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MONDAY

Council: The Westland City Council will have a 6:30 p.m. study session on voting equipment. It will be in the council chambers, City Hall, Ford near Carlson.

School board: The Wayne-Westland Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. at the school board office. on Marquette east of Newburgh.

TUESDAY

Chamber: The Westland Chamber of Commerce ·will host a Business Luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Joy Manor, on Joy east of Middlebelt in Westland. The speaker will be Ron Howard of VR Metro Malls, discussing the Internet. Price is \$15. For reservations, call the chamber at (734) 326-7222 by noon Monday.

SATURDAY

St. Pat's: The Eighth Annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance & Auction 6:30 p.m. March 18 will benefit Community Hospice & Home Care Services. It will be held at the St. Mary Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman in Livonia. Former Detroit Tiger Dave Rozema will appear. For ticket information on the event, call (734) 522-4244.

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Westland, Michigan

Mayor's vision for city changes



Westland Mayor Robert Thomas, in a surprise move, has announced his desire to cancel a May 9 incinerator tax election and put longsought city projects on the back burner.

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

Mayor Robert Thomas, in a major policy shift, has unveiled plans to eliminate a local incinerator tax, reduce water-sewer rates and abandon proposals for a new recreation complex and City Hall.

"I had some sleepless nights over this

one," he said Friday, "but I decided it was time to shift gears."

Thomas, in a three-page letter to Westland City Council members, announced a startling departure from his earlier vision for Westland.

"This is just a sea of change," Councilman Glenn Anderson, a Thomas critic. said.

Thomas, renewing his pledge to give

residents "the best service possible at the lowest cost," has proposed the fol-

■ Canceling a special May 9 election for a 1-mill incinerator tax renewal. The tax would expire in June 2001, returning \$60 a year to the owner of an average \$120,000 home.

■ Reducing water-sewer rates - currently \$4.46 per 1,000 gallons - by an estimated 5 cents up to 20 cents. The city would swallow any rate hike from Detroit this year, rather than passing it to residents.

Ending a special taxing district, or Tax Increment Finance Authority. north of Ford Road. This move would

free up \$1 million a year in combined general operating and sanitation revenues, helping to compensate for \$1.2 million in losses from the incinerator

Shelving plans for a new recreation center and City Hall, leaving those projects to "the great thinkers of tomorrow.

■ Placing more emphasis on road improvements, including this summer's resurfacing of Wayne Road from Glenwood to just north of Nankin Boulevard. Thomas also touted the reconstruction of Donna Street between Ann

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Recall language denied BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER dclem@oe.homecomm.net The latest setback came 23 days

Recall organizers suffered a second defeat Friday as the Wayne County Elections Commission rejected seven petition proposals aimed at ousting Westland City Council member Sharon

after the commission quashed the recall group's first petition, saving it contained unclear language. "I've won two rounds," Scott said Fri-

day, although she conceded that her foes will strike a third time.

It didn't take long.

Immediately following Friday's meeting in Detroit, recall organizers filed five more petition proposals aimed at ousting Scott for her role in the controversial firing of city Clerk Patricia Gib-

One proposal simply states: "On Jan. 18, 2000, Sharon P Scott voted not to reappoint the Westland city clerk."

The elections commission rejected identical petition wording Friday, but only because the county failed to give Scott proper notice it had been filed

The commission scrapped six other petition proposals as unclear.

"I was disappointed that the recall (language) didn't go through," recall leader Marian Greenfield said. "I don't understand it, because Sharon did wrong, and it is costing the taxpayers."

A decision by Scott and three of her colleagues to fire Gibbons and replace her with a higher-paid interim successor, former Clerk Diane Fritz, has cost the city. Greenfield said.

Recall organizers also are planning a recall campaign against council members David Cox, Charles "Tray" Griffin and David James, but the trio started

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Dogs learn everyday etiquette

Man's best friend: Penny, a 1'zyear-old Brittany spaniel, looks for a treat as owner Mike Nailor

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

on't expect Henry, Chelsey and their classmates taking a manners course at the Bailey Center to say "please" and "thank you" at the end of their seven-week course.

of Westland gives a command to lay down.

