



Keeping busy: Kids play street hockey above during the Wayne-Westland YMCA day camp. Below, Jordon Gergle plays kickball. The camp is for students ages 5-12. For information, call (734) 721-7044.



Making memories: Braeden Davis playing sink the Navy at the YMCA camp. James Bohnwagner is director of the summer day camp, which meets at the Wayne-Westland YMCA, 827 S. Wayne Road, between Cherry Hill and Palmer.



Camp offers summer fun for young

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School's out, school's out! Camp's in, camp's in!

Once again, the Wayne-Westland Family YMCA's summer day camp is filled with happy campers age 5-12 enjoying games, crafts, sports and field trips to the Detroit Zoo and Tigers Stadium.

"I want to be in the paper. I want people to think of me as cool," said Christina Karadshah, 8, as she jumped up and down and waved her arms.

After getting this reporter's attention, Karadshah settled down to the serious business of having fun. "We really get to have fun here, and my favorite part of the day is swimming. All the camp leaders are really nice."

Shantell Shebli, 7, also agreed the summer camp was big-time fun. "We get to play games, like sometimes we go under that tent over there. We play ring toss. My favorite game is ring toss."

"My favorite is Red Rover," said Lacrishah

Damron, 8.

"Mine, too," said the fickle Shantell. Who said a girl can't change her mind?

Eight-year-old Nick Marek, who has a dolphin tattoo on his leg, is into sports. "My favorite is kickball. I play soccer." Nick stepped back and demonstrated a quick but mighty soccer kick.

"I can kick from here to that tree," boasted Kara Windsor, 8, as she pointed to a tree about 50 ... no, 100 ... no, let's make that at least 500 feet away. Whatever the distance, Windsor is a good kicker.

Todd Hammerick of Dearborn, 19, has been a counselor at the Y's summer camp for two years. The kids think he's a good guy, pretty cool and easy on the discipline. It was the kids who brought Hammerick back for a repeat performance.

"The kids are the whole reason. You get attached to them. And they all remember you when you come back," he said.

The day camp is more than fun and games. Counselors incorporate four tenets of character-building into all activities: caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. "We also donate one-

half hour every day focusing on those values," said assistant director Marsha Richards.

Camp enrollment as been a bit light this year, but for those who attend, life seems a lot better, including lunch. Mike Wilson, 8½, gobbled up the cheese and bologna sandwich, fruit drink, pudding cup and bag of Cheetos his mother had packed. "It just tastes better," he said.

A voice boomed across the camp grounds: "ALL RIGHT, EVERYBODY GO TO THEIR GROUP LEADERS."

The kids quickly began running in all directions, all except for Jordon Gergle, 8, who waited patiently to give his opinion of summer camp. "When I wasn't here, I didn't have much friends. But now that I'm here I have more friends. I feel they take better care of me here."

Parents can still sign up their children for several camp sessions, which run weekly from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each weekday through Aug. 27. The fees for YMCA members are \$100-week, \$72-three days, and \$60-two days. Fees for non-members are \$150-week, \$108-three days, and \$90-two days.

For more information, call (734) 721-7044.

Man arraigned

A Novi man is jailed under a \$250,000 cash bond after being arraigned Friday in the Wednesday attempted abduction of a 16-year-old Westland girl.

Michael Duncan Macinnis, 53, stood mute at his arraignment Friday before 18th District Court Magis-

trate Donald Vandersloot. Macinnis is being held in Wayne County jail after failing to post the bond.

A preliminary examination on the charge of assault with intent to commit criminal sexual conduct is set for 9 a.m. next Thursday, July 8, in 18th District Court.

Gnida faces drunken driving charges

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Richard Gnida, former limo driver involved in the 1997 post-Stanley Cup crash that paralyzed Detroit Red Wing members Vladimir Konstantinov and Sergei Mnatsokanov, was arrested on charges of drunken driving early

Friday morning. It was his second offense.

He was arraigned later in the day in 18th District Court. Bond was set at \$25,000.

Gnida, a Westland resident, was arrested by a Wayne County Sheriff Department deputy after he ran a stop sign about 2 a.m. Friday near Michigan Avenue and Henry Ruff.

The deputy suspected alcohol and adminis-

tered a field sobriety and a Breathalyzer test. Gnida registered .12.

According to Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano, Gnida told the deputy that he a "couple of beers" at Bogart's Lounge.

A pretrial has been set for 8:30 a.m. Thursday, July 8. Gnida had not made bond as of early Friday afternoon.

Professional help may be needed to combat rat woes

The following facts and tips may help you recognize and avoid a rat problem.

- Gnaw marks with clearly visible 1/8-inch tooth marks may be a sign of rats. Gnaw marks with tiny, scratch-like tooth marks may be a sign of mice.

- A rat's four incisors grow up to 6 inches a year. Rats keep their teeth at a workable length by constantly gnawing on concrete, woods, wire, etc. They can slip their heads through an opening the size of a quarter and chew it wide enough for their bodies to enter.

- Droppings and urine are left wherever rodents travel or rest, especially in corners. Rat droppings are the size of a raisin that has been rolled in your palm several times. Mice droppings are the size of rice. Rats average 30-180 droppings a day; mice average 50 droppings.

- A distinctive, musky odor may be present with a rodent infestation.

- Footprints and tail drags may be seen in dusty locations. To see trails, shine a flashlight at a low angle across the dust. Also, since rat urine is fluorescent, a black light will reveal its presence.

- The common Norway and roof rat are sexually mature at three months. They average three to seven litters a year. Norway rats produce six-12 pups; roof rats produce five-eight pups. Both species can be in heat again with 24-48 hours after giving birth.

- At least 50,000 rat bites are reported every year in the United States. Rodents, including mice, spread a wide variety of serious diseases, including salmonellosis, plague, leptospirosis, hantaviruses and rickettsial pox.

- Wear heavy gloves and use a long shovel when disposing of a rat carcass. Avoid physical contact, as rats carry fleas. Double wrap the carcass in plastic bags and place in garbage or bury.

- Eliminate harborage by keeping your property free of debris. Trim weeds and brush, and keep grass short (3 inches or less) to minimize cover and food sources. Place garbage in secure containers. Clean up standing water and fix leaks to deny rodents access to water.

- Call a professional pest-control operator. Giving rodents a sub-lethal dose of poison will simply build up their immunity.

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Larry Williams of the Wayne County Health Department's Environmental Division said a compost pile can act as an harborage for rats, offering them a warm shelter in the winter.

Also, there simply may be more rats around this year. The last two winters have been mild; usually, cold winters decimate local rat populations because food sources are not abundant.

Williams' division held a comprehensive training session on rat abatement July 28. Repre-


sentatives from 15 communities in Wayne County attended, including Ducey Frady Jr., Westland's animal control officer, who works out of the Westland Police Department.

There are no state ordinances on rat control, said Williams. Each city takes care of its own rat problems. Westland's anti-blight ordinance states: In any area other than those having a valid junkyard permits, the storage or accumulation of junk, trash, rubbish or refuse of any

kind is prohibited, except domestic refuse stored in such a manner as not to create a nuisance for a period not to exceed 15 days.

Williams said not every rat sighting proves to be a rat. "Seventy percent of complaints are moles or opossums." However, rat sightings during the day are to be taken seriously.

Rats are nocturnal feeders, said Williams. If they're out during the day, "it means the colony is large."



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Audit shows taxpayers picking up tab for Willow Run

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Wayne County taxpayers have picked up part of the tab for the operations of Willow Run Airport as the facility has not operated with a positive cash flow in the last six years.

That was the conclusion of the county's Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy in a report to county commissioners. The auditor general is required to audit county departments at least once every two years, according to the county charter.

Commissioners approved the report on June 17, along with recommendations to address problems found by auditors.

Dunleavy found that an Enterprise Fund, which through user charges — landing, rental and concession fees — provides funds to pay for the airport's operations, fell short. Operating revenue has declined \$387,616 between 1996 and 1997. During 1997, 21 percent of its cash requirements were financed by loans from other Wayne County funds.

"It appears that Willow Run is currently unable to operate in such a manner without reliance on financial assistance from the county's pooled cash," Dunleavy stated in the report.

Fourth busiest in state

Willow Run reports more than 150,000 landings and take-offs annually from its five runways, making it the fourth busiest airport in the state. A 2,600-acre facility located about 10 miles west of Detroit Metro Airport straddling Wayne and Washtenaw county lines, Willow Run offers facilities and services for regional and international cargo carriers, and corporate and private aviation companies.

Willow Run handles nearly 100,000 tons of cargo annually. Carriers transport a wide range of cargo, including automotive and electronic components, emergency medical supplies, mail and packages.

Dunleavy attributed the revenue reduction to less business for one of Willow Run's largest

operators "due to their troubled financial state."

Dunleavy also found the airport was owed \$1.2 million in bills from companies in 1997-98. He has yet to audit the 1998-99 records.

In a May 26 letter to the commission, Wayne County Chief Financial Officer Thomas Naughton said he was "puzzled as to how they could get it so wrong."

"The report would suggest that Willow Run cannot continue to operate independently due to serious cash flow problems,"

Naughton said. "Simply put, nothing could be further from the truth."

Naughton said Willow Run has generated increases in working capital (funds) from operations in excess of \$2 million since 1993 and over \$1.8 million in positive cash flow from operations. "This is not an enterprise on the brink of disaster as may have been implied in the Auditor General's report," Naughton said.

