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James top spender in city race



Three candidates in the Westland City Council race, David James, Charles "Trav" Griffin and David Cox, are the top spenders. Amounts spent overall in the campaign range from \$1,520 to \$13,854.

BY DARRELL CLEM Stapp Writer delem@oe.homecomm.net

Three Westland City Council running mates have each spent more on their 1999 campaigns than the elected position pays for an entire year.

Novice council candidate David James has emerged as the top spender among eight hopefuls, shelling out \$13,854, new campaign expense

reports show: His running mates - incumbent Charles "Trav" Griffin and council

appointee David Cox - rank second and third, respectively, in spending. Griffin has plunked down \$13,153;

Cox, \$12,825. New campaign expense reports filed at county offices in Detroit show that Cox, Griffin and James have each spent more than they would earn for a one-year council salary of \$11,452.

They shelled out more than the \$12,592 they would receive even if chosen council president.

The trio has spent thousands more than their election rivals after receiving contributions from city administration officials, political committees, contractors, developers, business people and others.

"Having the financial resources to get your message out, I would say, is extremely important," Cox said Monday. "Westland is a bedroom community, and our housing turns over. There's a significant number of new people from one election to the next."

Griffin conceded that his spending exceeds what he would typically spend on a council race.

"It's a very tough race," he said. "You've got a lot of good candidates."

Spending differences

The new spending totals come from reports turned in before the latest filing deadline on Friday.

Rounding out the eight-way race inspending are:

Political newcomer James Godbout, \$7,421.

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Music man

Band director marches along

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

Then Andrew Wendt was in high school, he planned to become a lawyer or businessman - that is, until a music teacher forever changed his life.

"In my senior year, my band teacher directed me toward music," Wendt said. "He believed in me and taught me in one year to be a musician and encouraged me to go on to a college level. I took the information he gave me and ran with it and here I am:"

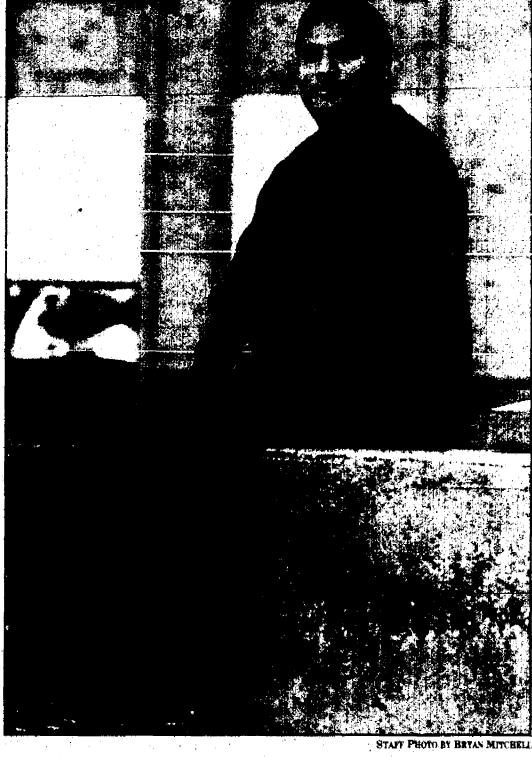
Wendt is in the midst of his first semester as director for concert band, symphony band, symphony orchestra and marching band at Wayne Memorial High School. He comes to the district at an opportune time in the history of the music department.

Voters in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools passed a \$108 million bond issue last year, with \$500,000 going for the district's secondary schools' music departments, according to William Camp, Wayne-Westland's executive director of secondary education. Each high school was allotted \$120,000 and each middle school got \$65,000.

"Our directors were able to buy new instruments that were sorely needed for years and years," Camp

Students are playing for the first full year on these instruments. Along with the new instruments,

endt hopes to instill a love for music that might inspire some students to become professional musicians. He also realizes that most won't choose that path and for those



Newcomer: Wayne Memorial High band director Andrew Wendt is in his first year on the job. He hopes to give students a better understanding of music, along with a love of music.

students he hopes that their new music skills will enhance their lives.

better understanding on how to play their instrument, read music or , that goes on in their lives. They can interpret music at a festival or play and to be able to discriminate from

one aspect to another part of music.

"Music gives the students a chance "I hope I will be able to give them a - to be creative," Wendt added. "It helps escape people from everything

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Election turnout estimate normal

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER dclem@ne.homecomm.net

An estimated 14 percent of Westland registered voters on Tuesday will decide an eight-way council race for four seats, City Clerk Patricia Gibbons

That projection marks a significant increase over the 8 percent of voters who turned out for the Sept. 14 prima-

Voters casting their ballots from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. may choose up to four candidates.

Candidates include incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles "Trav" Griffin; appointed David Cox; newcomers James Godbout, David James. Michael Kehrer and Michael Rintz: and nine-time hopeful Dorothy Smith.

The top three vote-getters will win four-year terms; the fourth-place fin-

Candidates include incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles 'Trav' Griffin; appointee David Cox; newcomers James Godbout, David James, Michael Kehrer and Michael Rintz; and nine-time hopeful Dorothy Smith.

isher will earn a two-year term.

A'14 percent turnout among Westland's 58,262 registered voters would be normal for an election year that includes only a council race: Gibbons Voter turnout reached 20 percent

just two years ago, but a mayoral race.

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Arrests made in playscape vandalism case

BY DARRELL CLEM STAPP WRITER delem@os.homecomm.net

Three Westland teenagers were arrested Monday amid accusations. that they spray-painted obscenities on the city's playscape - a large wooden play structure in Central City Park.

The arrests came as work crews this week continued their efforts to rid the playscape of stubborn graffiti. Police arrested two 16-year-old boys

and a 15-year-old girl, who were later released to their parents' custody, Lt. Marc Stobbe said.

juvenile court that could result in charges such as malicious destruction of property over \$1,000, Stobbe said. Two of the suspects are John Glenn

Police plan to file a petition with

High School students, and the third is suspended. Stobbe said. Witnesses reported widespread

playscape vandalism after taking chil-

dren to the popular play structure on Monday morning, Oct. 18. The destruction had occurred over the weekend. One of the boys told police that he

and his friends defaced the playscape because "they had nothing better to do," Stobbe said. The suspects allegedly bought their

paint at Meijer, defaced the play structainers in a nearby pond, Stobbe said.

ture and then threw empty paint con-Police learned the suspects' names

during an aggressive investigation. "We started talking to everybody at

the high school and through the neighborhoods," Stobbe said. "Finally, we started getting tips after talking to a lot of people. We had a lot of kids' names, but we narrowed it down to

"All of their parents were very cooperative," he said. "They were very surprised, but they were cooperative."

Please see PLAYSCAPE, A4

Boo!

City man dies in wreck

BY DARRELL CLEM

A 48-year-old Westland man was killed Saturday after he drove his car into oncoming traffic on Wayne Road south of Cherry Hill, police Officer Jack McIntosh said.

Bruce McGhie died of chest injuries after his 1986 Pontiac Grand Am slammed head-on into a 1991 Ford Escort driven by Farrah Martin, 21, of Inkster, McIntosh said.

Martin suffered broken bones in both legs and a lacerated liver, and she is recovering at University of Michigan

Hospital in Ann Arbor, McIntosh said She attends Western Michigan Umversity, McIntosh said.

The accident occurred at 5.41 p.m. Saturday, snarling traffic for more than three hours near the Wayne-Cherry Hill intersection.

An investigation has revealed that McGhie's vehicle, traveling north on Wayne, crossed the center line and hit Martin's southbound car in a head on collision, McIntosh said

No one else was in either car Westland police suspect that alcohol



Fun: Dressed as a flower. Shelby Rasmussen, 2. of Redford

enjoyed Tigger, volunteer Andrea Galindo of Westland, at last weekend's "Spooky Fun in Hines Park." For more, please

Smaller contributions add up in campaign

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER delem@os.homecomm.net

Top-spending Westland City Council running mates David. James, Charles "Trav" Griffin and David Cox share many campaign contributors, new finance reports show.

A review of their statements shows that each received contributions of \$100 to \$200 from Mayor Robert Thomas and many of his department heads.

Griffin. Cox and James are viewed as supportive of Thomas and some of his proposals, such as a multimillion-dollar recreation center.

Five other council candidates have had to pay for their campaigns without heavy administration support, depending more on grassroots contributions.

Here's a list of contributors to candidates, starting with topespender David James and ending with the lowest-spending hopeful, Dorothy Smith.

Candidate expenses, will likely increase by the time final totals are tallied for the Tuesday elec-

James' contributors include the mayor (\$100); Citizens for Thomas (\$100); Griffin (\$100); Cox (\$100); City Attorney Angelo Plakas (\$100); Tre Chief Mark Neal (\$100); Housing Director James Gilbert (\$100); Building Director Robert Fritz (\$200) Assessor James Elrod (\$100); Economic Development Director Scott Veldhuis (\$100); Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski (\$100); Planning Director Tod Kilroy (\$100); Personnel Director Keith Madden (\$100); Plumbers Union Local 98 (\$100); Al. Mattieli (\$500); Sheetmetal Workers Local 80 PAC (\$80); Registrar's PAC *\$100. Carol Gillentine (\$100); Wayne-Westland school board member Martha Pitsenbarger (\$100); school board Pressident Robin Moore (\$100); Michigan Boilermakers Local 169 PAC (\$400); city cable consultant Diane Abbott \$100% Wayne-Westland Superintendent Greg Baracy (\$100); Westland _ District Judge C. Charles Bokos

(\$200); Assistant Fire Chief Patrick Harder (\$100); developer Marshall Kallen (\$200); Westland Firefighters Separate Segregated Fund PAC (\$500); developer Kathy Makino (\$400); Anthony Marocco, Westland Car Care (\$500); Councilwoman Sharon Scott (\$100); developer Glenn Shaw (\$500); Andy Spisak (\$100) and Citizens for. Justine Barne (\$100), among others.

Griffin's contributors are similar and include Andy Spisak (\$50); Keith Madden (\$100); James Gilbert (\$200); James Elrod (\$100); Mayor Robert Thomas (\$100); Citizens for Thomas (\$100); Scott Veldhuis (\$100); Diane Abbott (\$100); Robert Fritz (\$200); Mark Neal (\$200); Boilermakers Local: 169 (\$200); Registrar's PAC (\$200); Glenn Shaw (\$250); Westland Firefighters PAC (\$500); Angelo Plakas (\$200); Martha Pitsenbarger (\$100); Kathy Makino (\$200); Anthony Marocco (\$300); Greg Baracy (\$100); Robert Kosowski (\$100); Robin Moore (\$100) and Committee to Elect Barns (\$100)...

Other contributors include Library Director Sandra Wilson (\$100); developer Daryl Williams (\$100); Public Ser-

vices Director Richard Dittmar (\$100); Finance Director Tim McCurley (\$100); Purchasing Agent Jill Thomas (\$100); Deputy Mayor George Gillies (\$200): attorney Nevin Rose (\$100); Westland Lieutenants and Sergeants Association Committee for Good Government (\$500); Westland Police Officers Assoeintion (\$300); Westland District Judge Gail McKnight (\$100); Metro Wayne Democratic Club (\$200) and the Committee To Elect Sharon Scott (\$100). among others.

Cox's contributors include Robin Moore (\$100); Westland Firefighters Separate Segregated Fund PAC (\$500). Friends of Kay Beard (\$100); Michigan Boilerniakers Local 169 (\$200); Glenn Shaw (\$500); Nevin Rose (\$100); Anthony Marocco (\$500); Sheetmetal Workers Local 80 (\$200); Angelo Plakas (\$200); Mark Neal (\$100); Diane Abbott (\$100); Richard Dittmar (\$100); Keith Madden (\$100); Scott Veldhuis (\$100), Citizens for Thomas (\$100); Mayor Thomas (\$100); Andy Spisak (\$100); Gail McKnight (\$100); Martha Pitsenbarger (\$100); C Charles Bokos (\$100); Robert Kosbwski.

(\$100), James Gilbert (\$100), Sharon Scott (\$100); Justine Barns (\$100); George Gillies (\$100); Westland Police Lieutenants and Sergeants Association (\$500); James Elrod (\$100); Greg Baracy (\$100); Marshall Kallen (\$200); Metro Wayne Democratic Club (\$200); Tim McCurley (\$100), Westland Police Officers Association Soun and Sundra Wilson (\$100), among others.

James Godbout's contributors. other than several thousand dollars of his own money, include Councilman Glenn Anderson (\$300). Thomas Schmansky (\$100); Stephen Motawa (\$50); Christopher Schulte (\$50); Roger Caldwell (\$50); Robert Meisner (\$100) Richard Roberts (\$100), Joel Bell (\$50); Helen Driscoll (\$25); Toresa Robbins (\$50), Paul Valovick (\$25), Diane Abbott (\$50); Howard and Georgia Becker (\$100); Robert Kogowski (\$50). George Gillies (\$50) and Councilman Richard LeBlanc (\$100), among others;

Glenn Anderson's contributors include Realtor's PAC of 1500; Anthony Maroeco (\$200); Diane Abbott (\$100) Victor Ansara (\$100); Howard Becker (\$100), Virginia Braun (\$25), Ernest

Johnson (\$50); Richard LeBlanc (\$100); George Marvaso (\$100); Al Mattioli (\$500); Phillip McKenna (\$50); former Councilman Charles Pickering (\$100); Angelo Piakas (\$200); Barbara Polich (\$50); Teresa Robbins (\$50); Arnold Shapero (\$100) and Scott Sherman (\$100), among others.

Michael Rintz's contributors include himself and Robert Beatty

Michael Kehrer's contributors include Realtor's PAC (\$150); Robert Bright (\$130); Al Mattioli (\$200); Westland Jaycees (\$499); Brook Bartolucci (\$45); Howard Becker (\$60), Donald Beesley (\$70); Shirley Bombalski (\$20); Council President Sandra Cicirelli (\$70); Sam Corrado (\$20); Marian Greenfield (\$25); Jo Ann Johnson (\$35); Richard LeBlanc (\$70); Deborah Lindonist (\$45); Teresa Robbins (\$35); Greg Roberts (\$90); Anthony Rosati \$85) and Nicole Sigler (\$140), among

Dorothy Smith's contributors include herself and Gary Bulson (\$53).

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\$5,707.

First-time hopeful Michael Rintz, \$4,987.

■ New candidate Michael Kehrer, \$4,933. Nine-time candidate

Dorothy Smith, \$1,520. Candidates spend their money for yard signs, campaign literature, mailing costs, fund-raisers,

voter labels and bumper stickers, among other items. Rintz has stressed that virtually all of his money has come from his own pockets. He has repeatedly said that he wants to emerge from his campaign owing

Smith has spent far less than her rivals, but she remains hopeful of grabbing one of four coun-

■ Incumbent Glenn Anderson, cil-seats at stake in Tuesday's

With a fifth-place finish in the Sept. 14 primary, she actually has received more votes for each dollar spent than any other candidate.

"I think the fact that I spent the lowest will help me. I always feel like my hard work for the citizens is what I have." Smith said. "I think I have a chance at winning. I know I've tried hard."

She criticized big-spending candidates whom she said "put out the slick literature and the slick pictures and tell all these

Anderson, meanwhile, didn't seem concerned that James, Griffin and Cox have each spent more than twice what he has.

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I I think the fact that I spent the lowest will help me. I always feel like my hard work for the citizens is what I have.'

> Dorothy Smith -Westland City Council candidate

Anderson finished first in the

"I think that is directly attributable to the message and the issues," he said "Hopefully, the people realize that I'm just trying to be a good representative for them on the council."

Anderson, who is supporting Godbout and Kehrer, predicted that spending levels of Cox. Griffin and James won't matter because "they are on the wrong side of issues with the voters."

"I don't think dollars will buy them the election." Anderson

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Views vary

Cox, Griffin and James have indicated support for using special Tax Increment Finance Authority dollars to build a multimillion-dollar city recreation center, while Anderson and some other candidates favor renovating the existing Bailey Center.

Top-spending council candidates defended their expenses. which are much less than the amount spent by some candidates in cities such as Livonia.

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Griffin said the \$13,153 he has said. spent isn't that much when spread over a two- or four-year council term.

He defended spending money for yard signs: literature. postage and other items that help him reach voters.

sharing some campaign literature, but also sending out their own personal mailings.

not city council.

as city department heads.

tribute to you unless they see you as a positive person," Griffin

also was decided that year, she

In all, 3,446 voters have

didates forum at the Wayne-

■ They're still sending out lit-

erature and campaigning in

■ They introduced themselves

during seven-minute segments

WLND, the city's cable station.

Ford Civic League

neighborhoods.

Despite Anderson's incumbencv. he didn't receive the same level of administration contributions. His theory: The officials donate to candidates supported by their boss, Mayor Robert Thomas.

Anderson said he feels good about the money he has received. He said he has tried to maintain a high level of integri-

Anderson said he returned one contribution from an attorney representing Walgreen Col. which still has a project pending with the city.

"I didn't feel right keeping the contribution," he said.

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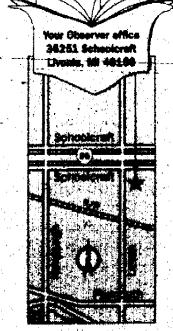


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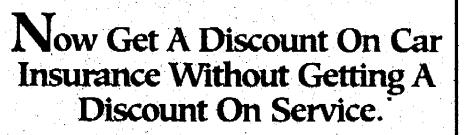
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Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there.

Griffin, Cox and James are

Cox said he had to mount an effective campaign because he last ran for public office three years ago - and that was for Wayne-Westland school board.

Griffin welcomed the money that he, Cox and James have received from contributors such

"I don't think these people con-

Turnout from page A1 ■ Their opinions appeared in a question-and-answer format that was published in the Oct. 21

issue of the Observer. requested absentee ballots, and With the election looming. 2,007 people have returned: most candidates voiced hope that theirs, Gibbons said. no 11th-hour mudslinging efforts "They're still coming in," she will mar the final days of the said Tuesday.

campaign. Council candidates have made Even so, some candidates have their pitch for votes in several voiced fears of being unfairly targeted by their rivals between ■ They appeared last Thursnow and Tuesday. day for a Jaycees-sponsored can-

The 1999 campaign thus far has been described as alternateiv malicious and civil - depending on the week or even the day.

In the end, voters will have their say Tuesday, and Gibbons offered some advice.

"Come out and vote," she said. allotted for each candidate on #Stake your claim in America and vote."



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Chow time: John Szymans ki, 4, enjoys his meal at St. Damian's Fall Family Feast dinner last Friday, Below, people gather for the Fall Family Feast.



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Charge added in shooting case

BY SCOTT DANIEL STAFF WRITER sdaniel@oe.homecomm.net

A charge of assault with intent to murder was added to the listof offenses leveled against a suspect in a June 25 Canton shoot-

Timothy Regan Boster, 22. was arraigned Oct. 20 on the charge at 35th District Court in Plymouth. He's already facing three counts of firearms discharge at a building and one count of felony firearm.

Zachary Scott Woodby, 21, is currently undergoing a forensic exam. He faces five felony charges including assault with this long to bring an additional

intent to murder, felony firearm and three counts of firearms discharge at a building

Both will be in Wayne County Circuit Court Dec. 10 in front of Judge George W. Crockett III. A trial date should be set at the hearing.

"I don't see a trial starting until after the first of the year." said Plymouth-based attorney Gerald Conley, Boster's attorney,

Plymouth District Court Judge John MacDonald continued Boster's \$50,000 bond at a Monday preliminary exam. He's currently free on bail.

"I don't know why they waited

charge," Conley said.

Woodby, meanwhile, has been in the Wayne County Jail since the incident. Canton resident Dawn Davis was heading westbound on Palmer Road and stopped at the intersection of Sheldon. Township police said as many as 11 shots fired from an AK-47 military assault rifle hit Davis' Chrysler LeBaron.

Police originally thought Woodby was responsible for firing each of the shots. Conley said last week's charge against Boster indicates a change.

The attorney maintains that Boster fired one shotgun round into the air and not at Davis.

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Patchin gets principal; Adams effort lauded

By Julie Brown Staff Writer jbrown@oe.homecomm.net

Patchin Elementary's new principal, Robert VanValkenburg, is a family man.

That was evident at Monday's Wayne-Westland school board meeting, at which he was approved as new principal. VanValkenburg had a family commitment, requiring him to leave early.

"Dr. VanValkenburg comes with many years of experience," said Greg Baracy, superintendent, "He's an instructional leader."

The new principal earned bachelor's (accounting) and master's teducational administration and educational psychology) degrees from Eastern Michigan University. His Ph.D. in business administration is from the University of Toledo.

VanValkenburg has worked in education since 1968, most recently as principal of Palmer Elementary in the Melvindale/Allen Park district. "We're pleased to have Dr. VanValkenburg on staff," said Baracy. Approval by the board was unanimous, with President Robin Moore having an excused

"Welcome aboard, welcome to Wayne-Westland." Baracy said. VanValkenburg replaces Dennis Genig, who took a job with the Southgate district.

The school board meeting also featured a number of students who had attended Adams Middle School. The students took third place nationally in Project Citizen competition for their project on reducing high school failures

The Adams students took first place at state. "They were the top middle school in the nation." Baracy said, noting the top two schools were high schools. Principal Celestine Sanders and eighthgrade communication arts teacher Barbara Anderson described the students' effort.

"What you are looking at are the leaders of tomorrow. Anderson said. "They have this opportunity to make a difference.

Phillip Bliven, Jeremy Bowling, Emily Bowyer, Robin Campbell, Catrina Clark, Steven Cronen-

wett, Natalie Davis, Amanda Dewyer, Allyn Edwards, Nick Gallion, Tellie Gray, Corey Ingraham, Chris Johnston, Sheila King, Timothy Labean, Lauren Lipinski, Michael Manuel, Jon Morris, Analee Ochoa, Amie Papo, Maegan Riordan, Miranda Smith, Steven Wallace, Randy Woody and Crystal Wright.

The board also watched a science demonstration by Hicks Elementary students Justine and Jessica Easter, working with teacher Jodi Shields.

In addition, the board unanimously approved the 1998-99 audit report.

The report noted the district's general fund for the year ended June 30, 1999, had revenue of \$96,575,964 and expenditures of \$97,329,787, for a difference of \$753,823. Fund equity (surplus) for that date was \$13,509,834.

For that year, the district spent 86 percent on salaries and benefits, 7 percent on supplies and 5 percent on purchased services.

"I'm very confident this has met a lot of the requirements to receive that certificate of excellence," said Plante & Moran's Dianne Wells, who presented the report with colleague Jeff Higgins and the district's Gary Martin, assistant superintendent for business and finance.

She referred to the Association of School Business Officials certificate.

Wells mentioned that the district also received more than \$7 million through federal programs.

"There are a lot of uncertainties in school finance," Higgins said. The district has been fortunate to have good economic times, he added, but should consider a plan for an eventual downturn.

"We did take note our fund equity is down from last year." Baracy said. Factors such as enrollment, cost containment, retirement contributions and others must be considered.

. Baracy said he'd work with legislators to guarantee equitable funding for the district.

In other business, school board members voted The honored students are: Steven Antonchik, a unanimously to expel a student who had brought a knife to school. Several expressed their regret at having to do so; state law requires such a move.

ACHIEVERS

Student Karen Niemiec of Westland was among Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine volunteers who spent four days this summer ic, voluntours spayed and remote and impoverished areas educating residents of northeastern Montaña on pet health care. They also immunized several

The free clinic lasted nearly 16 hours each day at different locations on Sioux/Assimboine Indian reservations' During the clinneutered 708 cats and dogs

The trip was a part of efforts made by Remote Area Medical, a volunteer medical relief corps serving people and animals in in the US and abroad.

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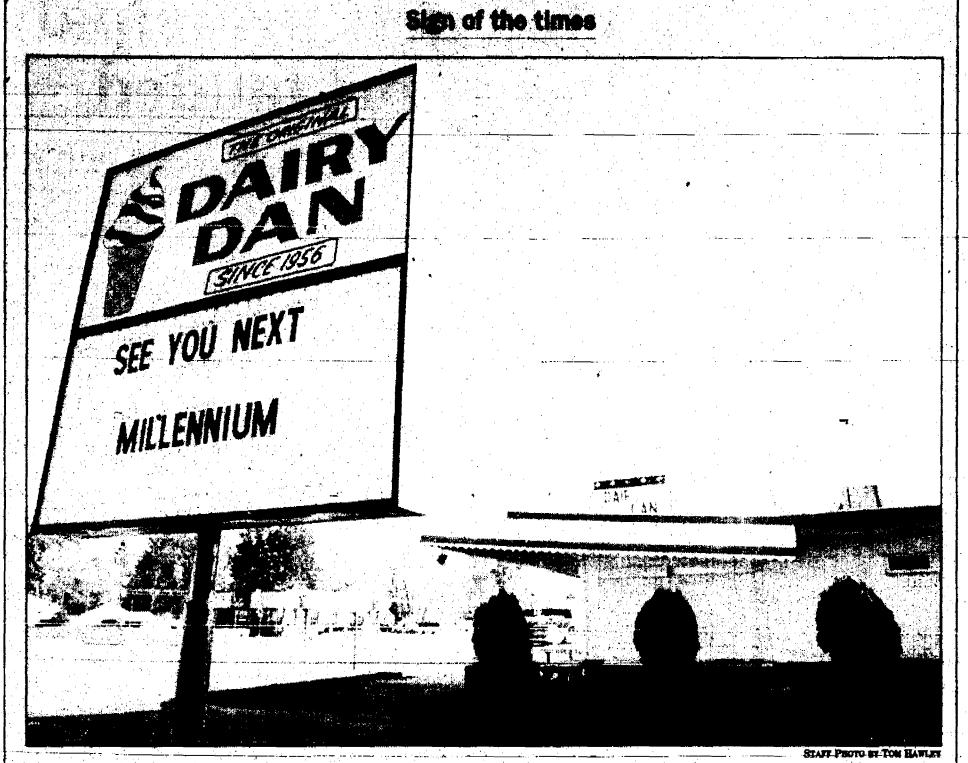
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The custodian found water on the city property, said Charlotte Sherman, Wayne-Westland

Students at Hamilton Elemen- assistant superintendent for made the decision to get it on TV

"Once the kids are in school, we have to attempt to call every single home," she said. "We needed to be called.

and at the doors to alert parents bringing in children. Sherman said only two students' families

"We were able to get it before all the children were dropped off," she said. The school reopened Wednesday.

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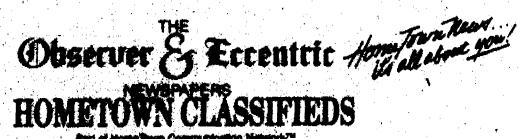


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sit down and turn on the radio and put on their favorite music and think, or listen to the music and enjoy what's being played."

While Wendt can play all instruments, he focuses on the trombone. He loves to listen to classical music.

Wayne-Memorial is Wendt's second teaching assignment. He also taught kindergarten through fifth grade in the Lansing School District.

cianship and for the students to experience new genres of music," said Wendt, 25. For instance, this holiday sea-

"I'm here to improve our musi-

son the program will include a Jamaican folk song and Russian Christmas carols interspersed with American carols. "They'll be exposed to different

types of music that they probably wouldn't experience anywhere else in any other academic class," said Wendt, adding that students are also offered a chance to create and compose their own music.

Students' goals, standards and expectations are higher and will continue to expand, Wendt said. "I'm getting a positive response from all the students in terms of changing philosophies and

understanding why they have to do better on their instrument. They have worked on becoming musicians and worked on playing their instruments well. Students are receptive to change. They've grown in just six weeks."

Wendt knows firsthand how impressionable the students are, He was the age of his students now when he became intrigued with making music. He started playing music in his senior year of high school in his hometown, Deckerville. He went on to Michigan State University for 5 years.

Wendt said he hopes to teach his students that they have to be independent in terms of learning the music.

"Then they also have to be dependent on each other to play as a group and to play the music the way it's supposed to be played," Wendt said. "That's very hard to do when there's a lot of people in one group."

When he isn't making music or teaching others how, Wendt said he loves to play basketball and soccer and to watch football. He also feels compelled to be politically active in order to promote his philosophies of fairness in society.

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Even the suspects "truly looked like they were remorseful for what they did, but they're going to have to pay for it," Stobbe said.

There was no indication that the teens had used alcohol or drugs prior to the vandalism, he said.

Meanwhile, offenders involved in Westland 18th District Court's work program continued this week to try to clean graffiti from the playscape, court administrator David Wiacek said.

Work crews had hoped to finish the job last weekend, but even a power-washer couldn't remove all of the paint, he said.

Work crews were trying to sand off some of the graffiti. Some areas of the playscape may have to be refinished. Wiacek

The playscape was built by volunteers in 1997

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may have been a factor in the crash, although official results from the Wayne County Medical Examiner's Office weren't yet available Tuesday.

"We could smell alcohol," McIntosh said. "Alcohol seems to be a factor."

McGhie was not wearing a

seat belt. "He died from blunt trauma to the chest. He pretty much obliterated the steering wheel."

McIntosh said.

Martin was wearing her seat belt, he said.

The accident apparently happened so quickly that neither driver had time to try to avoid the collision.

"There was no evidence of braking," McIntosh said, "and there was extensive damage to both cars."

McIntosh had little personal information about McGhie except that he was believed to be married.

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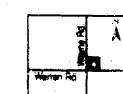
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MEAP move to Treasury seen as Engler power play

BY TIM RICHARD SPECIAL WRITER

A politically-controlled board in the state Treasury Department will take charge of the MEAP tests under Gov. John Engler's latest executive order. alarmed members of the state board of education say.

Engler's order transfers administration and even approval of the tests, which allow students to earn up to \$3,000 a piece in scholarship money, from the Department of Education to Treasury. The governor also pulled adult education and public school vocational training out of Education and shifted them to the new Department of Career Development.

"No one has ever suggested lay people can write a test. We've got a test with credibility problems," said Sharon Gire, a Macomb County Democrat elected to the state board in 1998. "It's a disaster, illogical, irrational."

"Governors don't like it that there's one department (Education) they can't control," said board president Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, "but this (governor) is the only one who has gone after it."

Beardmore and board vice president Kathleen Straus, D-Detroit, referred to Engler's order as "dismantling" the Department of Education.

"I don't think it has enhancedpublic education," said Straus, "I can't make sense of this - removing assessment from Education to Treasury. It's beyond me, I'm terribly dismayed and dis-

Board member Herb Mover, De Temperance, asked Superintendent of Public Instruction Art Ellis, "To what degree did the governor consult you, and what advice did you give?"

"I won't reveal my discussions with the governor, said Ellis. admitting only that he had known about the governor's plans for months. There were other versions you would have liked less than this:

MEAP stands for Michigan Educational Assessment Program. There are three sets, the last administered in 11th grade covering reading, writing, mathand science, with social studies to be added in the near future.

Students who pass all the high school tests can be awarded \$2.500 by Engler's new merit award board, beginning with the June 2000 graduating class. In later years, students who pass middle-grades tests can pick up an additional \$500.

The last paragraph of an Engler press release noted. "Because the law requires that the Michigan Merit Award Board review and approve the assessment tests before they may be used to determine eligibility under the scholarship program, the responsibility for the administration of MEAP is transferred to the Department of Treasury.

About 60 education employees are being transferred to the other two departments.

"The MEAP office is in a state of suspense," said Beardmore: "This all takes effect the first of the year."

Of the seven members of the merit board, six are Engler appointees: Mark Murray of Treasury: Barbara Bolin, director of career development; Kathleen Barclay, vice president of global human resources for General Motors: Clark Durant: recently resigned state board: member who has openly advocated abolishing the state board: Isalah (Ike) MacKinnon, former Detroit police chief who teaches part time at a private university: and one person yet to be named. None has any background in K-12 administration or trusteeshap

The seventh member is Ellis. who, though appointed by the state board, is considered an Engler lovalist because he once headed the Commerce Depart

In an interview, Beardmore, quoted Ellis as saying. "I don't want to reign over the disman tling of the department." Straus told almost exactly the same

Control of the MEAP tests. amounts to control over most of public education and likely a strong influence over private

MEAP is an outcome type set. of tests that is supposed to differ the school cornection. The state board of edge science learned at it recent meeting in Cabillac that MEAP tests are influencing teacher preparation on the 13.

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state universities, too.

And there are signs that private and parochial school operators will either administer the MEAP tests to their students or send their students to public schools when the tests are administered so they can become eligible for the \$3,000 scholarships, good at any public or private college in Michigan and good for \$1,000 at a non-Michigan public or private college.

ways - theoretically - to battle Engler's order. One is to get the Legislature to override it by a two-thirds vote in each chamber. That's unlikely given Republican control of both chambers by Engler loyalists

The other method is a court challenge. That's even less likely to succeed, given that Democratcontrolled courts have upheld three challenges to his orders, the last by Straus and state board Democrats.

State board members have two 1 has a 5-2 majority of Republicans who are members of the. Federalist Society and even less likely to agree with the governor who led two of them to victory and appointed three of them.

> Michael David Warren Jr., R-Beverly Hills, Engler's appointee to replace Durant on the state board, didn't defend the executive order but noted the governor's order still "maintains policy-making authority" in the state board, as required by the the heads of the Treasury and Michigan Constitution

"We ought to aggressively pro-Moreover, the court as of Oct. tect that power," Warren said.

"though it would be easier if the administrative authority were in the Education Department."

Easier said than done, said Straus Education administration is now fragmented over three departments, and two of them "aren't used to reporting to a board."

Straus also noted that the Constitution and Open Meetings Act give the public access only to the elected state board, not to Career Development departments who report to Engler.



Dorothy Beardmore

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Congresswoman shares U.S. budget concerns

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER jbrown**G**oe.homecomm.net

When Congresswoman Lynn Rivers talks about the federal budget, her fervor emerges.

"We don't have a surplus," she emphatically told those at a Saturday, Oct. 23, town hall meeting at the Friendship Center in Westland. The budget balancing act depends on Social Security money, she said.

U.S. military intervention in Kosovo is consuming U.S. tax dollars, she said. Rivers (D-Ann Arbor) told about 25 people at the gathering that Social Security money is structured so that dollars beyond benefits are put into bonds.

A move to raise the payroll tax to fund benefits for aging baby boomers created the extra

money. "We're now getting closer to when those bonds have to be redeemed."

Both the Republican and Democratic parties have talked about paying down the debt, said Rivers. "The fingerpointing that's been going on is essentially the pot calling the kettle black," she said.

"If you pay down the debt, you make it easier to meet our oblig-

Rivers, who regularly holds such gatherings throughout her Washtenaw-Wayne County district, advocates paying bills and spending only money that's available. That's true for a family budget, she said, and should also be true for a federal one.

"Take them with a grain of salt and look for the long-term responsible position," Rivers

advised in evaluating political pronouncements. "We have to make sure first there is a real surplus."

It's important to be sure any such plan would pose no undue hardship on anyone, she added. Rivers described herself as unhappy with the politicization of the budget issue.

"Too much of defense money is spent as job programs for certain states," the congresswoman said. She cited as an example the F22 plane, with questionable military merit, having been built in former House Speaker Newt Gingrich's Georgia district.

That was likely to change after Gingrich left, she said, but enough political leverage remained to keep the project afloat. "When all was said and done, the Georgian senators pre-

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urday, Oct. 30, in the Pontiac or more.

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Those who question such proiects are often attacked by opponents as unpatriotic, she said.

Rivers said she's concerned about possible cuts in programs which help people. "There's no opportunity to look at the value of the programs relative to one another."

She noted many minimum wage earners need governmental help to make ends meet. Rivers favors a hybrid approach, in which people would work and contribute to society but get help from the government as needed. "It's a confusing time," she

said of the current political battle. "There's a lot of fingerpointing going on.

Questions from the audience ranged from phone service concerns to issues related to health

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Rivers encouraged constituents to check "behind the headlines" on her Web site at www.house.gov/rivers/welcome.h tm. It currently includes information on such topics as the budget battle and, on the international front, the Panama Canal.

She brushed aside with a laugh a suggestion that she run for president, noting that she's too short of stature to win.

Speaking up: U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers came to Westland Saturday for a town hall appearance at the Friendship Center. She fielded a variety of ques-

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1987	-FORD	E150/VAN	WHITE	1FTDE14N0HHA85207
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1989	Chevrolet	2 Dr.	1G1LW14W3KY254038
1985	Dodge	4 Dr.	1B3BZ18E0FD380867
1989	Dodge	4 Dr.	1B3EL18D7KY427029
1985	Dodge	4 Dr.	1B3BZ18E3FD250906
1990	Dodge	SW	TB4FK54R3LX320397
1987	Ford	4 Dr.	1FAPP2595HW214445
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1987	Ford	4 Dr.	1FABP2598HW137225
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GENERAL ELECTION

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND, County of mayne: Notice is hereby given that a treperal frection will be neld in the City of Westland on Tuesday, November 2, 1999 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing four candidates for the Office of Councilman.

CITY OF WESTLAND

List of polling place locations:

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5-29	Edison School, 34505 Hunter
6	Adams Jr. High, 33475 Palmer
. 8	Patchin School, 6420 Newburgh
9	Jefferson School, 32150 Dorsey
10	Lincoln School, 33800 Grand Traverse
11-23	Elliott School, 30800 Bennington
12-25-35	Cooper School, 28550 Ann Arbor Trail
13-18	Schweitzer School, 2601 Treadwell
14	Marshall Jr. High, 35100 Bayview
15-41	Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct.
16	Holiday Park Club House, 34850 Fountain Blvd.
17-37	Graham School, 1255 S. John Hix
20	Wildwood School, 500 N. Wildwood
21	Lowell Jr. High School, 8400 Hix
- 22	Westland Meadows Club House, 30600 Van Born
24	Lutheran High School-Westland, 33300 Cowan
26-33	Hamilton School, 1031 Schuman
27	Perrinsville School, 33344 Ann Arbor Trail
28	Church of Christ-Annapolis Park, 30355 Annapolis
30-31	Hayes School, 30600 Louise Ct.
34-38	Dyer Social Service Center-Senior Wing, 36745 Marquette
36	Nankin Mills School, 8100 Hubbard
39	Landings Apartment Club House, 7000 Lakeview
40	Divine Savior Parish, 39375 Joy
. 41	Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct.

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The polls for said Election will be open at 7:00 e.m. and will remain open matil 8:00 p.m. on said day of Election. Every qualified elector present and in line at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote. Voting sites are wheelchair accessible.

