterfronts, control of lead hazards and contaminated river sediments.

Just one question has been raised about the package - the "brownfield" portion. Its chief critic, Geoffrey Fieger, and others raise an honest question about whether it's "corporate welfare." We think not. It's in the public interest of cities, suburbs and farmlands. Here's why:

The 1992 Polluter Pay law backfired. It imposed such strict liability standards that anyone who ever had had an interest in the property could have been stuck paying a cleanup bill.

Of course, the real polluter - who may be dead or bankrupt - couldn't be touched. Bankers and other lenders wanted no part of financing a new industrial project on old city land for fear of being stuck with liability.

Result: Business and industrial developers paved over "greenfields," meadows and croplands that used to provide food and recreation. This is known as "urban sprawl," not growth. It's improper stewardship of nature's resources.

So the state amended the law to change it from a "deep pockets" measure to something more nearly resembling true "polluter pay."

■ It can be used for cleanups, demolitions and treatment where there is no financially viable person to pay for it. That is the people of Michigan stepping into a vacuum and saving old urban land.

The Proposal C bond money will enable the state to help fund cleanups, with local governments and potential developers, so that old land can be redeveloped. Moreover, it can be redeveloped close to people who need jobs.

It can be used for cleanups, demolitions and treatment where there is no financially viable person - human or corporate - to pay for it. Far from being "corporate welfare," that is the people of Michigan stepping into a vacuum and saving old urban land.

And it will result in more and better jobs than casinos or ball parks.

The \$675 million is \$175 million more than Gov. Engler wanted and \$325 million less than some environmentalists wanted. We are reminded of Alistair Cooke's commentary on American history: "The first three rules of politics are: compromise, compromise, compromise."

Finally, we point out that Proposal C asks no new taxes. The bond issue will be paid off at about \$40 million a year from existing state revenues.

Why bond? To get the job done faster. Economists say a bond issue is a valid way of financing a capital project. The Federal Reserve Board has just lowered the rediscount rate, making borrowing cheaper. This is a perfect time to borrow, and a perfect way to use the money.

Proposal C deserves a "yes" vote on Nov. 3.

LETTERS

City going to pot?

Westland - the place to be. But avoid Hubbard Road near Ann Arbor Trail. There's been a toilet in the road for more than six months now. Not a pleasant sight for the residents, other drivers and the children attending Nankin Mills Elementary School directly across from this sight. Or the churchgoers next door.

Yet his might just be apropos for the neighborhood since the Boulevard Gardens subdivision is the area which was the victim of a sewer backup early last year thanks to the gross negligence of Mayor Robert Thomas' sewer contractors. It may have been left behind as a symbol or a sick message.

The residents of the subdivision can turn this trash into a treasure. They could upright this toilet and transform it into a historical marker. Surrounding the structure are dead branches which can be planted into colorful barrels and decorated by season. At Halloween, a scarecrow can sit on the pot and act as a bogus gatekeeper. At Christmas, a Santa; at Easter, a bunny. This could turn out to be Westland's own Heidelberg Project.

Westland, the place to be if you want to pee for all to see.

Beatrice Scalise
Westland

Allowing Al Gore to lead the nation into the 21st Century would not be a sign of our disgrace or weakness, but rather an affirmation that we are a government of laws and not of men. It would reset our moral compass, and be a stern lesson to all who seek high elective office in the future.

Walter Warren
Westland

Life deserves respect

A baby is, in essence, the greatest miracle brought into pro-creative being. It ought to be a recipient to complete, unselfish love of two caring people, within a marital union. It deserves the utmost in the best possible environment and highest potential. Yet in some instances, it is conceived in a crime of violence.

Many believe that its life should be aborted. But what we fail to see is a unique presence of a human entity, still innocent, still beautiful, still a wondrous cherub, still a precious life in spite of its conceptive circumstances.

Shouldn't we realize that this tiny helpless and phenomenal life ought to be and deserves to be respected, especially protected and treated with the most compassionate, tender love one can render? Our attitude toward the latter, while at times difficult to understand, can bring about a further, growing potential in the human element instead of abortion.

Further, adoption can be a resolve, having in mind that countless couples possibly would consider this option.

Julianne Pieknik
Westland

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Cherry tree remembered

Not too long ago every school child knew the story of George Washington and the cherry tree. Confronted with his wrongdoing, the young Washington said: "I cannot tell a lie."

Today's school children seem to be learning a dangerously different lesson from our latter-day president, Bill Clinton. Which is: Lie and deny everything, until you are about to be exposed, then make a pathetic, teary-eyed confession and beg for forgiveness.

Needless to say this sociopathic lesson must be unlearned quickly for the good of the country.

Clinton's aiders, abettors, apologists and enablers must now abandon their partisan positions, and join those who seek to forthwith clean up the White House.

Clinton's biography might be called: "Bill Clinton: a study in narcissism." But, we cannot allow the misplaced ambition of this one man to disgrace the office of Washington, Lincoln and Roosevelt.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Do you support or oppose legalized assisted suicides for terminally ill adults?

We asked this question at the Westland public library.



"I oppose it for religious reasons."
Gall Brooks



"I support it. I've been awfully close to some of the situations."
Carol Koons



"I oppose it. I feel there's value to human life. We're put here for a reason, and sometimes we face trials at the end of our lives."
Rebecca Ursem



"If people feel that they want to die and if they're in a lot of pain, go for it."
Mike Shadah

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St. Michael's dedication Oct. 11

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
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Seventh- and eighth-graders at St. Michael's Catholic School now learn math and English in brand new classrooms in their very own wing.

For the first time since the school started 56 years ago, all of the school's students eat lunch in a cafeteria instead of at their desks.

And, in a bow to today's technological world, students now learn computer skills in a 36-station computer lab, instead of climbing down stairs to use computers tucked away in the convent's basement.

St. Michael's school also sports a new, high-school size gymnasium as well as new restrooms, lockers, office space, meeting

rooms and landscaping. The school's new library is just days away from officially opening.

St. Michael's one-year, \$3.5 million, 35,600-square-foot building expansion project ended in early September, just on time for the start of the new school year.

One formal step remains: the Oct. 11 dedication of the new school addition at 11441 Hubbard Road. Both Bishop John Nienstedt, auxiliary bishop of the Detroit diocese, and the Rev. Alberto Bondy, St. Michael pastor, will officiate.

A dedication Mass will be held at the church at noon. A reception in the new addition follows, with Nienstedt blessing the new wing.

"We're grateful for the parents who worked hard to bring this about," said Sister Carolyn,

school principal.

In her nine years at St. Michael's, Sister Carolyn has seen the school's population grow from 600 to today's 845.

Two years ago, school and church leaders saw the student growth, looked at their aging building and began planning the expansion. Plans took root when the Detroit diocese approved a loan. Groundbreaking took place Sept. 24, 1997.

"They were working here while the kids were in school last June," Sister Carolyn said. "It was very tight quarters here."

Once the old gym was demolished, students had to stay in their classrooms on rainy days during gym time. The new gym is dedicated to Ed Day of Livonia, who for more than 50 years has been volunteer athletic director at the school.

PLACES & FACES

Town hall meeting

The final Town Hall meeting for the year is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, on Central City Parkway between Warren and Ford roads.

Town hall meetings give residents a chance to air concerns to the mayor and his administration.

Call (800) 543-WELL for information.

Mall-O-Ween

Westland Shopping Center will host Scooby-Doo's Mall-O-Ween Oct. 14 through Nov. 1.

The program offers the opportunity to "Become a Cartoon Star" — or at least get a picture taken with one.

High-tech photo equipment will be set up in the East Court.

Shoppers will be able to place themselves in a cartoon scene with Scooby-Doo and his gang. A costumed Scooby-Doo character will be making special appearances Oct. 27 through Nov. 1.

The set will also feature a trivia contest to test shoppers' knowledge of Scooby-Doo.

Flu shots

Oakwood is offering flu shots for \$5.

Anyone who suffers from heart, lung or kidney diseases, severe forms of anemia, chronic diseases or is older than 65 should receive the vaccination.

Immunizations will be given at various locations until Nov. 30.

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Bowl-a-thon aids Salvation Army

Bowling enthusiasts who want to have fun while helping The Salvation Army of Westland may want to sign up for a Saturday, Oct. 10 event.

A third annual bowl-a-thon is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. at Westland Bowl, 5940 Wayne Road.

Bowlers are asked to raise pledges to help The Salvation Army pay for a wide array of programs and services for some of the community's less-fortunate residents.

The organization has had to turn to alternative methods of raising money since corporate policies have booted volunteers from many facilities where they used to seek donations from shoppers.

Bowlers face a minimum \$50 pledge, although organizers hope each bowler will be able to raise \$100.

The bowl-a-thon is a team event. To reserve a spot, call Westland Bowl at (734) 722-7570. Pledge forms are available.

The competition is billed as a "mixed doubles, nine-pin, no tap." Radio personalities Dr. Don and Linda Lee from Young Country, WYCD-99.5 FM, are scheduled to serve as emcees. Dr. Don's stint is set for 1:30 to 3 p.m. and Lee's from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Participants are asked to collect all of their pledges prior to the Oct. 10 bowl-a-thon and bring the pledge sheet plus the money to Westland Bowl.

Pledges serve as entry fees to the event. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided.

"You don't have to be a pro," organizers note in a flier announcing the event. "It's all for good fun and a good cause."

Prizes also will be awarded, including two round-trip tickets to Las Vegas; overnight getaways at hotels such as the Embassy, Fairfield, Hilton and Marriott; Red Wings hockey tickets, and gift certificates to Circuit City, Red Robin restaurant, Belanger Tire, Montana's restaurant and Applebee's restaurant, among other giveaways.

The Salvation Army is located at 2300 Venoy Road and serves people in Westland, Wayne and Romulus with emergency and day-to-day support.

Holiday programs include food baskets, adopt-a-family gifts and new toys for needy children.

For more information on the bowl-a-thon, call Mike Capaldi of Westland Bowl at (734) 722-7570 or The Salvation Army, Lt. Charles Yockey, at (734) 722-3660.

Glenn music students sell fruit to raise money

John Glenn High School instrumental music students are selling boxes of fruit to raise money for their department, fund-raiser chairwoman Marge Hensel said.

Students are selling grapefruit

and navel oranges through Oct. 30, she said. Boxes of fruit sell for \$13.

To help the instrumental music department, see a student or call Hensel at (734) 326-5658.



Ann Arbor's St. Joseph Mercy Hospital presents

Women's Health Series in Livonia

The following presentations are free and will be held at the Livonia Health Building, 37595 Seven Mile Rd. at Newburgh Rd.

Tues., Oct. 20 7-8:30 p.m. Why Can't We Get Pregnant? Infertility Issues for Couples

This free presentation will provide an overview of reproductive anatomy; infertility evaluation, including male factor infertility; current reproductive therapies and information to help couples understand the emotional and psychological issues surrounding infertility. Presented by Jonathan Ayers, MD, Reproductive Endocrinologist, and Teresa Gallagher, RN, BSN.