ANIMALS

But they'll likely learn skills the people they live with will appreciate

These "students" are canines who

will understand that when friends come to call, it's not polite to jump all over the visitors. Biting is definitely out of the question. And going for walks doesn't mean dragging the two-legged person on the other end of

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Technicolor moving operations from Westland site

BY MATT JACHMAN mjachman@oe.homecomm.net

A major manufacturer of videotaped feature films is expanding its opera-

Technicolor Packaged Media Group plans to move its area warehousing and distribution arm - and between 600 and 700 employees - to the new

Livonia Corporate Center in April, said Michael Wang, vice president for distri-

Called Technicolor Distribution Services, the operation will take most of the 752,000-square-foot Building 3 at Livonia Corporate Center, the industrial side of Millennium Park, which is being built at the site of the former Ladbroke Detroit Race Coursé at Mid-

dlebelt and Schoolcraft Road

The company already has a manufacturing facility, Technicolor Video Services, on Seven Mile in Livonia. About 200 million tapes titles such as "Say ing Private Ryan" and the latest "Austin Powers" movie - are produced there each year. Wang said. By volume. it is the largest video duplication plant in the world, he said

The move to Livonia Corporate Cen ter is a consolidation of warehousing and distribution operations now located at Newburgh and Palmer in Westland and at the Gateway Industrial Center, near 1-96 and the Southfield Freeway, in Detroit A packaging assembly fine will remain in Detroit.

No jobs will be lost because of the

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Junior Miss

tions in Livonia.

Two Wayne-Westland high school seniors are competing in Alpena, Mich., for the title of Michigan's

Brooke Robertson from John Glenn High School, Wayne-Westland's Junior Miss, and Melissa Jennings from Glenn, first runner-up, are representing the community. They leave soon to begin interviews and rehearsals, with the main event March 25.

The winner of the Michigan Junior Miss title competes in America's Junior Miss National Finals in Mobile, Ala., in June. The program includes competition in talent, scholastic achievement, physical fitness, interview skills and overall presence. Twentyone high school seniors from around the state are vying for more than \$10,000 in cash scholarships and more than \$200,000 in college scholarships.

Robertson will perform a cheer monologue for h talent presentation, Jennings a tap routine. Throughout the week, the teens will meet with

PLACES & FACES

Alpena dignitaries and community groups. Michigan's Junior Miss Courtney Cagnon captured the honors last year and will be on hand in Alpena to pass on the title

Those who would like tickets should call Pat Her matz, (734) 721-5220. Information on next year's Wayne-Westland Junior Miss program is available in school offices

Spring Ball

The Westland Community Foundation will present its fourth annual Spring Ball Friday, March 24. 🖟 land.

It will feature an open bar, dinner and dancing

Dress will be casually elegant/black tie optional Dinner/dance tickets are \$75 per person, with raf-

fle tickets \$25 per ticket. The prize will be a Hawaiian trip for two

For reservations or information, call (734) 595. 7727

Golf fun

The Westland Rotary Charaties Golf Outing will be held Thursday, May 18, at Golden Fox, West of Plymouth Participants will play 18 holes of golf, with registration 8 30-10 30 a.m. and an 11 a m shotgun start. There will be a continental breakfast lunch and beverages at the turn, and a filet mignon dinner/hanquet. Registration forms will be mailed in early April For information, call Kim Shunkwiler Toye, 734 729 POYE, Ken Belanger 734 721 1840, or Dick Isham, (734) 729-5401.

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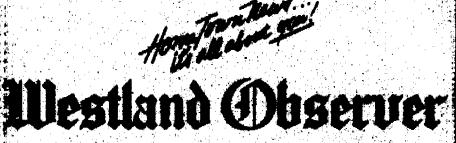
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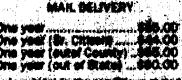
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Feeling proud

Teamwork helps them solve lots of cases

BY LEANNE ROGERS STAFF WRITER lrogers@oe.homecomm.net

One thing about working for the Metro Street Enforcement Team - there's a lot of variety in their cases over the course of a year.

During 1999, MSET officers investigated robberies, racketeering, helped track down a murder suspect who had fled the state and completed a case that led to the closing of an adult theater - a closure that brought in \$1 million in forfeiture money.

"We had a pretty good year. We had 166 arrests; that's a record year," said Westland police Lt. Gary Sikorski, who supervises MSET.

With officers assigned by Garden City, Westland, Inkster, Wayne and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, MSET handles their own cases and assists their member departments as needed.

By being able to jump in to help on a case, Sikorski said MSET brings additional manpower along with some specialized investigative tools.

