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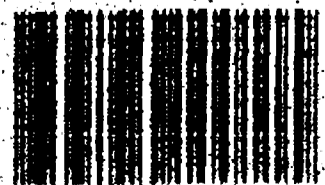
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Drunken drivers face tougher laws

Penalties for driving while drunk will increase next month, as local and state officials launch a new crackdown aimed at getting repeat offenders off the road.

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New Westland ordinances will boost drunken driving penalties Oct. 1, virtually locking repeat offenders from their vehicles and requiring police to destroy license plates.

Vehicles used by repeat drunken drivers also will be tagged with paper

license plates.

"It's like 'The Scarlet Letter' I guess," City Attorney Angelo Plakas said.

In a sweeping vote Monday, Westland City Council members adopted tougher drunken driving penalties that coincide with new state legislation that takes effect Friday, Oct. 1.

The latest measures will usher in "major changes" for drunken drivers and motorists who drive with suspend-

ed licenses, Plakas said.

Councilman Richard LeBlanc called the new state effort "a very broad and far-reaching piece of legislation."

Westland judges will have authority to immobilize vehicles by ordering locking devices placed on wheels or steering wheels.

Judges will have discretion to lock out first-time drunken drivers for 180 days, but the penalty will be mandatory for repeat offenders.

Vehicles will be immobilized for one to three years for a third drunken driving offense, Westland District Court administrator David Wiacek said.

Offenders who tamper with lock-

devices or who buy or lease another vehicle will face additional prosecution.

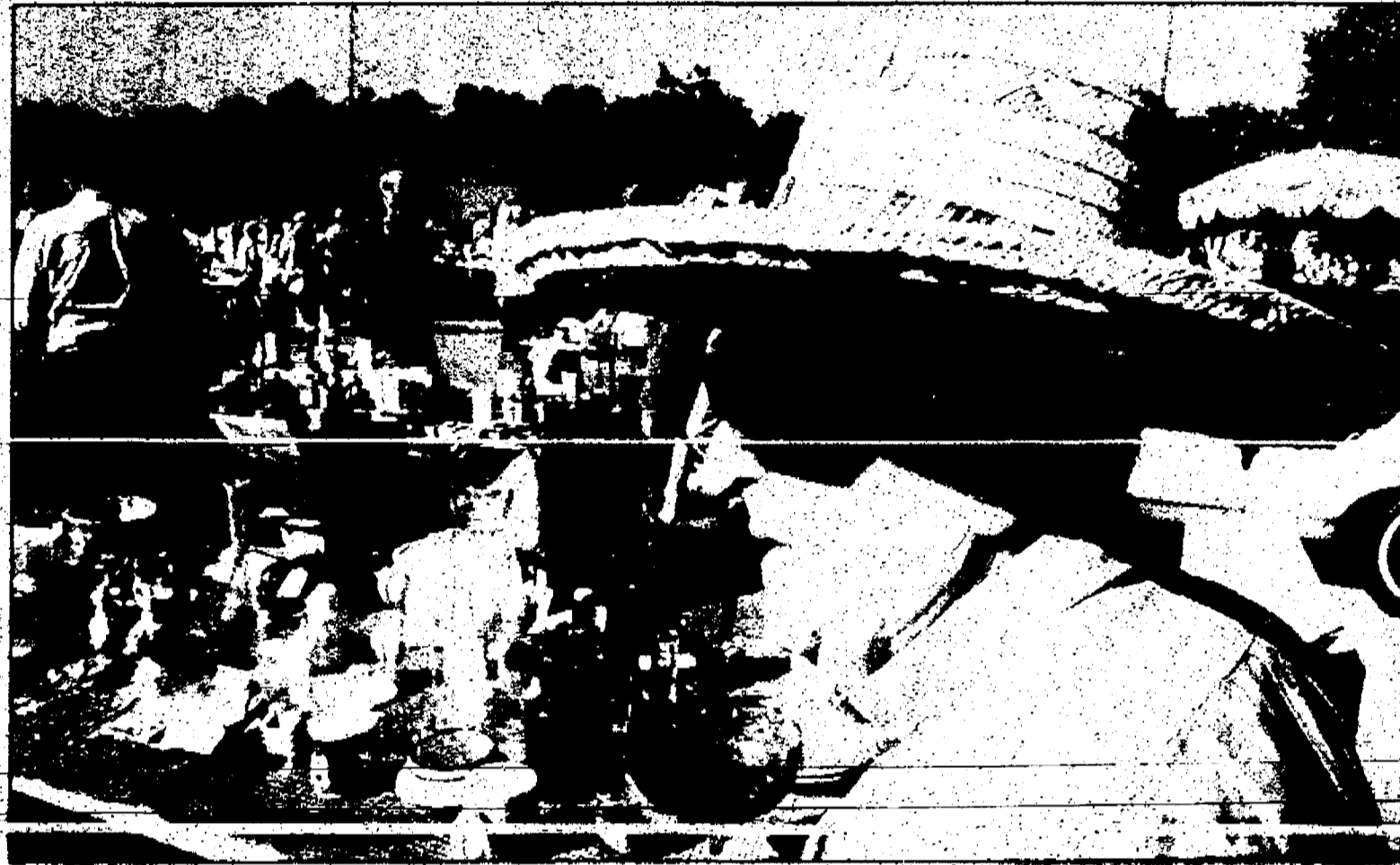
"It's another attempt on the part of the Legislature to take these people off of the roads who are killing innocent people out there every day," Westland Deputy Police Chief Lennis Hayes said.

Drunken drivers also could lose their cars entirely; vehicle forfeiture will remain a punishment option under new laws.

The message is simple, Wiacek said. "Don't drive if you've been drinking or if your license is suspended for a bad driving record."

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Charities helped with giant sale



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Giant sale: Gerald Kernodle (above, right) selling some of his treasures. Linda Hengtgen is loaded down with purchases and with daughter Sidney of Westland. As always, someone's trash can be another person's treasure.



City's garage sale draws hundreds

Westland's biggest garage sale netted \$2,000 Saturday for programs that help disabled children and troubled youth.

The money came from booth rental fees paid by 90 vendors who hawked their wares in a parking lot next to Westland City Hall.

The sale will help the Westland Therapeutic Recreation Program

send disabled children to camp and allow the Westland Youth Assistance Program to provide services for troubled youngsters trying to improve their lives.

"It went very well," Youth Assistance Director Renaele Bowman said. "We had a lot of people, and we had beautiful weather. We couldn't have asked for a better day."

The \$2,000, split between the two groups, is the amount typically raised from vendors who paid to set up booths. Food also was sold.

The two groups sponsor two community garage sales each year, and next spring's event already is being planned.

To reserve a booth for the May 20 garage sale, call (734) 722-7620.

State crime report erred

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A new state report erred by indicating a major crime surge in Westland in 1998, local and state police officials said this week.

The report cited an overall increase in crimes of arson, larceny, murder, rape, robbery, burglary, aggravated assault and auto theft.

The report indicated those crimes numbered 5,067 in Westland — far more than the 3,561 incidents recorded by local police for 1998.

"We believe there was a mistake," Michigan State Police crime analyst Bernadette Scarborough said Tuesday. "We're trying to sort out exactly what happened."

The flawed statistics, published in one daily newspaper, prompted telephone calls to Mayor Robert Thomas' office.

The report cited an upswing in major crimes from 1997 to 1998 when Westland actually saw an overall 5-percent decrease in arson, larceny, murder, rape, robbery, burglary, aggravated assault and auto theft, Police Chief Emory Price said.

"There is a misconception out there," he said. "We want to make sure that people understand that there is not a crime wave in the city of Westland."

State officials also released flawed numbers for less serious crimes, reporting 11,607 incidents when there were only 9,722, Price said.

Mayor Thomas raised the issue publicly Monday during a Westland City Council meeting, dismissing reports of a sudden and dramatic crime increase.

"Those reports were incorrect," he said. "The state has called us and told us that. They admit that they had some mistakes."

Scarborough said Tuesday that Westland isn't the only city that suffered inflated crime statistics.

She said she is studying the problem to determine how the state compiled wrong numbers.

Banks Dishmon new O&E general manager

Banks Dishmon has been named vice president and general manager of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. He replaces Steve Pope who resigned in August.

Dishmon was publisher of the Observer Newspapers from April 1995 until January of this year when he left to become president and publisher of the Central Michigan Newspapers in Mount Pleasant.

"We're just delighted that Banks Dishmon is coming home," said Philip Power, chairman of HomeTown Communications Network, the parent company of The Observer & Eccentric. "In the years he worked as publisher of The Observer Newspapers he showed exquisite skill, management

competence, and consideration for readers, customers and company employees alike."

Richard Aginian, president of HomeTown Communications Network, said, "I welcome Banks back with the confidence that he will bring his leadership and other broad skills to this very important position. The challenges that the O&E must address are significant. Banks is just the right person."

Dick Brady, corporate vice president for sales and marketing, has been serving as interim general manager.

Dishmon came to The Observer & Eccentric in 1995 from the Dallas-Fort-Worth Suburban Newspapers where he served as vice president of

newspaper operations. Dishmon worked as city circulation manager for the Dallas Morning News and Shreveport Times. He was circulation director at the Texarkana Gazette.

He will rejoin the O&E on Oct. 18. Dishmon and his wife, LouAnn, live in Livonia. They have six children and one grandchild.

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Banks Dishmon

Resident escorted from city council chambers

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Police escorted a Westland man from a city council meeting Monday after he implied that a drugstore chain could oust elected officials by contributing big dollars to their political opponents.

Resident Donald Mitchell indicated that he believed Walgreen Co. could "get rid" of council members unless they supported a proposed new drugstore on the northeast corner of Cherry Hill and Wayne roads.

Mitchell, who didn't clearly voice his own opinions on the Walgreen plan, grilled council members at length, but police rushed to his side after he left the public podium and walked over to Mayor Robert Thomas to discuss the issue. Mitchell said he didn't mean any harm and that he mistakenly believed he was supposed to approach the mayor.

Mitchell returned briefly to the podium but was shortly escorted from the room by police officers. He later issued a written apology to elected officials.

Some council members lashed out at Mitchell, saying he tried to imply their votes could be bought by Walgreen Co. City officials already had planned to postpone the drugstore proposal.

"Nobody who represents them has ever given me a dime," Councilman Charles "Trav" Griffin said, telling Mitchell, "I'm not going to let you malign

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my public service." Councilman Glenn Anderson also responded to Mitchell's allegations that corporate money can buy votes.

"It's sometimes very difficult when outrageous statements are made," Anderson said, adding that he has "certainly not seen" such vote-buying tactics.

Walgreen Co. wants to demolish five houses - two of them vacant - and tear down a closed radiator shop to redevelop 1.5 acres on the east side of Wayne Road, stretching from Cherry Hill to School Lane.

It wasn't clear when council members will vote on the plan, but elected officials said their decision will be based on the proposal's merit and not corporate arm-twisting.

Mayor Robert Thomas also came to the defense of council members.

"None of these people are 'bought off,'" he told Mitchell.

Grandchildren brighten their days



Their Day: Marquette House was the scene of a special event recently as grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the residents gathered for refreshments, games and entertainment on Grandparents' Day. Top, resident Sarah Rose, 84, is surrounded by grand and great-grandchildren. On her left is Sarah Carter, Corey Carter and Angela Carter, their mom. Behind her is Ashley Logan, Terri Logan (mom), Terry Logan and Sean Logan. Face painter Cyndi Willis decorates the face of Michael Barrett of Westland. Michael is the grandson of Marquette resident Mary Barrett. Tony Broadbent, 74, resident, and her great-great grandson, Josh McDonald, 6, enjoyed the festivities. The center is a private, assisted living facility.

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Hayes conceded a drunken driver's relatives could suffer if a family car becomes "locked down" under new laws.

"Even if someone else may be a co-owner of that vehicle, it could still be locked down," he said, adding that legislators "are making the entire family responsible for those (drunken driving) actions. They're looking for total family responsibility."

In another weapon against drunken driving, police officers will have authority to destroy

license plates and replace them with back-window paper registration when arresting a second-time offender, Wiacek said.

The same rules will apply to offenders who are caught a third time driving with a suspended license, he said.

This effort will flag vehicles involved in drunken driving incidents, Plakas said.

Hayes said the new laws tend to "take the leeway out of sentencing" to ensure that offenders pay a high price for driving

drunk or ignoring suspensions.

In another crackdown, first-time offenders who drive drunk or drive with a suspended license could face a 93-day jail term rather than 90 days.

That change is aimed at ensuring that police get fingerprints and mug shots of offenders - steps that Plakas said become routine when lawbreakers face a possible jail term of more than 92 days.

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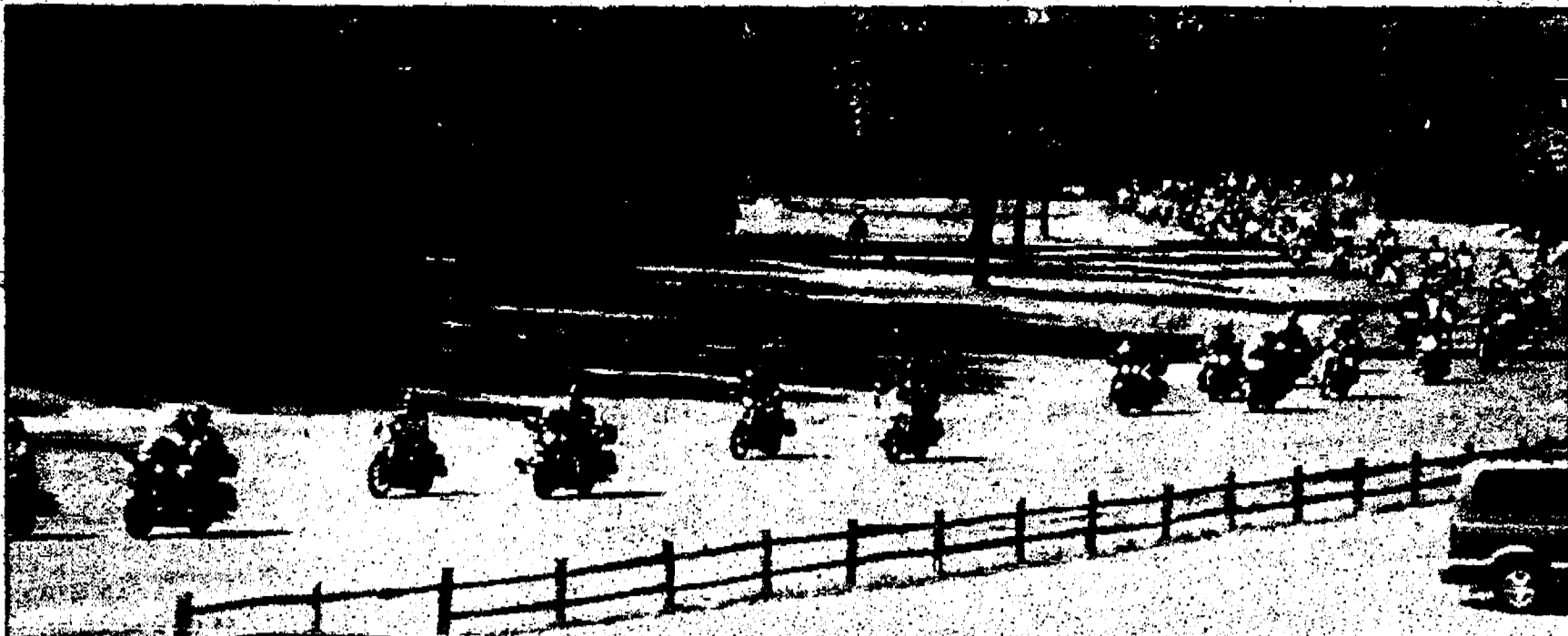
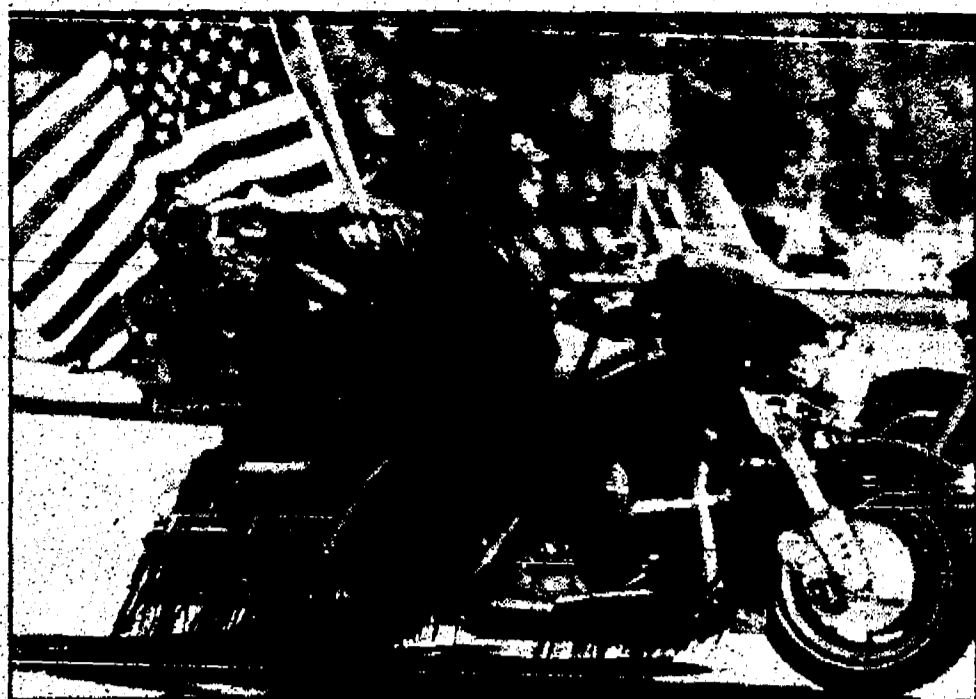
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Leader of the pack: Above, Dave Higgins ("Mother Dave") of Westland and his wife lead the run as it leaves Hines Drive. Top left, a portion of the hundreds of bikers on their ride through Hines Park Sunday. Right, good weather and friendly spectators greeted HOG (Harley Owners Group) on the "toy run." Five Westland police patrol motorcycles (far right) led the big Harley parade.



Big HOG 'toy run' thunders from city hall to Hines Drive for charity

You could "hear the thunder" Sunday at noon near Westland City Hall, even though the skies were clear and sunny.

It was the Motor City Chapter of HOG (Harley Owners Group) and their annual "toy run."

About 400 Harley-Davidson motorcyclists raised funds for various charities by paying a \$5 entrant's fee and bringing in a toy for needy kids.

The fee and toy gave them a chance to make a run into Plymouth, up to Northville, then back down along Hines Parkway to Inkster, then on to the AMVETS Post 171 on Merriman near Palmer in Westland. Many of the bikes carried a driver and a passenger.

The bikers were led by five patrol bikes from the Westland Police Department. As well, three Westland patrol cars and a patrol Jeep ran interference for the one-hour trip.

Westland police Sgt. Peter Brooks said the run went well enough but the line was too long. Next year he hopes to get nearby communities to provide some traffic coverage as the stream of bikes runs its route.

The police reported no incidents on the trip.

Organizer Dave Higgins ("Mother Dave") of Westland was happy with the turnout and noted many people watched the run from spots along the roadway. Some greeted the "toy run" participants with prepared signs.



The bikers pulled out of the Westland City Hall westside parking area two-by-two promptly at noon, ran down Ford and up Newburgh to Ann Arbor Trail and Ann Arbor Road then into Plymouth and then up Starkweather. By 1 p.m. the bikers were pulling off Hines Drive at Inkster.

At this point Westland police stopped traffic on Hines and on north and southbound Inkster.

Higgins praised the Westland police and their help with the annual event.

At the AMVETS hall an auction of donated items raised \$2,000. The group also held a drawing for a Harley Sportster Custom and the winner was "Griff," also known as Gary Griffiths of Canton.

An exact tally the fund-raiser event collected was not known at press time Thursday.

The HOG group is sponsored by Motor City Harley-Davidson of Farmington Hills.

Purse snatchers victimize Westland woman, 81

An 81-year-old Westland woman's purse was snatched from a shopping cart Monday afternoon while she was loading groceries into her car, police said.

The incident occurred at 1:25 p.m. outside the Farmer Jack store on Ford Road near Wildwood in Westland.

The victim told police that while her back was turned, a woman approached on foot and grabbed the purse, which contained about \$200 in cash and

credit cards.

The purse bandit got into a small, dark blue car driven by another woman, police said.

The woman who seized the purse was described as black, 25 to 30 years old and wearing a long blue coat. The driver was described only as a black woman.

Police urge anyone with information to call the Westland Police Department at (734) 722-9600.

■ BIG BOOK SALE PLANNED

The Friends of the Library have announced their Big Book Sale. It has been scheduled for Friday, Oct. 22, through Sunday, Oct. 24. In addition, there will be a special

preview sale 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21. Any current Friend of the Library is invited to attend. Any person wishing to join the Friends of the Library can attend the preview sale if they join that evening. The preview sale will be a relaxed social event with light refreshments served. Friends will have the opportunity to make early purchases - just another great benefit to being a Friend.

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■ PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Genealogy workshop
Continues 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, in community meeting room B. The third class in a series of six for genealogists. Topics will include how to do genealogical research, how to write correspondence, using state and federal census data and using the Internet. A field trip to the Westland Family History Museum is planned. Sponsored in cooperation with the Westland Historical Commission. Fee is \$10 for six classes, registration required. To register, call Stephen Keller at (734) 722-6305.

■ Internet 102: How to search the Internet for information

From 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, group meeting room B. This class provides information on a variety of search engines and helps you find the best one for your use. It requires basic knowledge of, and some experience with, the Internet. No fee or registration required. Class capacity 25. Seating is available on first-come, first-serve basis and class participants should plan to arrive 15 minutes early.

■ Collecting Teddy Bears

At 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, group

meeting room B. Feeling down? Feeling blue? Or do you just need a hug? This seminar is for you! Collector Theresa Duffy will speak about lovable teddy bears. Learn the history of teddy bears and how to start and expand your own collection. Bring a teddy bear to be evaluated or just come for a "beary" good time. No fee or registration required.

Adult book discussion group
At 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 19, group meeting room C. "Anatomy of a Murder," by Robert Traver. These are informal, open forum discussions on noteworthy books. Call and reserve your copy today.

■ YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

Young Adult Book Discussion Group
At 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, group meeting room C. "Blood and Chocolate" by Annette Curtis Klause. These are informal, open forum discussions on noteworthy books. Discussions are held in group meeting room C. Call and reserve your copy today.

■ CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Sleepytime Storytime
At 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, community meeting room A. This half-hour family storytime is held every Monday evening. Wear your jammies and your blanket. No fee or registration required.

Toddler Tales & Preschool Storytime
At 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29. Toddler Tales are for ages 18 to 36 months and preschool storytime is for 3 to 5 year olds. Storytimes last about 30 minutes. No fee or registration is required but class sizes are limited.

Reader's Theater Workshop
From 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, community meeting room A/B. This workshop is for young people in grades four and up. We will examine a number of fun skits and learn how to give dramatic readings. At the end of this seven week session there will be a performance of the skit for family, friends and others.

After School Special
From 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, in children's activity room. This drop-in program for all school-age children provides an opportunity to make crafts, play games and unwind after a hard day at school. No fee or registration is required.



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Westland will get two new assisted living facilities

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Two new assisted-living centers will be built in Westland, providing 208 more beds for an aging population, city officials said.

"It seems to me that the market is strong for this kind of (development)," Planning Director Tod Kilroy said.

A 75-bed, three-story assisted living center will be built southeast of Warren and Central City Parkway, near Westland Convalescent Center and The Landings apartment complex.

The 49,000-square-foot facility will have the same owners as the convalescent center, which Mayor Robert Thomas said has been "a good tenant of Westland."

Elsewhere, a 133-bed assisted-living center will be built southwest of Merriman and

COUNCIL MEETING

Cherry Hill roads, just south of a strip center that's currently being redeveloped, officials said.

The 52,449-square-foot, one-story facility was proposed by Hearthstone, which contends it will have 16 people competing for each bed due to increased demand for assisted-living accommodations.

Kilroy said it wasn't known when the two facilities will be ready for tenants.

Westland City Council members approved both projects Monday, citing the need for housing for seniors requiring assistance.

The center near Warren and Central City Parkway won sweeping support from the seven-member council for a proposed site plan.

The facility near Merriman and Cherry Hill received majority council support for a site plan and special land use, but Councilman Richard LeBlanc cast a lone dissenting vote against the project.

LeBlanc has raised questions about building an assisted-living center adjacent to a commercial strip mall and near a large night club.

"I don't think it fits there," he said Tuesday, explaining his vote.

A council majority had denied Hearthstone's proposal in April, but most switched their votes after revisiting the plan.

Council President Sandra Cicirelli said the center will benefit citizens and provide an alternative to commercial development on the site.

Councilwoman Sharon Scott cited a strong need for assisted-living centers due to "an aging population."

Glenn grad

Wheelchair hockey player aids charity

BY LEANNE ROGERS
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Having lost friends to muscular dystrophy and having other friends struggling with the disease, Paul D'Angelo Jr. decided to help raise money to fight the disease.

During the Labor Day weekend, D'Angelo, who has spinal bifida, played in a WheelChair Hockey League fund-raiser to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Before the hockey game, D'Angelo started his fund-raiser efforts collecting \$540 from family, neighbors and customers at Westland Center.

"I just wanted to collect money for MDA. It's a killer - I've lost three friends to that," said D'Angelo, a 25-year-old Garden City resident and 1995 Westland John Glenn High School graduate.

D'Angelo's mother Cheryl said she was impressed when he had

collected \$100 in donations.

"I thought that was great. But then he just kept going. He was at Westland mall so much that they were sick of seeing him week after week," she said.

Along with the donations, Cheryl D'Angelo said her son was also contributing his own money.

"He'd throw in any extra money he had. He'd ask my husband for some money. My husband would say he had just given Paul \$20," she said. "Paul would say he had taken what was left and put it into the (MDA) envelope."

Until a couple of years ago, D'Angelo played wheelchair basketball. After that team folded, he switched to hockey.

"I think hockey is a lot easier in a wheelchair than basketball. It's easier holding a hockey stick rather than carrying a basketball," said D'Angelo.

For the Labor Day weekend game, the players -

most of whom have muscular dystrophy - play on ice rather than their usual gym floor. Guests such as former Red Wings player Ted Lindsay work with a player to push them around the ice. Since a whiffle-type ball is used instead of a puck, helmets aren't required.

"They've discussed wearing hats because it's so cold on the ice," commented Cheryl D'Angelo. "The way some of those hockey players push so fast on the ice, they might need helmets."

Helping the players keep warm were Hooters girls from the restaurant chain stationed at each net. "It was embarrassing," laughed D'Angelo.

Already making plans to continue fund raising next year, D'Angelo was surprised to get word of a gift coming his way. Participants who raised over \$500 were eligible for a drawing and D'Angelo's name was selected. His prize is a telescope.

Disease fighter:
Paul D'Angelo, accompanied by his mother, Cheryl, was active in a Labor Day fund-raiser to support the annual Muscular Dystrophy Association campaign. D'Angelo, 25, who has spinal bifida, played in a wheelchair hockey benefit game.



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**CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

#2003A, Public Hearing for Proposed Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Elder Source Senior Assisted Living Facility, Parcel #015-00-0007-707, South Side of Nankin Boulevard, West of Wayne Road, SW-4, D. A. Swantko (James Pappas)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held in the City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 5, 1999.

Written comments may be sent to the Westland Planning Department at 37095 Marquette Avenue, Westland, Michigan - 48185.

ROBERT C. BOWERS, Chairman
Westland Planning Commission

Publish: September 23, 1999

**CITY OF WESTLAND
INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, 48185-2298, on **Wednesday, September 29, 1999, at 10:00 a.m.** (no exceptions) for the following:

2000 City of Westland Calendar

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

JILL B. THOMAS
Purchasing Agent, City of Westland

Bid Item No: 296-092999
Publish: September 23, 1999

**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
MICHIGAN
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135-2499, (734) 525-8814 on or before October 8, 1999 at 4:00 P.M. for the following items:

- INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER
- SENTINEL HIGH BACK CHAIRS
- PANASONIC WJ-MX90 AV MIXER
- SONY ECM 44B LAVALIER MICROPHONES
- OUTERWARE FOR PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES
- ADVANCED CARDIAC LIFE SUPPORT COURSE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

Proposals must be submitted on forms furnished by the City Clerk, in a sealed envelope endorsed with the name(s) of item(s) bid. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part and to waive any informalities when deemed in the best interest of the City.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS
Treasurer/City Clerk

Publish: September 23, 1999

**CITY OF WESTLAND GENERAL ELECTION
REGISTRATION NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the last day on which persons may register in order to be eligible to vote in the City of Westland General Election to be held on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1999** is **MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1999.**

Registrations will be taken at the office of the Westland City Clerk, Wayne County, Michigan 36601 Ford Road, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO PERSONS ALREADY REGISTERED.**

PATRICIA A. GIBBONS
Westland City Clerk

Publish: September 23 & 30, 1999.

***SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
August 16, 1999**

The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of August 16, 1999; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Timmons convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. **Present:** Kirsten Galka, Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons. **Absent:** None.

Audience Communications: David Carse, 35314 Richland, addressed the Board for a copy of the Board Bylaws and asked for an explanation of the term "rainy day fund." The Board, along with Randy Liepa, assistant superintendent for business, explained the need for this fund because of Proposal A's passage (our funds from Lansing can be cut off at any time). Mr. Carse also asked about boundary changes and what constitutes a need; he also offered his services on the Garfield Committee.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Lessard and Nay that the Board approve the following consent agenda items as recommended by the superintendent: **I.V.A** Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of August 2, 1999. **I.V.B** Minutes of the Closed Session of August 9, 1999. **V.B** Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following resolution to certify that the 1999-2000 school calendar meets the state mandated day and hour of instruction requirements.

WHEREAS, the trustees of the Livonia Board of Education are desirous of recognizing and promoting excellence in education in this school district; and **WHEREAS**, Section 1284 of the Revised School Code sets a minimum number of days and hours of student instruction necessary to avoid deductions in state aid payments to school districts; and **WHEREAS**, if a school district wishes to exercise the option permitted by Section 1284 to increase the number of hours of student instruction without also increasing the number of days of instruction, the Livonia Board of Education must adopt a resolution to that effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the trustees of the Livonia Board of Education do hereby exercise the option permitted by Section 1284 of the Revised School Code and ensure that for the 1999-2000 school year at least 180 days and 1,047 hours of student instruction will be provided for all students.

Patrick D. Nalley, Secretary

V.C Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District authorize the administration to continue our agreement with the Wayne-Westland Schools to provide alternative programming for high school students. **V.I.A** Move that general fund check nos. 320516 through 321110 in the amount of \$1,907,109.68 be approved for payment. Also, move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,028,490.93 be approved. **V.I.B** Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District establish the tuition rate for the 1999-2000 school year at \$6,507 for non-resident elementary and secondary students as per Board policy. **V.I.C** Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the low bid from Embot (Country Fresh) to supply dairy products for the 1999-2000 school year. **V.I.D** Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the low bid of \$2.38/dozen from New Detroit Bagel for bagel purchases for the 1999-2000 school year. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Recommendation of Supplemental Book: Motion by Nalley and Morgan that the Board accept Dr. Watson's recommendation that the district remove **Fallen Angels**, written by Walter Dean Myers, from use in the classroom. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Breakfast Program Resolution: Motion by Galka and Lessard that the

Board of Education adopt the following resolution in regard to the Breakfast Program.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature has passed State School Law (Section 380.1272 of the School Code, as amended, December 1993) requiring school districts to operate a breakfast program.

AND, WHEREAS, local school districts can opt out of offering a breakfast program in buildings where less than 20% of the student enrollment is eligible for free or reduced price lunches only after holding a public budget hearing.

AND, WHEREAS, the Board of Education has held a public hearing regarding the matter and have determined it will not operate a breakfast program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the **LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will not offer a breakfast program for the 1999-00 school year with the exception of those schools where it is required to do so where they have 20% or greater enrollment eligible for free and reduce lunch.

It witness whereof, the undersigned Board secretary has excluded this resolution this 16th day of August, 1999.

Patrick D. Nalley, Secretary

Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Teachers for Approval: Motion by Nay and Galka that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and offer employment for the 1999-2000 school year to the following teachers: **Kenneth Braun, Melissa Clark, Kathleen Grainer, Amy Kleusch, Colleen Murray, Marilee Olsen, Laura Perry, Judith Polce, Kristen Schroyer, and Kristyn Schulkins.** Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Retirement: The Board unanimously adopted a resolution of appreciation for services rendered by: **Carol Schurstein**

Leave of Absence: Motion by Kokenakes and Lessard that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and approve the request for a leave of absence for **Jennifer Fraser** for the 1999-2000 school year. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Resignation: The Board accepted the resignation of **Arthur Enderle**, effective 7/27/99.

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Watson welcomed back all the administrators for the new school year. He also stated that the new teacher orientation will take place on August 23 with 64 new teachers and 8 teaching positions still outstanding. He invited all Board members to attend.

1999 MASH Board of Directors: Motion by Lessard and Nalley that the Board cast its votes as follows for the 1999 MASH Board of Directors:

Group VI: Matthew M. McCusker, Judith L. Wilcox
Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Second Reading of Policy-GAAA: Motion by Kokenakes and Nay that the Board accept the recommendation of the Policy Committee and adopt revised Board policy language for **Board Policy GAAA-Personnel/Nondiscrimination and Complaint Procedure.** Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Hearing from Board Members: The Board congratulated all of our new teachers, attended the MASH Summer Academy of Boardmanship at Frankenmuth, MI; attended the legislative meeting with Rep. Laura Toy who asked Clarenceville, Redford, and Livonia school districts to attend to discuss critical issues.