Thurs., Oct. 22 7-8:30 p.m. Women and Heart Disease

Heart disease is the leading killer of women over 40. This informal discussion will cover what's different about heart disease in women and will answer your questions on how you can live a more heart-healthy life. Presented by Cardiologist Barbara Kong, MD.



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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Kline-McCabe

Kristin Bond McCabe and Thomas Matthew Kline were married June 5 at Weller's East Garden in Saline. Drs. Bartlett Hess of Dearborn and Billy Howell of Charlotte, N.C., officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Lynne McCabe of Ann Arbor, formerly of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Douglas and Beverly Kline of Canton.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and a 1996 graduate of Rice University in Houston, Texas. She attends medical school at the University of Texas in San Antonio.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during Operation Desert Storm. He is employed at North Park Lincoln Mercury in San Antonio, Texas.

The bride asked Catherine McCabe to be her maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Melissa Solberg and Tara Hechlik. Flower girls were Sophie and Elizabeth



West. The groom asked Danny McEvilly to be his best man. The groomsmen were Douglas Kline Jr. and David Kline.

The couple received guests at Weller's Carriage House in Saline. They are making their home in San Antonio.

Papay-Lawlen

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard G. Papay of Canton announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Sarah Ann, to David Lawlen, the son of Jilris Lawien of Grand Junction, Colo., and Merrill Lawien of Denver, Colo.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She also attended Eastern Michigan University.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Cy High School in Casper, Wyo.

An October wedding is planned at the Colorado National Monument.



Hebert-Nowak

Douglas and Carol Hebert announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jacqueline Catherine, to Gerald Ted Nowak II, the son of Gerald and Mary Jane Nowak of Holly.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and Schoolcraft College with an associate's degree in occupational therapy. She is employed by Heartland Rehabilitation Service in Bloomfield Hills.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Rochester Adams High School. He is studying computer information systems at Oakland Community College. He is employed by Premiere Health Care.

An October wedding is



planned at St. Michael's Church in Livonia.

Ervans-Hannum

Bruce Ervans of Ellenton, Fla., announces the engagement of his daughter, Lia Lynn, to Scott Robert Hannum, the son of Barbara Croll of Novi and Richard Hannum of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is a surgical resident at Garden City Hospital.

A spring wedding is planned in Telluride, Colo.



Marczak-Papciak

Jim Marczak and Sue Papciak were recently married in Scottsdale, Ariz., by the Rev. Matthew Plathottam of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

The bride is the daughter of Ed and Joan Papciak of Novi. The groom is the son of Joe and Teresa Marczak of Schiller Park, Ill.

The bride is a 1983 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, a 1989 graduate of the Physician Assistant Program at Western Michigan University and a 1998 graduate of the University of Osteopathic Medicine in Des Moines, Iowa. She is employed as a family practice physician in Phoenix.

The groom is a 1986 graduate of Holy Cross High School in River Grove, Ill., a 1991 graduate of the University of Illinois with a bachelor of science degree in biology and a 1995 graduate of Midwestern University in Downers Grove, Ill., with a physician assistant degree. He is employed as an emergency department physician assistant in Phoenix and is enrolled in master of business administration degree program at Arizona State University.



The bride asked Kim Klassen, Cheri Crozier, Kelly Randall, Tamar Towne and Brenda Bunch to be her attendants.

The groom asked Tom Horvath, Kurt Klassen, Mike Seal, Joe Marczak and Ed O'beirne to serve as his attendants.

The couple received guests at a reception at the Scottsdale, Radisson Resort. Following a honeymoon trip in St. Lucia and Barbados, the couple is making their home in Phoenix.

Palmos-Setlock

Ray and Mary Lou Setlock of Whitmore Lake, formerly of Canton, announce the engagement of their son, Michael Arthur, to Sarah Ann Palmos, the daughter of Richard and Jan Palmos of Zeeland, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University. She is employed by Lacks Industries as a human resource coordinator.

Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School and a 1997 graduate of Grand Valley State University. He is regional sales manager for Electric South in Cincinnati, Ohio.



A March wedding is planned in Grand Rapids.

Grebeck-Maccani

James and Merle Ann Grebeck of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Ann Marie, to Michael Dino Maccani, the son of Dino and Angeline Maccani of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a 1985 graduate of St. Agatha High School, a 1989 graduate of Adrian College with a bachelor of arts degree and a 1998 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a master of arts degree. She is employed as a reading recovery teacher by the Lakeview Public Schools.

Her fiancé is a 1985 graduate of Catholic Central High School and a 1990 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor of business administration degree. He is employed as a controller for Detroit Technologies Inc.



A November wedding is planned at St. Agatha Catholic Church in Redford.

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CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS

SWEETEST DAY DANCE
The Stiletto's fourth annual Sweetest Day dance will be 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 17, at VFW Post 3323, 1055 S. Wayne Road, in Westland. The dance will feature the Latin Counts and Shin Dig. Cost is \$20 a person in advance; \$22 a person at the door and includes beer, setups, and snacks. For ticket information, call (248) 542-5997, (734) 722-7907, (313) 849-0233, (734) 397-5659, or (734) 525-5680.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL
Wayne County Parks and Recreation will present its Halloween festival 1998 from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Nankin Mills Picnic area in Hines Park, Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. The fest offers spook-free fun for children 12 and younger including a costume parade, games, candy hunt, hayride for 50 cents a person and children's entertainment. Food concessions will be available. Pre-registration is required by calling (734) 261-1990 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration deadline is Oct. 19.

HAUNTED HOUSE
The Franklin High PTSA Third Annual Haunted House is 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, at Franklin High School, 61000 Joy Road in Livonia. Cost is \$3 per child for kids kindergarten through sixth grade (must be accompanied by an adult). Costumes are optional. Registration is required. Call Kathy Swan at (734) 261-3672.

AUTHOR TO VISIT
Stephanie Mittman, author of "A Kiss to Dream On," will be at Paperbacks 'n' Things, 8044 N. Wayne Road, Westland, from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25. For information, call (734) 522-8018.

CRAFTERS SOUGHT
The Wayne-Westland YMCA is seeking crafters for its annual craft show 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. For an application, call (734) 721-7044.

MOTORCYCLE BENEFIT
A benefit for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation is planned for noon Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Bova VFW Post No. 9886, 6440 Hix in Westland. Donation is \$5. For information, call (734) 625-1845.

AT THE LIBRARY

THE STORY LADY
The Story Lady stops by to share some of her favorites. Children's Services area. 11 a.m. Saturdays, Oct. 10, 24, Nov. 7 and 21.

FALL STORY TIME SESSION II
Registration for fall session II began Oct. 1 by phone or at the Children's Service Desk. Dates for session II are: Tuesdays, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24 and Dec. 1 and 8; Wednesdays, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, Dec. 2 and 9. The programs are as follows:

■ **Toddler Tales**
Choose one: 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays
Session includes developmentally appropriate story times for children 18 to 36 months old. Movement, singing and stories will keep children interested. All toddlers must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required by phone or at the Children's Desk. **Just for Me Preschool Time**
Choose one: 1:30 p.m.

Tuesdays or 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays
A session of thematic story times for 3 to 5 year olds intended to be independent experiences for children. Registration required by phone or at the Children's Desk.

AMERICAN GIRL PARTY
Program includes crafts and games that represent the different girls in the book series 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17. Dress up as your favorite. Advance registration is required by phone or at the Children's Service Desk. Community Meeting Room.

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY
The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library meet 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Call (734) 326-6123. Meetings last about one hour and are open to the public. The Friends also hold a Friends Shop Book Sale during regular library hours at the library.

WESTLAND CENTER

WALKERS CLUB
Westland Walkers Club will hold its monthly meeting 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the lower level auditorium of Westland Shopping Center. The Westland Walkers meet the second Wednesday of each month, except during the summer. Westland Center opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m. through Arcade 2 by Olga's Kitchen. Mall walking ends at 10 a.m.

RECREATION

RECREATION AND FUN
A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. (734) 722-7820.

FIGURE SKATING
The Westland Figure Skating Club has formed an adult introductory precision team. The team is for those who want to have fun with other skating adults and get exercise. Practices are 6-6:50 a.m. Saturdays. All levels are welcome. For information, call (734) 722-1091.

SCHOOLS

MCKINLEY COOPERATIVE
McKinley Cooperative Preschool, housed in Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road at Hunter, is holding registration. Morning and afternoon classes are available. Call (734) 729-7222 for information.

SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S
Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in all classes 18 months through 5 years old. Located in Livonia bordering Westland. Call Michelle at (734) 421-6196.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM
The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottleyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an Early Intervention Program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a Pre-Primary Impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 595-2660 for information.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL
The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in the morning and afternoon sessions. The

younger pupils attend Tuesdays and Thursdays, other pupils on Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. Call (734) 728-3559.

GARDEN CITY CO-OP
The Garden City Co-op nursery has openings for preschool classes for ages 18 months through 4 years. Tots class meets on Wednesday mornings and 3 and 4-year-olds meets Mondays and Thursdays. Parental involvement is required. Call Kelli at (734) 513-7708.

ST. MEL PRESCHOOL
St. Mel Preschool, 7506 Inkster Road, north of Warren Avenue in Dearborn Heights, has morning and afternoon classes for both 3- and 4-year-olds. Registration has begun. Call (313) 274-6270.

YWCA READINESS
The YWCA of Western Wayne County Early Childhood School Readiness Program is available to 4- and 5-year-old children. The YWCA is at 26279 Michigan in Inkster. Call (313) 661-4110.

CHARTER SCHOOL
The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through seventh grade. The school emphasizes a basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with access to the Internet. Call (734) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.


LITTLE LAMBS
Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is accepting registration for the 1998-99 school year. Classes meet Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoons and Tuesday-Thursday mornings for 3- to 5-year-olds. Little Lambs is a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory preschool. For information, call (248) 471-2077.

FRANKLIN PTSA
The Franklin High PTSA is seeking members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and community, and members aren't required to have a student in the school. Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should be made payable to Franklin PTSA and sent to 31000 Joy in Livonia 48150.

TUTORIAL PROGRAM
A free tutoring program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy in Westland. The program, 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, is for students ages 9 and older in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. For information on participating or volunteering, call Leau'Rette Douglas, (734) 722-3660.

MOM'S MORNING OUT
Children, ages newborn to 6, and their mothers are invited to a "Mom's Morning Out" from 9-11:30 a.m.

In fashion



Chamber show: A fashion show featuring nearly new designer fashions will be the focus of the Westland Chamber of Commerce business luncheon on Tuesday, Oct. 13, at Joy Manor in Westland. Above, Barb Harris of Westland Car Care is a guest model at last year's Westland Chamber of Commerce Fashion show presented by Nicole's Revival designer retail dethier of Westland. Networking and lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the fashion show will begin at 1 p.m. The cost to attend is \$15 per person and includes lunch. Call the Westland Chamber for more information at (734) 326-7222. Designer resale fashions from Nicole's Revival will also be featured on the "700 Club" show which airs on Oct. 12.

every Thursday at Newburg United Methodist Church, on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh. Children are grouped together by ages in rooms with two caregivers per room. This program is an optional co-op, with parents working once each month. Call (734) 422-0149.