In one high-profile case, MSET officers executed search warrants on banks and telephone services at the home and business owned by murder victim Veronica Kuclo-Raub and her husband, Peter, who was sought as a suspect.

"Our officers have very specialized investigative techniques - some tricks of the trade," said Sikorski: "Like in the Raub case. They did an outstanding job tracking him cross-country. If the areas of the investigation aren't local anymore, we'll go statewide and nationwide. We don't heaitate."

Raub was traced to Chicago where MSET officers assisted Garden City detectives in canvassing the area where his van had been abandoned. Initially heading to Las Vegas, Raub was eventually located in Los Angeles. He's currently in the Wayne County Jail awaiting trial.

"We're prepared to handle homicides, but when they get more complicated and we have to track someone out of state, I can't staff a bureau for that," said Garden City Police Chief David Harvey. "MSET did a lot of cases and has been a good tool for us."

Thanks to MSET's investigation into lewd behavior complaints and the resulting prosecutions, the Melody Theater in Inkster was closed. Part of the settlement with the owners resulted in the building being demolished, the property deeded to the City of Inkster and \$1 million being forfeited.

"This was the first continuing criminal enterprise case we did and we had no idea it would be so large," said Sikorski. "It just kept getting bigger as it went along. We had targeted the theater with the idea of shutting it down."

The difference this time was that the investigation focused on the owners of the theater, not just the patrons.

"We're real happy with them. The most horrendous case we had was a murder, but we've had other cases," said Harvey. "The Melody Theater affected us. It wasn't just people from Inkster who were arrested there."

Another change during 1999 was the addition of a Wayne County Sheriff's deputy to MSET and participation in the federal Southeast Michigan High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program.

A federal program, HITA provides funding to task forces for different levels of drug enforcement. Working as part of the streetlevel enforcement efforts, MSET has received money for overtime, vehicles and other equipment.

Due to participation in HITA, Detroit police and federal law enforcement agencies. all the MSET officers are now sworn county deputies and U.S. marshals.

"We're entering the second year of our joint effort. It's been excellent. It's worked out extremely well," said Sikorski. "We'll have bigger joint operations."

They take financial incentive out of crime

BY LEANNE ROGERS lrogers@oe.homecomm.net

Here are some other noteworthy efforts by the Metro Street Enforcement Team during 1999:

■ Two days before Thanksgiving, the owner of a Wayne Party Store was robbed of \$55,000 in cash while leaving a credit union at Palmer and Newburgh roads in Westland. The money was to be used to cash checks for Ford plant workers.

"We got the case and in 14 hours we had one robber in custody," said Westland police Lt. Gary Sikorski, who supervises MSET. "Initially, there were very few leads, but MSET continued to work it and assist the Westland Detective Bureau."

The suspects abandoned a van shortly after the robbery, Sikors-

ki said, which had only a paper license plate. Officers traced the paper temporary plate to an auto dealership, but it had a false name and two bad addresses.

At the dealership, however, Sikorski said a former employee was identified as someone who might have been responsible for the improper temporary plate.

"He was picked out of a photo lineup as an armed robbery suspect," said Sikorski. "We got a home address in southwest Detroit and he was under arrest that evening.

It turned out that the suspect had a minor role in the robbery, he said, although his arrest and confession lead to the arrest of three other suspects.

"It was dogged police work. It's a multiplication of manpower, Sikorski said. "MSET has no other investigative duties (like

the detective bureaus). The officers can be creative and resourceful. They are a very bright bunch of guys. They are willing to stick with it day or

■ In December, MSET officers assisted Garden City police in investigating a strong-arm robbery which began as a pigeon drop. The victim, an elderly woman, resisted giving the suspects \$12,000 in cash which she

"MSET heard the information on the radio and got the registration on the car," said Sikorski. They went to Detroit and set up surveillance."

had withdrawn from the bank.

and about \$5,400 of the missing money was recovered. ■ In a racketeering case

Two suspects were arrested

of criminal activity. involving counterfeit logos on Tshirts, hats, pants and other

Melody Theater case totaled \$1 million - 10 percent to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and the balance divided evenly among the four municipalities.

items, MSET raided Cherry Hill

Beauty Supply in Inkster, a sec-

ond store in Oak Park and a

home in Farmington Hills. More

than 1.700 items of counterfeit

clothing and \$28,000 in forfei-

■ The forfeiture relating to the

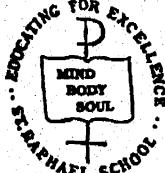
ture money were seized.