Recess to Closed Session: Motion by Morgan and Lessard that the meeting be recessed to closed session for the purpose of negotiation update. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

President Timmons recessed the regular meeting at 7:48 p.m. He convened the closed session meeting at 8:03 p.m. recessed the closed session meeting and reconvened the regular meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the regular meeting of August 16, 1999 be adjourned. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

President Timmons adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Patrick D. Nalley, Secretary

Publish: September 23, 1999

**CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

#2020, Public Hearing for Proposed Rezoning from GAR, Garden Apartment Residential and CB-3, General Commercial to PUD, Planned Unit Development, Parcel #082-99-0001-001, North Side of Van Born, West Middlebelt, SE-35, Marshall Kallen (Robert Brody)

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ROBERT C. BOWERS, Chairman
Westland Planning Commission

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**CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION**

On Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 28, 1999, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct Public Auctions on impounded, abandoned vehicles. The first auction will begin promptly at 10:00 A.M. at Westland Service Towing, 37501 Cherry Hill, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	COLOR	V.I.N.
1996	FORD	TAURUS 4DR	RED	1FALP52U7TG300285
1987	CHEV	CAVALIER 2DR	BLACK	1G1LF21W3H7142260
1987	CHEV	LEBARON 2DR	BLUE	1C3CJ51E5H165924
1985	FORD	VAN	WHITE	1FDE14Y3FH136073
1984	CHEV	VAN	RED	2GCC015H6F1448192
1990	FORD	AEROSTAR VAN	RED	1FMDA31U4LZ863387

The second auction will begin promptly at 11:00 A.M. at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Road, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	COLOR	V.I.N.
1982	FORD	GRANADA WGN	RED	1FAB12831C106192
1986	DOJGE	CARAVAN	RED	2B4PK41C2GR717616
1980	BUICK	RIVIERA 2DR	GRAY	4Z57RAE1403207
1987	CHEV	S-10 PICKUP	BLUE	1GCHS14E9H2230913
1985	OLDS	CUTLASS 4DR	BLUE	1G3GH69A7FR375651
1987	FORD	TAURUS WGN	BLUE	1FABP52U6H195818
1988	FORD	TEMPO 2DR	BLUE	1FABP33X5K184586
1989	FORD	VAN	RED & SILV	1FDEE14N7KH131413
1989	MERC	COUGAR 2DR	RED	1MEP6012KH081628

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

30 DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION

Due to unknown ownership, 30 days notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after OCTOBER 23, 1999, unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time:

UNK YR	BOAT WITH TRAILER	RED & WHT	NO VIN.
UNK YR	BOAT WITH TRAILER	YELL & WHT	NO VIN.
1986	HONDA MO-PEL	WHITE	JH2AF0006G5212977
1994	HONDA Z-50 CYCLE	WHITE	JH2AF00209RK300562

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Mercury level in metro rainfall called health threat

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Mercury levels in rain falling from the skies in metro Detroit are 65 times the Environmental Protection Agency's "safe" level, according to a report issued Sept. 14 by the National Wildlife Federation.

The NWF report, "Clean the Rain, Clean the Lakes," said such high levels present serious health implications for humans and wildlife.

The report said the leading sources of mercury are emissions from coal-fired power plants, incinerators and manufacturers of chlorine and caustic soda. It calls on those industries to cut mercury emissions and, eventually, eliminate them altogether.

"What we'd like to see is the coal-fired power plants step up to the plate and reduce their emissions," said Andy Buchsbaum, water quality projects

manager for the NWF's Great Lakes regional office in Ann Arbor.

Samples taken in more remote areas of Michigan at South Haven and Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes also far exceeded EPA standards, the NWF said.

The NWF also called on hospitals and other medical facilities to practice "mercury-free medicine" by eliminating mercury from their waste streams and incinerators.

"The impacts are enormous," the report states. "Mercury is a potent neurotoxin in people and in wildlife. It can cause subtle but permanent neurological and brain damage at very low doses; at higher doses, it can cripple and kill."

The state of Michigan issues annual fish consumption advisories because of mercury contamination levels in fish. Mercury concentrates in plankton, then organisms, then the tissue

of fish or other wildlife, bioaccumulating with each succeeding species in the food chain.

Larger fish, such as walleye and lake trout, can have mercury concentrations over a million times higher than the surrounding water.

The report also dispels the long-held belief that nature can clean up pollution.

"Rain contamination by mercury completely reverses what we believe to be true about the pollution of our lakes and streams. Before, we assumed that nature had mechanisms to clean up contamination, to dilute pollution. Before, we assumed that rain was nature's way of cleaning our waterways.

"Now we know the opposite is true: Rain itself is so contaminated by mercury that it adds pollution to our lakes and streams."

The NWF has initiated a new effort, the Clean the Rain Campaign. "We're looking for assistance by industry or state government to control or eliminate mercury emissions," Buchsbaum said.

Regional groups joining the NWF in the campaign were Michigan United Conservation Clubs; Clean Water Action, Michigan; Lake Michigan Federation; and the Michigan Environmental Council.

Buchsbaum would like to see mercury levels lowered through more "clean fuels" or solar and wind energy or shift to natural gas. Consumers should conserve energy when they can. "If you use less energy, you'll burn less coal," Buchsbaum said.

Energy plants aren't the only ones that emit mercury. Furnaces and boilers also add to emissions, Buchsbaum said.

Detroit Edison spokesman Scott Simons said Edison was working with the EPA and looking at ways to reduce mercury emissions from its coal-firing plants. "While there is some mercury in the emissions, we don't believe it's as high a contributor as they have indicated,"

Simons said. "We have reduced our levels by 30 percent in the last several years."

The NWF wants Congress to enact legislation requiring a 95 percent reduction of mercury emissions from all major sources in 10 years.

Other NWF recommendations include:

- On the state level, the six Midwestern Great Lakes states should require all major sources to use state-of-the-art controls on mercury sources. States should set and enforce pollution caps of mercury emissions to protect state waterways under the Clean Water Act. If the states fail to

set and enforce the caps, the EPA must take over.

- State energy commissions should determine the true costs of coal-burning power plants - including their pollution costs - on the industry. Determining the pollution costs will make energy conservation and fuel conversion more cost effective.

- Customers can conserve energy by purchasing energy-efficient appliances and weatherizing their homes. Avoid purchasing consumer products containing mercury.

The National Wildlife Federation report on mercury levels in rainfall can be viewed at www.nwf.org/water/news/etrex.html.

Red Cross takes blood donations

The American Red Cross will accept blood donations 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, and Wednesday, Oct. 6, in Madonna University's Science Wing.

To make an appointment, call the office of student life at (734)

432-5428. Walk-in donors are also welcome.

Eligible donors must be at least 17 years old and may donate every eight weeks, but not more than five times a year.

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Oakwood Welcomes

Yasser M. Awaad, MD, MSc
 Director, Pediatric Neurology and Movement Disorders Program

Oakwood is pleased to welcome Yasser M. Awaad, MD, MSc, and the new Pediatric Neurology and Movement Disorders Program. Dr. Awaad brings his medical expertise and more than 21 years of experience to Oakwood where he will care for infants, children and adolescents with a variety of neurological problems including: headaches, seizures, head trauma, learning disorders, cerebral palsy and many other diseases. Dr. Awaad also specializes in the evaluation and management of children and adults who experience tics, Tourette syndrome, dystonia, spasticity and other movement disorders.

Education and Professional

Dr. Awaad is a member of the American Academy of Neurology, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Movement Disorders Society and the National and International Child Neurology Association. He completed his Pediatric residency and Child Neurology fellowship at New York University Medical Center and comes to Oakwood from Children's Hospital of Michigan. He utilizes state-of-the-art therapy to treat children with spastic muscle disorders, including oral medications, Botulinum toxin injections and intrathecal Baclofen pumps.

Practice Information

In addition to his pediatric neurology practice and role with the Movement Disorders program, Dr. Awaad is also joining Oakwood's new Program for Exceptional Families - a multidisciplinary program that provides comprehensive, coordinated care for children with chronic, complex disorders and disabilities. He is currently seeing patients at his office in the Oakwood Waterworks Building on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn. To schedule an appointment today, please call 313-791-4323.

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Duggan ready for another battle

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Mike Duggan admits he would be more qualified to serve as the next Wayne County prosecutor if his resume included some prosecutions of criminal cases.

"I will have to learn that, no question about it," Duggan said.

But that won't curtail his efforts at vying for the Wayne County prosecutor's job next year. Duggan, 40, of Livonia, will run for the seat being vacated by John O'Hair, who will retire next year. George Ward, chief assistant prosecutor, and state Sen. Virgil Smith, D-Detroit, also will be running.

All Duggan hopes voters do is look at his civic track record and an uncanny ability to get things done: Turning the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation bus system around financially in the late 1980s, plugging for a ballot proposal to finance baseball and football stadia in downtown Detroit and, this summer, organizing contractors to get Detroit schools rebuilt.

Most recently, he helped Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey get a millage approved last week to build a new recreational facility in Livonia.

Gun control

So why does the deputy county executive want to be prosecutor? Duggan believes society is too tolerant of minors in possession of guns.

Since 1990, 6,000 youths and children were caught carrying guns, with 1,000 of those kids

from the suburbs. "They almost always got probation," Duggan said.

"People aren't into tax cuts anymore. What they care about is safety, and safety for their kids. I haven't found one parent who will let their kids go to the parks alone anymore."

Duggan doesn't blame the current prosecutors but believes the more serious crimes such as homicide should get a higher priority. Wayne County should adopt a get tough policy similar to Boston, Duggan believes. "They cracked down on guns. If you're caught, you will serve time, and they enforce it."

Duggan wants guns out of the hands of youths, but said he doesn't want to infringe on the rights of adults who own guns for protection. "I will go after guns. I want guns out of the hands of kids. I want guns out of the hands of felons," Duggan said.

Wayne County has initiated a community corrections program for adults in which about 1,000 received employment after signing up for drug treatment.

Duggan is concerned about easing requirements for adults to carry concealed weapons because of the impulsive nature of individuals when they are angry. "A person who isn't a bad person can pull the trigger, then does something they wouldn't do any other day of their life."

"Their life is ruined."

Duggan also points to how the sports teams and merchants lobbied with elected officials to fight easing of CCW permit requirements.

Possible conflicts

If Duggan were elected prosecutor, he may need to decide whether to investigate contracts involving public money, including Wayne County's.

Last year Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy had found Wayne County could be paying as much as \$400,000 too much to lease 37 vehicles and discovered the airport could have leased the majority of vehicles for an average of about \$17,000 each, not approximately \$28,000, as was the airport's actual reimbursement to APCOA, the parking operator at Metro.

Dunleavy reported his findings to the county prosecutor's office in accordance with the county ethics ordinance.

Upon further investigation, Ward found Wayne County is

entitled to a \$503,647 refund claim on APCOA's 37 lease agreements with lending institutions for shuttle buses. APCOA leased the shuttle buses through financial agreements with various lending institutions, then collected reimbursements from Wayne County.

Duggan was asked how he would handle such an auditor general's report that may be considered embarrassing to the McNamara administration and how he would handle any potential conflict of interest.

"I'll do what's appropriate," Duggan said.

On Detroit Metro airport, Duggan also admits the county "screwed up" with the APCOA contract and the 42-year-old food contract, but commended David

See DUGGAN, A10



Ready to run: Mike Duggan wants to use the prosecutor's office to take on gun manufacturers.

Rebuilding city schools: 'Someone had to do it'

Mike Duggan spent the summer pushing to get the schools rebuilt in Detroit and organizing contractors to complete the repairs.

Approximately \$80 million was spent this summer to repair the schools out of a \$1 billion bond package approved several years ago by Detroit voters.

"Someone had to do it," Duggan said. "It was unbelievable. Some schools hadn't been painted in 25 years. You had to see it, the warped floors and the

restrooms that had been locked down for years."

Classrooms, rest rooms and hallways topped the list of priorities in the school repairs. Out of 105 buildings with leaking roofs, 101 were fixed with an average cost of roof repairs at \$500 per building.

In order to keep the schools maintained, Duggan would like to see each building get its own budget with principals to have the power to purchase custodial services from outside contractors. If the Detroit Public Schools maintenance staff doesn't take care of a problem in a timely fashion, then it will be contracted out.

Some schools need massive changes. Cass Tech High School is seven stories high and "totally nonfunctional."

Duggan believes the Detroit schools needed reform, and Interim Superintendent David Adamany is a "real special" administrator, Duggan said. "He doesn't accept that poor kids can't read," Duggan said.

Adamany wants children to have homework every week, Duggan said.

Duggan would like to see the students have hope as many don't believe they have a chance at an education or success. Parents may feel intimidated because they are less educated than teachers, Duggan said.

Duggan believes a "school bonus" can help provide incentives for those schools that beat a "base line." "Schools that beat these test scores get a bonus. Those who don't, don't."

Duggan encourages parents to get more involved with the schools, including the maintenance of facilities. Helping fix the Detroit schools this summer taught him that "being quiet in the face of incompetent government is the wrong thing," Duggan said.

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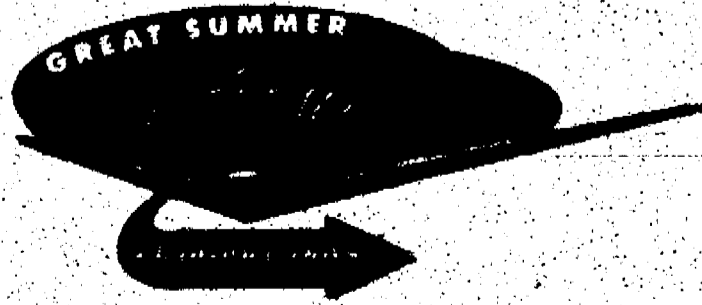
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Talking to children is first step in building trust

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Talking to children is important in building trust, according to a high school principal.

Carol Gerisch, principal of River Rouge High School, once knew of a gang's arrival at her school for one simple reason — a student told her.

"They tell you because they trust you," Gerisch said. "They know you are looking out for their best interest. Kids want to help because they want to go to school in a safe environment."

Gerisch joined Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano and several school consultants in talking with superintendents and police administrators at a summit Sept. 15 at the Wayne County Regional Service Agency in Wayne.

Officials also listened to a national teleconference on safe schools. About 1,000 sites were tuned into the conference. They learned about Project ACHIEVE at Cleveland Elementary School in Tampa, which incorporates a "Stop and Think" curriculum.

The teleconference also fea-



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tured a school district in Westerly, R.I., which works on early intervention with youths by using planning centers within each school. Students can go to talk about their feelings or problems, resolve conflicts, get assistance with school work or work on problem-solving skills.

Officials also learned about the East Baltimore Mental Health Partnership, which provides an intensive, individualized support staff for students.

Ficano, who convened the workshop with RESA Superintendent Michael Flanagan, outlined the school safety bills, namely one law that requires the creation of a statewide school safety information policy. The

state superintendent of public instruction, Attorney General Jennifer Granholm and the State Police have until Oct. 4 to develop this policy which will then be disseminated to local school districts.

"School boards then have 90 days to meet with the prosecutor and local law enforcement agencies on how the statewide policy will be implemented," Ficano said.

Ficano outlined some of the steps his office has initiated to curb school violence. An Internet crime unit has been created and a toll-free number (1-800-SHERIFF) established to report suspicious activities.

Some law enforcement agencies have blueprints of the schools in case of evacuations, Ficano said, but he warned of going too far with school security measures.

"We don't want to turn the schools into a bunker mentality," Ficano said.

Students were walked to school during the first days of school by sheriffs to develop a bond with local communities. Officers are volunteering for an "Adopt a School" program.

"What's important is to get to know the officers or people like the deputy police chief and who will be working with you if a crisis comes up," Ficano said.

Kathy Gibson, a RESA consultant, said there were three safe school approaches that needed to be used — schoolwide prevention for all, early intervention for at-risk students, and targeting individuals, Gibson said.

Ron Schigur, an assistant Wayne County prosecutor, has simple advice for school administrators.

"When you see a problem, do something about it. Don't pass it onto the next guy."



Sharing Ideas: Wayne County police departments and local school representatives attended the Wayne County Summit on School Violence program.

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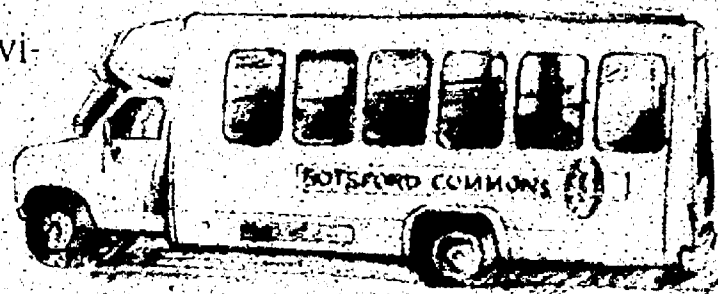
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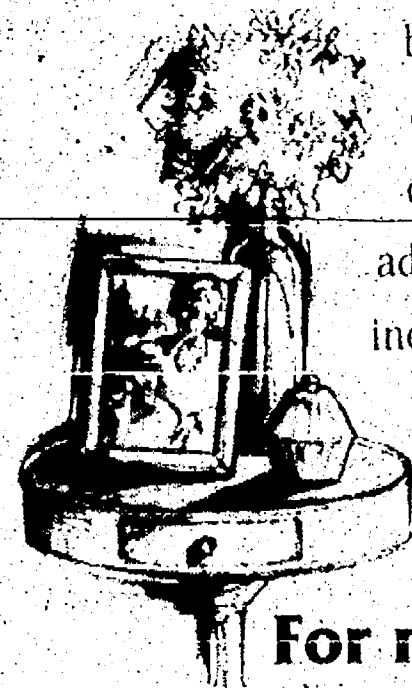


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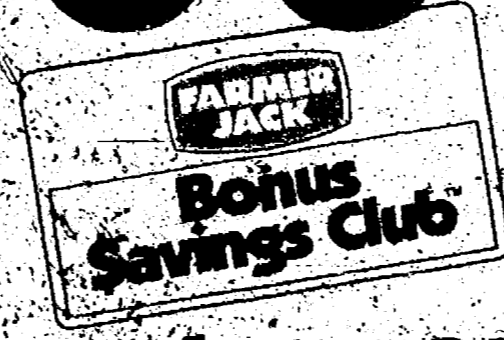
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Eastbound ramp to I-696 reopens

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Northbound I-275 motorists who exit onto eastbound I-696 can expect to get their old route back.

By the end of the day today (Thursday), the ramp from northbound I-275 to eastbound I-696 will be re-opened. Contractors were working Tuesday to complete guard rail work on the new ramp to wrap up that phase of the \$49 million I-275 reconstruction, according to Robin Pannecouk, spokeswom-

an for the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Since early July motorists had been detoured onto eastbound M-5 on the Keith Deacon Memorial Highway in Farmington Hills for about 2-1/2 miles to a turn-around near Middlebelt Road, then back to the eastbound I-696 exit from M-5.

The end of the five-mile detour will be a welcome relief for the 200,000 daily commuters who use I-275.

Also on I-275, contractors from John Carlo Inc. were completing paving of the freeway's

new northbound lanes. "The area between 10 Mile and Grand River is all that's left," Pannecouk said.

In the early part of next week, contractors are expected to complete and reopen the Seven Mile interchange ramps. They will then move to Six Mile to finish those ramps in early October.

When the project was first outlined, construction was scheduled to be finished in early November, but that completion date almost certainly will be moved up by MDOT.

2 defendants ready to settle with county on gun lawsuit

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Wayne County officials believe they are close to settling the county's gun lawsuit within the next two weeks with two of the 35 defendants.

Dick's and Sports Authority were expected to settle soon with Wayne County, according to Mike Duggan, deputy county executive.

Wayne County filed a lawsuit in May seeking \$400 million in damages from 35 gun manufacturers, distributors and dealers. County officials believe that gun manufacturers, distributors and dealers are liable for damages because they have acted with negligence by failing to supervise gun sales by dealers named in the complaint.

The city of Detroit and Mayor Dennis Archer also filed a similar complaint. The county's complaint includes Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, Prosecutor John D. O'Hair, County Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon and Commissioners Edna Bell and Robert Blackwell.

Investigators conducting stings last spring on gun dealers allegedly selling to people identified to the dealers as minors or felons.

Several months ago, gang members told Wayne County and Detroit police investigators that straw purchases — that is a purchase of a gun by a felon or an underage person buying a gun through a partner who is a qualified purchaser — were common throughout Wayne County.

The county said a recent study by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms also showed that up to half of guns used in the commission of crimes are obtained through straw purchases.

Under Michigan law, rifles and shotguns may not be sold to people under 18. Selling and delivering handguns or handgun ammunition to anyone under 18 also is prohibited.

Duggan hoped the lawsuit could spur gun manufacturers to create smart guns, which fire only after they read the owner's fingerprints. County officials want the gun manufacturers to tighten up controls to prevent the sales to minors and felons.

"We also want them to license like Sprint does when a dealer opens a store for cellular phones," Duggan said. That includes interviewing the gun dealers, inspecting the facility and tracking gun sales.

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Katz for advertising the contracts for bids.

"I would like someone to write something about David Katz for something he's done," Duggan said. "We knew we had a mess out there."

Duggan believes contracts were not paid attention to as closely as they should have been during the time when plans were outlined to expand Metro Airport. "They let the day-to-day

stuff slide, and we not paying attention to contracts."

Duggan said the county was "on this before the audit." Duggan said that he "resented" the way Duggan claims the audit was used by someone running against him.

"If there had been money taken, it would be a kickback," Duggan said. "There's nothing to suggest that there is anything criminal in the APCOA deal."

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More tax cuts on the agenda for returning legislature

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State lawmakers return to session in Lansing this week with a full agenda. And in one form or another, money is at the top of everyone's priority list.

Tax cuts are still alive as a possibility for the fall session. House Speaker Chuck Perricone, R-Kalamazoo Township, had hinted early in the summer at the prospects for further tax slashing measures to come around in the fall, following the state's actions cutting income taxes and eliminating the Single Business Tax in the spring.

According to House Taxation Committee Chairwoman Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, the prospects for further tax cuts remain alive. Up for consideration are further cuts in the individual income tax rate and additional exemptions for senior citizens.

Tax holiday

But lawmakers may also take up a proposal for a two-week holiday from sales taxes, to be scheduled around the Labor Day weekend in future years in order to assist families who must do back-to-school shopping, Cassis explained. The proposal is modeled after a similar sales tax holiday in the state of New York.

Of course, prospects for a tax cut all depend on revenue projections, according to House Majority Floor Leader Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills. Projections this spring were for a substantial budget surplus. If those hold true when they are updated this fall, Raczkowski said, tax cuts are likely. The size of the surplus will help to determine what kind of tax relief is given, but he said many proposals have been offered over the summer.

The projections are scheduled to be released in a revenue consensus meeting scheduled for Friday, Cassis said.

Road funding

Another money issue on the agenda for the fall is Act 51, according to Raczkowski. The state's Transportation Funding Study Committee is set to report back to the Legislature before year's end with proposals for how to revise Michigan's road funding distribution formula under Act-51. The formula has

caused no end of controversy between the state, county road agencies and municipalities. Whatever form a revision takes, it is sure to see significant debate. But the formula must be revised soon since Act 51 is scheduled to sunset next September.

Another controversial money issue will be revived from the spring session. Rep. Robert Gosselin, R-Troy, complained about Oakland County's "donor status" because it sends more money to the state government than it gets back in services. Sen. Shirley Johnson, R-Royal Oak,

has requested a breakdown from the Senate Fiscal Agency and the Department of Management and Budget on exactly how much the county really does donate. And they received promises from leadership to address the issue this fall.

Gosselin anticipates pushing forward with House Bill 4777, the bill that would bar municipalities from making laws pertaining to minimum wages or prevailing wages. Originally written to prohibit municipalities from passing rules in areas of law already addressed by the state, the bill received a strong

negative reaction from cities, townships and villages. Now narrowed to the wage issue, the bill is still expected to meet with strong local opposition.

Other issues

Sen. Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga, said she'll be pushing for legislation this fall to increase penalties on insurance companies which fail to pay legitimate claims from policyholders in a timely fashion. The issue is an outgrowth of a lawsuit between a policyholder and an insurance company in her district. The insurance company

claimed the house fire was the result of arson, a conclusion with which the fire marshal did not agree. The policyholder had to file suit to win payment of the coverage.

Sen. John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, said he'll push for prohibitions against health insurance companies using genetic screening as a condition of coverage. He explained some health insurance companies are ready to begin using such screening. By identifying certain genetic markers, such screens can determine whether the person is more susceptible to certain illnesses. And

Schwarz said the fear is that insurance companies will use the screening tests to disqualify some customers, or raise their rates.

Sen. Bill Bullard, R-Milford, said he foresees the first full revision to the state Drain Code in 40 years. The issue revolves around how county drain commissioners assess costs for their operations. The concern is that some residents are routinely overcharged for drain assessments but not reimbursed. Also at issue is how the drain commissioners must notify residents of future drain projects.

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A master's degree in teaching English to speakers of other languages has been established at Madonna University in Livonia.

The degree program is designed to educate and train teachers of English as a second or foreign language. The 36 semester-hour program, which is expected to begin in the winter 2000 term, provides students with a foundation in language theory and application, as well as in educational principles.

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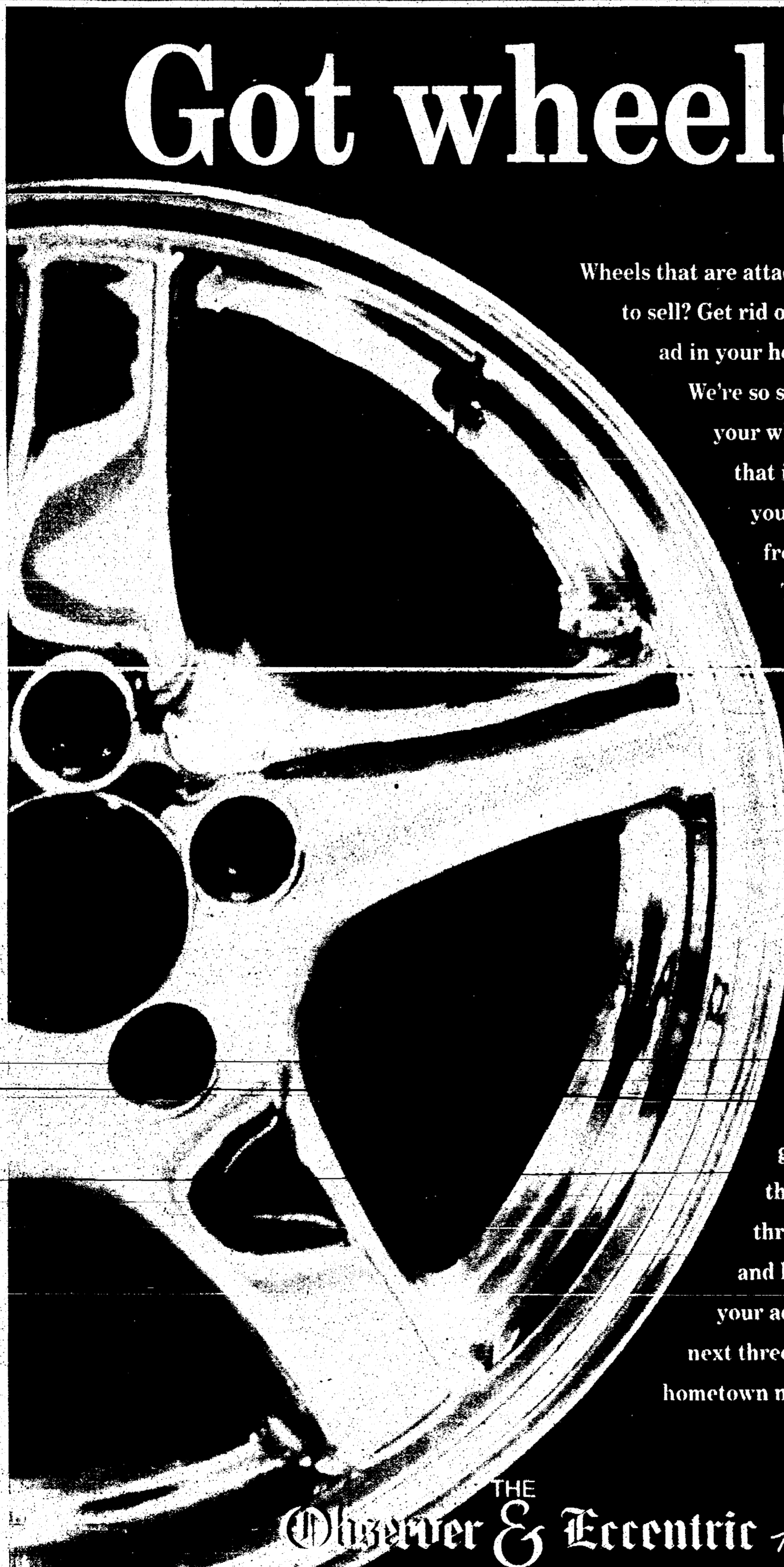
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Andrew Domzalski will direct the program and has joined the faculty as assistant professor. Domzalski earned his master's degrees from Marygrove College and Warsaw University and his doctorate at Oakland University. He will also be teaching English as a second language courses.

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SEMCOG to survey commercial vehicles

The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments will conduct a commercial vehicle survey this fall as part of its regional Travel-Count program.

The survey will follow the transportation patterns of 1,500 randomly selected commercial vehicles operating in the seven-county southeast Michigan region.

Commercial vehicles include both large trucks and small- to mid-size delivery vehicles.

Selected participants will be contacted by telephone September through November and asked to record their activities for one day. The information gathered will be essential as planners seek to determine which roadways receive the heaviest use, at what times of day and for what purpose.

Investment in roadways, traffic management and congestion reduction are a few of the issues the survey will address, which will allow for more efficient and profitable use of area roadways by commercial vehicle operators. Reduced congestion benefits motorists and results in reduced emissions and cleaner air for the region.

The Michigan Trucking Association endorses this survey.

Trucking is currently Michigan's second largest industry and comprises roughly 20 percent of the traffic on urban freeways. Results from the survey are expected to be released in early 2000.

SEMCOG is a regional planning partnership of governmental units serving 4.8 million people in the seven-county region of southeast Michigan.

AARP leader will keynote aging program

Madonna University in Livonia will present the conference "Aging! We Mean Business," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, in Kresge Hall.

Esther "Tess" Canja, president-elect of the American Association of Retired Persons, will be the keynote speaker.

Sponsored by the Gerontology Department at Madonna, the conference will focus on the impact of the 50 and older population on marketing, advertising and purchasing trends.

The event will also feature a panel discussion by experts in the fields of aging, demographics, retirement investing, marketing and advertising. Panelists include William J. Flavin of Flavin Associates Inc. and Target Programs Inc.; Anita M. Herman, professor and chairwoman of the Gerontology Department at Madonna; Peter A. Lichtenberg, interim director of the Institute of Gerontology and associate professor, physical medicine and rehabilitation at Wayne State University; Kurt R. Metzger, director of the Michigan Metropolitan Information Center at Wayne State University's Center for Urban Studies; and Ronald Yolles of Yolles Investment Management Inc.

Fee for the conference is \$75 before Oct. 12. Registrations received Oct. 13 and later are \$95. Lunch is included. Continuing education credits will be available. For more information, call (734) 432-5530.

Ex-Tiger pitcher just a regular guy

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
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Former Detroit Tiger pitcher Dan Petry wore an invisible turban and made a scaring delivery to the Farmington Exchange Club.

The member of the 1984 Tiger World Champions imitated Johnny Carson's Carnac the Magnificent to tickle his audience at the Brass Pointe restaurant Sept. 9.

With Exchange Club member Barry Melamed serving in the Ed McMahon role as foil, Petry held a hermetically sealed envelope to his temple and uttered the words "Gabe Kapler, chocolate chip and Monica Lewinsky."

"Name a rookie, a cookie and a nookie," Petry said upon opening the envelope.

After another envelope-to-the-temple ruminator, Petry said "catch 22."

"What would the Tigers do if you hit 1,000 fly balls to them?"

Unassuming nature

Petry's routine sparked howls of laughter. If the "Tonight Show" humor didn't sway the audience, his unassuming manner and sincere expression of his love for the area did.

After retiring from baseball, Petry and his family settled in Farmington Hills and the former hurler now works as a sales representative.

He helped coach the North Farmington/West Bloomfield baseball Cobras to a world championship this summer.

Like many former Detroit athletes, the Palto Alto, Calif., native stayed here. Midwestern values made him feel grounded.

"I found it was a lot more down to earth than in California where it's a more fast-paced, holiday atmosphere," he said. "I never felt closer to anything than playing with the Tigers."

Rank-and-file fan

He shares the passion of an everyday fan when talking about the team that drafted him as a 17-year-old in 1976.

Like most Tiger zealots, he cringed when news of Tiger Stadium's demise first broke.

"I said why? Yeah, it was a little dirty and it was a little cramped. The playing field was the finest I ever played on," said Petry, who added he's softened his stance since then and acknowledged there is a need for a new park.

"I know that last day (Sept. 27) is not going to be easy," he said. "I have so many memories down there. I hope it sticks around for awhile."

The Exchange Club's John Richardson asked about speculation that Petry's former teammate Kirk Gibson is the cure for what ails the current team.

"I think that's what they're lacking a little bit - someone to scare the living crap out of them," he said.

As for the current team, "I kind of think it's a chemistry thing more than a lack of talent," he said. "I think they have a talented team."

Petry was more than empathetic when Exchange Club member Bob Brown lamented about escalating ticket costs at the new Comerica Park. The team is creating an "elite palace" for an elite set of fans, Brown said.

"I think they're just slitting their own throats," Brown added.

Petry said he's not renewing his Tiger season tickets that he shares with a coworker because they're doubling in price for the new ballpark.

Without the begrudging tone somewhat typical of former athletes, Petry acknowledged the differences of today's baseball player.

Petry came up through the Tigers system, spending at least a season in Bristol, Va., Lakeland, Fla., Montgomery, Ala., and Evansville, Ind., before making it to Detroit in 1979.

"I think that's what is missing today: You have guys who signed last June who are already up in the major leagues," Petry said.

"They have no time to properly learn how to play the game."

A squeezed strike zone is helping home run hitters, he said. "Of course that's coming from a pitcher," Petry added.

Petry is sheepish when people recite his list of accomplishments: A 12-year major league career that included a 125-104 win-loss record, 2,080 innings pitched, a 3.95 earned run average, 1,063 strike outs and one world championship.

He appeared genuinely puzzled why he was asked to speak.

"I don't mind speaking in front of a group," he said. "I don't have a prepared speech or a message to deliver. I'm a pretty simple guy who lives in the area."



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Playing seer: Dan Petry has some fun doing a Johnny Carson routine.