PATRICIA A. GIBBONS, Westland City Clerk

CITY OF WESTLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 188-A-1

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 1, OF THE WESTLAND CITY CODE, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 50-101 and 50-122 TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION FIREWORKS AND PROVIDE FOR AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THEIR LAWFUL DISPLAY, AND TO REPEAL SECTION 50-102

Section 1. That Chapter 50, Section 50-101 of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

1. "Fireworks" means a device made from explosive or flammable compositions used primarily for the purpose of producing a visible display or audible effect, or both, by combustion, deflagration, or detonation. Fireworks includes class B fireworks and class C fireworks. 4

"Class B fireworks" means toy torpedoes, railway torpedoes, firecrackers or salutes that do not qualify as class C fireworks, exhibition display pieces, aeroplane flares, illuminating projectiles, incendiary projectiles, incendiary grenades, smoke projectiles or bombs containing expelling charges but without bursting charges, flash powders in inner units not exceeding 2 ounces each, flash sheets in interior packages, flash powder or spreader cartridges containing not more than 72 grains of flash powder each, and other

3. "Class C fireworks" means toy smoke devices, toy caps containing not more than .25 grains of explosive mixture, toy propellant devices, cigarette loads, trick matches, trick noise makers, smoke candles, smoke pots, smoke grenades, smoke signals, hand signal devices, very signal cartridges, sparklers, explosive auto alarms, and other similar devices.

B. Prohibited Generally.

1. Except as otherwise provided for in this ordinance a person, firm, partnership, or corporation shall not offer for sale, expose for sale, sell at retail, keep with intent to sell at retail, possess, give, furnish, transport, use, explode, or cause to explode any of the following:

a. A blank cartridge, blank cartridge pistol, toy cannon, toy cane,

b. An unmanned balloon which requires fire underneath to propel it and is not moored to the ground while aloft.

c. Firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, Roman candles, daygo bombs, hottle rockets, whistling chasers, rockets on sticks, or other fireworks of

d. Fireworks containing an explosive or inflammable compound or a tablet or other device commonly used and sold as fireworks containing nitrates, fulminates, chlorates, oxalates, sulphides of lead, barium, antimony, arsenic, mercury, nitroglycerine, phosphorus, or a compound containing these or other modern explosives.

C. Exceptions.

1. A permit is not required for the following:

a. Flat paper caps containing not more than .25 of a grain of explosive content per cap, in packages labeled to indicate the maximum

b. Toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, toy trick noise makers and toy guns of a type approved by the director of the department of state police in which paper caps as described in subdivision (a) are used and which are so constructed that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion and which are not designed to break apart or be separated so as to form a miselle by the explosion.

c. Sparklers containing not more than 0125 pounds of burning portion per sperkier.

d. Flitter sperklers in paper tubes not exceeding is inch in diameter, cone fountains and cylinder fountains.

e. Toy snakes not containing mercury, if packed in cardboard boxes without more than 12 pieces per box for retail sale and if the manufacturer's same and the quantity contained in each box are printed on

f. Presession, transportation, sale or use of signal flares of a type approved by the director of the department of state police, blank cartridges or blank cartridge pistols specifically for a show or theater, for the training of exhibiting of dogs, for signal purposes in athletic sports, for use by military organizations and all items described in subsection (2) used by railroads for

g. The sale of fireworks, provided they are to be shipped directly

transportation covering the transportation of explosives and other dangerous articles by motor, rail and water. Section 2. That Chapter 50, Section 50-102 of the Westland City Code is

out of state pursuant to regulations of the United States department of

hereby repealed. Section 3. That Chapter 50, Section 50-122 of the Westland City Code is

hereby amended to provide as follows:

A. Permit and Application.

1. The City Council upon application in writing, on forms provided by the director of the department of state police, which are available at the City Clerk's office, may grant a permit for the use of fireworks otherwise prohibited by section 750.243s, within their political jurisdiction, manufactured for outdoor pest control or agricultural purposes, or for public display by municipalities, fair associations, amusement parks, or other organizations or groups of individuals approved by the city, if the applicable provisions of this ordinance are complied with. The permits shall be on forms provided by the director of the department of state police, fire marshal division. After a permit has been granted, sales, possession, or transportation of fireworks for the purposes described in the permit only may be made. A permit granted under this subsection shall not be transferable, nor shall a permit be issued to a person under the age of 18 years.

2. The City Council, upon application in writing, may grant a permit, on forms provided by the director of the department of state police, which are available at the City Clerk's office, to a resident wholesale dealer or jobber to have in his possession within the political jurisdiction, fireworks otherwise prohibited by section 750 243s, for sale only to holders of permits as provided in this section. A permit granted under this subsection is not transferable, nor shall a permit be issued to a person under the age of 18 years.

Before a permit for a pyrotechnic display is issued, the person. firm, or corporation making application therefore shall furnish proof of financial responsibility by a bond or insurance in an amount deemed necessary by the local governing authority to satisfy claims for damages to property or personal injuries arising out of an act or omission on the part of the person, firm, or corporation, or an agent or employee thereof, in the amount, character and form the local authority determines necessary for the protection of the

4. A permit shall not be issued under this ordinance to a nonresident person, firm, or corporation for conduct of a pyrotechnic display in this city until the person, firm, or corporation has appointed in writing a resident member of the bar of this state or a resident agent to be his legal representative upon whom all process in an action or proceeding against him

5. The local governing authority shall rule on the competency and qualifications of operators of pyrotechnic displays, as the operator has furnished in his application form, and on the time, place and safety aspects of the displays before granting permits.

Section 4. That all other provisions of Chapter 50 of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected

Section 4. Repeal. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions

of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies; hereby repealed. Section 7. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 8. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law. ON MOTION OF <u>LEBLANC</u>, SUPPORTED BY <u>BARNS</u>.

PATRICIA A GIBBONS Westland City Clerk

DOPTED: October 18, 1999

EFFECTIVE October 28, 1999

Rouge group wants county septic education programs

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

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A Rouge River advisory group wants county health departments to develop an education program about septic systems for owners of homes with septics.

The group also recommended that such programs in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties should explore funding sources for residents who experience "financial hardship" when repairing septics or making sewer connections.

The Rouge River Remedial Action Plan advisory council approved a resolution Oct. 20 that contained language revisions so the ordinance was less restrictive for communities than a previous version. The resolution was forwarded to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The council advises MDEQ and federal agencies on plans to clean the Rouge River and serves as a public forum on the Rouge River restoration. It meets bimonthly and the meetings are open to the public.

Some representatives of communities were concerned earlier this year when the original version was interpreted by them as a minimum standard for septic inspection programs. Communities could not afford that program, they argued.

Oakland County has an estimated 75,000 houses with septic systems, and approximately 11,600 of those are within the Rouge subwatershed. Wayne County has just under 4,000.

The new version calls for the following recommendations for local health departments, which oversee septic tank systems:

programs in place requiring the inspection of onsite sewage disposal systems at the time of sale, as a minimum. Wayne County commissioners passed such an ordinance recently, effective Jan. 1, 2000. Washtenaw has one on the books, while Oakland County was considering an ordinance.

■ The local health departments and communities should have a written agreement outlining management of on-site sewage disposal systems records, inspection standards, reporting, financing of the inspection program and enforcement.

d Coucation to owners of homes with septic systems must be part of the program.

A database available to communities should be developed to manage septic system records and septage, leakage, on a routine basis.

An annual report including demographics, evaluations and problems should be submitted to the MDEQ.

Minimum inspection standards must be developed.

The health department, the community and the MDEQ should re-evaluate the program after a period of time, or before the renewal of the stormwater permit to see if the septic programs should be modified.

Funding sources should be explored to help residents expe-■ The counties should have riencing a financial hardship when having to repair the system or connect to sewers.

> The only discussion on the new resolution centered around whether the resolution would be interpreted by some residents that RRAC was advocating a position that all septics should be connected to sewers.

Tom McNulty, RRAC's chairman of the onsite sewage disposal committee and a section chief of technical services with Wayne County's environmental health division, said sewer connections only make sense in "highly. urbanized areas."

That would mean surrounding communities where the Detroit sewer system is already located, not in outlying areas, miles away from the system where it would be cost-prohibitive to connect the

"No section will be in here that says that sewers make the most sense," added Rich Badics, RRAC chair.



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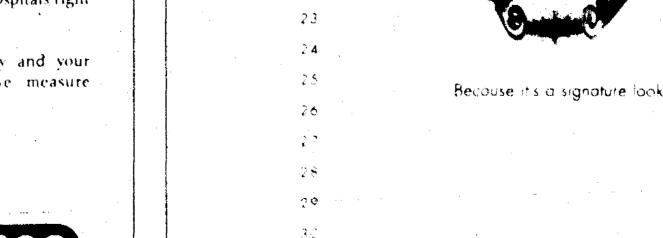


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Expect lots of (road construction) orange in the coming year

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

range, the traditional color of fall, is likely to be the hus of spring and summer, too, next year in western Wayne Coun-

"Let your readers know we're going to be bringing plenty of orange their way next year," said Gary G. Naeyaert, Michigan Department of Transportation communications director.

He was referring to the orange trucks, paving equipment and orange-vested workers that will be seen by tens of thousands of motorists in over a half-dozen Observer communities as the state repairs or rebuilds deteriorating sections of four major roads.

The roads, part of the state's record-setting \$1.4-billion Build Michigan II road repair plan for the year 2000, are Plymouth and Ann Arbor roads, both also known as Old M-14: Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

Owners of three businesses liketo be affected by the roadwork support the projects, but with reservations.

"The roads need to be fixed periodically wit's a fact of life," said Tom North, co-owner with brother. Doug, of North Brothers Ford Inc. on Ford Road in Westland.

But, he said, "We hope that they complete it as quickly as humanly possible and don't inconvenience bur customers."



One way, he suggested, would be by doing as much as possible at night or on weekends. Ford Road carries 38,000 vehicles per day.

Julie Baechler, assistant manager of Pilgrim Motorsports on Ann Arbor Road in the City of Plymouth, echoed North when she said. "Just like anything" else in life, "the means to get to the end is not what you want, but the end result is going to benefit us."

However, Angelo Barile, owner of the Pizza Man Restaurant on Plymouth Road in Livonia, wondered why the road will be torn up after sprinklers have been installed between the sidewalks and the road.

He said the sprinklers, as well as new lampposts, are a Plymouth Road Development Authority project done in conjunction with the

"There are new lights and everything up on Plymouth Road. It. looks nice," he said. "If such things

should be done, they should have been done the other way around."

Not the best

He said the scraping and resurfacing, which he believes was done about eight years ago, isn't the

"The problem is, the base of the road is not solid. It doesn't matter how many times they patch it up, it doesn't last. But it does make it look better for five, six years," Barile said.

State Transportation Director James DeSana, vowed to "continue doing everything possible in order to minimize motorist inconvenience while repairing roads and bridges at a record pace" when the program was announced earlier this month.

He said MDOT would continue to apread out the construction season, award contracts based on price and timeliness, provide financial incentives for early completion and keep as many lanes open as possible throughout the

"Our strategy of fixing the worst roads first is working," DeSana

Western Wayne projects:

- the milling and resurfacing of 3.01 miles of Plymouth Road between Inkster and Farmington Roads in Livonia (31,900 motorists affected per day).
- the reconstruction of 1.51 miles of Ann Arbor Road between Lilley and Canton Center roads

in Plymouth and Plymouth Township (31,700 motorists affected per day).

- the milling and resurfacing of 1.26 miles of Ford Road between Venoy and Wayne roads in Garden City and West-
- the reconstruction of 4.6 miles of Michigan Ave. (26,200 motorists affected per day) from its intersection with Canton Center and Belleville Roads west to the Wayne County line.

Exact dates and project costs won't be known until contracts are awarded each month between April 1 and November, Naeyaert said. He estimated the Old M-14 repair costs at \$10 million and said the Michigan Avenue project would be the most expensive, at around \$11 million.

Another Wayne County project includes the milling and resurfacing of Telegraph Road between Eight Mile Road and Grand River in Detroit. That project will run about \$4 million, Naeyaert said.

The \$1.379 billion total, a staterecord investment, will repair and rebuild 1,400 miles of road and rehabilitate 265 bridges in the state highway system, according to Gov. John Engler.

"Our commitment to Michigan's motorists is to fix the right roads. with the right fix, at the right time, and we're delivering on that promise," he said when the project was announced.

"The aggressive pace of road and

bridgework we've seen these past few years will continue, and the (Year 2000) projects will bring us closer to having nine out of 10 roads and bridges in good condi-

tion by the year 2007." He added that MDOT was able to deliver 93 percent of the 1999 road and bridge construction pro-

Nacyaert said "a big grouping of bridge projects" is planned throughout Wayne County, including a \$3 million asphalt overlay on the Telegraph Road bridge over the Rouge River.

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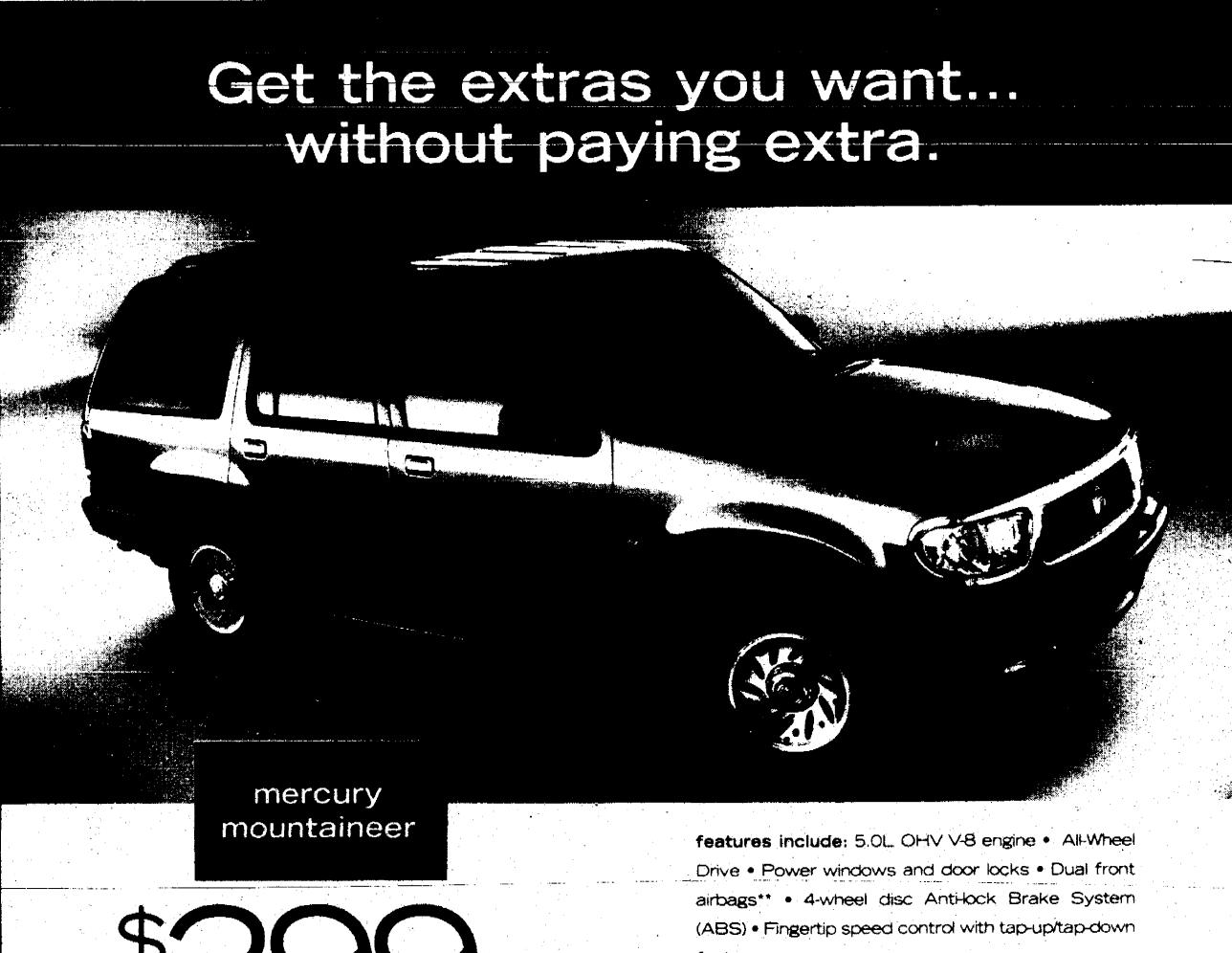
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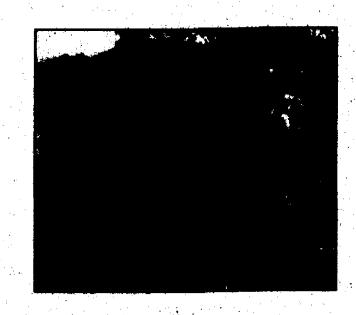
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Sign of the Z: (Top photo) Zorro, Christopher Syros, 5 of Dearborn Heights, enjoys the hayrides. (Above) Clown Bear Stephanie Cameron, 3 1/2 of Canton, joined in the parade of costumes.



STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Chilly scares: "Little Devil," Brandon Dick, 12 months old from Dearborn, bundles up for the cold with his mother Heather. A few hundred children attended the spooky fun of games, activities, live entertainment and a hayride.



Witchy show: The show "Witchy-Poo Revue" was performed for the children. Above, Jessica Suer, 3 1/2 of Livonia, participates with Witchy-Poo Elizabeth Wingert.

Halloweenfest brings out pint-size goblins

The weather was frightfully cold for October, but youngsters braved the winds and rains Saturday at Wayne County Parks' Halloween-

Despite temperatures in the 30s, nearly 300 people converged on Nankin Mills in Westland to enjoy live entertainment provided by Ben Spitzer and the Witchie-poo Revue. Youngsters lined up for trick-ortreating at a tent, where the county parks staff distributed candy. The remainder of the 20 pounds of candy was donated to Highland Park.

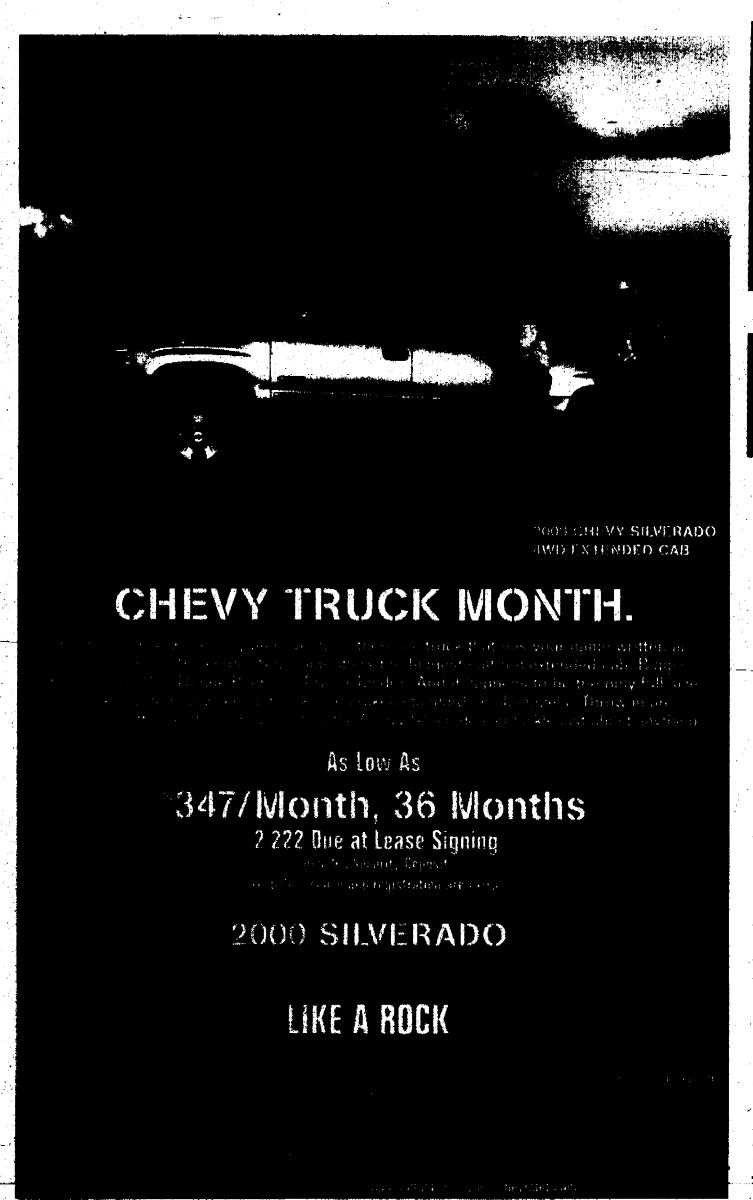
Children enjoyed hav rides and played games put on by the county parks staff, including hoop shoot, bean bag toss, ring toss and pin the nose on the jack-o'- lantern. They also guessed how many pieces of candy were in a jar.

The Halloweenfest represents one of the last events of 1999 presented by the county parks staff. The third annual Wayne County LightFest 8K Fun Run is scheduled at 7 p.m. -Tuesday, Nov. 16, along Hines Drive from Westland to Dearborn Heights. while the holiday LightFest is scheduled to open to the public two

days later along that same road. County officials call the LightFest

the Midwest's largest holiday light show. It will be open through the holidays, LightFest runs nightly from 7-10 p.in., Nov. 18 through Jan. 1. except Christmas Day, along 4.5 miles of Hines Drive from Merriman Road in Westland to Dearborn

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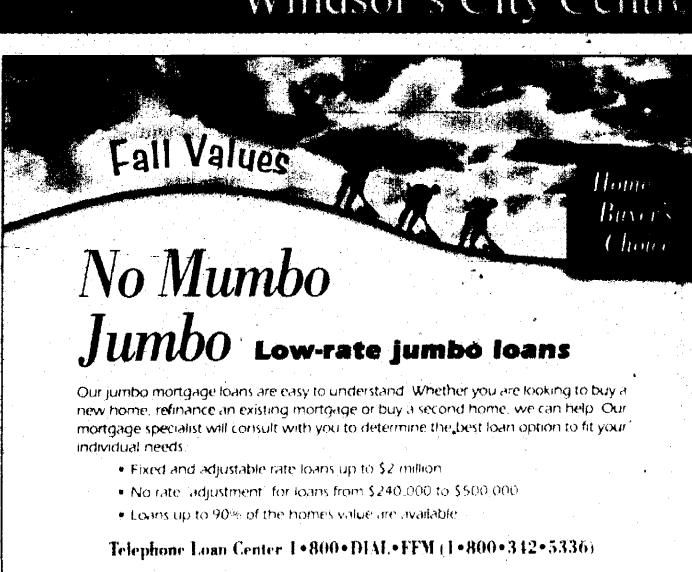




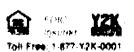
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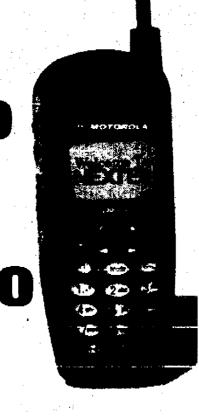
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Who won Durant II school suit? It depends on who you talk to

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

Who won the lawsuit known as Durant II - in which 255 school districts sued the State of Michigan claiming it had underfunded school lunch programs, special education and transportation depends on whom you talk to.

In fact, when the Court of Appeals issued its ruling Tuesday, Oct. 19, the three-judge panel found in favor of the plaintiffs on some points and in favor of the state on others.

And the difference in interpretations of the ruling makes it likely the case will head to a higher court.

"The unanimous decision said that the state violated the funding guarantee of Proposal A ... by restricting the use of a portion of the schools' foundation allowance in order to cover for the underfunding of special education programs. The court granted the plaintiff school districts a declaratory judgment and costs of the lawsuit, includ ing attorneys' fees," according to a statement issued by Dennis Pollard, the Bloomfield Hills attorney représenting school dis-

He concluded that the decision in favor of the schools involves approximately \$375-\$400 million in underfunding for special education for the current school year alone. A small amount of the suit involved funding for school lunch programs. The state passed a supplemental appropriations bill this summer, adding \$7 million. for schools. The districts failed on their claim that lunch programs are still underfunded.

"We have no idea what decision he was reading," John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. John Engler, said.

Truscott's interpretation of the ruling was that while the court agreed the state's allocation to school districts technically violated the constitution, because it failed to break out money for special education, the court agreed the state had actually paid the districts enough money. What the court ordered was a technical adjustment in the allocation, separating out that

"What we did is roll in the student foundation grant and special education dollars as one line item," he said. "What the court said is that we have to separate

that back out ... It's just a technical change. It really doesn't

affect the dollars at all." Pollard has indicated that unless the state adds money to the state school aid fund, as a

result of this decision, he'll be

back in court. "We are not going to add money to it," Truscott said. "He has done his clients a huge disservice because, with this deciaion, it will give school districts a lot less discretion about how they spend their money. What we said is, This is your money, but you have flexibility on how you spend it.' What the court said is, 'No, you don't have flexibility on how you spend it.' It is much more restrictive for the school districts. We were trying

The court ruled in favor of school districts on the claim that allocations violated Proposal A in the state constitution. But the court disagreed with school districts about whether the foundation grants could be counted as covering the state's overall obligations.

to help them out."

Truscott said there will be no appeal of the decision by the state - "We won."

Credit info theft now a felony

By MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

Applying for a loan or credit in someone elše's name – also known as identity fraud or credit info theft - will net perpetrators a felony charge worth up to four years in jail under legislationapproved in Michigan.

No one is quite sure how often it is happening here. A legislative analysis said no data are available on how often credit applications are submitted in someone else's name in Michigan. The attorney general's office has declined to estimate the frequency of this crime in this state.

But it does happen. Rep. Bob Brown (D-Dearborn Heights) said a constituent in his district was a victim. After someone

applied for credit in her name and wracked up \$50,000 worth of debt, it took her many hours to clear her name.

And that is why he introduced House Bill 4413, increasing penalties for so-called identity

"Criminals need very little. information to secure credit using someone else's identity. Considering the amount of information we often provide in places of business or even through the Internet, it's easy for a person to get the information they need to apply for a credit card or get a loan using: someone else's name.'

Brown's bill increases the penalty for identity fraud to four years in prison or a \$2,500 fine. The Senate gave approval to the bill 37-0 on Thursday, Oct. 14. It was approved by the House in a

107-0 vote back in June.

Brown's bill was tie-barred to House Bill 4598, sponsored by Stephen Ehardt (R-Lexington) which makes it illegal to possess credit information with the intent of passing it on to another for the purpose of credit fraud. The bills also make it illegal to possess a credit application form filled out in another person's name, even if it has yet to be

"These types of crimes not only cause huge financial headaches, but they can mean a huge loss of time for the victim, who can dedicate hundreds of hours to clearing his or her name. Many people don't even realize how valuable their credit identity can be, so when it comes to punishment, we need to make sure the penalties match the seriousness of the crime," Brown said.

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Liddane honored for founding HEAT

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The adult children of the late William V. Liddane, founder of Help Eliminate Auto Thefts (HEAT), were honored Oct. 19 in Detroit with an award in their father's memory.

On hand at the 14th HEAT anniversary celebration to accept the first Liddane Award were Matthew Liddane of Canton Township, Michael Liddane of Grosse Pointe Shores and Margaret Rose of Grosse Pointe Farms, who designed the award sculpture.

Liddane, who died in March, was a longtime Livonia resident. His Livonia-based program rewards providers of information - usually via telephone - whose tips lead to the arrest and prosecution of car thieves and cariack-

In the future, the Liddane Award will be presented to "any individual making an outstanding commitment toward eliminating auto thefts," said Liddane's successor, HEAT Director Terri Miller of Brighton.

Awards program

The awards program at the Hotel Pontchartrain, attended by 120 metro-Detroit law enforcement officials and insurance company investigators. heard Michigan Attorney Gener-

al Jennifer Granholm emphasize community and responsibility in her keynote address.

HEAT works because there's a notion of partnership between neighbors and police to fight grime in the first place rather than trying to place blame, Granholm said.

A return to community, neighborliness and family responsibility is needed to prevent youngsters from becoming thieves and carjackers, she emphasized.

HEAT offers up to \$10,000 for confidential tips that prove out. Informants are paid regardless of convictions

Since 1985, when the program began during the height of car stealing in metro Detroit, HEAT has paid out \$1.9 million and recovered over \$30 million in stolen cars and parts.

It's amazing how money works to get people to talk, said Redford Township Detective Sgt. Peter Lusis, who specializes in auto theft investigations.

Auto thefts down

Lusis, who joined his boss. Inspector Donald Mehall, at the breakfast, said township auto thefts are down 7 to 10 percent per year. "What has increased is our arrests - and dramatically," he said.

"We're learning more all the time" about how car thieves operate, he said. "The fact is, if they don't have a source to unload it (the stolen car or parts), they won't steal it.'

A case in point was Redford's helping Detroit smash an airbag theft ring that had stolen 3,700 bags worth \$2.5 million.

Redford police caught an airbag thief in the act and Lusis interviewed him. The thief became an informant and "rolled over" on C.J. Automotive, Lusis said, breaking the ring.

Lusis called HEAT "a really good program," although the three calls Redford got last year didn't quite pan out: Two were neighbor problems and the third was Detroit's.

He said HEAT's new TV public service announcements featuring Detroit Piston Grant Hill and Detroit Police Chief Benny Napoleon should boost public

Inkster police officer Jeff Twardzik, assigned to the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit of the Michigan State Police, said, "HEAT is a great program because it allows the citizens toactually get involved, but not get involved.

It provides an outlet for people who "still want to do something" about crime, who "want to make a difference in their community," he said. "I don't think money is the issue."

Redford, Garden City, Livonia, Wayne, Westland, Canton Township and the two Plymouths, along with Sumpter and Van Buren townships plus Detroit, all work with Western Wayne unit. Some, like Inkster, assign officers to it full-time; unit Officer Rich Harris is from Garden

State Police Lt. Ed Gerds, the Livonia resident heading the Livonia-based Western Wayne Criminal Investigations unit - of which the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit is part - called HEAT "probably one of the most successful campaigns going in law

"We need help from the general public and being able to offer a reward" really helps, Gerds

Gerds agreed with Granholm's calling auto theft a property crime with far-reaching effects. When a car is stolen, it affects the whole block," said Gerds. "People lie in their beds at night and wonder, 'Am I next?'"

Also working with the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit and the suburban police is Neal Wisner of Superior Township, senior special agent for the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

He said auto theft today is a \$7 billion a year "business" with 'growth" in insurance fraud.

"I don't think anyone has a

See HEAT, A18



Theft probe: Detective Sgt. Peter Lusis, Redford Township police department investigative specialist in vehicular thefts, examines a recovered 1985 Cadillac for clues about its theft.

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Semi-retired, spontaneous DWCF, 65, 5'7"; with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys photography traveling: cooking and baking, is in search of an honest SWCM, 60-69, who loves the Lord. Ad#.4444

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She is a friendly, attractive SWF, 52, 5'7", 125lbs., with auburn hair and hazel eyes, whose interests include hiking, biking and hoating. She's looking for a handsome, intelligent SWM, 52-62, who lives life to the fullest. Ad# 6262

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Ad#.2218

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Ad#.4528

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SWF, 38, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, is seeking an outgoing, sincere and handsome Catholic SWM, 33-44, who enjoys tennis, porting events, reading and horseback riding. Adf. 6684

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This vibrant DWCF, 55, 5'7", a blue-ayed blonde, is a member of the choir who enjoys praise and worship, youth ministry, church activities, and seeks fellowship with a similar SWCM, 56-62. Ad#.5144

A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWPC mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented 8WCM, 42-52, Ad#.8317

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Active, energetic DBCF, 58, 5'4", is seeking a childless, healthy SBCM, 58-69, for a possible LTR. Her interests include church,

TO THE POINT

SWCF, 39, 5'5", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys horseback riding, swimming, and more, is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 30. Ad#.2220

LOVES THE LORD

Outgoing, Born-Again SWCF, 43, full-figured, who enjoys music swimming, singing, bible study, and more, is seeking a SWCM, 40-50, N/S, without dependents: Ad#.1956

LIFE GOES ON

This friendly, sincere SWF, 47, 5'4", who enjoys meeting new people, dancing, and walks in the park, is looking forward to meeting an upbeat SWM, 44-50, who shares similar interests. Ad#,2652

IS IT YOU?

This friendly SBF, 39, 5'6", who enjoys movies, dining out, theater and travel, is hoping to meet a loving, family-oriented SM, 33-50, who shares similar interests and has a good sense of humor. Ad#.4581 WORKS & PLAYS HARD

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SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests, Ad#.5555

IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad#.9455

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LET'S TALK

Settle down with this SWPCF, 47, 5'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, travel and church activities. She's seeking a nice, Born-Again SWCM, 45-55, for, a possible relationship. Ad#.3333

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Outgoing, friendly DWCF, 49, 5'4", who resides in the Redford area, enjoys sewing, antiques and movies. She's seeking a secure, independent DWCM, under 56, for friendship first. Ad#.5321

WALKS WITH THE LORD

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Bible study and hopes that yours do

too. Ad#. 1122

IF YOU'RE A POLISHED... Gentleman, call this humorous, Catholic DWPF, 63, 5'6", N/S. She's seeking a Catholic SWM, 55-68, a

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NONE BETTER

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Outgoing, attractive SWM, 33, 5'6", 140lbs., with dark brown hair/eves. who enjoys walks, good conversa-

tion, fishing, and more, is looking for an ambitious SWF, 24-36, who shares similar interests, for friendship first. Ad#,6321 YOUR MOVE Friendly, self-employed DWC dad, 47, 5'7", with brown hair and green

eyes, who enjoys movies, dining out

and quiet evenings, is seeking a compatible SWCF, 37-47, N/S, with similar interests. Ad#.7561 DOWN-TO-EARTH He's a friendly Catholic DWP dad of

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Pleasant, never-married SWPCM, 42, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fine dining, concerts, movies, sports and walking, is interested in meeting a compatible SWCF, under 37, N/S. Ad#.1111

IT'S FATE Never-married SWPM, 40, 6'1' 190lbs., is looking for a fit, petite SW mom, 28-44, for a romantic, monogamous long-term relationship.

Ad# 4251

LOOKING FOR MS: RIGHT Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys sports and family activities, is seeking a sincere, Catholic SAF, under 45, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 2942

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Never-married Catholic SWM, 25, 6'2", 240lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys playing pool, traveling and quiet times at home, is searching for a Catholic SWF, under 32. Ad#.2222

PATIENTLY WAITING

He is a humorous Catholic SWPM, 36, 5'10", who's waiting to hear from a SWCF, 24-35. He enjoys the outdoors, working out and spending time with family activities. Ad#.7000

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the outdoors, is seeking an open-

minded SWF, 28-38, who is willing

to try new things. Ad#.1999

outdoors, weekends at his cottage and spending time at the lake, wants to freet a sweet SF, 19-43. Unilaren welcome. Aa#.3884 CONFIDENT Very handsome and honest

SWCM, 33, 6'3", 185lbs., with

hazel eyes, is seeking a SWF. 25-41, for a possible relationship. Ad#.1201

Personable SWJPM, 52, 5'8", with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys music, dancing and more, is seeking a sweet, humorous SWJF, 45-50, for a happy life together, Ad#,4567 **HEART-TO-HEART**

Born-Again SWCM, 22, 6'4", with

black hair and brown eyes, self-

employed, N/S, from the Redford

SETTLE DOWN

area, who enjoys Bible study, movies, swimming and children, is ISO a SWF, 18-25, with similar

interests. Ad#.4653

MAKE THAT CHOICE Handsome, slim SWCM, 40, 5'9", who enjoys children, the outdoors and biking, is seeking a kind, lov-

ing SWF, under 42, Ad#,4545 **PUTS GOD FIRST**

This wonderful DWCM, 42, 5'9", is seeking a SWCF, 28-44, who enjoys the outdoors and puts God first in her life, Ad#-8667

ARE YOU MY LADY?

DWCM, 56, 6'1", who's shy at first, is looking for a happy, fun-loving SWC lady, who takes care of herself. Ad#.1885 OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME

Hardworking, Catholic DWM, 47,

6', 195lbs., with brown hair and

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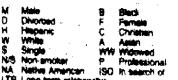
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STATE APPOINTMENTS

Area residents have been appointed to filled a number of state posts by Gov. John Engler, including

■ Stephen M. Conley of Canton was appointed to the State Board of Accountancy, which provides for the certification and regulation of certified public accountants.

Conley is a manager of PricewaterhouseCoopers, L.L.P. He is appointed to replace Donald Dismuke of Plymouth and to represent public accountants for a term expiring June 30, 2002.

W. John O'Neil of Walled Lake; Walter Reckinger III of Dearborn; Gerald W. Richards of Mason; and Garry L. Sanchez of Westland, were appointed to the Board of Mechanical Rules, which makes recommendations for mechanical code rules, issues mechanical contractor's licenses and enforce state mechanic code rules. Terms expire Oct. 1, 2001.

O'Neil is president of the W.J. O'Neil Co. He is reappointed to represent hydronic, heating and cooling. Reckinger is president of Reckinger Heating and Cooling Co. He is reappointed to represent ductwork. Richards is a senior engineer for Consumers Energy. He is reappointed to represent energy producing utilities. Sanchez is president of Motor City Ventilation Inc. He is reappointed to represent specialty work.

Alice Gustafson of Auburn Hills was appointed to the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, which supervises all aeronautics within the state and is empowered to make rules about the location, design, building, equipping and operating of all airports within the state.

Gustafson is president of Hubert Distributors Inc. and has held a commercial pilot's license for more than 20 years. She is reappointed for a term ending May 27, 2003.

Henry E. Beckmeyer, D.O. of East Lansing; Sister Mary Giovanni Monge of Livonia; Vildan Mullin, M.D., of Whitmore Lake: Gregg K. VandeKieft, M.D., of Okemos; and Steven Weiner, M.D., of West Bloomfield, were appointed to the Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management. The

committee is developing a model curriculum for doctors on pain and symptom management. It also develops recommendations on integrating pain and symptom management into health care. All terms expire July 1.

Beckmeyer is a professor of anesthesiology and pain management in the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Michigan State University. He is appointed to represent the College of Osteopathic Medicine at MSU.

