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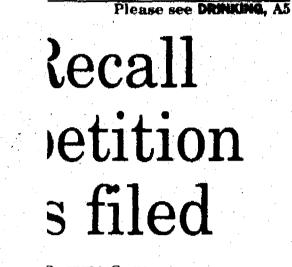
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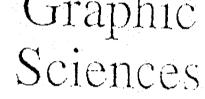
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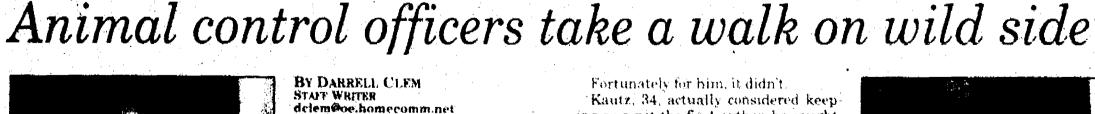
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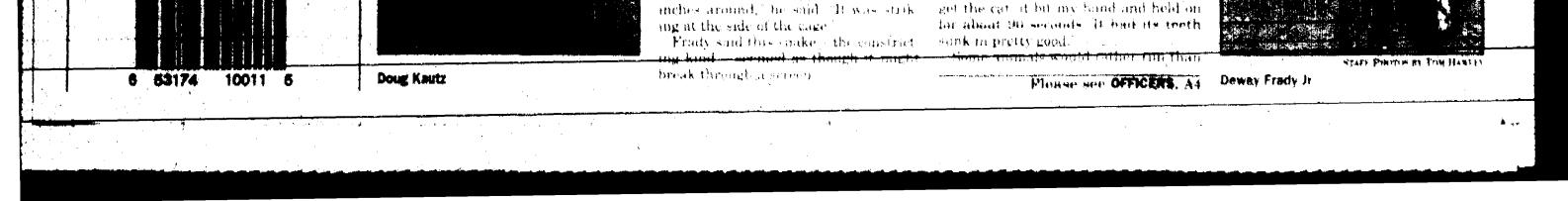
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Officers used special tongs to pluck the gators from a large aquarium and put them in cages, without so much as losing a finger.

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Recall petition is filed

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

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Trial ordered in murder plot

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER tamith@oe.homecomm.net

Court testimony and a tape-recorded conversation were enough to establish probable cause to bind a woman over for trial in a murder-for-hire case Sitting together inside a van parked outside the Farmington Big Boy on

Wednesday, Jan. 26, Lisa McIntosh poured out her heart to someone she thought was a hit man, according to the testimony of a police undercover officer.

She described a situation where her safety and that of her two children was being threatened by her live-in arrested shortly after making partial boyfriend.

Then McIntosh allegedly forked over \$348 in cash – in addition to a phone number, a photograph and the boyfriend's driver's license - to start the "wheels in motion" to have him murdered.

McIntosh, a Westland resident, was

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Local control issue sparks response

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

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas. accusing state legislators of infringing on local decision-making, pledged Fri-

day to work for a constitutional amendment that would protect home rule. Thomas said he and his staff will actively collect petition signatures. needed to place the issue on a statewide ballot in November The Michigan Municipal League has

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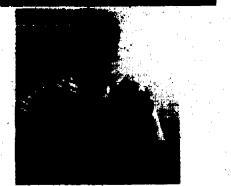
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Parole denied for murderer of teen Gregory Hill

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A man convicted of murdering a local teenager during a gas station robbery. has lost a bid for parole.

Citing the lack of "reasonable assurance that prisoner will not become a menace to society or to the public safety," the Michigan Parole Board denied parole to Charles Roots, who is serving a 20-50 year sentence for killing Gregoiy Hill in 1980.

"They put him off for 24 months that's the maximum," said Shirley Hill, who spoke against paroling her son's killer at a hearing in December.

This was the second time Hill, other family members and representatives

ment have spoken against parole for Roots, incarcerated at the state prison in Marquette Roots' parole request indicated he planned to live with his sister in Inkster, if released, and work in electrical construction for his brotherin-law.

"I was concerned this time (that Roots would be released). I was real optimistic the last time," said Hill, a Westland resident.

Along with describing the impact of Gregory Hill's death on his family and the community, Roots' history of being involved in five murders and his behavior in prison were also cited.

"I think it was a good approach. My impression is that the board was going to decide on what was in front of them,"

from the Garden City Police Depart- said Garden City Police Chief David Harvey. "If we hadn't brought up the other homicides, they wouldn't have considered it."

> Among the reasons cited by the parole board in support of their decision was the nature of Roots' crime which resulted in loss of life, occurred during the commission of another felony and involved a weapon.

> In Roots' criminal history, the board notes his potential for committing further assaultive crimes, established criminal behavior and use of weapons. Regarding his personal history, it was noted that Roots has a history of substance abuse "of long-standing duration" and an unstable employment history.

> Gregory Hill had a part-time job at

the Clark gas station on Cherry Hill and Middlebelt. A junior at Garden City High School, he was working alone the night of Nov. 12, 1980 when Roots and Larry Grinage robbed the gas station.

Both on probation at the time, Roets and Grinage later told police that they planned to leave no witnesses to avoid returning to prison. Although he cooperated with the robbers, Gregory Hill was shot in the head.

Roots and Grinage, then 28 and 24, respectively, were subsequently arrested by Inkster police as suspects in the murder-robbery of a 72-year old resident of that city.

Under a plea agreement, Roots pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and testified against Grinage, who was convicted of four counts of first-degree murder. All the murders were committed during robberies.

Roots was sentenced to 20 to 50 years in prison along with a two-year sentence for felony firearm that had to be served first. Sentenced prior to mandatory ne-parele prison terms for firstdegree murder convictions, Grinage will be up for parole for the first time this summer.

Hill submitted petitions with about 4,100 signatures opposing parole for Roots and plans to submit similar petitions regarding Grinage.

"We're not the only ones who care about this, it's the whole community." said Hill. "Usually, after this length of time, few people will remember. This shows the depth of the concern after this amount of time."



STAFF PROTO BY BULL BREELSE Talking: Defendant Lisa McIntosh confers with defense attorney Stephen Boak.

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payment to a "hit man" at a meeting where she promised to get him the balance of about \$650 the following day, testimony indicated. The "hit man" turned out to be an undercover detective for the Michigan State Police, who was made aware on Jan: 25 that McIntosh wanted to hire someone to kill her allegedly abusive boyfriend.

During a preliminary examination before 47th District Judge Frederick Harris on Friday, a tape-recorded conversation between a woman and the undercover officer was played. It revealed someone who had "thought about" putting out a contract on her boyfriend for a half-year to stop someone she said was destroying her life.

The tape was enough to establish probable cause, Harris ruled, in binding McIntosh over to Oakland County Circuit Court on a felony charge of conspiracy to commit murder. If convicted, McIntosh could face up to life in prison.

After defense attorney Stephen Boak cited McIntosh's lack of a previous criminal record, however, Harris reduced bond from the previously set \$1 million. The defendant was released into the custody of her parents, with stipulations that she remain electronically tethered, remain under her parents' supervision and check in every day at 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Any violation of those terms, Harris emphasized, would result in McIntosh being returned to Oakland County Jail on personal bond of \$100,000. Arraignment in Circuit Court was not yet scheduled.

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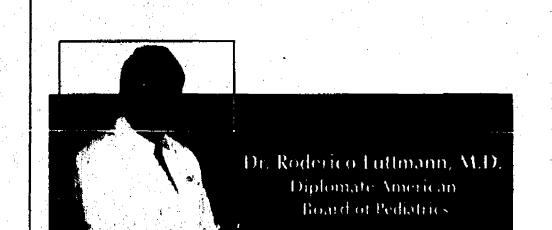
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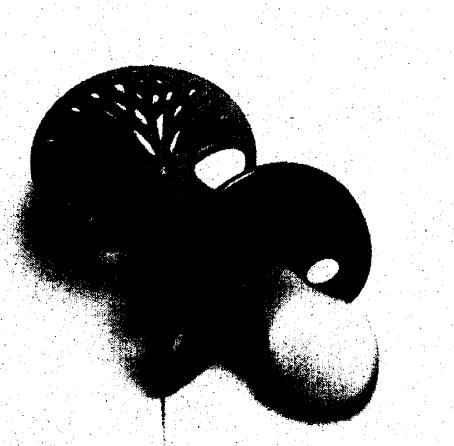
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Prosecutor Greg Townsend said he was satisfied overall with the proceedings, although he added a "substantial cash bond" would have been preferable.

McIntosh allegedly told the "hit man" she wanted "Mike" to disappear in a way that the crime could not be traced back to her. She pointed out the intended victim's alleged record and that "he's a known drug dealer" with previous death threats made against him.

Making the 25-year-old boyfriend vanish would "make me a happy, very happy person." she said.





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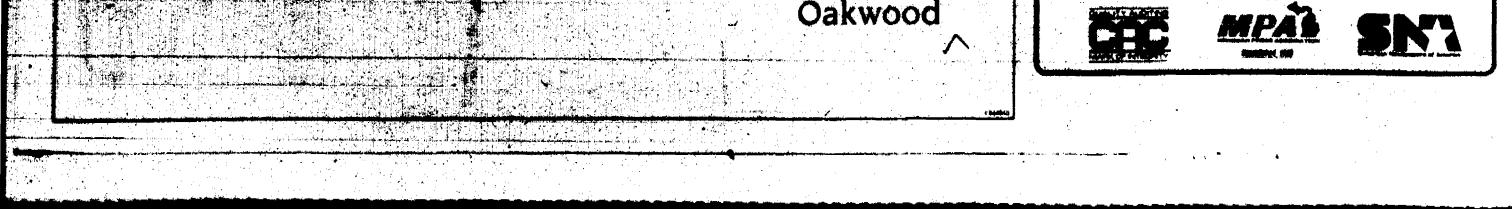
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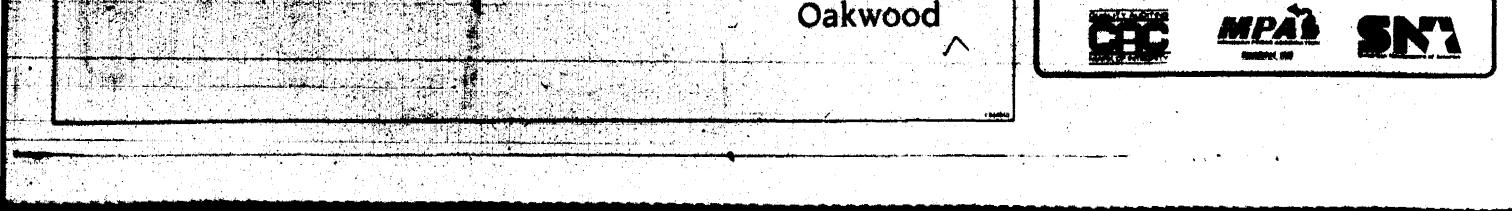
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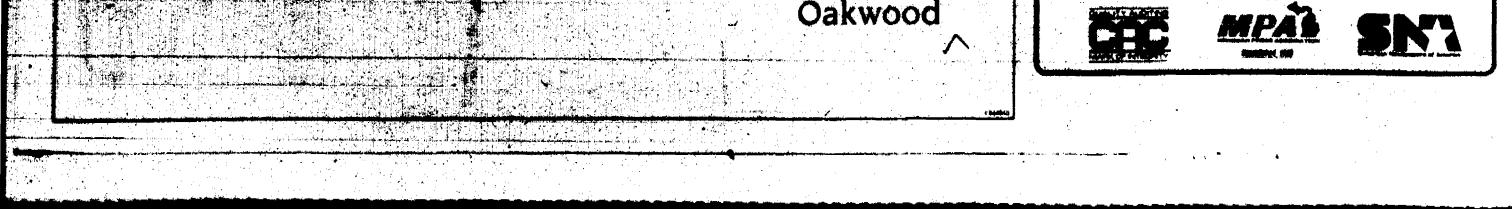
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Barson's puts service first and blossoms

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

The old-fashioned, independently awned greenhouses of yesteryear might have suffered a blow from the chain stores, but Jue Barson of Barson's Greenhouse reaches out to customers in a way that the big guys can't. "People come to us for our services and knowledge," he said. When garden shoppers visit

the greenhouse on Merriman and Maplewood in Westland, they're likely going to meet Joe or his wife, Deb.

"When you walk into the place you're talking to the owner and not someone who is working for someone and who is concerned about a paycheck," Barson said. "Our paycheck is the repeat of customers who come back to us because we won't steer them wrong.

"We're a production greenhouse, starting them by seed and selling them - not like a chain store or a grocery store. We start them and finish them here."

And if Barson doesn't have the answers, he knows where to get them. He brings in botanists and other specialists during his seminars, ranging in interest from learning about bugs and diseases, growing trees and shrubs. and even an herb cooking class given by Amantea's Restaurant coming in March.

Evolving business

Seminars are among the changes that have happened lince the first greenhouse opened for business at the same location more than half a centurv ago

"Most people don't think about it, but there's a lot of history involved in the place, Barson

said, adding that he's the third owner at the location that first opened as a greenhouse in 1941. Summerfield and Baker came before him.

This is Barson's 20th anniversary

"There's a lot of towns who don't have small greenhouses at all," according to the 22-year Westland resident. "The average person doesn't understand I'm a unique business running a small greenhouse in the middle of the hustle and bustle of today's society.

As the recently appointed president of the Greater Garden City Chamber of Commerce, Barson knows all about business and the benefits from working together.

For the past few years, the chamber has pushed a Business Watch program, similar to the community Neighborhood Watch program, which is a cooperative effort between residents and police departments. The Business Watch chalked up a success when a couple of years ago there was a rapist on the loose.

"It was the Business Watch people who started pushing out his pictures around to all the businesses," Barson said. "We pooled our resources and he either left on his own or we drove the fellow out."

Some of the issues the chamber will tackle, Barson said, include teaching employees about check fraud, what cashiers should do when they're by themselves and someone suspicious enters the business and convincing employees they should always give up the money during. robberies.

"We're trying to get more businesses together and make it safer for the community as a whole and the employees who work at the businesses." Barson said.

A major issue

Attracting customers is another major issue.

While his business is in Westland, Barson Greenhouse is surrounded by Garden City and draws the bulk of its customers from both communities, as well as surrounding areas. People looking to build ponds, however, come to Barson Greenhouse from as far away as Toledo and Michigan's Thumb area.

"Ponds are big right now and we're big into ponding with custom made filtration units," said Barson, who sells fish and everything else that go into back and front yard water gardens.

The family owned greenhouse business is a year-long proposition. In fact, last week, Barson started accepting truckloads of plants that will be sold in spring. And he works anywhere between 12 and 18 months growing some perennials.

But learning how to make things grow wasn't Barson's first choice of careers. In fact, before he planted himself into the greenhouse business; he worked on a factory production line and attended college to become an electrical engineer. His latest education was studying agriculture at the now-defunct DuPage Horticulture School in Chicago.

"I thought it would be neat to buy a geranium for 50 cents and sell it for \$1.50 and the reality is that you buy a geranium and it costs \$1.51 and you sell it for

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\$1.50," Barson said. "It's not a rich man's business, you've got to like the business.

"My kids will enjoy it," he said of his 19-year-old daughter and 16-year-old son. "I have a friend in Europe who said that he's fortunate enough to be born after his dad. The dad did all the work and the kids will enjoy the rewards."

Perfect business fit

The greenhouse business seems like a perfect fit for the city boy who grew up in Plymouth and Westland. Aside from being successful with dirt; seeds and hulbs, Barson also has to know about business and trends.

"What we're seeing right now. with today's society and the pace it's going, is that a lot of people don't want to wait for plants to

grow - they want it this instant," Barson said. "So we're going into 12-inch baskets that you can water on Friday and take off and

STAFF PROTO BY BRYAN MUTCHELL

return on Sunday and hopefully. it won't be dried out-"The economy is good, so they're still looking for value. but price isn't an issue. I think our niche will be having the

instant flower container - the trick is to get all plants together that are compatible so they require the same care

• And he even has to be somewhat of a sociologist. Barson surmised that older baby boomers usually want the smaller plants that, take, nurturing before they're mature and think of gardening as a hobby

On the other hand, he added "Generation Xers want to be out and gone with little fuss

Green thumb: Joe Barson in one of his greenhouses.



Cooper site gets marker

A new Cooper School historical marker will be officially dedicated this spring, although it already has been placed on the school site north of Ann Arbor Trail, east of Middlebelt.

A replacement marker incorporating the last nine years of Cooper's history was needed after the old school, built on a contaminated landfill, was closed in 1991, school historian Ruth Dale said.

Livonia school district officials moved students from the old site, on the south side of Ann Arbor Trail, to the former Whittier Junior High School.

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Ruth Dale -historian

fourth Cooper School; Whittier is the fifth site, Dale said.

"The process of relocating the historical marker began two years ago," she said in a press release. "Support on the move came from the Cooper communi-

ty, the Cooper staff and the Westland Historical Commission.

A request to move the marker was made to the Michigan Historical Commission, but local organizers were told that the marker text wasn't appropriate.

As Cooper historian. Dale documented the school's history since 1988 and submitted it to the state for approval for another marker.

The replacement marker was ordered last August and placed on the former Whittier site on Jan. 7.

Details of the dedication will be announced later

Friends of Eloise organization explores rich history of locale

At one time, Eloise was a self-contained village in Nankin Township. Behind its gates lived thousands of Wayne County's mentally ill, tubercular and indigent residents. It was a humanitarian effort to serve those in need.

Most of its buildings have been demolished. While much is gone. Eloise still lives in the minds of those who lived or worked there. A group called the Friends of Eloise is now forming to preserve these memories for future generations.

If you want to help preserve the memory of Eloise, if you want to share your memories with the community, then consider joining the Friends of Eloise. What is a friend? Webster defines a friend as "one attached to another by esteem and affection; an intimate associate; a supporter." No special talents or skills are required, and support is needed. The Friends of Eloise will work closely with

Frank Rembisz, director of the Wayne County

Tuesday of every month at the Rowe House, 37025 Marquette, west of Wayne Road in Westland Some daytime meetings are also planned. Daytime meetings will be held in the Kay Beard Building. on Michigan Avenue west of Middlebelt. Times and dates for daytime meetings will be anniounced

complex, and more

For information, including additional directions, call Jo Johnson, chairwoman of the Westland Historical Commission, at (734) 522-3918. Anyone wishing more information on the Eloise museum should call Frank Rembisz, (734) 727-7373

Office on Aging and the Eloise historian. Plans are

under way to assist his efforts to maintain a museum, uncover the grave markers in the Eloise ceme-

tery, compile documentation on the history of the

The Friends of Eloise will meet 7 p.m. the third

This was written by Daryl Bailey of the West-- land Historical Commission (

Zero the Hero will visit school

Students and staff at Hamil ton Elementary School in West land are celebrating the first 100 days of school. Wednesday, Feb. 9, the entire school will observe a special day with a Zero the Hero assembly at 9:15'a m

Zero will reinforce the importance of numbers and math for kindergarten through third-

All students who have perfect attendance for the first 100 days of school will also be honored.

elementary children will partici pate in math problems while the younger students guess which jars are filled with 100 items

All students who have perfect, attendance for the first 100 days of school will also be honored

"We have a math goal and we stage with numbered signs to are doing everything we can to February 2-14

grade students. At the end of the help the younger children learn reinforce the number scheme assembly upper elementary stu- how to count to 100 said Hamilton Principal Larry dents will parade across the ... Later in the day, the upper Wood



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to adjacent properties.

animal shelter.

in jail and a \$100 fine.



Rules apply to pet owners

rules.

Here are a few rules for animal ownership in Westland:

Elicenses are required for cats, dogs and ferrets and can be obtained from the city clerk's office or the Michigan Humane Society on Marquette.

To get an annual license, you have to show your identification and prove that your pet has had a current rabies shot. (A license tag on a pet collar also increases your chances of getting back a lost pet.)

A license costs \$3 for a pet that's spayed or neutered and \$5 for one that's not. Those costs go. up \$1 on March 1.

H Like dogs, cats are supposed to be kept on leashes - or confined within fences they can't escape - when outdoors.

Pet owners have to pay a \$3 pickup fee and a \$14-per-day boarding fee for animals taken to the Michigan Humane Society.

Vou can't have pigs, cows, sheep, goats, chick-

fight.

"We've had a few coyotes running around," Kautz said. "I tried to tranquilize one, but it jumped over a 6-foot fence and ran away."

Two wild pigs proved elusive as they roamed Westland, and the smaller of the two apparently wasn't as street smart as the larger one.

"We caught the smaller one, and then the bigger one just disappeared," Kautz said.

Animal control officers said some pet owners don't realize or don't seem to care - that the city has an exotic animal ordinance prohibiting pets such as servals, long-legged wild cats.

"These cats can take down a deer," Frady said.

Officers from page A1 and Kautz, a Wayne resident, take the animals they catch to

> the Michigan Humane Society branch on Marquette. Some animals are returned to owners. Others find new homes, are returned to their natural environment or are euthanized.

Frady and Kautz are busier during the summer months when more wild animals are on the prowl, but they get their share of wintertime calls, too.

They recently became the first Westland animal control officers ever to receive certification from the state Department of Agriculture.