"Criminal investigation is our main purpose. We became selfsufficient on smaller forfeitures. said Sikorski. "I'd rather err on -the side of the individual. Forfeiture is a very effective tool. You take the financial incentive out

"I wouldn't want to lose that."

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OBITUARIES

HAZEL M. RISSETT

Services for Hazel Bissett, 87, of Westland were March 6 in Uht Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Robert McDonald. Mrs. Bissett was born Sept. 4. 1912, and died March 3 in Livonia. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her son, Edwin Jr.; daughter, Phyllis Taylor; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-greatgrandchildren.

Mrs. Bissett was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin, and daughter, Leora Cope.

TERRI J. LIPKE

Services for Terri Lipke, 41, of Wayne were March 10 in Uht Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Jack Baker.

Mrs. Lipke was born June 4, 1958, and died March 6 at her residence in Wayne. She was a waitress at Rex's in Wayne.

Surviving are her husband, Paul; sons, Ryan and Derrick, mother, June Derby of Westland; brothers, Ted (Donna) Gagnon, Gene Derby and Carl (Jennie) Kuehnel; sisters, Linda (Ray)

Dillon and Toni Anderle.

WILLIAM J. VERES

Former Livonia resident William Veres, 75, of Charleston. S.C., died March 7. He died at his home in Charleston after a one-year battle with cancer.

and served during World War II Surviving are his wife, Jeane; son, Russell (Fedel) Veres, formerly of Honolulu, Hawaii; daughters, Cynthia (Zack) Nichols of Big Pine Key, Fla., and Beverly (Steve) Lovelly of Westland; and three grandchildren, Jason, Brandy and Billy.

He was an Air Force veteran

Mr. Veres has surviving family living in Clinton Township, Mount Clemens, Shelby Township, Sterling Heights, Belleville. Roseville and Rochester.

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Dogs from page A1

Listening: Owner Lorna Johnson of Westland has her dog, Tremor, a bullmastiff, sit at the class. Not pictured with Lorna Johnson is her husband. Arnold. The Johnsons, active with the Pet-A-Pet organization, volunteer their time taking their pets to visit nursing homes, hospitals and assisted living facilities.



STAFF PROTOS BY TOOL HAWLEY

Calm: Brian Williams of Westland gives his dog, Sadie, a treat at the class. Behind is Brian's wife, Megan. The couple said they want to take the class to calm their golden retriever down.



■ The Humane Society classes are available in Westland, Farmington Hills and at the Michigan **Humane Society** pet education center in Rochester Hills. For more information, call

(248) 650-1059.

That's especially true of Penny, who likes to pull her owners, Marianne Nailor, her husband, Mike, and two children, Susanna, 16, and Joshua, 5, down the street. The whole family attended the class.

"She takes us for a walk for the most part," said Marianne Nailor, explaining that she also hopes to teach Penny not to run away every chance she gets.

Last Wednesday was the first day of school for the 15 pups enrolled in "Manners for Life," which is geared for dogs at least 5 months old. Based on positive reinforcement techniques, there were a lot of sweet bribes passed out during the onehour class as instructor Linda Thomas described what she expected the dogs to do.

"This week, we see what the dogs are really like and week after week we see improvement after improvement." Thomas said.

Owners, like Cheryl Messer of Westland, weren't expecting the type of behavior that would get their names in the "Guinness Book of Records."

"She goes out in front and I just want her to listen," Messer said.

Simple measures

The same was true for the Darany family of Dearborn. They weren'tlooking to teach their pooch, Oliver, any fancy tricks.

"We want him to come when you call him to come and we want him to stay when he's supposed to stay,' George Darany said. His wife, Maria, and children, Adam, 14, Leah, 12, and Madelaine, 8, were also on hand to pick up ideas.

In fact, Oliver owes his life to the Daranys, because they saved him moments before he was to be euthanized at the Humane Society.

Tom and June Holdsworth of Westland adopted their dog from the Humane Society, too. Taking the class was the logical next step, Tom Holdsworth explained.

"We think it's a good idea to have a well-behaved dog," he said, "Wethink the world of the program the Humane Society runs.

of the room with her father, Dan, and puppy, Sosha. The Livonia residents went their 10-month-old Doberman pinscher to stop jumping on family and friends when they come to their door.