LIVONIA COOPERATIVE
Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool at 9601 W. Chicago, has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds. To enroll, call Donna at (734) 266-8185.

HISTORY ON VIEW

ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG
Limited space is available for individuals and small groups to participate in the archaeological dig at the Westland Historical Museum, at 857 N. Wayne Road, between Cherry Hill and Marquette. The digs are noon to 5 p.m. Sundays and will run weather permitting to Nov. 15. To participate you must register in advance. For more information or to register, call Daryl Bailey (evenings) at (734) 326-7362 or leave a voice message at the Westland Historical Museum at (734) 326-1110.

WESTLAND MUSEUM
The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. Call (734) 326-1110.

FRIENDS MEET
Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meets 7 p.m. on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne roads,

For information, call President Jim Franklin, (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

FOR SENIORS

SENIOR CHORUS
A new Friendship senior choir, under the direction of Robert Cassidy, has been started at the Westland Senior Resources Department Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Those who enjoy singing are invited to join. The choir meets at 9 a.m. Thursday mornings.

EXERCISE
Musical Chairs is a new program from Jazzercise designed for exercisers older than 40. The program provides a low to moderate workout geared for the older adult which improves strength, flexibility, balance, posture, coordination and cardiovascular endurance. It incorporates resistance exercises using rubber tubing and light weights with walking and jogging patterns. Wear loose fitting clothing and comfortable shoes. Light weights and an exercise mat are suggested. Robert Cassidy is the certified Jazzercise instructor. Sign up at the front desk at the Westland Friendship Center or call (734) 722-7632.

TRAVEL GROUP
The Travel Group meets 12:45 p.m. every Friday in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents, \$12.50 for non-residents. For more information, call (734) 722-7632.

DINNER THEATER
A trip to a performance of

"Hooray for the Holidays" at Cornwell's Dinner Theatre, \$40 cost including lunch and show, is planned for Tuesday, Nov. 10. Departure from the Westland Friendship Center at 9:30 a.m. Arrive at Cornwell's 11:30 a.m. for lunch. Show time is 2 p.m. Return to the center between 6 and 6:30 p.m. Open to the first 19 paid members.

CARD GROUP
The Friday Variety Card Group at the Westland Friendship Center meets at 2 p.m. People play euchre, pinochle, bridge, Uno, rummy and poker. Light refreshments are served. Call (734) 722-7632 for information or just show up to play cards. The Friendship Center is at 1119 N. Newburgh.

MONTHLY MEAL/DANCE
The Wayne Ford Civic League for people 50 and older schedules its senior meal 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road two blocks south of Ford. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. The meal includes beer, beverages, dancing to Big Band music and door prizes. Call (734) 728-5010.

WORK REFERRAL
Information Center Inc. refers workers to seniors who need help. The program is for people interested in providing transportation, yard work, housework, etc. Workers can specify the type of work they are willing to do and the communities they want to serve. Call (734) 422-1052.

DYER CENTER
The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday through Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, Kitchen Band, 10 a.m., bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be 1 p.m. every Wednesday in the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Hall A. Instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632.

FINANCIAL PLANNING
A free program on investments/financial planning will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Westland

Senior Resources Department Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Attorney Richard Bockoff will discuss investments, interest rates, buying and selling investments, living trusts and medical concerns.

CLUBS IN ACTION

MOMS TO MEET
The MOMS Club of Westland, a nonprofit, non-religious support group for stay-at-home moms, will be holding its next meeting at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, at the Newburgh United Methodist Church, east entrance, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail east of Newburgh. The club will be holding an organized discussion group on winter activities. Children are welcome. For information, call Stephanie at (734) 266-2919.

ADD SUPPORT
An Attention Deficit Disorder/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder parent support group of the Family Resource Center begins 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the ABC Room of the Special Angels at Graham Elementary School, 1255 John Hix, Westland. Cost is \$3 with free child care. Registration required, (734) 595-2279.

CONNECTION CHORUS
The County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International, a group of women singing music arranged in barbershop style, is seeking singers who would like to learn and perform their favorite holiday songs. Rehearsals begin at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, at the UAW Local 898 Hall, 8975 Textile, Ypsilanti.

CRAFT SHOW
Space is available for a craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 23, 24 and 25, at the Ramallah Club, 27484 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Table rentals are \$30 for one day or \$60 for all three days. For more information, call Nona at (734) 462-2936 or Nadia at (734) 522-4208 after 5:30 p.m.

CHADD
CHADD of Northwest Wayne County meets the first Thursday of the month throughout the school year at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. CHADD is a nonprofit, parent-based, volunteer organization whose aim is to better the lives of individuals with attention difficulties. Call (313) 438-3099.

T.O.P.S.
Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M128, a support group for sensible weight loss, meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland. For more information, call Jackie at (734) 722-7225.

T.O.P.S.
Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M163 meets weekly: weigh-in is 6-7:15 p.m., meeting is 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, at the Med-Max building, 35600 Central City Parkway, Westland. For information, call Suzanne, (734) 728-8437.

PUBLIC SPEAKING
The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club No. 6694 (formerly Holy Smokemasters) urges people who want to learn the art of public speaking to attend the club's weekly meetings at 6 p.m. each Thursday at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road next to Westland Shopping Center. For more information, call John Elbe at (734) 326-5419, anytime.

CALENDAR FOR

The Observer Newspapers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI. 48150, or by fax to 734-591-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

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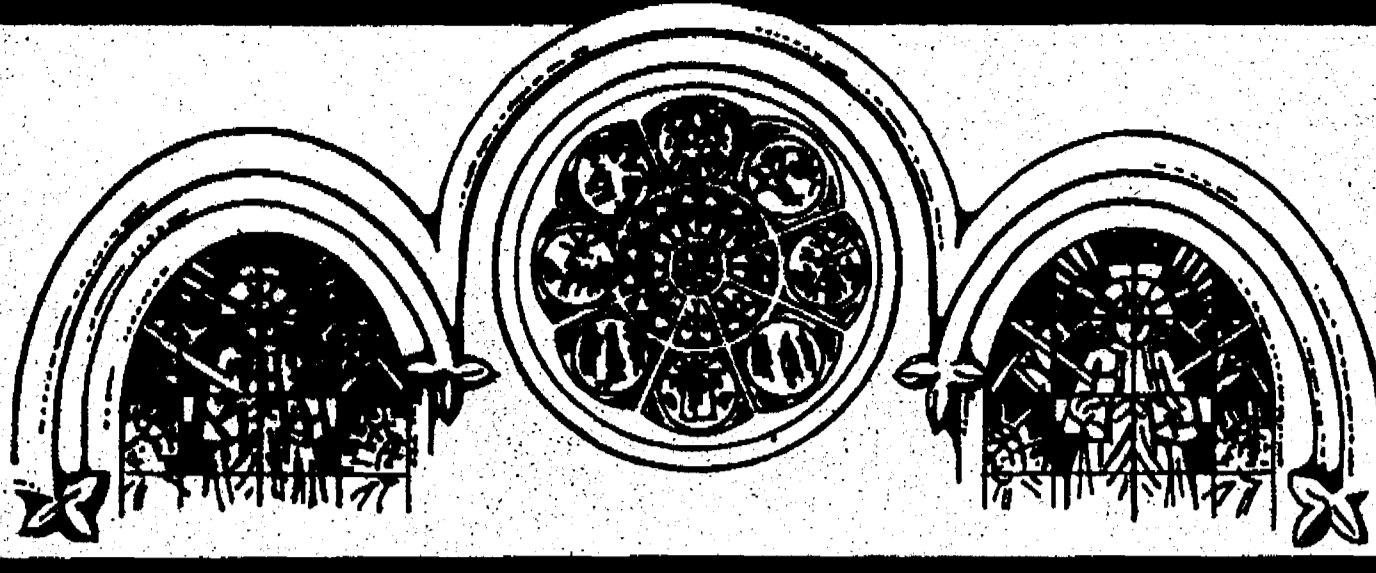
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(313) 455-3690

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Sunday Education - 9:00 a.m.
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First Sat. 9:30 a.m.
Sun. Masses 7:30 & 9:30 a.m.
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422-0149

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5:00 p.m.
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Saturdays: 4:30 & 6:00 p.m.
Sundays: 8:00, 9:30, 11:15 a.m.
1:00 & 6:30 p.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Plymouth
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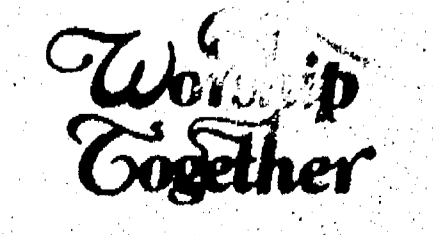
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Trinity hosts Christianity, postmodernism conference

Anyone who is a fan of the television series "The X-Files" has encountered the contrast between modernism and postmodernism.

Agent Dana Scully is the modernist - coldly scientific, logical, empirical - while Agent Fox Mulder is the postmodernist, ready to give credence to anything from werewolves to space aliens. His slogan is "I want to believe."

For moderns, truth is clad in a white lab coat. For postmodernists, it is more likely outfitted in the eclectic style of a rock 'n' roll singer.

The Western world is undergoing a radical cultural shift from modernism to postmodernism, a shift that will be more dramatic than any change seen in the past several centuries.

Among the differences will be radical pluralism in the marketplace of ideas, a skepticism about science having all the answers and a preference for truth in story form rather than rational proofs. In short, most modern people will have more in common philosophically with their great-grandparents than with their own children.

These cultural changes have many people asking if Christian faith can survive in postmodern culture? Should Christians lament the close of the modern age or celebrate the new, uncharted possibilities of the postmodern era? How can the church communicate the gospel within such a different culture?

On Saturday, Oct. 17, professor J. Richard Middleton will address those questions of Chris-

tianity and postmodernism in an all-day conference, "Christian Faith in a Postmodern Age: Reading Scripture for a Time of Crisis," at Trinity Church in Livonia.

Registration for the program will be 9 a.m., with the first session, "Discerning the Postmodern Condition," at 9:30 a.m. There also will be two afternoon sessions - "A Case Study in Postmodern Biblical Interpretation" at 1 p.m. and "Reading the Whole Bible in a Postmodern Time" at 2:30 p.m.

The conference will wrap up at 4 p.m. but for those interested, the conversation will continue with a pizza supper at 5 p.m. There's an extra charge for the supper.

Middleton also will preach at the 10:45 a.m. worship service

Sunday, Oct. 18, at the church, 14800 Middlebelt, Livonia.