They've received 250 hours of special training on subjects ranging from cruelty investigations to self defense, traveling as far as Frady, a Westland resident. the University of Missouri.

must be tattooed, registered and licensed with the city. Owners must notify animal control officers if these dogs get loose or attack someone.

Sgt. Jeff Gillespie set up the

ongoing training program after

more emphasis on animal con-

"These officers need to have a

Even though Frady and Kautz

work with animals to earn a liv-

ing, they still like to go home to

Frady, who followed in his

father's footsteps to become a

Westland animal control officer,

has a Great Dane, a Saint

Bernard/rottweiler mix and a

Kautz has a Samoyed dog and

great deal of knowledge to do

their jobs," Deputy Chief Hayes

ens, ducks or more than one rabbit unless you

have more than a half-acre of land. Even then,

there are rules for how close animals can be kept

You can have a horse, but there's a long list of

You can't keep an animal that constantly

Dogs that bite people are quarantined for 10

days. You can keep the pet on your premises if you

have proof of a rabies shot; otherwise, it goes to the

Any animal running loose can be impounded.

Animal cruelty is punishable by up to 90 days

Vicious or dangerous dogs such as pit bulls

trol efforts.

their own pets.

said.

turtle.

a parrot.

No poisonous reptiles are allowed.

cries, barks or makes other loud noises.

ALFRED J. FARO

MADELINE R. MILLER

the Rev. Jack Baker.

She was a clerk.

grandchildren.

Services for Madeline Miller, 83,

of Westland were Feb. 5 in Uht

Funeral Home. Officiating was

Mrs. Miller, born May 16,

1916, died Feb. 1 in Westland.

Surviving are her daughter,

City; stepson, Ron (Alice) Miller;

Leonard and Sue (Barry) Hiser;

grandchildren; and 16 stepgreat-

Mrs. Miller was preceded in

death by husbands, Reginald

Marr and Herman Miller; son

Robinson and Donald Robinson;

Memorials may be made to

David Marr; brothers, Hugh

Robinson, Warren (Whiley)

and sister, Lucille Gambel.

Alzheimer's Association.

four grandchildren; eight step-

Diane (David) Cox of Garden

stepdaughters, Kay (Ron)

A funeral Mass for Alfred Faro. 83, of Westland was Feb. 5 in St. Gerald Catholic Church with police officials began to place. burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Gerald McEnhill.

> Mr. Faro, born Feb. 12, 1916, in Chicago, Ill., died Jan. 30 in Ann Arbor. He moved to Westland in 1999 from Lakeland, Fla., after retiring from the Chicago Fire and Police Force. He retired in 1973 after 26 years of service.

> He was a member of Chicago Fraternal Order of Police and Chicago American Legion. Mr. Faro was a veteran, serving with the Navy during World War II 1943-46.

Surviving are his wife of 58 vears, Ruth; sons, Thomas (Carol) of Northville and John (Nancy) of Illinois; brother, Sam Faro of Illinois; sisters, Dorothy of Illinois and Carmella O'Toole of Illinois: and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements were handled by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

EDWIN "RAY" SUITER

Services for Edwin "Ray" Suiter. 74, of Westland were Feb. 5 in

OBITUARIES

HELENE M. WORSLEY

A funeral Mass for Helene Worsley, 78, of Westland was Feb. 4 in St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne.

Mrs. Worsley died Feb. 1. She worked for Sanders for 48 years. Surviving are her sons, Dennis (Judi), Donald (Tracy), and Lawrence; daughter, Suzette; siblings, Rolande, Cecile, Claire, Francois, Roger, Jerry, Yvette and Jan; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

DORIS M. FULTON

Services for Doris Fulton, 74, of Westland were Feb. 2 in Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Roswell Fulton.

Mrs. Fulton, born Jan. 19, 1926, in Detroit died Jan. 29 in Wayne. She was a homemaker. She moved to Florida in 1976 and returned to Westland in 1999.

Mrs. Fulton was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Plymouth Chapter 115, and while in Florida was a member of VFW 10097 Ft. Myers Beach, Cooties VFW Ft. Myers Beach, American Legion 275 Ft. Myers Beach and Veterans of America (AMVETS) of Ft. Myers.

She enjoyed crocheting, collecting animals for the Candlelight Kids of Ft. Myers and took toys to the National Home in Eaton Rapids, Mich. She especially enjoyed family gatherings.

Surviving are her son, Arthur (Lynne) of Garden City; daughters, Jacqueline (Ernest) Beckman of Garden City and Donna (Richard) Pilarski of Presque Isle, Mich.; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and friend, Ellsworth "Ells" Mason of Westland.

Mrs. Fulton was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur, and son, David.

JAMES A. DOWDAL

Services for James Dowdal, 60, of Westland were Jan. 23 in Uht Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Robert McDonald. Mr. Dowdal, born Aug. 25, 1939, died Jan, 15 in Dearborn He was self-employed. Surviving are his sons, Larry (Wilma) Hahn, Ronnie Hahn, Tony Dowdal and Jimmy (Tiffany) Hahn; daughters, Kimberly Dowdal, Lori (Mark Bettiol) Dominick and Karen Campbell; father, James Dowdal; sisters, Mary McClure and Judith Dowdal; and four grandchildren. Mr. Dowdal was preceded in death by his son, Randy Hahn, and mother, Grace.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 17, 2000 REGULAR MEETING**

BE IT RESOLVED that Comerica, First Federal Savinga, Merrill Lynch. Standard Federal, Bank One and Crestwood Credit Union are hereby designated depositories of the City of Garden City, and that funds deposited therein may be withdrawn upon checks or other instruments of the City of Garden City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all checks, drafts, notes or orders drawn Present were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek, Dodge, against said funds shall be signed by the Treasurer/City Clerk or Deputy

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Lynch, Briscoe and Gora. Absent none

+ Deposit

Also present were City Manager Kocsis, Treasurer/City Clerk Bettis, City Attorney Salomone, Fire Chief Hines, Parks & Recreation Director Whitson and Judge Richard Hammer.

The Mayor announced it was time for Public Discussion for items not on the agenda.

Herman Bersano, of Garden City, discussed senior assistance for neighbor regarding ordinance citations.

Item 01-00-011

Moved by Lynch, supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the regular council meeting from January 10, 2000. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None.

The Mayor announced it was time to receive communications from Boards and/or Commissions.

No communications from Boards and/or Commissions were received.

Item 01-00-012

Noved by Dodge, supported by Briscoe: RESOLVED: To re-appoint George Reymond and Gary Strehl to the Board of Canvassers for a four (4) year term in expire December 31, 2003. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None.

The Mayor with the approval of Council moved Items B-5 to the A-"gends and B-3 to the beginning of the B-agenda.

Item 01-00-013

Mived by Gora, supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To concur in the if pointment of Howard L. Phillippart, Jr. to serve as Magistrate for the 21st District Court as per the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

CITY OF GARDEN CITY, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF MAGISTRATE

- WHEREAS, Howard L. Phillippart, Jr. has been appointed magistrate of the 21st District Court by the Judge of the 21st District Court, and
- WHEREAS. the appointment of a magistrate is in the best interest of the operation of the Court and service to the public,
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the appointment of Howard L. Phillippart, Jr. as magistrate of the 21st District Court is

approved.

AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: None

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The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

- 1. Supplemental Appropriation.

 - Wade-Trim Projects. a. Engineers Report John Hauk
 - Community Center Feasibility Study Ь.
 - Marquette Park Design Services
 - Fire Service Data Management Computer Software. Michigan Humane Society Contract.
- Resolution 21st District Court. Parchias of Administrative Care.
- Signatory Resolution. 7.
- Special Meeting.

Item 01-00-014

Moved by Kaledas, supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve the bid for Fire Service Data Management Computer Software to Fire Programs, in the amount of \$4,749.75. AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: None.

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Moved by Dodge, supported by Wincek: RESOLVED: To approve Wade-Trim to provide the services for the Marquette Park Design Project, in the amount not to encode \$49,100.00. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None.

20000 81-00-014

Moved by Lynch, supported by Briscon: Council informed the public that the increase is in \$25.55 not a \$15.55 increase. RESOLVED: To approve the contrast with the Missigan Human Basisty for the year 2000. There is a price increase of \$15.95 per animal per day AYES: Unanimous ABSENT:

Item 61.406.617
 Moved by Kaisdes, supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of two (2) administrative care from Budf Whales Chevrolet (State Bid) in the amount of \$14,600.91 each. AYES: Mayor Showaltak Coupelingenbers Kaledes, Wienes, Lynch, Briscos and Gurs. NATE: Councilmensber Desgs. ABSENT: Neme. Matlen pusced.

These at charge

Moved by Wienek, supported by Gora: REBOLVED: 'W approve the signatory resolution for the City of Garden City.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY WAYNE COUNTY, MECHEGAN

Treasurer and countersigned by the Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE Clerk shall certify to said banks the names of present officers of the City and shall thereafter, as changes in the personnel of said offices are made, immediately certify to said banks a complete list of officers who are authorized to act in accordance with this resolution, which banks shall be fully protected in relying upon such certification and shall be indemnified for any claims, expenses or loss resulting. from the honoring of the signature of any office so certified, or refusing to honor a signature not so certified, and that this resolution shall remain in force until written notice to the contrary shall have been received by said banks, and the receipt of such notice shall not affect any action taken by said banks prior thereto.

The following are the titles and names of the present Treasurer/City Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem authorized by the aforementioned resolution:

> Mayor Mayor Pro-Tem Treasurer/City Clerk Deputy City Treasurer

Ronald D. Showalter William Kaledas Allyson M. Bettis Steven J. Smith

AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: None

Item 01-00-019

Moved by Dodge, supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To hold a Special Workshop on January 24, 2000, at 7:00 p.m., in the Maplewood Community Center, IMC Room for the annual audit presentation and review. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None.

Item 01-00-020

Moved by Wiacek, supported by Briscoe: RESOLVED: To approve the following resolution opposing House Bill 4804:

RESOLUTION **OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 4804**

WHEREAS, the City of Garden City is a concerned community joined in an effort to improve local government through cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Telecommunications Act of 1995 requires all telecommunication companies to obtain permits before using public rights-of-way; gives municipalities 90 days to act on applications; indicates that applications can be granted or denied based upon considerations such as public health, safety and welfare; allows the assessment of fees not to exceed the fixed and variable costs for the right-of-way used by a provider. plus the cost of issuing the permit; and permits the requirement for bonds for restoration for the public rights of way; and

House Bill 4804 would give Michigan municipalities only thirty WHEREAS. (30) days to issue a permit; and such permits may only be conditioned on safety reasons, excluding health and welfare reasons; and

House Bill 4804 would limit the ability of municipalities to WHEREAS, issue permits and assess related fees, and limit the use of a bond to restore the right-of-way after the provider removes its lines but not while they are in place; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 4804 would require that all right-of-way disputes be mediated by one member of the Public Service Commission instead of the courts; and in the case of an emergency claimed by the previder, the Public Service Commission member would be required to issue an order in seven days without any hearing and without participation of the affected municipality; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 4804 would appear to allow attorney fees, damages and other monstary awards against municipalities who violate the set; and

WHEREAS House Bill 4804 would effectively remove most municipal control of rights-of-way and substantially limit, if not overturn, the association of related fees, both of which would erade the sbility of municipalities to protect the public health, safety and weifare of its residents:

NOW, THEREPORE DE IT REDMARD, that the City of Garden City opposes FIB 4804, which undermines local municipal control over rights of ways; and

BE IT FURTHER REBOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor John Engler, CWW Area Legislators, Representatives Shulman, Middaugh, Senstor Dunaskiss, PROTEC, MML, MTA. SEMCOG, and DCC.

AYES: Under ABSENT: Nome

The mosting was then adjourned.

Harry J. Will Funeral Home. Mr. Suiter died Feb. 1. He

retired from Wilson Dairy after 30 years of service.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; son, Larry; daughter, Valerie (Jack) Ball; brothers, James and Francis; sisters, Annie, Nell, Sue, Lois and Glenda; and two grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society.

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WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT WESTLAND, MICHIGAN 48336

SECTION 00010 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for Bid Package #8:

TMP Project #98027 - Madison Elementary School

TMP Project #98028 - Graham Elementary School TMP Project #98029 - Patchin Elementary School

Wayne-Westland Community Schools will be received until 1:30 P.M. local time on Tuesday, February 22, 2000, at which time they will be opened and read publicly at Wayne-Westland Community School Board of Education, 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan 48185. Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened. Faxed proposals will not be accepted

This Bid Package will consist of a separate sealed bid for the following Bid Divisiona

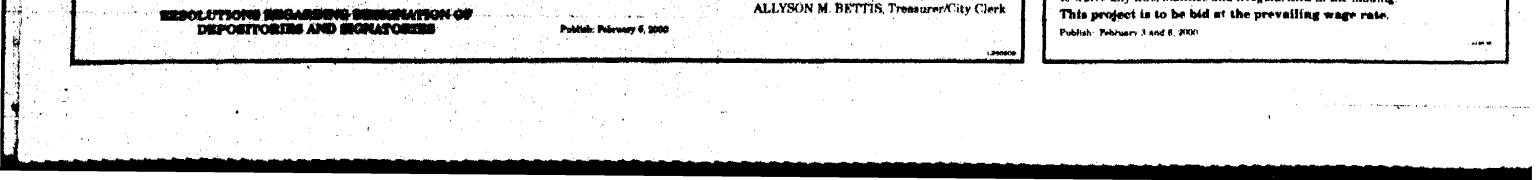
> **Bid Division Description 102 Asphalt Paving 103 Selective Demolition** 108 General Trades 109 Roofing & Sheet Metal 114 Aluminum Windows, Glass & Glazing 115 Metal Studs/Drywall/E.I.F.S. **117 Acoustical Treatment** 118 Carpet & Resilient Flooring 120 Painting/Staining/Caulking 125 Tuilet Partitions. 128 Plastic Laminate Casework 130 Window Treatment 140 Plumbing 142 HVAC 148 Electrical

Bidding documents prepared by TMP Associates, Inc. will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, McS/EV, 25950 West Five Mile Rd., Redford, MI 48239; the FW Dodge Plan Room, Southfield; the Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room, Bloomfield Hills; and the Daily Construction Reports Plan Room, Detroit.

Bidders may obtain a set of bidding documents by contacting the Construction Manager, McS/RV, at (813) 535-6213. Additional plans may be ordered and purchased directly from Dunn Blue Reprographics Technology, (248)353 2950. Bids are to be submitted in a loaled envelope supplied by the Construction Manager, McS/EV. The bid division(s) being bid is (are) to be identified on the outside of the envelope. There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting held on Tuesday, February 8, 2009 @ 1:80 P.M. at the Wayne Westland Community School Board of Education Building, All bidders are encouraged to attend.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of at least five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Wayne-Westland Community Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract.

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond, Wayne-Westland Community Schools reserve the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the hidding.



Recall from page A1

tried to do what I think is right." she said. "It's a slap in the face to me and my family, who have only tried to make Westland a better place to live.

"People forget all the positive things happening in this community," Scott said. "We need to step back and look at this issue without all of the emotion. This has been blown out of proportion

Scott blamed the media, Anderson and LeBlanc and their supporters for fueling the contraversy.

"We didn't close fire stations, lay off police and firemen. We chose not to reappoint one employee of which we can do by charter," Scott said.

Gibbons gave up her former union job protection when she

many years, and I have only took the city clerk's job in August of 1998, Scott said. Some United Auto Workers

members have criticized the council majority for ousting Gibbona.

"The former city clerk chose to waive all rights to go back into the union when she became city clerk," Scott said. "She became an at-will employee who had full knowledge of what she was doing and agreed."

Greenfield dismissed earlier statements in which Scott called it "sad" that Greenfield, a supposed friend, would try to orchestrate a recall.

"This is not about friendship." Greenfield said. "This is about what the council did to this lady who had 23 years (of city employment). They practically destroyed her life, and for what

reason? They don't give us a reason. This is completely wrong."

5.000-plus signatures

Greenfield and other recall supporters will need to collect more than 5,000 signatures of registered Westland voters to get a special recall election - if county officials approve the proposed ballot language.

Recall supporters would have to collect all signatures within a 90-day period, but they would be given a 180-day window from the time the language is approved, according to the county elections office.

The recall language states that, "On Jan. 18, 2000, Sharon P. Scott voted to not reappoint. the Westland city clerk. We want to remove Sharon P. Scott from the office of councilman of the

city of Westland."

When asked if recall organizers will try to oust Griffin, Cox and James after six months, Greenfield replied, "Definitely." Meanwhile, a prosecutor's office spokesman couldn't be reached for comment Friday on the status of a complaint filed against Griffin, Cox, Scott and James.

LeBlanc and Anderson filed the complaint accusing the council four of violating the Open Meetings Act by deciding Gibbons' firing prior to an official council meeting. Scott said Friday that, "I'm

elected to make decisions for 85,000 people and be fiscally responsible. I did not break the (city) charter or any other law." Her colleagues also have denied any wrongdoing.

Business lauded

The Westland Dog Food Co. in Westland is the January recipient of the service award given by the Westland Downtown Development Authority.

The business is at 37687 Ford. For 32 years, Louis and Betty Fourment have owned and operated the full-service pet supply store in Westland. Westland Dog Food Co. specializes in healthguaranteed AKC breeds and their own brand of pet food.

"Our success over the years is directly associated with the growth Westland has experienced since we opened our doors in 1968," said vice president and manager Steve Fourment.

"We're honored that our customers recognize our efforts and expertise in our field of business," said Fourment of the award, given based on positive customer response.

"We felt many of the people and businesses in the area are going above and beyond the call of duty when it comes to community and their customers," said Steve Guile, DDA executive director. "We created the award to show our approciation."

To win, a business must be located within the DDA. It must meet the following criteria: have outstanding renovations to the establishment; have exceptional customer service; have a record of outstanding contributions to the community and/or charity; and be recognized for professional achievement by the respective trade/professional association.

Businesses are nominated by the general public. Nominations can be made by calling the DDA office at (734) 641-6572, faxing (734) 641-8512, or e-mailing to westlanddal@excite.com.

Response from page A1

Thomas accused state legislators of "continually" passing laws "taking away the rights of communities to make decisions for themselves."

The ballot question would ask voters to approve a change that would require a two-thirds vote of the legislature - rather than a simple majority - on any law that would override locally passed ordinances.

State legislators angered local officials last year by passing a law prohibiting residency requirements for municipal employment.

Westland didn't have a residency rule for employees - only for elected officials - but Thomas said the state has intruded in many areas.

"It seems like every year it gets worse and worse and worse," he said. "Eventually we won't need any cities anymore

They (state legislators) will be making all the decisions for us." Thomas vowed that his administration will try to get help from volunteers to get signatures supporting the ballot measure.

"We'll physically go out door to door and maybe set (the petitions) out somewhere," he said.

In Garden City, Councilman Michael Wiacek said anything that prevents infringement on local home rule has his support.

"I know the petition issue has been out there, and at this point I don't have enough information about it, but if the Michigan Municipal League is moving forward with this, I'm in favor of it." Wiacek said. "I'm definitely in favor of home rule."

The legislature angered local governments with the passage last year of the residency law and the debate on House Bill 4777, which addresses "the proliferation of overlapping, duplicative and conflicting ordinances and regulations enacted by local units of government that regulate or prohibit certain business activities regulated by the state or federal government."

The residency law prohibits a public employer from requiring by collective bargaining agreement or otherwise that a person live within a municipality's boundaries. However, residency can be required within 20 miles of those boundaries.

Wiacek represents Garden City on the Conference of Western Wayne. That organization has yet to take a formal position on the petition drive, but many of its members are aware of it, he said.

Among mayors taking a stand is Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer, who has said he'll push for a ballot question protecting local con

In order to get the amendment language on the ballot, the MML

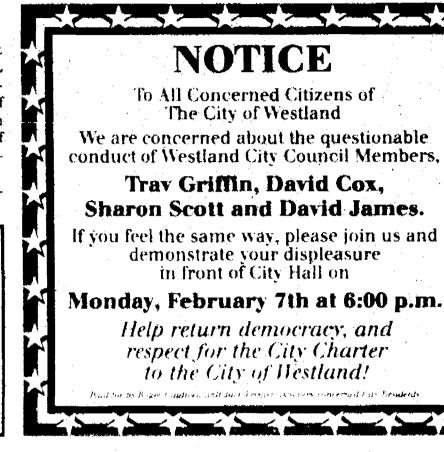
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needs to gather 303,000 signatures by July 10. The number of signatures needed is based on votes cast for the Secretary of State in the last statewide election.

Staff writer Sue Mason contributed to this report.

Feb. 6th 02-007-00

Due to a printer's error in the automotive section of the Wards Sunday circular effective 2/6-2/12, the \$20 instant discount on any set of 4 passenger tires does not apply to Michelin brand product. In addition the \$25 Wards gift certificate rebate offer on any set of 4 Michelin X-One or Michelin LTX M/S. We apologize for any inconvenience that this advertising inaccuracy may cause



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Sgt. Peter Brokas offered advice he hopes will help other teen drivers.

. "My first advice is don't drink if you're underage, period," he said.