As far as Jill and Victor West are concerned, their puppy, Buddy, couldn't be cuter and a lot of people seem to agree. In fact, his appearance in the window of their business - Vanessa's Flower Shop in downtown Plymouth - has increased foot traffic by 20 percent. They want to make sure his behavior is the best it can be since he's in the shop a lot.

If Buddy is a working dog, it's nothing like the schedule Tremor, whose registered name is Actions on the Richter scale, keeps. This bullmastiff's owners. Arnold and Lorna Johnson of Westland, are members of the Pet-A-Pet organization. The Johnsons volunteer their time taking their pets to visit nursing homes, hospitals and assisted living facilities.

In fact, Lorna Johnson tells a story about how one of her dogs was visiting a nursing home and a woman walked by and told the canine to get out of her way. Johnson later learned that these were the first words spoken by the woman during her stay at the facility. In fact, it was considered quite a breakthrough.

Tremor's date book next week included being taken to visit a second-grade class on Tuesday and a psychiatric ward on Wednesday.

'Feel special'

Across the room, Laura Major fed her dog. Henry, a few treats and explained that she enrolled him in the class, because she wanted to make him "feel special." If he learns to listen to her commands and turns into a well-mannered dog, that would be great too, according to the Livonia resident.

Sitting next to each other, Brian and Megan Williams of Westland and Dan McManus of Canton simply hoped their pets would settle down at the end of six weeks.

The classes are provided by the Michigan Humane Society through Rochester Hills. For more informa Danielle Sollars sat in the corner Westland Parks and Recreation at tion, call (248) 650-1059

the Bailey Center in Westland for \$100 if the dog was adopted from the Humane Society or any other; shelter. Otherwise, the cost is \$120.

"English is a second language for dogs," explained Lori Kane, Michigan Humane Society director of animal behavior and training.

Their first language is body language - they key off your body language, because that's what they do with other dogs," she said. "It's amazing how quickly they catch on considering that we don't always teach it consistently. In one hour, we can't train your dog for you, but in one hour we can train you to teach your dog at home."

Other classes offered by the Humane Society include "Puppy Classes" for dogs under 5 months. Instruction focuses on socializing puppies with other dogs and people; encouraging environmental confidence and addressing other common puppy problems, like house training and inappropriate chewing.

"K9 Kollege" builds on basic and advanced obedience commands, like coming when called.

"Tricks for Treats' is a fun class," Kane said, teaching dogs how to shake, wave, give a high-five and crawl. The class includes playing. games, like "Lassie Says." to reinforce basic obedience skills, like sitting, down, stay and recalls.

Private consultations, that usually take about two hours and cost \$120, are recommended to deal with more serious concerns, like aggression and separation anxiety.

"I want a dog that's good to be around. No one wants a dog that's annoving," explained Livonia resident Lorraine Borovsky who was with her dog, Archimedes.

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City provides reminders on trash, recycling topics

The City of Westland Rubbish Transfer Site. day, Oct. 31, summer hours for the City of West-37137 Marquette: will be available for use by Westland residents starting Friday, April 7, until Saturday, Nov. 4. The city will have free dump days Friday and Saturday, April 7-8.

Hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. No commercial vehicles or contractors will be allowed. Identification is required.

The fee paid will be based on the type of vehicle items are brought in, with \$13 charged for cars or minivans, \$23 for a small pickup or van, \$31 for a standard pickup or 4 X 6 trailer, and more for larg-

Regular garbage picked up at the curb will not be accepted at the site. Car or truck parts will not be accepted at the site. To schedule removal of household items from the curb, call the Department of Public Service. (734) 728-1770.

Tree branches, shrubs, stumps, dirt and roof shingles will not be accepted. Used motor oil will only be accepted Friday and Saturday by an attendant on duty.

In other developments:

■ Westland will begin the Department of Public Service compost season Monday, April 3, and continuing through Friday, Dec. 15. Compost will be picked up the same day as regular trash.

Compost must be in cans or brown paper bags specifically designed for yard waste. Leaves and other yard waste put in plastic bags will not be picked up.

Compost should be separated by at least 10 feet from regular trash. All brush or limbs must be in bundles of three-foot lengths and cannot weigh more than 40 pounds. Cardboard boxes containing compost will not be picked up.

■ Westland will begin chipping trees Monday, April 3. Scheduling will begin Monday, March 27. To use the service, call (734) 728-1770. The last call will be taken Friday, Sept. 29, for chipping Friday, Oct. 6.