Middleton teaches Old Testament interpretation at Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y., and has co-authored several books with Brian J. Walsh, chaplain at the University of Toronto, "The Transforming Vision: Shaping a Christian World View" and "The Advent of Justice."

Their most recent book, "Truth Is Stranger Than It Used To Be: Biblical Faith in a Postmodern Age," received the 1996 Book of the Year award from "Christianity Today" magazine.

Middleton also has published several essays in a variety of journals on biblical creation theology, the genre of lament, the problem of evil and the theology of popular music. One of his

essays, "Let's Put Herod Back into Christmas," was recently awarded the Canadian Church Press prize for best theological reflection.

Before joining the divinity school, he taught at Redeemer College in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, and the Institute for Christian Studies in Toronto and served as campus minister at four universities in Canada and the United States.

Advance registration for the conference is \$20 and \$15 for students and includes lunch. Tickets at the door will cost \$25 and \$20, respectively. Registration can be completed by calling the Rev. Michael Van Horn, pastor of Trinity Church, at (734) 425-2800.



J. Richard Middleton

RELIGIOUS NEWS

Listings for the Religious News should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

KID'S CLUB

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church is holding Kid's Club meetings 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia. The club is for children in first through the sixth grades. Youngsters do not have to be members of the church to participate. There will be crafts, games, fun and refreshments. For more information, call Dixie Elam at (734) 422-0494.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi.

CARD PARTY

St. Simon and Jude Church will have a Harvest Gathering card party 6:30-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at the church, 32500 Palmer, Westland. There will be

door and table prizes, 50-50 raffle and cards and games of choice. A light meal and snacks will be served. Tickets cost \$6. For more information, call (734) 728-2090 or (734) 729-2716. Proceeds will go to the church's building fund.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. John Bosco Church will have a Vegas Night 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, Oct. 9-10, in Sheltreau Hall, 12170 Beech Daly, Redford. There will be games of blackjack, dice and roulette, hourly 50-50 raffles and a Big 6 wheel. Admission will be \$1; additional charge for food and beverages.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries members will bike to the Huron River in Ann Arbor Saturday, Oct. 10. Riders will meet at 11 a.m. at Richardson Center on Oakley Park Road west of Haggerty. Helmets are mandatory. For more information call the Single Point office at (248) 374-5920.

Single Point also offers Talk It Over 7-9:30 p.m. the second and fourth Fridays of the month in Knox Hall, outdoor tennis 4:30 p.m. until dark Tuesdays and Thursdays at Rotary Park on Six Mile in Livonia and indoor volleyball at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays

in Knox Hall of the church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville.

TRINITY HOUSE

Trinity House Theater will present award-winning filmmaker Gary Glaser at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets cost \$5 for non-members and \$4 for members.

Featured will be Glaser's "Forgotten Voices," chronicling the impact of an arts education program on four prisoners serving life sentences at the Western Wayne Correctional Facility, "Borderline: The Story of Eight Mile Road," exploring Detroit's relationship with its suburban neighbors, and "The Hudson's Building," which takes a nostalgic look back at one of the area's favorite places to shop and examines the controversy surrounding its impending demolition.

For more information, call (734) 464-6302.

IN CONCERT

Young Christian recording artist Mary Rice Hopkins and Company will perform at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy. Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for a family pass. They are available at Dickson's Bible Bookstores,

Family Christian Bookstores or by calling (734) 416-9346.

Hopkins uses catchy lyrics, versatility and hand motions that encourage the audience to participate. Her audio cassettes and CDs will be available for purchase before and after the concert.

FALL SPIRITUAL FESTIVAL

Unity of Livonia Church will have its fall spiritual festival. "Festival of Inner Light," at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the church, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia.

The speakers will be the Rev. Dr. David Williamson and Dr. Robert Knapp, both of the Unity of Hollywood (Fla.) Church. They will focus their morning discussions on Charles Fillmore's "The Twelve Powers" and the medical perspective on the body's power centers. In the afternoon workshop, Williamson will discuss in more detail the 12 powers of holistic spiritual development and regeneration.

An exact replica of a labyrinth at Chartes Cathedral in France will be available for participants to do a walking meditation. Registration for the festival is \$25 and includes lunch. For more information, call Unity of Livonia Church at (734) 421-1760.

YARD SALE

St. John's Episcopal Church of Westland will have a yard sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, in the parking lot of the church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Space is available. For more information, call the church office at (734) 721-5023.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

The closing event for St. Agatha Parish's 50th anniversary celebration will include a Sock Hop will be held at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the parish, Beech Daly and Seven Mile, Redford. Cost will be \$15 per person.

On Sunday, Oct. 11, there will be a closing liturgy at 1 p.m., followed by dinner-dance at the Western Golf and Country Club. Music will be by the Johnny Trudell Band. Proper attire required. For more information, call (313) 531-0371.

'FAMILY SERVE'

"Family Serve: Volunteer Opportunities for Families," a new 60-minute program from the Aid Association for Lutherans, will be presented at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, in the Christian/Education Room of Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Joy at Wayne Road, Livonia. The

program focuses on many unique volunteer opportunities and helps parents and children realize the benefits of volunteering.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Warren Road Light & Life Free Methodist Church will have the Toledo Vineyard worship group perform at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at the church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland. The church also will have two services, a traditional one at 9 a.m. and contemporary one at 11 a.m., on Sunday. For more information, call the church at (734) 458-7301.

RITE OF INITIATION

Adults interested in joining the Catholic church are invited to "inquire" at the ongoing Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Theodore of Canterbury Church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The process is open to any interested adult including baptized Catholics who have not completed their initiation with First Communion and/or Confirmation. For more information, call Lorraine Short, pastoral minister, at (734) 425-4421. For more information or individual counseling, call (734) 453-4785.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Twisters tame Cougars

The Wayne County Twisters pulled off a mild upset in the Lake Shore Football League with a 20-14 victory Saturday over the league leading Motor City Cougars, ranked 12th nationally by the American Football Association.

Pat Bowie's 1-yard touchdown run with just 44 seconds left provided the final margin of victory. His 44-yard run followed by Eddie Trent's 7-yard carry set up the game-winner in a game played at Academy of Detroit High School Inkster.

Trailing 14-6 in the with four minutes remaining, the Twisters pulled to within two on Brian Kutch's 98-yard TD pass to David Ryan, longest recorded in LSFL history. (The two-point attempt failed.)

The Twisters' defense then forced the Cougars to punt with two minutes remaining.

Trailing 7-0 early in the second period, the Twisters got on the board when 29-year-old linebacker Bob Pensari pounced on a loose ball in the end zone after a Cougar returner mishandled a long punt by Chuck Petipas.

But the Cougars remained on top at halftime, 7-6.

Conditions were less than ideal because of the cold and often heavy rains.

The LSFL playoffs begins Saturday with the Zanesville (Ohio) Fury making a visit to Academy of Detroit field (old Cherry Hill High School), located at 28500 Avondale, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads.

Kickoff is at 3:30 p.m.

Squirt A lcers 1st

The Livonia Knights, a Squirt A team, captured the Sports Weekend Extravaganza Tournament, Sept. 25-27, in Cleveland, Ohio by outscoring their opponents 21-1 en route to a 4-0 record.

The Knights blanked the Depew Saints of Buffalo, N.Y. in the championship final, 6-0, on two goals each by Scott Evens and Adam Wagner, along with one each by Jake Wagaman and Vince Bryne.

Goalender Nathan O'Hare notched the shutout.

In a 6-0 semifinal shutout of Parma Heights (Ohio), goaltender Bobby Zaremba notched the shutout. Evens scored twice, while Evan Anton, Corey Brecht and Jeff Scherrer added one apiece.

The Knights opened with a 4-1 win over the Saints as Wagner scored twice with other goals by Brecht and Anton. Zaremba was in the nets.

The Knights also defeated the Cleveland Skating Club, 5-0, behind O'Hare's shutout and goals by tournament MVP Billy Westerman (2), Scherrer, Brecht and Evens.

Other members of the Knights include; Jeff Anderson, Scott Arcuragi, Ryan Bird, Ross Decker and Brian Linstrom.

The Knights are coached by John Bartle, John Moore and Paul Anderson. The manager is Andrea Anderson.

Team sponsors included Valentino's Pizza, L&L Packaging, Inc., Tri-City Builders and Nagle Paving Co.

Youth baseball tryouts

• Tryouts for two new Little Caesars baseball teams will be Saturday, Oct. 10. The age groups are 10-and-under (Willie Mays) and 12-and-under (Pee Wee Reese). Call Bill Hardin at 562-4687 for times and field assignments.

• The Michigan Indians Baseball Club will have tryouts for its Willie Mays (10-and-under) travel baseball team, the 1999 season, at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at Don Massey Field (at Haggerty and Plymouth roads). Players birthdates must be between Aug. 1, 1988 and July 31, 1989. For more information, call Mark Glover at (248) 349-3392.

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Mending well

Rogowski thankful he can play again

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Redford Catholic Central senior Casey Rogowski wasn't likely to perform an end zone dance at last month's Boys Bowl, even if he was healthy enough to play.

The humble linebacker and fullback prefers to do his footwork between goal lines. Showboating's not his style.

But later that night, after the Shamrocks' 40-14 victory over Detroit St. Martin DePorres at Pontiac's Wisner Stadium, dancing was part of the routine with his date at the annual homecoming dance.

Rogowski, a three-sport standout from Livonia, wasn't going to win any contests but he wanted his teammates to know he's happy for them and close to recovering from a broken leg and

arthroscopic knee surgery.

He shed his crutches days before and a knee brace wasn't quite fitted yet.

"He talked about it a couple weeks before, saying 'I'll be out on the dance floor on crutches if I have to,'" said Derek Anderson, a senior wide receiver/defensive back. "We were joking that he'd have to have his pants custom fitted or wear shorts to fit his brace."

You've heard of Mighty Casey at Bat. This one's on deck.

A night of dancing was fun, even if they played Top 40 more than his favorite classic Rock & Roll songs, but the stage he's really looking forward to will take place at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

That's when Rogowski, a preseason All-State candidate, makes his season

Please see **ROGOWSKI, C3**



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Up to specification: Redford Catholic Central linebacker Casey Rogowski (right) gets measured for a knee brace by certified orthodist Ernie Bastien as mother Kathy Rogowski looks on.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Tee shot: Livonia Churchill's Evan Chall launches a drive during Tuesday's WLAA boys golf tournament. For a roundup, see Westland (C6) and Livonia (C8).

Stevenson beats Churchill in test

BY BRAD EMONS
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BOYS SOCCER

Boys soccer opponents continue to fall like dominoes against Livonia Stevenson.

The Spartans, ranked No. 1 in Division I, withstood an early Livonia Churchill offensive onslaught to run their record to 14-1 with a 2-0 victory Wednesday over the host Chargers.

Stevenson now heads into next week's Western Lakes championship game against Plymouth Canton, the only team to put a blemish on the Spartans' record this season. (Game time is 7 p.m. Oct. 14 at Canton.)