Other tips:

Teens should have an agreement with their parents that if they make a mistake and drink too much, they will be picked up

so they won't drive.

M Ask a sober friend to drive, although this option is risky

"When you're drunk you're not in any condition to determine who's sober and who's not." Brokas said.

Brokas advised teens - and all drivers for that matter -- to think about possible consequences before drinking and driving.

Otherwise, he said, "it's like getting pregnant and then asking what kind of precautions you could've taken, or committing an armed robbery and then asking what you should do to get out of jail

The deaths of O'Donnell and Velasquez marked Westland's first traffic fatalities of 2000.

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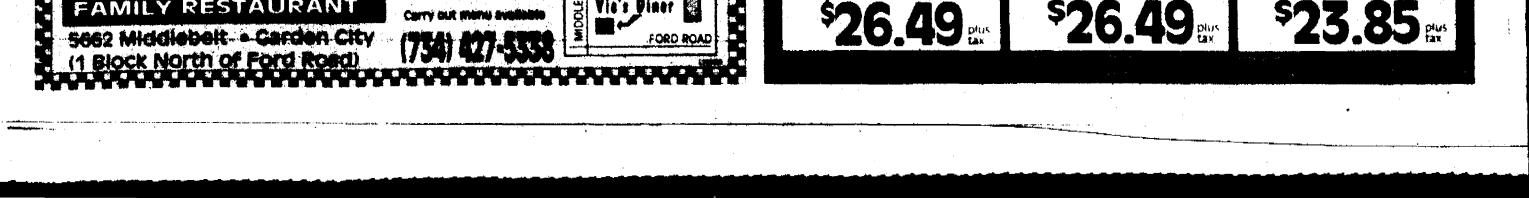
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Municipal League starts petition drive on local control

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A power struggle has been brewing in Michigan over the past year pitting municipalities - city, township and village governments - against the state Legislature.

The latest volley was fired last week by the Michigan Municipal League when it announced its intention to run a statewide petition drive to place a constitutional amendment on the ballot this November. To put the question before voters, supporters will have to gather 303,000 signatures by July 10. Petitions were printed and put into circulation Thursday, Feb. 3.

If the proposal makes the ballot, voters would be asked to approve the change, requiring a two-thirds vote from the Legislature - rather than the simple majority required now - whenever it attempts to pass a law that "intervenes ... in the municipal concerns, property or government of a city, village, county, township or any municipal authority."

Municipal League Senior Legislative Associate Scott Schrager said the amendment would not change the power of the state government to oversee local governments, "it simply raises the bar" when the state attempts to override local decisions.

Its purpose is to stop the "issue-by-issue erosion of local control" that has been going on in the Legislature over the past year, supporters say.

State lawmakers and the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, on the other hand, say the change would be "devastating."

"This amendment would turn

the Constitution on its head, making the Legislature the servant of 1,859 local governments, rather than 9.3 million citizens," said Rep. Robert Gosselin (R-Troy).

The "Let Local Votes Count" initiative is a reaction to a number of issues involving local control that came up before the state Legislature over the past vear.

Residency rules

One of the most volatile revolved around municipal residency requirements. And some believe the petition drive is a direct attempt to overturn the Legislature's decision to ban such requirements.

Some 90 Michigan communities had various forms of residency rules, requiring municipal employees to live in the towns where they worked. Detroit was the most notable, but Birmingham, Southfield, Hazel Park and Pontiac also had residency requirements.

In December, state lawmakers

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Police and firefighters, who for 15 years called the Legislature to "let my people go" from municipal residency requirements, would have pharaoh's charlots stop them on the threshold of the promised land.'

> State Rep. Robert Gosselin R-Troy

voted to outlaw such requirements, in effect allowing municipal employees to live wherever they choose. Many municipal officials, including Detroit's Mayor Dennis Archer, felt that was an erosion of local control.

According to Schrager, the Municipal League's amendment does not apply to the residency issue, but it would have had it been in effect at the time. Requiring a two-thirds vote, or 74 votes in the House, the vote to override local residency rules would have fallen short by eight votes.

Legislative aide Jack McHugh argues the Municipal League's amendment would indeed overturn the Legislature on the residency issue.

"We are very suspicious of the date." he said. "The amendment would apply to bills enacted after March 1, 2000. The common definition of when a bill is enacted is its effective date. (The law overriding) residency is effective March 10."

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for 15 years called the Legislature to 'let my people go' from municipal residency requirements, would have pharaoh's charlots stop them on the threshold of the promised land." Gosselin said.

"If the Michigan Municipal League is willing to sign in blood that it won't sue based on this amendment to overturn legislation on residency, then we'll stop saying it. Until then, pharaoh's chariots will roll," McHugh contended.

"That's just wrong," Schrager countered. He disagrees with McHugh's definition of when a bill is considered "enacted." He further argued that legal counselhas advised the Municipal League that the amendment would not block the residency. legislation.

"I suppose this is indicative of the way the debate on this issue is going to go," Schrager said.

House Majority Floor Leader Rep. Andrew Raczkowski (R-Farmington Hills) said the petition drive is actually a partisan move, a backdoor way for Democrats to challenge decisions made by the Republican majority. Democratic leaders in the Legislature - Rep. Mike Hanley (D-Saginaw) and Sen. Virgil Smith (D-Detroit) - had vowed to put residency on the ballot during the debate last year.

HR 4777

Another issue in the Legislature involving local control last year was House Bill 4777. Sponsored by Gosselin and Raczkowski, the bill would have blocked municipalities from passing ordinances in 14 areas of law already addressed by state legislation. One of the key issues, again involving Detroit, was liv-

ing wage ordinances. House Bill 4777 would have blocked municipalities from setting minimum wages higher than those set by state law.

Although the proposal was never voted on in the Legislature and remains in committee, it received substantial criticism from municipal officials.

"If you think 4777 was restrictive," Raczkowski said, "this amendment would be disastrous."

"We are not stopping the state from doing what it has the right to do now," Schrager argued, explaining the amendment would protect the home rule of municipalities: "It's just that if the state wanted to stop local governments from doing what they have the right to do, it would take a two-thirds vote to do it."

Raczkowski and Gosselin say the amendment will have a number of additional consequences. It would keep the Legislature from adjusting revenue sharing formulas, continuing to send money to older cities at the expense of faster growing suburban communities, Raczkowski argued.

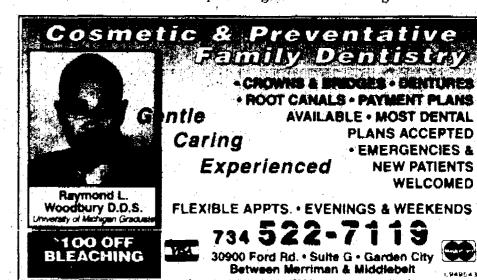
It will make it much more difficult to update the state road funding formula, which is scheduled to be rewritten this year, Gosselin contended. It will put a

huge obstacle in the state's way in its efforts to "rein in urban sprawl," Gosselin argued.

Any improvements to the state **Open Meetings Act and Freedom** of Information Act would be made more difficult, they said. Legislative aide Rusty Merchant noted that with more government information being put in computers and distributed over the Internet, any changes to those laws needed to insure government openness would need a two-thirds vote.

Archer has already come out strongly in support of the amendment, but according to Schrager, many other mayors have signed on to support the petition drive as well, including the mayors of Southfield, Ferndale, Taylor, Troy, Ann Arbor, Howell, Brighton and Westland. The Michigan Association of Counties is supporting the amendment. The South Oakland Mavor's Association, Schrager said, is planning to announce its support in the coming week.

"Michigan could become a Bosnia of conflicting, overlapping and duplicative business regulations," Gosselin countered. "And there would be little the state could do to prevent it. Some view this as a return to tussling feudal city-states, and refer to its sponsor as the 'Michigan Medieval League."



BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

amendment to the Planned Unit HQZ Acquisitions is for the min- saying it "could not make money Development (PUD), which has imum price set by the county - off the deal," Commissioner guided the site's development \$1.2 million, or \$108,000 per Edna Bell, D-Detroit, told fellow

A purchase agreement covering the last large parcel of land at the former Wayne County Child Development Center has been approved, but actual development of the property may be a while off.

Although the 11.15-acre Northville Township parcel was originally designated for senior housing by the county, "No defimite usage for the parcel" has been decided, said a spokeswoman for the developer.

"We have a team of staff members working to come up with the best possible use," said Christina Julian, a spokeswoman for HQZ Acquisitions and The Silverman Cos. of Farmington Hills, both subsidiaries of Toll Bros. of Philadelphia, Pa.

"We are proud to have" the property; Julian added, "and excited to come up with something for the township and the county."

Maureen Osiecki, Northville Township planner, said any proposed development must be approved by the township planning commission.

Should the developer plan something other than senior housing, it will have to seek an



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since April 1997, when the county first began selling the original 880 acres.

between Five and Six Mile roads. While the purchase agreement between Wayne County's Eco-

acre - the sale was approved by county commissioners Jan. 27 because it would end the search The property is on Sheldon for a buyer and also put the property on the tax rolls.

The original purchaser, Waycor of Detroit, a minority firm, nomic Development Corp. and withdrew at the time of closing,

board members. The county then advertised the property and sent notices to 58 developers, McNamara said. getting only a proposal from Trillium Homes, which was rejected when Trillium said it planned to build condominiums.

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If you have pain in one or both knees, your doctor has good reason to obtain x-rays of your knees.

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If you are being evaluated for arthritis of the knee, be sure weight bearing films are included when x-rays are ordered.

Note: patients have brought to my attention another good web page for arthritis, it is <u>www.drkoop.com.</u> On its home page, go to the heading CONDITION, and look under arthritis, or specific arthritis like osteoarthritis or meumatoid arthritis, gout, etc.



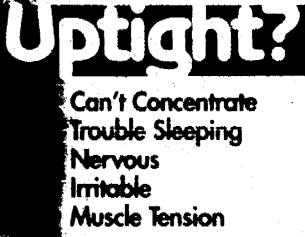
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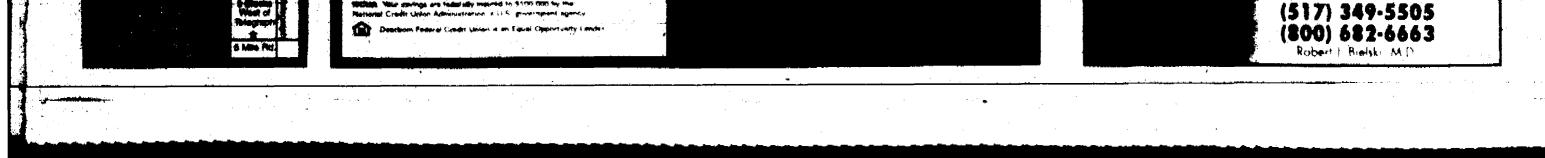
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WSU signs Jarrett

Despite not having a head football coach, Wayne State University signed 21 student-athletes to letters-ofintent Wednesday including former All-Observer wide receiver David Jarrett, a 1997 Westland John Glenn graduate.

The 6-foot-3, 215-pound Jarrett played two seasons of basketball at Schoolcraft Community College. He was the Ocelots' sixth man on last year's state championship team.

At Glenn, Jarrett helped the Rockets to an 11-1 record and a berth in the 1996 state Class AA semifinals.

During his senior year, Jarrett caught 29 passes for 542 yards and five touchdowns. He also intercepted seven passes and returned one for a touchdown.

Jarrett was also runner-up in the long jump at the 1997 state Class A track meet.

WSU has not yet named a successor to Barry Fagan, who resigned after last year's winless season.

Saginaw Valley lands 3

Saginaw Valley State University signed three first-team All-Observer picks including Redford Catholic Central linebacker-running back John Kava (6-1, 225), RU linebacker-running back Mike Macek (6-0, 225) and CC defensive end Jeff Moore (6-5, 220).

Kava helped CC to a 30-game winning streak, including a 1998 state title and a 10-1 record and a state playoff berth in 1999. The Livonian rushed for 1,334 yards in 197 carries

Stevenson ties WLAA leader, 2-2

Churchill 1 point away from title; Brawl mars end

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

Livonia Churchill moved closer to clinching the first overall Western Lakes Activities Association hockey. championship with a 2-2 tie against rival Livonia Stevenson in a battle marred by a post-game melee Friday. night at Edgar Arena.

Churchill is now 13-6-2 overall and 13-1 in WLAA. The Chargers need one point against either Walled Lake Central (Feb. 11) or Farmington Unified (Feb. 16), both at Edgar, to win the Western Lakes outright.

Stevenson, 12-5-2 overall and 11-2-1 in the WLAA, stayed alived thanks to Bobby Zagata's redirected goal with 1:05 left.

Stevenson finishes its league schedule against Plymouth Salem (Feb. 16) and vs. Livonia Franklin (Feb. 18), both at Edgar.

But talk afterwards was not about the still pending WLAA race for first place. The focus shifted to an ugly donnybrook which erupted when the teams were going through the traditional handshake line.

After a series of punches were thrown by both sides, and sticks and gloves were retrieved, officials fingered Churchill goaltender Ryan McBroom for fighting and a game disqualification on the scoresheet. McBroom will sit out Churchill's next two games. "I'm sure the players involved in the altercation will be held accountable by our administration," Churchill coach Jeff Hatley said. "This is not how we want to represent our school. I'm sure there will be repercussions from this."



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Plleup: Stevenson's Matt Calus (white jersey, bottom) keeps Churchill's Sean Smith (front) from scoring with teammate Adam Krug (No. 19) looking on.

my 14 years of officiating."

Blaies added: "And the thing is, that we were three-quarters through the handshake line. My linesman (Ken Landis) was standing right there. He said he saw a guy get sucker-punched. And from that point on everybody got into it."

thing like that at the end of a game in because Churchill's forecheck was awesome." Stevenson coach Mike Harris said. "The were successful at dumping it in and trying to get face-offs.

"But Kevin (Marlowe) came up realbig."

Bui defenseman Nate Jakubowski drilled a high shot from the blueline with 8:50 to play on assists from Aaron Jakubowski and Jason Turri for a 2-1 Churchill advantage.

With just under two minutes to play

(6.6 average) in 10 games his senior year, while scoring 13 TDs. At linebacker he had 41 tackles and one sack.

Macek, a three-year starter, led RU to a 9-1 record and a 1998 playoff berth. Despite injuries his senior year, Macek gained 844 yards and scored six TDs. He owns most of RU's career offensive records with 4,622 total yards, including 3,146 rushing with 39 TDs

Moore, meanwhile, was a stalwart on CC's defense, finishing with 48 1/2 tackles, 4 1/2 sacks and two fumble recoveries, including one for a touchdown this season at CC won the Catholic League championship.

Madonna adds recruit

The Madonna University women's volleyball program added another recruit last week with the signing of 5-foot-10 right-side hitter Jennifer Frost, a transfer from Flint Mott Community Collge.

Forst earned All-NJCAA Region 12 honors last season for Mott.

That brings coach Jerry Abraham's recruiting class to four.

He has also signed 5-9 Amanda Suder (Plymouth Salem), 5-11 Kate LeBlanc (Livonia Stevenson) and 5-8 setter Natalie Sayre (Grand Rapids JC and Forest Hills Central High School).

St. Michael grid signup

Boys in grades 4-8 (in Sept. 2000). are invited to sign up for Livonia St. Michael football.

Registration will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17 at the school's cafeteria, located at 11441 Hubbard (at Plymouth Road), in Livonia.

Boys belonging to the following parishes are eligible to play: Divine Savior, St. Robert Bellarmine, St. Bernadine, St. John Bosco, St. Damian, St. Genevieve, St. Maurice, St. John Neumann, St. Sabina, St. Theodore, St. Valentine and St. Michael.

For more information, call John Franchi at (734) 425-5439.

Youth baseball tryouts

Tryouts for the 14- and 12-andunder Little Caesars travel teams will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15 at the Upper Deck in Northville.

The teams will travel out-of-state for a few tournaments.

For more information and the 14and-under team, call (734) 596-2975; and on the 12-and-under team, call (313) 562-4667.

Referee Mike Blaies, a Churchill grad himself, said, "I haven't seen any-

It was a scoreless first period with only one penalty issued by Blaies' crew as Churchill outshot the Spartans, 13-

Stevenson goaltender Kevin Marlowe made a couple of key point-blank saves. "We had trouble getting going

The score stayed that way until 4:42 remained in the second period when Sean Smith knocked the puck past Marlowe off a scramble in front of the net to make it 1-0.

Zagata then tied it with 12:40 to go in the third period when he jumped on a rebound from Mike Peraino, who took the initial shot. Defenseman Mark Nebus drew the assist.

following a Churchill timeout, Stevenson pulled its goaltender for the extra attacker.

The strategy paid off as Zagata batted a rebound out of mid-air to tie the game with 1:05 to play. David Bonello and Mark Blazok got credit for the assists.

With 11 seconds to go, Churchill's

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HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP Franklin impressive in Western Lakes win 15-2, 15-3 win vs. Spartans

Livonia Franklin was hitting all cylinders Wednesday, rolling to a 15-2, 15-3 girls volleyball win over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

"We anticipated and executed our plays with aggressiveness," said Franklin coach Mary Helen Diegel, whose team is 29-4-1 overall and 5-0 in the Westenr Lakes Activities Association. "Our preparation paid off."

"This week was difficult considering we were dealing with a former students' death. But we persevered through the tragedy.

"It helped that we had great support from our fans. I'm really proud of the girls."

Setter Lyndsay Sopko was 38 of 38 on sets with 20 assists She was also seven of seven serving with one ace.

Senior Tera Morrill was 18 of 19 attacking with 10 kills, along with five of five serving.

"Tera gave us excellent play and Lindsay played with great control and provided leadership," Diegel said.

Andrea Kmet, back from an ankle injur, added eight kills. She was 12 of 13 on attacks. Junior Kerstin Marshall was eight-of-eight on attacks with four kills.

"Kerstin spiked straight down and Andrea also had some powerful hits," Diegel said.

Rachel Bramlett was 10 of 10 serving with three aces. She was also four of four serve receiving. Alexis Bowman was 13 of 13 serving with two aces.

"Rachel gave us strong passing and defense, along with some excellent serves." Diegel said. "Alexis was very consistent and gave us some big hits when we needed them."

Kate LeBlanc had four kills for Stevenson (22-6-2, 4-2), while Carly Wadsworth added three. Setter Kelley Hutchins had eight assists

"They got a run going with those banana serves and it really took the wind out of our sails," Stevenson coach Kelly Graham said.

Westland John Glenn making strides

Behind Lacey Catarino's 10 kills. Westland John Glenn moved closer to the 500 mark Wednesday with a 15-3, 13-15, 15-11 WLAA win over host Plymouth Canton.

Noelle Swartz, a 5-foot-10 senior, added eight kills, four aces, two solo blocks and two block-assists for the Rockets, who improved to 10-11-4 overall and 2-4 in the Western Lakes

Holly Deedler chipped in with seven kills, while setter Sarah Pack had 28 assist-to-kills.

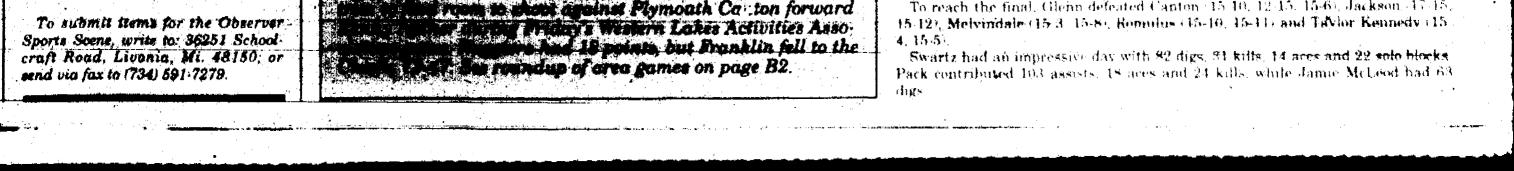
On Jan. 31, host Northville down Glenn in a WLAA match, 15-5, 15-8, despite-16 digs and two solo blocks from Swartz, along with 16 assists and 12 digs from Pack

The Rockets reached the Romulus Invitational finals, the first tournament final in sixth-year coach Stacy Carev's career only to lose to Franklin in the championship, 4-15, 5-15

Glenn had a total of 387 digs on they a

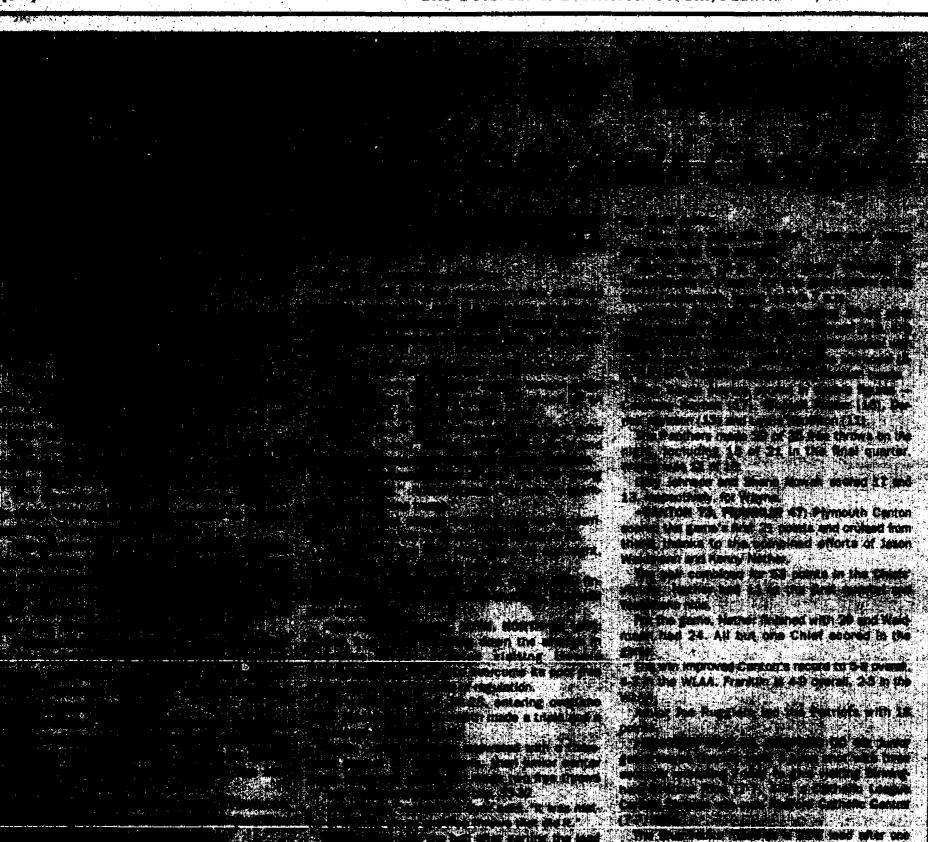
To reach the final, Glenn defeated Canton (15/10, 12/15, 15-6), Jackson, 17/15,





Livendes Franklin forward Joe Ruggiero (left)

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Junior Anthony Countil and Antior Bob Sparka had nine points aplece for CC; junior Mark Willoughby added seven.