Naughton said Willow Run representatives met with two of the airport's largest operators

who fell behind in payments and "have negotiated payment plans and are current on all receivables."

The six-week General Motors strike temporarily affected revenue from landing fees and fuel flowage fees, and an electrical failure cost \$360,000, Naughton said.

Letter 'diverts' issues

Dunleavy responded to the letter with one of his own on June 7, stating Naughton's letter attempts to "spin and distort" the facts, and "diverts the real

issues" identified in the report.

Dunleavy said airport management and budget office, delayed in responding to the report, which was wrapped up in March at a closing conference. The auditor general allows the audit to 15 business days after such conferences to respond in writing to the draft audit report.

Dunleavy pointed out that Willow Run has operated with cumulative net losses in excess of \$2 million since 1994. Willow Run also has had negative working capital in each of the six

years since 1993.

Working capital is defined as current assets over current liability, Dunleavy said. That only improved by \$870,000 and remained at a negative \$510,000 at the end of 1997-98.

"The inability to build cash reserves has forced Willow Run to rely on financial assistance from the county's pooled cash," Dunleavy said. "As a matter of fact, Willow Run has only carried a \$500 petty cash balance at the end of each year since 1993."

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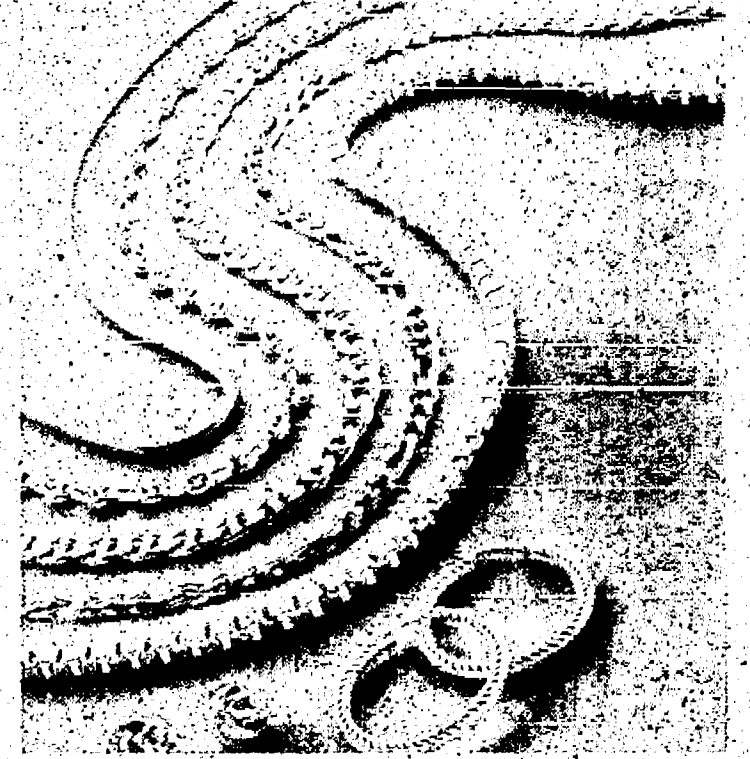
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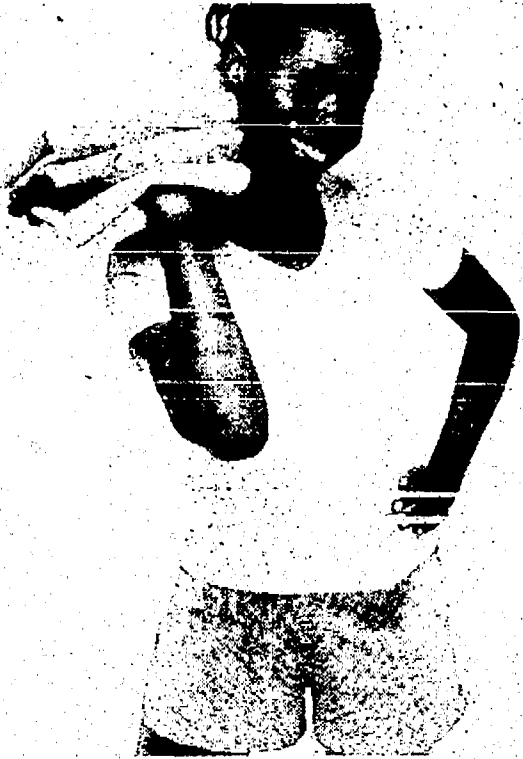
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Commission balks at relinquishing charter powers

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COUNTY NEWS

County commissioners rejected County Executive Edward McNamara's reorganization plan Thursday as several commissioners raised concerns about allowing McNamara the opportunity to add an unlimited number of division directors and deputy division directors.

They were also concerned the plan would relinquish some of their legislative duties in the charter, concerning the approval of those division directors.

McNamara's plan originally created 13 new department divisions and added 26 administrative appointed divisions.

Since the reorganization plan outlines the structure of county government, the rejection means the county does not have an approved plan as is required

under the charter. Commissioners cannot amend the county executive's plan, only approve or reject it.

Commissioners also approved five ordinances that established county departments for the airports, jobs and economic development, environment, community justice and information technology. Commission counsel Ben Washburn told commissioners the ordinances allowed them to reserve the right to approve 10 appointees in those departments.

June West, McNamara's press secretary, said McNamara will review the commission's decision and Wayne County's corporation counsel will examine the ordinances.

"It's their right to reject the county executive's plan, but it won't disrupt any of the county operations," West said. "It's not the end of the world."

The original plan was reviewed by Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy, Fiscal Adviser Jim Smith and Commission Counsel Ben Washburn, who raised questions whether a county executive's reorganization plan may modify the powers and duties of the legislative branch — the commission — or more specifically the power to reject the county executive's appointments.

Their review asked: "May the legislative branch irretrievably delegate any of the powers and the duties with which it has been vested to the chief executive officer?"

Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, met with McNamara Wednesday after commissioner voted 8-2 to reject the plan Tuesday at a committee of the whole meeting. Solomon

said the commission had "come to terms with 95 percent of the plan."

"We just did not reach an agreement," Solomon said.

Commissioners wanted the final say on department directors. Solomon named management and budget, parks, environment, along with management and budget appointees, calling them "absolutely critical."

"We reserve the right, and we should have the right, to approve these," Solomon said. "I think those (appointees) are critical to our fiduciary responsibility." Solomon agreed with Washburn in that the 10 department heads should come before the commission.

Commissioner Bernard Parker, D-Detroit, said McNamara "is calling these divisions, we consider them departments."

Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, who served as a charter commissioner prior to voters approving the charter in the

early 1980s, said the charter creates a "strong" executive. Bankes was the lone vote against the motion approved by 12 commissioners to reject the plan.

Bankes pointed out that the commission's earlier disagreements with the plan were raised only over the McNamara's change of the senior citizen department into a division of Health and Community Services. McNamara later changed that proposal back to its former "department" status.

"I think this is a bunch of fooling around with the plan," Bankes said.

Earlier, Bankes had said she opposed the ordinances because she thought the commission didn't need to bind the county executive with the ordinances and get into approval of division appointments.

"That's micromanagement," Bankes said.

Bankes also "did not have any problems" with McNamara's plan nor a county executive with decision-making power, she said.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, said the ordinances could be rescinded at any time. "It's important for us to have this in writing. It's critical for us to adopt the five (director) positions, so they can continue in their job performance."

Commissioner George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, read from the charter that stated that commissioners are empowered to approve the county executive appointees of deputy county executive, directors, deputy directors, members of boards and commissions, and "all other officials or representatives not in classified service."

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On June 17, commissioners approved recommendations that called for an accounts receivable analysis on a quarterly basis and a study by county officials of fees and rents and an exploration of raising rates to increase revenue.

Commissioners also want to

ensure sufficient oversight of the accounting function" in the reporting of amortization, fixed assets, promissory notes and workers compensation.

Dunleavy is expected to audit the 1998-99 expenses and compliance with the recommendations at a later date.

LEGAL SENSE

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FOR THE RECORD

Anyone who is involved in a car accident may find the police officer who responds to the scene of the accident to be a valuable resource. He or she will likely write up an accident report, particularly if someone is injured. If so, the report may make mention that a driver violated a specific section of the vehicle code, with the result that it led to the accident. There may even be an indication that the officer issued a citation, or mention that a driver drove negligently.

In your glove box, always keep a pen or pencil and some paper. In the event you are in an accident, you will need to record the necessary information about the other party as well as names and phone numbers (or license plate numbers) of any witnesses. An inexpensive, disposable camera also is good for documenting the incident.

HINT: The most important thing that you can do after an automobile accident is to document the situation in writing for future reference.

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Pack healthy snacks for your family vacation

BY BEVERLY PRICE
SPECIAL WRITER

It's not always easy to eat healthy foods when you're on vacation. Those people who have made it a routine to eat healthy just take their favorite foods with them.

Regina Goebel of Livonia always carries a blender wherever she goes. She takes tofu that does not need refrigeration. Her travel pack includes canned fruit for tofu smoothies.

"I can't live without my soy — I learned the hard way on my first trip away without it," she said.

A client of mine went to visit her mother out of town last month. In the past, her healthy nutrition plan went by the way-side during visits home. However, this time she decided to take charge and introduced her mother to Morningstar Farms Grillers. Now, her trips back home are filled with healthy meals that both she and her mother enjoy.