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The program, funded through the parks millage, will teach participants basic art techniques and how to apply them to create

nature scenes in an outdoor studio. Suitable for ages 9 and up, the fee is \$5 per adult and \$3 per child. Advance registration is required. Basic watercolor supplies will be provided.

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Polling

Use caution with rec survey

We were pleased to see the Westland city council will try to survey residents about recreation and other needs.

The city already has one survey in hand. City-hired consultants made 600 phone calls to residents and released their report early this year.

The results showed 83 percent were "very" or "somewhat supportive" of a new indoor recreation center, but only 51 percent said they were "very supportive."

However, some council members still want more public input.

The idea of surveying residents through a mail-back form inserted with the winter water bills is a one way to accomplish that.

It's a good idea if the questionnaire is worded well, returning the form is easy and the survey's intent is well publicized.

These surveys are not "random sample" surveys but rather "self-selected sample" surveys, to use the jargon of the statistician.

Self-selected surveys come with some caveats.

The most famous event in self-selected polling was the Literary Digest's survey that predicted Alf Landon would beat Franklin Delano Roosevelt. The magazine was famous for its political polling, and the publishers sent out millions of post cards and got back as many as two million replies.

Their mistake was relying on a "self-selected" sample. Such samples can be notoriously

■ Biased samples, even very large ones, cannot be trusted.

inaccurate. Literary Digest's lists (obtained from the phone company) were loaded with Republicans, not surprisingly.

Not everyone was rich enough to have a phone in 1936.

The poll fiasco helped bring about the magazine's demise. And a main polling principle had been established: biased samples, even very large ones, cannot be trusted.

Everyone recalls the famous headline "Dewey Defeats Truman."

The Chicago Tribune had used scientific - but flawed - polls to announce a victory before the final count was in.

Mail-in surveys tend to bring out extremes: the very favorable and the very unfavorable. They tend to get opinions from the committed and the concerned but cannot be relied upon entirely for what we would consider "middle of the road" opinions.

You must "self-select" - that is you chose to participate.

In a "random" sample every voter gets an equal, even chance to answer the survey.

Good data collection and analysis are not easy.

Do the survey but be careful of over generalizing about the results. They won't be perfect.

Driving: You can't phone it in

We've seen the bumper stickers. Maybe you have too. One says: "Drive now - talk later." Another states: "Why don't you drive while I shove that cell phone . . . ?"

Well, you get the idea. People are becoming concerned about the ubiquitous cellular phone, especially when it is used by motorists who need to keep their eyes on the road, their hands on the wheel and their minds on the task at hand: driving.

An recent Observer article pointed out that, according to medical and academic research, talking on a cell phone makes a driver four times more likely to be involved in an accident, roughly the same rate of increase experienced by drunk drivers.

Think about that: If you believe the studies, yackers can be almost as bad as boozers behind the wheel.

Several countries (Spain, Portugal, Israel, Italy, Brazil and Chile) have responded to the danger by banning cell phone use while driving. Similar attempts in the United States have little support.

And, as the article pointed out, it is unlikely that the Michigan Legislature will act any time soon to ban or restrict the use of cell phones by motorists. Why? Because something like three quarters of our state senators and representatives make liberal use of them on those long drives to and from the Capital.

"We'd be hard pressed to vote in something like that," an area state representative told our Lansing reporter Mike Malott. "It would be a case of 'Do as I say, not as I do.'"

Well, we believe the use of cell phones in cars should be neither restricted nor banned. To do so would be an illogical reaction to a technology that is quickly becoming an integral part of the communications and business worlds.

A little common sense on the part of the

phone-packing public and some thought and innovation by the industry itself should make legislation unnecessary, we think.

Cell phones are today what fax machines were a decade ago - the latest communications gizmo. Thing is, few drivers felt the need to send or receive faxes while barreling along I-696 or I-75 at 70 miles per. Portable phones are, however, completely adaptable to the automobile.

With cell phones, people are no longer out of touch while they're getting from here to there. As the Nextel advertisement says, cell phones are "How business gets done."

So use cell phones, but use them safely. A few tips for motorists (and forgive us for stating the obvious):

■ Remember that driving is job one. If traffic is getting a bit too hectic, better ring off and call later on a land line.

■ Whenever possible, leave the phone in its holder on the dashboard and make use of the speaker feature. You can pay closer attention to the road when the phone isn't jammed between your head and shoulder.

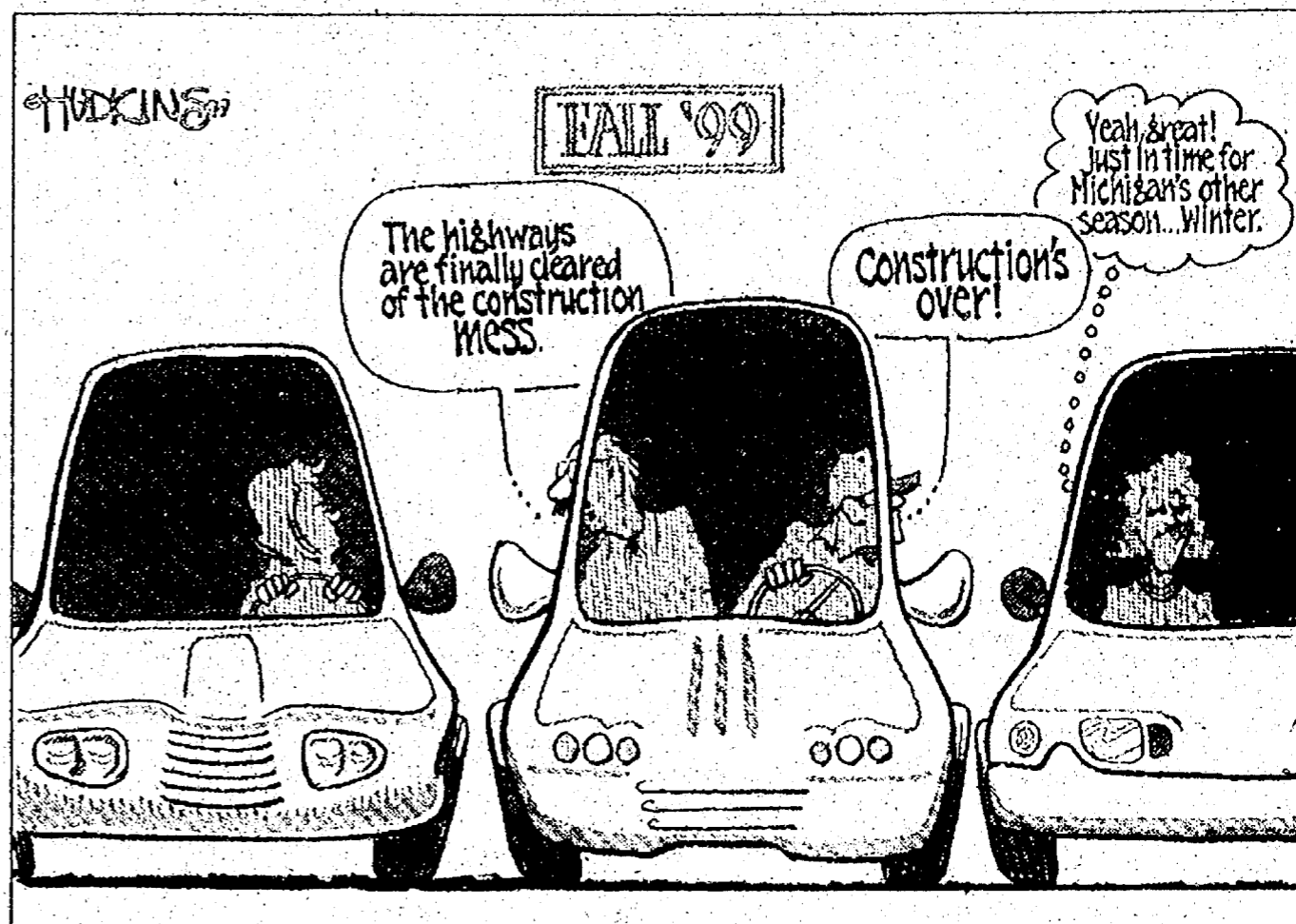
■ Use speed dialers or voice-activated dialer if there is one. Perhaps the cell phone industry should make voice-activated dialers standard.

■ If possible, let a passenger make or take the call.

■ Pull off the highway, perhaps into a parking lot, to make your call. Remember, though, police say it can be dangerous to be parked on the shoulder of a busy road.

States have laws on the books against careless driving. Of course, they would apply to drivers who happened to be on the phone when they were stopped for, say, weaving in and out of traffic. We don't need more laws to cover the same thing.

ARKIE HUDKINS



LETTERS

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Vouchers opposed

Here we go with the voucher issue again. Kids First! Yes! is the group pushing it this time. With a name like that, you'd think they care about kids. Well, I don't believe it.

This group wants to get a voucher/ tuition amendment passed. There is a petition drive going on right now to get it on the November 2000 ballot. Please don't sign it.

Why? I can give you lots of reasons, but I'm sure you don't have the time, so I will try to keep it brief. The proposed constitutional amendment mandates vouchers in certain districts based on a two-thirds graduation rate. This allows all other districts to approve vouchers by school board action or by petition and vote of the school board electorate. They go by the last school board election.

Let's say, for example, 400 people voted in the last school board election. You would only need 40 signatures to get on the ballot locally. This also allows the legislature to add tuition tax credits.

For example, look at the Mackinac Center's proposal for a universal tuition tax credit. Vouchers and tuition taxes do not ensure parental choice. Schools accepting voucher and tax credits do not have to admit every student seeking admission.

For example, special education students, who are more expensive to educate. After all, these schools are there to make money, unlike the public schools. In public schools, there is accountability for the public money spent. Not so in private schools. If they accept public money, they should have to be accountable for it. Don't you agree?

I am for educating all children. I want what's best for all our children. I do not believe vouchers/ tuition is the way to go.

Linda Bodnovits,
Garden City

experience and many may similarly remember Woodstock '99. However, untold numbers of women will remember being fondled, groped, and/or barely escaping assault, and at least eight women will remember those who stood by and watched and perhaps even cheered on the rapist, or who heard screaming and yelling and did nothing, or who knew something wrong was happening in the tent next door and did nothing.

What does this say about us as a society? It would be easy to say that everyone knows the overall attitude of Woodstock is free love, "anything goes" and nudity, and thus women at Woodstock '99 were looking for sex. Why does attending such an event mean a woman automatically consents to any sexual contact? Does a person dressed in expensive clothing walking down the street want or consent to be robbed?

What does it say about us as a society that we think a woman wants sex based on what she wears or where she goes?

Why don't we ask the Woodstock rapists why they dragged women into the mosh pit and tents to be forced into sexual acts? Why don't we ask why any man fondled, groped or otherwise sexually assaulted any woman? Why don't we ask those who stood by and watched why they did nothing?

What does it say about us as a society that we would blame the victim or the circumstances, rather than hold the perpetrator accountable for his crime?

So, what can we do? We can learn about rape - what it is and what it isn't. We can speak up and tell others what we have learned - that a woman's dress and location do not grant a man the right to sexually assault a woman.

We can believe our friend, neighbor, relative or coworker when they share their story of sexual assault. We can become volunteers to aid survivors. We can support agencies that provide services to survivors. We can blame the rapist, not the survivor.

Judith A. Ellis, Executive Director
First Step, Project on Domestic
and Sexual Violence

Don't blame survivor

Those who attended the original Woodstock may remember the event as a life-altering

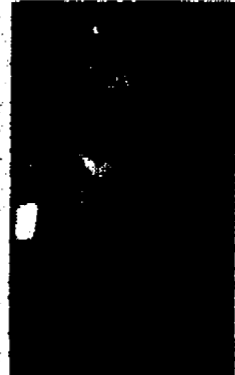
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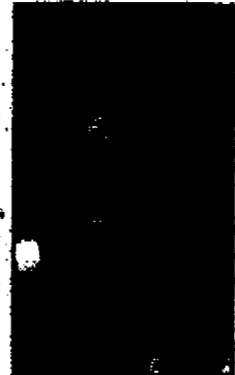
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POINTS OF VIEW

Old park holds host of grand memories

Few emotions are more difficult than saying goodbye to an old friend.

The melancholy of another summer's passing is deepened by the finality of knowing that we shall never again share this cozy camaraderie. Is a stadium really an inanimate object? Does it not at times pulse with high-energy adrenaline? Or sit silently sheltering countless memories echoing back through time. The corner of Michigan and Trumbull has served as Detroit's most venerable community center for five generations.

In 1912 as Detroit's auto industry was coming of age, Navin Field sprouted from rickety Bennett Park to its current concrete and steel origins with seats for 23,000 reflecting our new-found working class wages. For the next 15 years the team was led by the fiercest of battlers, a transplanted southerner, Ty Cobb. But as the Roaring '20s crashed, the Depression hit Detroiters with the force of a Joe Louis punch. Attendance dwindled as Ladies Days and other gimmicks were created to lure folks in.

Then in the middle of our darkest days something began to stir interest down at the corner. A scrappy Irishman, Mickey Cochrane, came to town to provide leadership for a struggling team,

**GUEST COLUMN
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and the Tigers lit the city on fire, winning their first pennant in 25 years.

Resiliency and determination prevailed in 1935, as the Tigers won it all and the town had a celebration like it had never seen before. In the midst of our deepest depths we were lifted to our highest heights. Frank Navin died a happy man, and new owner Walter O. Briggs expanded the stadium to its current size.

World War II pulled Detroit out of the Depression as we became the "arsenal of democracy." The first ballplayer to enlist, Hank Greenberg (also the first great Jewish player), was welcomed home after four years of service and hit the pennant-clinching home run on the last day of the 1945 season. Our second World Championship accompanied the jubilation of war's end.

The 1950s were to be Detroit's golden age as our auto industry became the nation's engine. We worked and played hard. Though our baseball team floundered, there was another type of roar being heard at the corner as the Lions, epitomized by hard-livin' Texan Bobby

Layne, captured three championships.

When the simmering facade of the '60s exploded onto the rollercoaster ride of the 1960s, a young Tiger team was coming together led by a dedicated hard-working competitor, Al Kaline. But the disharmony of that turbulent time had our lives in upheaval. In 1967 Detroit boiled over with the deadliest riot of the decade. Our citizenry was torn apart, and no one was sure how to bring it back together.

But at the corner there was an integrated team (including native Detroiters Willie Horton, the Tiger's first black star) providing us with a rallying point. Their unexpected, come-from-behind victory in the '68 World Series sent a delirious community onto Detroit's streets for a love-in as blacks and whites embraced each other like brother and sister. Our healing began.

After the turmoil of Vietnam and Watergate, the mid-1970s were a time for us to let loose. Once again the stadium became the happening place to be when one flighty bird landed in Detroit. Mark Fidrych embodied the unbridled free spirit of the baby boomers and the stadium filled to capacity whenever this lovable muppet pitched for our ragtag team.

By the end of the decade another

group of young talent had arrived and an effervescent old war-horse named Sparky was hired to mold them into winners. As our community was struggling to climb out of a deep recession, the "Bless You Boys" burst upon the scene in 1984 with a record 35-5 start. Kirk Gibson's refuse-to-lose persona symbolized Detroit's perseverance. But the chance to bask in the afterglow of this championship was diminished by the picture of an overturned police car burning next to the stadium. In contrast to 1968's lovefest this celebration became scary and confrontational. Something in society had changed that still seems to smolder.

Now as the next millennium dawns, Detroit's renaissance is reflected once again in a new stadium. Yet must we say goodbye to our old friend?

Detroit has had a history of forsaking its past. Blow it up and start anew. But here stands a classic icon from a bygone era preserving the spirits of our collective memories. A vast pilgrimage has been drawn there in these final days to pay homage to its hallowed legacy. A tourist attraction like the Field of Dreams in a remote Iowa corn field draws throngs in reverence to baseball's mystical past.

The possibilities seem endless for a



city's historic community center to remain viable. The inevitable professional women's soccer league will need a Detroit home. And it's proven to be a marvelous summer concert venue.

We have a distinctive esteemed landmark from a golden age. Let us embrace our past this time. Let us not say goodbye but Fare Thee Well, old friend, till we meet again.

Al Smitley contributed to this column. Militzer and Smitley have written for OLDTIME BASEBALL NEWS.

State high court shaping up as key election battleground

News junkies may have noticed an increased level of attention given lately to the politics of the Michigan Supreme Court.

An odd thing, too, it might seem, because the high court is supposed to be a non-partisan panel, deciding issues of constitutionality in our laws. The justices aren't supposed to have a political agenda, are they?

So how do you account for the following?

The appointment of Mason resident Stephen Markman to the Supreme Court last week came with instant analysis about the conservative-versus-liberal leanings of the jurists. Markman's promotion from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court by Gov. John Engler Friday, Sept. 17, put conservatives firmly in control of the court, five to two. Justice James Brickley, who is stepping down due to a bout with cancer and will



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be replaced by Markman, was seen as "conservative but moderate."

So the addition of Markman to the high court, according to the analyses, is bad news for criminal defendants and good news for corporations and insurance companies. By the way, the analyses appear to be correct.

As a result of the appointment, Engler was again accused of "stacking" the court with conservatives. This is the governor's third opportunity to name a jurist to the high court and it is no surprise that he has named justices who share his political philosophies.

State Democratic Party Chairman Mark Brewer has promised to make the two seats up for election on the Supreme Court key races in the 2000 elections. Typically, the parties reserve their active involvement for partisan posts but Brewer has said Engler's appointments to the panel make the court seats prime targets next year.

The Democratic Party has directed some unusually sharp criticism at the justices themselves. Supreme Court members usually get hands-off treatment from the parties, but the Democrats recently fired this fusillade at Engler appointees Clifford Taylor and Robert Young: "Governor John Engler has made a mockery of the Michigan Supreme Court by stacking the court with his political cronies instead of fair-minded judges that the people of Michigan deserve. In these political cronies consist of judges who are anti-consumer, anti-worker and anti-

union."

Then there is the whole issue of membership in the Federalist Society.

The appointment of Markman means five Michigan justices will reportedly be card-carrying members of that organization, including Markman, Taylor, Young, Elizabeth Weaver and Maura Corrigan.

The Federalist Society, depending on who you talk to, is either a harmless group which espouses a philosophy of following the law rather than making it up, or an extremist organization bent on dismantling civil rights and the First Amendment.

So what is it really all about? Politics, naturally.

Once the feds get done counting noses in the census next year, Michigan politics begin the once-a-decade process of "reapportionment," or redrawing the district boundaries of House and Senate

seats. Joe Average Voter seems to care little about it, but for lawmakers it's tantamount to drawing up the political game board for the next decade.

And the Supreme Court plays a pivotal role in that process.

That has to scare the Democrats, because Republicans presently are in control over every aspect of the reapportionment puzzle, from the Elections Division within the Secretary of State's office and the governor's office, to both chambers in the Legislature.

And the Supreme Court has always been the final arbiter of reapportionment battles in the past. That makes the court a key strategic political battleground in next year's election.

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Candidate's spouse brings fresh approach to campaign

In this era of news spin and press manipulation, a good way for a reporter to gain insight into the real workings of a candidate is to talk informally with the spouse. It's still a good method, even today when we've heard far more psycho-babble than we ever wanted about the marital dynamics between Bill and Hillary.

So last week I dropped in at the Ann Arbor Jewish Community Center to listen to presidential candidate Bill Bradley's wife, Ernestine Schlant Bradley. A professor of German and comparative literature at Montclair State University in New Jersey, Dr. Ernestine Schlant, as she is professionally known, is the author of a recently published book, "The Language of Silence: West German Literature and the Holocaust."

Not surprisingly, the crowd was rapt when I sidled in about half way through her presentation. It was just what you might expect from a professor of comparative literature. Literate, detailed, knowledgeable, academic. "You cannot deconstruct the Holocaust," she argued at one point, launching into a review of 40 years of German literature.

"What's going on here?" I wrote on my reporter's pad. "Here is a mature, perceptive, intelligent, civilized person implausibly engaged in a political process that is none of these things!"

At the end of her talk, Mrs. Bradley took questions, which she answered carefully and in detail. Only one dealt with her husband's campaign. Her answer consumed five minutes, concluding with the thought that Sen. Bradley had learned from her that reading a country's literature often turned out to be far more useful to a visitor than a briefing from the state department. "No sound bites here," I thought.

So when we sat down for a visit, I wondered how a wife, German-born and a full-blown academic, relates to a husband, a former professional basketball player and now a professional politician. "It's not that difficult," she responded, "because it's very liberating when you know for certain what the most important thing is. In my case and at this time in my life, it's my husband's campaign."

"But how," I asked, "can you manage in two entirely different worlds? One, academia where intelligence is used to illuminate and words are used to clarify -- and the other, politics -- where intelligence is used to confuse and words are used to conceal."

"For me, it's not a problem," she said, pointing out she had participated in each of Bradley's three past campaigns for the Senate. "I know Bill's position on the issues, but I express them in my own way and in my own



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language. I won't read the position papers from the campaign; I speak about Bill, not for Bill."

But the contradiction between the two worlds? In her mind, the resolution is that, "Bill really believes that he is running a different kind of campaign, one intended to reconstitute respect for the political process in this country. He wants to talk seriously to the voters, to present himself as an authentic, serious and non-politically driven candidate." The purpose: To give voters now frustrated and alienated with the political process some hope that the system can change.

At the end of our talk, I asked Mrs. Bradley about the story that her husband decided not to run for president in order to be by her side in 1992 when she was diagnosed with breast cancer in June of that year. "What a lovely anecdote," I thought, "perfectly illustrating the contrast between the Bradley family and some other political families we know about."

"Not true," she declined to mythologize. "By the time I was diagnosed in June, the campaign for president was long under way. Bill was a rock during my illness, but it had nothing to do with his not running for president."

Hmm. I've never met Sen. Bradley. I have no idea whether he'll win the nomination, or be elected, or make a good president. That's what campaigns are designed to explicate.

But I do know that Professor Ernestine Schlant Bradley is a mature, perceptive, intelligent and civilized woman whose adult presence in the burly-burly of a political campaign gives me comfort and, perhaps, a bit of hope.

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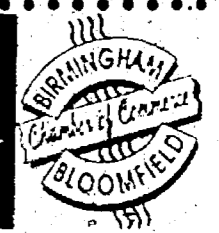
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Two upcoming benefits will help boy stricken with tumor

Between 1,800 and 1,900 people opened their hearts and their wallets to benefit Redford eighth grader Joey Peglowski at a spaghetti dinner benefit recently raising \$30,000.

The 12-year-old St. Valentine School student is suffering from an inoperable brain tumor that is no longer responding to the traditional treatment of chemotherapy. In an effort to

save his life, he has become eligible to undergo an experimental treatment in Texas that is not covered by his parents, David and Debbie Peglowski's, insurance.

According to a long-time family friend, Sharon Ploch, the anticipated cost of the treatment is between \$92,000 and \$93,000. The large group of friends and family supporting Joey hope to

raise \$100,000 to cover the expenses the trio will encounter while traveling back and forth to Texas every five weeks.

"We were really amazed," said Ploch of the turnout and the amount of money raised.

The Peglowskis were to leave last week for Texas and Joey was to begin testing and treatment Monday, Sept. 20. The family will likely stay in Texas

for three weeks during the initial visit and will have to return every five weeks for two to three days until the treatment is complete.

"The Peglowskis were overwhelmed with the people from the township, parish and school that showed their support," said Ploch. "We're very grateful for the people from the school that helped put the fund-raiser on."

Two upcoming fund-raisers are planned for the month of October including a "Consultant Extravaganza" and a Western hoedown. St. Valentine Catholic Church

(25881 Dow) in Redford will be the host site of the Thursday, Oct. 14, Consultant Extravaganza from 4-8 p.m. More than one-dozen vendors representing Longaberger baskets, Discovery toys, Tupperware and more will display their wares for the public to purchase. Profits from the event will be donated to the Friends of Joey Peglowski Fund.

Organizers are hoping residents and community members from surrounding areas don their cowboy boots and hats for an old fashioned hoedown from 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct.

16, at the VFW - Don Sherman Hubert Post 345 Hall at 27345 Schoolcraft. Tickets are \$50 per person and include dinner, dancing and a silent auction.

Information about the hoedown and tickets can be obtained from Judie and Bill Becker (313) 533-4026.

If you would like to make a contribution to the Peglowski fund, make checks payable to: Friends of Joey Peglowski, 25447 W. Five Mile Road, Redford, MI 48239.

Man who buried friend now in jail on unrelated charges

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A Livonia man who told police that he buried the body of a friend in his backyard after the friend died of a heroin overdose is in jail on two unrelated charges.

Kenneth Charles Rapp, 24, was sentenced to 89 days in jail by Judge Robert Brzezinski after he pleaded guilty in 16th District Court Monday to disguising his identity from police. Later that day, Judge Kathleen McCann gave him a concurrent 30-day sentence after finding him in violation of probation.

Rapp was arrested on those charges, and on misdemeanor warrants from three other communities, on Sept. 15 as police investigated the disappearance of a friend, Ryan Donald Morrison of Garden City. Morrison's

body was found, buried behind the garage at Rapp's house on Grandon Street, the next day.

Police believe Morrison died of a heroin overdose at Rapp's house on Sept. 6 or early the next day. Rapp panicked, kept the body in his room for a day, then buried it behind the garage, said Lt. Ben McDermott, Livonia Police Department spokesman.

"Everything that we're doing right now has led us to believe that this was a self-inflicted accidental heroin overdose," McDermott said.

Rapp may still be charged in the incident. Police are waiting for results of autopsy toxicology tests to confirm that Morrison died of an overdose. The results are expected in about two months.

There were no obvious signs of a fatal wound or other trauma on the body, however.

The misdemeanor disguise charge against Rapp stemmed from a March incident in which Rapp was stopped by police as a shoplifting suspect. He gave an officer a false name and birthdate, according to a police report included in court records.

The violation of probation charge stemmed from a 1997 misdemeanor charge of possessing narcotics paraphernalia. Part of his sentence for that charge included two years on probation, and Rapp was uncooperative, court records indicate.

Rapp is in the Isabella County Jail, where Livonia sends defendants who have been prosecuted and convicted through district court.

With credit for five days in the Livonia police lockup, he is to be released Sunday, Dec. 12.

Morrison's funeral was Tuesday.

OBITUARIES

RAYMOND S. WESTFALL

Services for Raymond Westfall, 71, of Westland were Sept. 20 in Vermeulen Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West in Westland. Officiating was Deacon Dan Sweeney.

Mr. Westfall was born June 14, 1928, in Detroit and died Sept. 15 in Westland.

He was an assistant director for U.A.W. Region A-1, Automotive Labor Union.

He served with the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Surviving are his wife, Rita; son, Steven (Pam) Westfall of Grand Prairie, Texas; daughters, Mary (Stanley) Bokota of Coral Springs, Fla., Ranea Morford of Westland and Mary (Ron) Simoneau of Westland; sister, Patricia Westfall of Detroit; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Southeastern Michigan, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite


212, Southfield, MI 48075 or Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan, 1669 Hamilton Road, Suite 210, Okemos, MI 48864-1809.

BARBARA KULISCH

Services for Barbara Kulisch, 58, of Westland were today, Sept. 23, in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home with burial at Maple Grove Cemetery in Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Kurt R. Radke from Christus Victor Lutheran Church.


Mrs. Kulisch was born Jan. 23, 1941, in Bremen, Germany and died Sept. 20 in Garden City. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her sons, Stuart and Kirk; daughters, Pamela Kulisch (Raymond) Shaw and Marcy (John) Lyp; and nine grandchildren.



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JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Starting Over has widower resuming life

Tom and his wife had been married many years when she developed a brain aneurysm. So serious was the dilatation that within one week, Tom buried her. A short time later, Tom, like so many men who have lost a spouse, was searching for comfort through another relationship. He came across a personal ad in the newspaper and called the woman who had written it.

She recognized his fresh pain and candidly told him it was too early for him to date. But, he now remarks, he was a typical guy.

The woman told Tom about a group, called Starting Over, which met in both Madison Heights and Plymouth.

She recommended he check out the group because it was designed for people who had recently lost a spouse.

Started by Cathy Clough, a widow herself, Starting Over has been in existence for more than 12 years and has helped more than 2,000 widows and widowers.

All of the trained leaders are also widowed, adding that special dimension of empathy, because

'I have a macho image of myself, and I remember walking into the first meeting, thinking I'm the only one who's been dumped on. But you listen to others' stories and think, boy, have I been selfish.'

they, too, have been through the pain.

The group currently meets in the evening the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The only cost is a small donation.

Tom, an ex-Marine, knows the tough challenge of opening yourself up to strangers and sharing your suffering with them. For that reason, he says, there are only a few male participants.

"I have a macho image of myself, and I remember walking into the first meeting, thinking I'm the only one who's been dumped on," he said. "But you listen to others' stories and think, boy, have I been selfish."

Starting Over is a part of Arbor Hospice and its program doesn't cater only to grieving spouses or significant others. It also runs age-specific groups for children, preschool through high school.

The kids benefit by learning that they, too, are not alone in their hurt. The multi-media activities encourage the kids to vent all of their feelings about the death.

Tom adds that, "I've made many friends and, if I'm having a bad day, I can pick up the phone and call them, as they do me."

Families grieving the loss of one parent often suffer in silence. If you know anybody who is going through that, Starting Over and the other bereavement programs offered through Arbor Hospice may be for them.

For more information about this unique program, call (800) 783-5764. Details about times and locations will be provided.

Jacquie Martin-Downs is the coordinator of the Family Resource Center in Westland and has a private counseling practice. If you have a question or comment, write her at the Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or contact her by e-mail address at downsj@mail.resa.net.

Pride and Joy: The B-17 "Flying Fortress" that was carefully restored is the pride and joy of Yankee Air Force members like president Bill Hanney, who sits in the back doorway of the plane, and Scott R. Smith, who was a B-17 pilot during World War II.



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The meticulously restored B-17G Flying Fortress World War II bomber with its front gun turret jutting out under the cockpit like a defiant chin, takes center stage in the Yankee Air Museum hanger at Willow Run Airport in Belleville.

And rightfully so. The plane, rescued from obscurity as a fire bomber in Mesa, Ariz., in 1986, took nine years and thousands of man-hours to restore. Scores of volunteers scraped and cleaned debris left by carrying huge drums of water and borate necessary to fight forest fires.

In 1995, after a shakedown flight within the area, the reborn B-17, dubbed the "Yankee Lady," flew to the annual Experimental Aircraft Association show in Oshkosh, Wis.

"Beautiful," said museum president Bill Hanney, 73, of the B-17's maiden flight. "It flew like a charm."

"Flew better than the one I flew out of Hunter Field," said Scott Smith, 79, a former World War II bomber

pilot.

Besides flyable aircraft like the Boeing B-17G, the North American B-25D Mitchell bomber and the Douglas C-47D Skytrain transport, the museum displays more than 20 static aircraft, including the massive Boeing B-52D Stratofortress jet bomber that guards the hanger's entrance.

The B-52, which flew 600 missions over Vietnam, has quite a story, said Hanney.

"It's the only B-52 that every survived a SAM missile strike," he said. "It came back to Guam with a missile sticking through the wing. I'm sure the pilot prayed all the way down."

However, a visit to the Yankee Air Museum is as much about its volunteers, many of them World War II veterans like Hanney and Smith, as it is about its historic planes, numerous exhibit rooms and impressive library collection.

Smith, who lives in Whitmore Lake, was a 22-year-old farm boy from Bowling Green, Ohio, when he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Force in 1943. Shy and hesitant, he hoped to

become a mechanic servicing the mighty bombers. His plans changed after a bunk mate at mechanics school told him about an cadet training program opening.

"Lo and behold, I passed the test," he said. "I wrote a couple of Dear Jane letters and told them to forget me. I had studying to do. It was the first time in my life I was serious."

Smith did "OK" with his pre-flight, primary and basic training, but excelled in his advanced training, making expert ratings in aerial and ground gunnery. His mother pinned his silver wings on him at Napier Field in Dotien, Ala.

On Jan. 19, 1945, in the cockpit of a new B-17, Smith headed for Gander, Newfoundland, Canada, the embarkation point for many bombers during World War II. He was officially part of the 3rd Division, 45th Wing, 388th Bomb Group, 563rd Squadron.

A few weeks later, in the early morning hours of Feb. 5, Smith, now a trained but unseasoned 24-year-old pilot, throttled down the runway and took off for England with a crew of nine other men. He has never forgotten that day.

"The morning we took off to fly to England was my most apprehensive," he recalled. "At 1 a.m. in the morning we had a blizzard. They had to use engine warmers to thaw out the oil."

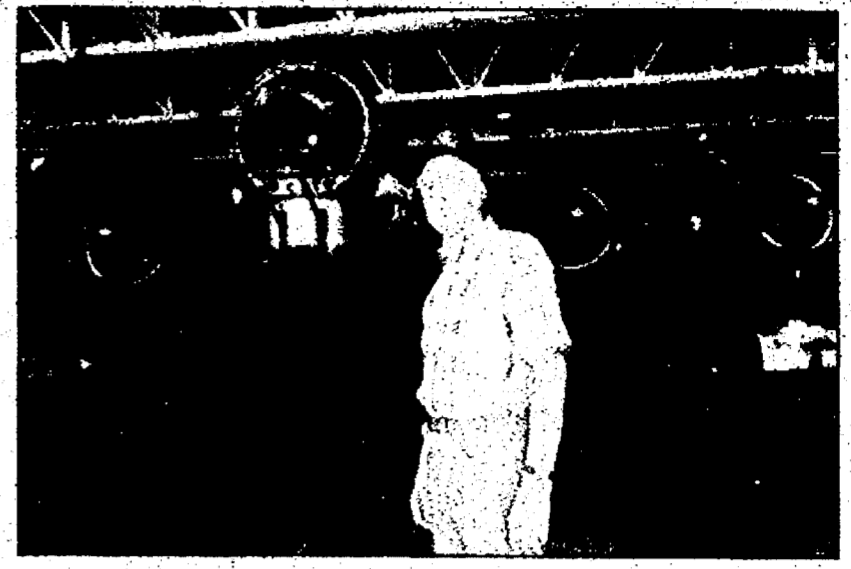
Because of tailwinds, Smith was ordered to fly straight to Walley, Wales. On the way over, he spotted a B-24 bomber, one of the famous 8,700 Liberators built at Willow Run.

"I don't know if he ever made it," he said, with introspection.