Beginning Saturday, April 1, through Tues.

land Recyclable Materials Drop-off Center will be 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Items accepted include glass bottles and jars, newspapers, aluminum (metal that won't stick to a magnet), metal/steel that will stick to a magnet, plastics, batteries and used motor oil.

Bottles and jars should be washed, with lids and metal rings removed and put in the metal bin. No plate glass is accepted, as are no ceramics, Pyrex cookware, dirty containers or mirrors.

Newspapers should be neatly stacked at approximately 6-15 inches. They should be tied with twine or packed into paper bags. Newspapers must be dry and have no mold. No junk mail, catalogs. phone books, magazines, office/computer paper or cardboard will be accepted.

Cans only are accepted, no scrap metal. Out-ofstate beverage cans with no Michigan deposit are accepted, although foil and foil containers are not.

Cans should be rinsed, with the labels removed, ends removed and flattened. No paint or aerosol cans are accepted.

Plastic drink jugs and colored laundry detergenttype jugs, cleaned, are accepted. Lids, plastic bags, caustic material containers (such as drain cleaner) and oil/antifreeze containers are not accepted.

Batteries (flashlight-type, dry cell, watch, camera, hearing aid and others) are accepted, Battery receptacles are at City Hall, the Friendship Center, Westland library, Dorsey Center and cable TV

No medical waste is accepted For information on curbside recycling, call (313)

561-0303. Hazardous waste should not be disposed of until you contact either Painter & Ruthenberg at (313) 561-0303 or the Department of Environmental Quality at (800) 662-9278. In addition, the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority periodically offers a site for hazardous materials disposal. The number is (313) 292-8877

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The Livonia Chamber of Commerce's Livonia Economic Development Partnership and the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center (MMTC) are cosponsoring The Work Smart Summit on April 13 at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The summit is designed to help companies learn more about. management systems, and how increasing profit margins, It. runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and features four tracks on Smart teamwork Planning, Smart Business,

Smart Manufacturing and Smart People. Each session runs 45 minutes. The keynote speaker is Jack

Tyson, director of quality and continuous improvement at Lear Corp: He will share his experiences and discuss the keys to continuous improvement for enhancing business operations integrated business and process. The luncheon speaker is Dwight Carlson, founder, chairman and to use continuous improvement former president of Perceptron for sustaining growth and Inc. Carlson will provide his perspective and experience on empowering and mentoring for

The registration fee is \$95 per issues

person, or \$80 for two more people from one company, which includes breakfast, lunch and networking reception. Livenia Chamber members receive a special discounted fee.

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Arbor Trail and Joy Road.

Thomas, in his 11th year as mayor, unveiled his far-reaching proposals in the same week he was threatened with a citizens' recall campaign.

Thomas drew criticism after his senior citizen resources director was caught gambling at a Detroit casino during work hours and after his personnel director confessed to posing as a Westland resident and sending out an e-mail to try to thwart a City Hall protest.

Thomas denied that the political turpaoil played a major role in his policy shift, saying he reached his decisions after some "soul-searching."

Thomas said residents, particularly senior citizens on fixed incomes, have told him they want tax relief rather than glitzy new buildings.

The end result of these proposals will

be good for our taxpayers," Thomas said in his letter to council members.

Council President Charles "Trav" Griffin said he will place on the council's March 20 agenda a proposal to cancel the May 9 incinerator tax election.

"I think the atmosphere has to be appropriate to get positive things done. but I think the atmosphere now has become so bad that good, positive things ... will probably not happen," Griffin said. "So I'll be supportive of the mayor's plan."

"I would have loved to see a new rec center," Griffin said, "but in this poisonous atmosphere it's not going to happen."

Councilwoman Sandra Cicirelli embraced the mayor's plans.

"I'm in support of all this," she said. "I think this is certainly in the taxpayers' best interest."

Council members Anderson and Richard LeBlanc, who opposed a 27-cent water-sewer rate hike last year, said Thomas seems to be borrowing ideas they've touted for years.

"I've been pushing to terminate TIFA for four years," LeBlanc said, adding later, "I'm glad that Mayor Thomas now sees that TIFA termination is a viable alternative and that he agrees with me."

However, LeBlanc said he wouldn't favor using all TIFA revenues to compensate for the incinerator tax.

He said some of the money should be used to improve roads, renovate fire stations and enforce city ordinances. He also said officials will have to address the need for a new City Hall.