"It's been an incredibly fast-paced couple of weeks and we've had some real tests, but I'm proud the way our guys stepped up once again to another challenge," said Stevenson first-year coach Lars Richters.

Churchill threatened early, but Stevenson survived the Chargers' pressure.

The Spartans then scored with 4:24 left in the first half on Jeff Budd's direct free kick, which was directed past Churchill goalkeeper Steve Kleczynski by Tomasso Mainella.

The goal came just after a yellow card was handed out to the Spartans.

From that point on Stevenson appeared to be a different team, seizing momentum and carrying the play to Churchill's end.

"That team (Churchill) poses problems with two dangerous players like (George) Kithas and (Marc) Sicilia," Richters said. "Both usually play together up front, but they kept one back this time and the other staying up. We had prepared a little differently and it caused some problems."

"Plus, Churchill played with a great deal of energy from the start."

Tony Maldonado, off a flicked pass in front of the Churchill net by teammate

Mike White, gave Stevenson a two-goal cushion by scoring with 19:10 left in the match.

"After the way we started the season, it's starting to get frustrating," said Churchill coach Chad Campau, whose team is 9-4-2 overall, but 1-3-1 over the last five games. "The first 30 minutes we had opportunities and gave ourselves chances. We played the ball well."

"But it's those one or two defensive lapses when teams take advantage of you ... and that will kill you."

Stevenson goalkeeper Joe Suchara was sharp when he had to be, making a key stop in each half off shots by Sicilia.

"We went over some things with our back four and we told them to relax and play," Richters said. "I think we were a bit panicky with the ball and we wound up playing in a physical, aggressive match. They had to think before they played the ball."

On Monday, Kithas scored twice and Mike Koivunen had the other goal as Churchill beat host Walled Lake Western, 3-1.

But the Chargers could not find the net against Stevenson.

"I thought we played well for 30 minutes, but you just can't sustain it for 80 minutes, no team can do that," Campau said. "We played pretty well much of the game. Overall I was pleased."

"Hopefully we'll get another shot at Stevenson. I thought we did a nice job of marking Tom Eller, because he's been scoring a lot of their goals for them lately. We brought up Eric Scott from the JV and he did a nice job marking him."

Stiffarm move

Zebra triumph: Wayne Memorial's Cameron Mingo (right) fends off a Dearborn Edsel Ford tackler during Saturday's homecoming game. The host Zebras came from behind with a pair of Mingo touchdowns in the final three minutes to stun the Thunderbirds, 25-19. Wayne, 4-1 overall, will face unbeaten Dearborn in a key Michigan Mega Conference Red Division showdown, 7 p.m. Friday at home. For a roundup of Saturday games, see page C3, along with the grid predictions.

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GIRLS SWIMMING

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 113
LIVONIA LADYWOOD 73
 Oct. 6 at Woodland John Glenn
200 medley relay: Churchill (Kristin Derwicz, Angela Simetkoosky, Whitney Green, Adriana Doyle), 2:08.24; **500 freestyle:** Carolyn O'Keefe (LC), 2:15.16; **500 IM:** Green (LC), 2:35.40; **50 freestyle:** Courtney Lim (LC), 27.65; **diving:** Angilee Anevoli (LL), 210.75; **butterfly:** Christina Mocerl (LL), 1:03.37; **100 freestyle:** Simetkoosky (LC), 57.85; **500 freestyle:** O'Keefe (LC), 6:04.36; **500 freestyle relay:** Churchill (Beth Bushey, Green, Doyle, Simetkoosky), 1:50.06; **backstroke:** Mocerl (LL), 1:03.10; **basketstroke:** Kelly Stahley (LC), 1:20.58; **400 freestyle relay:** Churchill (Trish McGowan, Bushey, O'Keefe, Doyle), 4:09.48.
Churchill's dual meet record: 4-3.
ANN ARBOR PIONEER 96
LIVONIA STEVENSON 90
 Oct. 3 at Stevenson
200-yard medley relay: Stevenson (Lindsay Dolin, Marti McKenzie, Katie Clark, Jessica Makowski), 1:54.69; **200 freestyle:** Katie Lidowski (AAP), 1:57.8; **200 individual medley:** Katie Winklehaus (AAP), 2:09.24; **50 freestyle:** Makowski (LS), 25.74; **diving:** Elizabeth Godek (AAP), no score available; **100 butterfly:** Clark (LS), 59.91; **100 freestyle:** Rebecca Godek (AAP), 58.71; **500 freestyle:** Winklehaus (AAP), 6:08.6; **200 freestyle relay:** Pioneer, 1:43.54; **100 basketstroke:** Dolin (LS), 1:04.68; **100 breaststroke:** McKee (LS), 1:14.33; **400 freestyle relay:** Pioneer, 3:42.03.
Dual meet records: Pioneer, 3-0; Stevenson, 4-2.

GIRLS TENNIS

PLYMOUTH CANTON 7
LIVONIA FRANKLIN 1
 Oct. 2 at Canton
No. 1 singles: Cherie Berner (LF) def. Liz Eisner, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0; No. 2: Jen Leonard (PC) def. Karen Koleczko, 6-1, 7-5; No. 3: Lizzie Brown (PC) def. Karen Savage, 6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Christina Slupeck (PC) def. Laura Conrad, 6-2, 7-5.
No. 1 doubles: Josephine Chang-Lisa Niemiec (PC) def. Abby Wojtowicz-Elizabeth Zatz, 6-1, 6-2; No. 2: Tracy Robey-Niki Shah (PC) def. Daniela Gapp-Danielle Coleman, 5-7, 6-3, 6-0; No. 3: Christina Clutter-Michele Blair (PC) def. Krista Slawski-Elizabeth Sattler, 6-2, 6-4; No. 4: Chris Koshizawa-Puja Amin (PC) def. Lisa Wiklanski-Trina Szurek, 6-0, 6-0.

top 25

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Eric O'Neil (Livonia Stevenson) recorded his fifth shutout of the season.

The two wins boosted SC's overall record to 11-3 and to a No. 14 ranking in the NJCAA. Cuyahoga is 5-3.

Last Wednesday, the Ocelots lost to the University of Michigan's club team, 2-1. U-M scored twice in the first half, both goals deflecting in off SC defenders. The Ocelots got one back when Konley nailed a direct kick from close to 30 yards out 15 minutes into the second half.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team solidified its top-10 ranking in the NJCAA with a solid 4-0 triumph Saturday over visiting University of Toledo.

Annie Hagenah remained among the nation's top scorers with a goal and two assists, leading the Lady Ocelot attack.

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Crusaders outlast Cornerstone

It didn't come easily, but then again, it wasn't expected to be.

Madonna University's volleyball team had a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference showdown Tuesday against Cornerstone College, both teams 5-0 in the conference entering the match. When the Lady Crusaders, ranked 18th in the NAIA, lost setter Deanne Helsom to a knee injury in the first game, then lost the first game, things weren't looking too good.

Enter freshman Jennie Wind. In her first extended action of the season, Wind collected 42 assists to kills and 10 digs to help Madonna recover for a 12-15, 15-12, 15-8, 15-9 victory. The Crusaders are now 20-4 overall, 6-0 in the WHAC; Cornerstone is 9-10 overall, 5-1 in the WHAC.

Erin Cunningham and Stephanie Uballe each turned in one of their best performances of the season. They had 16 kills apiece, with Cunningham adding three service aces and a team-best 21 digs and Uballe getting one solo block and three block assists.

VOLLEYBALL

Brandy Malowski (from Redford Thurston) added 10 kills, one solo block and five block assists; Rayna Vert had five kills, two solo blocks and three block assists; Marylu Hemme (Livonia Ladywood) totaled 18 digs; and Jennifer Russell had 16 digs.

McGinty sparks Ocelots

Schoolcraft College got its second-straight Eastern Conference victory in a row Tuesday, defeating visiting Macomb CC 15-10, 15-13, 15-11 at SC. The win pushed the Lady Ocelots' record to 3-4 in the conference, 9-10 overall.

Megan McGinty (from Livonia Churchill) led the attack with 17 kills; she also had 18 digs, two solo blocks and six block assists. Kelly Johnston (Plymouth Salem) added 15 kills and 13 digs, and Cindy Maloof had six kills and 10 digs. Danielle Wensing finished with 39 assists to kills and eight digs.



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Stevenson passes 2 big tests

BY BRAD EMONS
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First-year Livonia Stevenson boys soccer coach Lars Richters admitted he was nervous heading into Monday's Lakes Division showdown with Farmington High.

"I hadn't seen them play, but I knew they had some great results after beating (Livonia) Churchill and tying (Plymouth) Canton," he said.

But after Jeff Budd scored just eight seconds into the match and the host Spartans added two more during the next nine minutes, it was evident that it was going to be good night.

The 6-0 win puts top-ranked Stevenson, now 18-1 on the season, in Wednesday's (Oct. 14) Western Lakes Activities Association title match against Western Division champ Canton, the only team to beat the Spartans this season (3-2).

Stevenson finishes Lakes Division play at 5-0, while Farmington, making a bid to earn a spot in the Division II state rankings, falls to 10-4-2 and 2-2 in the Lakes. The loss ended the Falcons' 10-game unbeaten streak.

"Stevenson is very fast in the midfield and up front," Farmington coach Luke Juncaj said. "The first goal set the tone. I expected a closer game, but we never got it going. Those early goals froze our team and we weren't ready to respond."

"It certainly was not one of our best games," Sergio Mainella led Stevenson offensively with one goal and four assists. Tom Eller also had a one goal and one assist, while Brian Brauti, Nick Ziobron, Nick Soper and Budd contributed one goal apiece.

Stevenson dominated, outshooting the Falcons 19-3. Farmington played without injured sweeper Phil Gasparotto. The Falcons' top goal scorer Tim Rais was also kept off the scorebook.

"Our game plan was to attack and put them on the defensive," Richters said. "And by doing that I thought we had a better chance of controlling Rais. Jeff Budd is always assigned the other team's best scorer and having a healthy Jon Mathis back in the first half certainly helped."

"It was also the last game at home for the seniors and it gave us a lot of energy. That was a big help as well."

On Saturday, Stevenson traveled to No. 9-ranked Troy Athens and came away with a 3-1 triumph, overcoming a 1-0 halftime deficit on goals by Mike White (from Eller), Budd (from White) and Mainella unassisted.

Joe Suchara was in goal for the Spartans. "Athens was another big test," Richters said. "It was a very physical game in front of hostile fans. It was certainly a gut-check and in the second half we fortunately responded to every challenge."

"The second half was one of our best halves of the season."

FRANKLIN 3, W.L. CENTRAL 1: Livonia Franklin's new strategy worked as the host Patriots improved to 4-9-2 overall.

Franklin coach Dave Hebestreit employed a 4-2-4 system and the Patriots responded well.

BOYS SOCCER WRAP

Junior Ross Bohler opened the scoring 10 minutes into the game after tipping in a header by senior Scott Tuggle.