Sister Monge is president and CEO of Angela Hospice Home Care Inc. She is appointed to represent hospice organizations.

Mullin is director of the Multidisciplinary Pain Center at the University of Michigan Medical Center and an associate professor in the U-M School of Medicine. He is appointed to represent the U-M School of Medicine.

VandeKieft is an associate professor for the Department of Family Practice in the MSU College of Human Medicine and assistant director of program and palliative care for the MSU Cancer Service. He is appointed to represent the MSU College of Human Medicine.

. Weiner is medical director of Huron Valley Pain Management. He is appointed to represent the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Frank Fitzgerald of Grand Ledge was reappointed as commissioner of insurance in Michigan for a term expiring Oct. 11.

Pitzgerald served as a state representative from 1987 through 1998. He served as the speaker pro tem from 1992 to 1996, and served on the House Insurance Committee for a total of eight years.

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Bennett says union bill misrepresented

BY MIKE MALOTY HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

State Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) says he's frustrated with the way the opposition is playing his proposal to prohibit school building principals from joining unions.

"They can use the five-second one-liner to scare everybody into thinking their rights are being taken away," he said. "It would take me five minutes at the kitchen table to thoroughly explain what this bill is really going to do."

For example, some opponents say the bill would also bar school secretaries and janitors from unionization. Not so, according to Bennett. "Confidential assistants" would, under the verbiage of the bill, be blocked from joining unions, but not all secretaries could be given that title.

For each staffer given that title - and therefore barred from

unionization under the legislation - a hearing would have to be held before the Michigan Employment Relations Commission. And MERC would not

allow all secretaries within a school district office to be given that title.

Bennett

Janitors wouldn't be prohibited from unionizing just because they may occasionally oversee the work of fellow janitors on a given day. Only those with in a "truly supervisory capacity, with personnel decision-making authority" would be kept from unionization. Bennett introduced Senate Bill

663 in reaction to the Detroit teacher strike where he said principals joined teachers on the picket lines.

His bill, he said, would amend Michigan law to follow federal

law, which makes a clear distinction between management and labor

"This is a very simple concept," he said. "The federal government has said that organizations work best where there is a strong, definite distinction between management and labor. Where there is strong management and strong labor, that organization will be successful."

Among the opposition is Rep. Gerald Law (R-Plymouth), who said he sees the bill as overriding local control.

In many school districts. superintendents have encouraged building principals to bargain for pay and benefits as a

"If it is working for them, who are we to say they can't do." Law said. "I don't see that this is a problem in my district. It's not a problem in Northville. It's only a problem in Detroit, but then everything is a problem in Detroit. I think it is an illadvised bill."

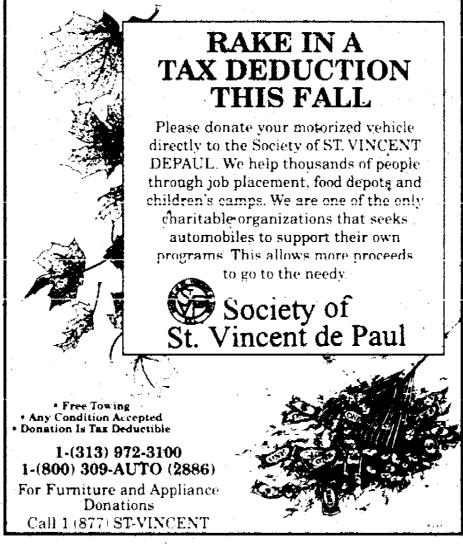
Although management is typically barred from unionization in the private sector, Law said public employees are different and have been treated differently as a tradition. There are other areas in the public sector where supervisory personnel are allowed to unionize, such as in police and fire departments.

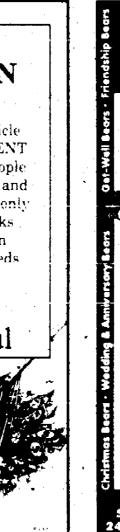
"And I have no qualms about it in those areas, because it is working," Bennett said. "I only have qualms about it where it is not working."

Senate Bill 663 cleared the Senate in a 21-17 vote.

Sens. Loren Bennett (R-Canton: Bill Bullard (R-Highland), Mat: Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion). and Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oaks voted yes.

Sens. John D. Cherry Jr. (D-Cliot. George Z. Hart (D-Dearborn & Thaddeus McCotter R. Livonia), and Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield) voted no.







HEAT

handle on how big the fraud problem is," said Wisner, a onetime Ohio State Highway Patrol officer who handles southeastern Michigan and northwest Ohio. "In the last year we've seen a tremendous number of fraudulent stolen-vehicle claims on over-mileaged leased vehicles."

Community concern

Granholm, speaking both as attorney general and a mother of three, counseled halting auto thefts by teaching youngsters a sense of community and responsibility - and of remorse for

wrongdoing. If no remorse is taught a child very early for hitting or taking others' things, Granholm said. the youngster likely will continue without regret or shame.

"If we don't focus on that (child) level, we will spend \$30,000 on the backside" to maintain that person in jail each year, she said.

In the meantime, "Turn up the HEAT for another year," she urged the assembled profession-

The Detroit Police Department's six member Commercial Auto Theft Metro Squad repeated as HEATTInvestigative Unit. of the Year for populations over 500,000 while the Genesee County Auto Investigation Network team repeated for smaller

HEAT, which is paid for by property and casualty insurance companies in Michigan, pays up to \$1,000 for the arrest and prosecution of individual suspected car thieves and up to \$10,000 for the arrest and binding over for trial of suspected theft-ring members and/or chop shop operators.

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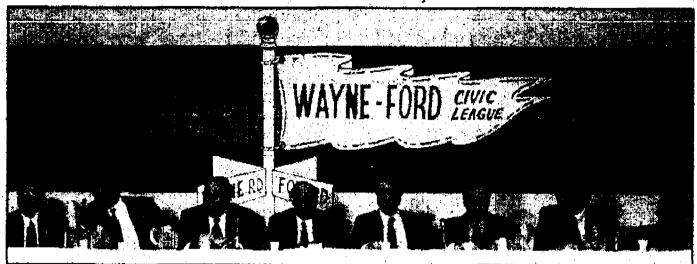
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Issues: City council candidates speak at Thursday's forum.

Class act

Candidates show right stuff

et's give credit where credit is due.

This year's Westland City Council race
hasn't been without rancor, but last
Thursday night, Oct. 21, was a shiring
moment. The Westland Jaycees sponsored a
"Meet the Candidates" night at the WayneFord Civic League.

All eight candidates showed up - incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles "Trav" Griffin, appointee David Cox and challengers James Godbout, David James, Michael Kehrer, Michael Rintz and Dorothy Smith. Their willingness to meet together and with voters was a good start.

The candidates answered a series of questions posed by the Observer then took questions from the audience. The discussion was fair and professional, with the eight refraining from personal attacks.

The Jaycees deserve credit for taking on the task of a "Meet the Candidates" night. The evening ran smoothly thanks to their hard work. Additionally, candidate Kehrer, who has long been active with the Jaycees, received no special treatment, another point worth mentioning

The only regret is that attendance was relatively low, with about 50 people taking time to attend. Certainly, work, family and other commitments take valuable time, but it's also important to take an interest in the workings of local government.

The Wayne-Ford Civic League facility seats

many more than 50, and it would have been nice to have a crowd of several hundred.

Election day dawns Tuesday, Nov. 2, with local polls open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Remember to get out and vote for the four council candidates of your choice.

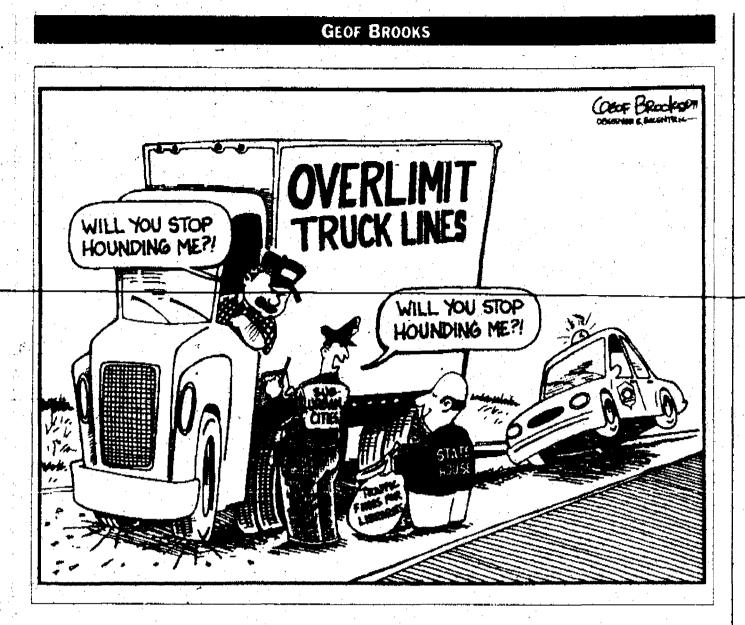
The Observer has endorsed incumbent Glenn Anderson and challengers James Godbout, Michael Rintz and Dorothy Smith. Those are our picks, but perhaps you hold different views. Please remember to go to the polls on election day and make your voice heard.

We're closing in on the Nov. 2 elections, and the Observer hopes no dirty tactics, such as biased campaign literature, emerge in these last few days. Certainly, candidates have every right to make their views, and themselves, known to voters.

At the Jaycees' forum, there were questions about the possibility of building a new City Hall and recreation center. Candidates hold different views and are entitled to express them. But that doesn't mean there should be underhanded attacks on political rivals.

Candidates all presented themselves well at the Jaycees' "Meet the Candidates" night. Let's work to see that that dignified approach is taken all the way through to election day, and beyond.

Westland voters deserve no less.



LETTERS

Opinions are to be shared: We welcome your ideas; that's why we offer this space for your opinions. We will help by editing for clarity. To assure authenticity, we ask that you provide a contact telephone number and if mailing or faxing a letter, please sign it. Letters can be mailed to: Julie Brown, Westland editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, faxed to her at (734) 591-7279 or e-mailed to: jbrown@oe.homecomm.net

Cox response

A letter appeared recently in the Westland Observer indicating that because I distributed a piece of campaign literature that was not prepared by a union printer, I lack respect for labor unions.

In truth, I have been an ardent supporter of labor and am proud to have been endorsed by the Westland Firefighters, the Westland Police Officers, the Westland Lieutenants and Sergeants Association, the United Auto Workers Region 1A CAP, UAW Local 900, the Greater Detroit Building Trades Council, AFL-CIO, AFSCME Local 1602 and even the letter writer's own union, the Michigan Education Association. These labor groups are well aware that I planned to prepare one piece of literature with a Westland printer and they are aware there are no union printers in Westland

The real issue here is that the writer of this letter, Mr. Michael Chiumento, is the same individual who pressured the Wayne-Westland School District while I was president to include sexual orientation language in board policy. He is now the center of controversy in the Plymouth-Canton School District, where he teaches, for setting up a pro-gay and lesbian display in the display case at West Middle School, which is attended by 12-, 13- and 14-year-old children.

He is a member of the Gay-Lesbian Education Network, a supporter of the Triangle Foundation and a vocal proponent to school-children for the normalcy of "alternative lifestyles." Though he might have you believe that his intent by his letter is to protect the interests of labor, it is actually to promote the normalcy of a gay-lesbian lifestyle in our schools and our society, and my failure to bend to his wishes made me his enemy.

I believe in equal rights for all people. I believe that no one should be persecuted, tormented or harassed for any reason whatever, including their sexual orientation. My decision to thwart Mr. Chiumento's efforts while I served as board president resulted from my belief that existing policy protected all people adequately, equally and fairly. I continue to feel that way today.

I will continue to work towards fairness and equality for all people everywhere as I feel bigotry and prejudice are hateful, damaging emotions that cannot be tolerated in a civilized society. I have often wondered why, given Mr. Chiumento's life experience, he hasn't arrived at the same conclusion.

Councilman David Cox Westland

The Westland Address

One score and 13 years ago, our fathers brought forth in this township a democratic form of government based on division of power and authority between a mayor and a seven-member city council.

Now we are engaged in a great election testing whether this democratic division of power can long endure. Our present mayor is attempting to consolidate power in his office by handpicking his own city council. This is tantamount to giving the mayor dictatorial powers: truly an unhealthy situation.

The mayor's recent letter to voters supporting these candidates lists a number of accomplishments during the last decade that resulted from cooperation between council and mayor. Many of these occurred during his first term of office when the majority of council members were far from politically aligned with the mayor, proving that worthwhile programs can and will be implemented without a political coalition.

Although we have supported our mayor in the past and could possibly support him in the future, we feel strongly that a city council independent of the mayor's office brings about a diversity of opinions, reduces the possibility of special interest dealings and is essential for good government.

Whatever your feelings are, be sure to vote Nov. 2.

Jo and Ernie Johnson Westland

Halloween's got a new look

No, those aren't orange Christmas lights you see adorning your neighbor's roof. And if some of your colleagues start looking like clowns or vampires, you're probably not hallucinating.

If you find yourself stumbling over bins of miniature chocolate bars at the neighborhood drugstore, or the aisles of the local supermarket are jammed with displays of Count Chocula cereal among the gourds and pumpkins, there's a reason for it.

It's Halloween. Or, at least, it's almost Halloween. And it isn't just for children anymore.

According to the National Retail Federation, Halloween has grown into a \$5 billion a year industry. Sales of those miniature chocolate bars rise 200 percent in the pre-Halloween weeks and the NRF predicts that total candy sales will reach \$1.8 billion, with costume sales amounting to \$1.5 billion.

Kraft Foods says that last year its sales of Tombstone Pizza increased by 32 percent during the last week of October.

Sales of home decorations, greeting cards, pumpkins and other seasonal items are

expected to reach \$2.5 billion.

The NRF thinks such spending is due in part to the newfound popularity of the holiday among adults. A poll conducted by the organization found that 52.2 percent of U.S. workers said their employers would allow them to celebrate Halloween in the workplace and 39.1 percent said they would consider wearing a costume to work to mark the event.

Whatever the reason for the spending surge, Halloween is now second only to Christmas in holiday-related sales.

Some consumer analysts credit (or blame) the transformation of what was once a children's holiday into an adult spending blitz on baby boomers feeling nostalgic. And when boomers get nostalgic, they spend money.

It may be good for the economy, but we sort of miss the days when the only Halloween decorations were witches cut out of black construction paper and adults stayed at home on Halloween night passing out Necco wafers and Tootsie Rolls to little goblins dressed in costumes made from pillow cases and old bed sheets.

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- Philip Power

Remember heroes

We would like to thank Westland City Council members Sandra Cicirelli, "Trav" Griffin, Glenn Anderson and Richard LeBlanc as well as Honorable Judge Gail McKnight for taking the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony in front of City Hall recently.

Also present was the family of Sgt. Refugio Thomas Teran, Westland's only POW/MIA from the Vietnam War. VFW's 4th District Color Guard, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter No. 387's Ceremonial Firing Squad and the Churchill/Stevenson High School ROTC were also present to honor these missing patriots.

A black balloon was released at the reading of the names of each of Michigan's POW/MIAs from the Vietnam War with Taps being played at the conclusion. As always, the program was very emotional and thought-provoking. National POW/MIA Recognition Day is always the third Friday of September. Please mark it on your calendars for next year and join us in front of City Hall, we owe these heroes that much.

Rick Patrny Vietnam Veterans of America Westland Chapter No. 387

The good of citizens

On Nov. 2, the voters of Westland are going to make a decision. Do we want the status quo? Are we ready for some honest, uncorrupted politi-

cians'

The sad state of our city streets, questionable decisions by our current council (some). To make ordinance decisions that are not in concurrence with the written ordinance, but are determined by campaign contributions, is wrong.

Council agendas should be for the good of the citizens of Westland, not for "friends in high places" or campaign contributions.

Retain Glenn Anderson. He has proven his genuine concern for the welfare of Westland. Support Godbout, Kehrer and Smith. Let's get some sanity back to city council.

Chuck Papineau

Westland

Voter woes

wanted to make the Oct. 18 West-land City Council meeting so I could ask Councilwoman Justine Barns about the last-minute charge she had to make about council candidate. Michael Kehrer and a \$1,000 contribution from the Jaycees even though \$501 was returned to the Jaycees, thus making it a last-ditch effort to throw some mud.

I wanted to ask Barns how did this so-called info get into her hot little hands?

And if she would name the socalled people who complained to her or taking a line from Councilman David Cox neither confirm nor deny their names?

What it comes down to is trying to discourage people from coming out and voting Nov. 2 so the people better buckle up and get ready for a massive dumping of garbage from now until the elections.

LETTERS

I hope the people see through this and do come out ... and no matter who wins or loses, the people will have voiced their opinion with their votes.

James R. Davis

Help kids learn

Drew Middle School Junior Beta Club needs and deserves your financial support. We have 35 members of this national honor club. All members must have and maintain a 3.0 GPA or better. Our members want to go to Washington, D.C., on May 25, 2000, and return May 28.

This Washington trip will give our students the opportunity to see many educational sites as well as have an enjoyable time:

Most of our students come from low-income, single-parent homes. These parents know what an educational benefit this trip will have on their child; however, they are unable to pay the money to send them. The students will have car washes and other out-of-school activities to help raise the money. We are not allowed to do any school-based fund-raising for this particular trip.

School fund-raisers this year have been assigned to another group. We need \$15,760 to send 35 students and five staff and parent chaperones. The travel company, Travel Adventures Inc., is a premier school tour company and Joy Childress has taken 10 school trips with them. They provide security and their price is very reasonable

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the satisfaction of knowing your contribution will help 35 Drew Middle School honor students take the educational trip of a lifetime. Checks should be made out to Drew Middle School/Junior Beta Club and sent to Joy Childress, 9600 Wyoming Ave., Detroit 48204.

Joy Childress, club sponsor Michael Charley, club president

president Annette B. Jordan, principal

Helping hands

At Westland Convalescent Center, a nursing center for 230 residents, one of the laundry machines was broken down. The laundry staff worked extra long hours in order to meet the laundry needs of the residents.

To show appreciation to these dedicated hard workers, their supervisor. Linda Walsh, called Toarmina's pizza to have a pizza delivered to them at 2 in the morning. Jack, at Toarmina's, said on that day they closed at 10 p.m., but he would be happy to go in and make them a pizza and deliver it at 2 in the morning, which he did, to the staff's delight.

I shared this story with a number of people, who felt as I do, that these people should be recognized for their dedication and caring.

Peggy Ellenwood
Westland Convalescent Center

Let's return to the Bible

Judith Ellis asked in her letter to the Observer, "What does this say about us as a society?" referring to the sexual attacks at Woodstock '99. I'm sorry to say she is a few years too late to ask that question.

Mankind has been evil since the downfall in the Garden of Eden but unfortunately the evilness has increased geometrically since our government and the ACLU have determined that Christianity—the only stabilizing force in the world—is only to be practiced in the confines of the home or the church but never let it

influence our lives in society.

Hence, we no longer respect life in either the born or the unborn. Once we no longer respect life there is no longer any reason to respect our actions toward one another.

On more than one occasion in New York City, New Yorkers have watched people get robbed, raped and murdered and have done absolutely nothing about it to help. What does it say about us as a society? It says we are evil beyond our imagination and continuing to get worse.

Having said that, common sense has to come into play. Common sense dictates to the wise that people in expensive clothing wearing expensive jewelry do not walk in certain neighborhoods, recognizing that they neither want nor consent to be robbed.

By the same token, women who don't want or consent to be molested have to think about where they go, yes, and how they dress. You don't go into an area in which drugs and alcohol are being used, where the music is laced with lyrics dealing with sex and where the overall attitude of many is, as you say, "free love, nudity and anything goes." It's better to stay home and be safe and do without that "pleasure."

No, I don't condone it in any way, shape or form and would love to see the perpetrators all pay the penalty and shame on them who cheered them on. Unfortunately, those who cheered are only doing what has been done to those who still support Christian values and want to see both our government and our private lives come back to the support of those values. However, those in power, just like those who cheered the rapings. not only fight the Christian but ridicule them in their aftempt to stop the spread of the evil which is sweeping our nation

What does it say about our society? It says we need to return to Christ! It says we need to return to the Bible and its teachings.

Charles K. Benton
Garden City

Granholm debacle reveals state politics at its worst

he sexiest story coming out of Lansing so far this fall was the attempt by the Republican-dominated Legislature to trim back the power of newly elected Attorney General. Democrat Jennifer Granholm.

L'affaire Grapholm was clumsily handled in a very public way, leaving much egg on the collective faces of House Republicans, Gov. John Engler and his staff. Because the facts of the story have been the subject of endless spinning. Tve spent some time working out what actually happened. It's a fascinating tale, revealing much about the inner dynamics of Michigan politics.

As with most stories, this one starts with a core of substance. It's by no means clear what precise authority Michigan's attorney general has over bills passed by the Legislature or over the workings of the executive branch. The Constitution is largely silent on this point, and during Frank Kelley's 37-year reign as the "Eternal General," nobody had the guts to raise the issue.

Enter John Engler, now in the middle of his third term as governor. An extremely able politician and competent manager of the executive branch, Engler is also, um, really into control.

Early on, he busted the Department of Natural Resources in two. He abolished the Labor Department and moved the Michigan Employment Security Commission first to the Jobs Commission and then to the newly-created Department of Career Development. He's been trying for years to do away with the independently elected State Board of Education; last week, he signed an executive order moving administration of the Michigan Education Assessment Program test to, of all places, the Department of Treasury.

But even a governor as into control as Engler didn't dare mess with Frank Kelley, at least not as long as he was in office. But when Granholm was elected in 1998, things changed.

Clearly, the governor's office—I suspect the governor himself, although I can't prove it decided it was high time to clarify the powers of the attorney general and, conveniently, also trim the wings of Grapholm, the only high-flying Democrat in Michigan.

Legal research on the project started as far back as mid-February, culminating in a four-page, July 21 memo from Engler's deputy legal counsel Lance Boldrey to chief counsel Lucille Taylor that concluded "I submit that even making AG (attorney general opinions binding on the requesting agency could undermine the governor's role as the head of the executive branch—here again, we would find the AG, an inferior executive officer, potentially trumping the governor."

Things moved rapidly thereafter. GOP law-makers in late September introduced bills containing the devices proposed by the memo to cut back the attorney general's power. Freshman House Speaker Chuck Perricone pronounced the legislation on a fast track, at which point what had looked like a smoothly working scheme started to fall apart.



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The legislation was referred for hearing to the House Constitutional Law and Ethics committee, chaired by freshman Rep. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester). The hearing turned out to be PR tragedy, played as political farce.

Although the hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 5, Granholm's office wasn't informed about the details until late the previous Friday. She called it a violation of common courtesy; Democrats called it an "ambush."

Chairing the meeting, Bishop twice interrupted Granholm's passionate testament in opposition to the legislation (once going so far as to cut off her microphone) because it was too "political." At one point, evidently with a straight face, Bishop asked Granholm whether she was an attorney.

Bishop also made Frank Kelley sit around for two hours waiting to testify before announcing the hearing had three minutes to go before adjournment. An angry Kelley spluttered that he had served as AG for 37 years and deserved more than three minutes to make his point.

Watching things unravel in the Legislature and reading the near-universal criticism on editorial pages around the state. Engler spokesman John Truscott started distancing his boss from the mess. "We were kind of surprised. I had no idea they were doing anything," he was quoted in the Gongwer Michigan Report.

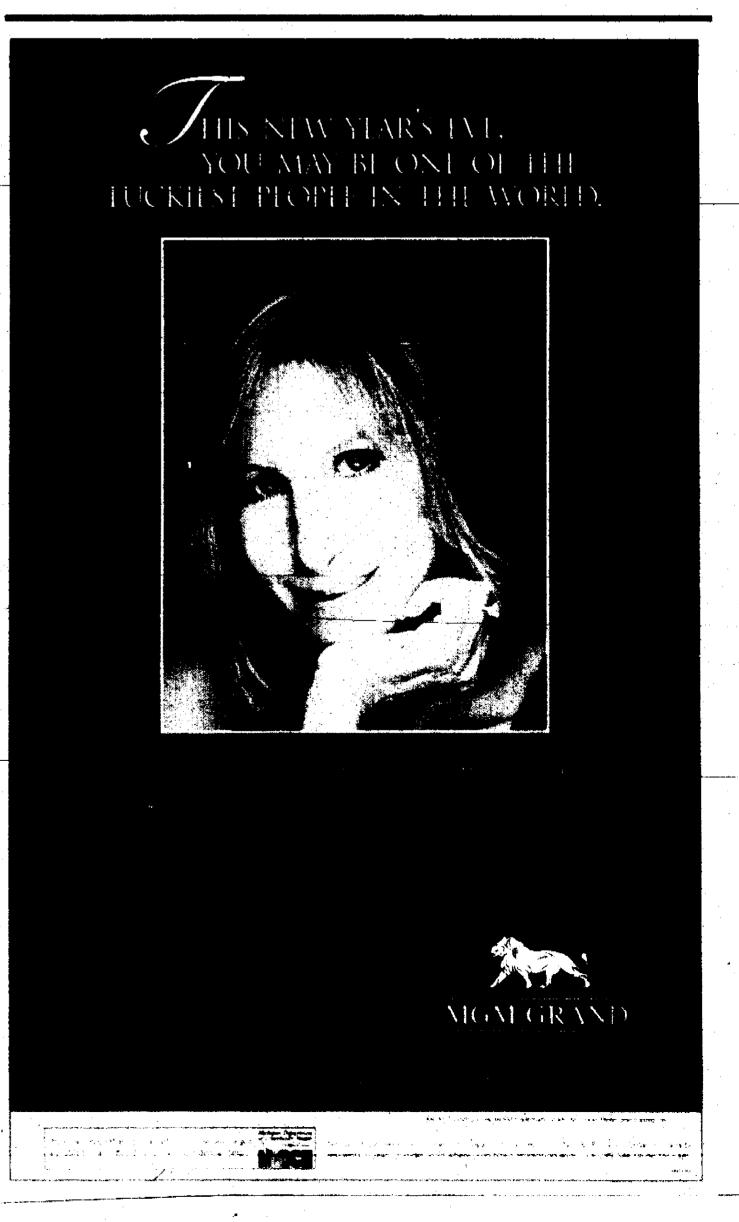
Sure.

House Republicans were left to take the heat. Not surprisingly, it's virtually certain it was somebody in the GOP House caucus who leaked the memoranda from Engler's legal staff to The Detroit News. The page one headline read: "Engler aides led drive to limit Granholm. Memos show his office researched ways to erode attorney general's powers."

Talk about getting your hand caught in the mokie jar!

What are we to make of all this, other than the chorus of "yuks" from insider baseball tans? Just this: When you get the combination of an experienced, capable governor who is also a control freak and a term-limited, inexperienced and amateurish Legislature, something bad is almost certain to happen.

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OBITUARIES

STEVE T. OPETT

Services for Steve T. Opett, 73, of Westland were Oct. 28 from St. Damian Church with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Opett was born June 8, 1926, in Pennsylvania and died Oct. 24. He was a truck driver for a construction company.

Surviving are his wife, Gladys E.; son Steven T. (Joan); daughters Judy A. (Kenneth) Ziemann and Lynn C. (Douglas) Marlow; brother Peter; sister Margaret Alt; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

AGNES MCCOLLUM

Services for Agnes Ruth McCollum, 66, of Wayne were Oct. 4 at Glenwood Cemetery. Miss McCollum was born

March 26, 1933, and died Oct. 1. Survivors include stepfather James Lantrip; brothers James Horn of Westland, Robert, John and Roger; and sister Rita Luhrson.

Uht Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

MILDRED MIDDLIN

Services for Mildred Ann Middlin, 67, of Wayne were Oct. 6 from Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland, Officiating was the Rev. Fred Cooley.

Mrs. Middlin was born Nov. 5, 1931, and died Oct. 3. She was a secretary.

Survivors include children William (Chato) Middlin and Julie Middlin; brother Charles Johnson of Westland; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding in death were her husbands, Willard Taylor and Glen Middlin; children Mark Middlin and Susan Taylor; and brother Frank Johnson Jr.

GENE E. SAMPEER

Services for Gene E. Sampeer 75 of Westland were Oct. 11 from Uht Funeral Home with burial at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. Officiating was the

The Wayne-Westland Salva-

tion Army will hold an open

2300 Venoy in Westland. Included will be a display of Salvation

Army memorabilia described as

"second to none," including infor-

mation about the organization's

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connection, 35201 Hunter

Calendar, amt \$14,700

Plat #12

Sub

Present: Anderson, Barns, Cox, Griffin, LeBlanc, Scott. 227: Approved: minutes of regular mtg held 10/4/99

forth requirements for permitted use of illegal fireworks

Salvation Army planning

open house on Friday, Nov. 5

house 2-5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at 6 p.m. meeting featuring a slide

WESTLAND CITY COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG NO 20-10/18/99

Request from Westland Goodfellows, Inc to conduct their annual newspaper fund-raiser on 11/26/99 & 11/27/99 at various locations within

Request from Wayne County Parks to host a 5 minute fireworks display

Adopted joint resolution supporting the Michigan Campaign for Quality

Adopted resolution to obtain permit for construction of a storm sewer

Adopted Ordinance 188-A-1 to clarify the definition of fireworks & set

Bid for Inkster Pump Station electrical work to Lotus Electric, amt

- Purchase of equipment, installation & wiring for Low-Wattage Radio Transmitter System to be used in emergency situations from Information

Introduced budget amendment 2000-04: Purchase of low-wattage radio

4 yr lease/purchase agreement with Motorola for mobile & portable

Traffic control sign; 99-07, install 1 "Speed Limit 25 MPH" on northbound Gilman 50 ft north of Warren & 1 "No Parking Here to Corner"

Adopted lot split resolution-splitting lot #609C of Supervisor's Nankin

Adopted lot split resolution-splitting lot #59 of J F Keys Wayne Acres

Adopted lot split resolution splitting lot #250 of Wayne Highland Sub #8 Request from Administration to go into closed study session following

228: Approved lease agreement between City & Nankin Transit Commission for office space at William J Engle Memorial Building, 37137

229: Approved professional services contract with Global Electronics, Inc to assist various departments with Y2K compliance testing, amt \$31,800

230: Introduced budget amendment 2000-06: Y2K Assessment & Testing

231: Granted the request from M Rosenhaus to resome from Two Family

233: Granted Site Plan Approval for proposed Planned Unit Development

234; Granted Site Plan Approval for proposed Coin Laundry, 5750

235; Approved the request for Special Land Use Approval for proposed Elder Source Senior Assisted Living Facility, S of Nankin Bivd, W of Wayne

237: Introduced Ordinance 248-A-13 to allow lot splits on existing

238: Approved the withdrawal of property bide due to failure of original bidders to fulfill requirement of contract & make these properties available

Granted Site Plan Approval for proposed Elder Source Senior

Residential to Shopping Center Commercial, Lot #9, Rex Subdivision 232; Granted the request from M Kallen to rezone from Garden Apartment Residential & General Commercial to Planned Unit

radios for new Police & Fire 800 MHz system, amt \$952,185.17

Bid for 2000 City Calendar to University Lithoprinters, amt \$63,694 Introduced budget amendment 2000-05: For 2000 Westland City

at the opening of Wayne County Light Fest on 11/18/99 at 6:30 pm

Rev. Fred Cooley.

Mr. Sampeer was born May 13, 1924, and died Oct. 6. He was a steam fitter.

Surviving are his wife, Carolyn Sampeer; children Thomas Jr., Kimberly (Brian) Wilcock, Tamara (Jeffrey) Dean and Karen (Glen) Nausley; brother Robert L. Sampeer; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Arbor Hospice.

YIVIAN E. HARBISON

Services for Vivian E. Harbison, 80, of Dearborn Heights were Oct. 4 from Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, West-

Mrs. Harbison was born Sept. 27, 1919, and died Sept. 30. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are husband Leamon M.; daughters Virginia King, Loretta (Glenn) Brothers of Westland: sisters Althea Hollis. Thelma Bigos and Barbara York; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death was her brother. Walter Swaze. Memorials may be sent to the

National Hemophilia Foundation.

BRUCE MCOHIE

Services for Bruce Dale McGhie, 48, of Westland were Oct. 27 from the John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Kurt R -Radke, Christus Victor Lutheran Church.

Mr. McGhie was born April 13, 1951, in Detroit and died Oct. 23 in Wayne. He was a machine operator.

Surviving are wife Carol McGhie: children Kellie (Chris) Ciesielski, Scott McGhie, Chad (Toni) McGhie and Tara McGhie: brother Gary McGhie; and one grandchild.

quarters in Chicago.

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722-3660.

After the open house will be a

presentation. The theme will be

"Salvation Army History and

For information, call (734)

Treasurer situation status quo in Livonia Public Schools district

By MARIE CHESTNEY

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Kirsten Galka tried Monday but failed to convince at least one more trustee that the Livonia school board should reconsider how the board treasurer is picked.

Right now, the treasurer is a district employee appointed by the board each July.

posed that the treasurer be a trustee, elected each year to the post by fellow board members.

To keep the debate going and perhaps achieve a change, Galka needed the backing of another trustee. But at Monday's board committee meeting, the six other trustees made it clear they are satisfied with the way the board treasurer is now chosen.

"Is there a reason to change the way we do things?" asked trustee Frank Kokenakes. 'We've had this precedent for years. The majority of the board is happy. Why is this a better idea?"

Under the present system, board members hear about financial matters at the tail end of the budget process, Galka answered.

"You get info given to you; you're not involved with the process," said Galka. "It's done by Randy (Liepa) and given to Two weeks ago, Galka pro- us. When I ran (for trustee), one of the things I wanted was more. accountability.'

In 1988, the board adopted the policy of picking a treasurer that is still in effect. The policy states that the treasurer must be a district employee under contract to the board.

The policy spells out the duties of the employee-treasurer: Exercise care and custody of all money of the district; maintain the district's financial records in an orderly manner; and perform such duties as prescribed by the

Liepa, the district's assistant superintendent for business, is the appointed treasurer.

The trustees said board members could achieve Galka's goal of a more "hands-on" approach simply by meeting one-on-one with Liepa throughout the year and quizzing him about finances.

Trustee Ken Timmons said trustees don't have the professional expertise to take on the task of directly managing the district's budget.

"We're not accountants or CPAs," he said.

Superintendent Ken Watson reminded the seven board members that, as trustees, they are Liepā's boss and that they have the-final say in financial mat-

"You have that prerogative,"

If Galka can sway one more trustee to her side, then the board will continue the debate,



Kirsten Galka

said trustee Diane Nay. Otherwise, "we have no interest in continuing this" dialogue, she said.

Fall fashion show assists children who have disabilities

The Redford Suburban League succeeded in hosting another fashionable festival for a good

nia, "An Afternoon in Paris" attracted just under 1,000 atten-

Held at Burton Manor in Livo- ion show. Fashions were provided by Parisian. The 26th annual festival is the league's largest fund-raiser to benefit children

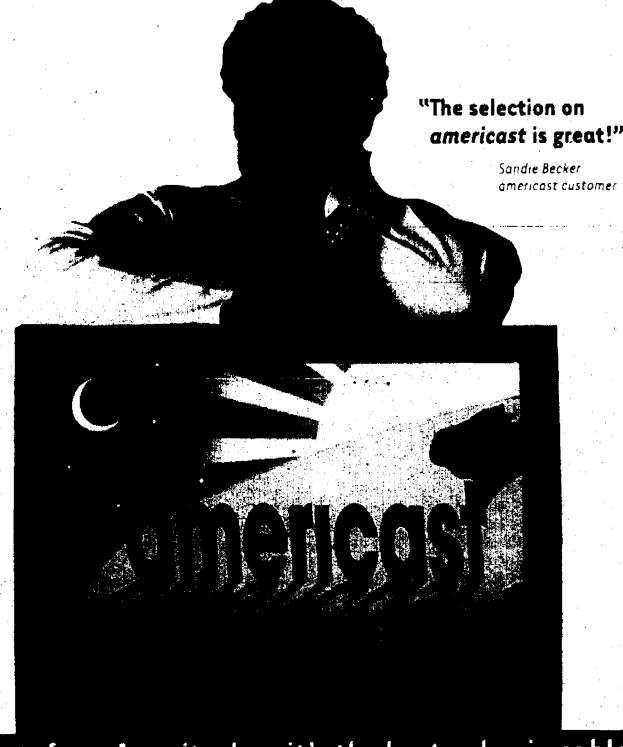
with disabilities in the southeast Michigan area.

Doris Biscoe and Rich Fisher acted as commentators again.

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OBSERVER **SPORTS** SCENE

Livonian 2nd in Brazil

Livonia's Sheila Taormina earned a second-place finish Sunday in the Holambra, Brazil International Triathlon with a clocking of 2 hours, 4 minutes and 23 seconds.

Taormina, a Stevenson High and University of Georgia graduate, finished the 1,500-meter swim in 16:48, the 40-kilomter bike in 1:10:43 and the 10K run in 36:52.

Brazil's Mariana Ohata, ranked No. 19 in the ITU World Point Rankings, finished first in 2:03:36, including a blistering 34:56 in the 10K.

The second-place finish moves Taormina up to No. 66 in the ITU point rankings. She is No. 11 among Americans.

Taormina, who only started competing professionally in ITU events back in January, is a 1996 gold medalist in the women's 800-meter freestyle relay at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, Ga.

O'Meara whips Emons

Once again Dan O'Meara reigns. supreme when it comes to prognosticating high school football games in Observerland.

The Farmington Sports Editor finished the regular season 106-25, a whopping nine games ahead of his counterpart, Livonia-Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons.

O'Meara correctly picked 11 of 14 games in Week No. 9, while Emons,

grasping for straws, finished 8-6. Emons settled for a 95-34 mark in 1999 and vows to do better in 2000.

Goins pro signs contract

Westland John Glenn High product Tony Goins, a 6-foot-6 forward who recently became Wayne State University's all-time leading scorer in men's basketball, recently signed a contract to play with the Black Hills Gold (Rapid City, S.D.) of the International Basketball League.

The Gold, formerly the Wisconsin Blast, is coached by former UCLA standout and NBA player Mike

The commissioner of the nine-team IBL is former NBA great Alex English. Darryl Dawkins, better known as "Chocolate Thunder," plays for the Winniepeg, Manitoba fran-

Rockers go perfect 8-0

The Livonia Rockers, an under-13 boys soccer team, recently finished first in the Great Lakes Soccer League's Superior Division with an 8-0 record.