Our family always packs mini soy milk boxes for the road. When we arrive at our destination, we seek out the nearest health food store and load up on healthy, dry goods such as high fiber cereal, and fresh fruits. We always keep organic juice boxes and bottled water in our travel

bag for day trips.

Cathy Fresia of Huntington Woods is spending the holiday weekend in Boston. She packed Health Valley Cheddar Lites and Red Cherry and Blueberry Tarts along with Good Health Cheddar Guppies and Peanut Butter (filled) Pretzels for her family to snack on.

Her picnic basket also contains Hain's Animal Graham Crackers and Cookies, Barbara's Cheese Bites, Garden of Eatin' Sesame Blue Chips, Stretch Island Fruit Leather, Panda All Natural Licorice Bars and assorted raw vegetables. Fresia keeps a picnic basket in her car at all times for snack emergencies. She freezes containers of yogurt ahead of time to use for ice blocks and a healthy snack.

Roll-up sandwiches, packed in an insulated cooler, are wonderful road snacks. Take whole wheat lavash bread and top it with your favorite sauce such as barbecue, pesto, honey mustard, ketchup, tofu cream cheese, low-fat salad dressing, low-fat mayonnaise, or tamari sauce. Add veggie fillings such as shredded carrots, broccoli, sliced mushrooms or sprouts, and top with veggie refried beans, hummus, soy cheese or meat-free slices.

Finger fruit, on a straw or toothpick is ideal for traveling.

Try watermelon, cantaloupe or honeydew balls, and strawberries, raspberries, or blueberries. Don't forget beverages. Pack jugs of water for long trips.

Stop for a stretch break when traveling long distances and have a safe and healthy trip!

SUNNY ALMOND SPREAD

- 1 cup raw almonds
- 1 cup sunflower seeds
- 1 small carrot, grated
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup soy mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup chopped, fresh parsley
- 2 tablespoons Bragg Liquid Aminos
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Put almonds and seeds in medium bowl. Cover with water. Soak 6 to 12 hours. Drain, rinse and drain. Put soaked in food processor, and process for 30 seconds. Add remaining ingredients and

process until smooth. Cover and chill before serving. Makes 3 cups. Recipe from "May all be fed," by John Robbins

CHIK PASTA SALAD

- 2 Morningstar Farms Chik Patties, thawed and diced
- 3 cups cooked whole-wheat linguine
- 1/2 cups low calorie Italian salad dressing
- 3/4 cup frozen peas, thawed
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 large tomato, diced
- 3/4 cup sliced carrots
- 3/4 cup diced celery
- 3/4 cup sliced zucchini
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- Dash of paprika

Combine all ingredients and blend well. Chill several hours. Serves 6.

BETSEY'S BEST OATMEAL RAISIN COOKIES

- 6 tablespoons Wonderslim

- Fat & Egg Substitute
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup whole wheat pastry flour
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3 cups rolled oats, uncooked
- 1 cup raisins

Heat oven to 350°F degrees.

Coat cookie sheets with non-stick cooking spray. Combine Wonderslim, brown sugar, sugar, egg and vanilla; beat until well blended.

In a separate bowl, combine flour, cinnamon, baking soda and salt. Add to sugar mixture; mix well. Stir in oats and raisins. Drop by rounded tablespoons onto cookie sheets. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from cookie sheets; cool on wire racks. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

FRUIT SMOOTHIE

- 1 (10 ounce) package lite, silken tofu
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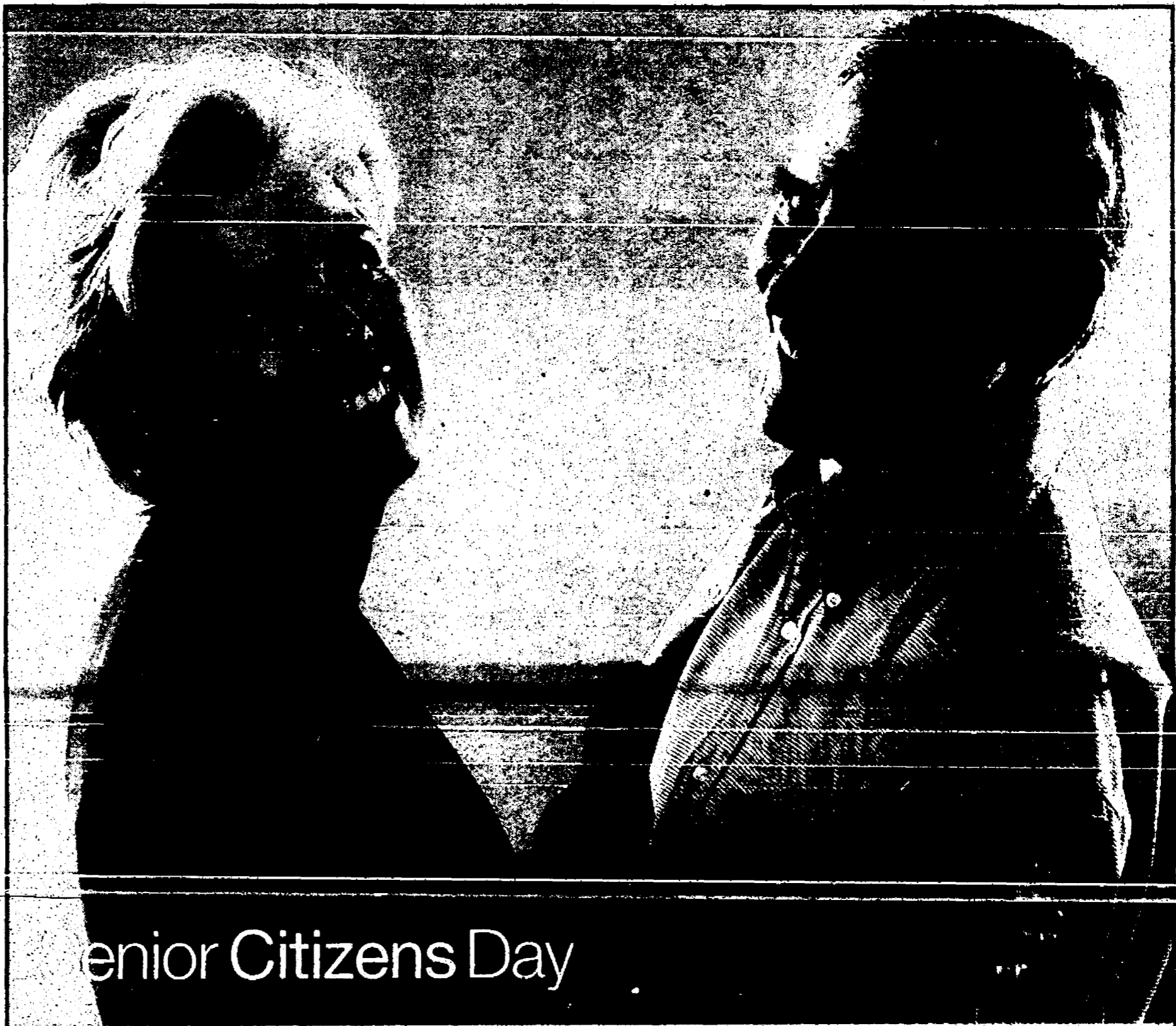
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Menopause support

The menopause support group hosted by St. Mary Hospital will meet from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 7 in the West Addition Conference Room B (use the South Entrance off Levan Road). Marian Women's Center, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For information call (734) 655-1100. The guest speaker will be Hossein Nabai, M.D. Dermatologist, St. Mary Hospital. Nabai will discuss changes in skin as it relates to menopause.

Macrobiotic recipes

Macro Val of Garden City offers personal, hands-on instruction on how to cook balanced meals. Classes include recipes, instruction, and a meal you prepare. July 7 class "Fun Foods" (7-9 p.m.) and July 21 and 28 (6-9 p.m.) Meals include vegetable roll-ups, cinnamon crisps, macrobiotic donuts, celery soup, creamy bean salad and sparkling berry dessert. To register call Val at (734) 261-2856.

Weight control

The Mission Health Medical Center in Livonia will host a weight control class from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 12. This program combines behavior modification techniques with the power of self-hypnosis to help change your way of thinking regarding weight loss. First forty-five minutes is a free orientation. \$59. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

Health night

Michael A. Roth, M.D., OBGYN, will conduct a free seminar at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 14 at The Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp. will be sponsoring this event. The seminar will be held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi (located at the Novi Town Center). Anyone interested can call (248) 347-6100 for information or reservations. Topics discussed will include birth control options, menopause, osteoporosis, and diet and nutrition. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served.

Immunization clinic

Immunizations provided except chicken pox. Bring your child at the most convenient time from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, July 14. No pre-registration required. Bring child's immunization records with you. Clinic held monthly at Saint Joseph Mercy Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call (734) 414-1010.

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Datebook (upcoming calendar events), Medical Newsletters (appointments/new items in the medical field) and Medical Briefs (medical information, short news items from hospitals, physicians, etc.). We also welcome newsworthy items for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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A HELPING HAND

Nurse reaches out to Kosovo refugees

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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Charlene Teeter R.N. spent two weeks away from her family volunteering as a member of the Michigan-1 DMAT team at Fort Dix treating the medical needs of ethnic Albanian refugees seeking temporary asylum from their war-torn country.

The Garden City resident said the time away from her family was hard but incomparable to the experiences displaced Kosovars shared with her and the other DMAT volunteers during the Provide Refuge operation.

"I heard the gamut of stories — some that brought tears to my eyes," said Teeter. "I can't ever imagine being uprooted from my home and family like that."