Mitchell, Bigby sparkle, SC rolls to 11th straight

Lamar Bigby did the damage in the first half. Robert Brown and Reggie Kirkland did it in the second.

And Quentin Mitchell handled both halves.

The result was an 84-58 victory for Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team over St. Clair CC Wednesday at SC. The win, the Ocelots' 11th in a row, pushed their record to 17-4 overall and 10-0 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. St. Clair CCC is 15-8 overall, 9-3 in the conference.

Bigby was red-hot in the opening half, pouring in 20 points including five three pointers. Mitchell added 13 points (with three triples), as the duo accounted for all but one SC basket in the half. Their effort led to a 38-30 Ocelot lead at the intermission.

The rest of the SC offense got their blows in in the second half, led by Brown, Kirkland - and Mitchell, who scored 12 more (with two more threes) to give him a game-high 25 points. The Ocelots pulled away from St. Clair, outscoring the Skippers 46-28 over the final 20 minutes.

Bigby finished with 22 points, Brown scored 11 (and grabbed 13 rebounds), and Kirkland had eight. Brian Williams had nine assists and just one turnover. SC totaled 12 threes in the game; St. Clair. had six.

Only two St. Clair CCC players reached double-figures in scoring: Jeremy Denha, with 12, and Danny Fisher, with 11.

Madonna University loses pair

Two factors cost Madonna University a chance at victory Wednesday at Tri-State University in Angola, Ind.

The Crusaders didn't rebound well. Tri-State had a 38-26 advantage on the boards.

Secondly, you have to make your free throws. Madonna did -- but shot only three of them, making two. The Thunder didn't shoot well at the line (48 percent), but they shot 27 of them, making 13.

So even though the Crusaders matched their opponents shooting accuracy from the field, it proved to be not enough in a 69-59 loss.

 Lost in the Madonna loss was a superb performance by Mike Massey, who hit 11-of-17 shots from the field (6-of-9 on three-pointers) in scoring a game-high 28 points. He also had two steals.

However, no other Crusader reached double-figures in scoring. Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston) scored nine, and Dan Kurtinaitis and Jason Skoczylas added eight each. Skoczylas also had a teambest five rebounds and three assists.

Tri-State got 21 points from both Chad LaCross and Jared Boll; LaCross also had 13 rebounds and two steals.

The Thunder led 30-26 at the half.

On Thursday, Madonna played a non-league game at Rochester College and lost, 92-85. The defeat dropped the Crusaders to 3-22 overall: Rochester is 8-15.

Pete Males, a Garden City and Schoolcraft College product, paced the Warriors with 27 points, 10 assists and three steals. He made four of Rochester's seven three-pointers.

Jamalka Butler added 19 points and 17 rebounds; Terry Patterson netted 19 points and 10 boards.

Madonna was led by Putnam with 24 points; he also had six rebounds and three assists. Aaron Cox netted 19 points and three steals, and Jordan Garrison had 11 points.

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Ladywood icers snap South's 3-year streak

Katie O'Dea saved the day with a pair of third-1 riod goals as Livonia Ladywood handed host Grosse Pointe South its first girls hockey defeat in three years, 4-2, at City Center Ice Arena.

Ladywood is 12-2 on the season, while South is 10-1.

Machrina Fallon and Jana Beumel also scored goals for the victorious Blazers.

It was 1-1 after one period and 2-2 after two periods before O'Dea scored the game-winning and insurance goal.

-FRANKLIN 11, LAPEER WEST 0: In a makeup game Wednesday at Edgar Arena, Livonia Franklin (8-6-3 overall) rolled to the non-league win over the Panthers (7-8-1 overall) as freshman Adam Bierley had one goal and four assists.

Goaltender Rob Williams earned his second shutout of the season for the Patriots.

Other top offensive producers for the Patriots included: Josh Garbutt, one goal and three assists; Gordie Statham, hat trick; John Nichol, Ryan Tracy and Matt Wissell, one goal and one assist each. Corey Garbutt, Brandon McCullough and Adam Beaudoin, two assists; Paul Statham, one goal; Sam Dismuke, Chad VanHulle, Nick Tilt and Brad Cauchi, one assist.

•STEVENSON 9, W.L. WESTERN 2: Mark Nebus had a five-point night with a goal and four assists to lead Livonia Stevenson (12-5-1, 10-2-1) to the Western Lakes Activities Association hockey win Wednesday over Walled Lake Western (3-11-3, 3-6-11 at Edgar Arena.

Stevenson, which outshot the Warriors 38-15), also got offensive contributions from Mike Majkowski, two goals: Eric Mink and Booby Zagata, one goal and one assist apiece; Nick Harris and Matt Calus, two assists each; Alex Piotrowski, Josh Latzman and Dave Bonello, one goal each. Bryan Derv and Sal Perri also had assists.

Rivals tie from page B1

Rvan McDonnell was denied on a quick back-hander by Marlowe, who finished the night with 29 saves.

McBroom, meanwhile, turned away 17 of 19 shots.

"Stevenson was a very determined and desperate team in a do-or-die situation trying to stave off elimination," said Hatley, whose team won the first meeting back on Dec. 15 by a 3-1 count. "We knew they had this game circled on their calendar. From our point it was like a state tournament game.

"Now we have two games left and we need a tie in either of the last two games 🗸

The Churchill coach was contrite and apoligetic about the can't catch them." the Stevenson post-game episode which stained an otherwise, hard-fought, wellplayed game.

with the handshake." Hatley you you lose, you say little.

Harris said it was "the first time I've seen something like this in my 11 years."

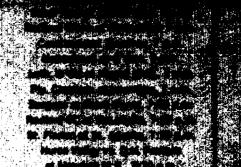
"It was an unfortunate fiasco that had to take place," he said. "Stevenson is certainly embarrased. You have to learn to control your emotions. Hindsight is 20-20, but maybe we shouldn't have gone through the line.

"Jeff and I don't promote it (fighting): I have a lot of respect for the Churchill players and program. It was sad to see McBroom get disqualified."

As far as the league race, Harris was blunt about his team's chances of overhauling Churchill.

"The bottom line is that we

coach said. Hatley, meanwhile, may have summed the night up best; "As "It's a shame that all will be the old Toronto Maple Leafs remembered is that happened announcer used to say: When



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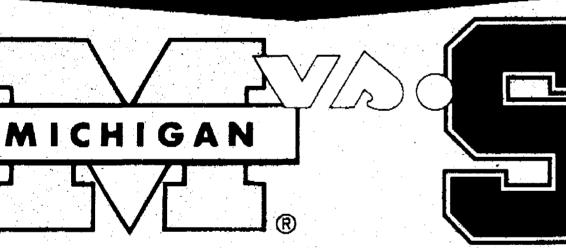
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MADONNA HITTING CLINIC

Madonna University women's softball will host a hitting clinic from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19 and 1-4 p.m. Saturday. Feb. 26 at the school's Activities

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ing four three-pointers. Michelle Miela scored 20 with four assists and three steals, and Lori Enfield had 12 points and five rebounda.

Crystal Hardesty's 23 points topped Tri-State. Murcer added 13.

There's no doubting the importance of Dietrich's game-winning free throws. But the laid the groundwork for the second-half drams in the first half, keeping the Crusaders in the game by scoring 14 of her team's 30 points. No one else had more than five at that point.

Indeed, for more than 15 minutes of the opening half, it was shaping up like a blowout. Tri-State scored the game's first I'm so proud of them."

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ed Tri-State 8-2. "We try is break up the game in the minute segments," said Jansen. We he the first 10 minutes, but won the must we (segments)."

It was apparent the Crusadars entered the second half with renewed determination.

Although Miela had played well in the opening half (five points on 2-of-4 floor shooting, three assists, three steals), she was a whole lot better in the second.

She made 6-of-7 floor shots, including 2of 3 triple tries, to score 15 second-half points. Enfield got 10 of her 12 points in the second half.

"A game like this a month ago we would have lost, both mentally and physically." said Jansen. "This time we hung in there.

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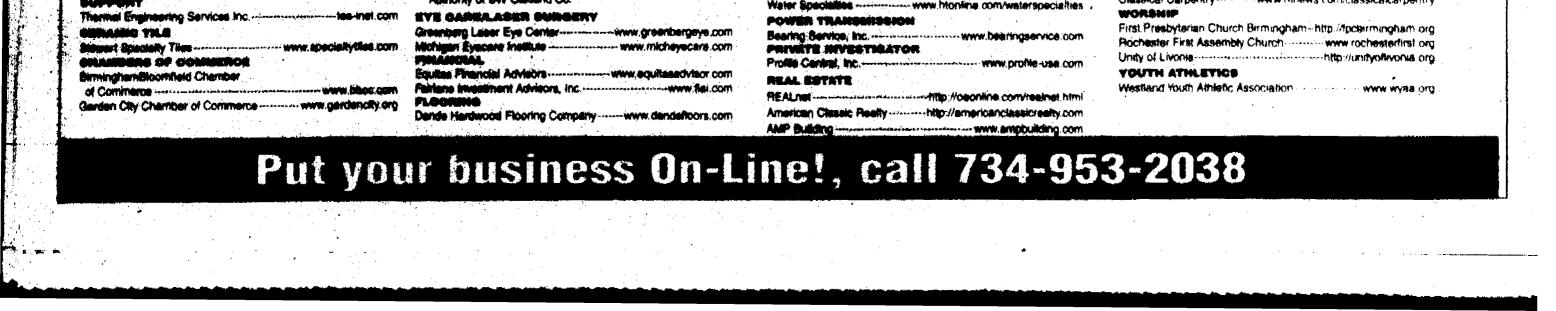
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BOWLING AND RECREATION

Don't ruin everyone's fun





as good bowlers we can expect to make every spare - well, we don't always. We see our fellow bowlers kick the ball returns out of HARRISON

angry when we get a bad

You can bet most of us do.

Some of us learn that a

seemingly perfect pocket hit

does not necessarily produce

a strike. We also learn that

anger or frustration. Others may slam their fist down on the top of the scoring console, and still others

break?

will beat up on the furnishings. The proprietors and managers are getting quite concerned about this. In particular, striking the scoring console is a nasty thing to do to such a delicate and expensive piece of equipment.

The bowling centers spent big bucks for the bowlers to have a nice, pleasant atmosphere to enjoy the game more, with the added convenience of the latest state-of-the-

I was on the

Do we bowlers ever get art equipment.

> How would these thoughtless bowlers like it if someone came into their home and beat up on their nice TV set or stereo?

Next time you see anyone showing this type of behavior, say something to them or call it to the manager's attention.

We have come a long way since the old days of ticky-tacky, smoke-filled bowling alleys to the nicely-appointed, family-type. facilities of today.

Let's do our best to help keep it this way.

•A special note of thanks to all of those wonderful people who donated some great door prizes the fifth annual Annual Senior/Youth Challenge held Saturday at Mayflower Lanes.

The event was a huge success and the donors included: Ansara's Red Robin Restaurants, Family Video, Boston Market, Bread Basket Deli, Taylor Lanes, Amico's Pizza, Leons Restaurant, Laffrey's Steak House, Ray's Pro shop, Mancino's Pizza, Outback Steak House, Olive Garden, Mitch Housey's, Entertainment Books 2000, Sports Leader,

Value Video Plus, Murphy's Restaurant, Chi Chils, DiLaura Brothers Bowling Supply, Ebonite International, Rocky's of Northville, Poly Pro Car Care, Mesquite Junction. Sandy's by the Beech, Redford Inn, Davidis Rite Line Pro Shop and Arby's.

Other donors included Steak-n-Shake, Kelly Koin, Rent-A-Flick Video, G'est Omeletes, Bowlers Aid Pro Shop, Master Products, Pro Am Bowling & Trophy, Strike Force Pro Shop, Z&Z Pro Shop, Metro Diner, Murray's Auto & Home, Tim Horton's, The Home Depot, Jiffy Pennzoil Lubes. Redford Jewelry, Township Hardware and Truan's Candies.

•The door prizes enhanced the entire event and most of the participants came away with something very special, thanks to the generosity of our local shops, restaurants and suppliers.

Bowlers and readers can show their appreciation by patronizing them.

The final scores are not ready yet as of this writing, look for the results in next Sunday's edition (Feb. 13).

Good snowfall for snow catchers



trail with a group not long ago when a light snow falling. seemed a perfect time to use the snow catchers. A snow eatch-

er is a black piece of felt with NATURE an inexpensive NOTES magnifying lens attached on a

piece of varn. Conditions were indeed perfect and so were the snow crystals.

Unlike many snowfalls when the individual crystals attach and cluster with other crystals

Fortunately, the temperature was cold enough that they did not melt when they landed on the felt. This gave us enough was It time to admire the delicate patterns created when microscopic water molecules bond together and form the traditional sixsided snowflake.

needles.

The needles formed threedimensional star shaped forms that were much smaller than the dendrites.

Plate-like dendrites were only an eighth of an inch in diameter, but under magnification I could see the branching pattern that formed each of the six rays emanating from the center.

Large fluffy clusters that fall

Looking at each one of these delicate, intricate works of art made it hard to believe that each one started to form around a minute particle of dust, smoke. pollen, bacteria, fungi, salt, or anything else floating in the

upper atmosphere. Water molecules began to attach to the airborne particle in a structured arrangement that allows the 120-degree angle of a water molecule to attach to others and form a six sided snowflake.

So remember, when children eat snow they are essentially eating dirt and water.

Some crystals may be more columnar in shape, while many combine structures of two basic

A single crystal may be vaulted up and down in a cloud several times before it finally falls to the ground.

In southeastern Michigan the average snowfall between 1940 and 1969 was between 30-40 inches. The snowiest place in Michigan is Delaware in the Upper Peninsula, they average 241.5 inches per winter-

During the winter of 1978-79 they recorded 391.9 inches of snow --- over 32.5 feet. Baldwin recorded 33.5 inches of snow fall in one day.

It's hard to believe that those tiny crystals I needed a magnifying lens to see could accumulate

into several feet of snow. How many crystals would have

MAYFLOWER LANES (Budland)

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Friday Senters: Atvin Thompson, 258/720; Ray Dison, 266/718; Jack Dahlstrom. 268/702: Ted Mack, 247/678; Tony Wolak 247/664

Monday Sectors: Walt Arsenault, 235-244-247/726: Hank Tyl, 246/701. Paul Temple, [257/694; Duane Kuras, 246/685; Gary Nagle, 248/681

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Weidnesday Teast & Coffee: Lisa Sallade 231/562, Nim Eller, 226 203/592; Perry Coruana, 203/510: Diana Krupinski, 202: 202.1537.

Sundowners: Chris Campbell 211 255/643; Denise Stancato, 221/616; Nancy Schweim, 214/504; Gerry Galinet, 233/534. Deb yan Camp, 223, 522

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Woodland Lanes (Livenia)

Senior House: Brad Strange - 300, Mark Payne, 298/707, Derin Kolb. 279/762, Jeff. Roche, 279; Davé Norwick, 267/727. Thursday Night Man: Matt Larowe, 299

Midnightens: Rio Della Mora, 239: Jim Ryan, 237; Evans Brown, 237. Mike Zietiński, 226. Cullen Cacicedo, 217: Jony Smith, 227. Saturday Yorth: Deviyn Kalinowsky, 241: Jon White, 236, Nathan Cummings, 217

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Super Bowl (Cantan)

Friday Functors: Gene Wietecha, 235/6382 Dorothy Peters, 180: Joe Cabrers, 204; Frede Bernhardt, 176/181/516

Monday Canton Seniors: John Kozieskie 205 528. V/ Tilley, 181, Bill Vongtahn, 188 - Saniti Ostemer<u>e</u>, 1901509: Pete Camiller

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on their way down, these crystals were separate individuals.

They were not big, but we could see all the details of their structure when they landed. With the aid of the magnifying lens we identified dendrites and

are hundred of these tiny crystals jumbled together. It's very difficult to see one individual crystal from this group. That is why this morning was so special, each flake was independent from others.

crystals. Round beads of water falling in cold temperatures are called rime. It is formed when snow crystals falling are pushed upward into the clouds and melt, or bang into other crystals loosing their traditional shape.

to be formed to accumulate to such a depth? WOW!

Next time it starts to snow. take a magnifier outside and see if you can enjoy some superbsnowflakes.

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SEASON/DATES RABBIT

Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

CLASSES/ CLINICS

FLY TYING

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

MORE FLY TYING

River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

SHOWS DETROIT BOAT, SPORT AND

FISHING SHOW

The 42nd annual Detroit Boat, Sport and Fishing Show will be held Feb. 12-20 at Cobo Center. The show features the 2000 premiere showing of new model boats, motors, trailers, accessories and more. Some 1,000 boats will be available for viewing including fishing boats, ski boats, pontoons, cruisers, inflatables, personal watercrafts canoes and kayaks.

SPORTFISHING EXPO

The 12th annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo is set for Thursday through Sunday, March 2-5, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. An all-star lineup of seminar speakers is already scheduled. The show also features exhibitors, merchandise booths: casting and fishing activities and more. Show hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, March 2-3, 10 a m -9:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4, and 10 a.m. 6 p.m. Sunday, March 5

SPRING BOATING EXPO

The eighth Annual Spring Boating Expo is scheduled for March 16-19 at the Novi Expo Center. The show features some 200 exhibitors with new boats and watercrafts, motors, trailers, docks, accessories and more.

ARCHERY

DETROIT ARCHERS OF WEST BLOOMFRELD

The Detroit Archers of West Bloomfield (5795 Drake Road) is hosting a number of leagues: 3-D indoor, Sundays, 6:30 p.m.; Monday bush league, 7:30 p.m. (men only); Tuesday target league, 7:30 p.m.; 3-D bow hunter, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. (indoor); and Friday fun league, 7:30 p.m. Open shoot hours are from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Thursday. For more information call (313) 825-2110.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior. Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays, Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

ACTIVITIES CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information:

METRO-WEST STEELNEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School, Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt between Seven and Eight mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for: more information FOUR SEASONS The Four Seasons Fishing Club

meets 7:30 9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

FISHING BUDDLES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club. meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities; meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

WILD GAME DIMMER

The Fourth Annual Sportsperson Wild Game Dinner will be 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Taylor Moose Lodge located at 9981 South Telegraph Road in Taylor. Local sportsmen and women will enjoy a wild-game dinner of turtle soup, rabbit, venison, beaver. buffalo, elk, kangaroo and many more surprises. There will be information available on camping and fishing resorts, charter fishing, hunting, food lots and current baiting information There is a photo contest for your

Tickets are available by calling Alan Thompson at (248).851-1266 or Steve Malinak at (313) 277-8291.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5) stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays: 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6. p.m. Saturdays and Sundays Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays: 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays. and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays. and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 alm -5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd, Call (248) 666-1020 for more information

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities Range hours are 12.5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is Jocated at 5779 Hadley Road Call (248: 693-6767 for more) information.