The Patriots made it 2-0 after senior Bill Fischer drilled an 18-yard shot into the net. Bohler recorded the assist.

Leading 2-1, Franklin added an insurance goal 10 minutes into the second half as sophomore Mike Vega scored an unassisted goal.

The Patriots outshot Central 22-7. Sophomore Jeremy Bruckner played the second half in goal for Franklin and held the Vikings scoreless.

N. FARMINGTON 2, JOHN GLENN 1: Chris Erickson's second-half goal proved to be the difference Monday as host North Farmington (11-4-1, 2-2) came away with the WLAALakes Division triumph over Westland John Glenn (4-7-2, 0-4-1).

North scored first in the opening half on Craig Hearn's 33rd goal of the season, but Glenn's Jeff Shelby tied it later on an assist from John Sterling.

"I thought we contained Hearn quite well," said Glenn coach Jerry Poniatowski, who singled out the defensive efforts of Tony Canfield, Derek Gismond and Kevin Derwich.

WAYNE 10, RIVER ROUGE 0: Tim Stark scored twice and eight others had goals Monday as host Wayne Memorial (6-4-1, 5-2-1) invoked the mercy rule in a Mega-Blue Division rout of River Rouge.

Matt Arnett, Eption Dishnica, Kingsley Matthew, Ken Raupp, Austin Rowland, Joe Dodds, Jimmy Lewis and Justin Tucker also found the net for the Zebras.

Arnett and Justin Beseler, who split time in the nets, combined on the shutout.

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 5, LUTH. N'WEST 1: Derek Blas, Brad Nollar and Brian Woehke each tallied a goal and one assist Tuesday, leading host Lutheran Westland (9-2-2 overall) to a first-round Metro Conference playoff victory over Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

Clint Gowen and Ryan Noel each added goals for the victorious Warriors, who will host a semifinal game at 4:30 today against the winner of Hamtramck and Harper Woods Lutheran East.

HAMTRAMCK 9, CLARENCEVILLE 1: Livonia Clarenceville played well for 40 minutes Monday at Hamtramck before things fell apart in the second half.

The Trojans, still winless in 1998, received their only goal from senior Brian Pankow on a free kick with 10 minutes left in the first half.

Hamtramck led 3-1 at halftime, and ran away with the victory with six unanswered tallies in the second half.

BROTHER RICE 4, REDFORD CC 2: Birmingham Brother Rice (11-3, 6-2) overcame a two-goal, second-half deficit Tuesday to double up rival Redford Catholic Central (6-7-1, 2-5).

Trailing by a 2-0 count on goals by Andrew Kogut and Pat Griffin of CC, the host Warriors came to life by banging home four goals in a 15-minute span.

Matt Holcomb began the barrage with a header off a Pat Wilson free kick and Anthony Timlin finished it off after taking a feed from teammate Matt Cleary.

In between, Warriors Joe Morelli and Wilson found the back of the CC net.

On Friday, the Shamrocks won Catholic League crossover game against Madison Heights Bishop Foley, 4-1, at Whitman Center in Livonia.

Junior forward Keith Bonnell scored two goals for the Shamrocks. Griffin and Kogut scored one goal each.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Glenn tops Chargers

Westland John Glenn built a 25-12 halftime lead and held off a Livonia Churchill second-half surge Tuesday to earn a 42-38 Western Lakes Activities Association girls basketball victory.

Glenn is now 5-4 overall and 2-2 in the WLAA, while Churchill slips to 6-4 and 2-2.

Stephanie Crews, a freshman, led host Glenn and all scorers with 16 points. Sister Samantha Crews, a junior, added eight points and 11 rebounds.

Kersten Conklin, who broke what is believed to be a Churchill single game scoring record (30) last week against Walled Lake Western, finished with a team-high 15 points.

All 15 of her points came in the second half, including 11 in the final period when Churchill outscored the Rockets 17-13.

Stacey Supanich, who added nine points and 11 rebounds, tied it at 38-all with a three-pointer with less than three minutes remaining.

But Glenn's Rola Amad answered with a field goal followed by a pair of free throws by Stephanie Crews to seal the victory.

Churchill had just three field goals over the first three quarters and made only 17 of 33 free throws.

Glenn was eight of 21 from the line.

N. FARMINGTON 60, FRANKLIN 28: Sophomore Samantha McComb scored 28 points and senior Katie Vihtelic netted 23 points Tuesday for the host North Farmington (5-5, 3-1) in a WLAA win over Livonia Franklin (1-7, 0-4).

Junior Brittany Vihtelic added six points. McComb also had seven steals and three steals.

Junior forward Tera Morrill scored 13 points for the Patriots.

NORTHVILLE 50, STEVENSON 41: Sophomore Emily Carbott scored 11 points and freshman Kelly Anderson chipped in with 10 Tuesday, leading the Mustangs (6-3, 4-0) to the WLAA win at Livonia Stevenson (6-4, 1-3).

Stephanie Dutz, a senior forward, led Stevenson with 17 points. Katie LeBlanc added 10 and Lindsay Gusick scored seven.

Stevenson led 12-7 after one quarter, but Northville took control with a 19-2 second-period run.

"Once they started the run they completely outplayed us," Stevenson coach Wayne Henry said.

DIVINE CHILD 53, LADYWOOD 52: Chris Brewis poured in 21 points and Marla Jilian added 12 as Dearborn Divine Child (6-5, 2-3) squeezed past host Livonia Ladywood (4-6, 1-4).

Freshman center Liz Obrecht and senior guard Erin Hayden each tallied 11 points in the loss. Senior forward Carly Queen added 10 points.

Obrecht hit one of two free throws with 15 seconds left to pull the Blazers to within two, 53-51. DC held possession and ran out the clock.

Ladywood lost two starters to fouls.

Both teams hit 17 of 28 free throws.

WYANDOTTE 48, WAYNE 38: Tonya Crawford scored 15 points and yanked down 14 rebounds, but it wasn't enough Tuesday as host Wayne Memorial (1-3, 3-7) fell to Wyandotte Roosevelt (1-2, 5-5) in a Mega-Red Division game.

Junior Kelly Lanigan scored 16 points for the winners, while teammate Beth Fortuna contributed 13.

It was 18-all at intermission.

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 33, HARPER WOODS 18: Metro leader Lutheran Westland improved to 8-2 overall and 7-0 in the conference with a win Tuesday against the host Pioneers (2-7, 1-7).

Ten of 12 Warriors scored with senior forward Anna Schwewe leading the way with five.

Junior guard Allison Gonyeau tallied six points.

Lutheran Westland led 12-6 after 16 minutes and broke it open with a 21-12 second-half run.

HAMTRAMCK 38, CLARENCEVILLE 32: Erica Silas scored a game-high 14 points Tuesday as the Cosmos (3-4, 4-5) held off Livonia Clarenceville (1-8, 0-6) in a Metro Conference game.

The Cosmos led from start to finish.

Freshman Beth Marlow scored 10 points to lead the Trojans. Christina Skrela added nine. Danielle Siedz grabbed 10 rebounds.

ROEPER 43, HURON VALLEY 23: Bloomfield Hills Roeper roared out to a 20-6 first-quarter advantage en route to the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference win over Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (1-9, 0-4).

Lydia Haines and Danielle Scaglione scored 13 and 12, respectively, for the victorious Roughriders.

Stacie Graves led Huron Valley with eight points. Jessie Cherundolo added six.

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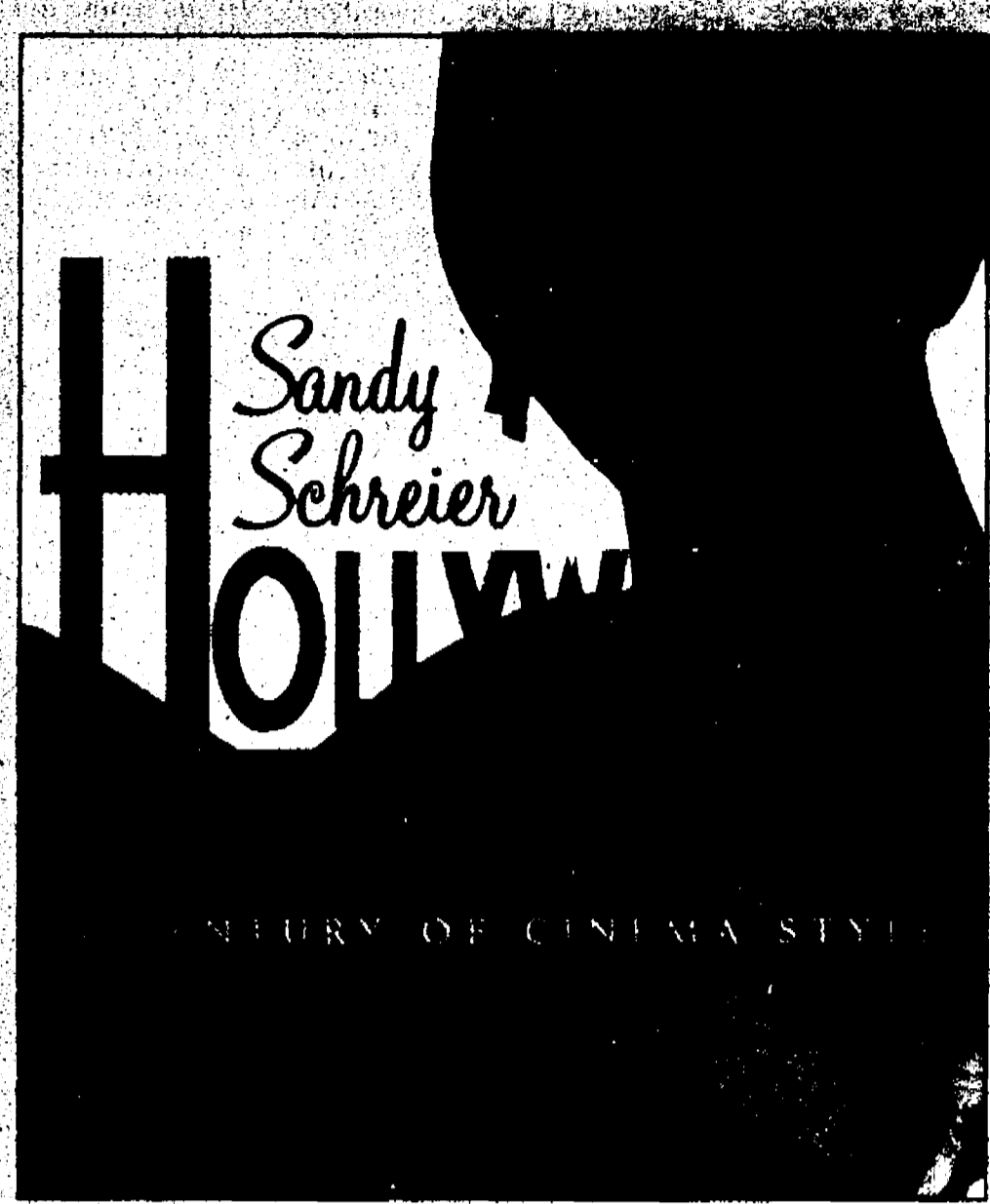


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BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

To Diana Ross she was the Feather Lady and to Bette Midler she's been her fashion teacher. Sandy Schreier loves rubbing elbows with celebrities, and she's not ashamed to admit it.