The cockpit of the B-17 was noisy and "unbearably cold," with temperatures reaching 40 to 50 degrees below zero, said Smith. Under their heavy

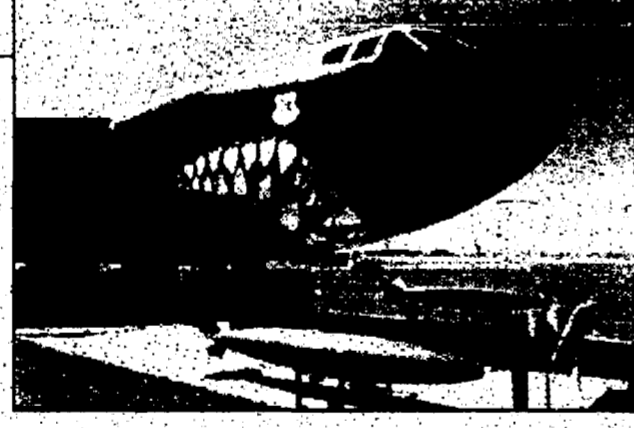
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Volunteers help preserve historic planes



Smith in 1943

History 'flies' at air museum



A B-52 bomber sits on display outside the hangar of the Yankee Air Museum.

plans for the Yankee Air Force Museum, now housed in an historic 1941 hangar.

Today, museum visitors can stroll through the exhibit rooms and learn about the airport's war efforts in manufacturing the B-24 Liberators. They can ask questions of the numerous volunteers, observe aircraft restoration and artifacts within the hangar.

If they're curious and flexible, visitors can peek inside the B-17 Flying Fortress or the B-52 Stratofortress. If they're curious, flexible and lucky, a volunteer might boost them into the cockpit of the twin-tailed, slow-flying OV-10 Bronco, a reconnaissance and rescue plane used in Vietnam.

Yankee Air Museum is at 2041 "A" Street, Willow Run Airport-East, Belleville. From I-94, take Exit 190 north on Belleville Road to Tyler Road. Turn left and go one mile to Beck Road. Turn right and go three-quarters of a mile to Gate 1.

Turn left and go to the end of the road.

From I-275, take Exit 20 west on Ecorse Road three miles to Beck Road. At flashing yellow light, turn left and go a quarter mile to Gate 1. Turn right.

The museum is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 5-12 and \$4 seniors age 62 and older. Special discounts for group tours are available.

For more information, call the Yankee Air Museum at (734) 483-4030.

The Yankee Air Force will have its Founders Day Dinner-Dance Saturday, Sept. 25, at Yankee Air Museum. There will be a beer and wine cash bar 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner 7:30 p.m. and music by "One Beat Back," a 17-member orchestra.

Tickets cost \$35 per person and are available by calling Bill Hanney at (734) 483-4030.

During World War II, the Ford Motor Company converted its Willow Run operation into a massive aviation manufacturing complex whose 42,000 employees produced 8,685 B-24 Liberator bombers, one every 59.3 minutes.

Willow Run became a city within itself, with stores, recreation facilities, schools, a fire department and numerous streets lined with pre-fabricated housing. It became the birthplace of "Rosie the Riveter."

In 1981, a handful of volunteers decided to preserve the history of Willow Run Airport and laid

like Muriel's Doll House, Michele-Doble said Michigan is somewhat behind when it comes to the overall industry.

"There's still not that much (of it) in Michigan, compared to the East Coast," said the new collector.

She traveled from Brighton to Plymouth specifically to get a head start on her doll house venture. Michele-Doble knows that doll houses are not just for children anymore.

A long-term project

Just ask Clare Alt, a clerk and doll house builder who works at the quaint Plymouth toy shop. Creating the perfect doll house takes time, patience and consideration.

All said it takes up to one year to complete a single house. Customers may buy them pre-assembled or in a kit form to build themselves.

Alt, who began working at the store 15 years ago during the Christmas rush, said she doesn't know exactly when she became interested in doll

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As if on a mission, Linda Michele-Doble embarked on a special toy hunt.

Strolling up and down the aisles of miniature toys upstairs at Muriel's Doll House on Penniman in Plymouth, she searched for a southwest-style house. Peering into glass cabinets filled with tiny furniture, she explained her newfound interest in the art of creating doll houses.

Like many crafts, it combines her interest in many facets of art — from using textures to pottery. More importantly, Michele-Doble said creating a doll house will allow her to work closely with her 13-year-old daughter.

"It's something I've always wanted to do with her," she said.

What surprised the former Plymouth resident most about collecting and creating doll houses was its continued popularity. From children to adults, the industry has become huge, she said.

While she enjoys shopping at stores



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMAN

It's a small world: Linda Michele-Doble of Brighton was searching for a southwest-style house when she stopped to take a closer look at some of the dinette sets at Muriel's Doll House.

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sheepskin flying suits, the crew wore another suit made of a thin material threaded with electric wires. They plugged this suit, along with their wired boots and gloves, into an outlet.

Flying at high altitudes in an unpressurized, noisy plane took its toll of the crew's hearing. Pilots often lost hearing in their right ear from lifting off their headsets to talk to their co-pilots, said Smith, who is deaf in his right ear. Co-pilots lost hearing in their left ear.

Smith never lost a crew member during his 17 missions over Germany and France. After one mission, his co-pilot counted 32 holes. The crew took close calls in stride.

"You came back shot up, and the plane is grounded," he said. "The next day, you're assigned another plane. I don't think we had any missions where we didn't pick up some flak."

With every mission he made, Smith developed more respect for the airmen who flew before him. As "the old man," an affectionate term for the pilot, Smith said fear was never a determining factor.

Does he consider himself a hero?

"No, no, no, that was the furthest thing from my mind," he said. "To me, it was a job to do. You're young. It's a challenge."

The marine

Bob Graham, 79, of Dearborn Heights joined the Marines in 1939 after he saw the movie "The Singing Marine" starring Dick Powell. He liked the way the handsome Powell looked dancing and singing in his dress blues.

"I said, 'That's for me,'" he said. "Let me tell you, the Marines was not like that."

After training in Quantico, Va., and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where the 1st Marine Division was formed, Graham shipped out to Guadalcanal in the south Pacific.

Life for the skinny kid from Highland Park, whose mother had to sign permission for him to join the Marines, was about to

change. There was little opposition when 1st Marine Division landed on Guadalcanal on Aug. 7, 1942, unlike the stiff resistance met by the Marines who landed on nearby Tulagi, said Graham.

However, the Battle of Guadalcanal rapidly intensified. The area between the two islands, dubbed "Iron Bottom Sound," became littered with the remains of 48 ships, including 23 American and one from New Zealand.

"The worst time I remember was the shelling by Japanese battleships; we were the only U.S. troops to be shelled by a battleship," he said. "It was unbelievable. You had to be there. It went on for hours."

Graham once saw 32 Japanese planes shot down, one after another. "Most of them burst into flames. One of them veered off and one of our fighter pilots veered off and popped it."

Graham celebrated his 23rd birthday on Guadalcanal. Among the ranks of privates and PFCs, he was considered an "old man." Most of the boys were 17, 18, and 19.

"They made the best fighters because they didn't know fear," he recalled.

In January 1943, Graham was sent to a hospital in Australia after contracting a slew of jungle diseases, including malaria, dysentery and filiaris, the beginning stage of elephantiasis. He eventually ended up in the Allen Park veterans hospital.

Shortly afterwards, the Marines gave him a medical discharge. A year later they informed him the discharge was a mistake, but it was too late. Graham had already joined the U.S. Border Patrol in Detroit.

After being transferred to Texas in 1949, Smith joined the National Guard. During the Korean War, he trained people at Fort Hood, Texas. He returned to Michigan and stayed with Army Reserve until 1971, at which time he retired as a lieutenant colonel.

It was the superb Marine

training that saw him through five months of combat on Guadalcanal, said Smith.

"If you stopped to think about it, you'd take off and leave," he said.

Was he brave? No, he said. He was like everybody else: "I was scared; anybody who said he wasn't, he's lying."

Was he a hero? No, he said: "The heroes we buried."

The mechanic

In 1944, Bill Hanney, then 18, dreamed of becoming an Air Force cadet. However, a weak eye prevented him passing the physical; instead, he became an airplane mechanic with the 20th Air Force Division.

After completing basic training at Sheppard Field, Texas and combat training in Harvard, Neb., Hanney shipped out of Seattle, Wash., on March 17, 1945, for Guam. For the next year he serviced the remote control gun turrets on Boeing B-29 Superfortresses.

"I got a couple of rides, but I did not fly any missions," he said.

It was the 20th Air Force that dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima Aug. 6, 1945, and on Nagasaki three days later. The B-29s involved in this mission were stationed on Tinian Island.

"That was highly confidential stuff," said Hanney. "You could get yourself shot just getting near there."

Dropping the atom bomb on Japan was not the end of the bombings, said Hanney. His unit, the 315th Bomb Wing, dropped the last bombs of World War II on Japan. Hanney refers to that mission as "one of the lost stories of the war."

While the 20th Air Force waited for word of Japan's surrender, 60 planes sat on the airfield fueled and ready for take-off. Each plane carried a crew of 12. The planes waited for eight hours, said Hanney.

"When there was no word, they flew and dropped their bombs," he said. "On the way back, they got a radio transmission that Japan had surren-

dered. The irony of it..."

Hanney said life on Guam was not all "grim and horrible." There was laughter and camaraderie; and he describes the overall experience as "tolerable."

By the time Hanney arrived on Guam, the war was waning and most of the Japanese were gone. However, there were few stragglers in the jungles: Surrender for the Japanese was a disgrace, said Hanney.

"They were hiding out; they would come in and steal food once in awhile, and people would get all excited and want to go and shoot," he said.

After Hanney was discharged, he joined the Air Force Reserves and eventually was called to Korea. He stayed stateside at Roswell Air Force Base in New Mexico.

Two years later Hanney opted for civilian life. He married and went back to school, eventually getting his master of business administration degree.

"I just decided I had enough military; I just wanted to get out, get my degree and start doing something more constructive," he said.

Like his buddies, Graham and Smith, Hanney spends a lot of time at the museum working on the planes or helping out with visitors. Unless asked, they don't talk much about World War II.

"People ask, 'Would you do it again?' You say, 'Hell, no,'" said Hanney. "But if there wasn't much choice, you probably would."



Graham in 1942.



Hanney in 1944.

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houses, but once she began working at Muriel's she never left.

She said the houses can serve different purposes - as toys for children, or a way for adults to recapture their own childhood. Customers come back years later and share memorable childhood moments with the staff.

"We have a lot of people come back and tell us how much enjoyment they got (out of the doll houses)," said Alt. "Young people, in their 20s will come in and say they got all of their dolls here."

Muriel's Doll House has been in business in Plymouth for 28 years.

"It's rewarding to know we order things people will treasure," said Alt.

Margaret Devlin, store manager, agrees.

"You can take it to any level you want," she said. The youngest collectors are about 4 years old although it is considered a hobby for men and women of all ages.

Working and playing with doll houses teaches children to be gentle, added Devlin. Alt said it also teaches them how to "take care of their things."

"It brings out your creative and organizational skills," added Alt. "It's a long-term project."

Getting started

Devlin had some advice for those who've just begun to consider doll houses as a craft. She said choosing a shell, or framework, in one's price range is the first step. Deciding on interior and exterior colors is the next

important choice a new collector makes, whether that collector is 4 or 40 years old.

A new doll house owner must also decide whether the house will have electricity or not. A kit can cost between \$50 and \$120, excluding the light fixtures. After electricity is added, the house may have wood floors or carpeting placed inside it. Delicate oriental rugs are another option.

Doll houses may be small replicas of real homes, but the cost varies depending on how intricate the owner wants it to be. Devlin has built houses costing from \$200 to \$10,000.

"You figure out how complex you want it to be," she said. "Do you want it to be a piece of art or something children can play with?"

For those who are just starting out and may not be sure what to buy, Alt suggests purchasing a kit or a small and inexpensive doll house, rather than starting out with a more extravagantly decorated Victorian-style shell.

People are drawn to miniature furniture and accessories associated with doll houses because of the realistic detail in every piece. From the hand-carved wooden chairs to the tiny cereal boxes, every replica has its place in a doll house. Part of the mystique of creating a doll house is what's inside.

"You can put in a doll house what you've always wanted and can't have," said Alt.

Muriel's Doll House is in downtown Plymouth, 824 Penniman; 455-8110.

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, by fax at (734) 591-7279 or by e-mail at smason@oe.homecomm.net.

ST. DAMIAN
Crafters are needed for St. Damian Parish's fall arts and crafts show. The show will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 at the church, 30055 Joy Road Westland. Call (734) 421-6130.

ST. THEODORE

St. Theodore Catholic Church is looking for crafters for its annual craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 16 in the Parish Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Table rental is \$20. Call Mary at (734) 425-4421.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL
The Livonia Churchill High School will have its eighth annual fall craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 23 at the school, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Admission will be \$1. For more

information, call (734) 532-0022.

GOOD SHEPHERD
Crafters are needed for a craft show and bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne at Hunter roads, Westland. Table space is available - \$20 for a 5-foot round table or \$25 for an 8-foot-long table. For an application, call Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

CENTRAL WAYNE COUNTY SANITATION AUTHORITY ORDINANCE NO. 8

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF INCINERATOR REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS OF EQUAL STANDING WITH OUTSTANDING REVENUE BONDS; AWARDING SAID BONDS; AMENDING SECTION 12 OF ORDINANCE NO. 5 AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE TO SAID BONDS AND THE SECURITY THEREOF.

WHEREAS, Act 179, Public Acts of Michigan, 1947, as amended ("Act 179") and Act 84, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended ("Act 94") (together the "Acts") permit the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority (the "Authority") to refund and advance refund all or part of the funded indebtedness of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Authority (the "Board") has determined by resolution adopted May 7, 1998 that it is in the best interest of the Authority to refund a portion of its Incinerator Revenue Bonds, Series V, dated May 1, 1992 and maturing on and after July 1, 2002 (the "Prior Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, all of the constituents of the Authority (the "Members") have entered into agreements with the Authority whereby the rates charged to such Members for the continued disposal of solid waste shall be increased to provide to the Authority sufficient net revenues to pay all costs of the Authority, to keep all facilities of the Authority in good repair and working order and to pay all debt service on all bonds of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, all things necessary to the authorization and issuance of additional revenue bonds to pay the cost of the refunding the Prior Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Michigan and ordinances of the Authority, and particularly the Acts and the aforesaid ordinances, have been done; and is now empowered and desires to authorize the issuance of said refunding bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has received an offer to purchase said refunding bonds from Banc One Capital Markets, Inc. as representative of the purchasers of the refunding bonds (the "Purchaser"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to approve an agreement to purchase the bonds with the Purchaser and to provide for certain other matters relative to said refunding bonds.

WHEREAS, it is now deemed appropriate to refund a portion of the Prior Bonds maturing on and after July 1, 2002.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CENTRAL WAYNE COUNTY SANITATION AUTHORITY, COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

Section 1. Whenever used in this Ordinance or in the bonds to be issued hereunder, except where otherwise indicated by the context:

- (a) The term "Authority" shall mean the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority, Wayne County, Michigan.
- (b) The term "Refunding Bonds" shall mean the Incinerator Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1999.
- (c) The term "Bond Purchase Agreement" shall mean the Bond Purchase Agreement entered into between the Authority and the Purchaser.
- (d) The term "Prior Bonds" shall mean the Incinerator Revenue Bonds, Series V, maturing on and after July 1, 2002 as shown on Exhibit B.
- (e) The terms "Chairman," "Secretary" and "Treasurer" shall mean the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, on the Board.

Section 2. For the purpose of refunding the Prior Bonds, funding a reserve for the Refunding Bonds and to pay the issuance costs of the Refunding Bonds there shall be issued refunding bonds of the Authority as hereinafter set forth. The Refunding Bonds shall be designated "Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority Incinerator Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1999," and shall be in the aggregate principal amount, be payable, and have such terms as are set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto and made part hereof. The Refunding Bonds shall be dated and bear interest at the rates shown on said Exhibit A. The Refunding Bonds may be issued in book-entry only form through the services of the Depository Trust Company, New York, New York. Banc One Trust Company, N.A., Detroit, Michigan, is hereby approved as transfer agent for the Refunding Bonds (the "Transfer Agent").

Section 3. The Transfer Agent is authorized to give notice of the Authority's intent to call the Prior Bonds on July 1, 2001.

Section 4. The Bond Purchase Agreement submitted to the Board be and the same is hereby accepted, approved and the Chairman or Secretary are each authorized to execute said Bond Purchase Agreement in behalf of the Authority.

Section 5. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Executive Director of the Authority are each authorized to do all other acts and take all other necessary procedures required to effectuate the sale, issuance and delivery of

the Refunding Bonds, including the execution and delivery of an escrow agreement with the Transfer Agent.

Section 6. The provisions of the Resolution adopted May 7, 1998 relating to the Refunding Bonds be and the same are hereby ratified and affirmed. Provided, however, the title of the Refunding Bonds, the identity of the Purchaser and the Transfer Agent shall be as set forth herein.

Section 7. The Authority hereby covenants that it shall comply with the continuing disclosure requirements of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 and for this purpose designates the Executive Director of the Authority or his or her designee as the Authority's Disclosure Representative.

Section 8. Upon delivery of the Refunding Bonds, the net proceeds, together with the funds available for contribution including a transfer from the Series V Bond Debt Service Reserve in the amount of \$629,000 shall be used as follows:

(a) \$7,455,897.33 will be transmitted to the Transfer Agent to pay interest on the Prior Bonds through July 1, 2001, and be used on July 1, 2001 to pay the principal of the Prior Bonds, the redemption premium respecting the Prior Bonds, and interest on the Prior Bonds. Any moneys remaining after payment of the Refunded Bonds shall be returned to the Authority.

(b) An additional sum presently estimated to be \$152,581.62 shall be deposited in a Cost of Issuance Fund to be established with the Transfer Agent and used to pay the costs of issuance on the Refunding Bonds as directed by the Authority and to pay the costs of bond insurance of surety bonds. Funds remaining in the Cost of Issuance Fund sixty (60) days following the date of delivery of the Refunding Bonds and the payment of all issuance costs shall be paid over to the Treasurer who shall deposit the funds into the Debt Retirement Fund for the Refunding Bonds.

(c) Accrued interest in the amount of \$26,014.69 shall be deposited in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund established for the Refunding Bonds.

(d) \$370,000 shall be deposited in the Reserve Fund established for the Refunding Bonds.

Section 9. Section 12 of Ordinance No. 5 be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(B)(1) Series V Bond Debt Service Reserve Fund: There is hereby established in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund a separate account to be known as the Series B Bond Debt Service Reserve Fund ("Series V Reserve"). Promptly after delivery of the Authority's Incinerator Revenue Bonds, Series V, there shall be deposited into the Series V Reserve from the proceeds of said Bonds the sum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000) to be held and maintained in the Series V Reserve and, subject to the terms of this subsection, used solely for the payment of the principal of and interest on said Series V Bonds only which would otherwise be in default. If at any time it should be necessary to use moneys in the Series V Reserve for such payment, the moneys so used shall except as otherwise herein provided be promptly replaced from whatever sources may be legally available therefore, but no such replacement shall be required if funds on hand in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund (including the Series V Reserve for such payment are equal to all debt services remaining payable on said Series V Bonds. At such time the Series V Reserve funds may be used to call Series V Bonds or pay debt service thereon at maturity. In the event all or a portion of the Series V Bonds are redeemed prior to maturity the Series V Reserve and any reserve established for the refunding bonds, may be comprised in whole or in part of a surety bond acceptable to the bond issuer (as hereinafter defined), and be reduced to an amount equal to the lesser of (i) ten percent of the par value of the remaining Series V Bonds, (ii) the largest of annual debt service payment due in the remaining Series V Bonds or (iii) 125% of the average annual debt service in the remaining Series V Bonds. In the event that all or a part of the Series V Bonds are refunded the Authority shall establish a sub-account in the Series V Reserve Fund for such refunding bonds which may consist all or in part of surety bond.

Section 10. The Preliminary Official Statement, and the Official Statement relating to the Refunding Bonds, which Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement have been presented to and are on file with the Executive Director, are hereby authorized and approved. The Chairman and/or Secretary are each authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Official Statement on behalf of the Authority. The Chairman, Secretary and Executive Director are each authorized to execute all documents, certificates and other materials necessary to the delivery of the Refunding Bonds.

Section 11. The purchase of a policy of bond insurance insuring the refunding bonds from MBIA Insurance Corporation (the "Bond Insurer") be and is hereby approved. The Chairman, Secretary and Executive Director of the

Authority be and are hereby authorized to execute such documents as are necessary to effectuate the purchase of said insurance including the purchase of a surety bond to fund a portion of the debt service reserve established for said bonds. The Authority hereby agrees to the terms set forth in the Bond Insurer's commitments to issue its insurance policy and debt service surety bond.

Section 12. All ordinances, resolutions or orders of parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 13. This Ordinance shall be published in full in Associated Newspapers, Dearborn Heights Press & Guide and The Observer & Eccentric, newspapers of general circulation within the area of all of the Members of the Authority and qualified under State law to publish legal notices, promptly after its adoption, and the same shall be recorded in the Ordinance Book of the Authority and such recording shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Chairman and Secretary.

Section 14. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Authenticated by:

Chairman Secretary

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority, County of Wayne, Michigan, at a Special Meeting held on September 10, 1998, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

I further certify that the following Directors were present at said meeting: Collieran, Dittmar, Riley, English (alternate) and Brisco (alternate) and the following Directors were and that the following Directors were absent: none.

I further certify that Director Dittmar moved adoption of said Ordinance and that said motion was supported by Director Riley.

I further certify that the following Directors voted for adoption of said Ordinance: Brisco, Collieran, Dittmar, English, and Riley, and that the following Directors voted against adoption of said Ordinance: none.

I further certify that said Ordinance has been recorded in the Ordinance Book and that such recording has been authenticated by the signatures of the Chairman and Secretary.

Secretary, Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority

EXHIBIT A		
Par Amount	\$7,400,000.00	
Underwriting Discount	74,000.00	
Premium	23,278.95	
Accrued Interest	28,014.69	
Purchase Price	\$7,375,293.64	
Date of Issue	September 1, 1999	
Maturity Schedule:		
Year	Principal Amount	Interest Rate
July 1, 2000	\$95,000	4.00%
July 1, 2001	15,000	4.50
July 1, 2002	1,555,000	4.80
July 1, 2003	1,690,000	4.75
July 1, 2004	1,865,000	4.75
July 1, 2005	2,180,000	4.75
Redemption Provisions: none.		
EXHIBIT B		
2002	\$1,540,000	
2003	1,710,000	
2004	1,920,000	
2005	1,920,000	

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Germain-MacGillis

Chris Germain of Livonia announces the engagement of her daughter, Carrie, to David M. MacGillis, the son of David and Marilyn MacGillis of Pontiac.

The bride-to-be is a 1987 graduate of Garden City High School, a 1991 graduate of University of Michigan-Flint and a 1996 graduate of Central Michigan University.

Her fiancé, is a graduate of Pontiac Catholic High School and Baker College. He is employed by DaimlerChrysler.

A May wedding is planned at St. Benedict's Church of Waterford.



Smith-Cosby

Dennis and Jill Smith of Kalkaska announce the engagement of their daughter, Tammy Marie, to Jeromey Jay Cosby, the son of Rebecca Palac of Westland and Jay Cosby of Lincoln Park.

The bride-to-be is a 1997 graduate of Ferris State University with a degree in dental hygiene. She is employed as a dental hygienist by Dr. Thomas Vale in Gaylord.

Her fiancé is a 1999 graduate of Ferris State University where he majored in secondary math education and minored in coaching and physical education. He is working as an intern at Gaylord High School.



A July wedding is planned at the Methodist Church of Gaylord.

Kurzawa-Osterland

Allen Kurzawa of St. Clair Shores and Jacqueline Michalowicz of Harrison Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Anne, to Brian Karl Osterland, the son of Herb and Janet Osterland of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is at 1998 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in social work.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is employed as a teacher at Livonia Franklin High School.

An October wedding is



planned at St. Peter's Church in Fair Haven.

Furtak-Pennington

Jill Ann Furtak and David Guy Pennington were married Aug. 7 at St. Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church by the Rev. Stan Tokarski.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and April Furtak of Livonia. The groom is the son of Mark and Jeanine Pennington of Livonia.

The bride is a college student, homemaker and mother. The groom is a mechanic and the manager at Autolab.

The bride asked Kristin Kowalczyk to serve as her maid of honor, with Laura Pennington and Julie Holt as bridesmaids. Amber Rose Pennington was the flower girl.

The groom asked Jack Parmenter to serve as best man, with Brian Furtak and Doug Smith as groomsmen. Josh Shepard was the ring bearer.



The couple received guests at a reception at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Walt Disney World in Florida.

Wess-Gorman

Susan Wess of Westland announces the engagement of her daughter, Brooke Allison, to Matthew Edmond Gorman, the son of Mike and Margaret Gorman of Westland.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor of arts degree. She is employed by Andersen Consulting.

Her fiancé will receive his bachelor of arts degree from University of Michigan-Dearborn in December. He works for the City of Westland Sports Arena.

An October wedding is planned at St. Mary Catholic



Church in Wayne.

Gusfa-Kelly

James and Barbara Gusfa of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Allison, to Patrick Marc Kelly, the son of Patrick Kelly of Drummond Island and Carolyn Kelly of Rockford.

The bride-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a masters of arts degree. She is employed with Dearborn Public Schools as a speech language pathologist.

Her fiancé is self-employed as the owner of Top to Bottom Building and Contracting.

An October wedding is planned at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth.



Linja-Jamieson

Edsel and Esther Linja of Calumet announce the engagement of their daughter, Janice, to John Jamieson, the son of Carol Jamieson of Birmingham and the late John E. Jamieson.

The bride-to-be is a 1984 graduate of Garden City High School. She is employed at MSX International.

Her fiancé is a 1991 graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in jour-



nalism. An October wedding is planned at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Madison Heights.

Taube-Brown

Peggy Taube of Westland announces the engagement of her daughter, Julie Ann, to Patrick Robert Brown, the son of Dennis and Dolores Brown, also of Westland.

The bride-to-be, also the daughter of the late Anthony Taube, is a 1992 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School. She is employed by Crestwood Dodge in Garden City.

Her fiancé also is a 1992 graduate of John Glenn High School. He is employed by Richard's Tool and Die in Wixom.

An October wedding is



planned at St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne.

Rominske-Biskner

Richard and Denise Biskner of Redford announce the engagement of their son, Michael, to Audra Rominske, the daughter of Alan and Judy Rominske of Roseville.

The bride is employed at Edward Jones Investments as an office administrator.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

A February wedding is planned at Northville Christian Assembly.



NEW VOICES

Gary and Deanna Windland of Westland announce the birth of a daughter, **Shyann Elizabeth** May 3 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She joins one brother, J.R. Grandparents are Joanne Lemieux of Plymouth and Gerald and Maxine Blevins of Newark, Ark.

Steve and Gerrilynn Voss of Westland announce the birth of **Sydney Nicole** May 4 at Providence Hospital in Southfield.

She joins a sister, Kirstin Elizabeth, 21-1/2 months. Grandparents are Joan Long of Garden City and the late Theodore Sidney Long, Diane Munson of Milford and Jim and Marge Voss of Dearborn Heights.

Ken and Dawn Pyko of Plymouth announce the birth of **Benjamin Jerome** May 12 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. Grandparents are Dan and Judy Pyko of Livonia and Jerry and Jan Kowalski of Mil-

ford. Great-grandparents are Charles and Bernice Hirst of Howell and Christine Heimann of Wyandotte.

Todd and Tracy Crump of Garden City announce the birth of **Kayla Rose** June 2 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has a brother, Kyle. Grandparents are Will Crump and Beve Miller of Garden City and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Miller of St. Helen.

Joshua and Sarah Decker of

Westland announce the birth of **Rayana Marie** June 3 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Brad and Marlana Swartz of Westland and Connie Canfield of Inkster.

Shannon Filloon and Edward Weldon of Westland announce the birth of **Shawn Dylan Weldon** June 4 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Carol Weldon of Garden City and Deanna Filloon of Dearborn

Heights.

Cindy Hedger and Craig Waynick of Westland announce the birth of **Trevor Jason Dale Hedger** June 4 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Rita Hedger of Westland and Gerri Case of Redford.

Mark and Joanne Moening of Livonia announce the birth of **David Louis** June 5 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. He has three siblings - Sean, 8, Abby, 6,

and Stephen, 2. Grandparents are Cliff and Ruth Moening of Trenton and Harry and Mary Lou Phoney of Livonia.

Frederick Paul and Leandra Werner of Westland announce the birth of **Frederick Paul** June 6 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins one sister, Kara, 8. Grandparents are Jim and Susan Lauer of Westland and Ann Doman of Stuart, Fla.

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We're excited to be a top 100 cardiovascular hospital. At the heart of it all, there's Oakwood Hospital. Recently we were named one of the top 100 cardiovascular hospitals in the country. And one of only 34 hospital systems in the nation recognized for both Cardiac Bypass Surgery and Coronary Angioplasty. Of course, we've always had a proven record of quality care, education, screenings and top doctors and nurses in the metro Detroit area. Now, the whole country knows it too. Call Oakwood at 800.543.WELL for your own screening today, so tomorrow the beat will go on. We know you by heart.



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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND WESTLAND

UPCOMING EVENTS

WESTLAND DEMS

State Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem Township, will speak to the Westland Democratic Club 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28. Topics include the 2000 election, government priorities, and a program called HELP, which would provide tuition to certain community college students. The club meets at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey, one block east of Venoy between Palmer and Michigan; 422-5863 or 729-62481. Smith represents State Senate District 18 in Washtenaw County; the district includes Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti.

PSC MEETS HERE

The Michigan Public Service Commission holds a "consumer forum" 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, at city hall. A brief presentation on current changes in the utility industry will be followed by a public comment session. Among the issues: the changing regulatory environment, customer choice in electric and natural gas industries, telephone industry changes, quality of service, billing problems and power outages.

ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

The Academy of Detroit Westland at 300 Henry Ruff will hold its third annual open house and spaghetti dinner 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30. Dinner items have been donated by local businesses. About 320 kids attend the academy in grades K-6; classes started Aug. 23, and there are expected openings for second semester. Student work to date will be on display.

RAILRODIANA

Those interested can buy and swap toys and trains noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, at Sts. Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland. For table registration, call Norm at (734) 595-8327 5-11 p.m. Pre-registered tables are \$12, tables at the door, if available, are \$20. Admission is \$2 per person, \$4 per family.

ROAD RALLY

Mothers Against Drunk Driving's Wayne County Chapter will hold its second annual Road Rally 2:30-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, starting at Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 Merriman, between Warren Road and Hines Drive in Westland. Price is \$40 per couple for the "Not Your Average Road Rally Fund-raiser." An auction will be held at the end. All proceeds will support Wayne County MADD. For information, call (734) 721-8181.

AT THE LIBRARY

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY
The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library group meets at 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. Friends also holds a book sale during regular library hours at the library.

WESTLAND CENTER

WALKERS
The Westland Walkers meet the second Wednesday of each month, except during the summer. Westland Center, Wayne and Warren roads, opens its doors to walkers beginning

7 a.m. at Arcade 2 by Olga's Kitchen. Mall walking ends 10 a.m.

RECREATION

RECREATION AND FUN
A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is held the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. Call (734) 722-7620.

FIGURE SKATING

Figure skaters interested in USFSA Synchronized (Precision) Skating are needed to build Novi FSC and Westland FSC joint venture teams. Prior team experience not necessary. This is an opportunity to build skating and team skills while having fun. For information, call Cheryl Gutowski at (734) 427-0305.

VOLUNTEERS

ASSISTED LIVING

Marquette House assisted living facility, 38000 Campus Drive, Westland, seeks volunteers to spend time with residents to provide an activity or a one-on-one visit. Call Peggy in the activities department, (734) 326-6537.

ANGEL CARE

Angel Care, a volunteer organization, is looking for volunteers to sew, crochet, knit, etc., blankets and burial gowns to donate to local hospitals for infants who die. Contact Mary Piontek for patterns and information, (313) 634-6496.

VETERAN'S HAVEN

Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate donation program. Donations are tax-deductible. For information, call (734) 728-0527.

SCHOOLS

SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S
Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in its 2-year-old toddler-parent class on Friday mornings; 3-year-old class Monday and Wednesday mornings; and the 4-year-old class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Classes run from September to May. Parents are required to help out at the school. All classes are in the Newburg United Methodist Church on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh. For more information, call April at (734) 622-8469.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an early intervention program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a pre-primary impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 595-2660.

LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

The Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool for ages 3-4, is at 9601 Hubbard. Parents learn with their children. Enrollment is limited. For information, call Karen at (734) 522-3714.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in 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 located at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. Call (734) 728-

Opinions wanted



Congresswoman: U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, will hold a public forum on the issue of school vouchers this Saturday at the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency's Center (annex building) in Wayne, 33500 Van Born Road, from 10 a.m. to noon. You can reach her locally at (734) 485-3741.

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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 meet 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 located at 26279 Michigan in Inkster. Call (313) 561-4110.

CHARTER SCHOOL

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

LITTLE PEOPLES

Livonia Little Peoples Co-op Preschool is now enrolling for the fall in programs for 3- and 4-year-olds. For more information, call (734) 422-1176.

LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is accepting registration for the 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. Call (248) 471-2077.

GARFIELD CO-OP

Garfield Cooperative Preschool offers programs for children 18 months to 5 years. It is located at Cass Elementary, 34633

Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road in Livonia. Call (734) 462-0135.

BUILDING BLOCKS

Building Blocks Preschool in Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman in Livonia, has morning and afternoon classes for 3- and 4-year-olds. A prekindergarten readiness class for 5-year-olds and a parent/child toddler class for 2-year-olds are offered. Call (734) 421-7359 for registration information for the 1999-2000 school year.

FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High PTSA is seeking members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and community. Members need not 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.

ADULT LITERACY

An adult literacy program is being offered free at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center. Volunteers are being sought who are interested in tutoring children and adults 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. For Adult Literacy enrollment or additional information, 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 9-11:30 a.m. every Thursday at Newburg United Methodist Church, on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh, Livonia. 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.

HISTORIC

FERRINSVILLE

The historic Perrinsville one-room school opens to the public 1-4 p.m. on the last Sunday of each month through September. People are welcome to come and visit the renovated 1856 schoolhouse at Warren and Cowan roads, west of Merriman in Westland.