Teeter, the Nurse Manager of the Emergency Department at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital - Wayne has been a member of the Michigan-1 DMAT (Disaster Medical Assistance Team) since 1987.

A volunteer organization that serves as a branch of the National Disaster Medical System, DMAT members are activated during medical emergencies when local resources are unable to meet the needs of their community in a crisis situation. The M-1 first response team, which includes 120 members total, can remain self-sufficient for up to 72 hours in the field and of 120 volunteers — a full team element consists of 35 staff.

One of the most recent activations of the Michigan-1 team called for members to establish a fully functional emergency room for the "village" of refugees at Fort Dix Army post in New Jersey.

The base had the capacity to house more than 3,000 refugees who were temporarily residing in barracks on the Army post that is largely occupied by reservists. Teeter, another nurse, two paramedics and a physician assistants were activated from the 35 member team of MI-1 DMAT and arrived at McGuire Air Force Base where the refugees were flown by the hundreds.

The DMAT members were responsible for evaluating the status of the refugees upon arrival, then providing health assessments in a makeshift emergency department. Some of the general tests included immunizations, chest x-rays to rule out tuberculosis, and gynecological and obstetric exams for female refugees.



Innocent fun: Charlene Teeter R.N., Oakwood Nurse Manager of the Emergency Department at Annapolis Hospital - Wayne, blows bubbles to entertain young Kosovo refugees at Fort Dix in New Jersey.

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Making friends

During Teeter's two weeks at Ft. Dix she befriended both young and old Albanians. One 87-year-old woman in particular, who was not able to exit the plane unassisted was accompanied by the Oakwood registered nurse to a wheelchair and then into an awaiting van that took the elderly woman to the Ft. Dix clinic run by the DMAT members. The woman kept referring to Teeter as "the queen" and repeatedly said "Everything will be okay, I'm in America now," said Teeter.

"Every time I saw her in the village she would say 'the queen, the queen.'" Teeter said she saw a wide variety of conditions being treated ranging from patients (cardiac, diabetic) who had gone without critical medication for weeks to broken bones, psychiatric distress, fatigue, and infection.

Several refugee women arrived at the Army base at varying stages of pregnancy and it was Teeter who cared for the first baby born by a

refugee couple ... appropriately named, Amerikan. The 7 lb., 5 oz. baby boy was born at Virtua-Memorial Hospital in Burlington County and received post-partum care from the Oakwood nurse.

"The attention he and his parents received was overwhelming," said Teeter. "It was such a media event."

Children throughout the village came to know Teeter as the bubble lady. She wore a small bottle of bubble solution around her neck and blew bubbles wherever young refugees

gathered. "They would see me around and hold their fingers up in front of their mouth and act like they were blowing bubbles to get me to do it. It was something so simple and something they'd never seen. They got a lot of enjoyment out of it."

Teeter came away from the experience affected emotionally. Recalling some of the people she met and the stories she heard brought her to tears. "It was an experience I'll never forget."



Support system: Teeter (far right) stands amongst her medical colleagues who worked with ethnic Albanians during their stay in the U.S. They include (l-r) Dr. Xhevat Sinanaj, translator; Michigan-1 DMAT team members Michaelene Schultz, R.N. and Marshall Hudson, paramedic; and Dr. Alexander Pali, translator.

Disaster team mobilizes during crises

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The Michigan-1 DMAT team, rated Level 1 by the Federal Government, means that a team of 35 individuals and \$200,000 worth of supplies and equipment can be moved anywhere in the United States within hours.

Members, like Charlene Teeter, R.N. Nurse Manager of the Emergency Department at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital - Wayne, come from diverse backgrounds including healthcare professionals representing hospitals (physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants), emergency medical personnel (EMTs, paramedics) and support staff (cooks, supply persons, office administrators, clerks).

Teeter has provided her medical

expertise during federal activation situations such as Hurricane Iniki (1992), Hawaii; earthquakes (1994), California; Olympic bombing (1996), Atlanta; tornadoes (1997), Detroit; Comair plane crash (1997), Monroe County, Mich.; ice storm (1998), New York and on standby during Hurricane George (1998), Alabama.

"The nature of this work is so rewarding. It's so impressive to go into an area you're not familiar with and set up a field triage and support services during a crisis with hundreds of people I've never see or worked with before. Making a tent or building into a fully functional facility is an undertaking and requires the cooperation of everyone involved. I thrive on that," said Teeter.

The Disaster Medical Assistance Team also provides disaster simula-

tion and training locally during drills at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, Fermi Power Plant, and the GM Proving Ground.

"It takes a rare kind of person to do this work," said Bob Miljan, executive director of HEMS, Inc. (Health Emergency Medical Services) of Wayne. "These individuals go into areas where earthquakes have occurred and have slept in places where there is no running water, no electricity, no anything. I'm so respectful of the caring feelings they have toward people in need."

HEMS sponsors the Michigan team whose member organizations include Botsford General Hospital, Garden City Hospital, Henry Ford Health System, Oakwood Annapolis Hospital, Providence Hospital and Medical Centers, Oakwood Healthcare System-

Canton, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, St. Mary Hospital, Downriver Fire Service Mutual Aid Association and Western Wayne County Fire Department Mutual Aid Association.

Teeter said Level 1 status requires members to provide medical care as part of the National Medical Mutual Aid system on three different levels:

- as a medical response element to provide additional resources after a disaster when local resources can no longer meet the communities needs.

- as a patient reception or evacuation unit, or as a disaster field triage and treatment component.

- as volunteer team members they strive to be organized and well trained and in a state of constant readiness.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

\$25 includes manual. Class runs from 7-10 p.m. at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37695 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

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THUR, JULY 8

PARKINSON SUPPORT
Western Wayne Parkinson Support Group, a discussion and support group for people with Parkinson's Disease and their family members and friends meets the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. Livonia Senior Citizens Building, Farmington at 5 Mile. Call (734) 421-4208 to register.

WED, JULY 14

INFANT CPR
Course intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic knowledge of the heart and lungs, household safety tips, CPR and choking rescue skills for infants and children one to eight years old. Does not meet requirements for daycare.

TUE, JULY 20

CARBOHYDRATE COUNTING
Learn how to read labels, adjust recipes and incorporate more variety into your diabetic meal plan. Information regarding complex vs. simple carbohydrates and using more fiber. Farmington Hills/Northwestern Providence Medical Center, 30055 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. Call (877) 345-5500.

TUE, JULY 20

LYME DISEASE
The Lyme Disease Support Group of Western Wayne County will meet at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the

First United Methodist Church (3 Towne Square, Wayne). Call Connie, (734) 326-3502 for information. All are welcome.

WED, JULY 21

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT
This course is intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic life support and knowledge of the heart and lungs, signs and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, adult CPR and choking rescue skills. Does not meet requirements for daycare providers. \$25. Class runs from 6-9 p.m. at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37695 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

THUR, JULY 22

NUTRIBABY
This class can help your child get a healthier start towards a lifetime of good eating. Learn how to feed your baby, when to introduce different foods, and how to make feeding time fun for your baby and relaxing for you. Class includes cooking demonstrations, recipes and food tasting from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Call (734) 397-5110.

AOL service in Europe on target



MIKE WENDLAND

PC MIKE
Picture this: No busy signals, instant dialup modem connections and consistent access at speeds over 50,000 bps. Sound too good to be true? For the vast majority of dialup Internet users in the U.S., such access is indeed only a dream.

But for the past three weeks, that is just what I enjoyed... in Europe. What amazed me most, however, wasn't the reliability and speed of the connection. It was the source. For all my dial-in access in Europe was done through America Online. Imagine that: America Online in Europe.

In Germany, the United Kingdom and Wales, the connection was solid, sure and stable. I simply had all my e-mail, normally sent to my pemike.com domain address, forwarded to an AOL account. AOL's latest version 4.0 has the European numbers already programmed in, so overseas travelers need only change the dialup configuration under "Setup" and plug into a phone jack.

I was amazed at the reliability. With a six hour time difference, I found e-mail was the best way to stay in touch. My kids wished me a happy Father's Day by e-mail, I connected with clients and business associates and, thanks to AOL's instant messaging capabilities, was even able "talk" in real time by exchanging chat messages with friends back home.

That was often rather bizarre. On one occasion, it was midnight in the U.S. and a friend I was "chatting" with was about to go to bed. For me in Germany, it was 6 a.m. the next day and I was about to leave my hotel room for my morning appointments.

He said good night, I said good morning. As I exchanged e-mail messages with my wife back home, she was always complaining about the difficulty of getting through to her AOL access number in Michigan. If it wasn't busy, it booted her offline for no reason as it apparently bogged down under heavy usage and inadequate network capabilities.

That's why, in the States, AOL for many means "Almost On Line."

But not so for me in Europe. There is a cost for all this. In Europe, there is a telecommunications surcharge for all calls placed through a modem. For regular Net users in Europe, those surcharges can easily reach \$50-\$75 a month. But for me, temporarily using AOL's European dial-in numbers during a three-week business trip, the \$40 or so in extra charges were well worth it.

If you're planning an overseas trip and you want to be in touch with friends, family and business associates, I highly recommend AOL.

AOL really has become global. In Europe, the television channels were filled with ads telling people to look for the free disks in the mail that will give them a month's access, also free. And there was a story I caught in the London Times that noted AOL was planning on giving away free \$299 Internet PCs to new subscribers in Europe. But if you are traveling to Europe and don't have an AOL

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account, don't worry. You can still check your e-mail. Try the cyber cafes.