Members of the Rockers, who outscored their opponents 37-2 (including six shutouts), were Nick Ahwal, Eric Anderson, Jeff Anderson, David Ayyash, Adam Bogenschutz, Stephen Franklin, Dan Garber, Ryan Graham, Chris Lantto, Adrian Lucero, Jeff Pepera, Brad Schmitz and Andy Smith.

The Rockers are coached by Laura, Don and Lesley McDougall, along with Luke Lucero.

Meteor girls finish 1st

The Livonia Family Y Meteors, an under-11 girls team, finished 6-0-2 in the Western Suburban Soccer League, including four shutouts, along with a 2-1 victory over the previously unbeaten Canton Stampeds.

Members of the Meteors, coached by John Musser, include Stephanie Barcewicz, Carly Facchini, Mallory Fox, Dianna Ganas, Bridget Godfrey, Julie Kornfeld, Cassie LaPrairie, Amie Musser, Jackie Nancekivell, Knitlyn Peitz, Lisa Rotenheber, Tauri Rothermel, Kelly Roulier, Hafsah Sani, Rachel Yarbrough and Kara

Assistant coaches includ John Yarbrough and Randy Roulier, The team manger is Diane Musser.

Raiders finish unbeaten

The under-9 Livonia Raiders finished an 8-0 boys season Sunday in the Blue Division of the Western Suburban Soccer League with a 4-1 victory over Plymouth at Ford Field.

Members of the Raiders, coached by Chris Trapp and Jack Farrow, include Joseph McCullough, Skyler Lewandowski, Ryan Lubanski, Matt Harris, Rick Berquist, Drew Fosgard, Nick Laberge, Joshua Andaloro, Michael Farrow. Steve Trapp. Trov Gauthier, Ryan Hicks, Jasper Marek and Joshua Martin.





Ready to run: Riley Middle School student Scott Howse (left photo) gets his race tag attached by his father Ken, then takes off for the start of the 2-mile race at Livonia's Ford Field.

Beyond limits

Autistic runner beating the odds

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER bemons Coc.homocomm.net

Slowly, but surely, Scott Howse is

coming out of his unique little world. Today, the Riley eighth-grader is the top distance runner among middle school students in the Livonia Public Schools.

As an infant, he had a sensory motor problem so severe that he couldn't be touched without extreme discomfort. He could not deal with the pressure of a blanket while he dopt. Propped by his disability, the autistic child had little way to communicate. He resorted to screaming

— regularly up to 15 hours per day. Unable talk until age 61/2, well respected specialists at the Detroit Medical Center told his parents, Ken and Connie, that living a normal life appeared to be bleak and he was destined for institutionalization.

Through their faith and prayer, Scott, slowly, but surely, may be running high school cross country next

He worked with a music therapist, that's how he started communicating," said Ken Howse, a telecommunications analyst on contract for MediaOne. "He actually sang before he talked.

"It was en Easter Sunday. It was just after church. His first words out of his mouth were Jesus Loves Me."

The kid who couldn't put on his clothes at age 8, or tie his shoes until age 12, now plays the organ, beats you into aubmission at chess or checkers, can compute math at his

grade level, and runs an 11-minute, him in the right direction. 20-second two-mile.

The running must come from the Ken Howse, who graduated from

Detroit Finney High School, was the Class A individual state cross country champion in 1967, clocking a time of 9:54.8.

Ken went on to compete for the University of Illinois where he once ran 8:38 in the two-mile and beat Olympic gold medalist Frank Shorter in a collegiate race.

During summers, Scott often performed double workouts with his dad.

"People underestimate the potential of an autistic child," Ken said. "He can focus his energy on specific areas and he can function like anyone else. In some subjects at school he's way behind, but in some subjects like math he's way ahead.

"The key is you have to have high enough expectations. He likes a challenge and he's very competitive."

During the Livonia Public Schools Middle School race, featuring runners from Riley, Holmes, Emerson and Frost, Scott stayed with the pack for the first of two loops, constantly looking over his right shoulder to make sure he stayed on course.

But after familiarizing himself during pre-race walkthrough and completing his first loop, Scott took off like a rabbit from the field, winning comfortably in 12:07.

In seven races this fall, including two non-Livonia school meets, Scott is undefeated.

Sometimes all it takes it pointing

"We had people go out and block off the course because we were afraid he'd get lost," said Lucy Van Meter, his sixth-grade coach at Novi Christian School. "Sometimes I had to double-knot his shoe laces.

"Scott never ceases to amaze. Scott is just not talented, he'll work. He has the heart and desire. We'd do hill repeats, and he'd just keep going. And he'll keep going hard. He did what he was told and he was a good student."

Although he has trouble getting his bearings, Scott Howse is never at a loss for probing despite his lack of communication skills.

"He'll asks a lot of questions," 'Van Meter said. "Our kids said he was like a regular "Forrest Gump." He may be closer to that in real life, only

"I call him 'my kid.' He's my pride and joy. It was an instant love affair. People said it couldn't be done, and I didn't understand why."

Keith Wright, who retired four years ago from the Livonia Public Schools as a counselor, was Scott's first track coach at Riley.

"Tve had highlights in my 42 years in education and this one is special," said Wright, a former swim coach at Livonia Bentley now residing in Harbor Springs. "His story is really remarkable. They say truth is greater than fiction. He's still very much in my thoughts."

In a medical terminology, autisim

Please see BEYOND LIMITS, C7

Wing-T will test Rockets

Monroe-Glenn playoff matchup

PREP FOOTBALL

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER bemons@oe.homecomm.net

Monroe football coach Ralph Carducci was watching film at home Tuesday night preparing for his first-round opponent in the state football playoffs

— Westland John Glenn. "They (Glenn) are very sound, they're aggressive and they block well," the eighth-year coach said. "Their tailback

(Eric Jones) is very, very talented. Their offensive scheme is not complicated, but what they do, they do it

Glenn and Monroe, both 7-2 on the regular season, tangle in a Division I Region II-District 2 matchup, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Monroe.

It is the first-ever meeting between the two schools on the gridiron. Their only common opponent is Wayne Memorial.

Monroe beat Wayne, 27-11, while Glenn ended the regular season with a 24-7 win over the Zebras.

There won't be any secrets as it appears both teams will be well-prepared. Glenn will have to contain Monroe's

Wing-T attack, something Carducci installed in his third year as the Trojans' coach.

"When I first got here we ran out of the 'Power I,' but then our fullback and tailback got hurt and I was asking what coach was going to run the plays, Carducci said. "We've been able to play it pretty well. This year we've been a running team more than a passing team, but we've also thrown a lot this year."

The Monroe backfield revolves around 6-foot-1, 220-pound fullback Chad Mosher, who had rushed for 1,202 yards.

The Trojans will also use three tailbacks --- Kent Brinson, William Walk and Antoine Ford...

"They'll pound Mosher in there and their quarterback (Mike Leach) is a good player," Glenn coach Chuck Gor-

don said. "He has a strong and accurate arm. Leach (6-3, 179) isn't drawing com. parsions quite yet to ex-Monroe signed

caller Dan Cole (now at Toledo), but Carducci has confidence in the 10th "He's been doing really well, but he's

not as mature as a Dan Cole - not yet," Carducci said.

Please see GLENN-MONROE, C2

Stevenson sharp in 4-1 win over CC

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER

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Tom "Stellar" Eller was at it again Wednesday, figuring in all four goals to propel Livenia Stevensonpast Redford Catholic Central in a Division I district semifinal matchup, 4-1.

The game was played on the beautiful grounds of Livenia Ladywood High School.

Stevenson, now 15-2-1 overall, advances to the district championship game Saturday against Livonia Churchill (10-10). Game time is 11 a.m. at University of Detroit-Jesuit High School.

Eller, a senior forward, ran his season totals to 23 goals and 17 assists after shredding the CC defense for two goals to go along with two assists.

"I'm not promoting for anybody for Mr. Soccer, but Eller has to be one of the top three playes in state," CC coach Dana Orsucci said. "He's got the total package. He's got speed, and if you get physical with him, he can muscle you. And he's got the fire. He does a little bit of everything out there. He's just a gifted player."

Eller, however, had plenty of help. Stevenson opened the first five minutes of play by scoring twice within a span of 34 seconds.

Mike Thomas made it 1-0 on an assist from Eller. With 35:43 left in the half, Eller followed with a nifty one-on-one individual effort to put the Spartans

"I think our game Monday against U-D High (a 5-3 win) got rid of the nervous jitters we had going into *the tournament," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. That game gave our fullbacks good training because they (U-D) were fast and kind of an unorthodox type of team. I couldn't be more pleased with the



STAFF PROTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL.

Two-step: Livonia Stevenson's Mike White (right) battles for control of the ball against Catholic Central's Nick Show.

way we played in the back

"As usual we got strong efforts from Joe Zawacki our keeper, and our sweeper, left Ruid, who really,

BOYS SOCCER DISTRICT

helped organize things for us in the back."

The score stayed 2-0 until halftime, but as far as Orsucci was concerned, the two quick Stevenson goals had inflicted heavy damage.

"The first five minutes set us back tremendously," said Orsucci, whose team hadn't played since Oct. 16. "I don't think the layoff hurt us.

"But we're battling tradition and the mystique of Stevenson, not just the 20 guys. And when the state tournament starts it seems they can turn it up a notch. They're fantastic from top to bottom.

Eller set up Stevenson's third goal just 7:17 into the second half. Teammate J.T. Katikos was the

"You have to hand it to Stevenson, they played

CC goalkeeper Eric Sullivan kept it from being more lopsided than the final score. He made 11 saxes, once robbing Eller on a breaksway attempt.

The Shamrocks averted the shutout with 10:17 to go when Kent Toporek rifled a shot from 30 yards out on a touch from Pat Griffin off an indirect free kick. Zawacki had no chance on the play

Eller then put the final touch on the Stevenson win when he broke in alone with 2:53 left for his second. "Every time Tom touches the ball you feel some-

thing big is going to happen," Richters said: "He defiinitely turns it up a notch in the big games? CC finished the season at 8-4-5 overall.

Nobody likes to end a season this way, but if you're going to lose to b team, you want to do it against one of the best." Orsucci said. "I thought we fought hard to the end I was proud of the effort.

STATE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

mared on rung of two and past to Martin Supples Supples State page to Matt Loriday w Sgroi, Jeff Moore and Mark Willeughby had five tackles each.

Painters find common ground

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER skowalski@oe.homecomm.net

Redford Catholic Central twoway standout John Kava and Livonia Stevenson lineman John Mac-Farland are good friends, but don't expect them to paint the town together this week.

They did enough of that in the

The two who grew up in the same Livonia subdivision and attended the same elementary school will be on opposite sides of the field when CC and Stevenson meet in the first round of the Division I state playoffs on Saturday at Hilbert Junior High in Redford. Kickeff is 1 p.m.

The two not only hung out last summer, they painted apartments for MacFarland's brother, who

owns a painting company But the extent of their relationship this week was a brief visit by Kava to MacFarland's home Sunday, following the playoff pairings

show on television.

"I went over there and he said they're pretty pumped up to play us but we talked about other things, too," said Kava, CC's leading rusher the past two seasons who also plays linebacker. "We have a mutual respect for each other but I don't think we're talking the rest of the week. I'll see him on Saturday."

The two would take playful jabs at each other's team in between strokes with their paint brushes over the summer. Mike Morris, Kava's teammate and a two way lineman for CC, worked one day when another painter was needed.

"They were working but they'd slip in a comment here and there." said Morris, another Livonia resident who knows some of the Spartans. "We went to a Leadership Conference over the summer with some of them over the summer. We see them around and are always friendly when it's not football. We're always joking but now it's

Stevenson bracing for CC power attack

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER bemons@oe.homecomm.net

Deja vu all over again for coach Tim Gabel and his Livonia Stevenson football team?

In 1995, the Spartans finished the regular season 7-2 and had to face juggernaut Redford Catholic Central in the first round of the state football playoffs.

A huge underdog, Stevenson gave CC all it could handle before falling 14-6, one of the stiffest tests the state champion Shamrocks had in the tournament en route to the title.

Fast forward again to this Saturday at Redford Union's Kraft Field. (Kickoff is at 1.

Stevenson is again 7-2, while the two-time defending state champion Shamrocks are riding a 28-game winning streak. David vs. Goliath II?

"They have even more ability to run at you straight ahead," Gabel said of CC. "In 1995 that offensive line was big and powerful, and pretty darn good. But this offensive line is even better than that, and they're outra-

geously big." CC's lightest player up front is 6-foot-2, 250-pound center Kevin McCarty, while the tackles are 6-3, 275-pound Mike Morris and 6-3, 265-pound Steve Dominguez.

"They can really knock you off the ball and they are much bigger and more physical than anybody we've played," Gabel said. "We're going to have to try to compensate for our lack of size."

Stevenson's defense, which has allowed just 50 points this season, will have to try and stop CC's ball carrying trio of John Kava (6-1, 225), who has 1,122 yards on the year; Mike Wilk (5-11, 235) and Dave Groth (6-0,

Gabel may have to throw in a few wrinkles to stop the CC power attack.

"This is an awfully good defense and this one compares favorably to the one we had in 1994," Gabel said, "They play together as a unit and they hit well, even though they're not big. And they understand how to make adjustments."

The Spartans' 4-3 features senior tackle Dominic Freda (5-9, 210), the team's second leading tackler. Freda rotates at tackle along with junior Tim McCarthy (5-11, 200) and junior Matt Cieslak (5-8, 180).

The ends are senior Eric Puninski (5-11, 197) and junior Ronnie Williams (6-1, 190).

Three-year varsity starter John Van Buren

(6-0, 212) plays the middle linebacking spot. He is flanked leading tackler Brad Buckler (6-0, 181) and Tim Baugher (5-11, 184).

Buckler, who plays tight end, is also the Spartans' leading receiver.

Meanwhile, the secondary consists of safeties Nick Coffman (5-9, 171) and Joe Ordus (5-10, 170), both seniors. They are joined by cornerbacks Mike McClain (5-11, 170), a senior, and Shawn Casey (5-8, 144), a

Special teams could also be a key for the Spartans.

Punter R.J. Colley, who also plays in the secondary, is close to the school record, aver-

aging nearly 38 yards this season. Dan Wilson handles field goals an extra points, but CC counters with the booming leg of Mike Sgroi.

"That kid (Sgroi) just kicks it consistently to the back of the end zone," Gabel said.

Before Fox-Sports Detroit's Selection Sunday show, Gabel was convinced his firstround opponent was going to be a Lakes Division rematch with Westland John Glenn. As it turned out, the Spartans got the

state's No. 1 team, just like 1995.

"The kids met together Sunday and they were just excited to see their names on the screen like anyone else," Gabel said.

Glenn-Monroe from page C1

appearance since 1985, may use two quarterbacks, junior Josh Hudson or freshman Brian Cechiewicz, again for the third consecutive week.

But it's'a safe bet that 5-11; 190-pound Jones, closing in on Reggie Spearmon's 1998 singleseason rushing record of 1.664 vards, will be the focus of the Glenn offensive attack.

In his first year as a full-time tailback, Jones has rushed for 1,630 yards in 219 attempts, a 7.4 average. He has 17 touch-

Gordon, making his 11th playoff downs and single-game high of 289 (versus Plymouth Canton, a school record).

After losses to Livonia Stevenson and Plymouth Salem in weeks Nos. 6-7, Glenn's offensive line has regrouped under the direction of assistants Mike Henry and Tim Hardin.

"This is the most healthy they've been the last two or three weeks," Gordon said. "The continuity is getting better and the guys are working together."

Senior center Jim Doherty (5-11, 248) has "been very steady and always plays hard," according to Gordon.

you see he makes very few mistakes," the Glenn coach said. Senior guards Keith Luke (6-2,

"After watching him on film

220) and Jim Waller (5-10, 227) have also left their mark.

"Jim plays with a tremendous amount of pride," Gordon said. "Re plays hard every play and gives you everything he's got. He's good at both pass protection and the running game.

"Luke never makes mistakes and is very technique conscious. He plays the best game he can possibly play."

Senior tackle Jake Tharp (6-3. 265), an All-Observer first-team pick from a year ago, is coming off major reconstructive knee surgery (a torn ACL).

"Jake is a great one-on-one drive blocker." Gordon said. "When he gets locke d in, he provides great movement. He has tremendous explosion."

The other tackle is 6-6, 260pound junior Nick Samples, who is the team's most improved player.

"We always felt he had the potential," Gordon said of the All-Western Lakes Activities Association selection. "He's really taken off and gotten better and better each week."

Glenn returned two senior veterans at tight end from a year ago - Ben Harris (6-3, 215) and David Lewandowski (6-2, 235).

"There was a time when the play at that position was disappointing, but they responded in the right way and I believe we're back on track the last two games," Gordon said. "They've definitely stepped up their play."

Gordon has used two fullbacks to block for Jones, seniors Nick Paddock (5-10, 170) and Ryan Rattary (5-8, 180). Monroe will counter Glenn's

running game with a pair of steady senior linebackers, Jerry Cusumano and Justin Barrier. Meanwhile, Andrew Lieto and

Walk have stood out in the sec-"Monroe runs a 4-3," Gordon

said. "They all run well and they seem to come off the blocks well."





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Trojans refocus

1st-round opponent Clinton faces C'ville

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

Way back before the start of the football season new Coach Greg Hudkins met with the first Livonia Clarenceville team he would be coaching.

"How," he asked his youngsters, "would you feel about practicing Thanksgiving morning?"

"The kids didn't know what I was talking about," Hudkins said the week his team began what it hoped would be a long and successful run in the Michigan High School Athletic Association football playoffs.

Undefeated Clarenceville hosted Clinton (5-4) Friday night at 7:30 p.m. in a Division VI playoff

The winner moved on to play the survivor of the game between Hudson and Erie-Mason.

What slowly dawned on the kids was that in order to be practicing Thanksgiving Day, the Trojans would have to be playing Saturday in the Silverdome. In the state championship game for their division.

"I told them that it's okay to talk about it." Hudkins said. "Don't be afraid to set those goals high. And there's a certain price to be paid.

"We talked about the playoffs, at least to the point where we said we expected to make the playoffs. If you don't talk about it, you may not make it.

"So we talked about it. It's not how good or bad you are. We're in the playoffs. We've got a shot.'

It's not a surprise that Livenia Clarenceville is in the playoffs. Yet again, it is.

The Trojans made the playoffs last season for the first time but got bombed out in their first game by Capac

"Capac was a nice team." Hudkins said. The got the film of that game. But Capac and Mon-Liggett, is playoffs, playoffs trose, those teams are up in Division V this year."

Clarenceville not only lost the game to Capac, it lost its coach, Chuck Donaidson, who got fired.

PREP FOOTBALL

The Trojans also graduated their All-Everything running back, Walter Ragland.

Athletic Director Chuck Screntine hired Hudkins from the staff at Monroe, a very successful Class A high school football program.

Given those facts and no others, it might be reasonable to assume Clarenceville would struggle this season going through a period of adjustment. But the cupboard wasn't bare.

Paired with Ragland last year was a back who gave his team a glimpse of its future from time to time — freshman Tim Shaw.

This year Shaw, who runs about 6-foot-2 and 200, routinely ran for anywhere between 150-300 yards per game. He ended the regular season with 1,777 yards and 25 touchdowns.

"I had seen his work ethic, all summer and in the weight room," Hudkins said, "so I saw how he developed.

I'm looking at the kid and comparing him to what I was used to in Monroe. He's pretty good. He's a tough kid.

"I have no idea what Walt's récord was. But I think he passed it.

Quarterback Tim Riedl did more than hand off to Shaw Riedl did a nice job throwing and utilized wingback Scott Wion, a junior who returns to the lineup after miss a game and a half with an ankle injury

Getting the versatile Wion back will help because it gives Clinton one more thing to worry

"Everybody's so excited." Hudkins said. "All they've wanted to talk about the last couple of weeks, ever since we beat Grosse Pointe University playoffs.

"Nobody wanted to talk about playing Bloomfield Hills) Cranbrook and (Macomb Lutheran)

We had a big meeting Monday about starting a new season. Refocusing. Going over our plans and everything. I told them I'm not so sure what they expected."

Clarenceville outscored Cranbrook, but gave up more points than it had all season, and struggled to defeat Lutheran North.

"We were struggling with our focus, I think," the rookie coach said. "All this stuff was new to the kids. Being undefeated, league champions . . . this was all new to us.

"Going into the North game we were 8-0, had our league championship wrapped up, and were in the playoffs. Those were all goals of ours.

"It was like we were playing not to lose instead of playing to win. We had three fumbles, and that's not like us.

Shaw made All-Metro Conference but was beaten out for Offensive Player of the Year by Aaron Brock of Hamtranick, who rushed for 2,000 yards, but only got 50 of it against Clarenceville.

"The difference between this year's team and last year," Hudkins said," is that we were shutting teams down this year. So he (Shaw) was always playing two quarters or so.'

The Trojans' defense is anchored by middle linebacker Kalen McPherson, the Metro Defensive Player of the Year.

"That's a good compliment to our defensive coordinator, Shane Richard. (I coached him at Mon-



roe on our semifinal team in 1995.

The Trojans' defense will be going against a Clinton team that runs multiple formations and features four effective running backs: It's a team with only four seniors.

McPherson missed the Cranbrook game but returned the following week. At one point against the Cranes the Trojans were using sophomore running back Steve Meadows at middle linebacker and strong safety Joe Fioretti at strong-side lineback-

"What's helped," Hudkins said, "is that we only had five players go both ways this year. And we've been able to spell them.

"We improved every week up until the last couple of weeks. I was more proud of that than anything.

"As a coaching staff, going into the season we thought we had the talent to win games.

"The kids jelled offensively pretty fast. Defensively, you get kids to run around and hit people, it usually doesn't take quite as long."

Things came together well enough that it's okay to dare to think about practicing footballon Thanksgiving Day.

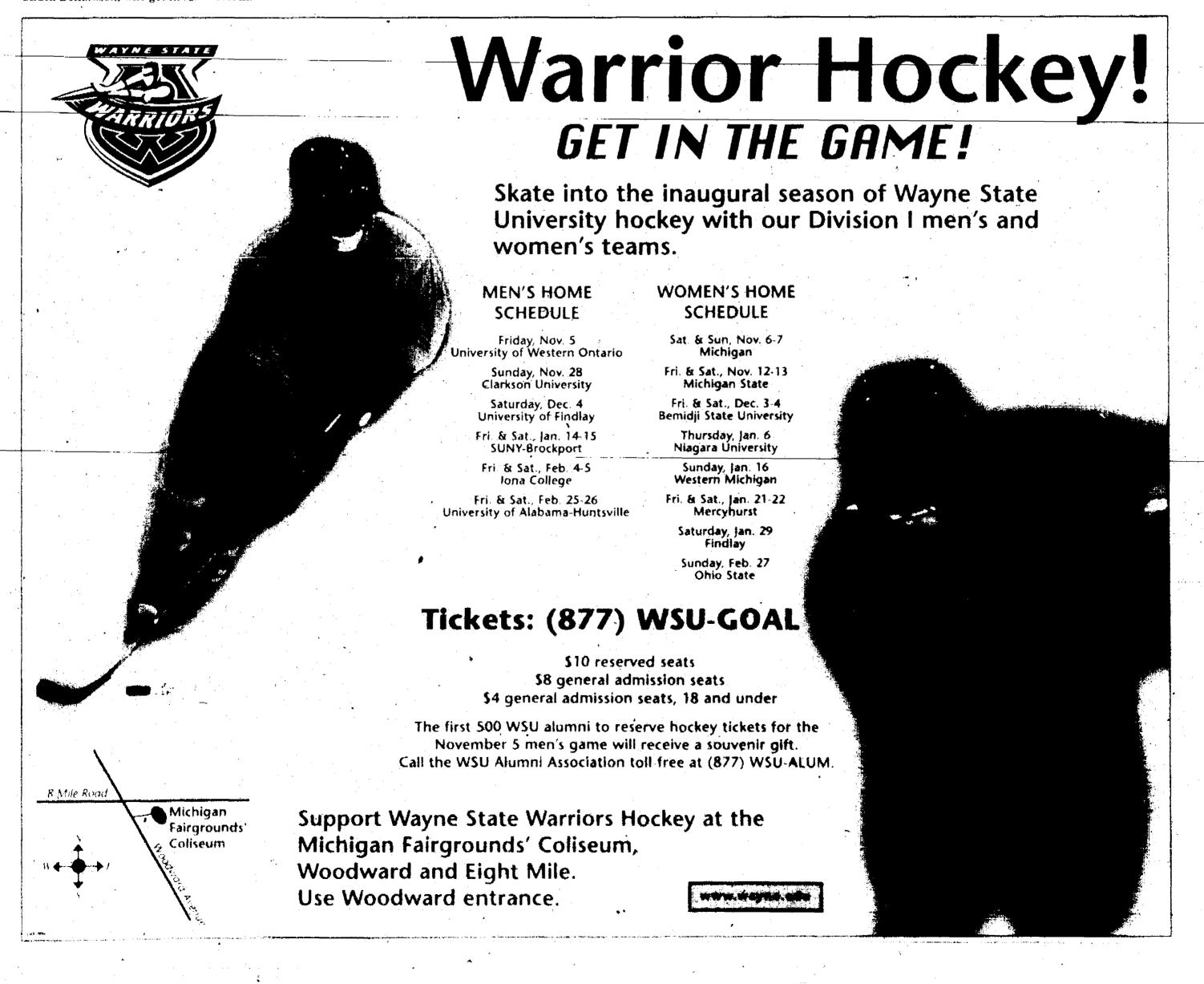
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DeVries in Tuesday's Division IV district opener.

Chargers hold off stubborn Patriots on Scott's late goal

Eric Scott got loose on a breakaway with just under eight minutes remaining and scored the game-winning goal, lifting Livonia Churchill to a 1-0 Division I district semifinal boys soccer win Wednesday over host Livonia Franklin.

Churchill, now 10-10 overall, will meet rival Livonia Stevenson (15-2-1) for the district championship, 11 a.m. Saturday at University of Detroit-Jesuit High School.

Shaun Murray assisted on the game-winner by Scott, the latter whom had been tightly marked throughout the night by Franklin's Ken Douglass.

"Franklin played a tough first half and we had trouble passing out to the wing, or for that matter, getting the ball onto anyone's foot with any type of consistency," said Churchill first-year coach Reid Friedrichs, whose team snapped a two-game losing skid. "Before the second half we asked somebody to step up. We had chances and finally Eric was the guy."

For Franklin, which bowed out at 9-11 overall, it was the final game for seniors Ryan Kracht and Ross Bohler.

"Jeremy Bruckner was solid in goal and we were solid defensively with Jon Nettles back there." Franklin coach Dave Hebestreit said. "It's hard to single anybody out. All my guys stepped up. It was a great match, very entertaining, one of the best of the year.

DISTRICT BOYS SOCCER

"I think we took Churchill out of its rhythm."
Churchill, the Western Division champion of the
Western Lakes Activities Association, will try and
avenge a 4-1 loss to the Spartans on Sept. 8.

"It's a Livonia-Livonia final, I guess you can't ask for anything better," Friedrichs said.

*GARDEN CITY 2, JOHN GLENN 0: Garden City (15-2); seeking its first-ever district title, got unassisted first-half goals from Jeff Szypula and Brian Kisic on Wednesday to beat host Westland John Gienn (5.13-2) in a Division I semifinal matchin.

The win for Garden City averaged a 3-2 loss to the Rockets in the regular season.

"We won the first half." Garden City coach Bill Torni said.
"The second half was pretty even. With a one-game knockout they were going to go all out. They wanted a goal real bad, but our defense played real strong."

•DEARBORN 8, WAYNE 2: Mohammed Mrough scored a pair of goals Wednesday to power the Pioneers past host Wayne Memorial (3-12-2) in a Division I semifinal match.

Wayne Memorial (3-12-2) in a Division I semifinal match.

Dearborn, second in the Mega Conference's Red Division behind Monroe, led 4-1 at the half and added four goals in the

second half, including two late goals.

Shane Nowak had both Wayne goals, including the game's

first, Justin Smoes added an assist.

Dearborn and Garden City square off the district title, 4 p.m. Friday at Wayne.

Lutheran Westland rolls in lopsided win over Hawks

Lutheran Westland's soccer team is off to a good start in the district high school tournament.

The Warriors drilled Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, 9-0, Tuesday in their district opener and will host the Southfield Franklin Road Christian, 4:30 today. Franklin Road eliminated Livonia Clarenceville, 4-2.

Junior Derek Bias scored four goals to lead visiting Lutheran High School Westland's attack. Andy Gliesman recorded his 12th shutout of the season and 39th of his varsity career.

Freshman Shaun Lebeau added two goals for the Warriors (14-2-1 overall), defender Jason Davis, sophomore forward Jeff Broge and sophomore Carl Paulus had the other three goals

Bias and Lebeau also had assists against the Hawks (3-12-

•STEVENSON 5, U-D JESUIT 3: Tom Eller scored twice, including an insurance goal with three minutes remaining Monday to give host Livonia Stevenson (14-2-1) a Division i district triumph 1ST ROUND

over University of Detroit-Jesuit (8-7-2). "It was a game of momentum, it was up-and-down with both teams going aggressive to the goal," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "It was a

"Our guys did well to find a way to win. U-D was very atmetic and they caused us problems."

Stevenson led 2-1 at intermssion as midfielder Brian Braun scored from Mike Thomas followed by Eller's direct free high.

In the second half, Mike White broke a 2-2 tie on an assist from J.T. Katikos. Dan Lipon made it 4.2 from Braun; but the Cubs pulled within one on a goal with five minutes remaining.

Richters also singled out the play of defender Matt Koontz, who helped hold U-D Alt-Stater Michael Turpin scoreless.
• CHURCHILL 3. NORTHVILLE 1: The

Chargers repulsed a strong threat Monday by the host Mustangs to take their first-round state tournament Division I district soccer match.

Eric Scott scored a pair of first half goals to get Livonia Churchill started. Jamie Shooks got the assist off corner kick on the first goal.

On the second, Scott knocked home the rebound after a shot by Paul Karolak hit the crossbar and bounded back. ~

Northville played inspired soccer after that, though, and was rewarded when Brandon Bethel scored to shave the lead to 2-1 some 10 minutes before halftime.

"They were kicking our behinds at the end of the first half," Coach Reid-Friedrichs said. "But we made it ours in the second half."

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That was a big thing. We came out and showed that we wanted to win. I thought we played a great second half, a nice hard second half.

The Chargers (9-10) got their reward for effort when Shooks played a ball to Karolak on a breakaway and he scored some 15 mins into the second half.

Eric Sicilia made seven saves in goal

• JOHN GLENN 2, FORDSON 0: On Monday. Westland John Glenn (5-12-2) scored a goal in each half Monday to turn back visiting Dearborn Fordson in a Division i district opener.

Glenn was awarded the win when the game was prematurely halted with just over three minutes left because of unsportsmanlike conduct:

Jeff Shelby scored from Derek Gismondi to make it 1-0 with eight minutes to go in the first half.

Matt Trussler then put it away with 10 minutes remaining from Nick Sharolan.

Sophomore goalkeeper Jeff Ballard, who made 10 saves, turned in the shutout.

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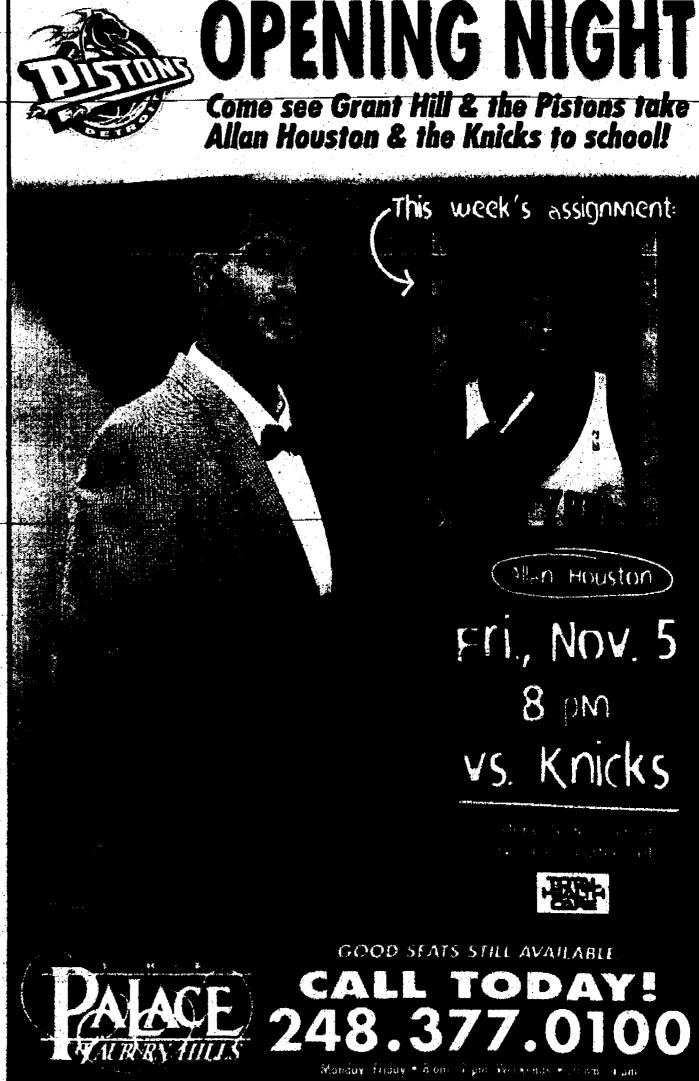
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Huron Valley wraps up MIAC crown

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran avenged its only conference loss, scoring a 48-41 girls basketball victory over Warren Zoe Christian in a game Tuesday at Marshall Middle. School.

The win clinched at least a tie for the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title in a game for the Hawks, now 10-6 overall and 8-1 in the MIAC.

Stacie Graves scored 16 points and Rachel Zahn added 12, but the key to the game was a 14-7 third quarter that erased a 24-22 halftime deficit.

"We came out intense and ready to play." coach Kris Springstroh said. "We took it to them in the second half and stopped their

Christine Zink scored 15 and Sharon Myree 12 for Zoe Christian, now 6-3 in the

MIAC. The Hawks have three games remaining,

but only one involves a league opponent. •FRANKLIN 53, FARMINGTON 36: Strong starts to each half Tuesday night carried Livonia Franklin to a Western Lakes Activities Association victory over the

visiting Falcons. The Patriots, now 8-8 overall and 5-5 in the WLAA. started the first half 15-9 and began the second 18-6

GIRLS BASKETBALL

to cruise to the victory.

Franklin got a combined 30 points from senior for ward Tera Morrill (17) and junior center Kerstin Mershall (13). Lisa Balko added nine points.

The girls played real hard and put good pressure on the ball," coach Gary Warner said. "It was Parent's Night so a lot of kids got in the game, it was nice."

Farmington (3-13, 2-8) got 14 points and 10 rebounds from junior Danielle Lewis and 10 points and 10 rebounds from jurior Julie Kimmel.

 CANTON 55, STEVENSON 28: On Tuesday host Plymouth Canton held Livonia Stevenson's Lindsay Gusick scoreless and grabbed their seventh straight. victory in the WEAA encounter.

Cheryl Fox led the Spartans (6.8, 4.6) with seven Jamine Gainstella scored 23 Tuesday night to lead

the victorious Chiefs (11.5, 8.2). Canton had a 16-6 edge in the first quarter and or

11-2 margin in the second. . HARRISON 67, JOHN GLENN 34: Farmington Hills Harrison (115, 7-3) put four players in double figures Tuesday to beat visiting Westland John Glenn (9-7, 6)

4) in a WLAA game. Lacey Catarino's 12 points led the Rockets The host Hawks got off to a 25-11 start and wound

up hitting seven three pointers in the game. Kelly Taylor scoted 19 to lead Harrison, while Becky

Zak (14), Gayle Ternes (12) and Emily Jackson (11 also got into the scoring act.

The Hawks made 14-of-19 free throws to just 8-of-15 for John Glenn.

.W.L. CENTRAL 45, CHURCHILL 29: On Tuesday. host Livonia Churchill (3-12, 0-10) reached double figures only when the game was out of reach, and that was during the final quarter against. Walled Lake Contral (2:13, 2-8)

Deann DeRoo scored seven points to lead Churchill, while Megan Sheehan and Kristin Barry contributed SIX apiece. Barry also graphed 12 rebounds:

Stacy Brinkman scored 15 points and Amanda Smith 13 to lead the visiting Vikings.

An inability to convert layups hurt the Chargers. especially in the first half when the missed seven

ALLEN PARK 50, WAYNE 27: The Monarchs flew by the Zebras after getting out to a 13-4 start Tuesday night in a Mega Conference Red Division game.

Crystal Harris led host Wayne with 12 points, all in The first half. Senior guard Enn Taylor paced Allen Park (7-8, 4-7)

with 20 points *HAMTRAMCK 56, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 33: The Cosmos' Erica Silas (19) and Aida Spanic (18) outscored Lutheran Westland (4-13, 2-11) all by them-

selves in a Metro Conference game Tuesday Hamtramck led by 39-30, but put visiting Eutheran High Westland away with a 17-3 foorth quarter

Anna Rolf led the Warriors with six points while Heather Rose, Kelly Pruchnik and Katie Walker added five apiece. The Cosmos are 8.4 in the Metro-

Harakas nets 30 in Ladywood win

Melissa Harakas had it going. Wednesday, scoring a career-high 30 points, carrying Livonia Ladywood to a 62-51 girls basketball win over visiting Riverview Gabriel Richard in the opening round of the Catholic League playoffs.

The 6-foot-1 junior was 13 of 26 from the floor, four of six from the free throw line and grabbed six rebounds. Sister Meirssa Harakas added 10 points.

Ladywood (12:5), leading by only two with three minutes to go, got a big three-pointer from Jen Hunley to open up a five-point cushion.

Senior center Tara Sadonis and sophomore guard Diane Foley scored 15 and 14, respectively, for the Pioneers (7-9).