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. Call President Jim Franklin at (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

FOR SENIORS

HEARING CHECKS

Every third Tuesday of each month, a representative from Personalized Hearing Care of Westland will check and clean hearing aids free from 2-3 p.m. by appointment only. Call (734) 722-7632 for more information.

DINNER AND SHOW

A trip to dinner and the play "Titanic" is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 23. Cost is \$85. Arrive at the Friendship Center at 4 p.m., eat at Three Brothers Restaurant at 5 p.m., arrive at Detroit Opera House at 7:30 p.m. Play starts at 8 p.m. Return to center at 11:30 p.m. Call (734) 722-7632.

SENIOR CHOIR

A Friendship Senior Choir, under the direction of Robert Cassidy, meets 9 a.m. Thursdays at the Westland Senior Resources Department Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Anyone who enjoys singing may join.

EXERCISE

Musical Chairs is a new program from Jazzercise designed for exercisers older than 40. The program provides a low-to-moderate workout for the older adult. The exercise 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 1 p.m. two Fridays a month 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 an \$8 membership fee for Westland residents. Call (734) 722-7632.

MONTHLY MEAL/DANCE

The Wayne Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal for people 50 and older 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 elderly people 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 work in. 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 held 1 p.m. every Wednesday in Hall A of the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh. Instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632.

CLUBS IN ACTION

WESTLAND ROTARY

The Westland Rotary Club meets 12:15 p.m. Thursdays at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt in Westland.

SWEET ADELINES

The County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International is looking for women who love to sing. The group sings a cappella music in barbershop style. Rehearsals are 7 p.m. Tuesdays at UAW Local 898 at 8975 Textile, Ypsilanti. For more information, call Paula at (734) 995-4110.

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 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland. Call Jackie at (734) 722-7225.

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M153 meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at OptiEyes, Westland Super Vision Center, 35184 Central City Parkway, Westland. Call (734) 427-5200. Leader, Michele, (734) 422-1726; secretary, Karen, (734) 720-6368.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club No. 6694 (formerly Holy Smokemasters) teaches public speaking at the club's weekly meetings 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road next to Westland Shopping Center. Call John Elbe at (734) 326-5419.

BINGO

DEMS' BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in the M.J. Hall, 35412 Michigan, next to the Farmer Jack Supermarket in Wayne. Call (734) 421-1517.

MORE DEMS' BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party holds bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Cherry Hill Hall, on the southwest corner of Cherry Hill and Venoy. Call (734) 421-1517.

ST. MEL CHURCH

Bingo games are held 6:45 p.m. Fridays in St. Mel Church's activities building, on Inkster Road north of Warren Road. Doors open 4 p.m. Food is available.

WFCL BINGO

The Finesse Girls Travel Softball Boosters hold bingo games at 6:30-9:45 p.m. every Monday to raise money for the girls' softball programs. The bingo games are at the Wayne Ford Civic League hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford, Westland.

MORE BINGO

The Metro Wayne Democratic Club sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Joy Manor Bingo Hall, on the south side of Joy east of Middlebelt in Westland. Proceeds are used by the club to sponsor Little League baseball teams, the Salvation Army and School for the Blind. Call (734) 422-5025 or (734) 729-8681.

SMOKELESS BINGO

"Smokeless" bingo meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Sts. Simon and Jude Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy in Westland. Offered are three jackpots of \$400, \$300 and \$200.

K-OF-C BINGO

Pope John XXIII Assembly of the Knights of Columbus Council 1536 hosts bingo games at 6:45 p.m. Thursdays. The games are in the Livonia Elks Lodge, 31117 Plymouth Road, one block east of Merriman in Livonia. Call (734) 425-2246.

FOR YOUR HEALTH

ALZHEIMER'S GROUP

The Marquette House Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, at 36000 Campus Drive, Westland. The group is open to families and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's disease. For information, call (734) 326-6537.

GRIEF RECOVERY

A grief recovery series is being offered by the Friendship Center in cooperation with Hospice of Michigan. The purpose of the six-week series is to provide people who are grieving with an understanding of what they may experience and to offer a safe place to express grief. The group will meet at 10:30 a.m. to noon Wednesdays, beginning Oct. 6 to Nov. 10, at the Westland Friendship Center conference room. To sign up or for information, call (734) 722-7632.

CALENDAR FORM

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 734-593-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

Event:
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Use additional sheet if necessary

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.

BICYCLE RIDE

Jim King, youth minister for St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church in Livonia, will bicycle with other members of the parish from the Mackinac Bridge to Grand Haven Friday-Sunday, Sept. 24-26, to raise money for underprivileged children to attend a two-week Christian summer camp program in Ligonier, Pa. The riders plan to complete the 265-mile ride in three days.

"Involving children in Christian camping programs is vital," said the Rev. George Shaloub of St. Mary Church. "Not only does camp provide an experience that will last a lifetime, but at camp, the children learn Christian principles and are given tools to go out and live a Christian life in a world that many times sends a non-Christian message."

People interested in contributing to the fund-raiser can call King at (734) 422-0010. Checks, earmarked for the Bike Fund, can be sent to St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18100 Merriman, Livonia 48152. All donations are tax deductible.

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Edith Catholic Church will have an American Red Cross blood drive 2-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, in the church hall, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Walk-ins welcome.

FULL IMPACT

Crossfire Youth Ministry will present the feats of strength of Full Impact 6-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at New Life Ministries, 1075 Veno Road, Garden City. Full Impact can rip Detroit telephone books in half, bend an inch of steel in half and break concrete karate-style while lighting the fire to invade the darkness. For more information, call New Life ministries at (734) 421-0476.

RUMMAGE SALE

St. John Episcopal Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, in the parking lot of the church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Spaces are available and cost \$20. For more information, call the church office at (734) 721-5023 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Aldersgate United Methodist Women will have their annual fall rummage sale 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the church 10000 Beech Daly, Redford. There will be a white elephant sale, kitchen equipment, small appliances, toys and books in Wesley Hall. Clothing of all sizes will be available in the Fellowship Hall, with special women's garments in the

boutique section. Proceeds will be used for church and district missionary projects.

PARISH MISSION

St. Theodore Catholic Church will have a parish mission Saturday-Wednesday, Sept. 25-29, at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The theme of "Year of Favor" will be presented by speaker and preacher of the word the Rev. Dennis Theroux. For more information, call the church at (734) 425-4421.

MOMS SALE

Newburg United Methodist Church will have a Mom to Mom Sale 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For information, call (734) 422-0149.

POLISH DINNER

St. Mel's Women's Club will host a Polish dinner 5-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, in the Activity Building, 7506 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. There will be entertainment and a Share the Wealth raffle. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under age 12. They're available by calling Rose Hibsky at (734) 422-4461 or Rose Panetta at (313) 278-7589.

HOMECOMING SUNDAY

The First United Methodist Church of Garden City will celebrate Homecoming Sunday on Sept. 26 with a worship service at 10:45 a.m. at the church, 6443 Merriman Road. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Robert C. Grigereit who was pastor of the church from 1976 to 1987. A pot luck meal will follow the service. Church school will be at 9:30 a.m.

Friends and former members are invited to come for worship and fellowship. Please bring a dish to share at the pot luck. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-8628.

FALL REVIVAL

Plymouth Church of the Nazarene will have a fall revival 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, and at 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 27-29, at the church 45801 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

The Rev. Mike Adams of Orlando, Fla., will present the truth in a style that is exciting, sometimes funny and thought provoking. Dave and Charlene Adams of Newcastle, Ind., will provide the special music. For more information, call the church at (734) 453-1525.

"WITHOUT VIOLENCE"

"Without Violence" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, by the Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 3177 at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia. The program will include a video that demonstrates what people have done to reduce or control the amount of violence in their

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St. Raphael holds parish mission

The Rev. Michael Sullivan of the Augustinian Preaching Apostolate at Villanova University will conduct a parish mission at St. Raphael's Catholic Church of Garden City Sunday-Wednesday, Sept. 26-29.

The title and theme of the mission will be "A Parish Retreat: a Time of Grace." Sullivan will preach at Masses at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, and at 8 and 10 a.m. and noon Sunday to start the mission begins. The church is on Merriman, one block north of Ford.

The 59-year-old priest conducts missions at parishes throughout the country for 40 weeks yearly. and, according to Jim Haughton in a recent article in "The Catholic Standard and Times," Sullivan is "a priestly spellbinder who can catch, grab and hold a congregation for a half hour or 90 minutes with his



Rev. Michael Sullivan

mission sermons." Missions that usually ran for a week were part of many Catholic parishes until after World War

II but practically disappeared with Vatican Council II in the mid 1960s.

"They didn't know what to preach anymore," Sullivan said. "Part of my impetus was seeing preachers on TV and having Catholics listening to them. No one was reaching them in the Church."

Fear is not part of Sullivan's mission talk approach. He would rather draw parishioners with solid religion, common sense and wit.

His mission schedule, Sullivan said, concentrates on the seven Sacraments. "To Be Born Again" is the topic of the first night and concentrates on Baptism, Confirmation, the power of the Spirit.

On the second night, Sullivan will speak of the healing love of Jesus operating within people.

The topic of the third evening is "The Call to Be Church." The

Catholic Church was built on St. Peter "and his kind" - that is, equally imperfect men and women through the centuries.

The final evening will stress fidelity and commitment - "Our Response to Christ's Call."

Sullivan received a bachelor's degree from Villanova University and master's degree in theology from Augustinian College. He did graduate work at Catholic University of America and also received a master's degree in counseling from St. John's University.

He was ordained to the priesthood in 1967 and spent eight years in parish ministry. He was a member of the executive board of Worldwide Marriage Encounter and was appointed in 1980 to full-time retreat work and parish renewal preaching.

For more information, call St. Raphael's Parish Center at (734) 427-1533.

Christ Our Savior recognizes grandparents

Puppen fur Christus (Puppets for Christ) of St. Lorenz Lutheran Church in Frankenmuth will present a Christian program during the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services Sunday, Sept. 26, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The puppet ministry team will present the Gospel of Jesus Christ through skits and songs as a part of Grandparents Sunday at the church.

Puppen fur Christus started with five puppeteers in 1981 and has grown to 14 teen and adult puppeteers today. Since its start, it has given more than 630 presentations, worship services or workshops.

The puppet team also has participated in four Michigan and

two national youth gatherings, at the Bethesda Lutheran Home and the 1994 North American Lutheran Sunday School Convention.

On Grandparents Sunday, the church recognizes and affirms the importance of grandparent and grandchild relationships in personal and spiritual growth. All grandparents present for the service will receive a gift.

A special gift will be given to the parent with the most grandchildren and great-grandchildren with him or her at each service.

A light Bible breakfast will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the gymnasium and a refreshment and fellowship time in the church lobby will follow the 11 a.m. service. Grandparents Day also will be



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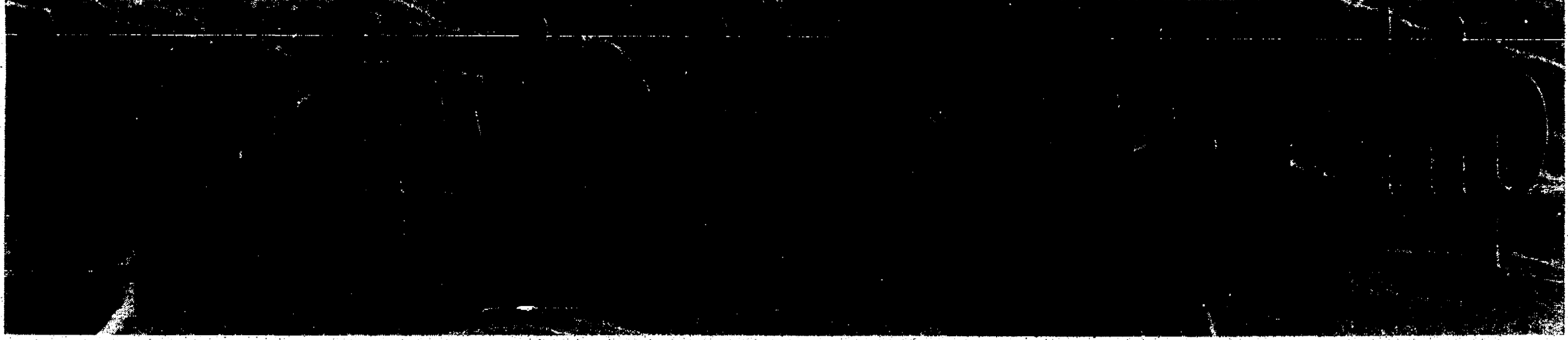
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Actor Frank Runyeon will present the "Sermon on the Mount" in a new setting at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon Road, Canton. There is a \$5 admission charge. Runyeon will present the sermon as told by Matthew to the church in Antioch shortly after the Roman Army had burned Jerusalem to the ground.

Runyeon received his bachelor of arts degree in religion from Princeton University and studied at Fuller Seminary and Yale Divinity School before receiving



Frank Runyeon

his master's degree with honors from the General Theological Seminary.

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For more information about the performance, call the church at (734) 459-3333.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church of Westland will celebrate its 50th anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 26. Bishop Robert Rimbo will be the guest preacher at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Prince of Peace began as a

mission congregation of the American Lutheran Church and held its first service in the auditorium of Wayne High School. Fifty-seven people attended. Later, services were held in the basement of the Hearststone Inn and American Legion Hall.

The Rev. Lennis Heins was installed to serve the congregation and on Sept. 26, 1949, a meeting was held to adopt a constitution and select a name.

The first building at Michigan Avenue and Fourth Street in Wayne was dedicated on Nov. 25, 1951. Following a study of the congregation's future needs, a 10-acre site was purchased on Palmer Road. On Sept. 26, 1971, the congregation's 22nd anniversary, ground was broken for the current building, which was dedicated on Sept. 10, 1972.

In addition to Heins, other pastors called to serve include Carl Beyer in 1953, Robert Brown in 1960, James Beckham in 1967, Larry Rorem in 1978 and David Bonde in 1990.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United Suburban Detroit-West will have a carry-in salad luncheon 12:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at St. Matthew United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Participants should bring one salad for each three persons attending from their church.

Espranza Barcelona, associate director of the Ecumenical Campus Center in Ann Arbor, will speak. Donations of soap and eyeglasses will be collected for World Medical Relief.

Child care reservations are required and can be made through Sept. 27 by calling Arlene Younker at (734) 425-1466.

Felician Sisters conduct Marian Rally in Livonia

Inspired by Pope John Paul II's references to the approaching end to the second Christian Millennium, the Felician Sisters will sponsor a Marian Rally Sunday, Sept. 26, on the grounds of the Provincial House, 36800 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

The rally will begin with a Eucharistic celebration at noon at the Presentation Provincial House chapel, with the Rev. Robert Haener, Angela Hospice chaplain, as the celebrant and homilist.

The Rev. Joseph Mallia of St. Kenneth Parish in Plymouth Township will preside over the

devotional service at the Czeszochowa Shrine at 1:30 p.m.

The Rev. Michael Daly, chaplain at the Presentation Provincial House, will lead the rosary during the procession to the Fatima Shrine, while the Rev. Howard Vogan of St. Genevieve Parish in Livonia, will preside at the devotional service at the shrine.

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Deadline nears for Women of Achievement Awards

Tickets are now on sale for The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Women of Achievement annual awards luncheon to be held Friday, Nov. 5, at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn. Individual tickets are priced at \$25 each and are available through Oct. 15 by sending a check, payable to the YWCA, to the agency at 26279 Michigan Ave., Inkster 48141. The mistress of ceremonies will be Monica Gayle of WJBK-FOX 2. The guest speaker will be

Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm. A 1997 recipient of a Women in Achievement Award, Granholm was a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office and the youngest person appointed as the Wayne County Corporation Counsel. Granholm was the first woman elected state attorney general in November 1998 and the first new state attorney general in 37 years. The luncheon is an annual tradition that recognizes western

Wayne County women who have made outstanding contributions to business and the community. Nominations can be made in six categories through Friday, Sept. 24. Completed forms must be received by the YWCA by 5 p.m. that day. They can be mailed or hand-delivered to the Y's Michigan Avenue office or faxed at (313) 561-7344. The six categories are: Arts/communications - A woman who has excelled in the arts, media or public relations,

including such fields as visual, literary and performing arts, journalism, television and radio. Business/industry - A woman who has exhibited outstanding abilities and accomplishments as an entrepreneur or at the technical/professional, management or executive level. Government/Law - A woman who has provided exceptional leadership in government or the legal profession, either in an elected or career capacity. Professions - A woman who

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tomorrow's woman. Nominations should include a narrative (one page maximum) about the candidate's qualities of leadership, areas of achievement, past and present and demonstrated commitment to improving western Wayne County through work-related and/or volunteer activities, and a resume or other biographical information (maximum of two pages). For more information, call the YWCA at (313) 561-4100.

Voices from page B3

Dena Marie Holden and Matthew George Bitzer of Westland announce the birth of Gage Matthew Bitzer June 7 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Anita Long, Jon Long, William Gale and Georgia Carter. Tamara Brazell and Bud Minor of Wayne announce the birth of Chelsea Rae June 7 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Siblings include Skyler, 3, and Crystal, 8. Grandparents are Georgia and Bennie Brazell of Dearborn Heights and Paula and Mike Bradbury of Livonia. Michael and Jill Greener of

Livonia announce the birth of Dakota Colton June 7 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Jim Clark, Arlene Clark and Jerry Greener. Great-grandparents are Olga Clark and Helen Greener. Greg and Lisa Marshall of Canton announce the birth of Alexander James and Grant Gary June 8 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Ed and Sandy Pitman of Dearborn, Gary and Lee Marshall of Westland and James and Kristine Gregg of Bloomfield Hills. Great-grandparents are Ben and Ruth Neuman of Dearborn, Al and Kay Abraham of Redford and Grant and Erma

Padgett of Westland. Scott and Irma McCloskey of Canton announce the birth of Alexandra Marie June 11 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Ramon and Alejandra Escobar and William and Gerry McCloskey, all of Garden City. Bill and Debbie Beaudoin of Westland announce the birth of Andrew Joseph June 13 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins a brother, Jacob, 3. Grandparents are Mel and Marge Tockstein of Westland and Anne Beaudoin of Amherstberg, Ontario, Canada. Mark and Cheryl Betke of

Westland announce the birth of Aaron Michael Christopher June 14 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins siblings Lauren and Dillon. Grandparents are Robert and Sharon Kidd of Wayne, Ed Betke of Westland and the late Joan Betke. Melanie and Bradley Bates of Garden City announce the birth of Serena Nicole June 15 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins siblings Bradley II, 6, and Griffin, 2. Grandparents are Dan and Mae O'Guin, Shelley Pack and Jackie and Ed Bates.

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Community Hospice and Home Care Services Inc. has expanded its services to people living in western Wayne, eastern Washtenaw and southern Oakland counties. For 18 years, the not-for-profit agency has been providing compassionate care for terminally ill patients and their family. It is now providing that same care to people recovering from or disabled by an illness or injury or chronically ill. Clients must be homebound and in need of intermittent skilled nursing and/or therapy. The services available are diag-

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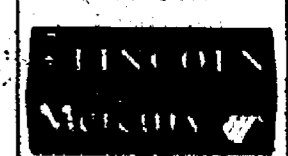
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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Twisters post shutout

The Wayne County Twisters got two touchdowns throwing and one rushing from Rob Elswick, and their defense did the rest as they blanked the Black Swamp Patriots 20-0 Saturday at Academy of Detroit HS.

The win pushed the Twisters' record to 6-2, guaranteeing them a spot in the Lakeshore Football League playoffs next month.

Two first-half touchdowns gave the Twisters a 14-0 lead at the half. A 4-yard Elswick-to-Jerome Drake, and the first of two extra-point placements by Chuck Petitpas (from Livonia), resulted in the Twisters' first points.

Then with two minutes left in the half, Deon Perry intercepted a pass near midfield and returned it to the Patriots' 38-yard line. Two plays later, Elswick tossed a 35-yard scoring pass to Derrick Jordan to make it 14-0.

Elswick got the final score, capping a nine-play drive with a 1-yard sneak in the fourth quarter.

Perry was one of several defensive standouts, collecting four tackles, two sacks and an interception. Mark Wetmore (Garden City) made his first start at free safety and had six tackles to lead the Twisters; Mark Bennetts (Westland) had five and Bob Pensari (Canton), Ron Andrews, Nick Bellovary (Garden City) and James Chapman (Plymouth) added four tackles apiece.

Defensively, the Twisters limited the Pats to 145 total yards.

Phil Graca (Westland), Damien Howard, Bob Hagelthorn (Westland), Ken Szianski (Wayne) and Chuck Sikora opened up holes for a bevy of Twister running backs. Randy Maniqualt led the way with 52 yards rushing; Lamar Spalding (Westland) had 40 and Elswick had 39.

The Twisters travel to play the Fremont Stallions Saturday. They return to action 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2 at Academy of Detroit (formerly Inkster Cherry Hill HS) to take on the Motor City Cougars.

Collegiate notes

•Northern Michigan University starting junior offensive tackle **Marc Dugas** (Westland John Glenn) did not play in a 14-10 loss Saturday to Ashland after suffering a foot injury in practice last week. The 6-3, 306-pound Dugas is expected to miss several games. NMU is 0-2 and 0-1 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

•Oakland University is off to a 4-1 start in men's soccer with goalkeeper **Mike Skolnik** (Livonia Churchill) notched consecutive shutouts in wins over Central Florida (4-0) and Xavier (2-0) at the Global Soccer Classic in Orlando, Fla. Skolnik, who made seven saves in 180 minutes, now has four shutouts on the year.

•University of Detroit Mercy junior **Jim Gréwe** (Livonia Stevenson) posted his first shutout of the year and senior **Matt Quinter** (Stevenson) had an assist in the Titans' 4-0 win last week over Western Michigan University. Senior midfielder **Nick Deren** (Stevenson) had UDM's lone goal on a pass from Quinter in a 5-1 loss to Drury (Neb.).

Detroit is 2-6 on the season heading into Wednesday's matchup with Wright State.

•Detroit senior **Laura Pilon** (Stevenson) finished 29th in the National Catholic Championships for women's cross country last weekend with a time of 19:18. UDM finished fourth out of 33 schools.

Livonia golfers 4th

Livonia finished fourth out of eight women's teams at the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association Adult Golf State Tournament Sept. 18 at Whispering Willows.

Jackson captured the team title with 363 followed by Battle Creek (374), Wyoming (378), Livonia (385), St. Clair Shores (392), Dearborn (408), Dearborn Heights (415) and Wayne (425).

Jan Wiltse of Battle Creek was medalist with an 83.

Nancy Noechel of Livonia was one stroke off the pace with an 84. Other Livonia scorers included Gail McLaren (96), Mary Fraudson (102), Bonnie Wood and Carol Johns (103 each).

Razor-sharp Blazers smash state champs

62-32 victory over Marian

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Maybe we haven't seen the last of Hurricane Floyd.

Defending state Class A girls basketball champion Birmingham Marian should have evacuated the Livonia Ladywood gym early Tuesday night because the host Blazers did some huge damage, storming out to a 15-1 lead en route to a 62-32 victory in the Catholic League Central Division opener for both teams.

It also ended years of frustration for Ladywood (6-1 overall), which notched its first win over Marian since 1992.

"We were pretty fired up to start league schedule," Ladywood fourth-year coach Andrea Gorski said. "We wanted to get our full-court defense going early because we feed off it. Usually we get a couple of steals and once we make some baskets, we're that much more confident."

Ladywood, led by the Harakas sisters, Melissa (No. 35) and Michelle (No. 45), hit its first six shots to open a 14-point lead.

Marian closed the gap to five, 23-18, midway through the second quarter on a basket by Amber Mazza, but the Mustangs never got closer.

Jen Hunley's three-point hoop with 13 seconds left gave Ladywood a 34-22 halftime advantage.

By the time the third quarter had finished, Ladywood guard Kristen Barnes hit consecutive triples and the Blazers were in total command, leading 47-26.

The Blazers, switching defenses throughout the night, held Marian to 10 second-half points.

For Marian, which dropped to 4-3 overall, it was a Category Five defeat. It looked much like the losses the Mustangs suffered earlier this season against Flint Northern and Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day.

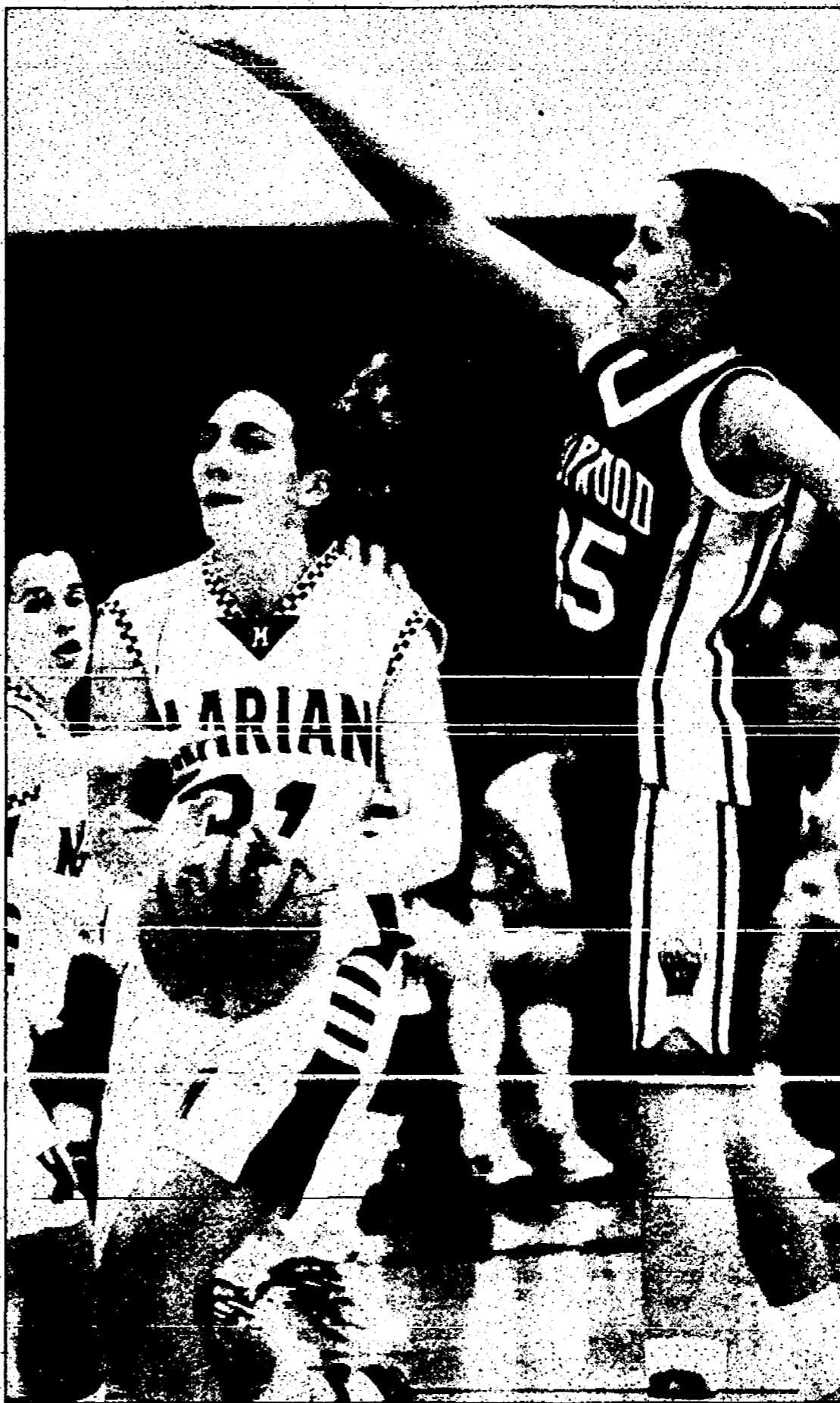
"We're not as bad as we looked," Mary Lillie-Cicerone said. "But it sure looked bad. The last time I remember them beating us is when they had Tara Overaitis (now at Toledo). I guess they had it all bottled up tonight."

Ladywood, which has won six straight since a season-opening loss to Flint Powers, the top-ranked team in Class B, shot a blistering 15 of 24 from the floor in the opening half (62 percent) and 26 of 53 for the game (49 percent).

Marian, which had trouble finishing shots off inside, made 13 of 46 from the field for 28 percent. The Mustangs also committed 23 turnovers.

"Ladywood was very, very ready to play because they hadn't beaten us in a long time," Cicerone said. "They executed well and shot the ball well. They were intense offensively and defensively."

"We'd break the press, but then we didn't make any puppies (layups). And that gets frustrating for your defense. We'd make a great play and blow a layup, and then you'd see the defense



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Closing in: Ladywood's Michelle Harakas (right) comes in from behind to block an attempt by Marian's Amber Mazza.

let down."

Melissa Harakas, a 5-foot-9 junior, had 17 points and four assists. Michelle, a 6-1 junior who brought the ball up court against Marian's press, contributed 13 points, 12 rebounds and four assists.

"We feel Michelle can beat any post player down the court one-on-one situation," Gorski said. "And she developed a good left-handed shot midway through last year. She's very confident going up with both hands."

"Melissa is just more offensive minded this year. She's always been a great defensive player, but she's developed a mid-range jump shot and can take a few dribbles and go up with her shot."

All told, nine different players scored. The Blazers also nailed six three-pointers with Barnes and Brianna Watson getting two apiece.

"We had different players step it up off the bench, it was a good team effort," Gorski said. "We also did a real

good job getting rebounds and giving them only once chance at the basket."

Marian's only scorer in double figures was 5-10 senior Crystal Andrews (11), one of the few holdovers from last year's state championship team.

"Our goal was to make her take outside shots and not beat us to the basket because she (Andrews) is so quick," Gorski said. "We didn't want her to take it into the paint and let her pass off because she's so good at doing it."

The schedule doesn't get any easier for Ladywood, which travels Friday to state-ranked Dearborn Divine Child.

"There are no easy games in our division, so we have to play it one game at a time," Gorski said. "Last year we thought we were better, but right now we're much more confident."

For Marian, it's "back to the drawing board," according to Cicerone.

"We need a leader to step up and keep us in it mentally," she said. "We don't have that right now."



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Extended

Going for broke: Livonia Franklin's No. 2 singles player Lauren Kuzmanovich stretches out for the volley attempt during Monday's dual meet encounter with Livonia Churchill. The Patriots fell to the Chargers, 8-0. For a roundup of area girls tennis matches, see page C4.

Harrison forfeits 2 grid wins

Hawks' playoff bid in jeopardy

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Farmington Harrison has been a perennial participant in the high school football playoffs, but the Hawks might be spectators this year.

The two-time defending state champion's post-season aspirations were dealt a blow when it learned it would have to forfeit two victories for using an ineligible player.

The Hawks, who had won their last three games after losing the season opener to Oxford, are 1-3 instead of 3-1.

The ineligible player, whom Harrison coach John Herrington described as a fourth-string fullback, played the last play of a 35-12 victory over Walled Lake Central and the final six plays of a 56-6 rout of Livonia Churchill the next week.

The player was deemed ineligible, because he hadn't earned enough credits during the second semester of last school year.

Students take six hours of classes and are required to pass four to be eligible. His transcript indicated two failures, and it was assumed he had failed two one-hour classes, according to Herrington.

A secretary in the Harrison office was reviewing transcripts last week and discovered one of the failing grades was in a two-hour class, meaning the player in question had received only three hours of credit instead of four.

After being informed of the situation a week ago, Herrington and his coaches reviewed game film to determine for certain if the player had played. He didn't play Friday in a 38-7 win over Northville.

Herrington officially informed the Michigan High School Athletic Association of the violation Monday as expected under terms of the honor system used by the MHSAA.

Herrington said he was "sick to my stomach" when he learned about the forfeitures. Nothing like this has happened in his 37 years of coaching football in Farmington — the last 30 as the only head coach in Harrison history, he added.

"My thought was 'What is it going to do to the seniors,' because I know there's no gray area with the state," Herrington said. "It's black and white. If you play an ineligible player, you forfeit."

Herrington said he informed his players of the situation before practice Monday.

"They were stunned and very, very upset," he said, "but kids bounce back great. I told them it's going to hurt for a while, but we have to put it behind us and move on."

"We had a very good practice. They made the coaches feel a lot better by going out and practicing hard. (The coaches) couldn't feel any lower, because we feel we let them down."

"The bottom line is it's my responsibility to make sure everyone is eligible, and I didn't follow up on it. I had not personally checked the list."

Aside from the death of Shawn Mayberry two years ago, Herrington said he hasn't had a lower moment in his coaching career.

"Obviously, that was worse, when you lose a young man," Herrington said. "But this is more devastating than any loss we had, because the kids didn't lose it on the field. They didn't have anything to do with it."

Under a new playoff format instituted this year, every team with a 6-3 record will qualify, but that means the Hawks must win all five of their remaining games.

Harrison must win Oct. 1 at

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Prognosticator needs insight from the Shadow

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I need some counseling. I need some help. How am I going to make up a four-game difference now against my vaunted opponent, the lucky Irishman (Dan O'Meara)?

The guy takes Thursday and Friday nights off and goes 13-0 on his picks. He's now 51-8 on the season.

I slipped to 10-3 last week and now I'm 47-12.

This weekend is the Ryder Cup and Mark O'Meara (no relation to Dan as far as golf; that's for sure) will be defending our country's honor.

Not to sound unpatriotic, but maybe it's time for a dual O'Meara slipup. You know, this Mark O'Meara has been known to choke in the Ryder, so maybe his cousin Dan will follow suit on his grid picks.

I know, I'll consult my Canton

e-mail buddy, better known as the "Shadow." He congratulated both of us on last week's picks and said he eats down-ups for breakfast. He's always smelling victory for the Chiefs.

So what's up for this week's Canton-Walled Lake Western battle, Shadow?

Give me your best insight (remember, don't set any point spreads or yardage figures.)

Will the world wide web of intrigue continue this week?

Here is a look at this weekend's action:

FRIDAY GAMES

(all at 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Farmington (3-1, 2-0) at John Glenn (4-0, 2-0), 7 p.m.: Farmington struggled last week to beat North Farmington, 21-13, while Glenn subdued winless Walled Lake Central, 27-0. Glenn is used to playing in big games, but now it's Farmington's turn as well. The game pits two fine backs — quar-

GRID PICKS

terback Grant Weber of the Falcons and tailback Eric Jones of Glenn. Neither team has demonstrated a passing game this season. Will that be the trump card? **PICKS:** Glenn stays unbeaten.