While Internet coffee houses have all but disappeared in America, where affordable Internet hookups are widely available, they are still very popular in Europe. For about an \$8-an-hour, you can check your e-mail or catch up on the news back home by surfing the web.

PC Mike seminar
Next Saturday, July 10, is the next in the series of PC Mike Seminars sponsored by TalkRadio 1270, WXYT and various computer and Internet businesses.

This one will be devoted to providing information on how to maintain your PC. It will be held from 10 a.m.-noon at the MSU Management Center at Square Lake Road and Crooks in Troy. There is no admission fee, but you must have an advance reservation. Call (248) 423-2721.

Mike Wendland covers technology and the Internet for NBC Television stations coast-to-coast and is heard talking about computers every Saturday and Sunday from 4-6 p.m. on AM1270, WXYT in Detroit. He is the author of six books on the Internet and can be reached through his Web site at www.pcmike.com

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Items for Business Newsmakers are from business and companies throughout the Observer area. Items should be submitted re welcome to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Re-appointed

Governor John Engler has re-appointed Betty Jean Awrey, Awrey Bakeries' Vice President of Public Relations and Government Affairs, to a new four-year term of the Michigan State Parks Foundation. The Livonia, Northville and surrounding area schools hold functions regularly at Maybury State Park.

Coordinator named

DeMattia Group of Plymouth has named Michele Lehane

Liotino, a resident of Farmington Hills, marketing coordinator. Liotino comes to DeMattia from her position as marketing coordinator with Ghafari Associates, Inc. As marketing coordinator at DeMattia Group, she is responsible for developing collateral materials along with coordinating DeMattia's Web site, signage, proposals and special events. Liotino is also responsible for researching, writing and distributing tenant, employee and project announcements to targeted publications.

Promotions, additions

Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. of Livonia recently selected Charlotte "Charlie" Mahoney of Livonia and Michael H. Gorman of Westland as the board's

newest members.

Mahoney current serves as regional manager for corporate and public affairs at Detroit Edison, and brings to OHM an understanding of how corporations and municipal government interrelate to successfully resolve conflict.

Before joining the Archdiocese of Detroit as director of finance and administration in 1998, Gorman served 29 years in finance and administration for municipal governments in Southeastern Michigan. He will provide OHM with insight into how the firm can make its business practice procedures more efficient which, in turn, will allow the firm to be more cost effective in the services it provides to its clients.

MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

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Top award

Sheena Aurora, M.D., a

senior staff neurologist at Henry Ford Hospital, received the top research award from the American Association for the Study of Headache.

The award was presented at the annual scientific meeting of the association. The Harold G.

Wolf Award is given annually to a researcher for a significant contribution in the understanding of headache.

Dr. Aurora is a resident of Livonia.



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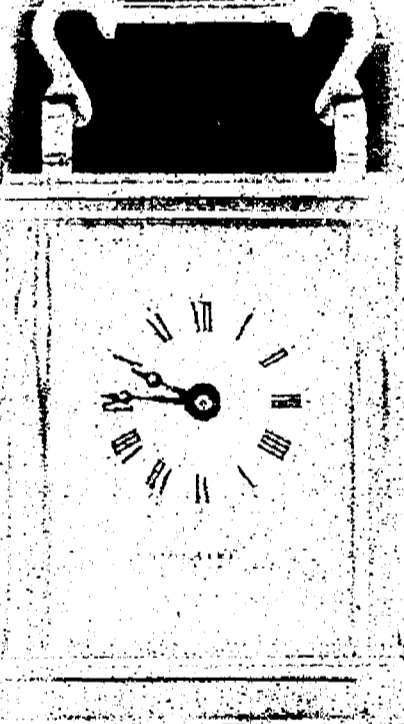
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Conductor travels the world

William Savola dreams big. It's something he started doing as a kid. When other 15-year-olds were playing baseball, Savola was organizing, then conducting, a 45-member orchestra. This spring he traveled to Bucharest, Romania to conduct the George Enescu Philharmonic Orchestra.

Savola goes after his dreams, and guest conducting foreign orchestras was one of them. A letter he sent to the Romanian orchestra landed him the guest conducting role there. And at the age of 69, the Plymouth resident who spent 28 years teaching music in Livonia Public Schools, is not slowing down. While in Romania, he visited the Cuban Ambassador to discuss guest conducting one of that country's orchestras in the future.



Sky's the limit: William Savola guest conducted the George Enescu Philharmonic Orchestra in Romania earlier this year.

A dreamer

"This is something of a dream," said Savola, who waves a baton before the Marquette Symphony in November.

"I'm a dreamer. Back in grade school I knew I wanted to be in front of an orchestra. I wanted to be a showman. All the dreaming, it's just part of me."

Although Savola's guest conducted orchestras in Finland, Ecuador and the Philippines, Romania quickly became one of his favorite countries because of the people.

"There's two million people in Bucharest. With 17 McDonald's, Pizza Hut and cell phones, it feels like home. Fast food is big with standing room only," said Savola. "It's the pro-American attitude that anything American, they love."

Don't get the idea that Savola is flighty and always chasing a dream. Born in Marquette, Savola has conducted orchestras on a full-time basis as well. He's served as music director of the Women's Symphony of Detroit (now defunct), the Scandinavian Symphony of Detroit, and the Allen Park Symphony.

It was while he was with the Scandinavian Symphony that he became friends with Mischa Mischakoff, who was then concertmaster. Mischakoff, a former concertmaster of the Detroit Symphony and the NBC Orchestra under Arturo Toscanini, honored Savola by giving him a special gift, a baton that had been used by Toscanini. Savola was a 19-year-old concertmaster with the Northern Michigan University Orchestra when he rode 21 hours on a train to Texas to see Toscanini conduct. He never forgot the experience of watching this legend lead the orchestra in which Mischakoff was then concertmaster.

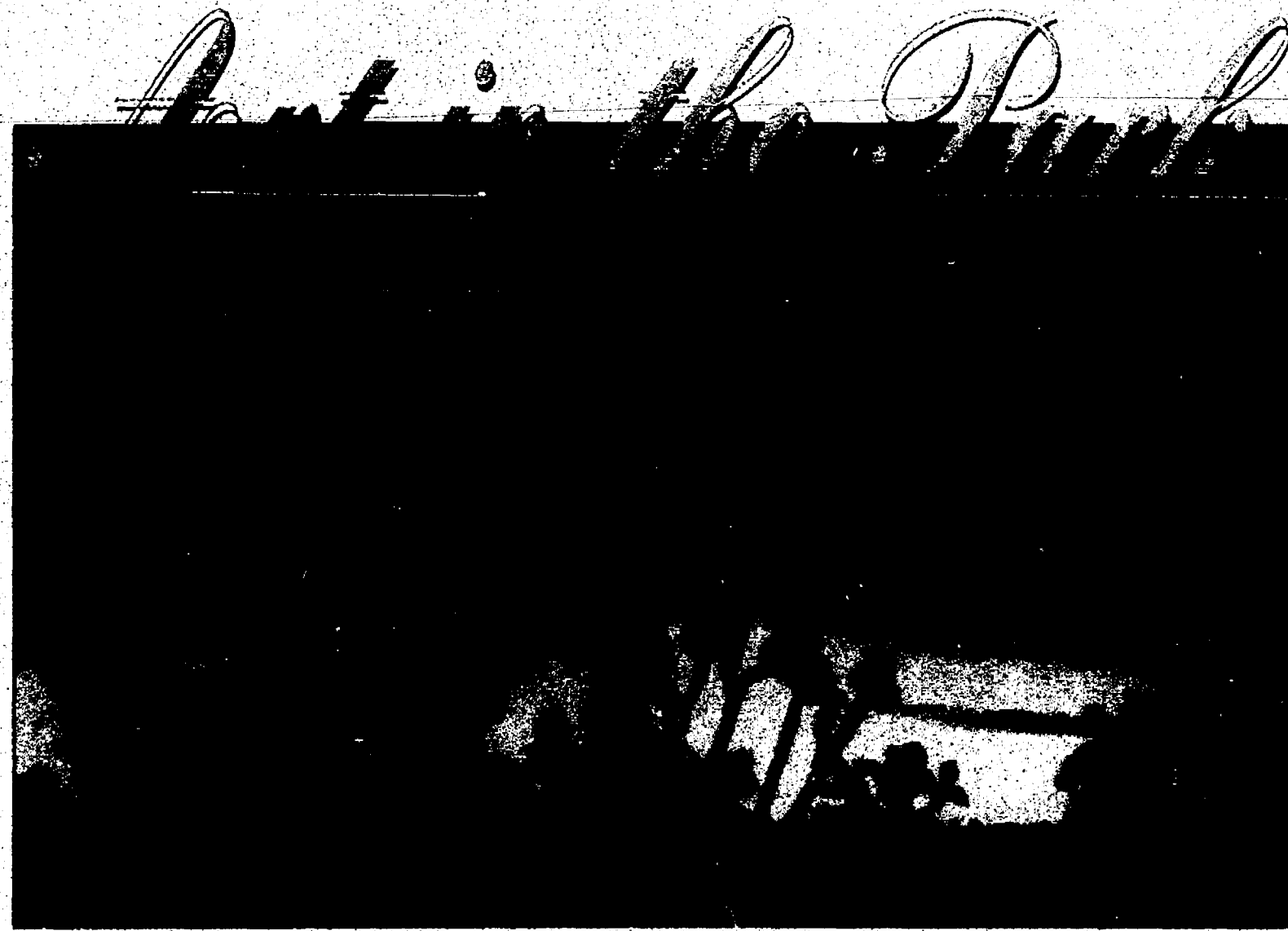
Baton

"I will save it in my violin case all of my life. I never felt I could use that baton," said Savola, who spent a year as a guest conductor in Finland. "I won't let anyone touch it. Toscanini is the only conductor I recognize as great."