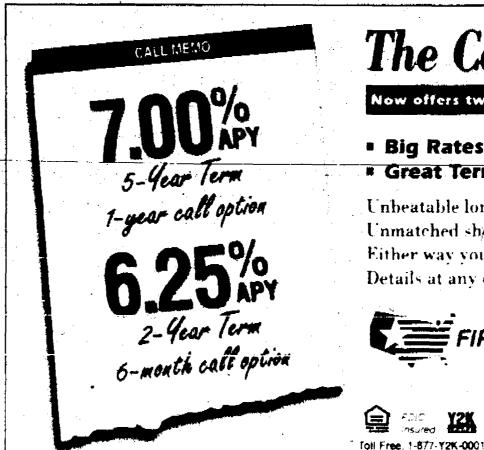
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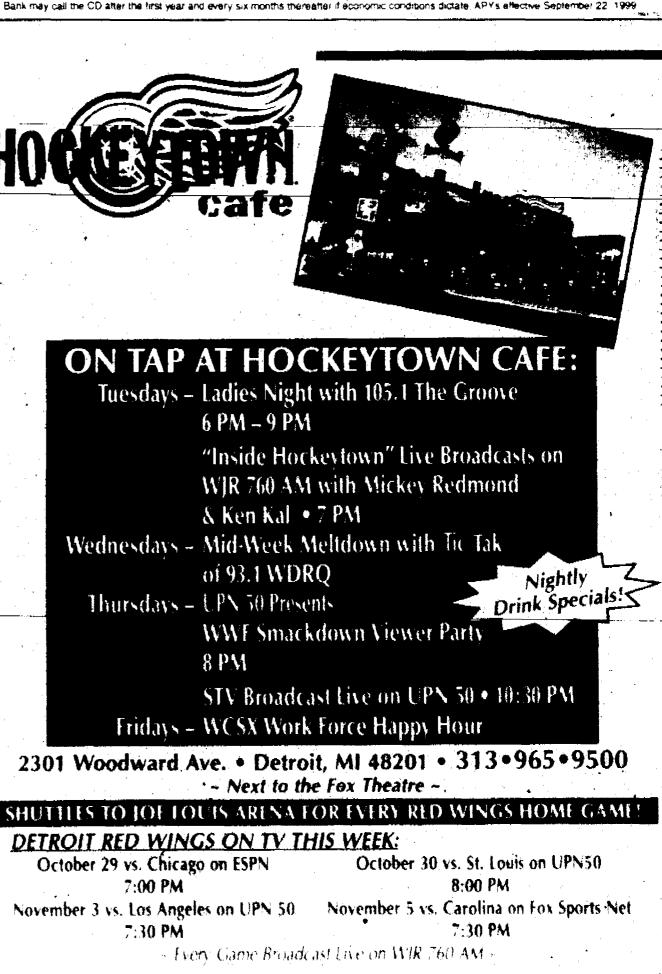
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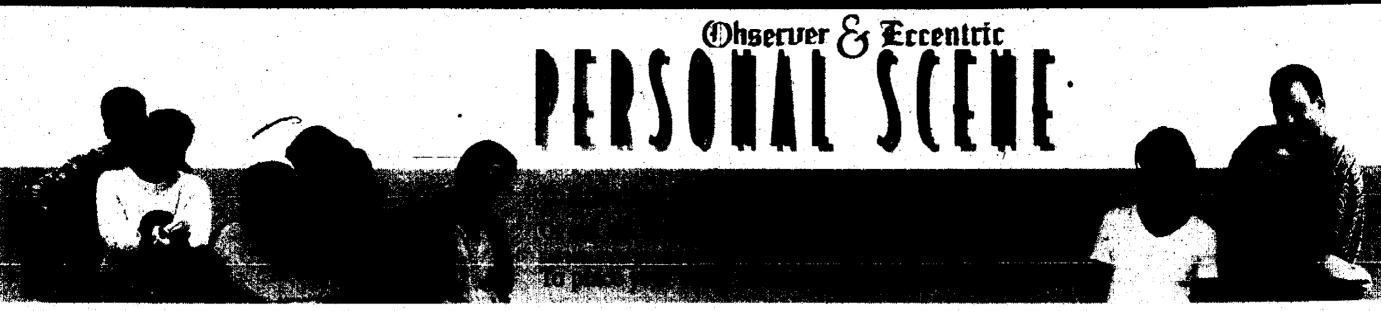
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MILLENNIUM IN PARIS? Pretty, signider, shapely, sensual, smart, sophisticated, secure sweetheart, seeks best friend/ lover for life, nice-guy, 55-65, good-looking, in shape, refined. cultured, romantic, Let's, enjoy world travel and adventure

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND DBPF, 47, 5'5", 150lbs, N.S. likes jazz, long walks, movies. Seeking SBM, 47-52, with similar interests: 126129

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AREA MAN WANTED One responsible man sense humor, loves animals, cuddling videos, fairs, long rides, who can hold the interest of a shapely, full figured DWF 35, who will treat

KNOCK! KNOCK! R U THERE? DWF, 49, looks younger, 5'4', long brunette hair, grown children, funny, articulate, spiritual, smoker, enjoys usual activities cooking Seeking S/DWM, with sense of humor, for companionship, tun, m CTR. **127**6154 tun, friendship possible

ALMOST ANGEL Outgoing, friendly widowed WF, youthful 52, 56, full-figured but losing weight, enjoys horses, walks, Harleys Seeking tall gentleman, 45-65, with similar interor LTR 506149

LOOKING 4 A COMPANION long bionde blue, 5 3 100tbs smoker who enjoys dancing, parties, diffing out, movies Seeking dark haired S/DWM, 31/37, 57+, for dating.

REGISTERED NURSE. share symilar interests in medical profession. Very attractive, edu-cated, ambitious, outgoing, friendly, hnancially secure OWF. 36, 5'5' blonde/green, great hy-ure great smile For possible LTA 1376119

BRUNETTE BROWN-EYED Fundoving, attractive SWF, 35, who loves to laugh. Seeking chivatrous, spontaneous, com humorous SWPM, 35-50, for dining, movies, tennis, golf, and lazy Sundays **FUN ANYONE?**

DWPF, 25. N/S, mom of one, seek attractive, fun, outgoing SWM. 25-32, for dating, whatever else may happen. Must have sense of humor. \$26123 SHAPELY & ATTRACTIVE great personality outgoing, aducated brunette with no children fun-loving nature. Seeking sin cere, secure, honest, employed S/DWPM, 27-40, to laugh and have fun with 1276025

BROWN EYED BEAUTY Female, who likes lesurely walks on the beach, reading a good book, concerts, sports is looking to meet a SWM, 555761

DESIRE FINER THINGS? Attractive SSF, 25, medium build, wavy hair, seeks degreed PM, 28. 33, for travel, shopping, fine dir ing, boasing, and LTR 125568 Petre DWPF, 45, 5'2" 118lbs brown/brown saeks a truthfu onest, sincere SWPM 40-50.

HW-proportionate, for long-term

relationship. 25508 WILL THE REAL MAN. please stand? SBF, 29, seeks SPM, 29-39, who likes to enjoy his time off relaxing and going on social outings, one who wants peace of mind in an unstressful relationship. 25452

SEARCHING FOR YOU Attractive, educated, easygoing SWPF 30, 5'6', browningeers, enjoys movies, diring, going out staying in. Searching for an honest, educated SWPM, 30s, who is ready to enjoy life \$\$5376

TAKE A CHANCE Widowed lady young 63. blonds/ blue, enjoys movies, theater, din-ing in/out, arkmals, walking. swimming. Would like to spend time with loving, carring white time with loving caring white gentleman, 60s. 12:6161

GIVE ME A CALL Classy, athletic, adventurous, openistic DWF, 44, tall, siender. blonde/blue. Seeking honest, hu morpus, adventurous S/DWM with strong values for Inendship and possible LTR: \$5447

SOUTHERN BELLE Petite, honest, sincere SWF, 43 blonde/blue, enjoys dancing, traveling, walks, romantic eve man, 30-45 274537

LET'S GET TOGETHER Pretty RN/pharmacutical sales financially secure classy, slm: youthful SWF, 54°, blonde/ brown. N/S, no dependents en-lovs biking, entertaining, golf, the-ater, movies. Seeking educated emotionally/financially secure SWPM, 45+, triendship, possible LTR 25973

MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC Vivacious, romantio, DWF, 15, blonde/blue professional musi cian, seeks S/DWM 40-50 N/S with passion for life, interested in didn't leave number call again

WANTS A FRIEND? How about a DWF 40, 110los fabulous, funny RN blonde/hue looking for an intelligent S'DWM who can laugh at with file. Let's who can laugh at w

do something fun! #5751 SINCERELY SEEKING Pretty SF 39, blanderblue, moth er of one, super moe lady, main interest is having fun with you Seeking handsome nice guy

GOD, YOU HANDLE IT Spunky, sensitive, attractive se-nior widow, 5'2", 125lbs, blonde. seeks humorous, active 62 N/D. N:Drugs

LOTS OF TLC7? So do P! Tell, attractive DWCF blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker enjoys travel, reading, walking taughing, conversation dancing concerts. cappuccino dining, concerts, cappuccine Seeking tall, nice SWCM, 50 70

Inendship and possible LTA STABLE, SMART. attractive blonds, 41 (looks 31), 5'6" nice figure, love to smile. busy lifestyle: Seeking devoted. some personality. Scrabble is the only game I play. \$56120

HONEST BLONDE! Intelligent, attractive, secure, sin-cere, outgoing OF; 5'7", long with prest sense of humbr loves ning, smiling, hockey, foot-baseball, drinner movies. social events. What more can an

SEARCHING

FOR MY SOULMATE Pretty tall, passionate DWF 49 5.10", brunde/brown, looking for ly financially secure guy who seeks a romantic, nionogamous fun loving relationship \$6124 CLASSY.

AFFECTIONATE, FUN Very attractive petite bionge loves being by the water, boating. golf, snow ski traveling, dancing, concerts, romantic dinners, fun hugs Seeking attractive, affectionate WM, 42-47 financially secure with class integrity **₽**6063

ATTRACTIVE WIDOW intelligent stender, tall WF 53 lady like warm hearted, smoker Seeking tail gentleman, 53-65 with traditional manners who is intelligent and interested in share ing romarihe dinners, conversation, and laughter with me TT 6061

THIN, TALL & SPUNKY Pretty blonde S/DF, 57, former teacher/tashion model, seeks companionship of professional gentieman, upper 50s-60s for dirling out, theater, travel, quiet dinners, good, conversation.

WATERFORD AREA Honest funny DWF, 45 5'5', blunde interests, notude outobots, dancing, thickles, dining, quiet times. Searching for DWM 45-55. N/S, for triendship companionship, and LTR. \$5965

ONE IN A MILLION DBF, 47, 59' slim build N'S social drinker light-complected beautiful inside out, one eleven year-old at home, enjoys tennis, bingo, dipingrdancing Seeking simibuilt flexible SM, 45-55-6 NS, SID, LTR, No players

YOU ARE FOR REAL SWF N/S 5'7', slender, attractive. 50+ (tooks younger) Seeking NoS idown-to-earth financially secure attractive good-hearsed man 50-59, with sense of humbr North Dakiand 2/02 TT 5875 LOVELY

LONELY CLASSY LADY Tall stender, optimistic attractive romantic, fun eciectic, special lady seeks honest, fun, feyal flexible special gentleman, 55-N.S. for companionship and more #5874 EXCELLENT SKIER!

obligoing, fit, full DWPF 39 N'S, stim, brunette/haze. avid snow waterskier enjoys horses, rollerblading travel golf boating, more. No kids, but Hove skier* 17 5762 SEEKING

Ultra terrinina, petite, svelte European blonde with Sootisticated tastes, seeks highly suc-cessful SWM, 50 65, for possible COMPANION

A BEST FRIEND SWF, 5'4" 138fbs, blorde N.S. saeks SWM 45-58 young-tooking and energetic, like myself A little bit country, a little bit rocking roll; can be humorous as well as servous 124896 START TOMORROW TODAY

Educated sweet, warm, active, slim JF, 50s, 5'6", blue eyes. good cook, loves music, animals. Seeking available, understanding tatever shall be 25502 ... GREEN-EYED

FIERY REDHEAD 48, 51 120lbs, attractive, slim shapely WF, enjoys blading, bik ing, golf, walking, movies, quiet evenings, romance, the water. more Filiam: alfy emotionally sta bie: seeking attractive WM 510"+ 45-55 no young dependents: 25359

SEARCHING Petite attractive SWPF, dark hazel, enjoys jazz/blues, sonsets hazel, enjoys jazzrowa, on the beach, art festivals, dining, an area Seeking, a dancing, theater. Seeking a SWPM who is dignified, humorous a great communicator, and enjoys experiencing the unexpected \$6153

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME? THE ONE FOR ME?
Full figured SWF, 39, 5'5', browntrown, many interests bowling,
quiet times at home, candlelight
dening, horseback riding, swimming Secking S/DWM with many
different interests, for friendship
pussible LTR 125150 THE EYES HAVE IT

SWF., 404. 56", attractive hard working, independent, seeks SWM who's handsome, talk employed. Must have a great for friendship first \$26126 MUTUAL REWARDS

Pretty, older, sensuous WF, seeks youthful, sensitive financially secure SWM, who's honest, for great times, LTR #76062 ARTIST SEEKING MUSE SWF 41, seeks romantic, adventurous gentleman, N/S, prefer ably of above average intellect

who empys country walks, hors

es, healthy food, art museums

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49 LOOK\$ 39

unancumbered male for mendship. possible LTR. #15760 BLUE-EYED BLONDE Attractive SWF, 50, 5'7 build speaks tall WM 45-60 bornest. fun-loving, commitment-thinded for LTR \$249.16

A RARE FIND Pretty, curvy SWF, 53, 5'4" entre-preneur, lots of fun, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, traveling Looking for sincere, successful WM 45-75 Float your boat make your day: answer my adloday 13738 SEARCHING

FOR SOULMATE

Beautiful, classy, commitment

mined redhead, 5'7", 125lbs. vacation all year long at my waterfront home. Seeking fun spuri-litled, attractive man, 50-60. with the ultimate respect for body,

physical health, N/S, 125693

BIRMINGHAM BLONDE BEAUTY mid-40s, 5'6", medium build, N/S, social drinker, college graduate, business owner, enjoys gori, water sports, conage 1001ball travel Seeking professionally employed gentleman, 47:55. for LTR #5691

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JUST ME DWF: 42, 5'3", brown/blue, full of life, seeks DWM, 44-50, who enjoys writing, book stores, movies, butdoors, and the company of an honest, loyal person.

ABOUT YOU Signder, physically fit, attractive SWF, 38, 6', likes sports. Seeks single/DWPM, 35-50, for committed relationship Must like ani-mats Kids ok. \$25375 DYNAMIC.

BEAUTIFUL PHO Cultured and fit, 5'8", golt/ten-ns/skiring enthusiast, makes a mean apple pie, has theater addiction and dance fever. Seeks male counterpart, 38-51, for fun. omance and companionship. **\$**5366

COMPANIONSHIP FIRST Petite SWF, middle-aged, enjoys poling, tiavelling, dersig out, theater, etc. Seeking attractive, sincere white gentleman, must be hnancially secure, N/S. 12:5366

GOOD-LOOKING/MOE-GUY Essygoing DWM, 5'11', 155/bs. 51 (looks 40), athletic, smoker honest, romantic, considerate

seeks horset; truthful, petre SW/AF, 38-45, for LTR, \$25876 SECRET AGENT intelligent, creative, college-edu-cated, athletic, adventurous open-minded attractive SBM 32 5'7", enjoys getaway weekends, summer breezes, dancing, romancing, jazz, martial arts. Seeking fit, witty SW/BF, 20-40, for possible relationship. \$\mathbf{T} 4990

Muscular, handsome, adventur ous, romantic, fun SWM, 35, 5'11", 1700s, high achieving professional, great convensationalist. Traverse City and Oakland County lake homeowner enjoys all seasons outdoors Seeking attractive, inhalligent special ledy

LET'S GO TO LUNCH SM, 25, 5'4", financially secure, seeks female, 18-24, with goals and wents. Children are a plus

ROMANTIC REALIST Intuitive, educated, creative, per-severing, Catholic SWPM, 43, 5'8", fit, brown/blue, no dependenta. Seeking ensightened. It, amotionally available SWPF, 25-42, for trust-friendship, communication and more: \$15607 ENJOYING LIFE?

DWM, young 50s, 6'1", 210lbs, NS, light beard, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, dining, diving, golf. Seeking slim, fit DWF, over 40, sense of humor, for whatever keeps you happy \$25156 OPEN TO SUGGESTION? Nice-looking, romantic, respect-tul, SWM 47, enjoys oldies music, old cars, old movies, older famale companioniship, seeking kind fun loving lady, 41-53, for friendship or relationship. \$28151 OLD-FASHIONED

Widowed SCM, 48, lather of twins, seeks altractive young woman, 35-50. Must be honest and have God first in your ide! SINCERF MALE

SBM, 35, D/D-free, likes dining in/out, cats, billing, music, com-panionship. Seeking sincere, down-to-earth SWF who enjoys the same. \$26027 NOT THE SINGLES AD TYPE Attractive SWM, 36, 6', 180tbs, brown/blue, professionally employed, anjoys dining out movies Seeking an attractive SWF, for dating, friendship, possible LTR Gerden Crty/Westland

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ARE YOU OUT THERE? Intelligent, active, African American SM, seeks amart, down-toth, open-minded, real SWF, long-term companionship friendatio, remantic relationation GOOD-LOOKING

Very outgoing, employed SWPM. 28, 5'11, 175lbs, brown/blue. seeks attractive, outgoing SWF. 18-35, H/W proportionats, who enjoys sports. \$25377 CARRIG PROFESSIONAL Sincere, attractive, caring physician, searching for honest, clean-cut S/DPWF with sense of humor,

heelthy lifestyle for friendship possible LTH 125878 PROPESSIONAL & REAL Charming and down-to-earth, 32-year-old SWPM, enjoys movies/ theater, travel, candielle and fun. Seeking an attractive woman who enjoys life! 523741

ARTISTIC FLIRTATIOUS LADY Precious yet mischievous with glamour and free spirit is sought by honorable, handsome SW businessman, 44, for jolly companion and loving relationship.

DWM, 50, 5'10", trim, enjoys DWM, 59, 510°, trim, enjoys cider mills, jogging, plays, bookstores, nature, Detroit Firm Theater, hilding, Sesting Intelligent, 9t, happy women, 40-50, for compenioneling, \$1000 hildings applications affectionate DWM, 60, NS, employed, good listener, enjoys outdoors, Red Wings compens, postenito walks.

Wings garnes, romentic visits, family activities. Seeking a marriage-ministed SWF, 45-55. If interested, please call \$25601.

LOVE FOREVER

Caring, effectionate, loving DWM, 52, 57°, loves lake activities, skiing, movies, and quality times together. Seeking petite-medium SF, 40-50, for meridehip, possible long-term, monogemous relation-ship. Race unimportant. 17:4988 OLD-FASSOCNED Widowed BCM, 49, father of

twins, eeeks attractive, young woman, 35-50. Must have God first, and be honeel. 12/6080 Trim, handsome SWPM, 39, 510°, 170bs, great shape, custodral dad of 12 year-old son, enjoys outdoors, trook music, volleyball, damoing, bilding. Seating stender, attractive, independent SWPM, 26, 5'10", 170bs, med um Build, no kida, enjoys tae kwon do, hunting, cemping, div-ing, and more, Seeking SIDWF, 21-35, with or without kids, for LTR, You wont be deappointed. stender, attractive, independent female, with similar intersets

5', 215lbs, early 50s, just average, ordinary buy so let's try to make a connection 1274915 HANDSOME JOCK TYPE

WHERE'S MY MILLENUM GIRL?

I'm looking for that faithful, one-man woman, widowed/DWF, 38-

54. I am newly divorced one year

flugged, tall, athletic, muscular SWM, 40, 5'3', 235lbs, brown/ blue, clean-cut, degreed, enjoys Las Vegas, road trips, outdoors, good sense of humar. Seeking friendly SP for companionship CLASS COMPANION

ful, easygoing attractive mate This educated pantleman 47. motorcycles more independent professionals, 35-47, please respond regardless of race or children 1274904 REAL GUY

Playful, thoughtful, communicative, fit, ganuine WPM, 41, 56°, bleased with personality and a петития от looks, seeks similar qualities in petite S/DWF, 27-43 for LTR 126025 handful of looks seeks similar HEY CARROT TOP!

Love your freckles DWM, 44. seeks attractive, passionate, romantic C/DWF, who loves God nature, blue years, horses and country life, to build a healthy relationship. Age open \$75975 HAPPY-QO-LUCKY Handsome, witty, sweet SHM, 47, seeks, SW/HF, 40-50, N/S, for

dating, diming, dancing, friend-ship, possible LTR \$5970 FRIEND OR SOULMATE... that's our choice. Adventurous, slim, honest DWM, 46, blond/ blue N/S, light drinker, enjoya bowling, boating, dancing, travel Seeking lady, mid-30s to mid-

BRIGHT HOURS Attractive, very cannot outgoing, groing SWM, 45, with a variety of interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petite SWF, for friendship, maybe more

INTERACT WITH QUALITY SWM, 43, 511, HW proportion ats, childless, college grad, does things wall, open to marriage or LTR, which should include a good romantic life. Seelong SWF, 49, homebody okay. 42,5964 HOPEFUL BUT SHY? Then I am. your guy! Honest, handsome SWM, 46, good-attitude, likes animals and children.

writing to meet shy but motivated SWF for dating and together ness \$5872 SEARCHING FOR MY SOUL MATE DW dad. 46, 6', 180lbs, brown-green, glasses, dean-cut, smoker very down-to-earth, automoprofessional Enjoys

bowling, movies, sports, walks, romance. Seeking "hew" best-mend for loving, caring, sharing relationship. \$25142 BODYBUILDERS WANTED SWM seeks girl senously into badybuilding for einoere relationship Enjoys all sports, working out, movies, dining out, \$25845 STARTING NEW

DWM, 47, 57°, medium build.

N/S, enjoys movies, dining, bowling, and working out Seeking.

WF, N/S, for committed relationship 19:5294 HANDSOME & TALL

Humorous, attractive, affection ate, romantic DWM, 47, 6'2". cudding, and going out. Seeking loving, honest, caring, compassionate companion/hend/pariser, 37-43, for senous relationable and fun. \$25365 **ITALIAN STALLION**

47 attractive, muscular roman-tic Seeking classy, stim, very attractive, selective SW/AF, under 45 1276155 SWM. 55, enjoys singing, walk-ing, card games, board games. Sealung SF, 40-65, for LTR, pos-

sibly marriage 175618 MEET ME HALFWAY SWM; 43, enjoys fine dining travel. Seaking full-figured lady; 40-60, physical appearance not important, no children, or with grown children. Leave me a mes-

eage, and we can have dinner. 126065 LOVES THE FALL Down-to-earth, sensitive, tunny, cuts SWM, 47, young-at-heart, 510°, 165lbs, in good shape.

socks attractive, trim lady HANDSOME MATURE GENT Romantic, creative, resourceful, articulate, carridg, compassionate SBM. Sincerely seeking, and deserving of same in loving temale, 40-55, race unimportant

\$5453 MR WONDERFUL Easygoing SWM, 44, looking to seek a woman 30-50, who eryoys going to movies, walks in the park, holding hands. Kids ok. \$75445 EARTH, WIND & FIRE

Earthy, honest, widowed WM, 49, 6°, 2050a, N/D, N/S, seeks SWF,

WANTED: VERY PETITE FEMALE For DWM, 40 510, 14265.

could pass for 25, physically fit, owns lake front house, own busiriess, loves ahmais, children outdoors Seeking petite W/MF WAITING IN WATERFORD

DWM, 41, 5'10'. 180fbs, browny green, shipys movies, dining out, travel, cooking for family. Seeking family-oriented woman, with valfamily-oriented woman, with values and personality \$25088 INTELLECTUAL STIMULATION?

Humorous yet intellectual active outgoing SWM, 40, 5101, 190lbs. enjoys reading writing outdoor activities theater movies Seek ing triandly, outgoing S/DWF, 34-48. N/S, patita/small build for possible relationship \$5519

DAD A CALL DW dad, 5'9", brown/hazel, down-to-earth, responsible custodial parent. Loves everything cooking, camping, motorcycles carnations, Seaking DW mom with same interests, for monogamous relationship in novi area

TRY THIS

Sincere romantic DWM 5'10', seeks honest S/DWF, with sense of humor, who ergoys din ing out, concerts, dancing the afer, outdoors, weekend get-aways to share quality times with \$75203 SHARING

LIFE'S ADVENTURES Romantic gantleman seeks lov-ing lady with whom to share our down-to-earth SWM; early 50s. 5'8", enjoys having fun and the contentment of home life \$75871 WESTLAND AREA Attractive SWM, 51101.

nice hair, bright brown eyes. N/5, no dependents, employed, homeowner, seeks slim, attractive white woman, under 48 章5357 WONDERFUL GUY
Male: 53, 5110", 170lbs, great guy looking for wonderful times, tabulous future. Seeking somebody who is seeking the same, \$25839.

NEW BEGINNING Affectionate honest easygoing hard-working DWM 45 576 150lbs browniblue. N.D. NiDruga, smoker who likes camping; fishing swimming is looking for a new relationship. starting as friends, possible LTR LOVAL

Tall honest, loyal, financially secure, stim DVM 55 6'4", N/S social dinnker, in good physical condition, with sense of humor companionship possible LTR **₹**5356

NOT YOUR AVERAGE Taurus male Siim successfu spintual, sensual SJM 47 Intra seff-discovery and holistic health enjoys art films, dencing, book stores, Royal Oak apectate sports. Seeking marriage-minded SF 30-45 TT 3923 MISERABLE WITHOUT ME? sompone new maybe you. Empy

entertainment opportunities **1**5779 SOFT CHOCOLATE Handsome SBM, 33 enjoys sus-penseful movies, music, sports. classic cars. Seeking kind-heart-ed, full-figured SWF for possible relationship. \$76029 ALWAYS A GENTLEMAN

DWM, young 65 5'11, 190bs curly gray hair, N/S enjoys exer cising, walking, reading, traveling. Seeking DWF, 50s, with good sense of humor Let me show you the secret for a good life. \$16122 RETRAINABLE SWM, 57, looks 43, 5'9", 190lbs salt-n-pepper/brown, amovs din eng out, traveling, yantzee, quiet times at home, motorcycles, yard sales. Seeking communicative

humor for friendship first

136118 HEAVENLY ANGEL PM, 36, college graduate enjoys rollerblading, biking, traveling, northward octaways, and working around the house. \$25066 SIMPLE

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SWCPM. young 50s, 6.31. 205tbs, a generalist with morals midwest ranch in my future, seeks slim, petite PF, 45-60; who kkes dress or jeans, outdoors



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serjous #\$5972 CHEERFUL A AFFECTIONATE
Altractive patite DWPF young Attractive peritti DWPF young 47. childress enjoys music movies, pets, travel, antiques, time with friends, normance Seeking gentleman 42-52 N/S, with similar interests/qualities, for LTR 175969 LADY

games guy for LTR that could get

INTWAITING
Beautiful BCPF, 47, mahogany
complexion, N/S, enjoya all fun activities Seeking gentleman Christian male, 40-55, N/S, who also enjoys fun activities for friendship or possible LTR 25877 SEXY REDHEAD

Easygoing, fun-loving DWPF 49, 5'6' 145lbs: great legs, no kids Beileville homeowiter, animal iover, enjoys gardening, nature Seeking DWPM#50-60, 6, N/S. LOVES ADVENTURE Annactive SWF. 51: 5'4". loves walking beking shows theater diring dancing Seeking SWM. 46-56 similar interests Sterling Heights 17:5846.

FRIENDS FIRST SWF 23 brownblue, petre build, employed, seeks carring, reliable SWM, 21-24, to share dating. phone calls, movies, hanging out, possible LTR. Friends first must STARTING OVER WITH YOU Easygoing, overweight DWF, 44, 510°, N/S, N/Druge, enjoys outdoors, walking, bowling, cards, pets, traveling, Seeling honset, loyal SWM, N/S, N/Druga, for relationship leading to marriage.

A U HONESTLY HANDSOME? tonesty pretty SWF, 45, 5'4" 130fbs, enjoys canoning, fishing Haifeys, carrising, correctly chibs and more. Seeking truly hand-some, fit, respectable male who enjoys formence, enugging deep conversations, with ability to conversations, with abili

enjoys fishing, camping, dancing, Seeking, family-oriented, down-to-earth, financially/emotionally stable, honest WM 44-50, with similar interests for companionship \$75608 HOPELESS ROMANTIC

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
DWF. 40+, 57*, HW proportionate, tactile rechesol, seeks a tail,
sensitive SM, 6+, for LTR, L
believe you'm out there, \$25569 PRETTY WOMAN Spiritual, not religious degreed, thin, energetic SWJF, 40-ish, child-like delight, seeks similar SWM to share-pleasures of joy, hiking meditation, yoga, life force tood, open, honest communication, mutual trust. \$25604 SHORT & \$ASSY... and someone to hold onto. Open

honest easygoing down-to-earth DWF, 43, smoker, likes to dance, romance, and old cars. Seeking S/DWM, 40+, who snjoys life, good food, and a good woman FALLING IN LOVE AGAIN Africtive, compassionata, honest DWF, young 50, 5'4', brown/blue, N/S, emotionally/ mancially secure, good sense of humor, seeks similar SWM, for concerts, dining, movies, sports, travel being together, for mutuel TLC, friendship, LTR, \$2587;

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Thinking alike = competibility + being alike. Attractive, fall divorced, 45-53, N/S, profession al. in shape, emotionally/linen-cially stable, honest, sense of humor, flexible, traveler, arbou-late, sociable, creative, respectful with sound boundaries. Familiar? - IS THERE A DR IN THE HOUSE ...

who is interested in meeting com-passionate, down-to-serth SWF, youthful 46, \$4", 100be, NS, seeking the love in my life. LIFE, LOVE, AND HAPPINESS SWF: 50: 5'7". 1250s, brown, brown, enjoys laughter, jazz, opera nature, apontanelly, travel. Searching for sincere SWM, 46-64. HW proportionate, to share

appiness and the joys of life."

Abbreviations: A-Asian . B-Black . C-Christian . D-Divorced . F-Female . H-Hispanic . J-Jewish . M-Male . N/S-Non-Smoker . P-Professional . S-Single

Outgoing, thendry D/WCPF, 43, 5', medium build, blue eyes, N/S. people person, eryoys cooking, entertaining, boating, movies, walks. Wishing for same, good friendship and conversatio ATTRACTIVE & AFFECTIONATE

PERSONAL SCENE

Professional femals, 25, once said I would never be caught deed doing this, yet here I emi Went to hear more? Call \$5064 Friendly, sensitive, caring SBF, 25, 5°4°, who enjoys movies, dining out, theater, travel, is hoping to meet a loving, caring SBM who shares similar interests and has a good sense of humor. 25°5933

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Kuehne paces Lady Warriors to Metro crown

The girls cross country team of Lutheran High School Westland confirmed its status as the top team in the Metro Conference at the annual league meet.

The Warriors took the top two spots — with Tess Kuehne setting a new course record — and breezed to a 26-61 victory Saturday over runnerup Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood at Vernier Park in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Macomb Lutheran North took third with 75 points, followed by Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 118; Grosse Pointe University-Liggett and Harper Woods Lutheran East, 132; and Harper Woods, 186.

Kuehne cracked 20 minutes on the Vernier Park course and her fime of 19:16 bettered the old course record, which was eight seconds under 20 minutes.

Angie Matthews was runnerup at 20 minutes even while Jessica Montgomery finished sixth in 20:45. Cara Braun clocked 21:12 to wind up eighth, one place ahead of Mary Ebendick, who was six seconds behind.

Chelsea Romero finished 12 at 22:02 and Aimee Anthony 18th with a time of 22:45:

CATHOLIC LEAGUE GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY MEET Oct. 23 at Stony Crook Park

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is a severe communication and learning disorder. Many individuals with autism have little or no communication. They are in their own world.

With Scott, even proper social exchanges such as "hello" have to be taught and consistently reinforced.

"The real race started when he was an infant," Wright said. "It's so rewarding to know of his athletic improvement and to see his accomplishments surpass the limits set by society.

"It's very satisfying to see that he can do things independently. It's a credit to all the different people who believed in him, along with their faith and church. It was a privilege to be with Scott and his family."

family.",
With the help of the internationally-renowned
Burger School for the Autistic in Garden City,
Scott received the needed assistance from teachers

and therapists to promote him to public school.

Despite his eccentricities, Scott appears to have the potential to fit nicely into the mainstream of

"Although he may not have the social graces, he needs to be treated like everyone else," Ken Howse said. "You need the same expectations, and don't lower them because of his disability."

Running seems to bring Scott fout of his world."
At the middle school meet, his grandparents, three younger brothers (Timothy, Shawn and Franklin), along with his parents, were there to support him. Of course, Ken darted around the course to make sure Scott was staying on course.

Scott seemed genuinely excited about his win. When he passed the crowd lined up at the end of the first loop, Scott picked up his pace.

"He seems to thrive on competition," his dad said. "It really brings him along and it helps him with academics.

"The night before he had to get to bed early and get his homework done."

Wright remembers one day before a cross country meet when Scott "would focus in on the clouds."

"He was checking the wind and letting his teammates know about it so it would help them in the race," Wright said. "With Scott it's a learning process. He wasn't just a runner or a kid with a disability who was unable to communicate."

Ken Howse realizes there are many more challenges ahead. The plan is to run cross country and track at the high school level.

"It's going to be a rude awakening for him. I'm sure he'll be starting from the bottom." Ken said.
"But I think he's up to it."

Slowly, but surely, Scott may fool people at the next level once again

"We've spent hours and hours of time." Ken Howse said. "But if you bring a child into the world, the Good Lord says you're responsible to love and nurture him."

Connie Howse, said the family's faith continues to be their foundation.

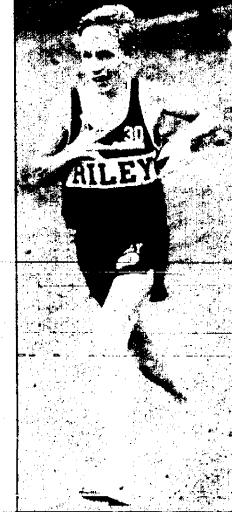
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"We've prayed and prayed, we've prayed every day," she said.

This story is still evolving, slowly, but surely.

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On pace: Scott Howse pulls away from the field.

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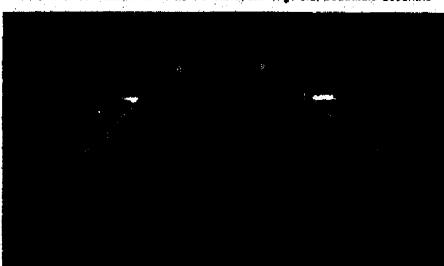
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HOOKED ON HISTORY



VIRGINIA BAILEY PARKER

Halloween ... kids are up to old tricks

hen I was a kid, the youthful prank of TP-ing houses was not considered mischief. Adults slid right past that category and labeled it "juvenile delinquency."

It must have been to prevent that and other such apparently reprehensible acts at Halloween that we had an annual fair at Covington Grade School.

The funny thing is, no one in my family can remember rampant misdeeds being reported in local newspapers that necessitated having to "keep us off the streets," as adults were fond of saying.

The kids really didn't care why we were treated to this great yearly event. We just looked forward to it with relish. We bobbed for apples and, with a little help from the adults, hooked trinkets on the end of a fishing-pole line that we cast over a bedsheet-draped booth.

Lucky at the cakewalk, my sister, Regina, and I would bring home three cakes for our father's birthday.

Every year my mother made Regina, who was older, promise she would not let me go in the spook house - the boys' locker room, which glowed with eerie lights - because it scared the dickens out of me.

And just as predictably, I begged each year until Regina relented. I'd get no farther than the kid in the wet gorilla suit jumping out at me, and the fishbowl of painted, peeled grapes said to be witches' eyes before I was clamoring to get out.

Their youthful pranks

It only occurred to me in later years that it probably wasn't any great mischief on our part that made the adults nervous enough to host the Halloween fair. It was more likely memories of their own youthful pranks that worried them.

Over the years, I've collected stories from folks who grew up in the early decades of the century. It seems that, whether in the city or country, these kids had their favorite tricks.

According to many now-responsible citizens, turning over outhouses was, indeed, common in farming communities - with or without an occupant. And high roofs of a one-room school or grange hall were popular places to relocate farmers' wagons.

Of course, I had to be long past my childhood to discover pranks my own parents played. My mother's favorite ploy was sticking pins in doorbells and taking off lickety-split.

"We'd go tearing through the neighborhood with a secret yell - a shriek, really," she recalls with glee. "The boys were really good at it because they could whistle better. People came to the door pretending they didn't know what it was. They did, of course, because we did it every year."

Parents' 'mischief'

I find from my mother that my late father wasn't above Halloween mischief in the 1920s, either. He'd take a coarse sack filled with flour, slam it against a door and ring the bell. When the person answered the door, a feathery white cloud billowed in the air before settling as a fine powder.

No doubt it was while having to sprint from the scene that he discovered skills which later earned him track medals.

He and his friends had an affinity for serial antics, too. If the homeowner was foolish enough to leave some: thing out, up it went on the roof.

The boys roamed the neighborhood for whatever was handy - a rocking chair from the porch, a wheelbarrow from the garden.

Interestingly, my parents did not grow up around here. They were raised far away in northern Quebec a pure example of "kids will be kids." As we look at traditions - which once linger and which once change -

we notice new variations on old themes. The spook house of my childhood was reinvented in my children's



Oh baby, baby, baby: Katie Landsberg (from left), Joseph, Reimann, Josh Dunaitis, Drew Crisan, Lauren Wozniacki, Lindsay Drewes and Erin Sterling are pictured in January of 1984 not long after the "Make Room for Baby" group was initiated.



Sweet 16: All grown up, six of the original nine baby group babies gather for a reunion this past Labor Day - Josh Prusakiewicz (from left), Josh Dunaitis, Joseph Reimann, Douglas Pallister, Lindsay Drewes and Lauren Wozniacki.

By Kimberly A. Mortson STAFF WRITER

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n 1983 nine women - all first time moms - gathered together to lend an ear and offer support to each other as they collectively entered into parenthood.

Sixteen years later the same group of women, a little older and a lot wiser, met again for a reunion of Providence Hospital: Southfield's "Make Room for Baby" group.