Wayne (0-4, 0-3) at Belleville (4-0, 2-0), 7 p.m.: The banged up Zebras have lost four games by a total of 36 points against some pretty formidable competition. They are also playing without two top linemen, Mike Shaw and Jerrard James. Belleville, coming off a 20-0 victory over Lincoln Park, leads the Mega Red Conference with quarterback Kevin Harrison leading the way. **PICKS:** The Tigers keep purring.

Garden City (4-0, 3-0) at Taylor Truman (2-2, 2-1), 7 p.m.: The Cougars, led by tailback Mike Sparks, passed another test last week by beating Redford Union, 20-3. This week will be another test as Truman is coming

off a 52-13 demolishing of Woodhaven as Erick Hicks rushed for 169 yards and three TDs. Linebacker Lee Willmuth also made 19 tackles and returned two interceptions for touchdowns. The Cougars beat Woodhaven the week before, 12-8. **PICKS:** Truman throws a slight wrench into GC's season.

Wyandotte (2-2, 1-2) at Redford Union (0-4, 0-3), 7 p.m.: At this time last year RU was on top of its game with a 4-0 record, but with a gimpy Mike Macek and a jump up to the Mega-White, life has not been kind to the Panthers in 1999. Wyandotte, which dropped to the Mega-White from the Red Division this year, is coming off a 21-14 loss to Dearborn Edsel Ford. **PICKS:** Wyandotte stops RU.

Luth. Westland (0-4, 0-3) at Liv. Clarenceville (4-0, 3-0): The Trojans defeated Borgess last week in a penalty-filled game, 22-8, with sophomore Tim Shaw breaking the 100-yard mark for the fourth straight game. Clarenceville is smelling a playoff

berth, while Lutheran Westland, a 38-12 loser last week to winless Harper Woods Lutheran East, trying to break a 13-game losing skid. **PICKS:** Clarenceville all the way in the Metro Conference game.

Northville (1-3, 0-2) at Liv. Churchill (2-2, 1-1): Something has to give in this WLLA-Western Division encounter. Northville, playing a brutal opening four games, was no match for Farmington Hills Harrison last week, falling 38-7, while Churchill ran into a formidable Canton club, losing 34-13. **PICKS:** It's the Mustangs who gallop to victory.

W.L. Western (4-0, 2-0) at Ply. Canton (3-1, 2-0): This is a really good test for Canton, which is making strides under coach Tim Baechler. Speedy Western probably has two of the better defensive backs in the WLLA in Lorenzo Parker, who has committed to Vanderbilt, and 6-1, 190-pound James King, another Division I prospect. Canton has to eliminate the big play, especially on special teams and work the clock. **PICKS:** The Shadow smells an upset, but Emons likes e-mail so he goes with Western.

Ply. Salem (0-4, 0-2) at W.L. Central (1-3, 0-2): No playoffs this year for either side it appears. Salem was no match last week for unbeaten Livonia Stevenson, falling 31-7. Central's spread offense couldn't muster 100 yards against undefeated Westland John Glenn. **PICKS:** Get out the coin, it's Salem in overtime.

Bishop Borgess (2-2, 0-0) at H.W. Bishop Gallagher (3-1, 1-0): It's the Tri-Sectional opener for Borgess, which couldn't overcome a slew of penalties in a 22-8 non-league loss to Livonia Clarenceville. Gallagher, led by wide receiver and defensive back Markus Curry (committed to Michigan), routed Allen Park Cabrini last week, 43-0 as Darnell Hood had 92 yards rushing and two TDs. Curry, who helped the Lancers reach the Class DD title game last year, also returned an interception 43 yards for a score. **PICKS:** Gallagher remains on top of the Tri-Sectional.

Redford CC (4-0, 1-0) at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (0-4, 0-1): The top-ranked Shamrocks ran, ran and ran the ball last week despite a 23-0 win over Detroit St. Martin DePorres on Sunday, while the defense held the Eagles to 106 total yards. Witness

Notre Dame Prep is simply no match. The Irish fell last week to Dearborn Divine Child, 31-0. Where's Bob Davie when you need him for a close game? **PICKS:** CC in a walk.

SATURDAY GAMES

(all 1 p.m. unless noted)

Liv. Stevenson (4-0, 2-0) at N. Farmington (1-3, 0-2): With a victory, Stevenson can pull to within one game of that magic six-win figure and a playoff berth. The Spartans' have some dangerous offensive weapons, led by junior Dan Wilson, but their defense has also been sparkling. North, meanwhile, showed some fight and heart in losing by only eight to rival Farmington, 21-13. **PICKS:** Stevenson goes to 5-0.

Liv. Franklin (1-3, 0-2) at Farm. Hills Harrison (1-3, 1-1): Harrison must forfeit two games because it used an ineligible player. The Hawks must now win their final five games to get into the playoffs. Franklin, which has not played well the second half the past two weeks in losses to Canton and Western, must face a team that is still considered the best in the WLLA. **PICKS:** Harrison has a happy homecoming.

Red. Thurston (2-2, 1-2) at D.H. Annapolis (1-3, 0-3): This is a Mega crossover matchup featuring Thurston (Blue Division) against coach Scott Wiemer (formerly of Lutheran Westland) and the Cougars (Gold Division). Annapolis was blanked last week by River Rouge, 28-0. Thurston won ugly last week (12-7 over Southgate, but it was still a win and coach Bob Snell will take it. This week shouldn't be so ugly, at least on the Eagles' side. **PICKS:** Thurston moves over .500.

St. Agatha (3-1, 2-1) at Det. Holy Redeemer (2-2, 1-2), 7:30 p.m. Ouchi: The Aggies came down to earth during a 28-7 loss to Marine City Mooney, giving up over 300 yards rushing. If Agatha is going to make the playoffs, this is a key game. Redeemer, a 30-26 victor over Wyandotte Mount Carmel, could play spoiler. **PICKS:** The Aggies get back on track.

Note: Churchill and Walled Lake Central each gained a victory as a result of Harrison using an academically ineligible player.

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undefeated Walled Lake Western to share the Western Division title and will have to beat the Lakes Division champion for the Western Lakes Activities Association crown Oct. 16.

"We thought, after the Northville game, we had a good chance," Herrington said. "Obviously, with two losses in games that were victories, it's going to hurt a lot."

"We'll all pull together and do the best we can. (Plymouth) Canton is very good, and Country Day is a tough team down the road. It's going to be tough."

Like the old cliché, the Hawks will play them one at a time, he added.

"We have improved dramatically since the first game, and I think the kids will bounce back from this and play very well," Herrington said.

"We were just saying 'That's the way life goes. Sometimes you

have ups, and sometimes you have downs. We have to try to fight back from this one."

The new playoff system will include some 5-4 teams across the enrollment spectrum to round out the field in eight divisions, but that would leave a lot to chance.

If the Hawks do finish 6-3, they would undoubtedly be a lower-seeded team in the district tournament.

"We wouldn't host a game, but we wouldn't care," Herrington said.

Since the playoffs began in 1975, the Hawks have qualified 17 times, played in a record 12 championship games, won nine state titles and compiled a 47-8 record.

Detroit DePorres has won 10 state titles under two coaches. That means Herrington has the most of any coach in playoff history.

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SATURDAY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Shamrocks stop DePorres

Redford Catholic Central recorded its second football shutout of the season on Sunday with a 23-0 victory over host Detroit St. Martin DePorres.

The Shamrocks' record to 4-0 overall. DePorres fell to 1-3 overall.

The game was the opener for both teams in the Catholic League Central West Division.

The Shamrocks compiled 285 yards rushing and 36 passing, picking up 15 first downs to DePorres' nine. DePorres had 106 total yards, 78 rushing.

Senior runningback John Kava had 89 yards in 20 carries with one touchdown. Senior fullback Mike Wilk had 64 yards rushing in 18 carries, scoring two touchdowns.

Senior quarterback John Hill completed four of eight passes and also rushed for 87 yards in 10 attempts.

The Shamrocks opened the scoring with a 37-yard field goal by junior Mike Sgroi with 7:25 left in the first quarter. The drive, which started at the DePorres 46, stalled when the Eagles stopped the Shamrocks short of a first down at the 20.

DePorres took its next possession and drove to CC's 44 before being stopped on downs.

The Shamrocks drove 56 yards in nine plays, Kava's one-yard run giving them a 9-0 lead with 6:02 left in the half. An 11-yard pass on third down and four to Dave Groth kept the drive alive.

Sgroi's extra point missed, leaving the score at 9-0.

The Shamrocks took the opening kickoff of the second half and drove 68 yards in 12 plays, all runs, for a 16-0 lead.

Wilk's one-yard run with 6:36 left in the third finished the drive and Sgroi kicked the extra point.

The Shamrocks threatened again the next time they had the ball but were stopped on fourth down and goal at the 1 after a 13-play drive.

DePorres couldn't advance the ball past its own 24 and gave possession back to CC after the Shamrocks' Jeremiah Hicks stopped an Eagles' ball carrier on fourth down and one.

CC took nine plays to score for the last time on a one-yard run by Wilk with 2:51 remaining.

Hicks was the Shamrocks' leading tackler, recording one sack among his 11 total tackles. He had four solos.

Sgroi and senior Matt Loris each had six tackles from their defensive back positions.

LUTHERAN EAST 38, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 12: Redford Woods Lutheran East (1-3, 1-2) racked up 444 yards in total offense Saturday to beat Metro Conference foe Lutheran High Westland (0-4, 0-3).

Stephen Lewis rushed for 179 yards, while teammate Robert Quinnee added 169 including TD runs of 16, 39 and 18 yards.

Lutheran Westland lost quarterback Charlie Hoelt to a knee injury late in the first half. Hoelt, who appears to have a slight tear to his anterior cruciate ligament, may be lost for the season.

Andy Moldenhauer, who replaced Hoelt, threw a 50-yard scoring pass to Luke Kasten in the second quarter as the Warriors trailed 19-6 at halftime.

Moldenhauer and Kasten teamed up again for a 28-yard scoring pass in the final quarter.

Lutheran Westland had 197 yards total offense. East had 17 first downs to the Warriors' eight.

Nose guard Kevin Packard led the Warriors defensively with 10 tackles, while Andrew McLaughlin and Josh Moldenhauer added nine apiece. Jonathan Burke recovered an East fumble.

East recovered a punter kick against the Warriors.

Kaminski hat trick lifts Chargers by Pats

Maybe Livonia Churchill should play all its boys soccer games in the division.

The Chargers are just 2-6 overall, but improved their Western Division mark in the Western Lakes Activities Association to 2-0 with a convincing 4-0 victory Monday over visiting Livonia Franklin.

On Saturday, Churchill fell to Rochester Adams, 3-0, as top-ranked Highlanders improved to 7-0-1 overall.

"When you start out 0-5 you try and find some positives," Churchill first-year coach Reid Friedrichs said. "There are three things people remember about your season."

"First, your season record. Secondly, you division record, and third, how far you go in the state playoffs."

Tim Kaminski had a big night for Churchill, notching a hat trick with goals at 30:10 and 13:02 of the first half, followed by a goal at 16:16 of the second half.

"Tim finished those balls well and went through him," Friedrichs said. "That we to expect from a captain."

Jamie Shooks also added a second half goal. Goalkeeper Dan Jetke earned the shutout.

"It was a total team effort, everybody was into it," Friedrichs said. "They finally did everything we talked about in practice. It's nice to see the kids making runs and sprinting down the field even with there was only 45 seconds left."

The loss dropped Franklin to 4-5 overall and 0-2 in the Western Division of the WLAA.

"Churchill was on the ball and they were on their toes," Franklin coach Dave Hebestreit said. "They moved off the ball better than I've seen from Churchill. They took it to us and they were hungry."

"There was no sense of urgency by us at all. I told our guys Churchill would be ready because it's a city tussle. And they were well coached tonight, no doubt."

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Hebestreit said Ken Douglass, who marked Churchill forward Eric Scott, had an outstanding game.

Meanwhile, Friedrichs also singled out Justin Parzuchowski, who marked Franklin's Mike Vega.

"People don't realize that out of 11 players we had out there, 10 didn't even start last year," Friedrichs said. "Even after five games you don't normally jell."

WAYNE 1, ALLEN PARK 1: Shane Nowak's goal off a corner kick from Paul Giordano early in the second half Monday enabled host Wayne Memorial (0-5-1, 0-1-1) to gain a tie with Mega Conference Blue Division foe Allen Park (1-0-1 Mega Blue).

Coach Larry Brenner singled out the efforts of sweeper Scott Teasdale and goalkeeper Tim Jaguszewski, the latter whom made a couple of key late stops.

BROTHER RICE 3, CC 1: Redford Catholic Central fell behind 3-0 and lost to Birmingham Brother Rice, 3-1, in a Catholic League Central Division boys soccer game Tuesday hosted by the Warriors.

CC is 5-2-1 overall, 1-1-1 in the Central Division.

The Shamrocks were playing without

one of their starters, who received a red card and a one-game disqualification in a 2-2 tie on Saturday against Warren DeLaSalle.

Rice took a 2-0 halftime lead, scoring 15 minutes into the game on a shot from about 40 yards out followed by another goal about five minutes later.

Rice added a goal on a penalty kick in the second half before the Shamrocks managed a goal by Joe Murray, assisted by Sean Lanigan with about five minutes remaining.

On top of missing a player due to a red card infraction in the previous game, the Shamrocks lost Chris Podolak to a mild concussion early in the game and Nick Show to a bad ankle.

"We were a little bit flat," CC coach Dana Orsucci said. "Physically, Rice gave it to us."

REDFORD CC 2, DeLaSALLE 2: Redford Catholic Central and Warren DeLaSalle (5-0-2) battled to a Central Division draw Saturday at Livonia's Whitman Field.

Pat Griffin and Sean Lanigan scored for the Shamrocks.

The Shamrocks managed a tie despite playing the final 10 minutes with only 10 players to DeLaSalle's 11 after a red card infraction.

"The game was, I thought, very good, extremely hard fought and competitive, on both sides," Orsucci said.

CC led 2-1 at halftime before a goal on a penalty kick by DeLaSalle tied the score in the second half.

"DeLaSalle is very dangerous on set plays, corner kicks and free kicks, but we were definitely moving the ball around, keeping the ball on the ground and trying to take the game to them," Orsucci said.

"We pretty much were just defending the goal, played solid defense, just tried to catch them on a quick counter attack," Orsucci said of the final minutes in front of goalkeeper Eric Sullivan.

LUTH. WESTLAND 4, LUTHERAN EAST 0: Goalie Andy Giesman recorded his fifth shutout of the season against a team that was previously unbeaten entering the Metro Conference matchup.

Giesman now has 32 career shutouts for the host Warriors, 5-1 overall and 2-0 in the Metro.

Headed by juniors Brian Woehke and Brad Nollar, both off assists by junior Derek Bias, gave Lutheran High Westland a 2-0 start. Bias also scored in the first half to give the Warriors a 3-0 halftime lead.

Lutheran Westland's lone goal of the second half came from sophomore Jeff Broge, assisted by junior fullback Steve Richter.

"Lutheran East played a pretty spirited game," Coach Rich Block of Lutheran Westland said. "Our defense and middle held together pretty well. Justin Combs had a nice game in the middle."

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HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS RESULTS

LIVONIA STEVENSON 4 NORTH FARMINGTON 4 Sept. 21 at Stevenson No. 1 singles: Bethany Nestor (NF) def. Erin Mazzoni, 6-3, 6-4; No. 2: Laura Haddock (LS) def. Amy Berke, 6-3, 6-3; No. 3: Allison Kay (NF) def. Maria Dinopoulos, 6-4, 6-2; No. 4: Julie Maltzman (NF) def. Jillian Bohn, 7-5, 7-6. No. 1 doubles: Julie Yambasky...

Jeanette Fershtman (LS) def. Marissa Sloan-Shroya Shah, 7-5, 4-6, 7-5; No. 2: Kim Samsel-Janice Tanzo (LS) def. Zenna Street-Julie Shindler, 6-2, 6-3; No. 3: Audrey Kline-Carla Fedrigo (LS) def. Michele Boothroyd-Chrissy Dwyer, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6; No. 4: Elina Pliinis-Laura Been (NF) def. Stephanie Mucci-Jensen, 7-5, 7-5. Stevenson's dual meet record: 5-0-1

Western Lakes Activities Association. LIVONIA CHURCHILL 8 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 0 Sept. 20 at Franklin No. 1 singles: Crystal Tomczyk (LC) defeated Alexis Gay, 6-2, 6-2; No. 2: Aditi Saxena (LC) def. Lauren Kuzmanovich, 6-2, 6-2; No. 3: Jean Wu (LC) def. Jennifer Maxwell, 6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Yuliya Polyachenko (LC) def. Christina Mayorchak, 6-3, 6-1. No. 1 doubles: Danielle Russo-Lauren Snabb (LC) def. Michele Blair-Elizabeth Zarb, 6-3, 6-0; No. 2: Barb Grzembski-Ann Plontek (LC) def. Sarah Garbutt-Jenny Tocco, 6-1, 6-0; No. 3: Sarah Tomasaitis-Dana Hillier (LC) def. Laura Savage-Andrea Mazzeppa, 6-1, 6-1; No. 4: Becky Ross-Lindsay Kantzier (LC) def. Michelle Lupu-Jennifer Kufel, 6-3, 6-3. Franklin's dual meet record: Franklin, 0-6-1 overall, 0-6 WLAA.

Julie Yambasky (LS) def. Niki Shah-Lisa Niemiec 6-0, 6-1; No. 2: Kim Samsel-Janice Tanzo (LS) def. Chris Chan-Jennifer Wagner 4-6, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Audrey Kline-Carla Fedrigo (LS) def. Puja Amin-Meera Desai 6-3, 7-6 (6-2); No. 4: Maria Dinopoulos-Stephanie Mucci (LS) def. Chrise McKay-Jenny Kasznerak 6-1, 7-5. Dual meet records: Stevenson, 5-0 overall, 5-0 Western Lakes; Canton, 2-1, 1.

FARMINGTON HARRISON 5 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 3 Sept. 17 at Farmington Harrison No. 1 singles: Jill Maxey (FH) defeated Aditi Saxena, 6-2, 6-4; No. 2: Jean Wu (LC) def. Kelli Vessell, 4-6, 6-2; 6-6 (7-5); No. 3: Amber Bahr (FH) def. Yuliya Polyachenko, 6-3, 6-6 (8-6); No. 4: Sarah Duffy (FH) def. Denise Zheng, 6-1, 6-2. No. 1 doubles: Lauren Snabb-Danielle Russo (LC) def. Kristin Schrock-Ashley Franco, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2; No. 2: Diana Platt-Jane Kleyman (FH) def. Barb Grzembski-Anne Plontek, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3; No. 3: Joanna Konopka-Aliisa Brasch (FH) def. Sarah Tomasaitis-Dana Hillier, 6-3, 6-2; No. 4: Becky Ross-Lindsay Kantzier (LC) def. Laura Lynn-Michelle White, 5-7, 6-0, 6-0.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7 PLYMOUTH CANTON 1 Sept. 17 at Stevenson No. 1 singles: Erin Mazzoni (LS) def. Christina Slupek 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Laura Haddock (LS) def. Lizzie Brown 6-2, 6-1; No. 3: Jillian Bohn (LS) def. Katie Maloni 6-4, 6-2No. 4: Kelly Markiewicz (PC) def. Jen Jensen 6-4, 6-2. No. 1 doubles: Jeanette Fershtman...



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL Concentration: Churchill's No. 2 singles player Aditi Saxena won her match against Franklin, 6-2, 6-2.

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HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF RESULTS

LIVONIA STEVENSON 207 NORTH FARMINGTON 223 Sept. 21 at Idyl Wyld Stevenson scorers: Scott Wolfe, 36 (medalist); Chris Thomas and Mike Byberg, 41 each; Matt Bartnick, 42; Travis Belcher, 47. North scorers: Jon Panush, 42; Derek Spicer, 43; Jeremy Anspach, 44; Aaron Diamond, 46; Brady Dwyer, 48. Dual meet records: Stevenson, 6-1 overall, 6-0 Western Lakes Activities Association; North, 2-5 WLAA.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 207 WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 212 Sept. 20 at Fellows Creek Glenn scorers: Jason Lang, 40; Rich Sudak, Matt Darnell, Jeremy Fendeleit, 41 each; Ryan Shanrock, 44. Central scorers: Lee Aho, 38 (medalist); Chris Pyzyk and Coy Johnson, 41 each; Matt King, 43; Mark Hamilton, 44. Glenn's dual meet record: 5-3 overall, 4-3 WLAA.

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 159 WARREN DeSALLE 162 Sept. 20 at Cattails CC scorers: Evan Currie, 1-under 35 (medalist); Ryan Yost and Jon Luna, 41 each; Zach Davis, 42. CC's dual meet record: 5-2 overall, 4-1 Catholic League (Central Division).

FARMINGTON HIGH 203 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 215 Sept. 17 at Fox Creek Farmington scorers: Bryan Proven, 39 (co-medalist); Joe Kremer, 40; Ian Pardonett and Keith Hay, 41 each; Brad Barenie, 44. Farmington's dual meet record: 2-4.

NORTHVILLE 207 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 222 Sept. 21 at Fox Creek Northville scorers: Tom Borda, 40 (medalist); Chris Betker, Dave Oljace and Brian Arndt, 41 each; Dean Conway, 44. Franklin scorers: Tony Fotiu, 42; Tim Kufel, 43; Cole Muncy, 44; Jim Priebe, 44; Josh Garbutt, 49. Franklin's dual meet record: Northville, 5-2 WLAA; Franklin, 1-5 WLAA.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 199 FARMINGTON HIGH 200 Sept. 20 at San Marino Stevenson scorers: Scott Wolfe, 37 (medalist); Chris Thomas and Matt Bartnick, 39 each; Mike Byberg, 40; Brandon Obenour, 44; Brian Dery, 46. Farmington scorers: Bryan Proven and Sam Kremer,

Farmington scorers: Brad Bescoe, 39 (tri-medalist); Will Bashara, 40; Randall Boboige, 43; Evan Chall, 43; Kevin Kasten, 44. Franklin scorers: Tony Fotiu and Tim Kufel, 39 each (tri-medalists); Scott Waara, 44; Cole Muncy, 45; Jim Priebe, 45. Churchill's dual meet record: 3-3 overall, 2-2 WLAA.

Farmington scorers: Bryan Proven, 39 (co-medalist); Joe Kremer, 40; Ian Pardonett and Keith Hay, 41 each; Brad Barenie, 42; Drew Mortens, 45. Franklin scorers: Tony Fotiu, 39 (co-medalist); Tim Kufel, 41; Jim Priebe, 42; Scott Waara, 46; Coley Muncy, 47; Josh Garbutt, 49.

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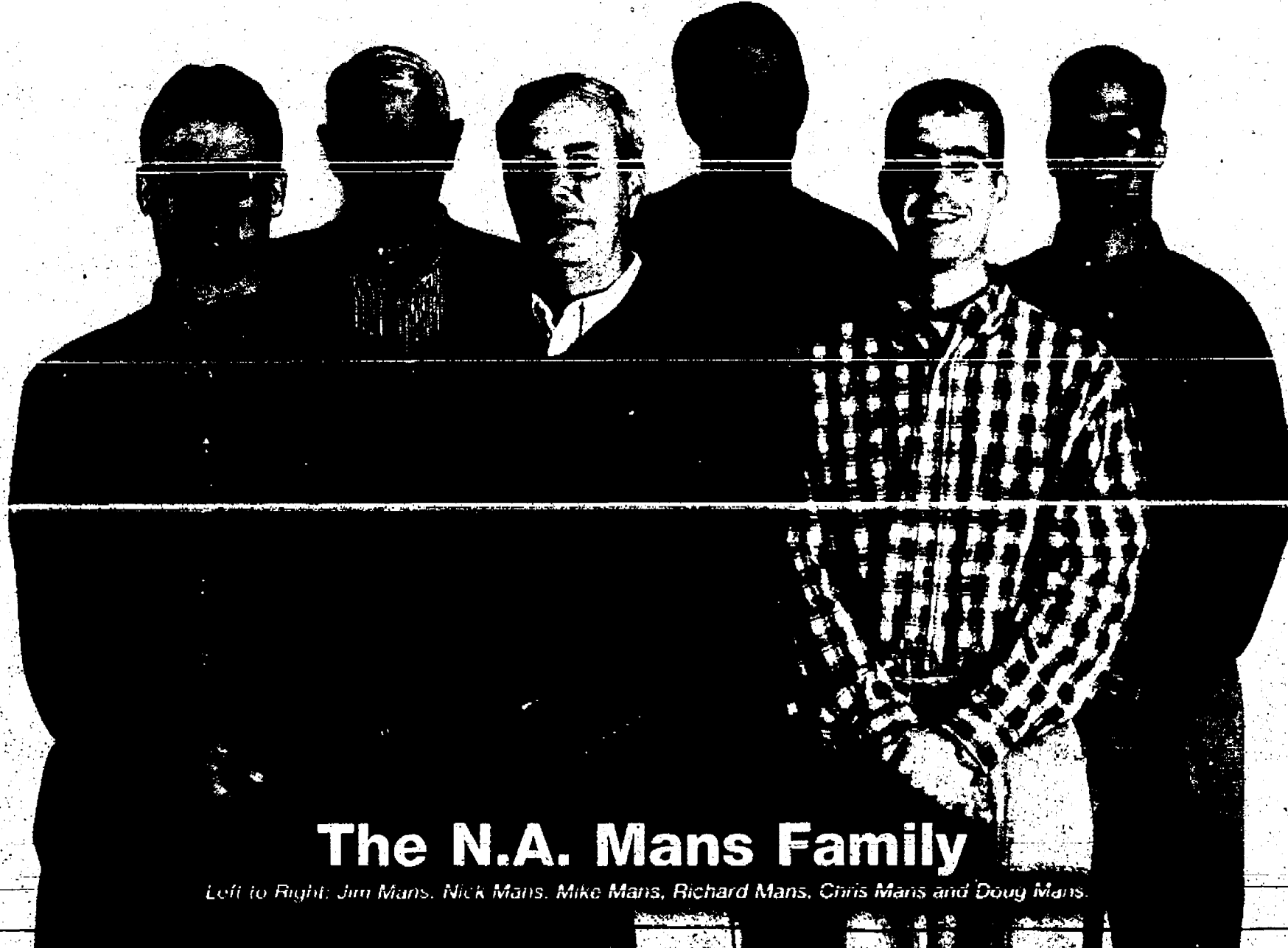
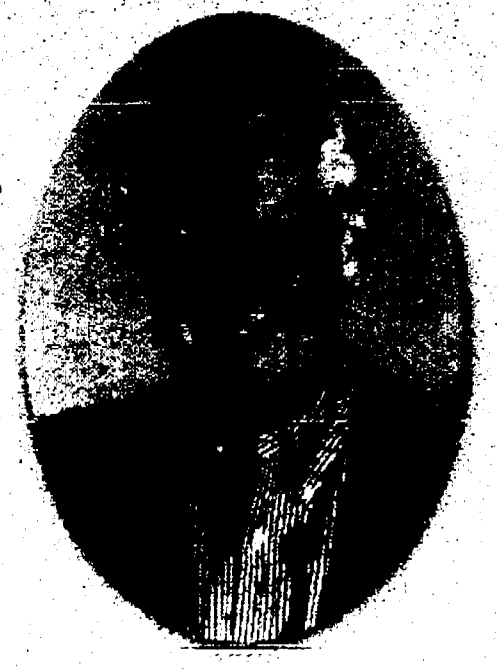
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GIRLS & BOYS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

<p>METRO CONFERENCE JAMBOREE GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY MEET Sept. 21 at Lutheran North</p> <p>TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Lutheran High Westland, 27 points; 2. Bloomfield Hills Kingswood, 58; 3. Macomb Lutheran North, 80; 4. Rochester Hills Lutheran North-west, 116; 5. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett and Harper Woods Lutheran East, 137 each; 7. Harper Woods, 194.</p> <p>Lutheran Westland finishers: 1. Tess Kuehne, 21:14; 3. Angie Matthews, 21:14; 4. Jessica Montgomery, 21:15; 9. Cara Braun, 22:17; 10. Mary Ebendick, 22:18; 13. Holly Foreman, 23:04; 14. Chelsea Romero, 23:11.</p> <p>SPARTAN INVITATIONAL Sept. 18 at East Lansing</p> <p>CLASS A TEAM STANDINGS (31 teams): 1. Rockford, 21; 2. Sterling Heights Stevenson, 112; 3. Traverse City West, 165; 8. Plymouth Salem, 265; 10. Livonia Churchill, 313.</p> <p>Churchill finishers: 43. Susan Duncan, 20:27; 49. Stephanie Skwiers, 20:37; 66. Colleen Hayden, 21:07; 71. Christy Smith, 21:15; 85. Mandy Hein, 21:33; 86. Sarah Anagnostu, 21:34; 108. Ailese Scott, 22:09.</p> <p>N.B. BOSTON HURON INVITATIONAL Sept. 18 at Willow Metropark</p> <p>TEAM STANDINGS (12 teams): 1. Miland, 67; 2. Lutheran High Westland, 73; 3. Blissfield, 81.</p> <p>Lutheran Westland finishers: 1. Tess Kuehne, 20:20; 8. Angie Matthews, 21:07; 14. Jessica Montgomery,</p>	<p>21:28; 23. Cara Braun, 22:05; 27. Mary Ebendick, 22:16; 43. Chelsea Romero, 23:16; 82. Jodi Rolf, 28:31.</p> <p>METRO CONFERENCE JAMBOREE BOYS CROSS COUNTRY MEET Sept. 21 at Lutheran North</p> <p>TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Lutheran High Westland, 31 points; 2. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, 41; 3. Macomb Lutheran North, 96; 4. Rochester Hills Lutheran North-west, 98; 5. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett, 119; 6. Harper Woods, 168; 7. Hamtramck, 183; 8. Harper Woods Lutheran East, 203.</p> <p>Lutheran Westland finishers: 3. Steve McFall, 17:57; 4. Ken Broge, 18:10; 5. Jason McFall, 18:31; 9. Brian Block, 19:07; 10. Clark Covert, 19:08; 12. Matt Dode, 19:11; 12. Matt Rao, 19:25.</p> <p>REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 1A WARREN DOLASALLE 42 Sept. 20 at Cass Benton</p> <p>Top 10 finishers: 1. Matt Daly (CC), 16:54; 2. Doug Gibbons (CC), 17:12; 3. Jeff Haller (CC), 17:19; 4. Ryan Haag (DLS), 17:35; 5. Adam Tymowski (CC), 17:47; 6. Mike Breuckman (DLS), 17:50; 7. Bryan Buchanan (CC), 17:52; 8. Dan Krawec (CC), 18:01; 9. Zack Walls (DLS), 18:07; 10. Doug Snyder (CC), 18:16.</p> <p>NEW BOSTON HURON INVITATIONAL Sept. 18 at Willow Metropark</p> <p>DIVISION I TEAM STANDINGS (12 teams): 1. North Farmington, 60; 2. Livonia Churchill, 74; 3. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 101.</p>	<p>North finishers: 2. Charlie Stamboulis, 16:29; 9. Ethan Goodman, 17:18; 10. Isaac Kauffman, 17:19; 19. Mike Miller, 17:45; 20. Jim Lala, 17:47; 26. Matt Wieland, 18:01; 34. Mike Bowman, 18:32.</p> <p>Charter School finishers: 5. Jason Richmond, 16:51; 6. Danny Valentino, 17:09; 14. Ryan Gall, 17:30; 18. Phil Johnson, 17:43; 31. Logan Schultz, 18:21; 33. Troy Tomas, 18:32; 35. Jean Harris, 18:36.</p> <p>WYANONNE HS TEAM STANDINGS (14 teams): 1. 408; 47; 2. Onsted, 91; 3. Erie Mason, 115; 4. Lutheran High Westland, 119.</p> <p>Lutheran Westland finishers: 11. Steve McFall, 17:41; 17. Ken Broge, 18:00; 21. Jason McFall, 18:15; 31. Brian Block, 18:44; 39. Clark Covert, 19:11; 47. Steve Borden, 19:33; 52. Dan Unger, 19:50.1.</p> <p>HOLLY INVITATIONAL Sept. 18 at Holly</p> <p>TEAM STANDINGS (19 teams): 1. Saline, 48; 2. Redford Catholic Central, 73; 3. Walled Lake Central, 81; 7. Livonia Stevenson, 165; 15. Wayne Memorial, 424; 18. Westland John Glenn, 538.</p> <p>CC finishers: 3. Matt Daly, 16:31; 5. Doug Gibbons, 16:46; 3. Jeff Haller, 17:11; 21. Adam Tymowski, 17:23; 33. Bryan Buchanan, 17:41; 41. Robert Tymowski, 17:53; 51. Doug Snyder, 18:03.</p> <p>Wayne finishers: 28. Ron Abel, 17:34 (personal best); Steve Daniels, 18:43; John Hamlet, 20:43; Greg Wilcox, 21:04; Shaun McLean, 21:12; Jeremy Johnston, 21:32.</p>
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Saturday, Sept. 25

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Franklin at Harrison, 1 p.m.
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Thursday, Sept. 23

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Thursday, Sept. 23

Luth. West at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m.
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Friday, Sept. 24

Thurston at Garden City, 4 p.m.
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Saturday, Sept. 25

Stevenson at Country Club, 10:30 a.m.
U.D. Jesuit at Redford CC, 11 a.m.
DeLaSalle at Canton, 12:30 p.m.
Salem at A.A. Pioneer, 12:30 p.m.
Harrison at Luther, 12:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 25

Madison at Indiana Tech, 4 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 26

Cincinnati St. at Schaeffert, 11 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 25

Madison at Indiana Tech, 2 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 26

Schaeffert at Toledo, 11 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Sept. 23

Holly Ford at Schaeffert, 7 p.m.
Friday Saturday, Sept. 24-25

Madison at Park Beach (IHA), 11 a.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Saturday, Sept. 25

By Windsor at Chatham
at Compuce Arena, 7:30 p.m.
TRA - game to be announced

Mixed results

Lady Crusaders fall to Tri-State, topple Cards

Tri-State University took the lead in Tuesday's women's soccer match against Madonna University and kept it, posting a 3-1 triumph at Livonia Ladywood.