On the road again

After leaving Northern Michigan University to continue his music stud-

Please see EXPRESSIONS, C2



On the job: Norris Hardeman captured these Joshua trees on film in Arizona last August.

FAIR DRAWS ON DIVERSITY OF ARTISTS

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Diane Quinn is pushing the limits again — extending Art in the Park down Main Street so she can feature more artists. This year's 19th annual show in downtown Plymouth features more than 400 artists from 34 states displaying a variety of media ranging from lacquer painting to mouth stick art. Quinn's also scheduled a long list of entertainment, and children can paint a square in a nine-foot-long mural designed by 16-year-old Kristen Dillenbeck of Canton.

"I have the best job and can't think of anything else I would rather do," said Quinn who founded the show with 33 artists. "How rewarding it is to see so many people enjoying my work."

A new garden art center located on the lawn of Central Middle School is one of the highlights for Quinn because it exemplifies the overall



Patience plus: Elena Arnaoutova painted dozens of layers of oil to achieve this lacquer miniature painting.

diversity of the July 10-11 fair. "Even though we have some great paintings, I still will have a show that every person attending should find some enjoyment and interest in," she said. "To buy a little snail created by a 7-year-old with his mom's leftover clay can be as much fun as buying a \$5,000 painting."

Stimulating environments

Norris Hardeman jokes that his job for Ford Motor Co. takes him to Minnesota in January and Arizona in August, not exactly ideal months. The Canton photographer takes advantage of these harsh environments, where he oversees the testing of cars, by shooting landscapes. He's bringing a variety of his works to Art in the Park.

"Dramatic images of a lone, leafless tree in the snow or craggy old tree in the desert relay emotions for the viewer to decipher."

"At a test facility in Yucca, Ariz.,

there's no life during the day," said Hardeman. "The desert comes to life at night with owls and rabbits."

Hardeman's memories of being stuck in the snow may overshadow the Minnesota photographs but weather never detracts from his enjoyment of shooting Michigan scenes. Hardeman's shot over 50 images of lighthouses, one of his favorite subjects. To photograph them he must sometimes lug 50 pounds of equipment to a rocky site, but no matter. The destination is worth the trek.

"I try to find that unique perspective, what is this saying to me," said Hardeman. "Anyone can document. I want to find meaning in the subject. 'Alpine Twist' is a tree that's a work of art. The wind weathers them and they become gnarly. I'm able to see the raw, rugged beauty, when altitude testing (cars) at 14,000 feet, that few people can."

Hardeman admits to "practically sleep walking" for the early morning shots. He prefers sunsets himself unless he's photographing the Grand Canyon.

"When I'm standing on the edge of a cliff, my wife gets nervous," quips Hardeman. "But it's the experience of the big outdoors and nature. I like seeing what the Creator has put out there."

Time-honored art

Elena Arnaoutova spends dozens of hours layering Rubens-like oil paints on top of each other to create the miniature, lacquer still life and florals

Please see ART, C2

Art in the Park

What: More than 400 artists and craftsmen display wares, including paintings, photography, wood block prints, ceramics, jewelry, garden art, wood and glass. Special booths in Kellogg Park offer art by children.

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 10, and until 5 p.m. Sunday, July 11.

Where: In Kellogg Park and the surrounding streets — Main, Ann Arbor Trail, Pennington and Forrest in downtown Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 454-1314.



Pain-staking: Will Pardee, a quadriplegic, created this pencil drawing of a deer using a mouth stick.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

A classic touch in the great outdoors

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
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Typically, around this time of year, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra would be getting ready for a trip to Vail, where they've performed for the last five years at the annual Bravo Colorado Summer Festival.

This year, the closest mountain range orchestra members can expect to see will be rolling suburban hills, as in Rochester Hills.

Beginning this Friday, the DSO will travel north on I-75 from their intimate, acoustical gem, Orchestra Hall in Detroit, and embark on a five-week season of outdoor concerts at Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University.

By expanding its summer season from three to five weeks, the DSO will perform 15 concerts Friday-Sunday, through August 8.

Fitting in

"We looked for what would appeal to

a broad audience, and what would also fit into the outdoor setting," said Charles Calmer, artistic administrator of the DSO.

"The audience is substantially different than the audiences at Orchestra Hall," he said. "Most live in Oakland County."

While it's important for the orchestra to "keep the faith" with the classical-musical form, Calmer said the upcoming season provides a way for the DSO to honor the past, stretch its repertoire and fit in with the interactive age.

"The Planets," a multi-media concert

What: Detroit Symphony Orchestra opens its summer concert series on Friday, July 9, at Meadow Brook Music Festival, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills.

Five-week season of concerts presented by Hudson's Project Imagine.

Ticket information: Four and five-concert packages, \$40-\$185; July 11 Burt Bacharach concert, \$15-\$40. Call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 576-5120, discounts for students under age 18.

on Saturday, July 31 offers a glimpse at perhaps the future direction for orchestral concerts.

The program includes images, animation and film from NASA's unmanned spacecraft projected on giant video screens. The presentation will be set to John Adams' "Short Ride in a Fast Machine," and Wagner's "The Flying Dutchman" Overture.

Don't expect wispy, light string music that dissipates with a passing summer breeze. Calmer is planning on fireworks, literally.

Displays of fireworks will be a regular feature every Friday, along with explosive soloists on Saturdays such as violinist Pinchas Zukerman and pianist Per Tengstrand. Meanwhile, Sunday's line-up includes programs dedicated to the music of Gershwin, Broadway, Big Bands and Hollywood films.

One of the most celebrated American songwriters, Burt Bacharach, will per-

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Wilson sisters road-test new material

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Ann Wilson has watched her sister Nancy perform numerous times since they formed Heart in 1973. After all those years and performances, Nancy Wilson still gives her sister the chills.

"I went and saw her in a club and her singing just kind of blew me away. She's going to be amazing on this tour," she said.

The tour about which Ann Wilson is speaking is a series of acoustic shows — including Tuesday, July 6, at Pine Knob Music Theatre — they are doing to road-test new material. This is the first time the Wilson sisters have played as a duo.

On the tour, Nancy Wilson is playing electric and acoustic guitars, mandolin, dulcimer, dobro, blues harp, bass and piano. Her sister takes on bass, rhythm guitar, piano and flute.

"Nancy and I've never really done it before. This is the first time we've ever gone out as a duo. We have been



Nancy and Ann Wilson

writing all this new stuff. We wanted to go out and develop it in front of people."

The new material includes "Having It All," a song they co-wrote with Burt Bacharach, a songwriter admired by the Wilson sisters.

"We finished it up together in his music room, which was really a thrill, in his big mansion in Hollywood. It's the mansion that hits built. You walk in there and it's so extreme. The song, it's very retro. It's a song for a woman to sing and he's gotta be the king of that. He really knows how to write melodies for women to sing. It was really a cool experience."

Hits like "Barracuda" and solo material from Nancy Wilson are also on the set list. Adapting hits to a two-person format has been a smooth transition, she explained.

"We had to edit a little bit just because we don't have the big huge drum set, keyboards, and all that kind of stuff. The songs we've chosen to do are ones that translate really well to being played by two people. It's not only an acoustic thing. We're bringing electric stuff, too. It's going to be big and gentle at the same time."

"It's gonna be fun for us. Nancy's gonna be singing way more than she's ever sung. She's amazing."

An Acoustic Evening with Ann and Nancy Wilson of Heart, with special guest Duke Daniels, is Tuesday, July 6, at Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Tickets are \$24.50 pavilion and \$12.50 lawn. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. For more information call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>.



Outdoor concert: Fans listen to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under the stars at the Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University.

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she'll bring to Art in the Park. Born in Orsk, Russia, the Bloomfield Hills artist studied painting for years, first at the Youth Institution and then the prestigious Moscow Institute of Art and Industry, before moving to the U.S. in 1995. During her five years at the Moscow institute, she interned summers at the art villages of Palekh, Kholui and Fedoskino thereby earning a degree as Master Artist.

"There is a month exam in painting, drawing, composition and history to get into the institute," said Arnaoutova, who teaches the time-honored skill at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. "If you do not go to all those schools when you're young, I was 10 when I started, you can not get in when you're older."

Arnaoutova can labor up to a year on a single painting so prices for the larger works top \$6,000. For the average person, the lacquer master paints brooches, barrettes and napkin rings starting at \$8.

"It's very unique, very rare, with 30 coats of oil and 16 coats of lacquer," said Aranaoutova. "When you start doing something Rubens would do hundreds of years ago, it's rewarding to get three dimension with layer after layer of paint."

From the mouth of the artist

Will Pardee's violent collision 18 years ago with the bottom of the Muskegon River left him a quadriplegic able only to turn pages with a mouth stick. After the diving accident, his wife Sarah suggested he try drawing with a pencil adapted for his mouth. Today, Pardee travels to 30 art shows a year throughout

the state of Michigan. He's bringing a variety of pencil and color pencil drawings of lighthouses, wildlife, country scenes, and an old Model T pickup to Art in the Park.