Unlike most post-partum support groups for new mothers, the original group continued to meet beyond the six weeks the formal hospital group did - gathering at homes, restaurants, gymnastic meets - anywhere they could to compare notes, share stories and offer one another the confidence they needed that they were "succeeding."

"Most of us were stay-at-home moms," said Sue Drewes, one of two moms responsible for the 16th birthday party/reunion of the baby group. "This was the first child for all of us and we needed the reassurance that

we were normal and that we weren't

"Not only that but it was a chance for us to meet other women and to gain confidence. We were really doubtful of our abilities."

The nine original moms and their children were Vanessa Milligan (formerly Vanessa Prusakiewicz; and son, Josh Prusakiewicz; Marilyn Wozniacki and daughter, Lauren; Paula Reimann and son, Joe; Drewes and daughter, Lindsay; Cora Sterling and daughter, Erin; Thelma Dunaitis and son, Josh; Kathy Wight-Pallister and son, Doug; Serena Crisan and son, Drew; and Mary Kay Landsberg and daughter, Katie.

Getting together

According to Drewes, the nine moms met frequently until 1988 when the addition of siblings and other activities made it too hard to coordi-

nate schedules. Get-togethers sometimes included the participants spouses and consisted of dinners, birthday parties and holiday functions, said the Rochester Hills mom.

Sweet 16



'Tis the season: Getting bigger, the group met at Christmas in 1995 and posed for this picture - Lauren Wozniacki (from left from the top), Erin Sterling, Joseph Reimann, Katie Landsberg, Josh Dunaitis, Douglas Pallister, Lindsay Drewes and Drew Crisan.

1st-time moms keep sharing milestones

"We staved in touch through Christmas cards and letters, but those eventually trailed off," said Wozniacki, a-Livonia resident.

Wozniacki joined the baby group in the fall of 1983 after her daughter was born in August. After the first six-week support group ended, she signed up again and met the remainder of the original nine members.

"We were a unique group," said Wozniacki. "We came from different age groups and economic backgrounds, but we all had the same ideas about raising kids. When we got back together in September it was nice to know we were all still on the same page about things from cars to dating.

"It was like we never stopped meet-

ing even though 10 years had passed." Drewes said six of the nine women and their families were able to get together for a boathouse party on. Lake Angelus near Pontiac over the Labor Day weekend. Drewes, who, in addition to Lindsay, has a daughter Marcy, 14. organized the reunion with Paula Reimann, mother of Joe,

Patrick, 14, Maureen, 11, and Michael, 8.

Ironically, Lindsay and Joer two of the original "Make Room for Baby" babies are lab partners at Rochester Adams High School in Rochester

I was so excited to re-meet people I. knew a while back," said Joe. "I told most of my friends not to bother calling me on that Sunday because I had this awesome baby reunion to go to. They hadn't heard of anything like it

The 11th grader said he has some vague memories of the baby group and wasn't nervous to get back together with people who may have seemed like strangers after such a long absence.

"I wasn't nervous or anything. I mean, after all, I had known these people before and I'm not the kind of person that likes to sit around," he said. "It didn't take long for us to reintroduce each other. All of us had something to say and tell about what they are doing in life.

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Son continues dad's legacy at Leo's Den

Clip job: When it comes to getting a haircut, even family members like Zachary Favazza know where to go_ to see John Favazza at Leo's Lion's Den in Livonia.



STAFF PIROTO BY BRYAN MITTERLY

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

When John Favazza isn't snipping hair he's singing hymns.

"I enjoy serving people any way that I can," Favaz-

He spends his days cutting hair at Leo's Lion's Den in Livonia, established 30 years ago by his father and mentor, Leo. Customers looking for flat tops, brush cuts and tapered styles have bolstered business despite the chain hair salons that have threatened to

gobble up all the old time barber shops. "The barber shops are kind of a vanishing thing," Favazza said. "I think mainly because the guys are getting into beauty schools and styling schools."

One of the main differences between hair salons and barber shops is that barbers tend to rely heavily on clippers and stylists often prefer scissors. Favazza said

"I call myself a harber stylist," said Favazza, an Inkster resident who looks 28 instead of 38, "I like to take a head of hair that's out of shape and I like to shape it and make it look good. That brings me a lot of satisfaction."

Keeping some of his father's customers and honing his own, Favazza said he isn't intimidated by a Fantastic Sam's across the street and a BoRics within stone's throw from his front door, which sets him

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Haircut from page B1

brush painting of a lion by Canton artist John Dunayski.

Inside, it looks a lot like it might have 30 years age when Lao Favazza opened the shop at Five Mile and Newburgh at a time when the area was considered country.

One recent afternoon, John Favazza was accompanied by the buzzing sound of his razor as he made small talk with a grayhaired man while a young boy and his mother waited. The man in the chair had been a long-time customer of Favazza's uncle, Nazim H. Hally, also known as "The Turk." In fact, The Turk still works limited hours at Leo's Lion's Den.

An appreciation for music and cutting must be an inherited trait, because Favazza also has an aunt, another uncle and a couple of cousins who also cut hair.

Once the elderly man in the chair was perfectly coiffed. Favazza invited the second grader to hop up, and he began talking just as easily with the ele-

apart from the rest with an air Wy dad had a great influence on my life, making music and barbering."

> John Favazza Leo's Lion's Den

mentary school student.

Despite his religious devotion, Favazza isn't holding a razor in one hand and preaching gospel to a literally captive audience. Only customers who probe a little will hear some heartfelt preaching.

He was trained in the early 1980s at the Detroit Barber College in Dearborn and worked at a beauty salon where he learned how to color, perm and style hair. In fact, he still offers those services by appointment, which, is something his father never

A 'great influence'

So much of the son's life followed the father who in his spare time sang and played saxophone, performing mostly at weddings and anniversaries in a band called "Four of a Kind."

"My dad had a great influence on my life, making music and barbering," said Favazza, becoming misty eyed as he recalled

Leo's death nearly six years ago. Besides buying the family business; Favazza sings in the choir at Tri-City Christian Center in Canton. He also plays bass and sings with his three brothers in their band, "The Favazza Brothers," specializing in Christian music.

"The No. 1 thing in my life is my relationship with Jesus," Favazza said. "I want my customers to know that I'm praying for them and that they come to know the Lord. I have everyone coming in here from Catholic priests to accountants and stock brokers to the handicapped to senior citizens and preschoolers."

He doesn't have a lot of teenage customers, he added,

because they often prefer salons." Favuzza's interest in barbering started to bloom even as a kid growing up in the City of Wayne when he practiced styles on his five brothers and sisters. His interest in music developed

around the same time. "When kids in the '70s would listen to the rock group Kiss, we would grab our tennis rackets and pretend we were musicians," Favazza said.

"The Favazza Brothers" started out as a neighborhood band, called themselves "Black Ace." They did so well they won first place in the City of Wayne's annual battle of the bands contest in the early 1980s.

Favazza laughs when he describes how the band returned the next year as a Christian band and didn't do nearly as

"We went and played and we took last place, but the great thing that came out of that was that the lead singer's mother converted that night."

without remorse, "we soaped

· One thing is clear. We may be

on the brink of a new millenni-

um, but, when it comes to Hal-

loween, we can probably expect

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar 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, by fax at (734) 591-7279 or by e-mail at smason@oe.homecomm.net. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church will have a Gift-A-Rama 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 31 at the church, 18100 Merriman. Livonia. There will be vendors, food and a raffle. For more information, call (734) 422-0010.

PRCUA SYRENA

The PRCUA Syrena Parents Club will hold its holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6 at the Canfield Community Center, 1801 N. Beech Daly Road, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (813) 271-0201 or (313) 563-1761.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Livonia Stevenson High-School Booster Club is accepting applications for its annual Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the high school, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia. A single space (booth) costs \$60. A limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no extra charge. For an application, call +248+478-,2395 or (734) 464-1041.

FROST

The Frost Middle School PTSA will present its 23rd annual holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 6 at the school, 14041. Stark Road, Livonia. There will be. more than 150 crafters, a lunch room and bake sale. Admission e**will be \$2. No** strollers permit-

ST. SABINA

Applications are being accepted from crafters for the St. Sabina School craft show 2 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6, at the school, 8147 Arnold, Dearborn Heights. The fee is \$27 for an 8-foot table or space (a limited number are available) and \$25 for a 6-foot table or space. For more information, call Jane Palmer at (734) 953-59141

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center of its Livonia campus.

For more information, call (734) 432-5603.

CARDEN ONY PRESEYTERIAN Garden City Presbyterian Church will have its annual bazaar 4-8 p.m. Nov. 12 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m Nov. 13 at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, south of Ford Road, Garden City. A turkey dinner will be served 4:30-7 p.m. Nov. 12 and lunch on Nov. 13. There will be arts and crafts, silent auction, cookie walk, white elephant room and bake sale.

ST. EDITH St. Edith School will have its fall craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the school, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For more information, call Diana at (734) 462-6037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-9370.

CLARENCEVILLE

The Clarenceville High School Athletic Booster Club will have its annual holiday boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the high school, Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Liyonia. There will be more than 150 juried crafters, bake sale and raffle. Admission will be \$2 and baby-sitting will be available. No strollers permitted.

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 5foot round table or \$25 for an 8foot-long table. For an application, call Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

HARRIS-KEHRER VFW

The Ladies Auxiliary of Harris-Kehrer VFW Post 3323 is looking for crafters for its annual craft bazaar 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland, Rentals are \$20 for an 8-foot table and two chairs. For more information, call Pam at (734) 721-6304

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

Crafters are wanted for St. Paul Lutheran Church's 12th annual holiday craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church. 20805 Middlebelt Road at Eight Mile Road. Table rental and/or space is \$25 (no charge for electricity, if available when application is received). For more information, call (248) 476-0841 or (734) 591-0224.

Halloween from page B1.

youth as the haunted house. often set up in homes slated for demolition. They draw crowds from far and wide, and profits from admission fees often benefit the sponsoring nonprofit organi-

When I was in college. hayrides were a popular autumn pastime. Less in vogue now, they are being replaced by mazes in haunted cornfields.

As for TP-ing houses ... it's inconvenient to clean up, especially after rain. However, it's a far cry from the vandalism of egging cars and blowing out windows on parked vehicles, which

we rightly should condemn. And depositing equipment and porch furniture on rooftops certainly pushed the envelope. given the potentially dangerous ramifications of that prank.

But those aren't shenanigans we can blame on today's kids; our sometimes-selectively forgetful adult population owns those

As far as harmless pranks go. the day after Halloween some poor grownups will undoubtedly be saddled with the lamentable task of cleaning soap off windows. An old trick? You bet.

"Oh yeah," my mother says.

the same old tricks. Historian and author Virginia Bailey Parker has a bachelor's

windows."

degree in history and a-master's degree in historic preservation. She lives in Canton Township.

Reunion from page B1

"Of course, the mothers remembered us. It's been a while since they had seen us, but it didn't take long for the 'Oh, how you've grown, and the, 'I remember when you ... phrases were

Parties remembered

Lauren Wozniacki, a junior at Stevenson High School in Livonia, remembers having birthday parties and going to the beach with the baby group.

"I did have fun when I got there," said Lauren who was somewhat apprehensive about the reunion.

"I told her everyone would only be strangers for a few minutes." said her mother. "And I was right. The kids just sort of gravitated to each other like the adults.

The reunion on the lake

included a variety of water sport activities, lunch and a birthday cake for the 16-year-olds.

The group as a whole has intentions of meeting again next year for a similar gathering, but

"Many of the kids exchanged phone numbers and e-mail addresses," said Reimann, "I expect now that many of them are driving, they'll, be seeing, "it weren't for the group."

each other again soon.

"I think what made our group so different and-what brought us together beyond that six-week program was the confidence we gained from each other," she added. "We became fast friends and really valued each others" advice. I don't know who I would have asked those questions to if

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Ann and Richard Kunse of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci-Ann, to Andrew Michael Szydlowski, the son of Denise and Conrad Szydlowski of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and Grand Valley State University. She is employed as a registered nurse.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and Western Michigan University. He is employed as a mechanical engineer.

A November wedding is planned at Ceremony Resurrection Catholic Church.

Meadows-Sellers

Harry and Delores Meadows of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime Lynn, to Robert Donald Sellers, the son of Bill and Ginny Sellers of Garden City.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Garden City High School, He teaches pre-kindergarten while attending Schoolcraft Col-

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Garden City High School, He also attended William D. Ford Vocational Center in Westland to receive certification as a certified auto body technician. He is currently working in that field.

An October 2001 wedding is planned.

Ferrell-Gresham

Stephen and Suzan Ferrell of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Joel Gresham, the son of Jerry and Margaret Gresham of Cold-

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and is majoring in theater at Hillsdale College where she will graduate in May 2000.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Columbia Central High School in Brooklyn, Mich. He is an accounting major at International Business College and will graduate in February 2001.

A June wedding is planned at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Canton.



Jutte-Dominic

Theodore and Linda Jutte of Coldwater, Ohio, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lynne Marie Anne, to Anthony Louis Dominic, the son of Carl and Suzanne Jiovani of Canton.

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the engagement of their daugh-

ter. Edith Ann, to Shawn

William Smith, the son of Mr.

and Mrs. Dennis R. Smith of Ply-

The bride-to-be is a graduate

of the University of the College

of Charleston. She is a manager

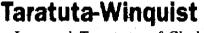
Her fiance is a graduate of the

University of the College of

Charleston. He is employed by

The bride-to-be is graduate of Celina Senior High School, a 1993 graduate of Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio, with a bachelor of arts degree in psythology and a 1997 graduate of Wright with a master of science degree in student affairs counseling in higher education. She was commissioned as a U.S. Air Force officer from the U.S. Air Force Officer Training School in 1998. She is a personnel officer, assigned as section commander to the 5th Munitions Squadron at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

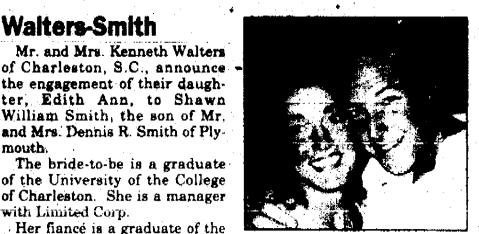
Her fiance is a graduate of John Glenn High School. He was commissioned as a U.S Air Force officer with a bachelor of science. degree in astronautical engineer-



Leonard Taratuta of Cheboygan and Arvella Winquist of Mackinaw Township, formerly of Livonia, were married Aug. 14. The Rev. Charles Hastie of Mackinaw City officiated.

The bride's and groom's attendants were Jacquie and Frank Tolstyka of Alaha, Mullett Lake.

The outdoor ceremony and reception was held at the couole's home on the Straits of



A November wedding is planned in Charleston



ing from the U.S Air Force Academy in 1998. He is a security forces officer, assigned as flight commander to the 5th security forces squadron at West Bloomfield The groom is Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

A November wedding is planned at St. Thomas A' Becket-Church in Canton.



Marion-Porterfield

Todd Andrew Marion and Laura Jean Porterfield were married at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville by the Rev. John Quigley.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porterfield of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Marion of Durham, N.C.

The bride is a graduate of Ply mouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan. She is employed as a manager at Delphi Automotive Systems in

The groom also is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan. He is employed at the Orchard's Children's Services in Southfield.

The bride asked Stephanie Asmus to serve as matron of honor with Christine Bardelli, Jill Miller, Katie Prokop, Kristi Matuszewski and Laurel Ream as the bridesmaids.

Edward Bardelli served as best man with Brian Marion,

Vance-DiVitto

Jason Andrew Vance and Lisa Marie DiVitto were married March 20 at Unity Church of Livonia by Gene Sorensen.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Patricia Makower of the son of Bruce and Laurie Vance of Flushing.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Garden City High School and is pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in accounting at Walsh College. She is employed by the law office of Mark F. Makower and Associates, P.C.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Huron High School and is pur suing a bachelor of arts degree in early childhood education at Madonna University: He is currently a preschool teacher with the Wayne-Westland Community Schools :

The bride asked Angeli Lawrence to serve as matron of honor with Luann Houser: Reneé Doss, Linda Paris and Venessa Doss as bridesmaids, Megan Gregurich as junior bridesmaid and Nicole Fabiano Plymouth.



Robert J. Porterfield, Toby Brzoznowski, Robert Files and Alex Gagin as the groomsmen and Brandon Marion as ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at the Mavflower Meeting House in Plymouth. Following a honeymoon trip to Sandals Resort in Jamaica, the couple is residing in Birmingham.



as flower girl.

Jason Hall served as best man with Dave Houser, Mark DiVitto. Tony Marselak and Christopher Gregurich as the groomsmen. Steve Rochowiak as junior groomsman and Lucas Kasprzak as ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at Hawthorn Valley Country Club in Westland before leaving on a Caribbean Cruise. The are making their home in

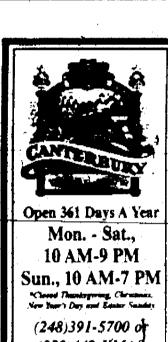
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Y2K ISSUES

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas and the city's Y2K Committee have scheduled a Y2K (Year 2000) Town Hall meeting for 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland, Concerns and questions regarding Y2K readiness will be addressed. Those who plan to attend should register by calling (734) 722-7628.

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 hold 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, at Wayne and Warren roads, opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m., at Arcade 2 by Olga's Kitchen. Mall walking ends at 10 a.m.

RECREATION

RECREATION AND FUN A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is 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 is 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, 36000 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, (7**34) 326-6**537.

AMBEL 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) 534-6496.

VETERAL E MAYER Voteran's Haven operates s car, boat, camper and real estate donation program. Donations are taxdeductible. For information, call (734) 728-0527.

SCHOOLS

MANGREM CHILDREN'S Suburban Children's Co-op Mureery 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 Manday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Classes rum 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) 207-

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottlemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an early intervention program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a preprimary 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 children ages 3-4, is located 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-yearolds 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) 728-3559.

GARDEN CITY CO-OP

The Garden City Co-op nursery has openings for preschool classes for ages 18 months through 4 years. Tots class meets on Wednesday mornings, and 3- and 4-year-olds 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.

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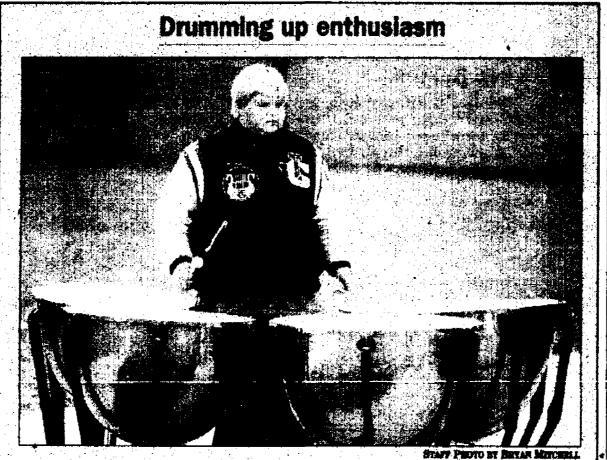
The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through sixth grade. The school emphasizes a basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with access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

LITTLE PROPLES Livenia Little Peoples Coof Preschool is now enrolling for the fall in programs for 3- and 4-yearolds. For more information, call (784) 422-1176.

LITTLE LANGE

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is holding registration for the school year. Classes meet Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoons and Tuesday-Thursday mornings for 8to 5-year-olds. Little Lambs is a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory preschool. Call (248) 471-

SAMPLED COOP Garfield Cooperative Preschool offers programs for children 18 months to 5



Percussion: Chris Bachman of John Glenn High School rehearses last week for the 14th annual JGHS Marching Band Invitational. The band event was held this past Saturday at Glenn.

years. It is located at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road in Livônia. 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 3and 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 School PTSA is seeking members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and the 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 Wednesdays 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.

Date and Time:

Additional info.:

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 coop, with parents working once each month. Call (734) 422-0149.

HISTORIC

FRIENDS OF ELOISE The Westland Historical Commission is hosting the second meeting of the Friends of Eloise. The meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Bailey Recreation Center behind City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, For information, call Jo Johnson at (734) 522-3918.

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 meet at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday 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

HEALTH SCREENING

The Medical Team, in cooperation with the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), is providing health screening and testing for people age 60 and older in southern and western Wayne Coun-

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groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the infor-

mation below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft,

Livonia, MI. 48150, or by fax to 734-581-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday

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offered at various facilities. including 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Donations will be accepted. Flu shots will be offered. along with vital signs/blood pressure, blood/urine lab

ty. Screenings will be

work, blood sugar test, cholesterol test, vision/glaucoma test, hearing test, tuberculosis skin test and breast/testicular self-exam. For information, call (734) 722-7632. Regis-

tration will take place at the center front desk.

MONEY TALK A presentation on "Seven Steps To Create and Maintain a Life Plan That Works for You" will be offered at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Speakers will be attorney Sanford J. Mall and Kenneth W. Lyon, a certified financial planner Investing and related topics will be covered. Refreshments will be served. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632 for more information.

TURKEY TIME

The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) will hold its annual Thanksgiving celebration from noon to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at the center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Price is \$6 for members, \$9 for Westland seniors who aren't members. There will be a turkey dinner, live band, dancing, prizes and other fun. Tickets are available at the front desk or through clubs. Those attending should bring a piece of fresh fruit for fruit baskets for shut-ins. For information, call (734) 722-**7632.** •

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 to 3 p.m. by appointment only. Call (734) 722-7632 for

more information.

SENIOR CHOIR

The 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.

TRAYEL 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, celebrations 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 nonmembers. 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 inter ested 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., binge at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in Hall A of the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh. The 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.

SWIET 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 Liyonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, CHADD is a nonprofit, parentbased, volunteer organization whose aim is to betterthe lives of individuals with attention difficulties. Call (313) 438-3099.

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. MI28, 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 OptimEyes, Westland Super Vision Center, 35184 Central City Parkway, Westland, Call (734) 427-5200 Leader, Michele, (734) 422-1726; secretary, Karen, (734) 729 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, Cal John Elbe at (734) 326-

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 at 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 girls' softball programs. The bingo games take place 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) 422-5025or (734) 729-8681.

SHAMROCK BINGO Bingo is played at 11 a.m.

Wednesdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born, east of Wayne Road in Wayne. Doors open at 9 a.m. Food is available Proceeds go to charity. Call (734) 728-3020.

SMOKELESS BUIGO

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

19th-century women leave their mark on American art

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER smason@oe.homecomm.net

Artist Marion Wachtel exhibited her work in watercolors even though her oils were much bet-

Impressionist artist Donna Schuster could have doubled the price of her work had she been a

Agnes Pelton didn't make a great living as an abstract artist, so she had a survival job painting portraits and landscapes.

Their artwork and that of other female artists of the late 1800s and 1900s was the topic of conversation at the first of the Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center's three-part fall luncheon series.

Chris Melikan of Melvindale, a professional artist, art critic and lecturer, introduced his audience to American women artists who delved into impressionism. abstraction and realism but took a back seat to their male counterparts.

While the 20th century woman has aimed at equal status with her male counterpart, some of the artists chose a different route

"Marion Wachtel exhibited in watercolors because her oils were much better than her husband's," he explained. "And critics knew she would overshadow

Born in 1876, Wachtel joined with other artists from California ingdoing plein air - or outdoor - painting. A part of the California impressionist movement, her work had "a poetic feeling that set her apart" from others, Melikan said.

Another impressionist painter was Donna Schuster. Born in 1883, she graduated with honors from the Art Institute of Chicago and also studied at the Boston Museum School and with



Brush strokes: A professional artist, art critic and lecturer, Chris Melikan poses in front of his painting of a tiger in his studio.

William Merritt Chase, the father of American impression-

"She was a very, very good artist, one of my favorites," said Melikan, "She could find beauty in three red peppers on a table. She found the beauty of light touching a mundane scene. 'My Front Steps' is more about light than about her front porch."

Schuster didn't make a great living as an artist and "could have doubled the price of her work if she had been a man." according to Melikan. She died in 1953, killed in a brush fire while trying to save her dogs.

Born two years before Schuster, Agnes Pelton saw art in a different way. She favored abstracts that were "very radical" and very full of symbolism."

"She was the lady who didn't get the recognition that Georgia O'Keeffe got." Melikan said, "Heroil paintings were such that they almost looked like they were air-

brushed." Somewhat peculiar, Pelton moved into the Hayground windmill on Long Island and made it into her studio. It was "her mystical house that reached into heaven," Melikan said.

Like Schuster, she didn't make a great living doing abstracts, so she had a survival job doing portraits and landscapes.

A contemporary of Schuster and Pelton, Jesse Arms Botke is the artist who influenced Melikan's work.

"I like her use of animals in her work," he said. "They are a bit stylized, but what I like about her work is that the animals are elevated to a higher status. They're realistic up to a point."

Melikan also praised her "tremendous technical skill," pointing to one her paintings. that included 50 accurately depicted flowers in a vase

Another student of Chase was

Kate Freeman Clark, who did so well her artwork was among the 9,000 pieces exhibited at the Columbia Exposition in 1893.

Born in 1875, she found she had to market her work as Freeman Clark to make a living, but gave up her entire career to care for her grandmother.

"She could have made a lot of money," said Melikan: "They found 1,000 paintings that never were exhibited after her grandmother died. She had painted on cigar boxes, cardboard."

Melikan contrasted his 19th century artists with 20th century artist Janet Monafo. Born in 1940 in Boston, Monafo deals with realism, creating 6, to 8foot-tall pieces in pastels.

A lot of her still life deals with people's ability to recycle what they make, Melikan said. She also likes to contrast that with natural things and deal with the gaudiness of today's products, Melikan said.

Of one Monafo's works, a selfportrait. Melikan noted that "it hás a lot to say ábout women and about women's role in society. She doesn't look like she'd take a back seat to her husband."

In looking at the artists, Melikan also gave his audience a. short introduction to art:

■ The better way to display art is in a rectangular format. The picture tends to be presented in thirds = one-third ground and two-thirds sky or vice-versa.

A square format has half sky, half ground and tends to be more static. It also puts the focus of interest in the center of the picture, making it confrontational.

There is no white paint in watercolors. Artists must conceive color in reverse, painting darks around lights

Pastels paints are pure pigment packed into chalk. While working in pastels is quick.

smudge. They also need to be displayed behind glass and sprayed with a fixative.

The luncheon series continues on Friday, Nov. 12, when Carroll Jackson of the Upshaw Institute of the Blind and his dog, Jack, will give an overview of vision loss services, new technology to overcome vision loss, the mobility issue and white canes.

they're more fragile and tend to with Mary Lee O'Bryan of the Detroit Institute of Arts. O'Bryan will present a slide show on "Angels and Their Counterparts."

> The luncheon is held in the Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$14 each and can be reserved through Nov. 9 by calling the Women's Resource Center at (734) 462.







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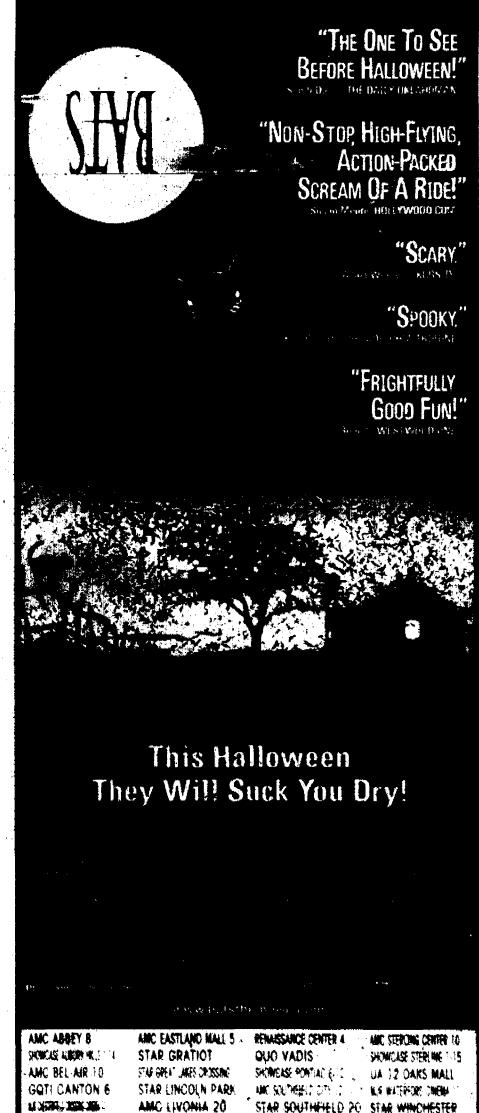
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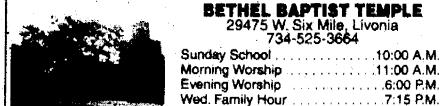
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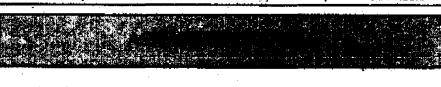
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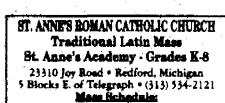
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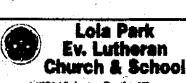
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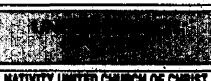
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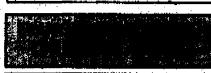
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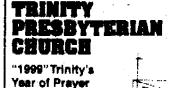


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Listings for the Religious News should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

FAITH CELEBRATION

The father and son team of Tommy Oats and J.T. Oats will lead Memorial Church of Christ's Faith Celebration Friday-Sunday, Oct. 29-31.

The celebration will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, with a dinner theater production of "Star Queen," a musical drama based on the life of the biblical Queen Esther, presented by the Oatses. A prayer breakfast for the entire family will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, with activities closing that day with a message by the father and son at 7 p.m.

On Sunday, Oct. 31, the celebration will conclude with preaching be Tommy and music by J.T. at the 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. worship services.

All activities are free, with reservations encouraged for the Friday and Saturday events. Memorial Church of Christ is at 35475 Five Mile, Livonia, For more information or to make reservations, call (734) 464-6722. HALLOWEEN DANCE

Detroit Area Catholic Singles will have a Halloween dance 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at St. Edith Parish, Newburgh south of Five Mile, Livonia, Costumes are a must, and there will be prizes \$50 for first place, \$30 for secand place and dinner for two for third place. The \$8 admission... will include pop, pizza and goodies. For more information, call Pat at (313) 277-6083. Bill at (734) 641-2398. Joanne at (734) 591-0258 or Jane at (734) 284-8958.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Laxising for a safe party afternative to Halloween? Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church will have a fall harvest festival 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the church, 33445 Warren Road. Westland. There will be hayrides, pumpkin painting. games, cider and doughnuts Children will trick or treat in the parking lot. For more information, call the church at (734) 458-7301.

ANGELS NIGHT

The third annual Angels Night for children in Redford will be Saturday, Oct. 30, beginning at Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, 26121 W. Six Mile Costume judging will be at 6:15 p.m., with the official start of trick-or-treating at businesses along Six Mile at 6:30 p.m. Parents are asked to bring children early enough for registration. For more information, call (313) 537-3778

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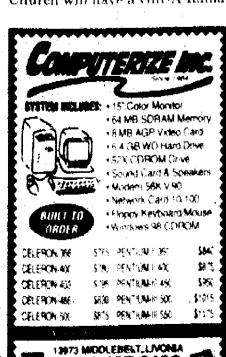
Calvary Baptist Church will host a family harvest party 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the church, 43065 Joy, between Lilley and Morton Taylor, Canton. Children and their families look ing for a safe alternative to trick or treating are invited to enjoy fun, games and lots of candy Children can come dressed as farmers, scareerows, animals, fruit, vegetables or anything in a harvest theme. For more information, call the church at (734) 455-0022

CREATION CELEBRATION Merriman Road Baptist

Church will sponsor a Creation celebration 4:45-7 p.m. Sunday. Oct. 31, at the church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. Children in the sixth grade and younger may join in a fun-filled evening, celebrating God's wonderful creation. There will be carnival games, treats and prizes. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-0472

GIFT-A-RAMA

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church will have a Gift A Rama



9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. at the church, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. There will be vendors, food and a raffle. Admission will be \$2.

THE GATHERING

Bonniebell and Smiggins the Clowns will be the special guests at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at The Gathering at Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia.

The mother-and-daughter team will present a Christian message for young and old alike. Children can come dressed in Bible-character costumes. At 7 p.m., participants will be invited into Areasman Hall, where treat bags will be given out: There also will be face painting for the children; the clowns will make balloon animals, and refreshments will be served.

Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the church office at (248) 474-3444 UNICEF COLLECTION

The children of Newburg United Methodist Church will carry the orange UNICEF boxes when trick or treating on Sunday, Oct. 31. People are asked to give to the worthy cause. The money will be sent directly to the United Nations Children's Fund).

SQUARE DANCE LESSONS

Square dance classes will be offered at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, 6 and 15, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, Westland. The cost is a

New members: The Rev. Lawrence Wit (center), pastor of Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church in Redford, welcomes new congregation members (from left) Susan Kacsmark, Stephanie Petsch, Karen Lamb and Ron Bosak.

\$3 donation per class. There also will be dinner and square dancing at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20. The donation is \$15 per person. Proceeds will benefit the youth for the annual mission trip. For more information, call Jann at (734) 722-1735.

The Plymouth Baptist Church holds Mothers of Preschoolers meetings 9:15-11:30 a.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the

MOPS GROUP

month at the church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth.

Mothers with their children. kindergarten age and younger, may attend. Child care is provided. For more information, call the church at (734) 453-5534.

SPIRIT OF THE CROSS

St. Theodore Church's prayer group, Spirit of the Cross, will have Deacon Bruce Simpson, a evangelist from Florida, as a

guest speaker at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, in the church social hall, 8200 Wayne, Westland. The theme of the evening is "Thanksgiving and Praise Rally." For more information, call Margaret at (734) 427-9125, John at (734) 422-5611 or Jesse at (734) 425-6264.

ST. THEMESE MELICS

The relics of St. Therese of Lisieux, the French Carmelite nun, will come to the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak, for a one-day visit Wednesday, Nov. 3.

Masses, confessions, veneration, a holy hour and vespers have been scheduled throughout the day at the church, northeast corner of Woodward Avenue and 12 Mile. For more information. call (248) 541-4122.

The relics are encased in a box of jacaranda wood and gilded silver. The stop at the Shrine of the Little Flower is the only visit to the Detroit area in a world tour.

The visit is being sponsored by the five Carmelite Provinces in the United States.

NEW BEGINNINGS Warren Gilbert will discuss

"Managing Memories" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday. Nov. 4, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need.

For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 482-3770.

CHURCH WORKS UNITED

Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will observe World Community Day on Friday, Nov. 5, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. The program, "God's Passionate Love," will be at 12:45 p.m. and will feature Bonniebell the clown. For babysitting reservations, call Amy Sherman at (313) 537-5251 by Nov. 2.

MILLEUMEN SOMER-DANCE

The Irish Pallottine Fathers will hold a Millennium Mission dinner-dance Saturday, Nov. 6. at the Hellenic Cultural Center. 36375 Joy, Westland. Cocktails will be at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. and dancing to the music of Brian Boner and His Arranmore Band until 1 a.m. Tickets cost \$40 each and are available by calling Eileen Fenn at (248) 349-6521, John Wisley at (248) 681-5736 or the Pallottine Fathers at (734) 285-2966.

AIDS MASS

St. Theodore of Canterbury Catholic Community will host an AIDS healing and anointing Mass for people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call the church at 425-4421.



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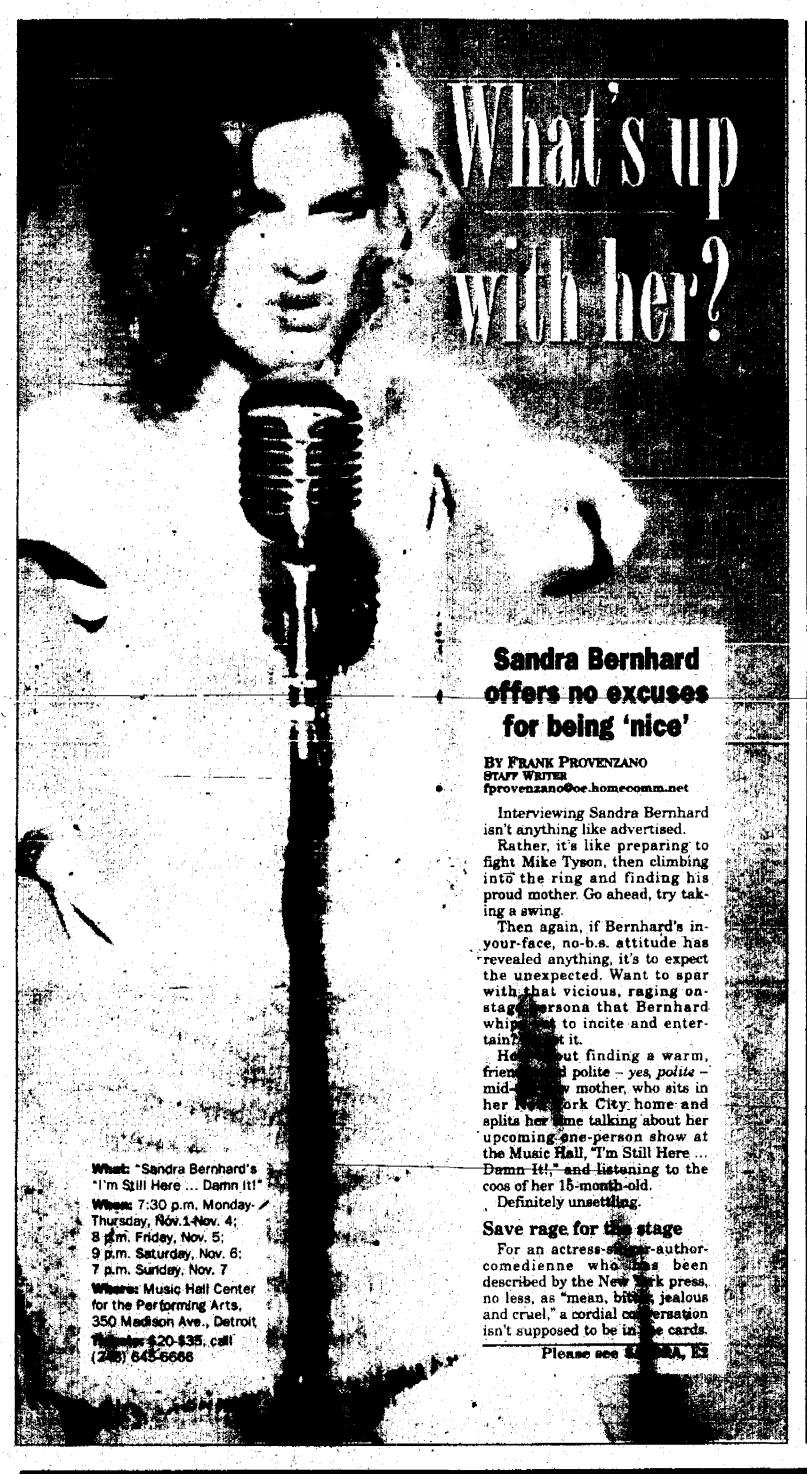
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The cast: The Farmington Players, Stacey Duford of Bloomfield Hills (left to right, back row), Jacquie Pouillon, Lisa Currey of Waterford, Mary Ann Tweedie, Margaret Gilkes of Farmington Hills; Ellen Akins of Farmington Hills (middle row, left to right), Sue Rogers of West Bloomfield, and Marge Wetzel of Farmington Hills (front) star in "The Women."