The win was only the second of the season for the Thunder against six losses and a tie. They are 1-3 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Madonna lost for the first time in WHAC play, dropping to 5-2-1 overall and 2-1-1 in the conference.

Tri-State broke on top when Johanna Ehrenborg scored at the 18:44 mark of the opening half. That's the way it stayed until, 15 minutes into the second half, Teresa Grashorn made it 2-0 in favor of the Thunder with a free kick boomed from 30 yards out that eluded Madonna's keeper.

Jill Gibson narrowed the gap to 2-1 with a goal for Madonna nine minutes later, off a pass from Megan Thiry.

Tri-State sealed the verdict with a score by Christine Vargo with just under five minutes left.

Jenny Siersma was in goal for the Thunder. Jennifer Dumm started in the net for Madonna; Jenny

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Barker (from Livonia Stevenson) replaced her with 18:36 to play.

MADONNA 4, CONCORDIA 1: A three-goal first half was more than enough to lift Madonna University's women's team to a 4-1 triumph over Concordia College Saturday at Ladywood.

Jill Gibson, Jennifer Dumm and Lindsay Crawford each scored in the game's first 40 minutes to put the Lady Crusaders in control. Gibson scored hers on an assist from Jamie Scott, following a shot that banged off the crossbar.

Dumm's was the result of a rebound off the Concordia keeper. Crawford made it 3-0 on a penalty kick with 5 1/2 minutes left in the half.

The Cardinals' Laura Starnes narrowed the gap to 3-1 12 minutes into the second half, but Crawford's second goal of the match — unassisted, on a free kick — put the Crusaders ahead to stay with just under 19 minutes to play.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Braking: Madonna University's Jamie Scott unleashes a shot in Tuesday's match against Kristie Barber, a Livonia Churchill High School product, had an assist in Saturday's 4-1 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference victory over Concordia College.

Jones spark off bench for S'craft

For the fourth time in as many tries, Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team was a winner.

After starting the season at 1-3, the Ocelots have rebounded to win four in a row — the last two by shutout. On Monday at SC, the Ocelots blanked Kellogg CC 4-0.

"We had 'em going pretty well in the first half," said SC coach Van Dimitriou. "We just couldn't put it in the goal."

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The Ocelots led 1-0 at the half, on a penalty kick goal scored by Johnny Demergis (from Plymouth Canton) after he was taken down in the box.

But Dimitriou wanted more finishing power. "So I looked down my bench and saw Mike Jones," a Lake Fenton graduate who had scored 24 goals as a senior. "I told him, 'Get in there son.'"

Jones followed instructions perfectly, scoring two second-half goals to spark the Ocelots. Demergis assisted on both, and on another goal scored by Gary Bell.

"He really had it rolling," said Dimitriou of Demergis' performance. "He's actually been solid for us all year. All (the goal-scorers) had to do was tap it in."

"He was clearly the star of the game."

There were others, of course. Sergio Mainella (Livonia Steven-

son) played well in the midfield, and defenders Tony Stark, Paul Ansara, Aaron MacDonald (Plymouth Salem) and Andy Meyers made the job of keeper Doug Kooztz (Plymouth Canton) easier.

Last Wednesday at Delta College, SC came away with a 3-0 victory. This time, Eric Anderson was in goal for the shutout.

Dan Wielechowski (Plymouth Salem), playing with a cast covering his broken wrist, got the first goal on an assist from Tony Maldonado (Stevenson). Robert Barnes (Canton) got the next two goals, on assists from Dave Lotarski and Nick Skotanis.

Piraine boosts Madonna

A five-goal, two-assist performance by Sam Piraine carried Madonna University's men's soccer team to a 9-1 rout of Concordia College last Saturday at Madonna.

The win boosted the Fighting Crusaders' record to 3-2 overall, 2-2 in the Wolverine-Hoosier

Athletic Conference. Concordia is 0-5.

Madonna wasted little time. Keith Barber scored a goal just 4:28 into the contest, with Piraine assisting. Charlie Bell made it 2-0 a little more than two minutes later, with Piraine again assisting.

The sophomore midfielder/forward then took complete command, scoring four-straight goals.

Brian Murphy added two assists, then scored a goal just before the first half expired.

Matt Buzewski also had a goal in the opening half as Madonna took an 8-0 lead into halftime. Buzewski added one assist and Jim Misajlovich had another.

Piraine's fifth goal came five minutes into the second half.

David Crissman scored an unassisted goal for the Cardinals' only marker.

Dave Hart was in goal for the win for Madonna. Paul Schneider was in the net for Concordia.

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'New' Whalers eye opener

BY C.J. RISAK
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It's over. For all those who remember Druken and Legwand and Tselios and Mara and Colagiaco and Holsinger, well, that's what they'll have to remain — memories of one of the great Whaler teams, the one that finished first in the final Canadian Hockey League poll and were regular season champs in the Ontario Hockey League.

Of course, the Whalers then lost in the OHL's Western Conference semifinals to the London Knights . . . well, never mind that.

It's a new season and a new cast. Pete DeBoer is back for his fifth season as head coach, but few of his top players are.

Indeed, five of his top six scorers from the 1998-99 season have gone on to bigger and better things — mainly tryouts with NHL teams. Also gone is his first-string goalie, Robert Holsinger.

"We've had to replace a lot," admitted DeBoer. "Twelve of our current players played last year, but most of them in limited roles."

The leading returnees are Randy Fitzgerald, Eric Goody, Julian Smith, Shaun Fisher, Jamie LaLonde, Damian Surma and Rob Zepp.

Goody, the leading returning scorer with 23 goals and 38 assists (61 points), is currently

rehabilitating an injured knee and won't be ready to play for a while. When he does come back, DeBoer will have some decisions to make; with Goody and goalie Scott Holsinger (who is currently trying out with the Detroit Vipers), the Whalers have five overage players on their roster. The OHL only allows three.

Which is a shame — DeBoer could use the experience. Gone are forwards Adam Colagiaco (108 points), Harold Druken (58 goals and 103 points) and David Legwand (80 points), defenseman Nikos Tselios (21 goals, 60 points) and Paul Mara (54 points), and goalie Robert Holsinger (28-10 record, 2.08 goals-against average, five shutouts).

And that's to name just a few. But enough of the bad stuff; let's get to the good news.

"I think we'll be strong in net," said DeBoer in evaluating his squad. "And I think our defense is solid."

Fitzgerald and Smith should give the Whalers some veteran leadership. Fitzgerald had 15 goals and 34 assists (59 points) last season, while Smith contributed 13 goals and 13 assists (26 points).

Fisher will be solid at the blue line on the power play; he had nine goals and 40 assists last season. And there are other seasoned defensemen in Kevin Holdridge (from Novi) and Jared Newman.

Two players taken in the Euro-

pean draft, both Czechs, should help in both areas: Tomas Kurka, a left wing, and Libor Ustrunil, a defenseman.

Although "both look real good," DeBoer is approaching their capabilities — and how much they'll contribute this season — cautiously.

"We try to get them over here early because it usually takes them a year to adjust," he explained.

That's a luxury this year's team may not be able to afford. Among the other players back who were with the Whalers last season are Surma (17 goals, 32 points), LaLonde (14 goals, 20 points), Kris Vernarsky (three goals, 17 points) and, in goal, Zepp (19-3-4 record, 2.74 goals-against average, three shutouts).

"We're going to play a little bit different type of game this season," said DeBoer. "We're going to change to a more defensive style of play."

Everyone says defense wins championships — so can the Whalers win playing that way?

"I don't know if we'll be in a position to make a run at the title," DeBoer answered. "We'll have 10 rookies in the lineup — we're just going to put them out there and see what happens."

"But I think this team may be a year away."

It didn't take DeBoer long to pick a favorite in the OHL. In the Western Conference, it's the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds and the Erie Otters.

The favorite to win the OHL, however, comes from the East: the Belleville Bulls, league play-off champs last year with every-one back.

A couple of factors could help put the Whalers in that company. Goody's return would be one; another would be the possible (although not likely) return of Legwand, the NHL's second pick overall in the 1998 draft.

Legwand is currently playing with the NHL's Nashville Predators. However, if he does not make the team, he would have to return to the Junior hockey ranks because of his age.

DeBoer isn't counting on any such thing happening. But it would be welcome if it did.

NOTES: The Whalers closed their exhibition season last Saturday with a 3-1 loss to the Erie Otters at Com-

puware Arena. Tomas Kurka scored the only Whaler goal, late in the third period; Stephen Morris and Shaun Fisher assisted.

Aaron Molnar was in goal for the Plymouth team; he made 18 stops.

What: Plymouth Whalers season-opener.
When: 7:30 p.m. Saturday.
Where: At Plymouth's Compuware Arena, located off Beck north of M-14.
Who: The Whalers, defending regular-season champs in the OHL, open their 1999-2000 campaign by hosting the Oshawa Generals. The Generals were third in the East Division last season with a 39-24-5 record. The Whalers were first in the West Division with a 51-13-4 mark, best in the OHL.



"I don't know if we'll be in a position to make a run at the title. We'll have 10 rookies in the lineup — we're just going to put them out there and see what happens. But I think this team may be a year away."

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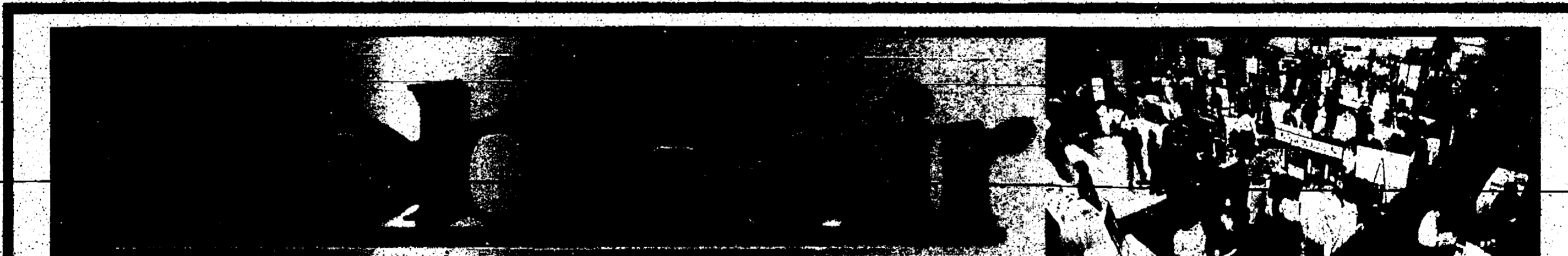
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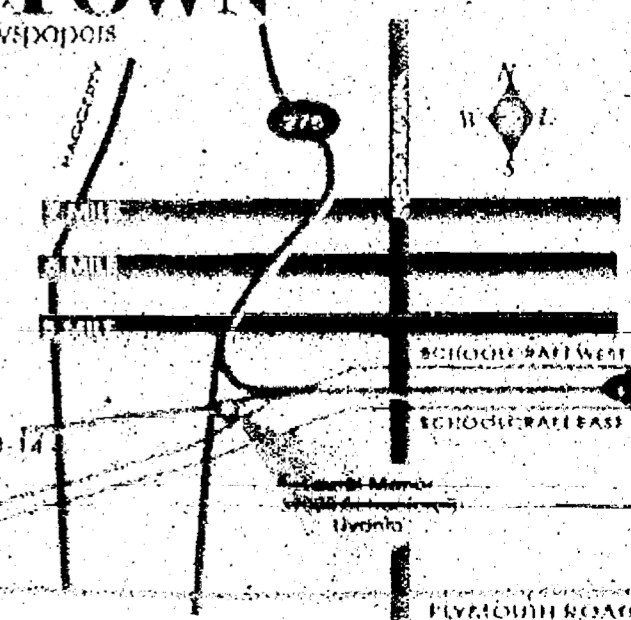
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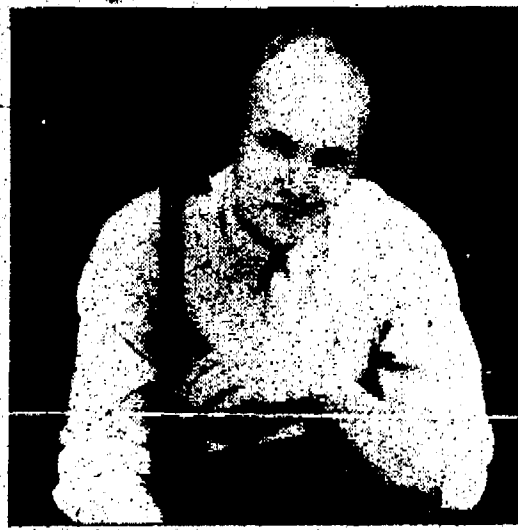
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SATURDAY



Cellist Truls Mork joins the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, led by Neeme Jarvi, 8:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Mork will perform Martinu's Concerto for Cello. Tickets \$14 to \$50, call (313) 576-5111.

SUNDAY



All aboard for Railroad Days at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Take a trip on an 1890-1910 handcar, visit a hobo camp, and take a sneak peak at a scale model of the Marshall Roadhouse, created by the South Oakland County Model Railroad Club. Greenfield Village is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 senior citizens age 62 and over, \$7.50 for kids ages 5-12. Children under 5 and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

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Hot Tix: Jacqueline M. Gnott is one of the artists participating in Art in the Park, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, in downtown Birmingham's Shain Park. This year's event features 70 artists, food vendors, and an expanded family activities center. Call (248) 458-8150 for more information.

THE NEW UP NORTH

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

Bay Harbor - where "time was" meets a reinvented 21st-century downtown. In the new Bay Harbor, you can step back and ponder Lake Michigan lore, yet take a leap to 21st-century entertainment. This is Michigan's new Up North.

Just five years ago, Bay Harbor was a bleak scene along U.S. Highway 31 between Charlevoix and Petoskey. Views of Little Traverse Bay were blighted by an abandoned cement factory and spent quarry.

Southfield-based Victor International Corp.'s CEO David Johnson teamed with CMS Energy CEO Bill McCormick to form Bay Harbor Company L.L.C. and acquired the property. Their development work has become the new Bay Harbor, the largest land-reclamation project in the United States with 1,200 acres and five miles of contiguous shoreline.

Amazingly, no market research was done for the Bay Harbor project. But mixed-use developments have been built in Florida, Arizona and California with success as high-rise and high-density communities with amenities.

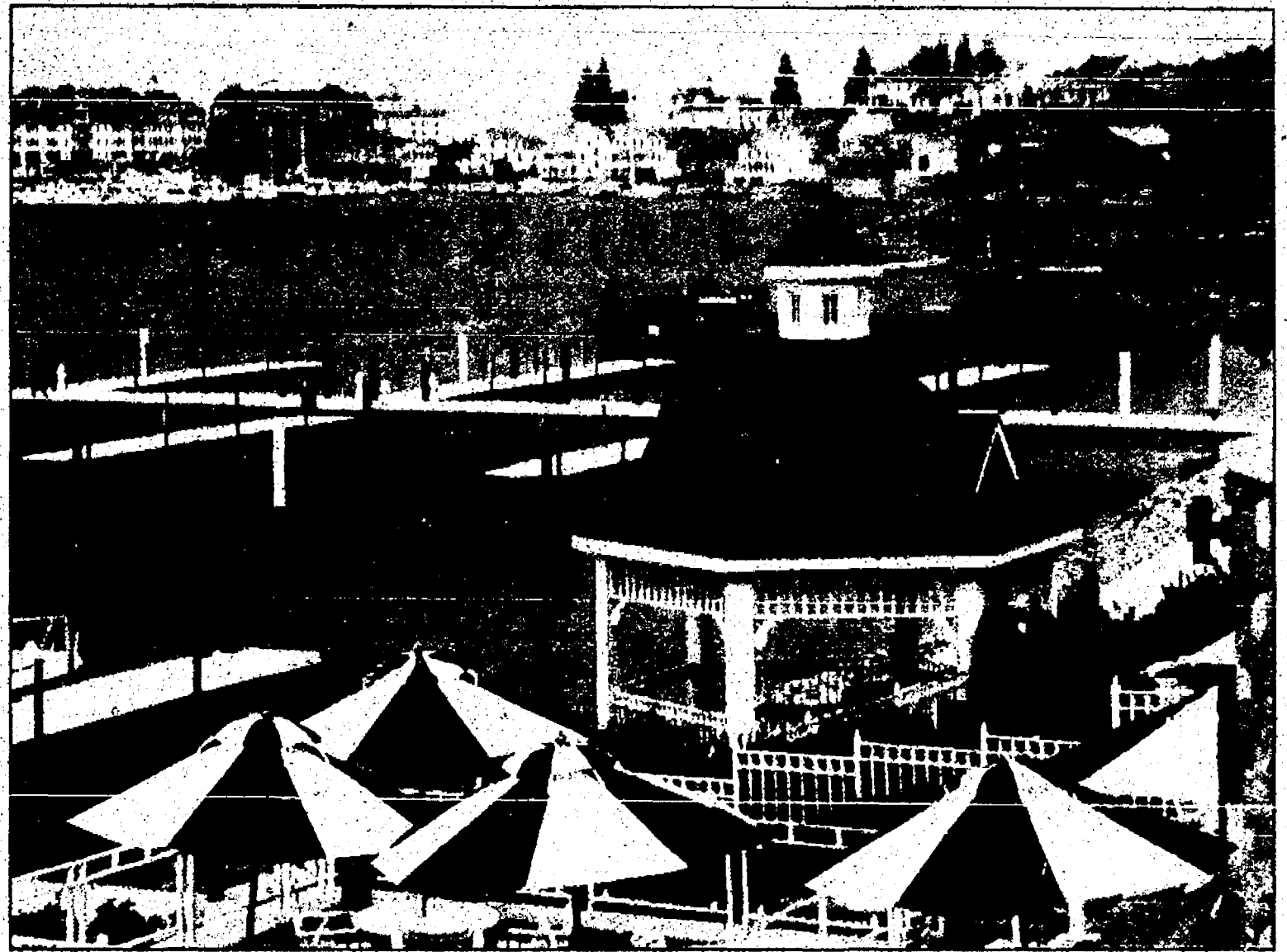
Johnson and McCormick had a different idea based on dedication to quality, reduction in density, ecological harmony with the land, open-space planning, amenities for lifestyle and new-age entertainment.

From mere concept in mid-December 1997 until opening on July 4, internationally renowned JPRA Architects of Farmington Hills took the project from design to completion in just 14 months. JPRA's director of design Ron Rea, project designer Roman Bonislawski and project architect Mark VanWerder reinvented downtown Bay Harbor.

"Exterior design represents a century of Lake Michigan history from early fishing villages to Hemingway memories," Rea said. "The interior is new history, hip and ahead of the curve."

In designing downtown Bay Harbor, Rea and his team stepped back into the 19th century when merchant sailing vessels ruled the Great Lakes and imagined what life was like in port towns. They connected that with modern day vibrant energy in existing buildings and those to come.

"Entering the new millennium, we're on the verge of many attitude



Marina: (Above) Bay Harbor marina and surrounding village. (Below) Main Street in Bay Harbor's new downtown.

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changes defining entertainment," Johnson said. "Entertainment is life and lifestyle. The most valuable quantity to anyone is time. Many people believe they've worked 20 years or more and missed life, so they want to live where they have extensive choices on how they're going to spend leisure time."

"We've created Bay Harbor as a place to live and be entertained year-round. It's resort living. It's Michigan's Vail."

The No. 1 element is being here and spending time here, whether you're a resident or visitor. Therefore the infrastructure has fiber-optic cable, which allows people to be away from their business but be on their

cell phone on a 60-foot boat, in a peninsula home or the Marina District. "They can conduct business here in a more-relaxed atmosphere and nobody knows whether they're in their board room or in a bar at Latitude restaurant (see dining feature on Page E8) or out walking the docks. That's the first kind of entertainment we provide - a lifestyle advantage in a particular place."

"Our goal is to take northern Michigan from beyond a summer destination - which is a slam dunk - to one providing year-round entertainment for adults and kids with adventure sports, biking, hunting, trail riding and snowmobiling."

Each year Johnson attends the week-long Young Presidents Organization conference at Harvard University. There he has rubbed elbows with the likes of the president of Vail Resorts in Colorado, who invites attendees to ski the best slopes in the Rockies and never leave his living room.

Color tour: The first 10 days of October promise the best color touring. First make a color detour through the Bay Harbor Marina District. Then drive from Bay Harbor, connect with Michigan highway 119 and drive the 20 miles linking Harbor Springs with Cross Village in Emmet County, alternately winding through a tunnel of trees, ablaze with color, and past breathtaking panoramas of Lake Michigan.

Hemingway: A short drive east of Bay Harbor on U.S. Highway 31 is Petoskey and the third annual Hemingway Festival all day Saturday, Oct. 16. Although Hemingway's time in Petoskey was relatively brief, the area had a profound impact on him and these reminiscences are reflected in his stories, such as "The Big Two-Heart River" and passages from "A Moveable Feast."

Activities are centered along Hemingway Lane in Pennsylvania Park, downtown. There are fun runs, historic walking and trolley tours, special story-telling tours for children, great food and musical

entertainment throughout the day. For more information, call the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, (231) 347-4150.

Halloween Festival: At the Marina District.

Dickens Festival: Saturdays between Thanksgiving and Christmas, carolers, waifs, street entertainers and a brass quartet will represent holidays past in new-age downtown Bay Harbor.

Winter Ice Carving Festival: At the Marina District and cross-country skiing and snowmobiling events.

For more information on Bay Harbor property ownership, renting or exact entertainment dates and times, call (231) 439-2000 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily to speak with a representative.

As a point of clarification, Bay Harbor Properties (the focus of this feature) should not be confused with the Inn at Bay Harbor operated by Boyne USA Resorts.

Johnson explained. "Your legs will be tired and you'll be weak. In the future, the Marina District will have virtual-reality entertainment and a world-class spa, which Michigan does not have currently."

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If you build it, they will come is an operative at Bay Harbor. The Marina District represents uptown living in a fashionable downtown that has attracted top-of-the-line Michigan-based retailers.

"Entertainment is shopping and,

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MUSIC

WHAT: The Chamber Music Society of Detroit presents concert pianist Jon Kimura Parker
WHEN: 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit
TICKETS: \$18 to \$40, student tickets \$15, call Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666. For more information, call (248) 737-9980.

Season schedule:

- Tokyo String Quartet - 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10 at Orchestra Hall
- Orpheus Chamber Orchestra - 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center, Detroit Country Day School
- Joshua Bell - 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center
- Borromeo String Quartet with James Dunham, viola - 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center
- Takacs Quartet - 8 p.m. Saturday, March 25, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center
- Jessye Norman, soprano, fundraising concert to benefit the Chamber Music Society of Detroit - 5 p.m. Saturday, April 29, Detroit Opera House
- Kalfcheltel-Laredo Robinson Trio - 8 p.m. Sunday, May 23, Orchestra Hall

Chamber Music Society of Detroit opens season Sunday

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit begins its 56th season Sunday with a concert featuring internationally acclaimed concert pianist Jon Kimura Parker at Orchestra Hall in Detroit.

Parker was featured by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit in its 1995-1996 series. Called "Conversations from the Stage," his unique conversational approach to the piano recital was so well received that the same format will be used again in his Sunday performance.

"We are extremely pleased to welcome Jon Kimura Parker back to the Chamber Music Society of Detroit for our opening night," said Lois R. Beznos, president of the Farmington Hills-based organization.

His concert will include Sonata in A Major, K. 331, by Mozart, Sonata No. 23



Jon Kimura Parker

he performed the Samuel Barber Piano Concerto, Op. 38 with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Parker was born, raised and educated in Vancouver, British Columbia. He has given two command performances for Queen Elizabeth II.

In the past season, he has performed at Carnegie Hall, Chicago's Orchestra

in F minor, Op. 57, "Appassionata" by Beethoven, Three Preludes by George Gershwin, and Scherzo No. 3 in C-sharp minor, Op. 39 by Chopin.

Parker's most recent performance in Detroit was in 1997, when

he performed the Samuel Barber Piano Concerto, Op. 38 with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

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Hall, London's Queen Elizabeth II and the Sydney Opera House.

A highlight of this year's Chamber Music Society season is an April 29 benefit concert at the Detroit Opera House featuring soprano Jessye Norman.

The concert will benefit the Chamber Music Society. An afterglow following the concert at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History will raise money for the museum and serve as the official opening of a new exhibit, "African Energies." The exhibit will offer an artistic perspective on the ways in which African cultures use the energetic forces of nature to define their spiritual and cultural identity.

"As we announce our 56th season, we

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to many people, that's their real sport in life," Johnson adds.

And what Main Street doesn't have a shoe store? Bay Harbor has Robert Frost Footwear specializing in Cole-Haan, Sebago and Mephisto for men and women. Frost has operated the shoe department in Ann Arbor's Van Boven menswear for many years. He and his wife, Sharon, sold their home in Chelsea to be

pioneers in the new Bay Harbor. "For impact, this is the best venue," Frost said. "As the retail end gets fully established, Bay Harbor will be a fine shopping draw. I was attracted by the fact that there will not be any national chains."

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for a cup of Starbuck's Yukon blend. The best breakfast with a view is served at The Original Pancake House. For lunch or portable food anytime, it's Galley Gourmet (see dining story on Page 8E).

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magazine and several holes reminiscent of Pebble Beach — there's a world-class Equestrian Club. It attracts the likes of professional horse trainer Buck Brannaman, depicted in the film "The Horse Whisperer," conducting clinics. Johnson boards school horses so riding lessons can be given to those who don't own horses.

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With 2,000 residents (not

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Music from page E1

welcome to our audience many people who will want to take advantage of this opportunity to see and hear Ms. Norman in recital," said Beznos.

Construction continues at the Seligman Performing Arts Center at Detroit Country Day School, on the southwest corner

of Lahser at 13 Mile roads in Beverly Hills. The Chamber Music Society of Detroit will present four concerts during its 1999-2000 season at Detroit Country Day School.

The first concert at this new state-of-the-art auditorium will be a performance by the

Orpheus Chamber Orchestra on Saturday, Nov. 13.

For artistic renderings of the finished auditorium, see the Detroit County Day School Web site: www.dcds.edu

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Heavenly 'Nunsense' is habit-forming

The Players Guild of Dearborn presents the side splitting comedy "Nunsense" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, through Sunday, Oct. 3 at The Players Guild of Dearborn, on Madison near the southwest corner of Monroe and Outer Drive, in Dearborn. Tickets are \$14, with student and group discounts available. For tickets or more information, call (313) 561-7KTS.

BY SUE SUCHYTA
SPECIAL WRITER

active touches in the Guild's rendition. The actual storyline is so hokey it works. When most of their order die of food poisoning, the remaining sisters (who were off playing bingo) decide to put on a show to raise money for the remaining burial expenses.

From the moment the nuns stroll up the aisle and begin to enthusiastically greet and involve the audience, you'll be caught up in the enthusiasm and laughter.

joke. Nicole Elizabeth Nicholson plays the streetwise Sister Mary Robert Ann with a gritty charm.

Young and perky Sister Mary Leo is played with wide-eyed innocence by Cindy Heinz of Garden City, who is probably the only ballerina you'll ever see dance on point in a habit, as she does in "Benedicite" and "Soup's On" (The Dying Nun Ballet).

If you want to laugh, giggle and grin through an entire show, the Players Guild of Dearborn's production of "Nunsense" is for you. Combine a talented cast able to pulled off the one liners at a quick pace, add Debbie Pletzer's creative and imaginative directing, and Ken Pletzer's talented musical direction, and you have a fast moving hit on your hands. The opening night audience thought so, as they leapt to their feet to deliver a well-earned standing ovation.

The entire ensemble of feisty nuns deliver a surging wave of laughter from beginning to end. Even if you've seen the show before you'll see new and cre-

Be careful what you volunteer for, though, unless you're comfortable being under a sister's scrutiny!

The high energy cast was led by seasoned veteran Diana Reynolds who played the Mother Superior. With a ready wit and a steely gaze that delivered punchlines with aplomb, Reynolds had them rolling in the aisles. Just as funny is second-in-command Sister Mary Hubert, played with spunk and mischief by Saundra Sanburn. Her bickering banter with Reynold's Mother Superior is lightened by Sister Hubert's acerbic wit, which Sanburn delivers with a impeccable timing and a wink to the audience as she lets them in on the inside

Megan Meade-Higgins of Southfield caps the crazy cast as the forgetful and loopy Sister Mary Amnesia. She leads the audience in a funny quiz, during which she gives out religious prizes and teases the audience. She does a hysterical piece with a foul mouthed nun's ventriloquist dummy that elicited gales of laughter from the audience. She also delivered a smoky country ballad reminiscent of the late Harry Chapin's style in "I Could've Gone To Nashville."

The set, which the sisters promised their eighth graders they wouldn't touch, was a cheerfully incongruous backdrop for "Grease."

Whether singing like a heavenly choir or tap dancing like a determined chorine, Nunsense is definitely "habit-forming."



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Talented cast takes audience 'Back to Bacharach & David'

The Village Players of Birmingham will present "Back to Bacharach & David" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24-26, and Oct. 1-2, at the playhouse, 752 Chestnut (on the east side of Woodward, two blocks south of Maple). Tickets: \$14, discount for students 18 and under. Season tickets available. Call (248) 644-2075.

BY ROBERT WEIBEL
SPECIAL WRITER

The Village Players production of "Back to Bacharach and David" is a likable and spirited musical revue. First presented on Broadway in 1994, it celebrates the careers of Burt Bacharach and Hal David. The distinctive, romantic music of Bacharach and the telling lyrics

of David defined easy listening, pop music of the '60s and '70s.

This prolific songwriting team also scored hits on stage ("Promises, Promises") and in many films. Who can forget "Raindrops" from "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" or "The Look of Love" from "Casino Royale." These and many other favorites are performed splendidly in a cabaret style setting by Carollee Castle of Birmingham, Holly Hellsten of Troy, Mark Maccagnone of Lathrup Village and Patty Ward of Birmingham.

They not only sing well, but demonstrate a feel for the tunes much in the manner of Dionne Warwick, who made a career of interpreting Bacharach and David. The four singers be it as

singles, duet, trio or harmonious quartet never miss a beat, which is not always an easy task with Bacharach's arrangements and David's lyrics.

Carollee Castle phrasing was especially good on ballads such as "Don't Make Me Over." She and the ensemble scored on a number of up-tempo tunes such as a swinging version of "Do You Know The Way To San Jose?" Patty Ward showed her vocal dexterity on a variety of songs ranging from "I'll Never Fall In Love Again" to "This Guy's In Love With You."

Mark Maccagnone did a wonderful introspective rendition of "Alfie" and was impressive in several medleys. Holly Hellsten sings with energy and an understanding of the contours of a

song as she belted out tunes like "Walk On By" and "Reach Out For Me."

The trio of musicians (piano, guitar and drums) are not mentioned in the program, but they did a superb job of creating the Bacharach sound. Also missing is listing of the songs performed.

Director Beverly Dickinson and Musical Director John Dickinson have created a marvelous evening of entertainment. Cabarets and clubs featuring song stylists are no longer in vogue, but this talented cast and technical crew recreate a bygone era. This is good stuff. Don't miss it.

Robert Weibel of Westland is a free-lance writer who specializes in theater.



On stage: Carollee Castle (left to right), Patricia Ward, Holly Helsten, and Mark Maccagnone star in "Back to Bacharach & David."

Here's a toast to Kid Rock, Eminem and other artists

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

This has been the summer of Kid Rock and Eminem, a pair of Macomb County rappers who have electrified audiences at Woodstock '99, the MTV Music Awards, and concert halls across the country. They have become the

music industry's cover boys, a distinction which usually happens when you have both talent and charisma to offer.

Still, there are many who have nothing positive to say about the hip-hop sounds which they may only hear emanating from the audio system of a passing motorist.

Much of this skepticism is rooted in the belief the success of these artists is a matter of riding the wave of a current music form that appeals to those buying the most recordings — those in their teens and early twenties.

The fact that fame generally proves to be a very fleeting thing also is the impetus for discrediting new artists. I'm telling you now that if you grew up in the 1960s, you may have been swept away by doing the "Freddie" to

the only hit by Freddie and the Dreamers. Being young in the 1970s may have yielded some embarrassing moments on the dance floor while under the spell of K.C. and the Sunshine Band. If you're approaching 30, there may be a Tiffany cassette in your collection, or you're wondering what you were thinking when you waited in line at Ticketmaster for that heavy metal hair band you just had to see perform live.

Your tastes may change with age, but respect what you discard by replacing it with something different. There will be music that you may not have bothered with before. You may find yourself at the Truffaut Festival at the DIA's Detroit Film Theatre instead of catching a sneak preview of "Revenge of the Nerds: The Next Generation." A re-run of "ER" just may prompt you to catch the Theatre Company's production of Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman" at U of D Mercy.

While fame is often temporary, the performing and visual arts endure. As the 1990s began, who would have predicted that two rap artists from Macomb County would be the hot ticket with their explosive performances and top of the charts albums. We also can't forecast how long the popularity of Kid Rock and

Eminem might last, or even what form of creative expression they might turn to over time.

There is an element of mystery in the arts. You never know what talent might emerge from the Center For Creative Studies, the Mosaic Youth Theatre, the Detroit Filmmakers Coalition, or the increasing number of young artists working in warehouses and other makeshift art districts throughout the Detroit area.

One project I'm particularly excited about is the city-commis-

sioned Millennium Bell, a metal sculpture by artist Chris Turner. It will become a permanent symbol of Detroit's commitment to the arts in the next century.

We'll give an update on the progress in an upcoming column and on Detroit Public TV's BACKSTAGE PASS program, seen 7:30 p.m. Sundays on Channel 56.

But, for now, here's a toast to Kid Rock and Eminem and all artists who have captured our imagination. And here's to all

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"Nunsense," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Sept. 24-25 and Oct. 1-2, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 26 and Oct. 3, at the theater, 21730 Madison, Dearborn. \$15. (313) 561-7175.

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"Nunsense," Sept. 24-26, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake, between Crooks and Livernols, Troy. \$13, \$12 seniors/students, includes sandwich and coffee afterglow. (248) 988-7049.