"I've always been starstruck, and I hope I never grow out of it," she said, sitting in the kitchen of her suburban Oakland County home, which has its own theatrical flair.

Schreier, who has a collection of more than 10,000 French Couture, American fashions and Hollywood

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Retains her elegance: Loretta Young, right, with Sandy Schreier, still retains her beauty into her 80s.



Protege: Bette Midler, left, has been taking fashion lessons from Sandy Schreier.

Dropping names

Sandy Schreier can drop a name or an anecdote at a moment's notice. Here's a sample:

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■ **CLARK GABLE:** "We think of him as being rugged but we don't think of him as being absorbed with fashion and he was. He had a personal tailor to fit his costumes. Clark Gable and Cary Grant were allowed to wear their own clothes on the screen." Despite designer Walter Plunkett's reputation for detailed authenticity, producer David Selznick allowed Gable to wear his own clothes in "Gone With the Wind" rather than the more historically accurate costumes that Plunkett had designed. Selznick didn't want Gable to look too dated.

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'Turandot' resurrects last song

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

It's the equivalent of rewriting Shakespeare, reworking Beethoven's Fifth, or rearranging the words of a Lennon and McCartney composition.

At the death in 1924 of the pre-eminent opera composer of the day, Giacomo Puccini, the opera that had consumed him in his last years, "Turandot," remained unfinished.

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Apparently, Alfano's response to the challenge of the operatic gods was inadequate. For the next six decades productions of "Turandot" typically included another version, the abridged ending performed by Toscanini at the opera's premiere at the Scala Opera House in Milan in 1926.

This weekend the Michigan Opera Theatre opens its 1998-99 season with a grand scale production of Alfano's seldom-heard version of the final scene, a duet between lovers.

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- Calendar of Events:**
- **Saturday, Oct. 10** - Program features three documentaries by Troy filmmaker Gary Glaser, "Hudson's the Building," "Forgotten Voices," a film about an arts education program for four prisoners serving life sentences in the Western Wayne Correctional Facility, and "Borderline: The Story of 8 Mile Road." Tickets \$5 members, \$4 non-members.
 - **Friday, Oct. 16** - New play reading - "The Outside World"
 - **Saturday, Oct. 24** - Telling Stories with author Hugh Cook
 - **Oct. 30 to Nov. 29** - "Sister Camille's Kaleidoscope Cabaret"
 - **Saturday, Nov. 29** - Dell and the Ruff Cuts live in concert
 - **Sunday, Jan 17 to Feb. 17** - Gallery exhibit by The Arts Group
 - **Saturday, Feb. 13** - Free technical workshop with Gary Grace on how to run lights and sound
 - **March 6-28** - "Grace and Gloria" by Tom Ziegler
 - **Friday-Saturday, April 23-24** - Common Room, garage-style variety theater
 - **Friday, May 14 to Saturday, May 22** - Reader's Theatre Festival

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Thomas Malcom Olson's enthusiasm for Trinity House Theatre's new season pierced the darkened stage of the playhouse.

The 29-year-old artistic director came on board in June and already seems like he's been with the Christian-based theater group for years as he talked non-stop about expanding the theater's offerings. Olson brought with him from St. Paul, Minn., dozens of ideas for hosting art exhibitions, concerts and films in addition to presenting the regular season of plays.

"We're in the process of not only being a theater space but an art gallery and place for concerts," said Olson. "We want to be a good night out, for people to make this a destination place."

Actually, the concept is not new for

Trinity House, a theater that deals with issues of humanity. When Paul Patton and members of the Trinity Baptist Church in Livonia founded the theater in 1981, the space provided a venue for a variety of entertainment.

Olson is well-versed on the history of the space, how the theater started as an offshoot of the church until it was incorporated as a separate entity in 1988. He thinks the intimacy of the space, it seats 85 comfortably, lends itself to informal lectures by authors, documentary films, and acoustic concerts by groups such as Dell and the Ruff Cuts. Twenty-five percent of the box office from this concert of folksy-rock originals goes to Another Way, a Crisis Pregnancy Center in Farmington.

But with all the excitement over the expansion, live theater is still the focus of Trinity House, currently



Transition stage: Thomas Malcom Olson directs Trinity House Theatre down a new path this season.

in the process of rewriting their mission statement.

Opening Friday, Oct. 30, the content of the first fully staged play of the season reflects a new direction for the theater as well. Board president Susan VandenBrink says come

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prepared to think if you plan to attend this world premier.

Written by Canadian playwright Paul Mason, "Sister Camille's Kaleidoscopic Cabaret" deals with a rag-tag bunch of individuals struggling with their lives. Emceeding the cathartic bunch is Sister Camille. Among the cast of characters is Lord Jake, an eccentric guitar player, Jasper the ape and the half-mad German woman, Mrs. Stoker who's dealing with her own personal demons as she denies the existence of the Holocaust.

"Tommy's young, energetic," said VandenBrink. "He's a risk taker. We need him to take us forward. People have to be prepared to be engaged not just entertained. In a sense 'Sister Camille' speaks to issues of our culture. I think it will provoke thought and help people think through some of the issues."

For the first time, Trinity House will introduce a live feed video to a production. Lloyd VandenBrink, Susan's husband and set designer for Trinity House, is in charge of bringing the fractured images to the stage for "Sister Camille."

"The camera will be taking in

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Susan VandenBrink
Trinity Board President

images then bouncing them back through a mirror back onto the stage," said VandenBrink. "The multi-media is new for us and something we want to explore."

New season

This year's operating budget of \$49,400 funds a variety of programs from a reading of Westland playwright Gary Brda's "The Outside World" to a staging of Tom Ziegler's "Grace and Glorie," a two character play about a woman in her 40s and another in his 90s who's waiting to die, a Reader's Theatre Festival, "Common Room," a garage-style variety theater, and "Sister Camille."

"We want audiences to experience something they can't get through any other medium—that human presence," said Olson. "The theme for the season is to

reflect and redeem the brokenness of the age through brave, truthful and necessary works of art. All you have to do is read the headlines to see how alien and fragmented our society is and to know we need to do these kind of works."

In the past, Trinity House has relied on a membership fee of \$25 and fundraisers for its operating expenses. Like all nonprofits, the theater struggles to attract audiences and sponsors. To reach patrons, the most direct route though, is letters and phone calls. By painting the white clapboard structure red, they hope to attract attention as cars whiz past on Six Mile. A technical workshop on operating lights and sound is an open invitation for anyone who'd like join the members of Trinity House Theatre, but not necessarily act.

Shakespeare a laugh a minute

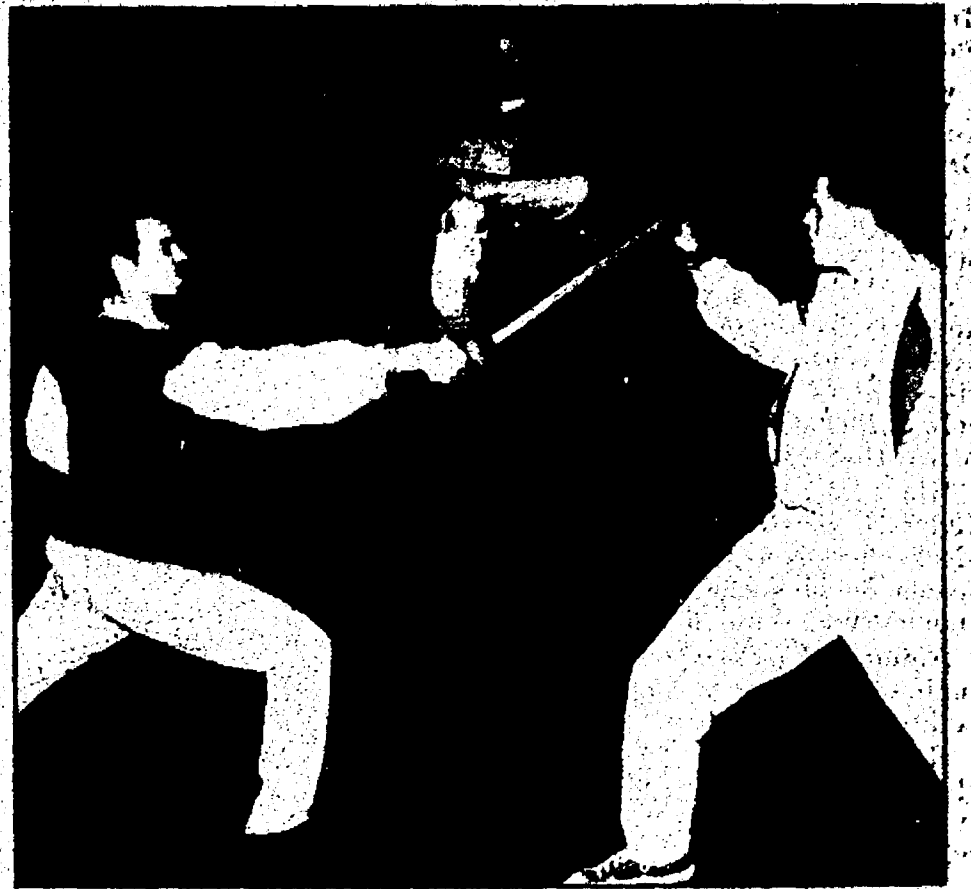
Shadow Theatre Company presents "The Compleat Works of WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)" 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor.

Tickets are \$12, \$9 for students/seniors, and available by calling (734) 971-2228.

This show will make you laugh until your sides hurt as the four Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti actors perform all 37 of the Bard's plays in one sitting.

"You don't have to be familiar with Shakespeare to appreciate the fast-paced silliness of this show, but anyone who has some knowledge of Shakespeare's works will spit their sides," said show director David Blix.

New sketches have been added so even if you caught the show earlier this year, you're more than likely to have a great evening. "The Compleat Works of WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)" includes Backwards Hamlet, The Titus Adronicus Cooking Show, The Othello Rap, A History Football Game, and more.



Backwards Hamlet: Shadow Theatre Company presents side-splitting comedy "The Compleat Works of WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)" at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre.

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"Aida."

Pain in the neck?

For sheer large-scale spectacle and melodrama, the MOT production of Puccini's "Turandot" stands alongside last year's production of Verdi's "Aida," and perhaps at the opposite end of Puccini's intimate "Madame Butterfly."

Like "Aida," expect a huge cast, parades and breathtaking scenery. For all the pomp, however, the music is intended to bridge cultures. There are distinctive Oriental influences, Puccini's irresistible melodies and references to early 20th-century composers, especially Stravinsky.