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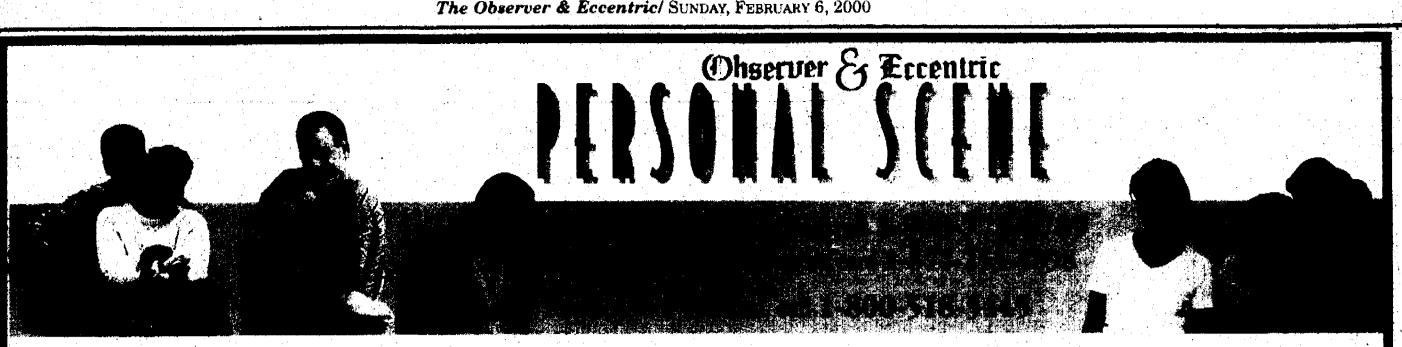
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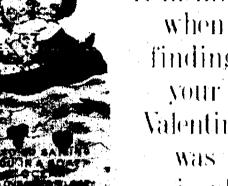
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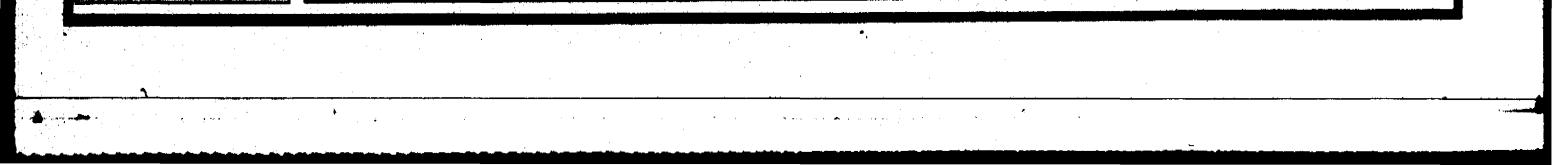
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Love inspires salesman to sing for others

LINDA ANN CHOMIN

uring Valentine's Day weekend Jim Paravantes will be singing songs of love at Andiamo Italia. West and thinking about his wife of 31 vears.

Marilyn Paravantes is the reason Jim's been singing at the Bloomfield Hills restaurant since April. Four years ago, she bought her husband a karaoke machine so he could practice songs by the Gershwins and Porter in the privacy of their Canton home-

While Paravantes isn't ready to quit his day job as a salesman for a software company to croon ballads and swing tunes – he definitely has stars in his eyes. The 49-year-old singer is secretly hoping to make the big time with a CD to be recorded this spring on Trident Records. It will feature standards from the 30's and 40's as well as original music by Arnold Olenich of Massachusetts.

It Had to Be You

"It's just great to be able to do this," said Paravantes. "All the songs are basically about love and continue to be popular. People listen to them the same as back then. My wife enjoys coming up to the restaurant. Most of



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Musicians ready to serenade audiences

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

Romance is in the air as Valentine's Day approaches, and the Farmington Community Band and Redford Civic Symphony Orchestra are getting ready to serenade audiences.

Farmington Community Band

"Here's that Rainy Day" has a great trombone part and Dave Londal is looking forward to playing it Friday. Feb. 11 at the Valentine Dinner Dance sponsored by the Farmington Community Band.

"It's a highlight of the year," said Londal. "It's challenging to play for three hours, but enjoyable. There's 12 or 15 new pieces in our folders, and we're throwing in a few polkas too. People really enjoy the polkas, and that's kind of fun too."

"Volare." and the "Anniversary Waltz" may be old to you, but they're new tunes for Londal and the Farmington Community Jazz Band, the 20-piece group, made up of Farmington Community Band members that will be playing music for dancing.

The evening at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington-Hills begins at 6:30 p.m. with a cash bar cocktail hour. followed by a buffet dinner at 7:30 p.m., and dancing until midnight to the Big Band sounds of the Farmington Community Jazz Band. They'll be play ing music from the 1940s to the 1990s. said Fern Barber who founded the band with her husband Paul in 1966. and plays first clarinet. The jazz band has been rehearsing for three weeks to get ready for the dance. "It's an opportunity to keep playing." said Londal of Farmington Hills, An accountant. Londal played trombone in high school and college, and has been a member of the band for the past 23. vears. "Lenjoy doing it, it's relaxing and forces me to play at least once a week." The band rehearses on Mondays 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Farmington High School. Visit the Web site www.fcbmusic.org or call (248) 489-3412 for more information about joining the group.



Jim Paravantes

WHO: Jim Paravantes & Company present a "Frank Sinatra Tribute." WHEN: 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Friday and Saturday, through February. WHERE: Andiamo Italia West, Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 865-9300 for information.

Don't let Paravantes' "it's all been a lot of fun" attitude fool you. He's had to practice constantly over the last four years to land the weekend gig where he's Anderson,

accompanied by bass player Ron drummer Tim Mycek and pianist Wayne White. book and CD, the "Secrets of

Jeffrey Allen's Singing," taught Paravantes the vocal exercises

necessary to improve his singing skills but he had to do all the work. That included taking lessons with Allen after Paravantes corre-

sponded with him over the Internet. "My three grown daughters think it's really cool," said Paravantes. "My wife isn't as impressed because she knows what it took to do it."

It was while Paravantes was in LA on business for the Canton computer company that he had his first singing break. Paravantes' job calls for frequent travel so during the long nights he would visit the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Burbank for entertainment. One evening, planist Joanna Ezrin asked if anyone wanted to come up and sing a song. Paravantes couldn't resist the call of the bright lights.

"People seemed to like it and it became an addiction," said Paravantes. "It's a lot of fun for me and I do it as much as I can so it fits in with my life."

Like many kids. Paravantes was forced to take piano lessons. The experience colored how he felt about performing music for many years. It wasn't that Paravantes didn't love music. He originally planned to become a disc jockey after studying broadcasting at Lee Allen's school.

He worked briefly for WPON in Pontiac on the board before deciding to enroll in computer programming courses at Schoolcraft College and Macomb Community College. The computer studies led to his job in software sales It's all relevant to his singing today.

The sales is getting up in front of people," said Paravantes. "It's an evolutionary process. You learn each time you do it."

Paravantes admits the first few times he sang at Andiamo Italia West were unnerving.

"It was scary," said Paravantes, My wife and many of my friends were there for support. It's gratifying to get

Xiang Gao

Livonia Symphony puts heart into their romantic program

Concert





Musical chairs: (Above) Conductor Volodymyr Schesiuk lays down his baton to play violin with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra. (Center photo) Carl Karoub of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER lchomin@oc.homecomm.net

he Livonia Symphony Orchestra is getting in the mood for Valentine's Day by presenting a chamber concert in the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium on Sunday. Feb. 13.

Concerts are usually held in the 900-seat auditorium at Churchill High School. The more intimate setting will allow the audience to savor every note of the romantic program. Along with music by Borodine and Haydn, the ensemble, which is composed of 14 orchestra members, will perform Tcharkovsky's "Theme from Romeo and Juliet" and Andrew Lloyd Webber's "All I Ask of You" from "Phantom of the Opera."

"I like sometimes to have a smaller audience to play from heart to heart," said symphony conductor Volodymyr Schesiuk

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"A Valentine Concert? What: The Livonia Symphony Orchestra presents a chamber program of music ranging troni classical to Broadway. When: 3 p.m. Sunday, Firth 10

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Redford Symphony

The Redford Civic Symphony Orchestra will take audiences on a musical tour of Austria, Hungary, and Romania at a concert on Sunday, Feb. 13 that includes a Valentine's Day Sing Along.

The choral and instrumental ensembles from the Redford Union Music Department will be joining the orchestra for this special concert at Hilbert Junior High, Doors open 2 p.m. and the concert begins at 3 p.m.

Assistant conductor Robert Zimmerman will lead the orchestra

Watertine Dinner Dance — spansored by the Farmington Community Band, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, Gen Oaks Country Club on 13, Mile-Road (between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake) roads: Farmington Hills, Tickets \$40 per per son, reservations a must, call (734-261 2202 or 248: 489 3412

Family Concert ---- presented by the Redford Cavic Symphony Orchestral 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb 13, Hilbert Junior High School, 26440 Puntan Least of lokster Road, between Five and Six Mile roads: No charge

EXHIBIT

Polish history shapes sculptor's work

WILAT: Marian Oczarski exhibits his stainless steel sculptures.

WHEN: Through Wednesday, Merch 1. Exhibit hours are 9 a.m. to 3 n.m. Monday-Tuesday; until 9 p.m. Wednesday; until noon, Thursday-Friday.

WHERE Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts. 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth. Cell (734) 416-4278 for more information.

Related event:

"Modern Polish Art and Culture," a lecture by St.... Mary's College President

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER ichomin@oe.homecomm.net

Marian Owczarski left Poland many years ago but the country's culture and history live on through his sculpture.

Owczarski was only 7 when he witnessed the devastation that resulted from Hitler's bombs. When World War 11 ended, he was the only surviving member of his family. Owearzski worked his way through schools in Szczecin, Siedlee and the Academy of Art in Lodz before completing graduate studies at the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw. and craftsmen took part in a

helped restore seven churches. Today he is artist in residence. and director of the Galeria at St. Mary's.

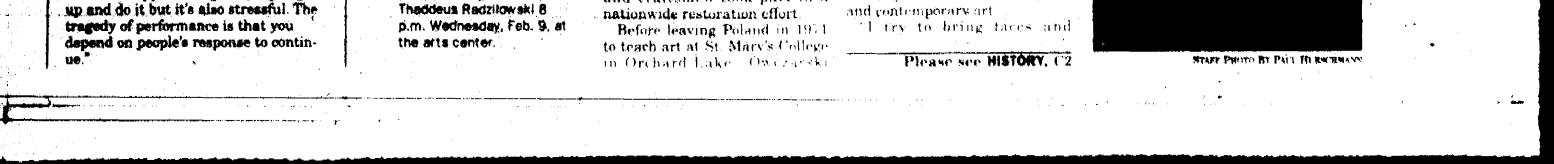
Owczarski's hard line and rough finishes accentuate the character of Polish heroes throughout the last six ceuturies. His stainless steel por traits of men and women such as Marie Curie and Zbigniew Brezinski along with figurative works continue on exhibit at the Plymouth Community Arts Council through Wednesday. March 1. The exhibit is part of the arts council's Cultural Diversity Series which is celebrating Afterward, he and other artists . Pobsh culture with displays of amber jewelry crystal, costumes,



Marian Owczarski displays his sculptures of

Polish pride:

historical Polish figures Pope John Paul II (left) and Tadeusz Kosciuszko, a hero of the American Revolution



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who is exchanging his baton for a violin for this concert. "It's like playing music at home for friends,

Scheniuk's daughter, planist Anna Sorokhtei, and her trio will play the first movement of a Rhapsody by Charles Loeffler. Joni Day and Nenad Djordjevic join Sorokhtei on oboe and viola.

"Charles Loeffler was a French composer," said Schesiuk. "He grew up in Ukraine. He liked to use poetry in his music. Poetry is closer to real language. It's more abstract."

Carl Karoub helped Schesiuk plan the program which includes Mozart's "Divertimento for Six

Winds." Ever since Karoub began playing French horn in 1944 and through 15 years as a member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, he's loved compositions written in the 18th century. Karoub also arranges music. The audience will hear his handiwork on Webber's "All I Ask of You."

"We wanted to do chamber music from past and present little nuggets for Valentine's Day," said Karoub. "Some of it pre-dates the idea of public concerts when it was played for nobility. The Divertimento shows how winds were played in the 18th century before valves were invented. It's like the bugle

I 'To me, the violin is the closest instrument to human voice. That's why it's so beloved. It has a singing-voice quality.'

Xiang Gao Violinist

lin at age eight with his parents who were then members of the Beijing Symphony, Tan, his fether, and Zhiling, his mother, now perform with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and will join Gao on stage for the concert. Gao came to the U.S. with his

parents after winning the China

National Violin Competition in 1991. Tan and Zhiling recognized Gao's talents early. By age 11, he was attending the China Central Conservatory of Music, a school similar to Interlochen Arts Academy. Gao went on to win the prestigious Aspen Music Festival Competition at age 22 in 1995.

"To me, violin is the closest instrument to human voice." said Gao. "That's why it's so. beloved. It has a singing-voice quality. And it's incredibly difficult to play. Many pieces were written for violin instead of voice because we don't have to breath and can play endless lines."

In demand as a soloist, Gao will perform 20 concerts this season. In August, he was a soloist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under conductor Neeme Jarvi at the Interlochen Arts Festival. He'll perform again with Jarvi at the David Oistrahk Music Festival in Estonia in July.

Gao released his first solo CD, "Kind of Colorful," on Prestant **Records last spring.** It features a violin piano sonata and virtuoso pieces with pianists Howard Watkins and Martin Katz.

For more information about Xiang Gao visit his Web site at www.arioso.com/xgao

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Livonia Symphony concert-

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Emerging talent

images to public," said Owczarski. "For me the abstract work is very easy. Portraits are more difficult. I'm looking for expression in my art to communicate."

From sketch pad to anvil.

Owczarski began working with stainless steel in Poland in 1957 as a student at the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw. Although he's worked with a variety of materials throughout his career, Owczarski "concluded that steel was the most logical medium for the age since its industrialized uses were meant, at the very least to make life easier, if not better."

"Stainless steel sculpture is harder to make and demands a temperature five times higher to melt than iron but later is permanent," said Owczarski, whose work can be found in the permanent collections of Cranbrook

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Educational Community (Copernicus) and the University of Michigan-Dearborn (Marie) Curie). "You don't have to worry about rust but it is difficult to work with. Stainless steel is twisting then crystallizing and sometimes I come back later to find an expression has changed."

Modern Polish art

Thaddeus Radzilowski, a historian and president of St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake, sees beyond the unusual medium of stainless steel into the heart of Owczarski's sculpture. Radzilowski will speak about Owczarski's work, and the relationship between modern Polish culture and history during a lecture on Wednesday, Feb. 9 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council,

"Marian's medium is distinctive but represents the kinds of themes that marks modern Polish art and literature," said Radzilowski. "The abstract nudes and crucifix are tortured figures protesting wars. Marian uses the jagged edges and hard line to protest against war.

"As a result of the Polish uprising in 1944, Hitler retaliated and ordered the city to be destroyed. Marian brings with him that terrible tragic sense."

In addition to his sculpture; Owczarski is exhibiting examples of modern Polish art such as a posters and etchings. Radzilowski will talk about the role Poland's history played in shaping these works.

"In 1795, Poland had been the central country in Europe for 500 years," said Radzilowski. "A series of tragic, romantic uprisings resulted in the best young people ending up on the gallows or in Siberia. Polish artists went

to study in St. Petersburg and Paris and returned with these ideas. The 20th century popularized Polish posters, developed before World War II. The poster is one of the distinctive marks of the 20th century, a protest against the drabness of life under communism.*

In his lecture, Radzilowski will also touch upon the "Art Deco -Poland" exhibit continuing through March 5 at the Polish Museum of America in Chicago. Many of the works were showcased in the 1939 World's Fair in New York. They never returned to Poland because of Hitler's invasion.

"Polish artists looked consciously to the west for models." said Radzilowski, "not so much, as students but part of that."

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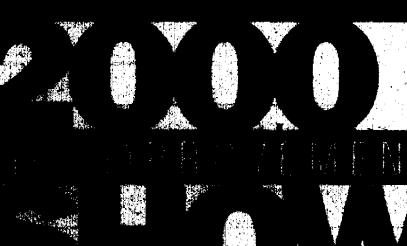
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BOHEMIANS MUSIC COMPETITION Deadline for the third annual Solo Concerto Competition for orchestral instruments is April 1. Prizes arb \$500 \$1500 and Wayne State University will match each prize with a scholarship should winners decide to further their musical education at WSU. High school and college students (between ages 16 and 22) throughout Michigan are eligible. Submit tape to Herbert Couf. President, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills, 48331 or email CoufLinks@aol.com.

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The Livonia Arts Commission is looking for exhibitors for its 24th annual Juried Art Festival - Art in the Village Saturday-Sunday, June 10-11 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia. Deadline for entry is Friday, Feb. 11. For an application, call Livonia Community Resources department at (734) 466-2540.

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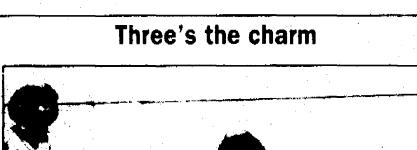
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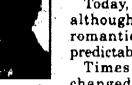


lates or maybe a dozen long-stemmed roses more than sufficed on Valentine's Day.

Today, these gifts, although sweet and romantic, are very predictable.

There was a time when a box of choco-

DENISE RODGERS



have changed. The stock market is flying high with the sweet smell

of "dot com" futures, and consumers are feeling heady with success.

And with a seemingly unending good economy in charge, I think Valentine's Day has become a much more interesting tradition.

In fact, jewelers across the country have been reporting increased Valentine's Day sales every year for a while now.

No longer are men opting for gifts priced \$200 or less; they're making major purchases for their loved ones, say the jewelers.

At this rate, Valentine's Day could rival Mother's Day as the second best jewelry-buying holiday after Christmas.

Does this news leave you stunned and worried about what's appropriate to give on Valentine's Day?

Well, no need to panic. Diamond supplier DeBeers has been working overtime to create a list of gifts for a variety of pocketbooks and preferences. It includes their three-diamond anniversary ring with a center stone that is said to be at least a half carat in size. Hey, why not? Go for it!

However, such a set-up isn't just material: the ring's three stones symbolize the past, present and future of marriage. But don't confuse this ring with DeBeers' diamond anniversary band. which is a thin wedding band set with diamonds either all the way around or halfway across the top. When the anniversary band was first introduced, it was recommended for the 10th wedding anniversary. However, DeBeers has gotten wise to the fact that there are all sorts of reasons and times to buy diamonds and abandoned official milestones for the ring. So, put the anniversary band on your Valentine's Day list, too? Then again, if it were up to DeBeers, every woman on the planet would be wearing an engagement ring of a carat or more, along with the anniversary band, on the left hand. Plus a three-diamond anniversary ring on the right hand. But don't forget about DeBeers' 25th anniversary pendant with five bezel-set diamonds (It's almost worth the wait!). Then add a pair of diamond-stud earrings, a basic necessity, and DeBeers version of an ideal woman really starts to make perfect sense.

My Funny Valentine LOVE, SURE, BUT WHY SO SERIOUS?

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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All the usual goodies heart-shaped pendant necklaces, red boxes of delicious chocolates, gold-dipped roses and dinners-for-two - are available for giving this Valentine's Day.

But at least a few retailers are offering playful knickknacks that poke fun at our obsession with love that may even help those of us who are flying solo on Valentine's Day.

"They're like love tranquilizers," said area comic Karen \$9.95 at Aetheria in Fern-Bell-Brege, of Northville. "A dale, and Starbucks "Who



stress reliever for the addiction of love.

And, like with anything else in life, humor usually works wonders, said Bell-Brege, one of the founders of Totally Unrehearsed Theatre which performs at Mark Ridley's Comedy Caste in Royal Oak.

"When people get into relationships, they take it so seriously," she said. "But, if we take things too seriously. we get in knots and it just doesn't work."

So, products like "Jilted Lots-Of-Love" body lotion,

Will My Lover Be?" game are a good thing, said Bell-Brege.

For a friend whose single or not having luck finding love, a fun gift like might lighten the mood on Valentine's Day. "For that moment they can laugh and say it's okay. Don't you think

that when you lighten up that's when the good stuff happens."

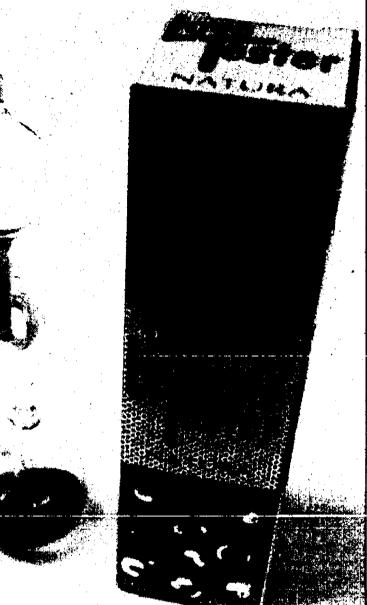
Birmingham marital and family therapist Bunny Miller-Shaw couldn't agree more.

"The more sense of humor, the more of life you enjoy, the more attractive you are to other people," said Miller-Shaw.

Although Miller-Shaw doesn't think we, as a society, are any more obsessed with love than we used to be, she does believe people are having more trouble finding partners.

"And it's not a matter of whether you choose to be down and sad, it's a matter of saying 'I'm going to reach a goal,' which isn't easy. Meeting the right partner in life takes a lot of energy," she said.

"We do make more out of all our holidays today, too, and there's a lot of hype on the part of industry, so having fun, being able to have a little tongue-and-cheek humor keeps it light - the pain and work of finding someone."