Anderson said he has repeatedly called for tax relief and that the administration has ignored his views. He said he believes

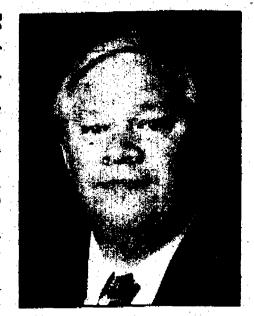
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the political turmoil engulfing the city has left Thomas shaken.

"I think the mayor is scared to death." Anderson said, adding that it seems suspect that the proposals follow threats of a mayoral recall.

But Thomas, in his letter to the council, indicated that he is simply listening to residents.

"I have always promised residents that I would listen to their opinions and concerns," he said. "I also promised that I would always try to give them the best service possible at the lowest cost to the taxpayer. I have not forgotten that commitment I made to them over a decade ago."



Robert Thomas Westland mayor

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new terms Jan. 1 and are protected during their first six months in office. The six petition proposals rejected as

unclear Friday alleged that:

■ Scott "is not representing the wishes of the citizens of Westland."

■ She "violated the public trust."

She "abused her position."

She "knowingly hindered the public's rights."

■ She "has failed to respect the responsibilities of her elected office ... and has placed a financial burden on the citizens." ■ She "voted not to reappoint a qualified

city clerk and voted to appoint a retired city clerk at a considerable added expense to the taxpayers of Westland." Scott described herself as "happy" about

Friday's decisions, but said she is saddened by the anger and heckling from recall supporters who have packed recent council meetings.

"I just wish the recall people would not be trying to turn our city council meetings into a Jerry Springer show," she said. "I shall try to do the best I can while I'm sitting there to keep our city in a positive direction."

One recall leader, Brenda Gracin, said she

and others will try to refrain from public outbursts. But she accused council members of baiting recall supporters by treating them unfairly at council sessions.

 Meanwhile, recall attorney Lyle Dickson predicted Friday that proposed recall language against Scott will be approved when it goes before the elections commission for a vote on March 23.

"This is just a short delay," Dickson said of Friday's rejection. "I have confidence that one or more (language proposals) will be approved at the next meeting."

Recall supporters would have to collect more than 5,000 signatures of registered voters to have their petition language placed on

an election ballot. "This will go forward no matter what," Gracin said of the recall.

Recall supporters say that Gibbons was unfairly ousted as clerk; Griffin and others say her job performance was lacking.

In other developments:

 Gracin said citizens are considering civil "legal recourse" against Griffin, Scott, Cox and James for allegations that they violated the Open Meetings Act by deciding privately to fire Gibbons. Such action would follow a ruling by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office that cleared the foursome of wrongdo-

Three candidates to replace Gibbons will be interviewed by council members during a 7 p.m. meeting Monday at City Hall. The candidates are Deputy Westland Clerk Joann Seaberg, Plymouth Clerk Linda Langmesser and retired Wayne Clerk Norma Collop.

Gibbons' successor could be hired as early as March 20 if a council majority can agree on a candidate, Griffin said.

■ City Attorney Angelo Plakas defended his opinion that Griffin acted within his authority as council president by placing Gibbons on paid leave Jan. 14, four days before the council officially ousted her.

Two former council presidents, Sandra Cicirelli and Charles Pickering, said Plakas' opinion was wrong in saying that they made unilateral decisions on issues such as the clerk's pay increases. Cicirelli and Pickering said that, unlike Griffin, they held discussions with the full seven-member council.

"Clearly the city charter does not give the council president the authority to do what he (Griffin) did," Pickering said.

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

CITY OF GARDEN CITY

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 16, 2000

Present were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Lynch, Briscoe and Gora.

Moved by Lynch, supported by Briscoe, RESOLVED: To call for a Public

Hearing on the CDBG Program for February 28, 2000 at 6:50 p.m. AYES:

ALLYSON M. BETTIS, Treasurer/City Clerk

Absent and excused were Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiscek and Dodge.

Also present were City Manager Kocsis and Deputy Treasurer Smith.

Unanimous ABSENT: Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek and Dodge.

THE CITY OF WESTLAND. a Michigan Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff.