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LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Light and classical music by the orchestra, tastings of foods from at least 25 area restaurants, bakeries and food establishments, silent auction, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, at Wonderland Mall, Plymouth and Middlebelt roads, Livonia. \$25 advance, \$30 at door. (734) 421-1111/(734) 464-2741.

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POPS/SWING

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY

"Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays-Saturdays through October, at Andiamo Italia West, 6676 Telegraph Road at Maple, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300.

AUDITIONS

NANCY GURWIN PRESENTS

Auditions for "Oliver!" 2 p.m. (for children ages 7 and up); 7 p.m. for adults, Sunday, Sept. 26, in room 107A, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. Children and adults should prepare ballad and uptempo song for audition. (248) 354-0545.

BALLET RENAISSANCE

The new classical ballet company is holding open auditions for "The Nutcracker," 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, at Wayne State University's Old Main Bldg., third floor, dance studio A. \$10. For performances Dec. 17-19. (313) 577-4273.

B.W. PRODUCTIONS

Auditions for ages 14 to adult for a musical/comedy gospel stage play, no past experience necessary but a plus, training will be provided. (313) 865-2375.

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS

Auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, at Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark Road, Livonia. (248) 926-1609.

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

Auditions for the 1999-2000 season will be held in the coming weeks. (734) 591-7649.

NOVI THEATRES

Auditions for Performance Plus (ages 13 to college) and Children's Annex (ages 10-12) for "A Christmas Carol," 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile, For performances Dec. 10-12. All actors pay a \$125 fee once cast. (248) 347-0400.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

Auditions by appointment 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, basses and tenors especially needed, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth. (734) 455-4080.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CHOIR

Looking for all voice parts for a cappella choir. (734) 464-3786.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Schoolcraft College is reviving its jazz ensemble and is looking for musicians, rehearsals will be held 7-10 p.m. Mondays in the music department of the Forum Building on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 420-8984.

SECOND CITY-DETROIT TRAINING CENTER

Classes in improvisational technique and basic acting skills run Sept. 30 to Nov. 24, at 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$200. (313) 964-8821 or www.secondcity.com.

SPIRIT OF DETROIT CHORUS

Looking for new members of all ages to rehearse and become new members of the Jakes group that sings four part

harmony in the barbershop tradition, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile west of Inkster Road, Livonia. (313) 937-2429.

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS

Auditions for all ages for 1999/2000 season, 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit. Also Scary Workshop classes for grades 1-12 (six weeks, \$25), for Oct. 16 performance. (313) 535-8962.

WESTLAND ALL STARS

The Drama Club holds auditions for 1-12th grade students for "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Bailey Recreation Center, Westland. Call for appointment. (734) 722-7620.

YOUTH COMPETITION

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December at Evola Music of Canton, in addition to orchestral instruments, piano contestants are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in February of 2000. (734) 451-2112.

MOSAIC YOUTH THEATRE

Auditions for 12-19 year old actors, singers, & songwriters, and youngsters interested in technical theater and set design, lights, sound, costumes, props and backstage work for Mosaic Youth Theatre's 1999-2000 season, 5:30-9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Sept. 28-30, Historic Fort Wayne Visitor's Center, 6325 W. Jefferson at Livernols, Detroit. Call (313) 554-1422 for an audition appointment.

CHORAL

MOSAIC SINGERS

7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, at the Anderson Theater, Henry Ford Museum/Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. \$15. \$7 youth/students/seniors. (313) 982-6001.

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JAZZ

SPENCER BAREFIELD SEXTET

8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Detroit Institute of Arts Recital Hall, 5200 Woodward. \$15, \$12 seniors/students/Creative Arts Collective members. (313) 833-4005.

TASILIMAH GEY

8:30 p.m.

8 days a week

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Capri, Chocolate, Mysterio Clark and more, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$35, \$27.50. (248) 433-1515

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sundays. (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Billy Ray Bauer 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 24-25, at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. \$10. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTAGE COMEDY SHOWCASE
314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
John Heffron Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 23, 26, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. (248) 542-9900 or http://www.comedycastle.com

SECOND CITY
"Phantom Menace to Society," 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Sundays, and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Mainstage comedy acts: \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

BELLE ISLE ZOO
Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through Oct. 31, at the zoo on Central Avenue on Belle Isle, two miles east of downtown Detroit. Entrance is on East Jefferson at East Grand Boulevard. \$3. \$2 seniors age 62 and older and students. \$1 ages 2-12. (248) 398-0900/(248) 399-7001

CRANBROOK HOUSE AND GARDENS
Tours 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 27 (\$10); and 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursdays a noon lunch is offered only with a house tour and only by reservation for an additional \$10; gardens open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday (\$5), guided garden tour at extra cost by reservation, at Cranbrook, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3147

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND ART MUSEUM
"Contemporary Art from Cuba: Irony and Surrealism on the Illegian Island" at the art museum. (248) 645-3361; "Screen Machines: The Science of Roller Coasters," "Our Dynamic Earth," and planetarium and Laser programs at the science center which closed temporarily Sept. 7, opens Oct. 15 with new permanent exhibits "Life Lab," "The Kinetic," "Every Rock has a Story," and "Reading Objects," and a temporary exhibit "Turbulent Landscapes: The Natural Forces that Shape our World." 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (877) 452-7262

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
Behind the Scenes program continues at The Castle in Detroit's historic Berry subdivision built in 1898 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, \$55 members, \$65 nonmembers, and at a luncheon at the Henry Ford Estate Fair Lane noon Thursday, Sept. 30, \$25 members, \$30 nonmembers, (313) 833-4727. A celebration of Tiger Stadium Saturday, Sunday, Sept. 25-26 features appearances by Willie Horton, Jim Northrup in conjunction with the new exhibit, "A Salute to Tiger Stadium" on display in Kresge Gallery; "Frontiers to Factories: Detroiters at Work 1701-1901," formerly known as "Furs to Factories," with a new Land Office, a "Wheel of Fortune" style land acquisition interactive, three new video screen interactives, a documentary video, a new Heavy Industry section and a display explaining Detroit's move from "Stove Capital of the World" to the Motor City, automobile capital of the world, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805 or http://www.detroithistorical.org

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays, "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun" at 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and "Everest" and "Whales" multiple showings seven days a week, at the center, noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 7 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays, at 5020 John R. (at Warren), Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400

DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM
Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle, Detroit. Regular admission \$2, \$1 seniors/children ages 12-18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. (313) 852-4951

HENRY FORD ESTATE FAIR LANE
Estate tours include the restored race side powerhouse, Henry Ford's personal garage and cars, giant generators played by Ford and Thomas Edison that

still operate, and the tunnel to the 56-room mansion with elaborate carved woodwork and personal artifacts, at 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 593-5590

HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE
Railroad Days, displays, ride a 1890-1910 handcar, traditional hobo camp, create puppets of engineers and conductors, Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 25-26; the village is celebrating its 70th season with a host of activities, and exhibits such as Abraham Lincoln's assassination chair and a life mask made 60 days before his assassination, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM
"Something Old, Something New: Wedding Gowns of the 19th and 20th Centuries," on display 1-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays through Sept. 25, at the museum on Van Hoesen Farm, 1005 Van Hoesen Road, one mile east of Rochester Road off of Tenken Road, Rochester Hills. \$3, \$2 seniors and students. (248) 656-4663

SPIRIT OF FORD
Interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits and theaters for all ages, NASCAR Pit Stop Challenge, Turbo Tour full-motion simulator ride, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at 1151 Village Drive, across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$6, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 317-7474

POPULAR MUSIC

ALBERTA ADAMS
7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 1-2, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages (248) 644-4800 (blues)

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Ann Arbor Brewing Co., 114 East Washington, Ann Arbor, one block East of Main Street. No cover. All ages. (734) 213-1393 (blues)

THE ALLIGATORS
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, and Tuesday, Oct. 12, Lower Towne Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and over. (734) 451-1213 (blues)

ATOMIC BITCHWAX
With Nebula, Core, 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (acid rock)

BACKSTREET BOYS
7:30 p.m. Saturday-Monday, Nov. 6-8, The Palace, Auburn Hills. Sold Out

BASEMENT JAXX
Saturday, Sept. 25, Motor Detroit, 3515 Caniff, East of I-75, Hamtramck. (313) 369-0080

BETTER THAN EZRA
With Sixpence None the Richer, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, Royal Oak Music Theatre. Call (248) 645-6666 (alternative)

THE BLUE RAYS
9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, Ann Arbor Brewing Co., 114 East Washington, Ann Arbor, one block East of Main Street. No cover. All ages. (734) 213-1393 (blues)

BLUE ROSE
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland. Free, 21 and over. (734) 467-5056; (blues)

BLUE TANGO
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main Street, Ann Arbor. No cover. (734) 668-1838 (folk)

FRANKIE BONES
Friday, Oct. 1, Motor Detroit, 3515 Caniff, East of I-75, Hamtramck. (313) 369-0080

BRAINMUTE
Friday, Oct. 1, Lili's 21, 2930 Jacob in Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555

JAMES BROWN
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$35 and \$27.50 on sale now at Ticketmaster outlets or charge by phone at (248) 433-1515 (soul)

BUGS BEDDOW BAND
10 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2, Tavern Club, 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900 (blues)

BURNING SPEAR
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$20 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (roots/reggae)

R.L. BURNSIDE
With T-Model Ford and Paul Jones, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$12.50 in advance. (313) 833-9700 (blues)

CHAIN REACTION
9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24, 25, Fire and Ice, Cherry Hill Road, east of Inkster Road in Dearborn Heights. \$3 cover, 21 and over. (313) 730-9014 (alternative)

CHEF CHRIS-BLUES BAND
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd., Plymouth (734) 455-8450 (blues)

MARK CHESNUTT
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. Tickets on sale \$12.50 and \$25. (248) 370-0100 (country)

OHISEL GROS
Friday, Oct. 1, Memphis Smoke, Royal Oak. (248) 943-4200 (blues)

THE CHURCH
8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac. Tickets \$20. All ages. (248) 335-3540 (alt. pop)

ELVIS COSTELLO
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$42.50 and \$30. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

CREED
With Our Lady Peace and Oleander, Friday, Oct. 15, The Palace, Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$24.50 reserved and general admission. (248) 370-0100 (rock)

ROBERT CRENSHAW
9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, Memphis Smoke, Royal Oak

DANCEHALL CRASHERS
With No Use For a Name and Limp, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, Clutch Cargos, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets \$10. All ages. (248) 333-2362 (ska)

DEAD MOON
With Rocket 455 and Bantam Rooster, 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (garage punk)

CHICO DEBARGE
With Noreaga, Friday, Oct. 1, State Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

DELIRIOUS?
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Tickets on sale \$19.50. (734) 668-8397 (Christian Brit-rock)

KARL DENSON'S TINY UNIVERSE
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets \$10 in advance. (248) 544-3030

DEZINE INTENT
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, Bamboozles, 8 Mile between Farmington and Merriam roads, Farmington Hills.

DARK STAR ORCHESTRA
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, Majestic Theater, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. Tickets \$11 advance. (313) 833-9700 (grateful dead covers)

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS
With The Dopes, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. Cover \$5, 21 and over. (734) 996-8555

DROPKICK MURPHY'S
With Nebula, Blood for Blood, and Beerzone, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$10 on sale Sept. 28. All ages. (313) 833-9700 (hardcore punk)

EVERTON BLENDER
With Alpheus, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. Tickets \$15 in advance. (313) 833-9700 (reggae)

FLETCHER PRATT
With the Neptunes, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 313jac, upstairs from Jacobys, 624 Brush St., Detroit. 18 and over. \$5 cover. (313) 962-7067 (pop)

FULL DEVIL JACKET
7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$8. All ages. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com (rock)

THE FUNNY METERS
8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets \$22 in advance. (248) 544-3030 (funk)

GLEN EDDY BAND
Thursday, Sept. 23, Library Pub, Nov. (248) 349-9100; Friday-Saturday, Sept. 24-25, The Alibi, Farmington Hills. (248) 478-2010 (rock/blues)

GUSTER
With Jump Little Children, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, Michigan Theater. Tickets on sale Sept. 27 for \$12.50. (734) 668-8397

HARRINGTON BROTHERS
7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

BEN HARPER AND THE INNOCENT CRIMINALS
Time to be determined, Wednesday, Oct. 27, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$35 and \$24.50. (248) 645-6666

HIDDIOUS BUNNY
10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 8-9, 22-23, Routers, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. 21 and over. (734) 459-4190 (top 40)

THE HOPE ORCHESTRA
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, Borders Books and Music, 4307 Crescent Blvd., Novi. (248) 347-0708; 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 24-25, Woody's, 208 W. Fifth St., Royal Oak (248) 543-6911

LISA HUNTER
9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-3940

JULIO IGLESIAS
8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets on sale \$100, \$50, \$35. Call (313) 983-6511

INDIGO SWING
With D.J. Villareal, 9:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-8555 (swing)

IMMUNITY
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. No cover. (248) 453-4300 (reggae)

INCOGNITO
8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, Masque Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$55, \$37.50, \$27.50, \$17.50. For 20

or more call (313) 471-3099. Charge by phone (313) 433-1515. (funk/jazz)

INNERZONE ORCHESTRA
Saturday, Oct. 2, Motor Detroit, 3515 Caniff, East of I-75, Hamtramck. (313) 369-0080

ISOTOPE 217
With the Eternals, Thursday, Sept. 23, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (funky jazz)

KARMIC
With The Sky Pilots, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. Cover \$4, 21 and over. (734) 996-8555

KID ROCK
With Powerman 5000, DDT, and a special surprise guest, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Sold out. (248) 377-0100

KILLER FLAMINGOS
10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Sept. 24-25, Oct. 1-2, 15-16, 29-30 Boulders, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. 21 and over. (734) 459-4190 (top 40)

KUNG FU DIESEL
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd., Plymouth (734) 455-8450

RICKY MARTIN
Nov. 1 show at The Palace is sold out.

MAXWELL
Third show added, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets on sale \$75, \$50, \$40. Call (313) 983-6611

STONEY MAZAAR AND THE WESTSIDERS
7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 24-25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages (248) 644-4800; 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, Lower Towne Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and over. (blues)

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Time to be determined, Monday, Nov. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. Ticket price information not yet available. Tickets on sale Friday, Sept. 24

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MOVIES

Thought-provoking 'Stigmata' worth a look

BY TED ANTHONY
AP NATIONAL WRITER

A safe bet: The Roman Catholic Church will not like "Stigmata." Not by a long shot. That's understandable. The movie questions the very validity of the church's existence. However, this thought-provoking, literate horror film — an odd mix of religious iconography and techno imagery set against the backdrop of post-industrial Pittsburgh — is worth a look, even if you walk away a bit offended by the viscera and blasphemy it depicts. With echoes of "The Seventh Sign" and a bit of "The Exorcist,"

"Stigmata" follows a beautiful young hairdresser, Frankie Paige, through an extraordinary sequence of events. Through no fault of her own, she is mailed a rosary that belonged to a Brazilian priest (Jack Donner) who died while on the verge of uncovering information that could shake the Vatican to its foundations. Soon after, Frankie — played by Patricia Arquette as one part ingenue, two parts street-savvy twentysomething — is stricken in her bathtub, in a scene that blends trauma, religion and erotic energy in a truly unsettling way. Rushed to the hospital, Frankie is found to have puncture wounds that go all the way through her wrists — just like Christ's crucifixion. The doctors think she tried to kill herself. Ridiculous, she says: "I love being me. Ask anyone." After another attack on a subway leaves her with phantom whip marks (and a diagnosis of possible epilepsy), Father Andrew Kierman, a Vatican paranormal-events investigator who's torn between his science and his faith, is dispatched from Rome to investigate. Father Andrew (Gabriel Byrne, in a muted, deliberate performance) scoffs at first; it can't be stigmata, he tells Frankie, because she's an atheist and stigmata only strikes the

deeply faithful. But soon, after he witnesses more attacks and sees her scrawling on walls in Aramaic, the language of Galilee in Jesus' time, he begins to believe. Meanwhile, his superiors back in Rome, 'slowly realizing' the importance of what's happening to Frankie, begin to get involved in various questionable ways. Ultimately, a truth emerges: What's happening to the increasingly scuffed and bleeding Frankie could hold the key to a new way of seeing God — one that could reverberate through Christianity and undermine all that the Vatican espouses. Dangerous, powerful stuff, even for priests confident of their faith in Christ. "We're all blind in a cave, looking for a candle that was lit 2,000 years ago," Vatican linguist Father Gianni Delmonico (Dick Latessa) tells Father Andrew. Jonathan Pryce is alternatively enigmatic and menacing as Cardinal Daniel Houseman, the

Vatican higher-up who keeps tightening Father Andrew's leash. Competent but a bit cliched is Nia Long, as Frankie's supportive friend, Donna, who's trying to figure out what's happening. The talented Portia de Rossi (Nelle from "Ally McBeal") is underused as a beauty-shop colleague who favors black eyeliner and multiple piercings. Thomas Copache has a nice small role as Father Durning, a Pittsburgh priest. An interesting ancillary player is the city itself, constantly under storm clouds, reflecting Frankie's moods and deeds. In "Stigmata," 1990s service-industry Pittsburgh becomes steel-mill solid once more — filled with belching steam, dark stonework, wet cement and broken glass, showing off its roots as iconic industrial town. Rain-soaked and dreary, it's never looked more compelling. Stylistically, "Stigmata" is fascinating. It alternates traditional

camerawork and editing techniques with MTV-style cutting and oblique angles. It works well because it's done sparingly and for contrast, not as a gimmick to carry the film. Especially interesting is the decision to vary lighting, contrast and filters within scenes, which adds to the sense of unease. Though slow at times, "Stigmata" ultimately succeeds in its determination to be interesting and to explore the meaning of Frankie's injuries. And it really gets going at the end. "The real miracle is that anybody believes anything," Father Andrew laments. But despite its standoffishness about the Vatican, "Stigmata" is indeed a film about belief — and about the gray area that lies between religious faith and scientific truth. "Stigmata," an MGM release, is directed by Rupert Wainwright and lensed by Jeffrey L. Kimball. Waldemar Kalinowski did the production design; it is rated R.

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"DOUBLE JEOPARDY"
Suspenseful drama about a woman who is framed for the murder of her husband and survives long years in prison with two burning desires sustaining her — finding her son and solving the mystery that destroyed her once happy life. Stars Tommy Lee Jones, Ashley Judd, Annabeth Gish.
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Exclusively at the Landmark Maple Art Theatre. A memoir of a most unusual family, as seen through the eyes of one very adventurous child. Stars Colin Firth, Rosemary Harris.
"SIMON SEZ"
When the daughter of a friend is kidnapped, an ultra-cool Interpol agent has to enlist the aid of two monks who happen to be computer experts. Stars Dennis Rodman.
Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 1
"DRIVE ME CRAZY"
A teenage girl and boy who have grown up next door to one another have never made a love connection. But when long-time friends and neighbors gather for their high school's centennial celebration, they realize they were meant for each other all along. Stars Melissa Joan Hurt and Stephen Collins.

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Small group of adventurous American soldiers in Iraq at the end of the Gulf War are determined to steal a huge cache of gold reputed to be hidden somewhere near their desert base. When they find a map they believe will lead them to the gold, they embark on a quest that leads to unexpected discoveries. Stars Mark Wahlberg, Ice Cube, George Clooney.
"QUINEVERE"
A May-September romance with an edge. A young woman with a lot of questions and an older man with too few answers and their unlikely bond. Stars Stephen Rea, Jean Smart. Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 8
"THE BIG TEASE"
Comedy set in the world of celebrity hairdressing. A young, inspired, gay Scottish hairdresser represents the hopes of his small town when he travels to LA for a competition. Stars Craig Ferguson, Frances Fisher.

STREET SCENE

Wink right at you: DJ set to spin

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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Believe it or not, at age 13 Josh Wink dreamt of becoming a radio personality. Charting his course at a local Philadelphia radio station, Wink moved on to work as an apprentice for a mobile disk jockey service. His early training included setting up equipment for weddings. By 1986, Wink — who has family in the Bloomfield Hills area — bought the necessary equipment and began spinning records himself. "I taught myself how to beat mix," said Wink, a world-renowned DJ at age 29. "I began doing parties in Philadelphia, doing my own parties, doing warehouse parties and house parties. Then I met up with (DJ) King (Britt) in 1988-89."



TERRENCE MUELL
Spinning: World-renowned DJ Josh Wink comes to Detroit's Motor Lounge Friday, Sept. 24 to promote his new CD series, Profound Sounds.

Techno 101
Sixteen years later, Wink successfully emerged from the U.S. rave scene intent on educating others about electronic dance music. Along with friend and fellow Philadelphia DJ, King Britt, he's co-founded a record label — Ovum Records — and in July released his latest CD, "Profound Sounds, Vol. I." Hailed by critics as a sonic and masterful blend of house and techno, the first installment of "Profound Sounds" embarks on a series of recordings which explore the art behind mixed tapes and the raw emotion entangled in today's electronic music. In liner notes on the CD, Wink proclaimed: "Mixed tapes have always been an important part of my life. When I was 7, I first encountered mixed tapes and the concept behind them: to reflect the taste, creativity and sensibility of an individual... The process of consciously compiling different songs, sounds and genres on tape evolved into an artform of its own."

"Sweat."
"I'm just happy people like it," said Wink of Vol. I. "It's a little bit of an education process for people who want to get into electronic dance music. It's a balance between techno and house, a good kind of spoon-feeding lesson."
Through his music, Wink tries to convey a mood, an overall feeling. With Ovum Recordings — which is now distributed by Ruffhouse/Columbia Records — Wink and Britt gained more control over the music. "Being able to put out our own music and having a partner like (Britt) is a beautiful feeling," said Wink. "I've learned a big lesson. When you excel at something, you continue to excel."
Still learning their way around in this new side of the recording industry, Wink said he and Britt both like the business aspect of their work, but are continuing to grow as artists. "We need to stay creative," said Wink.

Watch Wink spin
How does Wink's sound translate in a live setting?
"I try to strive to do something that's a little different," he said. "It's easy to do songs with all the hits. I like to educate people when I'm down there changing a mood or creating a mood." To see Wink in action, is to enjoy a light-hearted experience. Touring in support of "Profound Sounds" will bring him back to the Metro area Friday for his second appearance at Motor. "I played there once before," said Wink. "It was great. They brought in extra sound and extra lights."
See Josh Wink spin at Motor Detroit, 3515 Caniff, east of I-75, Hamtramck, on Friday, Sept. 24. Call (313) 369-0080 for more information. Check out his Web site at www.joshwink.com. The site for Ovum Recordings is www.ovum-records.com.

Spoon-feeding the masses

"Profound Sounds" extends those boundaries. Wink moves smoothly from the soulful house sounds of Blazé's "Lovelee Dae" to Detroit's own Stacey Pullen, as she presents Black Odyssey's

STREET SCENE

Don't 'Blink'; you'll want to see Monk perform Saturday



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

When Bill Keith sent over his own personal copy of "Blink," the latest CD by Monk, I knew it must be something special.

As the station manager for Plymouth-Canton's 88.1 F.M., Keith wouldn't steer me in the wrong direction where music is concerned, especially when it's music he feels strongly about.

"I think one of the things that really stands out is the style of the music, as far as improvisation," said Keith of the Cincinnati-based band. Using words like phenomenal and original to describe the band piqued my curiosity even more. "They are a three-piece band, just bass, guitar and drums. The sound is so dynamic."

From jazz to rock to acoustic pop, Monk moves fluidly from one genre to the next. It didn't take much convincing; I had to hear more for myself, more from the voice behind Monk, Ric Hordinski.

The rich, lofty tone of Ric

Hordinski's voice is the sort of sound that can set a stranger at ease within seconds, the sort of captivating voice that leaves one wanting to hear more.

The music he creates delivers the same effect. Yet, the singer-songwriter from Cincinnati, Ohio refuses to describe his sound. It's not surprising since his band, Monk, is known for its ever-evolving, improvisational tone. Monk's latest CD, "Blink," was released in the same spirit. Available on Flat Earth Records since in mid-July, it's a live compilation of music, ranging from the atmospheric, to the ambient, and tinged with rock and roll.

"(Blink) is a live recording and it's a collection of radio shows," said Hordinski, in a phone interview from his Ohio recording studio. Because live performances were being recorded constantly, the band was unaware of what it would find upon listening to the recordings. Hordinski said he was surprised with the material uncovered for the disc.

"I'm real happy with the way 'Tattoo' came out and the spontaneity of 'Circle of Quiet' was really fresh and genuine."

Beginning with Beatles

But long before he was making his own music, Hordinski found himself captivated by the record player. "I was very interested in music as a child," he said. "My earliest memories of music are sitting by the 45 r.p.m. turntables playing my mother's Beatles record over and over again."

By the time he was 14, Hordinski knew he would pursue a career in music. Though he attended college, he left to become a professional musician. A job in the music industry led to an opportunity for Hordinski to see the world, which further piqued his interest in starting a band. After achieving critical acclaim as a founding member of Over the Rhine, Hordinski eventually sought change and growth.

"I had a certain kind of sound I was interested in producing," he said. "The band I was in before made it more and more difficult to do that."

"This Train" moves on

After making six records with Over the Rhine, and having performed live with Bob Dylan, The

Samples, Johnny Cash and Moby, Hordinski left to pursue his own interests with Monk, and to begin a producing career.

Monk is about the freedom to experiment with ambient sounds and intimate ideas. Hordinski has welcomed contributors on all three Monk albums, including Ben Folds of Ben Folds Five and Dave LaBruyere of Shawn Mullins band. In 1998, Monk was noted on National Public Radio's Top 25 Essential Listening for the Echoes program.

"I kind of like to let it take its own course," Hordinski said of new material he's working on for Monk's fourth CD. "I know it'll be very textural and I'm not really sure what specific direction it will take."

The name of the band has no specific meaning. It conjures up images of jazz great Thelonious Monk, whose music was criticized and misunderstood early in his career. Hordinski said the name itself is "pretty romantic." It suits the multiple textures and an essence of solitude which flows from the music.

Free form inspiration

By keeping an open mind and using improvisation, Hordinski

said, the songs dictate what an arrangement will be. Forming preconceived notions about new material is limiting to him as a musician, he said. Monk's music remains free of such limitations. "I am inspired by listening to other musicians often," he shared. "By hearing music of another culture, and by knowing the significance music has had for people over the course of thousands of years." He said he's inspired to be a part of the tradition of making music, and the sort of honesty music can hold.

Autobiographical

When writing songs, Hordinski said he's affected by whatever happens to be going on in his life at the time. "My songs are always pretty personal. There is generally some sort of first person perspective. I don't write story songs."

That ability to reveal personal aspects of his life through his music can be both therapeutic and inspirational. "Sometimes writing a song is like the relief you feel when you get caught doing something wrong. It's out and everybody knows about it... Sometimes it's inspirational for me to hear it over and over.

Those are the moments you live for."

To see Monk live is to witness the band in a free format, one that proves to be a little more raw than "Blink" has revealed.

"It's wide open," said Hordinski. "There's a lot of improvisation. Every night's a different show."

Monk commenced a tour of the Midwestern U.S. on Wednesday, Sept. 22 and will reach Livonia by Saturday. It won't be Hordinski's first experience at Trinity House Theatre; he played an acoustic set on his own at the Trinity stage once before. "It was a nice atmosphere," he said. "I'm looking forward to coming back."

Bill Keith, myself, and fans in the area are looking forward to seeing Ric, and Monk live at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25 at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 West Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$8 for theater members and can be reserved (734) 464-6302.

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DINING

Latitude reflects new attitude of Up North dining scene

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

Since opening the last day of July, with its two story dining rooms overlooking Bay Harbor's new marina, Latitude has been attracting locals and tourists for an unparalleled Up North dining experience.

By day, diners view sparkling white yachts in the marina, created along Little Traverse Bay as part of the largest industrial land reclamation project in the U.S. At day's end, vividly-colored sunsets create the scene for evening dining in a high-energy, casual atmosphere.

Bay Harbor's reinvention and goals to be more than a blip on the map between Charlevoix and Petoskey is a perfect fit with Latitude, the newest restaurant in the Epoch Restaurant Group, owners of Too Chez, Novi; Forté, Birmingham; and Tribute, Farmington Hills.

Ron Rea, director of design for the internationally-acclaimed JPRA Architects in Farmington Hills, described his decor ideas as "an homage to water and wonders spanning the seasons." Large window expanses allow diners to view the marina on one side and an open cooking line on the other. A seasonal dining patio with windscreens and field stone fireplace with copper slate chimney, extends use into autumn. A wood-paneled dining room offers a cozy feel in any season.

Latitude's island bar has seating at the bar and at tables in the adjacent lounge dining area. In addition to premium liquors, over 250 wines, many in the high-profile category, have been carefully chosen by Dave Waskiewicz, a transplant from Forté.

"When Dave Johnson (Bay Harbor Properties developer) approached us with the idea of opening a restaurant here, I took a leap of faith," Epoch President and owner Tohi Wisne said. "I thought the whole project was a brilliant marketing concept."



Toast: Tohi Wisne, president/owner of Epoch Restaurant Group, toasts to a successful first two months of Latitude in Bay Harbor with the restaurant's Executive Chef Richard Travis.

Another appeal was Dave's intent to have Michigan-based restaurants and retailers in the development — no national chains. We're proud to be the first restaurant flanker of the shopping district."

Wisne took a savvy step of her own, hiring Richard Travis as executive chef. His eight-year tenure as Chef de Cuisine at Tapawingo, in nearby Ellsworth, helped make it an Up North dining destination. Travis, a former U.S. Navy galley chef, is a gradu-

ate of the Golden Mushroom University in Southfield, having trained under legendary Master Chef Milos Cihelka. To further hone his skills, he went abroad and worked in a trio of prestigious French restaurants as well as Chicago's L'Escargot before Tapawingo.

"I fit in with the seasonal variations at Bay Harbor," he said. "At this point in my career, I'm into cooking for mood suiting and changing the menu at Latitude to take advantage of sea-

Latitude
Where: 795 Front Street, Bay Harbor, Mich. (231) 439-2750.
Hours: Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; lounge menu 2:30-5 p.m.; dinner 5-10 p.m.; Tuesday through Sunday.
Menu: Modern American selections infused with ingredients and flavors of international cuisines.
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Latitude uncorked
Dave Waskiewicz who developed the wine list suggests the following food and wine pairings:
■ Fire Roasted Pork Loin and 1996 Panther Creek Reserve Pinot Noir \$55
■ Hunah Barbecue Quail with 1997 Ojai Syrah \$51
■ Tempura Bonsai Tuna matched to 1997 Chateau de Rully \$32.

sonal products."

Travis' lunch and dinner weekly menus have similar design. They include Small Plates (appetizers), Little Green Things (salads), Brick Oven Flat Bread Pizzas and Big Plates (entrees). At dinner, under Chef's Limited Editions you can find fresh catches such as Block Island Swordfish with appropriate and generous vegetable plate garnish or Pan-Seared Walleye.

Harmony of international flavors with contemporary American cuisine is showcased in dishes such as Crispy Szechuan Calamari, Tandoori Style Chicken Satay, Wok-Seared Scallops, Chinese Barbecue Duck, Rotisserie Moroccan Chicken and Tempura Bonsai Tuna. But as American as the Wild West, it's Cowboy Steak, a dry-aged ribeye with smoked corn barbecue sauce.

For kids under 12, there's not only mac 'n cheese, and classic cheeseburger, but a classic peanut butter & jelly sandwich!

For sweet endings, order Latitude Nautical Compass, an architectural dessert fantasy by pastry chef Greg Stroker. This ingenious dessert will guide you back to Latitude to experience its myriad seasonal changes.

Food to go

■ Galley Gourmet, 4181 Main Street, Bay Harbor (231)439-2665. Karen and Roger Williams own this portable food and room service mini emporium. Karen, who also doubles as chef at the Bay Harbor Yacht



Foods-to-go: Roger and Karen Williams, owners of Bay Harbor's Galley Gourmet. Gold-medal winning chef Karen creates foods-to-go.

Club, received her culinary degree from Schoolcraft College, Livonia in 1994.

Roger, with Birmingham family roots, was a plastics manufacturer turned San Francisco currency trader, now co-owner of the clever food operation.

While at Schoolcraft, Karen won a national award on the school's culinary team. In the professional recipe contest Renoir's Table, she captured the top award of a trip to France for two weeks. A year ago, she won a gold medal for her Braised Veal Cheeks with Wild Mushrooms in the Team Veal competition sponsored by Plumie de Veau at the International Hotel and Restaurant show in New York City.

Karen was on the kitchen team for Chef Brian Polcyn at his Five Lakes Grill in Milford when it opened in 1995.

When in need of food-to-go or condo room service at Bay Harbor or environs, visit or phone the Williams for some tasty dishes and a bottle of fine wine.

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in *What's Cooking* to Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. To fax, (734) 591-7279 or e-mail kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

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■ Vic's World Class Market's — live wine discussion "Toast This!" 2-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25 on WKRK 97.1FM. This is the airtime kickoff for the program. Topics include De-mystifying wine, Michigan wines, Wines of Italy, France, California and Australia, Champagnes and Sparkling Wines and Best Buys under \$15. Each Saturday from Vic's Bloomfield Hills location at 2055 S. Telegraph Road, Director of Wine Operations Lisa Ribauda will interview area and regional wine representatives and take listener call-in questions about wine. Tune in!

■ Schoolcraft College — Sample dishes from more than 60 metro Detroit restaurants and food distributors 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26 during Culinary Extravaganza, in the Waterman Center on the Schoolcraft College campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, (between Six and Seven Mile roads, west of I-275.) Tickets are \$40 per person or \$75 for two. Call (734) 462-4417. Event proceeds help pay for scholarships for Schoolcraft College students. During the event, Master Sommelier Madeleine Triffon of Unique Restaurant-Corp. will present a wine seminar, matching wines to the foods from selected restaurants. A live auction will feature packages designed to pamper and delight lucky bidders. Packages include a gourmet dinner for eight in your home, prepared by a Schoolcraft chef, and weekend getaway to Pelee Island with wine tour and tasting, dinner and hotel for four.

■ Wine Tasting event — Presented by R&I Associates of Walled Lake with *Bogey's Bar & Grille*, 142 E. Walled Lake Dr., 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30. Wines from 8 different regions with appetizers to match. Semi-formal attire. Tickets \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Call (248) 669-1441 or (248) 926-1820. Proceeds benefit the Uni-

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■ Fusion — 34555 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, between Farmington and Drake

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