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Get going

Valentine's Day is only a week away. So, if you have yet to run out and buy your special someone a bauble or two, get moving.

But, remember, you don't have to buy diamonds. There's no doubt they'll be appreciated, but they're not mandatory or, for that matter, expected by most sweethearts.

Heart-shaped pendants and lockets are a classic on Valentine's Day And, a locket with your tiny heart-shaped picture inside shows a lot of forethought.

Because Valentine's Day happens in February, another choice you'll find in abundance in your jeweler's showcase or on your jeweler's web site is the month's birthstone, amothyst.

A beautiful violet-colored stone, amethysts are still one of the best buys around, especially when they're pientiful.

Even if she doesn't have a February birthday, amothyst jewelry is gift most women will wear time and again.

But, if you think enough is enough and prefer to resort to flowers or chocolate, keep in mind flewers fade and checolate, well, we all know where chocolate goes.

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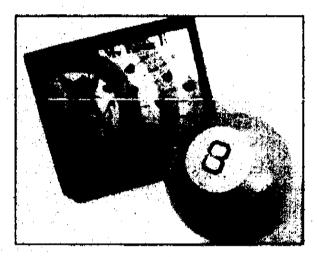
Send your questions to The Jewelry Lady by e-mail, rodgers mich.com, fax, (248) 582-9223, or mail, elo the Observer & Eccentric Neurapapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, Mich. 46009.

Keep it light: Why not poke some fun at love and romance with Blooms Romance Blend essential oils, \$16.50 at the Union General Sweetshop and Cafe in Clarkston.



Down and blue: Lift the spirits of a friend whose down in the dumps over love. A bottle of "Jilted Lots-of-Luck" body lotion, **\$9**.95 at Aetheria in Ferndale, will do the

Take the test: Just hold Starbucks' scientific-look. ing glass "Love Tester" and you'll get a reading of your love potency, available at Starbucks cafes.



Fun and games: Ask the pink "8 Date Ball" all your important questions or play the "Who Will My Lover Be?" game. Both are available at Starbucks

Changes in store

Hudson's moves, expands men's and home sections

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Hudson's is making a big move.

The retailer is relocating and opening an expanded Men's and Home store at Lakeside mall in Sterling Heights, greatly increasing the store's presence there.

The expanded store, to be located in the site that was formerly occupied by Crowley's, will open at 10 a.m. Feb. 8.

The store will feature more space and an increased selection of Hudson's men's clothing, not to mention furnishings, fragrances, shoes, textiles and other home merchandise.

Hudson's total operation space at Lakeside mall will increase from 206,000 to 321,000 square feet and company officials view the expansion as a commitment to the local communi-

The current Hudson's Lakeside Men's and Home store will be moved on Sunday, a process that will entail about center and our headquarters office to 900 Hudson's employees transporting approximately 280,000 pieces of merchandise from one location to another in just seven hours.

"This one-day move will be an amazing team effort by the entire company," said Hudson's Lakeside store manager Lorrie Tanton. "We are recruiting team members from all of Hudson's stores in throughout Michigan, our distribution assist with the move ...

Hudson's plans to remodel its existing store at Lakeside throughout the year. That process will bring improved women's and children's departments, as well as changes in the store's cosmetics and shoe departments and beauty salon.

The new Men's and Home store will be closed on Monday.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax. (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

THURSDAY, PEBRUARY 10

HIND & MALLE THURK SHOW

Ros & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, hosts a trunk show of Hino & Malle's spring jackets, vests, skirts, pante and accessories through Feb. 12. For details, call (248) 855-8877.

Saks Figh Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy. houte a Dana Buchman Spring focus day with instore designer representatives, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Designer Bridge Sportswear, second floor and Spe-dial Sizes, third floor. For additional information, call (248) 614-8340.

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Neuman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hists a special showing of jewelry by David Yurman. In celebration of Velentine's Day, Yurman will donnie 5 percent of Pob. 11 sales from his Designer Jewelry Cellection to the Henry Ford Heart and Vas-cular institute. Elsow runs through Feb. 14, 10 s.m.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

BORDER'S CHARITY SENEPIT

Make a purchase at any Borders Books & Music store in Michigan through Feb. 13 and 15 percent of your purchase goes to the Michigan Women's Foundation to benefit young girls. Mention the organization when making your purchase. For more information, call (734) 542-3946.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12

PRETZEL ROLLING CONTEST

Auntie Anne's pretzel shop, Great Lakes Crossing mall in Auburn Hills, holds a prettel rolling contest for kids. Participants will receive prizes and favors, 4:30-6:15 p.m. For more information, call the mall at (248) 454-5010.

PANELY VALENTINE'S EVENT

Families can come together at Livonia Mall's "Rockin' Family Valentine's" event, featuring the nostalgie sounds of Benny & the Jets, family and child photo pertraits, arts projects for kids, prizes and other activities, 4-8 p.m. For additional information, call (248) 478-1160.

PUPPET DNOW

Wonderland Mall in Livonia presents Father Millen-

through Feb. 13, food court. Shows start at noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday and at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call (734) 522-4100.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

DINOSAUR SHOW

Livonia Mall, at Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads, presents "Mystery of the Lost Dinosaur" for children and their families, throughout the mall. For additional information, call (248) 476-1160.

KAREN NEWMAN APPEARANCE

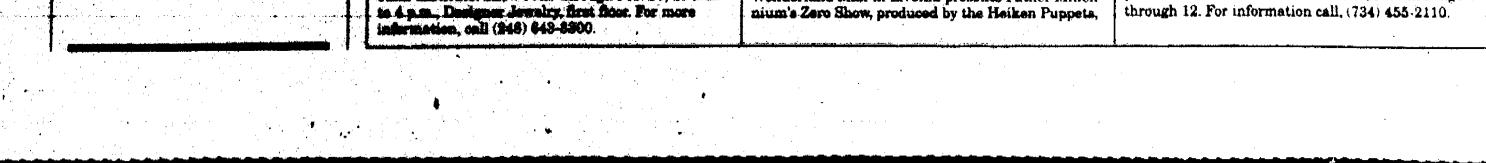
Local talent and celebrity Karen Newman visits Hudson's Lakeside location in Sterling Heights to sign autographs and talk with shoppers, 2:30 p.m.. Men's Department.

WARM AND FUZZY STORIES

Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills, hosts a special story-telling session for kids, age 4 through 8, 2 p.m. For more information, call (248) 737-0004.

DOLL FASHION SHOW

The "We Love Barbie" doll fashion show returns to the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Road in Plymouth. The show features vintage, collectible and custom-designed Barbies and accessories, 11 p.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for kids age 4



WHERE CAN I FIND

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store," we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

WHAT WE FOUND:

- Benson fruitcake can be purchased through Benson Inc., 134 Elder Street, Bogart, GA. 30622.

- The telephone number for the Brownstone Studio catalog is (800) 221-2468.

- Beanbag filler is sold at Meijer stores and Hancock Fabric stores and through the J.C. Penney catalog.

Miss Elaine sleepwear can be purchased at Hudson's stores.

Clip-on lights for a piano can be found at Meijer stores for \$5.99 or at Nor-West Electronics on Plymouth Road in Livonia.

- D&D Video Transfer Service, 37108 Six Mile Road in Livonia and the Transfer Zone in Oak Park, (248) 548-7580, transfers 8-millimeter film to video tape.

- A Gerrard turntable needle can be purchased at Almas Hi-fi Stereo locations on Woodward Avenue in Roval Oak, Michigan Avenue in Dearborn and Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills

- AHAVA hand cream can be purchased at the following stores: Nordstrom and Saks Fifth Avenue, both at the Somerset Collection in Troy: Levin's Beauty Supply on Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield: Parisian at Laurel Park Place tn Livonia, and all Lord & Taylor stores. - The song "Violets in the Snow" is available at Fuchs

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Gustave Company store on Stephenson Highway in Madison Heights, (248) 589-0200, and at St. Christopher Church on Warren and Southfield roads in Detroit (contact the choir director).

The Sock Shop on Fourteen Mile and Middlebelt roads sells all-cotton tights

- Ault Mobil on Plymouth & Merriman roads is a full-service gas station for the reader seeking one in that area.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES

- We found the following items: a carousel-slide projector, numerous Santa Bears and a 1999 State of Michigan glass bulb ornament.

- The Beauty Boutique catalog has a new toll-free number, (800) 497-7463.

– Used Christmas cards can be taken to the Bryant Center in Livonia.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

– Someone who does inhome pedicures (for a disabled person who lives in Northville). - A Livonia-are school or

craft shop where needlepoint classes are given. – An organization where

tabs from soda pop cans are accepted/

- A store or stores where Sander's candy can be purchased.

- An Aug. 8, 1955 issue of Life magazine for Bill, a Clarkston resident.

- A pattern or instructions for making a skeleton out of plastic milk cartons for Sandy of Westland.

- A manual for a Thomas organ (#Jester 132) for Diane, who lives in Livonia.

A store where Jessica **Roberts clothing for women** can be purchased for Lee of Lake Orion.

- Mixing bowls and accessories for a Kitchen Aid mixer (#3B) for Marie, an Ann Arbor resident.

- A store that sells Coty

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- A store that sells R **Aquamarine** body lotic M.J. of Plymouth.

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- The book "Indigo" by erly Jenkins for Michelle.

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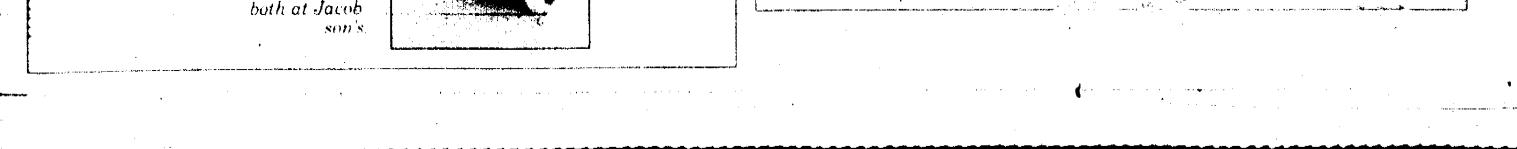
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Weekend getaway

Visit the state many presidents have called home - Ohio

BY MARY QUINLEY SPECIAL WRITER

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lice, a life-size mechanical allosaurus, greeted us. She opened her wide jaws everso-slowly and growled. Not to worry. She was just saying "hello."

We were indoors at The McKinley Museum and National Memorial in Canton, Ohio about a three hour drive from Detroit. If you're looking for an excuse to celebrate President's Day (Monday, Feb. 21), or need a reason to plan a weekend jaunt, consider this tribute which is dedicated to the 25th president of the United States.

"The McKinley has something for the entire family," said Jan Kotilla, public relations manager. "Everybody will be entertained. We have a planetarium, hands-on exhibits and a historic town. We're a presidential site and a national memorial."

Alice is only one of the trea-'sures you'll encounter as you peruse the complex. Be sure to check out the Paleo Indian hut, the working beehive (can you find the queen?), the Ecology Island, a Foucault Pendulum (proof that the Earth rotates) and an H-O gauge model-train display.

Wander into the McKinley

Feb. 21 - President's Day.



Monumental: The McKinley National Memorial in Canton, Ohio, is dedicated to William McKinley, the 25th president of the United States.

Room. Here you'll discover the wife, Ida, are engaged in a conworld's largest collection of William McKinley memorabilia. Listen! Two mannequins, representing the president and his.

versation. They're discussing the topics of the day - Spanish rule in Cuba and the deep sadness they feel at the loss of their young daughter, Katie.

> Before departing, meander along to the museum's Industrial Hall. Find the Hoover Vacuum exhibit. Then (this is super silly) take turns weighing yourselves with the suction of the vacuum.

When everyone has stopped giggling, step outdoors to explore the impressive memorial.

A pink granite monument, adorned with thick bronze doors. stands in the midst of a lush park with bike paths and picnic areas - something to remember if you're thinking about visiting in the spring or summer.

holds the remains of the assassinated president and his wife. In the back wall of the rotunda, the couple's two young daughters are entombed.

Look high above the sarcophagus to the red, white, and blue dome. Forty-five painted stars

Wander into the **McKinley Room. Here** you'll discover the world's largest collection of William McKinley memorabilia.

While you're visiting Canton.

tinction of not only being the home of McKinley, but also "Ohio's Golf Capital."

For travel information, contact the Canton/Stark County Convention and Visitors Bureau, 229 Wells Avenue Northwest, Canton, Ohio 44703-2642, or call (800) 533-4302 or online at www.visitcantonohio.com. Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and the author of "52 Ohia Weekends," (Country Roads) Pressi.

Presidential homesites and monuments

More presidents were born or raised in Ohio than in any other state. Here's a brief look at the Buckeye State's presidential homesites and monuments. Some offer tours and others host special events.

- Call the site before making plans to visit.
- The Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center in Fremont, (800) 998 PRES or (419) 332-2081, features a stately 33 room mansion, a museum, library and a wooded estate.
- The only memorial to the nation's 27th president is in the Mount Auburn section of Cincinnati, Call the William Howard Taft National Historic Site at (513) 684-3262.
- Ulysses S. Grant's Birthplace, (513) 553-4911, can be found. near the banks of the Ohio River in the town of Point Pleasant. The three-room, frame cottage is open to the public.
- The Warren G. Harding Presidential Home and Memorial, (740) 387-9630, is located in Marion. President Harding conducted his famous "front porch" campaign at this residence.
- The Harding Memorial, the largest presidential monument outside Washington, D.C., is a short drive south of the Harding Home.
- View the final resting place of President William Henry Harrison in North Bend at the Harrison Tomb State Memorial, (800) 311-5353. North Bend, located in the southwest corner of the state, was the residence of both the nation's ninth president, William Henry Harrison, and, his grandson, Benjamin Harrison. the 23rd president.
- Check out the one-room schoolhouse in Georgetown where Ulysses S. Grant attended classes. Call the Grant Schoolhouse at (937) 378-4119 to arrange a visit.
- A major restoration was just completed at the James A. Garfield National Historic Site in Mentor. Reporters nicknamed this home "Lawnfield" because they camped out during the presidential campaign on the Garfield's front lawn. For information, call (440) 255-8722.
- The final resting place of President Garfield may be viewed at Lake View Cemetery in Cleveland. Call the Greater Cleveland Convention & Visitors Bureau, (800) 321-1004.

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For information on the McKinley Museum and National Memorial, call (330) 455-7043. or visit their Web site: www. mckinleymuseum.org.

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William Howard Taft Birthplace, Cincinnati; free guided tours.

Special Events

Feb. 16 - Wildwood Metro Park, Toledo: personal recollections of

Feb. 20 - Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center, Fremont:

"Rutherford B. Hayes & George Crook: A Friendship Forged in War,"

Akron Zoo, Akron: Presidents Day program focusing on the bald

James A. Garfield Historic Site, Mentor: "Who Wants To Be A

President?" "Abraham Lincoln" will be the host of this program

President Abraham Lincoln as told by Dr. Richard S. Young.

a free lecture by Civil War author Peter E. Cozzens.

Dally - The U.S. Air Force Museum, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton; four presidential aircraft on display.

For information on all presidential events, call (800) BUCKEYE, or visit the Web site: www.ohiotourism.com.

If you don't mind steps (there) are 108), slowly climb up to the monument entrance. Inside, a double sarcophagus

represent the states of the union when the monument was built in the early 1900s.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

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This temporary display showcases a portion of the museum's African collection; including objects used for dark activities as well as those intended for special occasions Through March 5.

SUNDAY BRUNCH AND SCIENCE AECTURE SERIES

Descendants of an African Tradition: Exampling Ethnographic Relationships Between Yoruba and African-American Art Production

Sunday, February 13

Guest Speaker: Jon O. Lockard, Adjunct Lecturer, The University of Michigan Center for Afro-American and African Studies. Lockard introduces the basic principles of Yoruba art, a product of the dominant West African culture, and its relationship to contrimporary African-American art. 11am brunch, noon lecture. For ticket prices and registration Call 248 645.3210.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN SCIENTISTS WEEK

Monday, February 14-Friday, February 18, 11am-4pm Hands-on activities and take-home projects based on the work of African-American scientists of the Dast and present for dementary age students; free with museum admissio?

GOSPEL CONCERT

Saturday, February 19, 6-8pm

The Institute and the Gospel Music Hall of Fame and Museum present A Gospel Showcase. History and Music The sets are \$10 per person and include museum admission and strolling light supper. Reservations required; call 248 645.3210.

OTHER EXHIBITS & EVENTS:

New long-term exhibits: Every Rock Has a Stony, The Motion Gallery, Reading Objects and Life Lon. New traveling exhibit: Take My Picture Please: A'Festival of Cultural Snapshots'

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FOCUS ON WINE



Meritage wines offer heritage of Bordeaux

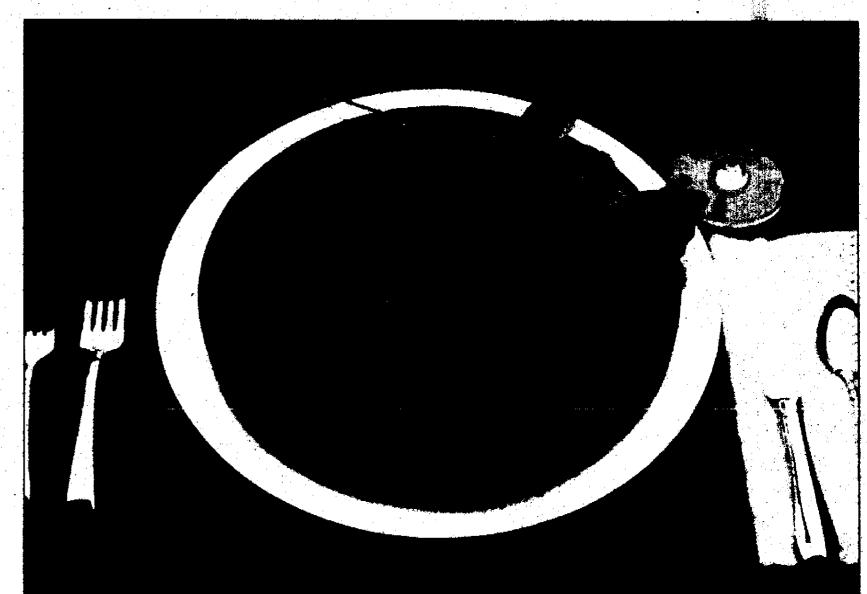
Meritage wines are a U.S. expression of wines blended in the Bordeaux tradition. Meritage is not a French word. Pronounce it as a rhyme with heritage.

After decades of perfecting the art of producing 100 percent varietal wines, U.S. winemakers are focusing on a time-honored tradition of blending grape varieties, particularly the classic Bordeaux grapes. The name Meritage was chosen because it combined the words merit and heritage.

Some wineries belong to a "Meritage" organization and only they have the right to use the Meritage trademark on their label. To do so, the wine must meet the following criteria:

- It must be made entirely from a blend of the traditional Bordeaux grape varietals.
- Principal red varietals include: cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc, petit verdot and malbee.
- White varietals include: sauvignon blanc, semilion and muscadelle.
- It must be the winery's best wine of its type. Exceptions are wines labeled estate bottled or vineyard designated.
- It must be produced and bottled by a winery in the U.S. from grapes that carry a U.S. appellation of origin.

Valentine's Day is an occasion that calls for special meals for spouses, lovers or that special someone. When chefs put together a "dinner from the heart," they like to prepare rack of lamb, lobster or stone crabs to impress loved ones.



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BY ELEANOR HEALD SPECIAL WRITER

Boolutely! Some foods are aphrodisiacs. Greg Goodman, chef/proprietor of Café Bon Homme in Plymouth, cites caviar and champagne. stone crabs, truffles and chocolate.

Chef/proprietor Rocky Rachwitz of Rocky's in Northville and Brighton adds oysters. Chef de Cuisine Lula Kalaj of Livonia's Fonte d'Amore, translated

- Each Meritage wine must be limited in production to no more than 25,000 cases from each vintage by a single winery.
- A winery must pay an annual licensing fee to use the name Meritage for its wine.

The Meritage moniker has caught on. More wineries are producing either a White Meritage, Red Meritage or both. Many restaurants have listed Meritage wines separately on the wine list and progressive wine shops have shelving dedicated to Meritage wines.

Meritage red varietals

- Cabernet sauvignon is deep-colored and tannic. Tannin acts as a natural preservative and gives the wine longevity. The grape has a natural affinity with oak adding flavor through barrel aging. Cabernet sauvignon contributes aromas of blackberries, blackcurrants, cassis, violets and cedar. Any vanilla characters come from aging in French oak.
- Merlot excels in fruitiness and lower tannin levels. It is the prime blending grape in the Medoc region of Bordeaux.