Farmington Players present benefit for 'The Women'

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

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The Farmington Players have been in a serious fund-raising mode, intent on raising enough money to build a new theater.

"We plan to break ground in June or July," said organization president Cynthia Tupper, With their dream close to becoming a reality. the group is beginning its 1999-2000 season Friday, Nov. 5 with a benefit for the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center

"It's a way of giving back to the community," explained Tupper. We've been in this give us money, give us money mode. It's time for us to think about what's important to the people who

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What: Farmington Players presents "The Women" b Clare Booth Luce,

When: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2.p.m. Sunday, Show dates are Nov. 6-7; Nov. 12-14; Nov. 18-21; and Nov. 26-27.

Where: Farmington Players Theatre, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road). Farmington Hills.

Tickets: \$12. Season tickets for three shows, \$36 Call (248) 553-2955 for more information. Highlight: Benefit performance of "The Women" 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Farmington Players Theatre, afterglow reception at 10 p.m. Event proceeds benefit the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center. Tick ets \$50, which includes admission to the play and afterglow reception; \$100 includes priority seating. admission to the afterglow reception, recognition in the program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259 for more information

Season schedule:

##Of Mice and Men" by Joseph Steinbeck opens Fri day, Feb. 4. Show dates are Feb. 4-6; Feb. 11-13; Feb. 18-20; and Feb. 24-26.

"Kiss me Kate" by Sam and Bella Spewack, music and lyrics by Cole Porter, opens May 5. Show dates May 5-7; May 11-14: May 18-21 and May

THEATER

Schoolcraft College updates Shakespeare's 'Merchant'

By Linda Ann Chomin Staff Writer Ichomin Doe homocomm.net

Ray VanHoeck made a riveting Shylock, meamerizing the audience as he talked about loaning 3,000 ducats to the merchant Antonio. The Canton actor nearly salivated over the idea of taking a pound of flesh from the merchant if the money was not repaid on

The dress rehearsal was one of the last run-throughs before the newlyedited production of "The Merchant of Venice" opens Rriday, Oct. 29, in the Liberal Arts Theatre on the Schoolcraft College Livonia campus.

Shakespeare probably would have been grateful to James R. Hartman for updating the language in the play. Hisrtman, a professor at Schoolcraft and the director of its theater program, spent two years breaking down lengthy

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sentences and incorporating footnotes into this comedy that's slightly on the dark side.

"Doing Shakespeare is totally different than doing anything else," said Hartman, who's headed up the theater program at Schoolcraft since 1987. Hartman originally came to Michigan to work at Meadow Brook Theatre as an actor when Schoolcraft approached him to direct plays.

"The language - it's been 400 years since Shakespeare wrote the plays. That sometimes discourages people from seeing it. I have not made it modern speech but more understandable for modern audiences.

Hartman edited his first Shakespeare play, "Macbeth," four years ago. It took two years to edit the "Merchant."

"The Merchant of Venice is as dynamic as characters and as exciting as plays get," said Hartman. "I was intrigued with the characterizations. Shylock, along with Othello, are two of the best villains ever written. The Merchant' is also a good example of having double plots. It's fast-paced because all scenes are relatively short and is classified as a comedy, but is dark as well."

Jerri Doll, a graduate of Livoma casier and in keeping with the beauty. Stevenson High School who plays Por . of the language," sand Doll, an Ann her time and not afraid to speak her tia in the production, thinks Hartman Achor resident. "What always brings makes Shakespeare palatable Doll. me back to work at Schoolcraft College



who graduated in 1993 from School-

craft with an associate's degree in the-

ater and went on to earn a bachelor's in

theater from Eastern Michigan Univer-

sity, has worked in professional theater

playing such venues as The Purple

Rose Theatre and the Tibbets Opera

House This is the first full Shake-

speare play she's done.

Dark comedy: John H. Abair, Jr. (left), Jerri Doll and Colleen Greenwell take to the stage for a Schooleraft. College production of "The Merchant of Venice.

STAFF PROTO BY BRYAN MITS HELL

is that professor Hartman brings such truth to his staging. I really feel I grow. I always thought Shakespeare was the toughest. But Shakespeare's also very funny, very bawdy with a good sense of humor.

Doll plays the love interest in "The Merchant of Venice Like all of Shakespeare's 38 plays, "Merchant" is viable "For your common layperson who more than 400 years later because of doesn't know Shakespeare, it will be atsuniversality

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Sandra from page E1

Cultrageous is the norm. Edgy is the sensibility. And irreverent is the aim.

"I love to turn on an audience," said Bornhard, who was born and lived until age 9 in Flint. "I save that rage for the stage."

That may sound a bit calculating for semeone who has built a reputation for her blistering comments about celebrities such as Madonna, Tom Cruise, Mariah Carey, and Princess Di.

Her current show, which opened at the Booth Theater on Broadway last November, is apparently a reconstructive attempt to back away from her own celebrity status and move toward being more of a wicked ironist.

In "I'm Still Here ... Damn It!," Bernhard offers an eclectic blend of music, parodies and bitter -

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sometimes raunchy - observations about sexuality, pop culture and Far Right attitudes on religion and propriety.

Think the male-bashing, iconrattling, mean-spirited viper has mellowed since becoming a

"No way," said Bernhard from her New York City home amid a hectic schedule of 10 interviews over two-days with the local Detroit media.

"Let's just say that motherhood has expanded my capacity for affection.

That doesn't mean she's softened her barbs that hit with the ·force of a machete, slicing apartthe male ego. Nor has she backed away from her less-than-subtle reminder to shovel back the crap that's being pushed along as American culture.

One Weekend - Two Shows

"I don't have to push buttons," she said. "I'm just trying to get people to realize that every button is being pushed their way, and they don't have to take it."

But try to provoke the provocateur and you'll be surprised at what you get.

Q: If you were a fine artist, what kind of art would you create with elephant dung?

Bernhard: I'm not a fine artist. I don't want to get into any of that. Q: If you were consulting Mon-

ica Lewinsky during the impeachment trial, what would you have said to her?

Bernhard: I boycotted the whole thing. We have to take responsibility for all that nonsense. I won't even address it.

Q: What's the difference between a New York City and a Midwestern audience?

Bernhard: Midwestern audiences aren't as self-indulgent. You have to be hardy to make it in the Midwest.

Self-indulgent? Hardy? Hmmm. What happened to the snarling, lips-flapping-in-thewind Sandra Bernhard who wise-cracked that her mother's an abstract artist and her father's a proctologist, and that's how she looks at the world?

For a comedienne who claims to be following in the stinging satirical tradition of Lenny Bruce, not commenting on the state of American politics seems like a missed opportunity. Perhaps a sign that politics has descended so far that not even humor can resuscitate it. Or that

when it comes to anything deeper than the superficial subject of celebrities, maybe Bernhard has met her match.

Of course, Bernhard's element inn't polemics. It's abrasive putdowns. Her brand of humor is more like overhearing petty gossip among friends than the shrewd proclamations of Bruce,

"My stuff comes from conversations with friends and from observing people," said Bernhard, whose friends include the

comedians.

Lilly Tomlin or even Dennis

Miller and Chris Rock-type

famous and not so famous. "I don't come from any point of view," she said. "I just want to get beyond the crap that's shoved our way."

Fair enough. But at times, it seems that Bernhard doesn't know the difference between "getting beyond the crap" and just moving around the piles.

Fifteen minutes after she called right on time, Bernhard notes that the allotted time is up. No time to ask about if the tiff with Madonna is still raging. No time to ask the actress who played on "Roseanne" about why she doesn't hide from being a lesbian but won't get involved in gay rights issues. And no time to ask where the real Sandra Bernhard is hiding.

Then just like that, she hangs up with an abrupt, "Nice talking

Amazing. She didn't even take a swing.

Benefit

come to our theater. We're also looking to get ourselves in front of new audiences - so many people have heard about us, but never seen us."

They picked "The Women" to open their season because it has a large cast - 18 women who play 32 different roles. "We've done all-female shows, (but) not this big," said Tupper. "There aren't many shows written for women. We have more women than men in our group. There's a broad range of roles, everything from early 20s to 50s."

In casting the show, the group did attract some new members,

Suzanne Rogers, who plays Sylvia Fowler in the show and works as a social worker for Henry Ford Health Systems, suggested doing the benefit performance. The group supported her idea.

"It's a show that's all about women," said Tupper. "It's a fairly light show, it's good for them and good for us. Henry Ford Health Systems was thrilled about it. It's what community collaboration is all about. By presenting the benefit we're exposing new people to our theater."

Written by Clare Boothe Luce, "The Women" opened in New York in 1936. In "The Women,"

Luce satirizes Park Avenue ladies who wasted their lives with affairs, malicious gossip and beauty salons, while having no empathy for women trapped in low-paying jobs.

Although there's some serious material in "The Women," Rogers said it's also funny and many people will see themselves and people they know in the characters. "It's going to be fun, a lot of laughs," she said "Some people will think it's dated, but in a lot of ways things aren't so different. Women are still the ones who keep home and family going. Men will get a kick out of

which was one of its goals.

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mind," said Doll. "She's very much who I am. It's really been a fascination to connect with someone who found the independence and confidence when women were so suppressed."

This is also Jeremy Hargis' first time doing Shakespeare. At first, it was a little daunting for the 19-year old Garden City student to play Old Gobbo. Hargis, who began acting in third grade, has appeared in Plymouth Theatre Guild productions.

"I have to play this older man physically and mentally so I watched a couple of old English films," said Hargis. Because it was Shakespeare, I was kind of intimidated to try out. But it's not as bad as I expected."

VanHoeck drew upon his "many experiences witnessing theater" to create the villainous Shylock.

"The language was a challenge and the Jewish accent, but I Shakespeare," said VanHoeck. "I had little involvement with

before Hartman thinks the audience will love "Merchant" because of the drama and the intriguing way Portia directs her questioning and presents her case on behalf of Antonio while dressed as a man.

Until Hartman took over the theater program, all of the actors had to be students. Hartman opened it up to the community gained an appreciation for as well. "Now we have the young inexperienced work alongside experienced professionals," said Shakespeare and a great deal of Hartman. "The only thing we understanding was lacking still need is a technical director.



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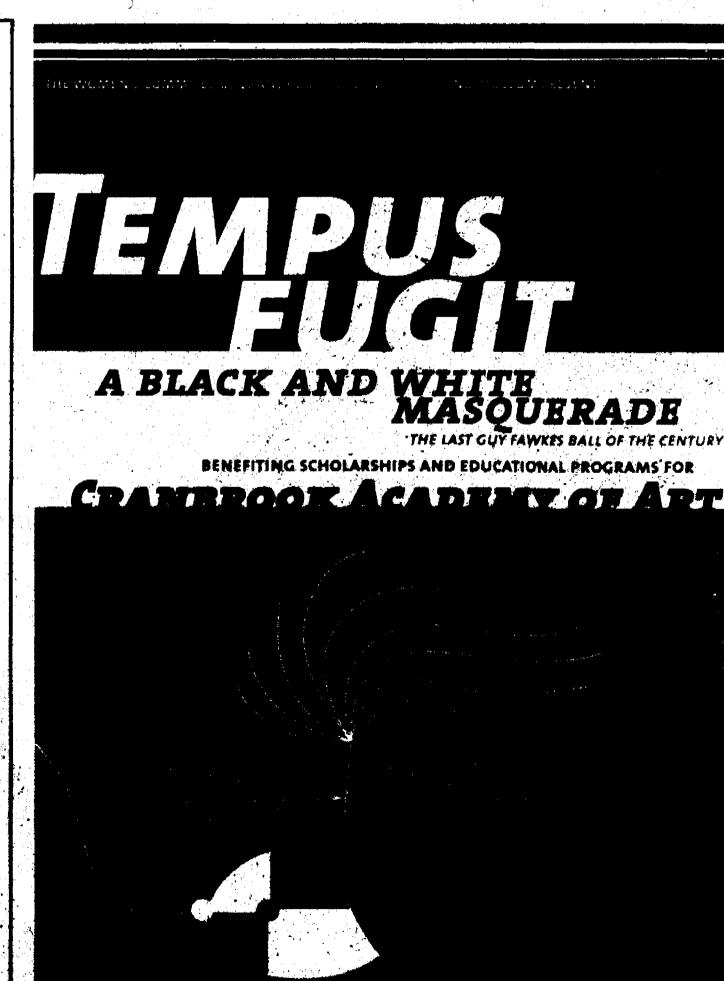
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By Jon Katz SPECIAL WRITER

Talk about your stranger in a strange land. Russian Jew Haskell Harelik was one of the millions of Europeans who arrived on these shores in the opening decade of the century, the huddled masses yearning to breathe free. Somehow he made a left turn at the Statue of Liberty and ended up at the Port of Galveston, Texas. And that's where we meet him: "The Immigrant."

Peddling bananas from a

wheelbarrow to survive, he's taken in by a couple in nearby Hamilton (population 1,200). He not only survives but thrives.

He brings his wife over, starts a family and 80 years later his grandson writes a play about them. The "Roots"-like light comedy would be too improbable were it not for the fact that it's all true, and JET shows you the photos from Grandma's album to prove it.

Indeed, the subtitle of the play is "A Hamilton County Album." but we have some others we offer author Mark Harelik free of charge. How about "The Immigrant: Peddler on the Hoof?" Or "The Immigrant: Lone Jew in the Lone Star State." Or our personal favorite, "The Immigrant: Living La Vida Meshugga."

And crazy it is, this transplanted life Haskell has opted for. Looked on with suspicion and bewilderment, he meekly explains how his race came to be the chosen people: "There were a lot fewer people then, it was an easier choice."

JET and director John Michael Manfredi present an easy choice for a most delightful evening of warm smiles and personal reflec-

Greg Trzaskoma reaches right into each of our own photo albums for his Haskell, and his characterization is sensational. Spouting incomprehensible Yiddish as he meets banker Milton Perry (Paul Hopper) and his wife Ima (Mary Bremer), Haskell seems to them like he's from Mars, not Minsk. Ima tries to make him feel at ease: "I'm nothin' to be scared of; I'm a Chris-

Some comfort that is.

Throughout the 33-year storyline, Trzaskoma never loses his lovability or his reality. As he becomes Americanized, wife Leah (Jodie Kuhn Ellison) takes him to task for not adhering to their religious laws regarding food and such (keeping Kosher). She thinks perhaps they should be with their own kind. The Jews have been wandering for thousands of years, he tells her; this

Jew has wandered enough. The play is a series of these cherished moments.

In their wonderful portrayals of the strong-willed Perrys, Hopper and Bremer evoke several sitcom comparisons. George and Louise Jefferson wouldn't be far off base, and if you close your eyes, you'll swear that Bremer's been inhabited by Mr. Hanev from "Green Acres."

But that's just a grinning observation. More to the point, they are among our most honored actors in town and in these roles you won't wonder why.

It's Jodie Kuhn Ellison's job to hold onto the old ways and worry about the American citizen she's about to give birth to.

She makes us remember that those frail-looking waifs coming off the boat were nothing to take lightly, and that four of every 10 Americans today are direct descendants of people like Haskell and Leah, the tired and poor seeking a new life in this strange land.

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ment surrounding the Detroit Institute of Arts presentation of a coveted exhibit by Rembrandt to close out the 1900s, along with the much anticipated Van Gogh: Face to Face, in March 2000, is easy to understand.

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Many of as become awestruck at the prospect of being exposed to treasures that have been revered for centuries. Viewing the works of artists we learned about class has an appeal that is undeniable.

The Rembrandt and Van Gogh collections may be great attractions that raise the profile of the esteemed institution, but it is the dedication shown to a restoration project of a local artist that provides a true measure of the DIA's heart. Miles and miles and miles of heart.

As impressive as it is to feature works from the finest collections around the globe, I consider it downright noble to exhibit the mode of transportation that also served as the neighborhood art of James "Slim" Thompson:

Until his death several years ago. Slim was a mainstay of Detroit's Cass Corridor, where he treated neighborhood residents and visitors to daily exhibitions of his body of work. It consisted solely of the ongoing artistic modifications of his bicycle, which became a traveling art show.

This fall, the DIA presented an as kids in an art appreciation unheralded installation that paid homage to his mobile art by displaying the bike that has been restored with the care worthy of a great master. His bike may never have the lure or value of a Rembrandt or Van Gogh, but the story behind Slim's art leaves a lasting impression on those who

take the time to hear it.

Detroit Public TV peddles down Woodward to share the DIA's tribute with viewers in a BACK-STAGE PASS edition airing 5:30 p.m. Thursday and midnight on Friday

While Slim's legion of admirers was concentrated in the Cass Corridor, the glass works of Jim Kahle have been appreciated in public and private collections in Furnne, the Far Fast, and throughout North America. Jimprobably worries about airline Turbulence the way Slim worried about a flat tire. Sometimes, preservation of the arts is very

"We've learned to be very good." packers," he says with a laugh benefit Detroit Public TV. For when describing the method of tickets and information, call (313) international air transport of his prized glass works.

When traveling by land, Kahle's wheels remind me a bit of Slim's approacha

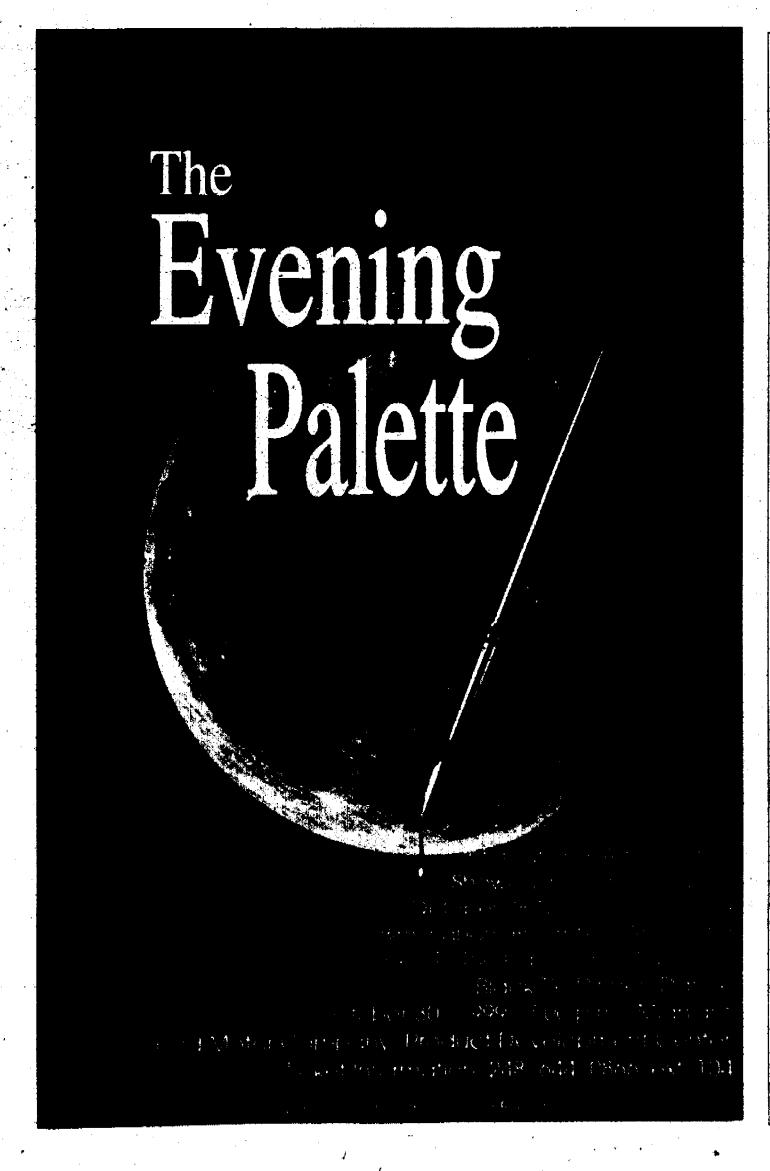
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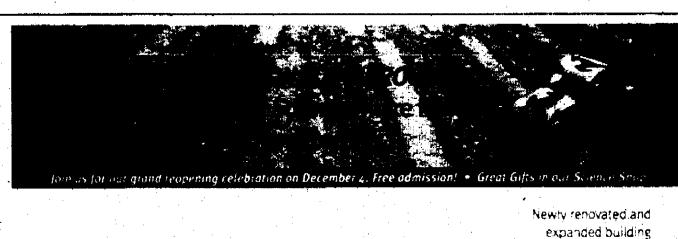
There's no mistaking us when we hit town because we've added plenty of artistic touches."

Kahle's appreciation for glass art goes all the way back to his days as an altar boy in Ohio. when the chalice used during the Mass was made of glass, not the usual precious metal. Years later. a trip to Colonial Williamsburg exposed him to more exceptional pieces, which eventually prompted him to take a class at the Toledo Museum of Art. Glass art --became his full-time occupation

Kahle's works will come to Detroit for an exhibition at Pangborn Design Gallery, with a grand opening event Nov. 10 to

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Wait Until Dark." opens 8 p.m. Friday. Out.-29 at the playhouse, 1165 Trenken Road, Rochester Hills, Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Show dates Oct. 30-31; Nov. 5-7, and Nov. 11-13. Tickets \$13. (248) 608-

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Close Ties" by Elizageth Diggs opens 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Nov. 11 and 18 (\$10), and 8 p.m. MDays-baturoays, Nov. 5-0, 12-13 and 19:20 (\$12), at the Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston, 248-625-8811

FIRST THEATRE GUILD

"Brigadoon," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 30-31, and Sunday Nov. 7; and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Knox Auditorium, 1669 W. Maple Road, Bilmingham. Tickets \$8 adults, \$5 students and seniors. (248) 644-2087, Ext. 151. Seniors admitted free 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.

JACK-IN-THE-BOX PRODUCTIONS

"Lunatics, Lovers and Poets," an evening of scenes and monologues from plays by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, at University of Michigan-Dearborn's School of Management Auditorium B. Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Ave; and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13, at the Livonia Civic Center. Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, east of a Farmington, \$10, \$7 seniors/students, \$6 high school students, (734) 797-

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

"Jest a Second," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sundays; Nov. 14 and 21, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long take, between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays. includes sandwich and afterglow. (248) 988-7049

ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

"Three Murders and It's Only Monday." by Pat Cook, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Nov. 12-13, and Nov. 19-20; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14. Upstage Theatre. Tickets \$10, reserved. (313) 537-7716 ST. DUNSTAN'S THEATRE QUILD OF

CRANBROOK "The Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy

Wasaerstein 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Oct. 29-30; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; 8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Nov. 4-6 at St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Crambrook. 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Laheer roads, Bloomheld Hills. Shuttle service available from Christ Church parking lot across from the theater. Adulta \$12, seniors and students, \$10. (248) 644-0527.

THEATTE BLAD

to searching for directors, chorouges phore, assisted directors, and all others interested in assessed coinside theater. Gall (323) 531-0554 for information, or deliver recurring and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15126 Bleech Caly, across from the Township Half in

TRIMITY HOUSE THEATRE

"To Perglue, Civirie." a comody by Jack Meary, 8 p.m. Fridays-Butordays, Nov. 5-6. 12-15, 19-20 and 30:27, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 7, 14, 21 and 26, at the theater 20040 W. On Alle, petween Maggiriy and 1-278, Dienie, 210 Pricey Securitaria 46 Similaria: (734) 464-6302

MITTH VILLAGE PLAYERS "Class Time" by Ellewholh Ciggs opens & p.m. Friday, Nov. 5 at the Depot Thousay, 400) White Lake Road sion. Performance dates Nov. 56. 1512 mg 18-20, 246-425-8611

DINNER TELETER.

Page 7 pm and 20 pm. Securdays. and 2 h.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays (\$25.



Cut loose: Broadway's newest musical "Footloose" is featured at the Fisher Theatre now through Sunday, Nov. 14. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices are \$25-\$57.50. Call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 871-1132 for groups of 20 or more. For more information, call (313) 872-1000.

Thursdays and Sundays, and \$30 Fridays-Saturdays), and "Tony n' Tina's Wedding," at 40 W. Pike, Pontiac (248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666

DAVE & BUSTER'S

"A Gift of Murder" continues Saturdays through Nov. 20, at the restaurant, M-59 and M-53, Utica. \$32.95. (810) 930-

FAMILY DINNER THEATER

With the Magic Carpet Theatre, an evening of interactive presentations of favorite children's stories and poetry where you can become part of the action, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 (doors open 6:15 p.m.), bring your own picnic dinner and blanket, at the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen Road. \$5, family at door. (248) 948-0480

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

DETROIT PUPPET THEATER

"Kolobok," a Russian version of the well known Gingerbread Man story, 11:a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Oct. 30-31, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River. Detroit, \$7, \$5 children, (313) 961-

GENITTI'S

"The Mystery in Fable's Forest, Saturday, Oct. 30, at the restaurant. 108 E. Main, Northville, \$11.65, \$9.65 children includes luncheon. (248) 349-

MARQUIS THEATRE

Halloween Soup comical melodrama, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29: 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St., downtown Northville. Tickets \$6, no children under age 3.

(248) 349-8110. LUNCH WITH THE GREAT PUMPKIN

At the Southfield Civic Center Payilion, 26000 Evergreen Road, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. For Southfield residents, fourth grade and younger, and non-residents with children attending Southfield Schools. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Games, treats, Spooky Monster Magic Show, funch served 11 a.m. The cost is \$8 children, \$4 accompanying adults; \$10 for each non-resident child, and \$6 for accompanying non-resident adult. Register in person at the Southfield Parks and Recreation office by Qct. 27. YOUTHEATRE

"Les Miserables." for children ages seven and up by Theatreworks U.S.A., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at Music Hall, Detroit. \$9, \$8 edvance, \$8 preshow playshops 9 a.m. Saturdays before the 11 a.m. show. (313) 963-2366

SPECIAL EVENTS

COLOR THEORY EXHIBIT.

An exhibit featuring the color theories of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, best known in the English-speaking world as the author of "Faust," opens Monday, Oct. 18 at Wonderland Malt, 29859 Plymouth Road at Middlebalt, Livonia. (734) 522-4100/734) 996-8600 CREATIVE EXPO

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, 2 p.m. seminer How to Secome a Successful Screenwriter, at the Novi Expo Center: Novi Road and 198, \$10.

(248) 544-0673 DETROIT PUPPET THEATER Marie Mikhayarik singing Ryssian Remerce Songs, 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29 and New. 19, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-7777 S.S. EDWIND PITZGERALD

12 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Mariners' Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313)

SERVICE

BENEFITS

BATS BEIGHT WEEKING

\$5 percent of purchase at Bertiers Southe, Minute; Video and Cale will go to note buts in Michigan through the Organization for But Conservation, Saturday Sunday, Oct. 30-31. a music fest, will run 2:30 p.m.-6 p.m. Seturday, t 46-7 B.M. Selection 5-3 pm. Autor, at \$123 Rochester Roof, Rochester Hills. (246) 652-0558

CELEBRITY SOMMELIER DINNER

An evening of extravagant food and wine to benefit the Ann Arbor Art Center's Art for Kids Scholarship Program, 6 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 2, at The Earle restaurant, 121 W. Washington, Ann Arbor, \$43, (734), 994 8004, ext. 101

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"The Women," by Clare Boothe Luce, benefit performance for the breast car per program at Henry Ford Hoolth. System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center. 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5 at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mite Rod, Farmington Hills, Tickets \$50, includes admission to play and afterglow reception and \$100, includes priority seating. admission to afterglow reception, recognition in program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259. Farmington Players continues its season with "The Women," weekends through Nov. 27, Call (248) 553-2955 for ticket information.

FESTIVAL DE LAS AMERICAS

6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, dinner at 7 p.m. with music by Salvador Torres and his Mariachi, also Samuel Del Real and his International Orchestra and Dimension Latina from Detroit, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia, \$75. \$70 advance. (248) 960-0308/(734) 416-1199/(734) 453-9428

FINE ARTS AUCTION Conducted by Park West Gallery of

Southfield to benefit the Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Botsford Inn Coach House, Farmington Hills. \$15. (248) 557-4522

GUARDIAN ANGELS BENEFIT

7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, swing night with the Johnny Trudell 17 piece Big Band, six-course Italian gourmet dinner, at Andiamo Italia, Warren, \$50, (248) 588. 1222

HOMELESS ACTION NETWORK WALK

Registration for Walk Against Homelessness begins 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, seven-mile dalk at 1 p.m., in front of the New Center Ope Building. W. Grand Blyd. and Sectors, Detroit. (313) 831-377 SOUPCITY

30 area restaurants prepare signature Soups and other finger foods for an allyou can eat event, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, music by Mud Puppy, at the State Theater, Detroit, \$15 advance, \$20 at door, to benefit the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS), (248) 645-

FAMILY EVENTS

BEANIE BABY SHOW

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the

Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. \$5, \$2 ages 4-12. (734) 455-2110

HALLOWEEN

ALL-NATURAL TRICK OR TREATING Noon to 4 p.m. Seturday, Oct. 30, at Whole Foods Market, Maple and Coolinge, Tray. (248) 649-9600 900 BASH

An evening of safe Trick-or-Treating, games and prizes, with from Detroit Vicers, 6-8 p.m. Fridey, Oct. 29, at Target, Meggerty and 14 Mile. Commerce Two, Children ages 12 and under. Weer your costume. (248) 950-7900

COSTUME PARADE

3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Star Southfield, 25333 W. 12 Mile, between Telegraph and Northwestern. (248) 368-1802

HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN RUN A 5K Run/Walk for adults and older

kide begins at \$;30 s.m. Seturday, Obt 30; a one-mile run for younger kids. starts at 9:45 a.m., prizes for best dostumes, at Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Bloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor. \$15, \$5 child, \$30 family, proceeds benefit the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. (734) 996-5439

HAVRIDES/STORYTELLING

-7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Securdays in r, at Phythouth Unchards and Cider Mill. \$12, \$7 ages 4-12, and \$3 under age 3. (734) 451.1128

MADAME VIVIAN

Peers into the souls of Star Theatre patrons 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Island Jimmy's inside the theater at Great Lakes Crossing, 4399 Baldwin Road. (248) 368-1802

PUMPKIN HOLLOW HAUNTED FOREST

Ride through Haunted Forest, Fridays-Saturdays (nights), Oct. 29-30, also pumpkin u-pick, anima) petting farm and entertainment showcase, at Bunyea Farms, 7300 E. Joy Road, west of Curtis Road, Ann Arbor, \$6, \$4 under age 10. Friendly Haunting Days Rides for very young children and families, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 24 (\$1.50 per person). (734) 332-1971

REAPER'S DUNGEON

* Haunted house, through Oct. 31, 7:30 .p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and until 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Wai-Mart Parking Lot, Middlebelt and I-96, Livonia, \$7, \$4 under age 12. (734) 524-0514

SCARAB HALLOWEEN COSTUME

Friday, Oct. 29, music and pet luck dinner, at the club 217 Farnsworth, behind the Detroit Institute of Arts, \$10 for members with a dish, \$15 Without, \$15 nonmembers with a dish, \$20 without. (313) 831-1250

CLASSICAL .

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA

3 p.m. Seturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Half, 3711 Woodward, Detroit, \$4, \$30 for box of six seats. (313) 576-5111 DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Pianist Andre Watts performs Edward MacDowell's Piano Concerto No. 2. 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; guest conductor Carl St. Clair with soprano Camellia Johnson 8 p.m. Thursday Friday, Nov. 4-5 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$14-\$50. (313) 576-5111

POPS/SWING

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY

"Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays-Saturdays through November, at Andiamo Italia West, 6676 Telegraph Road at Maple, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

AUDITIONS

MEN'S BARBERSHOP CHORUS

Looking for singers, auditions not required but ability to sing on key is understood. (313) 278-1078

RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Open auditions for children ages 8-14 for a walk-on role 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Fox Theatre. Must make reservation by noon Friday, Nov. 5 (313) 471-3288. For performances during the spectacular Nov. 26-Dec. 30. THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA

REDFORD

is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theater. Call (313) 531-0554 for Information, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, across from the Township Half in Redford.

YOUTH COMPETITION

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December at Evols Music of Canton, in addition to orchestral instruments, plano contastents are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in February of 2000. (734) 451-2112

CHORAL MARINERS' CHURCH CHOIR

Faure's "Requiem" 11 a.m. Sündey, Oct. 31, at the church, 170 E. Jefferson, _Detroit. (313) 259-2206

JAZZ

JOHNINY BASSETT & THE BLUES INSURGENTS

8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover.

(248) 645-2150 DUKE ELLINGTON TRIBUTE

A Latin jazz tribute to the Duke with guitarist Kenny Burrell, also conga player and bandleader Ray Barretto and his ensemble New World Spirit, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$15-\$50.

(313) 576-5111 AL HILL & THE JAZZ BUTLERS

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Arbor Brewing Company, 116 E. Washington, Ann. Arbor, (734) 213-1393; and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Michael's On the River, 28828 Telegraph, Flat Rock.

GEM JAZZ TRIO Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

(734) 782-1401

MATT MICHAELS TRIO With vocalist Harvey Thompson 8 p.m. Wednesday, Noy, 3, with vocalist Barbara Ware, Wednesday, Nov. 10, st Roh's Fireside Inn. 28937 Warren, east of Middlebalt Road, Garden City. \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756

MARK MOULTRUP 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham, No cover.

(248) 645-2150 **GARY SCHUNK** 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Edison's

220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150 JANET TENAJ TRIO Featuring Sven Anderson, plane and

Kurt Krahnke, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern-Hwy, Southfield. (248) 351-2925 URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY

BUDSON With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

(248) 594-7300 ED WELLS The planist performs 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit.

Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward

Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older.

WORLD MUSIC

JERRY LEDUFF

(313) 963-9800

A percussion concert by lieDuff and the New Reflections Art Ensemble featuring world percussion instruments that originated in the Orient, Americas, Africa, India and every other continent, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Cranbrook's deSalle Auditorium, 1221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. \$8. (248) 645-3361

FOLK/BLUEGRASS DAN HAZLETT

1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, also blues legend Robert Jones and multi⊣instrumentalist Betsy Beckerman, at The Ark. 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, Performance caps off series of workshop residencies in Ann Arbor schools. All ages welcome. \$10, \$5 student K-12, (734) 761-1800/(248) 674 4610

ACOUSTIC

BRIAN HENKE 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Borders, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110

POETRY/ SPOKEN

WORD POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN

Workshop for poets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road, (734) 762-7568-

DANCE

BALLROOM DANCING

9 p.m. Saturdays, at the Dance Scene, 25333 Vari Dyke, Centerline, \$6. Also swing and Latin classes, (810) 757-

COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE 7:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at 41700 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, \$7, (734)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at the Chapel Hitl Condominium Clubhouse. 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, \$5, (734) 882-8158

POLISH ALLIANCE DANCERS OF DEARBORN Dence and language classes for ages 3 to adult have begun Seturday mornings at Prince of Peace Church, on Atter

Road, Dearborn, (313) 581-3181 STARDUST BALLROOM Dence parties 8 p.m. Fridays, lessons also available; at the space studio: 28651 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield.

\$8. (248) 356-5678

SWING MIGHTS Dence Metropolis presents Prictiv Nigit Swing Nights when you can jump and itve beginning at 9:30 p.m., leasons & 9:30 p.m., instructors notate weekly and include form Constant and Ian & Ctaire, all ages welcome until 10:30. p.m. when the club is 21 and over only. at the Center Stage on Ford Road, east

of I-275, Canton. (313) 584-

3522/(734) 464-8447

COMEDY

FLDORADG COUNTRY CLUB

Ken Brown with Jill Washburn, Thursday Friday, Oct. 28-29: Mark Still Friday Saturday, Nov. 5-6at the blub, on Pontiac Trait, west of Haggerty. (248)

624-1050 JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Kirk Noland through Saturday, Oct. 30, also Jim Hamm and Tiffany Jones; Basile, Wednesday Saturday, Nov. 3-6. also J.R. Remtck, special Greek show 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6; 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 (\$5). (734) 261 0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road,

Dearborn. (313) 584-8885 MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Darwin Hines, Thursday Saturday, Oct. 28-30, also Jan McInnis; Dave Coulier, Wednesday-Sunday, Nov. 3.7, also David Luther Glover, at the club, 269 E. Fourth StarRoyal 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 Atternative Mondays production through Nov. 22 (\$8), "Phantom Menace to Society* Wednesday Sunday, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8: (313) 965 2222

MUSEUMS

AND TOURS ANN ARBOR DISTRICT LIBRARY

"Jazz Age in Paris: 1914-1940," opened Oct. 15, organized by the Smithsonian institution, reception with jazz guitarist Alex Anest 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, lecture by University of Michigan School of Music professor James Dapogny 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, at the library 343 5. Fifth Ave., Ann Arbor

(734) 327-4200 ANN ÁRBÓR HANDS-ÓN MUSEUM

Re-opened its door Oct. 19, the celebra tion continues with Super Science Weekends, Oct. 30-31 with "Creature Feature* featuring the Lizard Lady, Pig. Hoppers, and spidem snakes and bats. and "Mix It Up," a weekend devoted to chemistry demos and activities, in addtion to more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fur at the museum, 220 E. Ann St.; Ann Arbor, Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m.