"Turandot" is the last mainstream opera, written in the 20th century, that's clearly from the romantic tradition of last century," said DiChiera.

For years, Puccini struggled with the structure of the opera. While the story appears as a

simple fairy tale, the composer wanted the melody and movement to make the definitive statement about the power of love.

Set in antiquity, a Chinese princess, Turandot, poses a challenge to prospective suitors: answer three riddles and her heart is theirs. An incorrect answer, however, is terms for a beheading. (There's a whole new meaning for the "headache of love.")

Unexpectedly, an unknown man, Calaf, succeeds in unraveling the conundrums. But there's a rub: if Turandot can find out his name before dawn, he'll concede to "losing his head."

Tragedy is a hair's breadth from blissful love. Who'll win? Who'll be able to live for the day when a hair cut didn't include a chop in the neck?

Like Puccini's other magnificent operas, "Turandot" has powerful melodies and swells that

make even the most cynical feel the warm wind of love brush their cool exteriors. Apparently, even the ice princess Turandot can't refuse the power of Puccini's melody.

The voices will resonant through the Detroit Opera House. "Turandot" is Puccini's largest choral work.

"The adrenaline rush when you're on stage is incredible," said Tony Lynch of Rochester Hills, who performs in the chorus.

By day, Lynch is a salesman for Air Center Inc. of Troy. By night, he sings at the Detroit Opera House, where he's performed in 10 operas.

Three years ago, he went from a production at Avon Players, a community theater, to sharing the stage with Pavarotti at the Opera House grand opening.

That sounds a lot like the typical realm of possibility of the opera world.



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STREET BEATS

Better Than Ezra takes its new sounds on tour



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Better Than Ezra has seen some better days.

The New Orleans-based band's bassist Tom Drummond is calling from Tampa, Fla., where he was bracing for Hurricane Georges.

"Right now it's OK but it might be worse tomorrow with the hurricane and all. The last hurricane flooded our studio. Any flooding is bad, but luckily our control room where a lot of our stuff was upstairs," said Drummond who was surprisingly upbeat.

Things are looking up now for Better Than Ezra, whose tour hits hurricane-free Michigan on Thursday, Oct. 15, when the band will play St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit. Better Than Ezra's "How Does Your Garden Grow?" is its best effort yet.

The first single, "One More Murder," brings a Rhodes organ, drum machines, and electronic blips into the mix. The shimmy-inducing "Like It Like That," mixed by Jack Joseph Puig, who remixed The Verve Pipe's "The Freshman," is the highlight of the album.

"Adding the Rhodes piano brought a whole new dimension to the band. That's the thing about this record. We didn't use new sounds to use new sounds. We used them because they worked," Drummond explained.

"What makes this record different from, say, the last U2 record is a lot of the sounds on the U2 record sounded contrived. Working with Malcolm (Burn, producer, engineer), he was able to give these electronic sounds and gadgets an organic feel."

Better Than Ezra, he explained, tried to stay away from the "tricks of the trade" like distortion pedals.

"We tried to get away from what the status quo was. We sort of just wanted to try new ideas and how to arrange songs and make them lift without using a distortion stomp box or the old tricks of the trade. It really paid off."

The musical experimentation on "How Does Your Garden Grow?" was, appropriately enough, the result of a growing period for the band.

"We just needed to do some things to reinvigorate ourselves. We've been playing for 10 years and that's a long time. The first two records were based on influ-



'80s Influenced: Athenaeum opens for Better Than Ezra on Thursday, Oct. 15. The band is Nic Brown, Mark Kano, Grey Brewster and Alex McKinney.

ences we had when the band started in 1988. It's just a natural progression. We had to catch up a little bit on this record," Drummond said.

Better Than Ezra's first album, "Deluxe," was written from 1988-1990 and was recorded in 1993. Its second release, "Friction, Baby," was written during the "Deluxe" tour.

"We've covered a lot of ground between then and now. This is the first record where we could sit down and start with a clean slate."

Better Than Ezra will be bringing along keyboardist Jim Payne, credited on "How Does Your Garden Grow?" as its spiritual adviser.

"He's been playing with us for awhile. He'll play the Rhodes piano, whereas Kevin (Griffin, guitarist/vocalist) did on the album. We've kind of worked it out where Kevin can go back to where the piano's stationed," he explained.

"The band's philosophy is we wouldn't just want to play to a DAT (tape). We've seen other bands do that, and we're just turned off by it. We're playing everything live except for a few drum loops, which is pretty much normal nowadays."

'80s influenced

Opening for Better than Ezra, besides Possum Dixon, is Athenaeum, whose first single, "What I Didn't Know," from its debut, "Radiance," has been compared to Rick Springfield's saccharin-

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Tom Drummond
Better Than Ezra

reminds them of 'Surrender' by Cheap Trick, which I never heard. We have a very small musical resource pool."

The band members are children of the '80s but didn't form Athenaeum until the early 1990s.

"Mark (Kano, vocalist/guitarist) and I formed the band seven years ago, and we were all pretty young, real young then. We all sort of grew up in the band together. We formed to play my eighth grade Valentine's dance," he said with a laugh.

"Those are our glorious beginnings. It was horrible. We were singing through a karaoke machine. That's all we had to amplify his voice. It was a disaster but pretty cool for eighth grade."

They were also thrilled with the opportunity to work with Gavin MacKillop, who has also worked with Toad the Wet Sprocket.

"He's a great producer. When we first started playing out, they asked us who we wanted to work with. We said Jack Joseph Puig and Gavin. We're all really big

fans of Toad the Wet Sprocket. But we were a new band and we didn't know the names of that many producers."

"He was great as far as taking a song that we thought was done and making it a great song. He would tell us that a song can be great but it just needs some work. We'd say, 'The hell it needs work. It's done.' But by rearranging the song and just adding a part of taking a part away here

or there, he was right. He made a lot of my stuff better."

Better Than Ezra, Athenaeum and Possum Dixon, perform Thursday, Oct. 15, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets are \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door for the all-ages show. Call (313) 961-MELT or visit <http://www.961melt.com> for more information.

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Zoup! offers comfort in a bowl

BY KEELY WYONIK
STAFF WRITER

Open since Sept. 28, Zoup! Fresh Soup Company on Northwestern Highway in Southfield is metro Detroit's hottest new eatery.

"We've been open four days and we've seen many people here all four days," said Eric Ersher who owns the restaurant with his cousin, David Elias. "The fax and telephone are ringing off the hook. We've had people waiting in line outside."

Trying to find help is their biggest challenge right now. "Our short term goal is to provide service that's as good as the soup," said Ersher. "We're not there yet."

Behind the counter, Ersher's mom, father, aunts, sisters, friends, and Chef Phil's wife, Coran worked to fill orders.

"We're just thrilled it's going so well," said Ersher. Don't worry, the "Soup Nazi" doesn't work at Zoup!, everyone is helpful and happy to answer questions. You won't get yelled at.

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On Thursday, Oct. 1, soup choices included Potato Cheddar; Canadian Chicken & Sausage Gumbo, Curried Thai Seafood, Hearty Potato Chicken with Dill, Tomato Julienne, Mediterranean Lentil, Senegalese Peanut, and Cream of Broccoli with Fussels Pasta.

"I'd been fighting a cold and Hearty Potato Chicken with Dill was just what the doctor ordered. The soup was creamy, with flecks of fresh dill, chunks of chicken, and slivers of carrots. It tasted homemade, not salty like something out of a can.

After eating a cup, I had to agree with Ersher who says, "good soup is really hard to find."

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At Zoup! you can dine in and sit at one of the comfortable booths or tables, or order your soup to go. Specially designed containers help keep the soup warm, and prevent it from spilling all over your car.

Ersher and Elias own a wholesale spice company and talked about opening a restaurant specializing in soup for about two years.

"We were in a lot of restaurants through the back door, and realized soup was growing in popularity. We're soup fanatics, and like trying new flavors and ingredients."

The cousins were onto to something hot. According to the National Restaurant Association, more than a dozen takeout soup restaurants have opened in Manhattan since 1995, and they're opening up in other cities as well including Washington D.C. and Boston.

National Restaurant Association's "Tableservice Trends - 1997 report" showed 21 percent of respondents reported buying more soup than they did in the



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACQUEL

"Souper" men: Zoup! co-owner David Elias (left) and Chef Phil Jones have many delicious ways to satisfy your appetite for soup including broccoli-and-leek with risotto, vegetable lasagna, chicken pot pie, chicken roasted garlic and Mulligatawny.

previous two years.

Sure, the Seinfeld "Nazi Soup" episode, which spoofed Al Yaganeh, chef of Soup Kitchen International on New York City's west side, had something to do with making soup trendy, but that's only part of the story.

"Soup is an international comfort food that is being reinvented with a fusion of traditional style, gourmet flare, regional and ethnic ingredients," said Thomas Kershaw, chairman of the National Restaurant Association and president of Hampshire House Corp. and Bull & Finch Enterprises in Boston. "Nearly every region of the world can claim soup as it's own."

The National Restaurant Association reports in the mid-'90s Soup Kitchen International caught the attention of Pak Mel-

wani who wanted to design his own restaurant concept. He and his partners designed Soup Nutz, which opened in 1996, a year after the famous Seinfeld episode aired. The first Daily Soup restaurant opened in Manhattan in the fall of 1995, the same month the Seinfeld episode aired.

Ersher and Elias imagined a soup restaurant that reflected a world of flavors and choices. "Soup had been a part of many of our warm recollections of childhood and family and of our ethnic and spiritual ties," said Ersher.

In January, the cousins hired Chef Phil Jones to develop Zoup! recipes. "He worked in the kitchen daily, and every week-end we had six people testing 18-20 soups," said Ersher. "We'd evaluate them and decide if we should tweak 'em, kill 'em, or

keep 'em. That's where our 200 soups come from."

Ersher credits Jones with the restaurant's success, "he does a great job." Zoup! tries to cover the soup spectrum offering everything from traditional soups such as Herbed Lemon Chicken with Rice to the more experimental Senegalese Peanut. Zoup! soup creations are made with all natural ingredients and complex "layers" of taste and flavor.

Every order is served with a hunk of freshly baked Country Sour Dough or Multi-Grain Bread that's baked especially for Zoup. "These breads were chosen because they go well

with a large variety of soups," said Ersher. For dessert choose from a chocolate brownie or rice pudding.

Greg Eitelman of Northville designed the warm, comfortable, light-hearted atmosphere, and Laura Hoskins designed the graphics that decorate the walls.

Why the name Zoup!? The owners said they wanted to offer their version of soup, with a little personality. Get on the Zoup! fax list, call (248) 799-2800. They'll fax you an order form with that day's soup offerings. You can share it with your co-workers, and fax the order in for pick up later in the day.

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Dinner includes Soup or Salad, Potato and Loaf of Hot Bread
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AT 4:00 PM
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Starting at Noon

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Thursday
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