Please see WINE, D2

Wine Picks

- Mick of the pack: 1997 Clos du Bols
 Flintwood Chardonnay, \$22.
 Miellow reds: 1997 St. Francis Meriot,
- \$22; 1998 Ca' del Solo Barbera, \$15; and 1998 Ca' del Solo Sanglovese, \$12.
- Beed deals: Beringer Wine Estates recently sold its value-priced brand. Nape Ridge to Bronco Wine Company. If you've liked Nape Ridge wines that we've recommended numerous times, stock up. The vineyard sources from which these wines were made were not part of the sale. Only the label and stock were. Wine is made in the vineyard so there are no guarantees on future quality once current stock runs out.
- B Nation electrice from Allefiele Chierle: 1997 Barbera d'Asti, \$13: 1996 Barilot (nebbiolo/barbera bland), \$37: 1996 Countaco, \$82 (nebbiole, barbera, cabernet seuvignon bland); and 1996 Barbaresco Astis, \$80.
- Beadle: 1995 Owen's Estate Cabernet/Shiraz, \$12; 1996 Tessera Chardonney, \$10; and 1998 Domeine des Blaqueurs Syrinh \$10.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:



Valentine's Day Menu

HORS D'OEUVRE. Oristers on the Half Shell with Mignonette Champagne Charles Heidsterk Mis en Carre 1996 Bout Reserve

FIRST COURSE

Acocado, Red Grapefruit and Carty Endize Salad

PRINCIPAL PLATE

Rait of Ianth Wild Mushroom Risotto Steamed Asparagus Bundles 1995 Beringer Napa Valley Private Reserve Cabernet Sauvygnon

> SWEET ENDING Chocolate Pots de Creme Espresso Caffee Ramos-Pinto Quinta da Urtiga Porto

from Italian as "fountain of love," suggests artichokes and asparagus.

Indefatigable Maitre d' Mickey Bakst of Tribute in Farmington Hills specifies his caviar aphrodisiac as "Beluga, double zero with perfect. mouth-popping eggs." He shares the belief about oysters and stone crabs, then tacks on foie gras, passion fruit and garlic!

Dinner from the heart

But what if these restaurant pros were to make THE dinner from the heart to WOW their special someone?

Rachwitz would prepare rack of lamb with wild mushroom risotto and a fresh asparagus bundle. Kalaj would serve lobster and a simple risotto cooked with sauteed onions in a simmering chicken stock. Her plate garnish would also be asparagus.

Stone crabs with a Dijon mustard sauce beat out foie gras for Bakst. Most unique is Goodman's suggestion of game consommé with diced vegetables baked in a serving-size terrine with puff pastry topping. To duplicate this, you're going to have to start making the consomme several days in advance.

Stone crabs

Both stone crabs and oysters are in season.

If you prefer stone crabs to oysters, ask the seafood merchant to crack stone crabs for you. You can easily make a Dijon mustard dipping sauce by mixing a couple of tablespoons of mustard with sour cream and half-and-half, then season with salt and pepper to taste. If you aren't skilled at shucking oysters, get this done by the merchant also.

Canned foie gras is available in upscale gourmet food markets if you want to substitute it as an hors d'oeuvre in the WOW menu. Serve thin slices of foie gras with toast points.

Please see LOVE, D2

Gift of life prompts 'Spice of Life Cookbook'

By KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

Jeffrey Leeds didn't write a cookbook with Valentine's Day and the hearts of lovers in mind.

Instead, the 55-year-old writer thought about his own heart and others who need one.

With a heart from an anonymous donor beating inside him that saved his life, he developed a deep appreciation for that gift, the donor of the heart and the surgeons at the University of California. Los Angeles who operated on him in 1993.

"I wanted to give something back somehow," said Leeds. "I told myself that if a donor was willing to help me continue a productive life, I'd help others by encouraging them to eat properly prepared meals."

So Leeds collected recipes from grandmothers, family cookbooks and his own repertoire at his home in Sherman UCLA transplant unit for research. Leeds said.

About 20 years ago Leeds worked in advertising and public relations, then he fell into what he describes as a midlife crisis and developed high blood pressure. He said he had "three or four" heart attacks, the first severely damaging his heart. Doctors performed bypass surgery which helped him, but over the next few years, he developed congestive heart failure and was told he needed a transplant.

"I knew I had to change my ways," Leeds said.

Good-bye, cheesehurgers. Hello, chicken. Lots of it, too

Leeds' cookbook contains over 100 recipes with dishes below 500 calories, that contain less than 200 milligrams of cholesterol and sodium, and less than 30 percent of calories from fat.

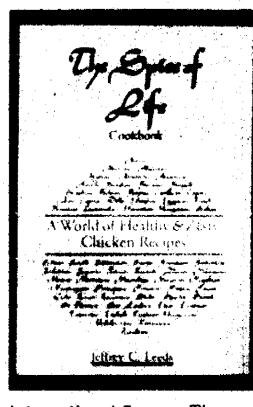
He used chicken exclusively throughout the cookbook because it is his personal preference. "There is more chicken in the world than there are people." Leeds said.

His book even has a Valentine's Day recipe, a chicken dish with rose petals. "perfect with candlelight," Leeds writes. Mud Chicken, which features lots of garlic on chicken breasts, Cuban Chicken and Brazilian Chicken are among Leeds' favorites.

Leeds believes cooks don't have to give up good taste when preparing healthier foods. "You have olive oil and a mixture of other ingredients, so you aren't cheating yourself." Leeds said. He also features butter in his recipes, but a minimal amount.

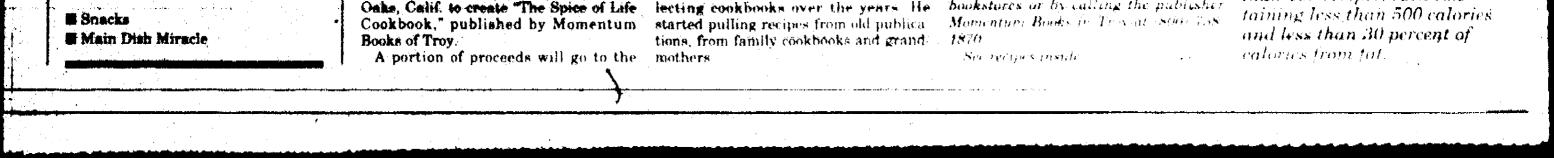
"Healthy eating doesn't have to be as serious as a heart attack," Leeds said "It can be fun."

"The Spice of Jafe Cookbook" (\$19.95) paperback, 172 pages is available in



international flavors: The Spice of Life Cookbook by

Spice of Life Cookbook by Jeffrey Leeds features more than 100 recipes, each con-



Spice of Life recipes bring flare Low-fat cooking: Halibut

See related story on Taste front. Recipes from "The Spice of Life Cookbook," by Jeffrey Leeds, published by Momentum Books in Troy.

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ROSE PETAL

- 1 pound, chicken breasts, boneless, skinless
- Petals from 2 roses, crushed just enough to release
- aroma and natural oils
- 1/2 tablespoon unsalted but-
- ter
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1/2 ounce almonds, slivered
- 1 tablespoon honey

Sauté breasts in half the butter on medium heat until golden, 4-5

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minutes each side. Set aside. Sauté garlic in remaining butter 1 minute. Add almonds and cook 2 more minutes. Remove from heat.

Gently stir in rose petals and honey. Spoon sauce over chicken and "serve with a kiss." Serves 2.

Nutritional information: Calories, 239; chol., 73.5 mg.; and sod., 75.9 mg.

BRAZILIAN CHICKEN

- 8 (6 ounce) chicken breasts. boned and skinned 1/2 cup orange juice 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup Dijon mustard 2 tablespoons olive oil 2 tablespoons honey: 2 cloves of garlic, minced Zested rinds of 1 orange and

1 lemon 1 sprig of rosemary

Mix ingredients, add chicken and marinate overnight. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Bake one hour or until tender.

Serve with couscous and fresh vegetables.

Nutritional information: Calories, 231; chol., 68 mg.; and sodium, 166 mg.

with braised vegetables

By The Associated Press

Halibut With Braised Vegetables has only about 2 grams of fat per serving, but the fine flavor of the fish, garnished with juicy vegetables, makes this a rich and satisfying dish.

The recipe is from "Betty Crocker's Healthy and Hearty Cooking" (Macmillan, \$24.95), which features about 400 recipes, from appetizers to desserts, to help feed the family with a smart eye on nutrition as well as good taste.

A cook's note with this recipe points out that for food safety reasons, the editors recommend cooking fish to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F.

HALIBUT WITH BRAISED

VEGETABLES

2 cups finely chopped onions (about 2 large)

- 1/2 cup tomato juice 1/2 cup apple juice
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 cup chopped red or green bell pepper (about 1 mediumi
- 1 cup cooked fresh, frozen (thawed) or canned (drained) whole kernel corn (about 2 medium ears)
- 1/2 cup sliced green onions (about 5 medium)
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon celery seed 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- Nonstick cooking spray
- 1 1/2 pounds hallbut or other lean fish fillets, cut into 6 serving pieces

Heat onions, tomato juice, apple

juice and garlic to boiling in 2quart saucepan; reduce heat to medium. Cook uncovered about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, until most of the liquid has evaporated.

Stir in remaining ingredients except fish. Cook uncovered 6 to 8 minutes or until corn is tender. Cover and remove from heat.

Set oven control to broil. Spray broiler pan rack with nonstick cooking spray. Place fish on rack in broiler pan: Broil with tops about 4 inches from heat about 10 minutes, or until fish flakes easily with fork. Serve with vegetables.

Makes 6 servings

Nutrition information per serving: 175 cal., 2 g fat (1 g saturated fat), 60 mg chol., 290 mg sodium. 16 g carbo., 3 g dietary fiber, 23 g pro.

roses and romantic music. Have

your favorite CD at the ready. For champagne, use fluteshaped glasses. The Charles Heidsieck Mis en Cave 1996 Champagne selection costs \$45. We recommend it because it verifies the date of disgorgement on the back of the necker. With champagne, fresh is best. Chill it for several hours in the refrigerator.

A mixture of half water, half ice in a champagne bucket will keep the bubbly stuff at the right temperature tableside. -Thin-lipped over-sized quality

glassware will make the ultrarich Beringer Private Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon \$75-taste even better. Ramos-Pinto Porto Quinta da Urtiga \$17 is a vintage character, single vineyard Port that makes an amazingly perfect pairing with chocolate.

Eleanor Heald is a Troy resident who writes about dining, food and wine for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

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If you prefer meatless, omit the rack of lamb as a principal plate and scale up the proportions to make more wild mushroom risotto. Change the beef broth to chicken or vegetable broth.

All recipes, except the dessert, serve two but can easily be scaled up in multiples of two in case a group of guys would like the culinary challenge for their sweethearts. Or vice versa, ladies.

Setting the mood

A romantic dinner is not only

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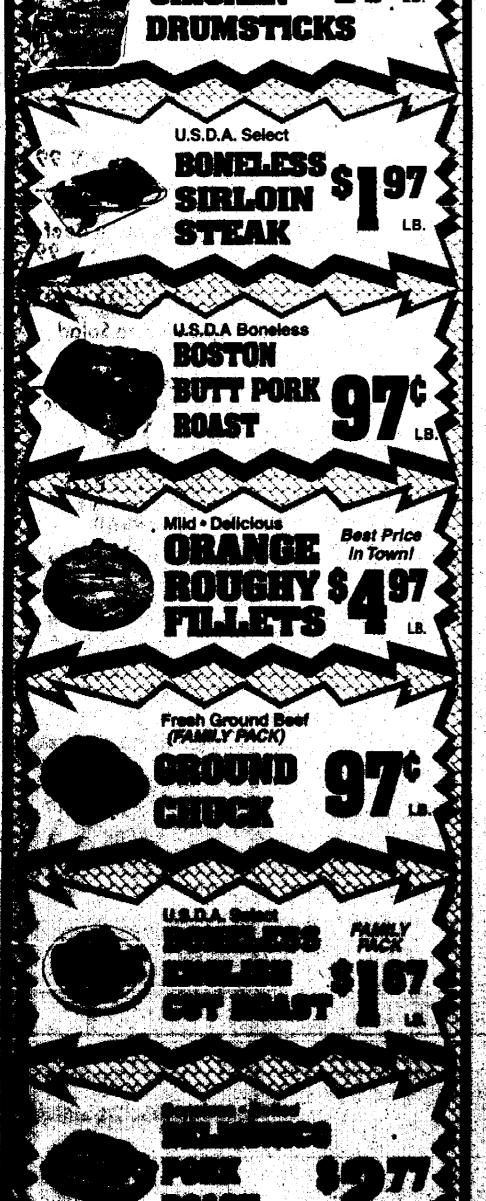
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about special dishes. Ambiance adds a lot. Twelve-inch tapers cast a spell. Put them in the freezer for a few hours before lighting and they won't drip.

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Cabernet franc produces very aromatic wines with raspberry and violet scents. As a blending wine, it has much the same flavor and structure as cabernet sauvignon, but without the high tannin profile.

Petit verdot produces wine similar to the color and flavor of syrah. It adds fragrance interest and spicy, peppery flavors.

Malbec is rich in color and tannins. It has similar flavors to merlot, but is softer than cabernet sauvignon and carries the

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SAVINGS BONDS

flavors of blueberries.

We put some Bordeaux-varietal blends to a blind test with 15 knowledgeable consumers. They rated wines on a 10-point scale. Not all wines came from wineries in the Meritage group, but all were blends of allowed Bordeaux varietals. Some were French ringers. Here's the shakeout rating from 1-12:

🛢 1996 Chateau St. Jean Cinq Cepages, Sonoma County \$35 🛢 1994 Ferrari-Carano Trésor

Reserve Sonoma County \$65 1992 Joseph Phelps Insignia, Napa Valley \$75

1997 Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford \$26

■ 1997 Dry Creek Vineyard Epoch, Dry Creek Valley, \$60 ■ 1997 Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon Stags Leap District,

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🔳 1996 Bernardus Winery Marinus, Carmel Valley \$40

1996 Clos du Bois Marlstone Alexander Valley \$30

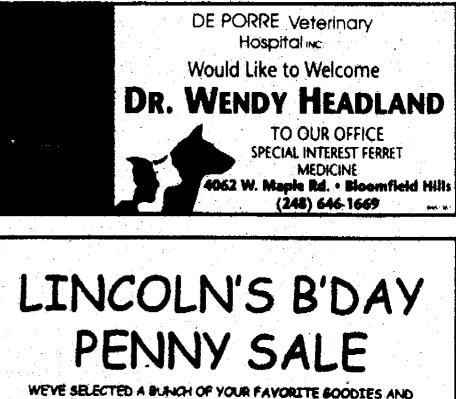
1988 Shafer Cabernet Sauvignon Stags Leap District \$40

🖬 1995 Chateau Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac \$70

🔳 1995 Chateau Lafon-Rochet, Saint-Estephe \$35

What does this tell you? (1) The 1988 Shafer got an unfair shake amid so many younger wines, (2) our tasters preferred California-style fruit to that of Bordeaux, (3) the most expensive wine is not always the best, and (4) the Wine Spectator deservedly gave our Number 1 wine first place in its best 100 also.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047, mailbox 1864.



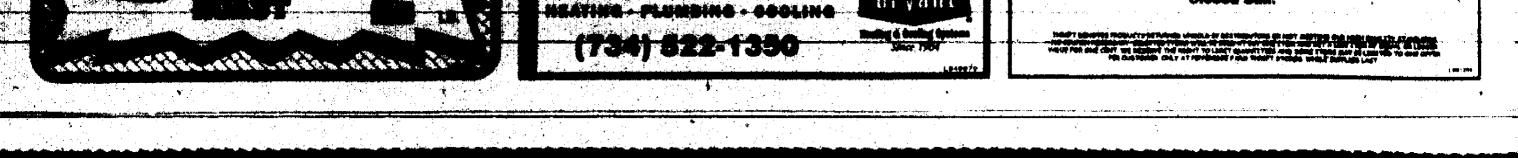
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These foods of love are heart-warming dishes

Here are some recipes you can prepare for your special someone. See story Taste front.

OYSTERS WITH MIGNONETTE

12 fresh Blue Point (or other) oysters, shucked 2 shallots, minced fine 1 tablespoon champagne or dry white wine 3/4 tablespoon lemon juice 1 teaspoon fresh cilántro, minced Freshly ground black pepper to taste Dash of Tabasco Lemon-wedges

In a small glass bowl, combine shallots, wine, lemon juice, cilantro, pepper and Tabasco, Place shucked oysters on a bed of crushed ice., Top each with 1/2 teaspoon of mignonette. Serve garnished with slender lemon wedges.

Recipe compliments of Eleanor Heald.

AVOCADO, GRAPEFRUIT AND CURLY ENDIVE

- SALAD
- 2 small heads curly endive
- 1. small shallot, minded
- 1 teaspoon champagnellor dry white wine 1 teaspoon lemion juice
- 1 teaspoon orange juice
- salt to taste
- 1 red grapefruit, peeled and white pith removed
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1/8 teaspoon minded lemon zest
- 1/8 teaspoon chopped orange zest
- 1 ripe avocado, halved, skin-left on

Use only the endive hearts. Wash endive and spin dry. In a small bowl, combine shallot with wine. lemon juice, orange juice and salt to taste. Section

grapefruit by slicing along membranes. Whisk olive oil into shallot mixture. Add lemon and orange zests.

Slice avocado lengthwise. Scoop out slices with a large spoon or avocado knife:

Toss endive with grapefruit in a large bowl, with two-thirds of the dressing and arrange on 2 individual.dishes. Place avocado slices alongside; season with salt and drizzle with remaining dressing. Serves 2. Recipe compliments of Eleanor Heald.

RACK OF LAMB WITH SAGE CRUST

- 1 whole rack of lamb (weight about 3/4 to 1 pound)
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon canola oil
- 1 cup fresh (soft) bread crumps
- 1 1/2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan
- cheese 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh sage leaves
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- Aged balsamic vinegar to taste

Preheat oven to 475" F. Season rack liberally with salt and pepper. Place a large heavy skillet over highheat. When very hot, add canola oil and sear the rack all over until it is very brown, about 2 minutes per .side.

Transfer to a roasting pan fitted with a wire rack, laving it rounded side up. Cover with foil and set aside.

Place remaining ingredients, except for the balsamic vinegar, in the bowl of a food processor fitted with a metal blade. Add 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper and process until it

forms a paste.

Press the paste onto the rounded side of the racks. Roast until desired doneness, about 15 minutes for rare. Allow to rest for 5 minutes, covered, before carving. Serve drizzled with balsamic vinegar. Serves 2.

Recipe adapted by Eleanor Heald from Molly O'Neill, The New York Times:

WILD MUSHROOM RISOTTO

This microwave preparation takes some of the tedium out of making a creamy risotto. During the multiple on high microwave cooking periods, you can prepare and saute the mushrooms.

2 tablespoons unsaited butter, divided

- 1 tablespoon of ive oil
- 4 tablespoons minced onion.
- 1/2 cup Arbono rice
- 1 1/2 dups beef broth
- 4 tablespoons minded Italian flat-leaf parsier
- 1/4 pound fresh wild mushrooms (shiitake, oys-
- ter, porcini and/or chariterelies) 1 garhe clove, minced
- 2 tablespooris Asiago cheese, grated
- Salt and freshly cracked pepper to:taste

Place I tablespoon butter and the oil in a glass baking dish. Cook in a microwave on high for 1 minute. Add minced onion, stir and cook for 2 minutes. Add rice, stir and cook for 4 minutes. Add broth, stir and cook for 9 minutes. Stir well and cook for 7 minutes.

Meanwhile, clean mushrooms with brush and cut into 1/4 inch slices. In a small skillet, sauté much rooms in the remaining 1 tablespoon butter over high heat for 2 minutes. Lower heat to medium, add garlic and saute briefly, until garlic just begins to color Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Add sautéed mushrooms and parsley to rice; stir well and cook for 9 more minutes. Stir in grated cheese and serve with a grind of pepper.

Note: Contrary to popular belief, risotto can be made ahead. Use the microwave method until the last nine-minute rooking after addition of mushrooms and parsley to rice. Pour nearly-cooked rice into a medium sauté pan. Set aside. Add sautéed mushrooms, parsley and more broth if needed.

Over medium heat, complete cooking on the stove top until nee is fully cooked and creamy. It will now take less than nine minutes;

Recipe adapted by Eleanor Heald from one created by Simi Winery Executive Chef Mary Evely.

POTS DE CRÉME

6 ounces chocotate chips 2 tablespoons sugar Dash of salt 1 tablespoon vahilla extract

1 egg

3/4 cup milk, heated to boiling, but not boiled. Confectioners sugar or whipped cream for decoration (optional)

Put chocolate chips in a food processor fitted with a steel blade. Process until well crumbled. Add remaining ingredients to processor bowl and blend well. Pour equally among 4 small ramekins.

Chill for 2 hours before serving. Sprinkle with confectioners sugar or use a dollop of whipped cream for added interest (optional). Serves 4. Recipe compliments of Eleanor Heald.

COOKING CLASS CALENDER

Send items for consideration in Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schooleraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or c-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecon.m.net.

Kitchen Glamor features Signature Recipes of Michigan Five Star Chefs at Kitchen Glamor, Orchard Mall, contrieast corner of Maple and Orchard Lake. in West Bloomfield. One day sessions in February

include Chef Marcus Haight of The Lark Restaurant in West

ment paper with tomatoes, peppers, onions and garden herbs and raspberry mousse napoleon. Polcyn will demonstrate the preparation of Maryland crab cakes on roasted red pepper and crispy potatoes, citrus marinated salmon with confit of oranges and peallus, pan roasted breast of squab with fole gras. Swiss chard and oven dried figs and Indian pudding with butterscotch sauce. Kitchen Glamor also conducts sessions with cooking instructors. at the Novi and Redford stores. This week, instructor Michelle.