Sunday, \$6, \$4 children/seniors/ stu

Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through

Oct. 31, at the zoo on Central Avenue

dents. (734) 995-5439

BELLE ISLE ZOO

on Beile fale, two miles east of down town 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 INSTITUTE OF

SCIENCE AND ART MUSEUM *Contemporary Art from Cuba: Irony and

Survival on the Utopian Island," at the art museum. (248) 645-3361; "Scream: Machines: The Science of Roller Coasters," "Our Dynamic Earth," and planetarium and Lasera programs at the science center which closed temporards Sept. 7, opens Oct. 15 with new permanentrexhibits' "Life Lab," "The Kisetic," *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 Hitls. (877) 462

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

"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 Reinforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun" at 1 D.स. 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 sourts ages 60 and older free for children ages 2 and younger.

577-4400 DETROIT 200 The exhibit, "inside/Outside: The Art. of-Caring" continues through Jan. 2; in the Wildlife interpretive Gallery at the 200.

8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak, \$7.50

MAX films are additional \$4. (313)

\$5.50 seniors/students: \$4.50 ages 2 ,12, (248) 386-0903 DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or 'Racing on the Wind: Salling on the Great Lakes." Also

and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fix agerald, 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) 852-4051

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days a week

Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279

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HENRY FORD ESTATE-FAIR LANE Estate tours include the restored river-

side powerhouse, Henry Ford's personal garage and cars, giant generators placed by Ford and Thomas Edison that still operate, and the tunnel to the 56room mansion with elaborate carved woodwork and personal artifacts, at 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn: (313). 593 5590

HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE

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

MEADOW BROOK HALL

Public tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson. widow of auto pioneer John Dodge, and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson. daily at 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. Sundays, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester, \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN **HISTORY**

Ancestors'-Night 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, "I Made This Jar..." the life and works of the enslaved African American potter, Dave continues through Jan. 2. at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

"Celebrate the Century" exhibit continues at the museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth, \$2, \$.50 kids, \$5 family. (734) 455-8940

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

THE PARADE STUDIO

Tours weekdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., also Saturday, Nov. 6, at the studio, Detroit \$10, \$7 student (313) 341-6810

POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Ford Road Bar and Griff, 35505 Ford Road, Westland Free 21 and over, (734: 721-8609) GREG ALLMAN

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$28.50,

\$24.50. All ages | 248| 645-6666 LORI AMEY

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Borders Books and Music, 3724 Baldwin Road Auburn Hills, Free. All ages. (248) 335-5013

(folk/pop/rock)

AQUABATS

With The Hippos, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress Detroit, All ages, Tickets \$10, (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

THE BACK DOORS

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$10 in advance, (248) 544 3030 **BACKSTREET BOYS**

7.30 p.m. Saturday—Monday, Nov. 6---8. The Palace, Auburn Hills, Sold Out! Quiet room available, If you missed out on tickets, see them perform the national anthem before the Detroit 🔔 Pistons season opener, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5. The Palace of Auburn Hills.

BAMBU

1248) 645 6666

9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct...29; Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 996-8555

BARENAKED LADIES

reserved. (248) 645-6666

7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, Tickets \$50 and \$35

BIG 80'S FLASHBACK BASH Featuring Forge, SPAT! Twitch, Greebo-2000, Red September, Desmond Crisis, N2 Submission, The Immortal Winos of Soul, and guest appearances by Agent OO9, Bob the singing bass player and Ken & Derrick Bandit, 9 p.m. Saturday. Oct: 30, Lift's 21, 2930 Jacob in Hamtramck, (313) 875-6555 (80s cov-

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10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac , (248) 645-6666 (ABBA covers) ...

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7 p.m. Friday Saturday Oct. 29-30, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue. Bloomfield Hills Free All ages (248) 644-480Q (blues)

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8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Majestic Theatre Majesho Theatre Center, Detroit, \$15 - 18 and over (313) 833.9700

BLUE ROSE 9 p.m. Friday, New 5, Ford Pond Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland-Free 21 and over 734, 721,8609

(blues)

MAIRE BRENNAN 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Magic Bag 22920 Woodward Avenue: Ferndale Tickets \$20, 18 and over (248) 645

6686 or www.ticketmaster.com ... THE BOMBORAS

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9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 (costume party), Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. (248) 360-7450, www.bugsbeddow.com (zéuldi

BUJU BANTON AND BERES HAMMOND

9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Majestic. Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$25 advance. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

BUZZCOCKS

With Down By Law, Lunachicks and Plana Project, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$15, All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

CAFE DE TACUBA

6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10 advance/ \$12 day of show. (313) 961:MELT or www.961melt.com

CHAIN REACTION 10 p.m. Sat. Oct. 30, Scalisi's Lounge, Allen Park, \$3 cover. 21 and over. (313) .382-5844; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Michnos Cafe, 25524 Five Mile Road, Redford (313) 532-9212: 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, The Berkley Front, 3087 W. Twelve Mile Road, Berkley

(248) 547 3331. (rock) CHRIS CORNELL 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19. State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$24,75. All

ages. (313): 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

COUNTING CROWS With Joe 90, Gigolo Aunts, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$27, All ages. (248)

645-6666 **COWBOY MOUTH**

9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$13. (313) 961-MELT or

www.961melt.com CROSBY, STILLS, NASH AND YOUNG

8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills, Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40.50 reserved. Eight ticket fimit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100 SHANNON CURFMAN

7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street: Pontiac, Tickets \$8. (248) 645-6666 or

www.ticketmaster.com (blues) CYCLEFLY With The Watchmen, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress,

Detroit, Tickets \$6, All Ages, (313)

961-MELT or www.961melt.com DADDY LONGLEGS 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street,

Rochester (248) 650-5080 DANZIG

With Samhain, Hatebreed, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, State Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticket-

master.com DAYS OF THE NEW

8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$12. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DEAD MOON

With Rocket 455 and Bantam Rooster. 9 p.m. Thursday, November 4, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance 18 and over. (313) 833-

9700 (garage punk)

DEATH IN VEGAS With DJs Paul Heart and Richard Fearless, 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT

or www.961meh.com **DEMOLITION DOLL RODS CD**

RELEASE PARTY With Bantam Rooster and Gore Gore Girls, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue,

Ferndale, \$8 cover (248) 544 3030 DEZINE INTENT

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29; Timothy O'Malley's Pub. Allen Road between Southfield and Ecorse roads in Alleh Park. (313) 382-0121. THE DICTATORS

With Bump N-Uglies and Clone Defects. 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit, \$12. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

DISCOUNT

With Sarge and Telegraph, 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, Tickets \$7. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

THE DOPES 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, Rochester

Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street. Rochester. (248) 650-5080 **EASY ACTION**

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29. Magic Stick. Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit \$7 cover, 18 and older, (313) 833-9700

EKOOSTIC HOOKAH 8 p.m, Friday, Oct. 29, Michigan Theater: 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$16.50 in advance, \$18 day of show

(734) 668 8397 FACE

9,30 p.m. Thursday, Oct./28, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd Plymouth (734) 455-8450

BRIAN FERRY

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10. Detroit Opera House: Detroit AH ages, Tickets \$45 \$35 (313) 961 MELT or www.961mett.com

FILTER 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12 Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron Pontiac, Tickets \$15 a(wance/\$17 day of show, (313) 961 MELT on www 961 meit com

ROBBEN FORD & THE BLUE LINE With Soutive, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. Jin House, T.N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac \$15 tickets (248) 335 3540

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2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester, Free, All ages, (248) 652-0558

GALACTIC

With Anders Osborne, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$13 advance/\$15 day of show (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com GET UP KIDS

With At The Drive-In and Ultimate Fakebook, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 advance, All ages, (313) 833-9700

With Radium, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Liti's 21, 2930 Jacob, three blocks south of Holorook in Hamtramck, \$5 cover. 21 and over. (313) 875-6555; With Sector 7G, Vudu Hippies, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale (248) 544-3030.

MICHAEL GLABICK!

of Rusted Root. With Mike Errico, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac, Tickets \$15. (248) 355-3540

GODSMACK

6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$18,50, All ages (248) 645-6666

HALLOWEEN MYSTERY DATE Featuring Trash Brats, Queen Bee, The Lanternjack, Driftweed, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. All men who dress as women and women who dress as men will get in free and qualify for the King and Queen contest. Winners receive a year's free pass to all Ritual events at St. Andrews, The Shelter, Clutch Cargo, Mill Street Lounge and the 7th House. Tickets on sale \$7. (313) 961-MELT or.

www.961melt.com HARRINGTON BROTHERS 7 p.m. Tuesday Nov 2. Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue. Bloomfield Hills, Free, All ages, (248)

644-4800 (blues) ROBYN HITCHCOCK 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Magic Bag

22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$15 cover. (248) 544-3030 HOUSE OF BLUES LONE STAR Featuring The Fabulous Thunderbirds,

Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown & Gate's Express, C.J. Chenier & The Red Hots, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Masonic Temple Theatre, Detroit, Tickets on sale \$37.50 and \$29.50. (248) 645-6666 or

www.ticketmaster.com (blues) INSANE CLOWN POSSE'S HOLLOWICKED CLOWN PARTY

typ.Twiztid, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29. Majestic Theatre, Majestic Theatre Senter, Detroit, \$17. All ages. (313) 833-9700 GEIL'S BAND

8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, The Palace of Auburn Hills, Tickets \$150, \$75, \$59.50, \$29.50 includes parking cost

(248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com RICKY LEE JONES 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Ark, Ann

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Arbor, Tickets \$30 on sale, (248) 645-JUNIOR BROWN 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Magic Bag.

22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale Tickets \$30 on sale now. (248) 544 3030 K-CI AND JO JO With Destiny's Child, 8 p.m. Thursday.

Oct. 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre.

Royal Oak, Tickets \$35, 18 and over (248) 645 6666 KIDS IN THE HALL 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$35, \$27.50

(248) 645-6666

BB KING With Bobby "Blue" Bland, 7 p.m. and 10p.m., Sunday, Dec. 12, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak Tickets on sale \$55 (248) 645-6666 or www.ticket master.com

MICHAEL KRIEGER

6:30 p.m. Sundays in October, Angel 5 Garage Cafe, 214 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 541-0888 (folk

BOBBY LEWIS AND HIS CRACKERJACK BAND

After the Winter Wonderland Honday Parade, 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20. Wonderland Mail, Livonia (734) 466 2212 (classic pop)

LIVE 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10 State Theatre, Detroit, All ages, Sold Out.

LIVE LYRICS II With Funktelligence, Prime Numbers MC Sun, MC Paradime, MC Terepath Math and more, 9:30 p.m. Saturday,

Oct. 30, Blind Pig. 208 S. First Street

Ann Arbor. \$6 cover. (734) 996-8555 THE LUDDITES

9:30 p.m. Saturday: Oct. 30. Fishbones/-East, 23722 Jefferson Ave. St. Clair Shores, No cover (810) 498 -3000 LUNA

9 p.m. Friday Nov 5 Magic Stick Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit \$12 in advance 18 and over (313) 996-9700 MACY GRAY 8 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 28. St. Andrews.

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\$12.50, All Ages (313) 961 MFLT or www.961mett.com MARCY PLAYGROUND

8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, The Shelter, 431 ; E Congress Detroit All ages Tirkets \$10 (313) 961 MELT or www.961mett.com

KY MANI MARLEY 9 p.m. Sunday Nov. 7, Magic Stick

Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit \$10 advance, 18 and over (313) 833 9700 RICKY MARTIN

With Jessica Sigipson. The New 1 White

SARAH MASEN

8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24; Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, .. Livonia, Tickets \$10; \$8 for members. (734) 464-6302 (singer-songwriter)

J. MASCIS of Dinosaur Jr., 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale: Fickets \$15. (248) 544-3030

JIM MCCARTY & MYSTERY TRAIN 7 p.m. Friday Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bioomfield Hills, Free All ages, (248) 644-4800 (blues) **NEIL MCCOY**

With Ricochet, Friday, Nov. 5, Compuware Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road, Plymouth, Tickets \$30, (734) 453-6400 (country)

MEDESKI, MARTIN AND WOOD With Project Logic, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Nov 2, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$20 reserved seats (734) 668-8397 MEGADEATH

6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets on sale \$24.50 general admission, All ages. (248) 645-6666 (thrash metal) BETTE MIDLER

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, The Palace of

Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$49.50, \$80,50, \$150,50 at Ticketmaster, Call (248) 645-6566 pr

MR. BUNGLE

www.ticketmaster.com TS MONK SEXTET 7:30 p.m., 11 p.m. Wednesday Thursday, Nov. 17-18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$20 advance. (734) 662-8310

9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Clutch Cargo. 65 E. Huron, Pontiac, \$15 advance, \$18 week of show. All ages, (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DAVID MURRAY'S FO DEUK REVUE 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28. Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit, \$20 in advance, 18 and over, /313; 833-9700 MUDPUPPY

World's Biggest Soup Kitchen Fundraiser, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28. State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$15advance, \$20 at door. . 248: 645 6666 OCTOBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

With Eugene Mann, Sheila Landis Trio George and Me, daniels crossing, Robert Gerics, Barbara Berrett, 3.5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road. Rochester, Free Att ages (248) 652 0558

7.30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$28.50. \$49.50. All ages. (313) 961 MELT or

MEATLOAF

www.961melt.com **MUSTARD PLUG** With Strike, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6. St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress. Detroit, Tickets \$8.50 advance / \$10

day of show. All ages. (313) 961 MELT

or.www.961meit.com MIKE NESS With Road King, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26.

Clutch Cargo, Pontiac, Tickets \$17.50 advance. (248) 645-6666 ORIGINAL HITS 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, Fox and Hounds. 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield

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Thursday, Nov. 18, Clutch Cargo. 64 E. Huron, Pontiac Ali ages Tickets \$12,50. (313) 961 MELT or www.961mett.com **BRENDAN PERRY**

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9, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress. Detroit All ages, Tickets \$1-6...... advance/\$21 day of show. .313 961-

MELT or www.961mett.com PET SHOP BOYS 6:30 p.m. Monday Nov 8 State Theatre, Detroit Ar ages, Tickets on sale \$35 general admission - 248: 645

6666 or www.frcketmaster.com. PHISH 17:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, The Palace. of Auburn Hills, Tickets on sale \$25. advance; \$27 day of show. Fight ticket Fmit per person 248: 645-6666 or

www.ticketmaster.com PHUNKIN PUMPKIN HALLOWEEN With Electric Boogalon and Baked Potato, 9,30 plm, Thursday, Oct. 30.

Kard's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd Plymouth (734): 455-8450 ROD PIAZZA AND THE MIGHTY FLYERS

8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7. Magric Bag. 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale \$15 (248) 544 3030 FLETCHER PRATT

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RADIUM 10 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 to the Woodward Avenue Brewery, 22646 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale, Free, 21 and over. (248) 546-3696

RHYTHM HOUSE Saturday, Oct. 30, Murphy's Off the Beach, 25950 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights. (313) 563-3500 (r&b)

SAVE FERRIS 7:30-p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac. Tickets. \$8.50 advance/\$10 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Nov. 4, Fox

and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue. Bioomfield Hills, Free All ages. (248) 544-4800 (blues duo)

JOHN SCOFIELD BAND

SAX APPEAL

With Charlie Hunter, Adam Cruz Duo., 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Majestic Theatre, Detroit, Tickets on sale \$22 (248) 645-6668 or www.ticketmaster.com THE SEVENTY SEVENS

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, Livonra, Tickets \$15, \$12 for members, (734) 464-6302 (alternarock)

SGT. ROCK 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29-30. Nov. 19-20. Mr. B's Farm. 24555 Novi Road, Novi. No cover. 21 and over (248) 349-7038

KENNY WAYNE SHEPARD 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontrac, Tickets \$22 advance, (313) 961-MELT or

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SPAT! With Stuhning Amazon and Time No. Reason, Saturday, Nov. 6, The Village Idiot, 15421 Mack, Detroit, : 313; 884 1111: Sunday, Nov. 14, Cadleux Cafe. 4300 Cadieux, Detroit, (313) 882-8560

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'Three To Tango' takes a '90s look at love triangle

BY CARRIE COOPER SPECIAL WRITER

As the saying goes, "two's company, three's a crowd." Anyone who has ever been involved in a love triangle knows that saying all too well. But that's only the half of it. Now imagine the person you're in love with mistakenly thinks you're gay.

That's the case in "Three To Tango," directed by Damon Santostefano (Nickelodeon's "The Adventures of Pete and Pete"). and produced by Bobby Newmyer and Jeffrey Silver ("The Santa Clause"), and Bettina Sofia Viviano (Schindler's List").

The film takes a look at what it's like to fall in love with someone you can't have.

This complex romantic comedy stars Matthew Perry ("Friends"). Neve Campbell ("Party of Five"). Dylan McDermott ("The Practice") and Oliver Platt ("Lake Placid"). The story goes like this:

Oscar Novak (Perry) is a young architect who finds himself, along with his business partner Peter Steinberg (Platt), in a competition for the design of a multi-million dollar cultural center. Chicago tycoon Charles Newman (McDermott) has pushed them into the competition with their archrivals, Decker and Strauss. In order to gain an edge, Decker and Strauss start a rumor that Oscar and Peter are more than business partners. In actuality Peter is gay, common and that Amy may be

Oscar is not.

Charles, enjoying his little publicity stunt, is obsessive and compulsive especially when it comes to his mistress Amy Post (Campbell). So Charles comes up with the idea of having someone look after Amy - someone who is dedicated, someone he has no need to be jealous of and someone who is gay. Someone like (he thinks) Oscar.

Knowing very well that if he turns Charles down he risks ruining his career, Oscar agrees to watch over Amy. What Oscar didn't count on was meeting the woman of his dreams - the beautiful, independent Amy. It seems like they have a great deal in

attracted to him as well.

Amy is very casual about her relationship with Charles and when he can't be with her she keeps herself busy with her career as an artist. When Oscar stumbles into her life, she finds herself falling for a man she thinks is gay and involved with a married man, placing her at the center of the love triangle.

Oscar eventually realizes the only reason Charles asked him to watch over Amy was because he is overly jealous and he thinks Oscar is gay. But it gets worse. Not only does Amy think he is gay, so do his friends, his family and almost all of Chicago.

Oscar admits to having intimacy issues with women in the past and thinks that by pretending to be gay he will be able to "really" get to know Amy. So Oscar goes with it. He becomes the most

famous gay man in Chicago. But when he is to be honored as

Chicago's Gay Professional of the year, it's the last straw. Now Oscar has to decide whether he should keep up the ruse to hold on to the job of a lifetime with Peter, or tell everyone the truth and risk ruining his career and his relationship with Amy.

Perry, best known for his role as Chandler Bing on NBC's "Friends," is no stranger to the silver screen. He recently starred in the comedy "Almost Heroes" and the romantic comedy "Fools Rush In "Being the veteran comic actor that he is, Perry was able to be funny yet very real and dramatic in the romance department. He has the ability to be intense, vulnerable and humorous all at the same time.

Campbell, known for her role as Julia Salinger on Fox's "Party of Five," could be called a "drama" queen." She has recently starred in "Wild Things," "Scream," and "Scream 2." For Campbell, comedy

was a nice change of pace. She, was able to give Amy a comedic side, as well as provide?

her with an "added intensity." McDermott, who is known for; his role as attorney Bobby Donnell in ABC's "The Practice," has just the right look for a powerful. industrialist. He is very handsome and incredibly smooth, which makes him convincing as a charming tycoon

Platt, known as one of the busiest actors in Hollywood, has recently starred in "Lake Placid," "Bulworth" and "Dr. Doolittle." With a resume full of diverse parts. Platteis able to be funny, intelligent and dramatic. He plays a very convincing gay man.

"Three To Tango" is an entertaining film with a unique concept of keeping the lead characters apart. Although slow at times and a little lacking on the comedic end, the film makes up for it with such an engaging ensemble cast.

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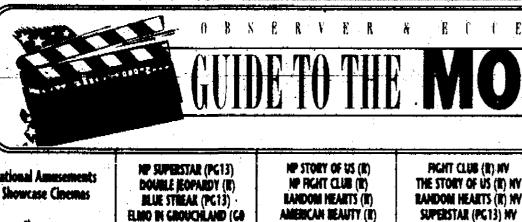
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Scheduled to open Friday, Nov. 12:

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Blinker the Star shines on Pontiac

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

scasola@oe.homecomm.net Blinker the Star, the brain child of Canadian-born Jordan Zadorozny, touches down with its spacy, melancholy, psychedeli-pop at Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron in downtown Pontiae, Friday, Oct. 29. The band is touring in support of its latest release "August Everywhere," which spawned the hit "Below the Sliding Doors." The Observer-Eccentric Newspapere gave Zadorozny a ring on Wednesday, Oct. 20, to chat about the song, the album and growing up in a highly musical family. He was visiting his mother in Pembroke, Ontario, at the time, taking a week off before heading back out on the road.

Observer & Eccentric: Have you played the Detroit area

before? Jordan Zadorozny: "We played there about a half a month ago at The Shelter and three and half years ago at the same place. I really like Detroit. It wasn't what I thought. The people are pretty interesting."

of the title "August Everywhere" and why is that your favorite time of year? Zadorozny: "I've always just

OAE: What's the significance

liked it. There's nothing too big or too deep behind it. The record wasn't planned to be called that: The last deadline to come up with a title came when I was in Saskatchewan, driving through an ice storm ... I talked it out loud to myself. There actually was a preoccupation with that time of year and what it does to me. It just sort of very simply and gracefully summed up the record."

O&E: How has coming from a musical family influenced your

own work? Zadorozny: "I'm encouraged to do music all the time. I've sort of taken something from both of (my parents). My dad has so much patience. He builds violins. I still have part of that in me if I can work 12 hours straight (in the studio). My mom's kind of the opposite. She's pure inspiration, very unschooled in theory but she understands it. She's

more of a pure musician." O&E: How did you hook up. with Mole and end up writing a song ("Reasons to Be Beautiful") with Courtney Love for the band's recent release.

Maur) from Hole; she and I were in a band called Tinker together. We've always remained very close ... I got a call from Melissa. She said, Do you want to come check www. 961melt com

out (to Los Angeles)? I flew out from Kansas City and stayed a month and a half. It was very interesting, to say the least, I stayed up at the house. They had a basement rec room. We watched Bowie videos all night. They were just kind of looking for someone to come in a direction they would not otherwise have gone in. I should've pushed a little harder. One song made

the record." O&E: What are your aspirations for Blinker the Star's

Zadorozny. "I'd like to sell a lot of records so I can maybe buy a house back in Pembroke, maybe buy this house, my mom's house. The most important thing is to make records I would want to listen to. I was driving through Toronto and I heard our song on the radio. I thought, 'If this wasn't me would I still be into this?"

I would. O&E: What can Blinker fams

expect to see live? Zadorozny: "We kind of amp it up a little bit. We sort of play a little more aggressively. The songs are represented pretty Zadorozny: "Melissa (Auf Der well, It's pretty true to the record, it also kind of takes on a spirit of its own.

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Motor City's Doll Rods set to demolish on Devil's Night



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

bow The Ramones shared the same last name even though they weren't really related?

Remember

Those tricky punk rockers.

Well, in at least one way, Detroit's own Demolition Doll Rods have followed in the footsteps of those punks who came before them.

Margaret, Danny and Christine Doll Rod aren't all bloodrelated, but their souls are purely rock 'n' roll. Calling from their tour bus in Pittsburgh, Pa., the Doll Rods were entering their sixth week of touring and looking forward to the CD release party set for Devil's Night in their hometown.

"We like playing there," Danny said of the Magic Bag in Ferndale, where the party will be held. "They have good sound andwe know the people."

Being a Doll Rod

Embarking on their seventh year together, the Demolition Doll Rods say these days they're sounding better and playing better than ever before. How do they sound? Danny and Margaret describe the Doll Rods as stripped-down, rockin', soulbending musicians. And the latest disc proves they're right on.

"We love the latest CD," said Margaret. "We're one of those bands that grow in front of you. We don't go off into a practice space. And the audience can grow with us."

The album is a mix of in-yourface vocals, crunchy guitar riffs and tracks that make you want to scream along. Doll Rods' friend Don Jones played saxophone on two tracks, "Feast" and "U. Look Good."

"U Look Good" happens to be Danny's favorite track. Christine - or Thumper as she's come to be known - said she really likes "Foolin' Around." And Margaret's favorite is easily "Hey You." Listen for those at the show.

Margaret (singer and guitarist) and her sister Christine (drummer) hail from Rockford,

while Danny (guitar) is a Detroit he's a fellow Detroiter. "It's native. The band signed with Matador Records (home to Pavement) last spring, proving itself a worthy competitor in the world of raunchy punk rock.

"They were interested in a band I used to be in a long time ago," said Danny of the label. "We were looking for a label and asked them if they were interested. They had already seen the band and really liked it." Some of the benefits of being part of the Matador family, he said, include better distribution and publicity.

Speaking of family, Margaret and Christine said they're getting along better than ever on tour. Well, at least Margaret thinks so: "We used to get pretty irritated by each other but now

Christine cuts in from the back of the bus, "Five days a week is a lot for me to tolerate."

"At first it was pretty tough," Margaret continued. Now, we think each other is funny." Sisters.

Don't ask the Doll Rods to name musical influences. Margaret admitted she doesn't even know who Eminem is, forget that

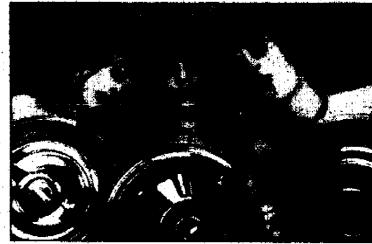
important to have our own sound," she said, adding that she's not really into any certain bands, "I'm really into myself, into ourselves. We can develop our own sound. I don't even know a lot of bands."

You can take a girl off the road, but...

"I love touring and I really appreciate this time to spend together," said Margaret. "I love going from town to town, picking out what things are different from one place to another We're going to Europe soon."

One thing's for sure, fans are guaranteed a show when the Doll Rods hit town. The threepiece threatens to make audiences wonder whether clothes are really a necessary component to performing on stage.

"We're not actually naked onstage, we don't wear a lot of clothes," said Margaret. "When we first started playing, we did wear full outfits. When you're onstage it's not really very practical. We wear costumes, it's more of a comfort thing, for us to be comfortable and for our audience



Ferndale: Detroit's own glampunk-rock threesome recently signed with Matador records.

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to be comfortable seeing us. We are who we are. We're giving you every bit of ourselves on stage."

After almost seven years, the band mates are more comfort; able performing. Margaret said she's finally able to move around when she plays and sings And Christine's developed a rather vocal fan base. Look for her to bewearing some of her own designs on-stage, as well.

"We're excited to come home and play a little Devil's Night party," said Margaret. "We don't really make plans. We're really into living for the moment. Hopefully, everyone will be suromsedi."

Join Demolition Doll Rods as they celebrate the release of their first album with Matador Records, Performing with Bantami Rooster and Gore Gore Girls, doors open at 9. p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$8 cover. Call (248) 544-3030 for more information.

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12 years later...Chain Reaction keeps on rollin' in Detroit

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA scasola@oe.homecomm.net

For more than a decade, Chain Reaction has been a mainstay on the Motor City music scene. Over the past 12 years, singer Eric Harabadian has seen bands and clubs come and go but has always stayed true to his work.

"I'd say we're an eclectic rock band. By that I mean we build on a lot of different styles - reggae, harder rock, some ballads."

The former Westland resident ton. and the band continue to rock their way around the town. Chain Reaction formed in 1987 and has been performing in local venues like Westland's Studio Lounge, Garden City's J.D.'s Puband Grub, Canton's Center Stage and Borders Books and Music in nineties. Watching the people Farmington Hills.

What keeps them rolling? It all comes down to a passion for the

"I just love music and I've been playing guitar for 20 years," said ences in his songs. Harabadian.

For most of those years he's been accompanied by Bob Drozdzewski, also a former Westland resident and Chain Reaction's guitarist. Harabadian said they've shared an interest in the same type of music. "It is kind of amazing we've kept a focus

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Despite personnel changes we've kept a focus."

Drozdzewski also handles a lot of the business aspects of the band, and organizes their Web. site. Some might refer to him as the band's technical advisor.

."Every band needs one of those," said Harabadian.

He also engineered most of Chain Reaction's recordings. with the exception of last year's "In the Dark," which was recorded at Talent Live Studio in Can-

Harabadian does most of the ongwriting in the band. Hegathers inspiration from day-today life. In "Daily Grind," he writes about his experience in a Royal Oak coffee house, which he considers the bars of the around him playing instruments, talking and writing, he put the scene together as a play and made it into a song. He said there are a lot of different influ-

Drummers and keyboardists have come and gone in the band. but Chain Reaction seems to be set with its current line-up. It includes energetic bassist Larry Fritzley - who's been in the band for 7 years - and percussionist Sam Bonanni - who joined after reading a drummerWhen we were itstening to the radio in the late '70s, early '80s, radio was a little looser in terms of format. There was more of

a variety being exposed. Now I feel music has been taken hostage. You gotta seek it out for yourself.'

> $Eric\ Harabadian$ Chain Reaction

wanted ad just over six months ago. Harabadian calls Bonanni a "stabilizing force" and an "openminded" musician.

But the line-up isn't the only change Harabadian has wit-

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nessed over the last decade. "I've seen a lot of clubs come and go, a lot of club turnover with new management."

With the rise of dance or disc jockey-oriented clubs in the Metro area, Harabadian said it's more challenging for musicians to find places to perform.

. "I think it's starting to get a little better again," he said Harabadian's reflections on the Detroit of the past and the rebirth that's occurring today can be heard in the lyrics of "Tale of Two Cities" The Charles, Dickens title is an analogy he affixed to his perception of the

His outlook on today's music isn't as bright. "When we were listening to the radio in the late '70s, early '80s, radio was a little looser in terms of format. There was more of a variety being exposed. Now I feel music has been taken hostage. You gotta seek it out for yourself."

Harabadian said he listens to music from all different genres. It's not unusual to hear a variety of cover songs like Smashmouth's "Walking on the Sun," and The Smithereens Behind the Wall of Sleep, mixed in with a healthy dose of originals during a Chain Reaction live set.

"I think that's what separates us from a lot of other bands. It

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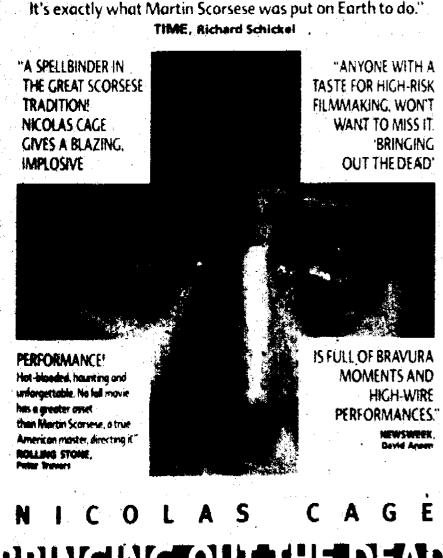
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Cost of eating prime escalates as Y2K nears

BY ELEANOR HEALD SPECIAL WRITER

new form of Y2K bug has hit restaurants. If your taste preferences lead to prime cuts of beef or top-of-theline seafoods such as Alaskan king erab and lobster, you may be in for new millennium sticker shock at your favorite restau-

This spring, Alaskan King Crab was \$6 per pound at the wholesale level noted Matt Prentice, president of the Unique Restaurant Corporation, the area's largest restaurant group. It is now \$11. Forecasts for the wholesale price of warm water lobster tails in December are \$20 per pound. Today, cold water tails are \$29 per pound.

Two months ago, prime beef fillets were \$16 per pound wholesale. Four weeks ago, it shot to \$21. This week it's almost \$30. Even prime New York strip steak has gone through the roof from \$9 per pound to \$16.62 whole-

III is a shortage of prime beef and seafoods causing this? No. Is it Y2K greed at distributor and secondary sources? Yes. What are area restaurants doing about it?

sale this week.

These costs are a full 50 percent above the peak holiday season last year.

"It's obscene," Prentice remarked.

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"Daily, the electronic and print media offer a millennium countdown," said Greg Goodman. chef/proprietor of Café Bon Homme in Plymouth, "I think

this has generated a frenzy attitude. It's cascading down and suppliers are taking advantage by raising prices two months before the peak holiday season: They're cleaning up and restaurateurs are being manipulated.

"It's pathetic and catastrophic. We have no choice, but to pass costs along to diners. We've told suppliers that this is not tolerable and their attitude is 'that's' the price.' We realize that when diners pay the bill, the restaurant appears to be overcharging, but we're at the mercy of suppliers. There is no viable alterna-

"The market could correct before the New Year, but we have no way of knowing. Right now, restaurants have to raise prices on prime beef cuts, yeal, and seafood."

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WHAT'S COOKING

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■Fox Hills Country Club —RJO Productions presents "Fox's Liar Dinner Theater" Saturdays through Nov. 13, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7:p.m. dinner, followed by show, at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 North Territorial, Plymouth. Tickets \$29.95 per person, call (734)453-7272.

I Taste of the Arts - The Westland Chamber of Commerce is seeking restaurants to participate in the Taste of the Arts event scheduled 6 p.m. Tuesday. Nov. 30 at the Hellenic Culture Center on Joy Road near Churchill High School. There is no charge for restaurants to participate. At least 600 guests are expected to attend, paying \$20 a person for the chance to sample the best of area restaurant food. Tickets will cost \$25 at the door

if you wait until the day of the event. Participating restaurants will be able to pass out coupons and promotional materials at their tables.

The Taste festival will raise funds for the Chamber and for the Family Resource Center in Westland, A silent auction of art will also be held. A drawing will be held for prizes which include a trip for two to Las Vegas. Contact Lori Brist at the chamber office, (313) 326-7222 for tickets or information on how to participate. Major sponsors are North Brothers Ford, the Hellenic Center International Minute Press. Maui Travel and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

SoupCity — Fund-raising event for the Coalition on Temporary Shelter, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28 at the State Theater in Detroit. Thirty metro Detroit restaurants including Zoup!, Pike Street, Five Lakes Grill. and Union Street will prepare their signature soups and finger foods for the all-you-can-eat event. Cash bar, live music of Mud Puppy Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Call (248) 645-6666.

■ Detroit International Wine Auction — 18th annual event sponsored by General Motors, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center Ballroom. To launch this year's event, Tribute restaurant in Farmington Hills will host an intimate Winemaker Dinner 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 with honorary guests Jean-Michel Cazes of Chateau Lynch-Bages, Bordeux, France and Sotherby's auctioneers, Serena Sutcliffe and Michael Davis. Limited seating available. Call (248) 664-7464 for ticket information.

M American Harvest Restaurant - At Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty (between Six and Seven Mile Roads) in Livonia is open for lunch Tuesday-Friday. The restaurant, operated by Schoolcraft College's renowned Culinary Arts Department, serves a variety of gourmet selections prepared and served by students who work under the supervision of four certified masreservations.

person. Call (734) 462-4488 for information.

The Professor's Pantry offers fresh bread, pastries, soups, pasta and salads prepared by students, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday-Friday

Schoolcraft College is hosting a Gourmet Wine Tasting 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 in the Waterman Center on the Livonia campus. The event features fine wines from Spain, complemented by gourmet cuisine. The cost is \$35 per person/Call (734) 462-4422 for information/reserva-

Annual Madrigal Dinners 7:30 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Dec. 9-11 in the Waterman Center. The cost is \$35 per person, call (734) 462-4417 for information/reser-

■ Save A Heart, A Celebration of Wine and Food; 6:30-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12 — at the Michigan League, 911 North University at Fletcher, Ann Arbor, to benefit the Michigan Congenital Heart Center at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. Over 300 differ ent wines will be available for

tasting, accompanied by food from Ann Arbor's most popular restaurants. General admission tickets are \$50 per-person (\$35 of which is tax deductible) and Tasting from Private Cellars benefactor tickets are \$180 (\$125) tax deductible). Call (734) 936-9134.

■ Epoch Restaurant Group's Millennium Celebration Guests dining at any of four Epoch restaurants (Tribute, Farmington Hills: Forté, Birm-

ingham; Too Chez, Novi; and Latitude, Bay Harbor; between now and Nov. 24 will receive an entry form each time they dine or simply upon request. A random drawing on Nev. 30 will determine the winner of a sixday gastronomic package for six beginning Dec. 28 and ending Jan. 2. The winner and guests will dine at each of Epoch's metro-area restaurants on successive evenings and be flown by private plane from Detroit to Harbor Springs on Dec. 31 for a new millennium celebration that includes two nights lodging in a three bedroom suite at the Inn

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at Bay Harbor and dinner at Latitude.

E Chef Superstar comes to MeterCity Casino --- Michael Russell, one of only two Certified Master Chefs still active in the Michigan restaurant business. has left the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club to take the position of Executive Chef of the yet-to-open MotorCity Casino in Detroit. There he will oversee MotorCity's six food operations employing 300 food-service personnel. including 11 sous chefs and nearly 200 cooks - - a far cry from the staff of 17 he headed at Bloomfield Open Hunt Club Russell won't be pinned down on has food style except to say it's primarily American with Asian accents. His biggest challenge will be at the casino's signature restaurant Iridescence, schedaled to open when MotorCity casino opens. Inaugural menu items include a dish such as rack of wild boar with cider-peoper glaze, braised red cabbage, root vegetable puree, cinnamon-

glazed appless and vanilla scent

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M Andiamo Italia West — The Platters featuring vocalist Sonny Turner and Sam Butera perform Thursday Saturday, Nov. 4-6 at the Andiamo Celebrity Showroom 7066 E 14 Mile Road Warren, Tickets \$30-\$35, call 4810+268-3200

The Michigan Grape & Wine industry Council -- is partnering with a number of Michigan restaurants and retailers in "Fali is a Cool Time for Michigan Wine." The promotion features Michigan wines in celebration of the harvest season and upcoming holidays. Participating metro-Detroit restaurants include Big Rock Chop & Brew House and The Townsend Hotel. Birmingham: Ernesto's, Plymouth; Hogan's Restaurant, Bloomfield Hills: Nordstrom: Troy; Tam O Shanter Country Club and El Nibble Nook in West Bloomfield.



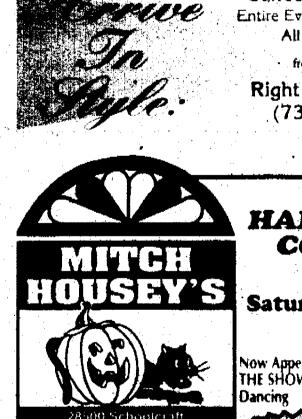


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