"The Lord gave me the talent but I never took an interest until then," said Pardee. "Now I meet a lot of really nice people and I like to minister while I'm doing the shows."

Pardee usually begins by drawing the nose of an animal. Then he lays out the eyes and creates a general outline before beginning to shade. Larger works take three to four months to complete, the 9-by-12-inch pieces two to three months.

Quinn receives great satisfaction from giving artists like Pardee, who spend hundreds of hours creating their work, the opportunity to exhibit. The satisfaction of knowing that she's helping artists is all Quinn needs to continue the massive task of producing Art in the Park. It's taken her and daughter Rachel a year to set up exhibitors, entertainment, vendors, and a tent for the mural to benefit C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

When the task of jurying artists applications is completed in early spring, Quinn is "ready for the fun-part to begin." Coordinating the more than 60 volunteers is gratifying, she said, "because every year there are more people who want to work."

Participating local artists

Among the local artists exhibiting in this year's Art in the Park are Tom LeGault, painting; Michael McCullough, wood block prints; Village Pottery Guild; Ted Nelson, photog-



Mouth stick art: Will Pardee creates lighthouses and animal drawings with pencils adapted for his mouth.

raphy; Katherine Kidston Renberg, jewelry; Alicia Conger, ceramics; Joseph Wisniewski and Christine Fleischer, glass; Diane Dunn, tiles; Kathy Sand-

berg, ceramics; Sharon Dillenbeck, painting, and Robert Krassofski, custom hand-forged iron designs including pot racks, tables and ranch signs.

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form with the DSO on Sunday, July 11. Dionne Warwick, Barbra Streisand, B.J. Thomas, The 5th Dimension, Neil Diamond and Elvis Costello are among the many artists who've recorded Bacharach's songs over the last 40 years.

Summer Institute

During the last two weeks of the summer season, members of the DSO will conduct classes for 100 high school music students from throughout Michigan. The intensive education program is part of the first annual Meadow Brook Summer Institute.

Of approximately 400 applica-

tions, one-quarter were selected to participate in master classes and rehearsals with the DSO.

"Music education is one of our primary responsibilities," said Jill Woodward, spokesperson for the DSO.

"As our endowment has grown, we've been able to expand our summer season and establish the institute."

In the last five years, the DSO endowment has grown from \$26 million to \$53 million. While the two-fold increase is impressive, Woodward noted that most major orchestras around the world have endowments two-to-three times as large.

DSO CONCERT SCHEDULE

Family Fun Friday Series (Concerts begin at 8 p.m. with firework displays immediately following or integrated into the shows.)

■ July 9 - "Opening Fanfare," conducted by Marin Alsop. Program includes Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man, and Joan Tower's Fanfare for the Uncommon Woman No. 1.

■ July 16 - "Pictures at an Exhibition," features music director Neeme Jarvi conducting the DSO.

■ July 23 - "Handel and Vivaldi," a program of Baroque music including Handel's Royal Fireworks and Water Music, Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 and Vivaldi's Concerto for Two Trumpets.

■ July 30 - "Symphonic Blockbusters," features Bach's Toccata and Fugue, and Stravinsky's Firebird Suite.

■ August 6 - "Tchaikovsky Spectacular," features violinist Konstanty Kulya and the University Musical Society Choral Union.

Saturday Classics (Concerts begin at 8 p.m.)

■ July 10 - "Beethoven Outdoors," features violinist Pinchas Zukerman in a program of Ruch's Violin Concerto.

■ July 17 - "Beethoven Emperor," features Sweden's foremost pianists, Per Tengstrand performing Beethoven's Piano Concerto No.

5. ■ July 24 - "Mozart-in-the-Meadows," features conductor Jaime Laredo in a program of Mozart's A Little Night Music.

■ July 31 - "The Planets," A multi-media presentation.

■ August 6 - "Tchaikovsky Spectacular." 1812 Overture (with canons and fireworks).

Special Event

■ 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 11 - The DSO performs a concert with Burt Bacharach.

Sunday Summer Pops (Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m.)

■ July 18 - "Gershwin Gala," features Maestro Jarvi and the DSO along with soprano Geraldine McMillan, baritone Peter Lightfoot and the Brazeal Denard Choral. Selections include An American in Paris, and Rhapsody in Blue performed by pianist Matt Herskowitz.

■ July 25 - "A Song of Broadway," features conductor David Alan Miller in a program featuring soprano Audra McDonald, winner of three Tony Awards for her roles in Ragtime, Carousel and Master Class.

■ August 1 - "Big Band Bash," features the hits of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Count Basie and Duke Ellington.

■ August 8 - "Hollywood by Starlight," features music from "Gone with the Wind," "Titanic," "Schindler's List," "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and the latest "Star Wars."

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ies at Westminster Choir College and Indiana University, Savola toured Europe as a violinist in the U.S. Army Symphony Orchestra. That's probably when he first developed a taste for traveling. Over the years, he has

visited 77 countries, many of them since retiring from Livonia Public Schools 13 years ago. Language has sometimes been a problem in his travels but in Romania, Savola overcame the barrier by using the words all

musicians understand. "As a conductor, it all has to come from the face and the hands. That's where good conducting comes from. I was conducting the music not the orchestra and they understood."

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DANCE CAMPS
Michigan Dance Express will host its Summer Dance Camp July 25-29 at Camp Copneconic in Fenton. Each year, dancers ages eight and older attend the camp that combines four hours of daily dance training with traditional summer camp activities such as swimming and boating. Styles of dance include ballet, tap, jazz, and lyrical along with classes in modeling, production and swing.

This is the eighth year for the camp which ends with a "Dance Spectacular Showcase" where all the students perform their newly-learned routines. The camp is directed by Jan Sickle, a member of Dance Masters of America, Dance Educators of America, and the Cecchetti Council of America. Students come from all over the state of Michigan to attend the camp.

For more information or to obtain a brochure, call (734) 297-9755 or (313) 562-1203.

FINAL DAYS
Alice McGee, a long-time Livonia resident, is showing two of her black and white photographs in "Shot at Mario's" through July 16 at the Biddle Gallery, 2840 Biddle, Wyandotte. For hours and information, call (734) 281-4779.

The juried show of fine art photography was shot at Mario's Mannequin Studio in Detroit before it closed. Barbara Abel, Birmingham; Elaine Redmond, and Patricia Izzo are among the other artists exhibiting.

McGee began studying photography 10 years ago and is currently a student at Oakland Community College in Royal Oak. Her mannequin shots were taken during photography workshops at Mario's. Lately, McGee's taken to shooting photographs in old cemeteries in and around the Detroit area.

VAAL WORKSHOPS
The Visual Arts Association of Livonia presents workshops in watercolor monotypes and batik in July and August.

Katie Wall Fox teaches the ancient oriental art of batik 1-3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, July 13-16. The cost is \$100 VAAL members, \$105 non-members, and covers all supplies including frames, brushes, fabric, dyes, and wax. Expect to complete four or more batiks in the workshops.

Lily Dudgeon presents a workshop for monotypes 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 20-21. The cost is \$45 for VAAL members, \$50 non-members. Bring watercolor supplies, and sketches or photos for subjects to paint. Dudgeon will sell print paper at cost. Call Dudgeon for an instruction sheet, (313) 561-4457.

To register for the VAAL workshops, call Mary Ann Adams at (734) 455-9614.

ARTISANS AFTERGLOW
The Ann Arbor Artisans' Market Art Fair Afterglow will be held 5-10 p.m. Saturday, July 24 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 25 at the City Market, 315 Detroit Street in Kerrytown.

David Swain and his band will play swing, blues, jazz and rock 6-10 p.m. Saturday. Acoustic guitarist Ken King performs traditional and modern folk music from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday.

A wide variety of arts and crafts will also be for sale. Look for jewelry, jackets and dresses, puppets, quilted wallhangings and home accessories, woolsens and weavings, glass, furniture, baskets, medicine wheels, herbal wreaths, birdhouses, jams and vinegars, and plants and flowers at the market.

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Dear Jewelry Lady, What are the chances of losing one of my diamond stud earrings at the beach? My husband wants me to remove them before we head for the sand, but I think they look great with a bathing suit. What do you think?

Bathing Beauty

Dear Beauty,

Congratulations! You are married to a bona fide worry wart. Let your husband know that, if your earrings are properly adjusted and you check them before heading out to the sand and sun, it's unlikely you'll lose them.

However, as a precaution, consider checking your homeowner's insurance to make certain you're covered in case of loss. (Otherwise, that worry wart will never forgive you for losing those diamond studs!)

Another alternative: consider having your diamonds reset in Eurowires, which clip more securely behind the ears. Even if you bury your head in the sand, there's no way you'll lose one of those babies!

Dear Jewelry Lady,

I am very annoyed with my jeweler. I recently took my engagement ring in for a cleaning, and he told me I should have my prongs re-tipped. My jeweler also said I would eventually need a new set of prongs for the ring. I thought diamonds were forever. I feel taken.

Feeling Cheated

Dear Cheated,

Diamonds are forever, but they are susceptible to cracks and chips. After all, diamonds don't come out of the ground fully faceted; they have to be cut and polished to bring out their beauty.

Furthermore, your jeweler isn't talking about your diamond, but the prongs of your ring, which are probably made of gold. Since gold wears over time, your jeweler is doing you a favor by suggesting you keep the mount in good condition. Otherwise, you might lose the diamond.