Tuesday, Feb. 8 at the Novi store in the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at i-96) and Wednesday, Feb. 9 at the Redford store, 26770 Grand River. Call 1-800-641-1252 for, information.

Continuing Education Classes Schoolcraft College: European Bread Making, 5-10 n m. Monday, Feb. 14 and 21: Thai Cuisine at Home, 6:30-8:30 plm. Monday, March 13 and 20: Also, Pasta Cookery, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, March 16 and 23.

For information about Schoolcraft's courses, call 462 4448.

Wednesday, Feb. 16. More Hearty Vegetarian Dishes: 6:30-9 p.m.

Thursdays, Feb. 17 and 24, and March 2: Fabulous Fiber Ideas. 10 a.m.-4-p.m., Saturday, Feb. 19

Aiso, Mardi Gras, 6:30-9:30 p.m., March 7: Sausage Making, 6:30-9 p.m., Wednesdays, March 15. 22 and 29; High Tea the British Way, 7.9 p.m. Monday, Apr. 10. and 11 alm.-4:30 plm... Saturday

April 15; New Orleans Brunch. 6:30-9:30 p.m., Friday, April 14, and Cool Stuff for Sizzling Days. 10 a.m.- 2 p.m./ May 20.

For more information about these HFCC continuing learning courses. ca4: 877 855 5252 or visit HFCC at www.hfcc.net.



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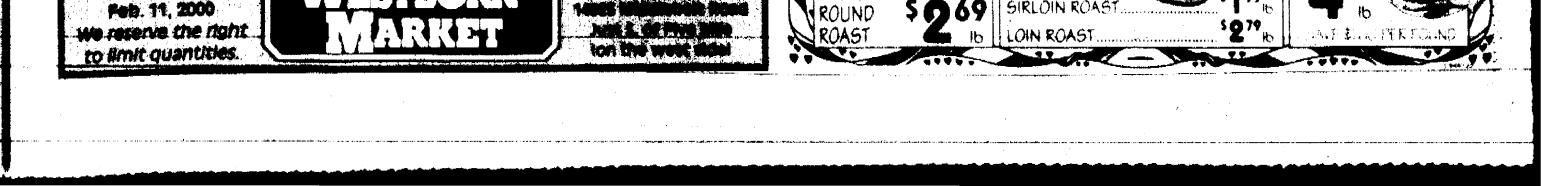
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Top honor

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital has been selected for a second time as one of the top-performing hospitals in the United States in the seventh annual study conducted by HCIA and the Health Network. The Top 100 Hospitals - Benchmarks for Success - 1999 is based on a model used to measure performance among general care and teaching hospitals. St. Joe's was selected for this honor from approximately 3,000 hospitals in the United States.

Inaugural meeting

The National Federation for the Blind of Michigan, Western Wayne County Chapter will be holding their inaugural meeting at 1 p.m. Feb. 12. The meeting will be held at Leon's Restaurant near the northeast corner of Michigan and Telegraph roads. Food can be purchased off the menu at 12:30 p.m. Call Fred Oliver (734) 421-7273 for information.

Prostate screen

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a Prostate Cancer Screening Day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 5 in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion (14555 Levan Road). The prostate screening is free and provides a prostate exam by a physician, blood test to measure the Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) level and educational material. Preregistration is requested by calling (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

Sugar bowls are filled to the brim

TANKIE GRAVENDERAFT ARTIST

"Sugar consumption has been going through the roof. It has increased by 28 percent since 1983, fueling scar ing obesity rates and other health problems. It's vital that the FDA require labels that would enable consumers to monitor, and reduce, their sugar intake," said Michael

on the web: http://

Sugar and its many allases

Stop the pop

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The worst offender is soda pop, says Cox. "It's liquid sugar. The saddest thing is it's so pervasive in the schools. And no one even says anvthing about it. What will this do to their bones?"

CSPI research shows Americans drink twice as much soda pop as

Sugar shock!

Consider the sugar content of the fol lowing popular toods: Snickers, bar (2.1 oz.)

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Breastfeeding help

La Leche League of Livonia meets monthly for breastfeeding support and information. Babies and children are always welcome. Next meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 10th. Please call for location and or additional information. Theresa (734) 261-6814, Vicki (313) 937-3011, or 'Michele (734) 591-7071.

Dedication

The newly named dining room at Heartland Health Care - University will be dedicated at a ribbon cutting ceremony. In attendance will be Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and Heartland Administrator Roslind Ferrone. The event will begin at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10. The A-wing dining room is located at Heartland Health Care -University, 28550 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Chronic conditions

Sign up for a six-week program that puts you back in control of your chronic condition and in improving your healthy outlook on life. The next session of Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions begins at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11 at Henry Ford Medical Center - Fairlane in conference room 4. Subsequent dates are Feb. 18 and 25; March 3, 10 and 17. The center is located at 19401 Hubbard Drive at Evergreen in Dearborn. The series is free. Call (313) 664-8473.

Sugar in the morning, sugar in the evening, sugar at suppertime. Be my little sugar and love me all the time."

oday, that popular McGuire Bisters ang from the 1950s could serve as a national anthen for sugar-happy Americans. "We simply consume too much sugar - about 20 teaspoons a day or encugh to bake about 100 banana cream plot a year," says Kathy Coldburg, a registered distition with the University of Michigan Health System.

The USDA recommends limiting your added sugars - from packaged foods and the sugar bowl - to 10 percent of your daily calories. That's 10 transpoons for a 2,000-calorie dist. Dec't werry about the natural sug-

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Jacobson, executive director of the Center for Science in the Public Interest.

If your sugar bowl hasn't been shaken up yet; consider these facts:

- The average American consumes at least 64 pounds of sugar per year, and the average teenage boy at least 109 pounds.
- The typical American gets 16 percent of his or her calories from added sugars; children 6-11 get 18 percent, and teenagers 12-19 20 percent.
- E Calorie dense foods, which are typically high in sugar and/or fat, contribute to obesity. Between 1976-80 and 1988-94, overweight rates in teenage boys rose from 5. to 12 percent; in teenage girls, the rate rose from 7 to 11 percent, and in adults, it rose from 25 to 35 percent.
- The USDA projects that if consumption trends continue, addedsugar intake will increase almost 20 percent between 1996 and 2005.
- In 1996, 32 percent of Michigan's adults were obese, compared to 29.3 percent of American adults.

Teo much sugar tends to crowd out other nutritious food from our diet, such as whole grains and vegetables and low-fat dairy foods," says Goldberg. "A particular concorp is that children have small stomache. Having too many of their calling from sugar crowds out other natritions foods from their diet. When they're filing up on sugar, that's excuse calories that can lead

milk. People who drink soft drinks instead of milk or other dairy products likely will have lower calcium intakes, which can lead to fragile bones and osteoporosis. Girls build 92 percent of their bone mass by age 18, and playing calcium "catch up" later on is impossible.

Drinking soda pop often starts soon after infancy. According to 1994-96 research data from the CSPI, one-fifth of toddlers - children 1 or 2 years of age - consume an average of seven ounces, almost one cup, of soda pop a day. Boys between the ages of 12 and 19 consume at least two 12-ounce sodas, or 9 percent of their caloric intake. Girls consume slightly less, or 8 percent of their caloric intake.

Although tooth decay rates have declined in recent decades, refined sugar is still a threat to tooth enamel. Soft drinks promote decay because they bathe the teeth of regular consumers for long periods of time during the day

Juices are fine, but keep in mind that fruit "drinks," "beverages," "ades," and "cocktails" are essential ly non-carbonated soda pop. Sunny Delight, Fruitopia, and other brands, contain only 5-10 percent juice.

Good sugar

All sugare are not bad. Dairy foods are very high in sugar called lactose, and fruits are very high in a sugar called fructose. Those sugars occur naturally along with the fiber, vitamina and minerals our bodies need. These nutrients fortify our bodies against heart disease, osteoporosis, stroke and some cancers.

"I don't think it's really about stopping eating chocolate," says Cox

McDonald's Vanilla Shake (20 oz.) USDA daily value percent, 120-Cinnabon (7 oz.) USDA da ivivianae per l'est i 123 Sunkist Orange Soda (12 oz.) USDA darly value percent: 1,30% McDonaid's McFlurry w, Butterfingers (10 oz.) USDA daily value percent, 135-Strawberry Passion Awaraness Fruitopia (20 0Z.) USDA daily value percent: 178% Dairy Queen Mr. Misty Slush (32 oz.) USDA daity value percent: 280%

about controlling sugar intake. "It's balancing, putting it in perspective and looking at the diet as a whole." In making a choice between an apple or a piece of chocolate, the question becomes, "how are you guiding yourself nutritionally?"

If Cox had to indict one type of sugar, it would be refined sugar since it contains no nutrients. At least honey has some trace levels of nutrients. And honey-eaters most likely are more conscientious about their lifestyles, she says.

"If someone cares enough about their weight to eat honey, they probably eat their vegetables and exercise." -

Limit your sugar intake by avoiding sticky, sweet foods, limiting soft drinks, reading labels and using more spices - cinnamon, vanilla, spearmint and anise - that provide a sweet taste without the sugar. Also, look for breakfast cereals that have no more than 8 grams of sugar per serving.

However, don't give up that occasional piece of chocolate. "Life without sugar would be horrible," says Cox.

REDUCE INJURY THIS WINTER SEASON

When snow, ice and frigid weather blast into town, watch out, says the American Chiropractic Association (ACA). Winter recreational activities and chores can pose problems for the outdoor enthusiast whose body is not in condi-

Winter sports like skating, skiing, and eledding can cause painful muscle strains or team if you're not in shape. Even shoveling onew the wrong way, clambering antwordly over mow banks, slipping on willin and wearing the wrong kinds of clothing can all pose the potential for rolus and opening.

maky walking outside in the freezing weather without layers of warm clothing can intensify older joint problems and cause a great deal of pain. As muscles and blood vessels contract to conserve the body's heat, the blood supply to extremities is reduced. This lowers the functional

able, we can condition ourselves in the off-season to avoid injury and costly health care bills.

"First, make sure to get plenty of rest and eat a healthy breakfast. Then, to help condition your body, do some athome stretching exercises. Focus on lower back muscles, hamstrings and calf muscles," says Dr. Carl Heigl, president of ACA's Council on Sports Injuries and Physical Fitness. "To reduce injury, run down a mental check list to assess your mental awareness, equipment condition and your physical fitness level. Next, take off the chill that settles in on the way to your rink, pond or hillton, and warm up just before you start a sport to get the blood flowing and to increase your beart rate."

The ACA and its Council on Sports Injuries and Physical Fitness suggest the following tips to help you fight back the

knees aligned over your feet. Slowly lower your buttocks as you bend your knees over your feet. Stand up straight again.

Skating -- do several lunges. Take a moderately advanced step with one foot. Let your back knee come down to the floor while keeping your shoulders in position over your hips. Repeat the process with your other foot.

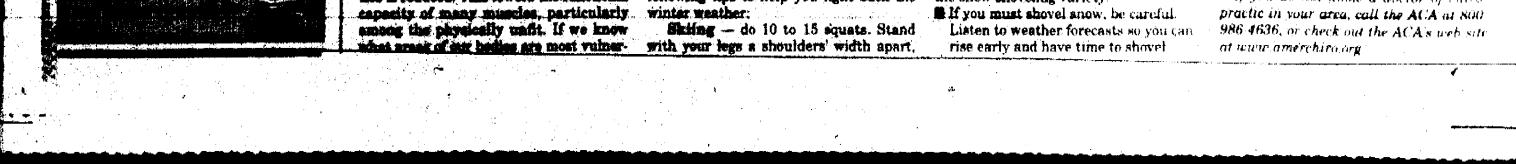
Sledding/tobogganing --- do knee-tochest stretches to fight compression injuries caused by repetitive bouncing over the snow. Either sitting or lying on your back, pull your knees to your chest. and hold for up to 30 seconds.

Don't forget cool-down stretching for all of these sports.

Shoveling snow can also wreak havoc on the musculoskeletal system. The ACA suggests the following tips for exercise of the snow shoveling variety.

before work and layer clothing to keep your muscles warm and flexible.

- Shoveling can strain "de-conditioned" muscles between your shoulders, in your upper back, lower back, buttocks and legs. So, do some warm-up stretching before you grab that shovel
- When you do shovel, push the snow straight ahead. Don't try to throw it. Walk it to the snow bank Avoid sudden twisting and turning motions.
- **=** Bond your knees tailift when shoveling Let the muscles of your legs and arms do the work, not your back.
- Take frequent rest breaks to take the strain off your muscles. A fatigued body asks for injury. Stop if you feel chest pain, or get really tired or have shortness of breath. You may need immediate professional help
- If you do not know a doctor of chiro.



News on the net excites journalists, refuels job interest



in St. Petersburg, Fla., nearly two dozen of the nation's leading reporters gathered to discuss the future of investigative. reporting. We half-jokingly called it an "online news summit."

While there was a lot of spirited debate and discussion, everyone agreed on one thing: The Internet is the best thing to happen to journalism in a very long time. Maybe since the printing press.

Really.

I don't want to use this column to bore you with inside information and gossip from journalists but I do want to let you in on the group's conclusions in a general way because they bear directly on what consumers will soon be seeing online.

Most of the reporters, ranging in age from late twenty-somethings to those in their midfifties, have never been more excited about their jobs. And while most were clearly pessimistic about the current state

ast weekend of journalism at traditional newspapers and broadcast stations (for pretty much the same reasons the public is fed up with the media today), they all believed that the Internet is leading to better and more indepth. relevant reporting.

Those in attendance came, on their own, from newspapers like the New York Times, journalism organizations like Investigative Reporters and editors and media conglomerates like Knight Ridder. There were reporters from online publications like Salon (www.salon.com), WebMD (www.webmd.com) and the police and crime reporting website APBNews.com (www.apbnews.com).

The gathering was hosted by the Poynter Institute, a prestigious journalism school that has been described as a think tank for news professionals. I serve as a fellow at Poynter and spend a week or two every month there teaching online news, investigative reporting and writing.

At the weekend gathering, we worked on position papers about the business, ethics, content and technology issues and challenges surrounding online journalism. Those will be presented and discussed at journalism conventions and gatherings around the coun-

try in the months ahead.

I tell you all this because I am more convinced than ever after attending the Florida meeting that the Internet will soon become the most influential of the mass media.

Because it is interactive, you will soon be able to regularly and instantly access statistics and data bases directly related to your city, your neighborhood. News-on-demand links will let you dig into original reporting as deeply as you want, instead of being frustrated by one-minute-10-second television reports and space-limited newspaper accounts.

And all this content will be fresh and updated hourly, or sooner.

Change in venue

Within a decade, most of the journalists at last weekend's meeting believe, the main effort of newspapers and broadcast stations will be focused on the Net.

"What we essentially produce isn't a physical thing," said one of the reporters. "What we produce is information. And now, the Internet is the most efficient means of delivering that information."

Said another journalist who

left a traditional reporting job to work at a Web startup. "I'm proud of what I do again. I really can tell all the different sides. offer all the different perspectives and voices on an issue with the Internet. This is what the public has been clamoring for quality, in-depth, balanced news ... and we can now do that online."

What do you think? How much do you currently use the Internet for news? What frustrates you about the Net? About traditional newspapers and broadcast stations? What do you like about old and new media? I'd really like to know. E-mail me at mike@pcmike.com and I'll share your comments with my journalistic colleagues and, if I hear, most need community from from enough of you, in this column.

Meanwhile, here are some other things you need to know about:

Windows 2000 not for most home users

There's so much hype about Windows 2000 (set for official release later this month but already on some store shelves) that I thought I'd better warn home PC users that this product is not for most consumers. It's aimed at those business or power users who are running

Windows NT. For the home user with Windows 98, upgrading to 2000 is very tricky and can result in all sorts of conflicts and compatibility problems with software and peripherals.

Ford and UAW will set PC trend

Have you seen the story about Ford Motor Co. and the UAW reaching an agreement under which each of the automaker's 350,000 workers will get an Internet-connected computer at home? Mark my words, this will spread to the other auto companies and then numerous other corporations around the nation. Ford has the Internet figured out. It's a great way to build community among those you your own work force. Congrats to Ford Chairman William Ford Jr., Chief Executive Officer Jac Nasser and United Auto Workers union President Stephen Yokich: Great idea!

"Souping up your PC" seminar next week

If you want to learn how to get the most out of your computer, then be sure to join me and a panel of tech experts next Saturday Feb. 19, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the MSU Management Lake Road at Crooks in Troy.

We'll also talk about how to maintain the entire system, how to network different computery together, how to get maximum speed out of your Internet connection and how to selve the most common PC problems:

The seminar is free, but you must reserve a spot in advance. by calling the PC Mike/WXYT 24-hour seminar hotline at (248) 455-7343.

Super Bowl ads

Everyone is still talking about the TV ads in the Super Bowl. Did you see the EDS cat roundup? The Christopher Reeve walking ad? There's a site called. AdCritic (www.adcritic.com) that not only reviews the ads but critiques them and lets you see them on your computer screen. All ads, all the time. Movie trailers, too. There's also an archive' of old ads.

Until next week. "73" everybody.

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WED, FEB. 9 BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

The regular meeting of Business Network International Laurel Park Chapter will be held form 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth-Road in Livonia. The Metro Livonia Chapter will meet at the same time at St. Maurice Catholic Church, 32801

Lyndon, Livonia. For information call BNI (810) 323-3800.

FRI, FEB. 11 BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

MON, FEB. 14

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The regular meeting of Business Network International Livonia Chapter will be held form 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark in Livonia. For information call BNI (810) 323-3800.

tion promoting equity for all women in the workplace to achieve goals through advocacy, education and information. Locally we meet the second Monday of every month at the Roman Forum on Ford Road in Canton. Our business meeting is from 5:30-6:10 p.m., speaker/dinner from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Call Clarice Killian at (734) 981-2572 for information. The guest speaker is Vicki Bonner, career technician at Plymouth-Salem High School, who will discuss mentoring and career shadowing of today's high school students.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 14 BUSINESS IN CHINA

Oakland University's Professional Development and Education Outreach, School of Education and Human Services (SEHS), will present. "Opening Doors in the 21st Century, Creating, Business Opportunities in China after WTO." The seminar will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. April 14, 2000 in Oakland University's Meadow Brook Ballroom. The Detroit Regional Chamber, Pontiac Export Assistance Center -U.S. Department of Commerce, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and Leonard Woodcock Legacy are

co-sponsors of the event. The workshop is an introductory course for individuals and organizations that are interested in developing or expanding markets in China, Jerome D. Hill, J.D., Ph.D., and Ledong Li will share their expertise on expanding interests and overcoming the challenges of doing business in China Cost is \$295 and includes a Chinese luncheon and handout material. The registration deadline is Wednesday. April 5, 2000; enrollment is limited **Contact the Professional Development** office at (248) 370-3033 for a brochure or to register for the seminar. Fax registration with VISA or MasterCard payment is accepted at (248) 370-3137

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

ONGOING

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS Adult Children of Alcoholics and dysfunctional families gather

everyday for 12 step support group meetings in the metro area. To find a meeting near you call (248) 988-0873 or write: ACA, P.O. Box 401483, Redford, MI 48240-9489, for information.

AA & ALANON

Alcoholics Anonymous & Alanon meeting meets Wednesday and Sunday from 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Garden City Hospital North Entrance (5254 Inkster Road) at Garden City. Contact (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Everyone's welcome. "Alanon meeting" Sunday ONLY.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Marquette House, a residential assisted living facility in Westland, will hold blood pressure screenings every fourth Tuesday in conjunction with Visiting Nurse Association. Screenings are open to the public from 11 a.m. to noon at the Marquette House, 36000 Campus Drive (across from John Glenn High School). Call (734) 326-6537 for information

MON, FEB. 7 THYROID SUPPORT The Southeastern Michigan Support Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Kaplan, endocrinologist will begin speaking at 7 p.m. All meetings are at the Plymouth

Library, Call Tracy Green for a

reservation (734) 453-7945 or email at mitsg@mediaone.net

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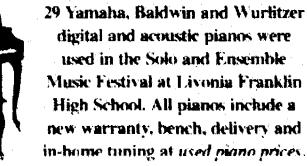
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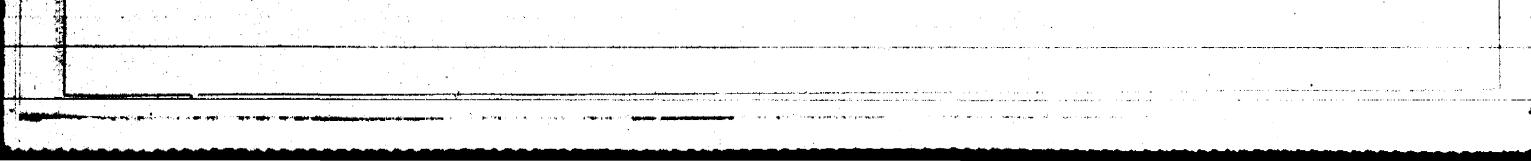
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