If you wish to avoid such maintenance, I suggest replacing the gold head (the set of prongs) for another one made of platinum. Platinum is tougher than gold and much less vulnerable to wear.

Dear Jewelry Lady,

I am maybe what you'd call a "jewelry-aholic." I regularly buy new rings and necklaces and then stop wearing older pieces in my jewelry box. It seems like a terrible waste. What should I do with my old jewelry?

Loaded with Baubles

Dear Baubles,

You have a wonderful problem, and The Jewelry Lady knows numerous jewelers who would be more than happy to make your acquaintance.

But seriously, have you considered redesigning some of your older jewelry? Many independent jewelers also work as jewelry designers and would jump at the chance to sketch some designs that utilize the precious gems and metals you already have.

The beauty of gold, platinum and precious gemstones is that they can be reworked again and again into new and cutting-edge pieces.

Another option: leave your outdated pieces on consignment with a jeweler who sells estate pieces, and take the money and run. Just imagine the number of new pieces you'll be able to buy in coming years!

Also consider having your outdated jewelry professionally cleaned and polished, and then give them as gifts to special people in your life. What you see as old and outdated, might tickle another person's fancy. (After all, beauty is in the eyes of the beholder.)

Finally, you can let your older pieces collect not only dust but also value in a safety deposit box until you pass them on to family, friends or a favorite charity.

Send your questions to the Jewelry Lady by: e-mail, rogers@mich.com, fax, (248) 582-9223 or mail, The Jewelry Lady, c/o Observer & Eccentric, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

Bonding mother and child

Retailers address motherhood today

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Twenty, even 10 years ago, Johnson & Johnson baby oil and talcum powder were enough to soothe and pamper soft bottoms and baby-soft skin. Likewise, little boys and girls were delighted by the addition of tear-free baby shampoo at bath time.

Today, products for mothers, babies and children seek to do more than show tenderness and pacify: they strive to help the parent-child bonding process.

Recently introduced personal products aimed at mother and child include Bvlgari's colorfully packaged Petits et Mamans line, Bobbi Brown's extra gentle, dye-free, baby essentials and a baby care line from Origins, a subsidiary of Estee Lauder.

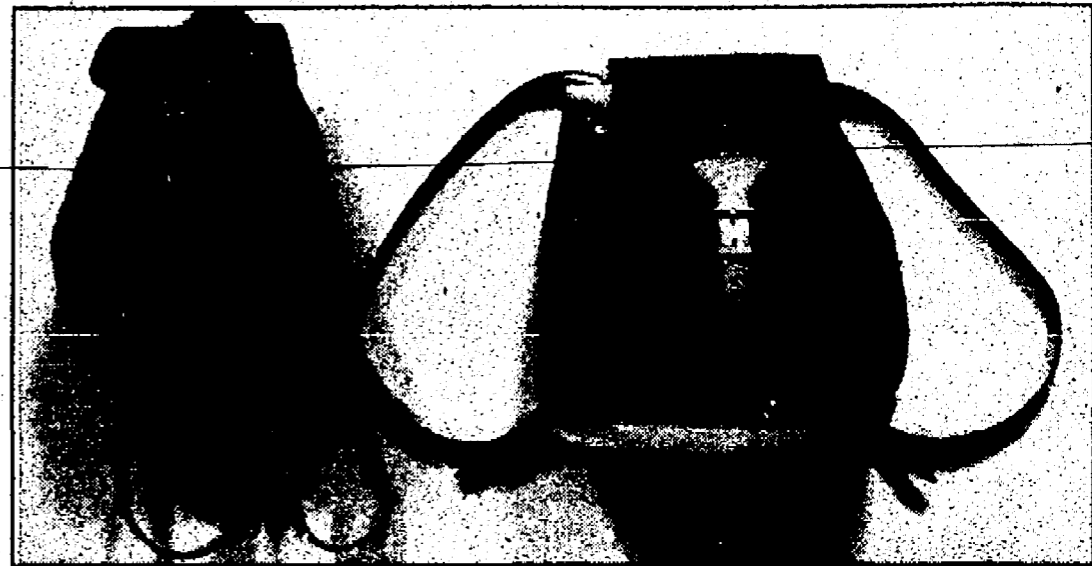
The Petits et Mamans line includes an alcohol-free fragrance touted as a bonding agent when worn by mother and daughter. Origins' top selling baby care product is "Bear Hug," a massage cream said to promote bonding between parents and babies.

Of course, massage and other forms of sensory stimulation are always beneficial to newborns and help with bonding, but many of today's mothers, who hold down full-time jobs, have less time and energy to devote to such activities.



STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Like mother, like daughter: Matching cotton floral dresses by Cornelloki are priced at \$76 for mom and \$40 for daughter at April Cornell, the Somerset Collection in Troy.



STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Motherhood at a price: Matching leather backpacks for busy mothers and children, \$595 and \$535 at Louis Vuitton.

Arguably, baby massage cream not only acts as a vehicle for sensory stimulation but also as a reminder to take time out for bonding. When mother and daughter dot on fragrance from the same bottle before rushing out the door to work and school, they've had a shared — albeit brief — experience.

"Petits et Mamans has great relevance to the lives of today's mothers, who may not have as much time as they wish to bond with their children," says Connie Ruscio, vice president of sales for Bvlgari's distributor. And when mothers do have extra time to spend with their daughters, luxury bath and beauty products enhance those "precious moments," says Ruscio.

Bath products aren't the only goods on store shelves aimed at uniting mother and child and mitigating working mothers' guilt over limited family time.

Sleepwear designer Karen Neuberger launched a line of nightgowns, pajamas and robes for mothers and daughters in March. Available at Jacobson's, Neuberger's women's pieces run \$35-60 and children's pieces retail at \$24-42.

Numerous stores at the Somerset Collection in Troy also carry goods for mother and child. William Sonoma sells appropriately sized cooking aprons for joint ventures in the kitchen.

Louis Vuitton offers matching leather backpacks priced at \$595 for mother and \$535 for child. And several retailers carry matching clothing for mothers and daughters, including Laura Ashley, April Cornell and Oilily, all at the Somerset Collection.

Another factor at work behind the trend is society's changing attitude towards motherhood and pregnancy. The prevalence of expectant mothers in the workplace, coupled with working women's increased discretionary income and a slew of stylish pregnant stars in the media, has encouraged high style among soon-to-be mothers.

"It's in style to be stylish when you're pregnant," says Karen Karzmar, assistant manager at A Pea in the Pod maternity store in downtown Birmingham where body-hugging, "french fit" maternity clothes have replaced oversized garments that concealed curves and bulges.

Diana Mahacek, store manager at Mimi Maternity at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, agrees, saying "women have really embraced the closer fit clothing. ... They're saying 'I'm proud I'm pregnant.'"

As mothers, these women demand the same quality, luxury and style in the products they buy for their babies and children.

"Parents who purchase designer items for themselves are likely to do so for their children," says Ruscio at Bvlgari. "Therefore, the idea of a shared bath line for mothers and children is especially appealing. Another contributing factor is that motherhood has become very trendy and glamorous, thanks to star moms such as Madonna."



STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Kitchen ventures: Williams-Sonoma carries cotton twill cooking aprons for mothers, \$19, and daughters, \$16, for bonding in the kitchen, the Somerset Collection.



Bonding agents: Bvlgari's Petits et Mamans fragrance and bath collection is designed for use by both mother and child. Comprised of six soaps, bath gel, shampoo, body lotion and a 3.4-ounce bottle of fragrance, Bvlgari's Essential Set sells for \$112.

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YO-YO CLASS FOR KIDS
Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills hosts local yo-yo instructor Dennis Grzesiak for a yo-yo seminar for children of all ages, 7:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

GEOFFREY BEENE FOR FALL
View the Fall 1999 special order collection of designer Geoffrey Beene through July 8 at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Designer Salon, second floor.

SIDEWALK SALE
The Boardwalk shopping center on Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield holds its 15th Annual Sidewalk Sale through July 10.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

THURSDAY, JULY 8

SUZEN TRUNK SHOW
Roz & Sherm in Bloomfield Hills hosts a trunk show of Suzen for Fall 1999 through July 10 during regular store hours.

FRIDAY, JULY 9

ART IN THE PARK
Visit your favorite downtown Plymouth businesses and peruse the work of more than 400 artisans during Art in the Park, 7 p.m.; downtown Plymouth.
SATURDAY, JULY 10

DINE & DANCE
Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts the Steel Gratitude Band as part of the center's Dine & Dance series for families; 6-9 p.m., Food Court.
CLASSIC CHRYSLER SHOW

MeadowBrook Village Mall in Rochester Hills overflows with antique and classic Chrysler, Plymouth and Dodge cars during the Classic Chrysler Show through July 11 during regular mall hours. Donations benefit the Rochester Lions Club. For more information, call (248) 376-9451.
SUNDAY, JULY 11

BEANIE BABY SHOW
Plymouth hosts an All-Beanie Baby Show, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer Street. For more information and admission fees, call (734) 455-2110.
TUESDAY, JULY 13

CAROLINA HERRERA FALL SHOW
Saks Fifth Avenue presents the Fall 1999 collection of Carolina Herrera at a black tie benefit for the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA). Tickets, at \$400 each, include a cocktail reception and strolling supper at 5:30 p.m., a formal fashion show at 7 p.m. and attendance at the "Under the Stars Gala XX" on Nov. 13. For additional information and tickets, call the DIA at (313) 833-7969.

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