The meeting was then adjourned

Publish: March 12, 2000

DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE. and MARNETT WILSON and unknown heirs, devisees or assignees, Defendants,

Angelo A. Plakas (P 18934) Mark A. McConnell (P 46434) Attorneys for Plaintiff 35330 Nankin Boulevard, Suite 702 Westland, MI 48185 (734) 421-5510

ORDER TO ANSWER BY PUBLICATION WITH MAILING REQUIREMENT EXCUSED

At a session of said Court Held in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State of Michigan ON: FEB. 16 2000
PRESENT: HON: HONORABLE DAPHNE MEAN CURTIS
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

On November 15, 1999, an action was filed by the Plaintiff, the City of Westland, against Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, in this Court to quiet title on two parcels of real property located in the City of Westland described as:

LOT 179, CARVER SUB (28999 Richard)

Lot 179, Carver Subdivision No. 2, as recorded in Liber 70, Page 79 of Plats, Wayne County Records. That the City of Westland received its interest in the above described parcel under a tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, dated the 24th day of August, 1999, recorded on Liber 411 of Deeds, page 383, in the Land and Mineral Services Division Records. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff believes that the Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, at one time claimed or may have claimed an interest in this property which, by virtue of the tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan to the City of Westland has expired.

LOT 90 CARVER SUB (28999 McDonald)

Lot 90, Carver Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 70, Page 12 of Plats, Wayne County Records. That the City of Westland received its interest in the above described parcel under a tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, dated the 24th day of August, 1999, recorded on Liber 411 of Deeds, page 383, in the Land and Mineral Services Division Records. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff believes that the Defendant, DONALD L. ADLE, at one time claimed or may have claimed an interest in this property which, by virtue of the tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan to the City of Westland has expired.

The purpose of this action is to declare that the Plaintiff, the City of Westland, is the fee simple owner of said property and that any interest of Defendants may have had in said property has expired.

Upon consideration of the Verifies Motion of Plaintiff, and the Affidavit

in Support thereof, attesting to the fact that the Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE and MARNETT WILSON, in this action cannot be personally served with a Summons and a copy of the Complaint berein because their present whereshouts are unknown, and they have no last known address, and that publication of notice of this action in a newspaper of general circulation is most likely to give notice to these Defendants, and it appearing to this Court that Plaintiff, after diligent inquiry, has been smalle to ascertain the Defendants' residence either within or without the State of Michigan, and it further appearing that personal service of the State of Michigan, and it further appearing that personal service of the Summann and Complaint in this action cannot be made on the Defendants for the above stated reasons, and that publication is the best means available to apprice Defendants of the pendancy of this action.

IT IS MERCENT ORDERED that the Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DORNA J. ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, shall on or before the 14th day of April, 2000, surve an answer on Mark A. McConnell, attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 35330 Nankin Blvd., Suite 702, Westland. Michigan, 45185, or take such other action as may be permitted by low. Reflects to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by definit against the Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint fied in Court.

IT IS FURTRIER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to published cases a week fix these consecutive weeks in the Westland Observer, a newspaper of general electricis hereby designated as most likely to give notice to the Definednest immed above. Publication shall occur within the County of Waynes, State of Midzigna.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order he made within five (5) days from the date of entry of this Order, and that mailing a copy of this Order budispensed with because Plaintiff cannot, with reasonable different, assistant a place where the Defendants would probably receive this matter transmitted by small. المساوية والمال المرابع في المناصحين والماكنية والمناصحين والمالية والمناصح المنظم والمناسبة والمنظوم والمنظم

TEOLA P. HUNTER Wayne County Clerk

HONORABLE DAPHNE MEAN CURTIS CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

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move, Wang said. During the space constraints forced it to dot presence of the manufacturing industry's peak season, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, up to 450 temporary workers a day will be needed, he said.

Some custom packaging, displays of videotapes done to meet the specific requests of stores, will also be done in Livonia, Wang said.

one roof was behind the decision to move, Wang said. Technicolor has grown dramatically in the

the area map with different facilities, until now.

"It doesn't make any economic sense operating out of five buildings," Wang said.

The company has the first right of refusal for the remaining space at Building 3.

"I would not be surprised if we A need for more space under start looking for additional space. as soon as we move in there," Wang said.

Wang cited Technicolor's good past eight years, he said, and relationship with city, and the

plant here, as reasons the company chose Livonia.

"We are deeply involved in community activities. I think part of our mission here is really to grow the business for the local

economy," he said. Livonia was competing with Memphis, Tenn., and Dayton and Toledo, Ohio, for a new Technicolor facility, said Jeff Bryant, the city's economic development director. A move to Dayton or Memphis may have meant the loss of the duplication plant here as well, according to

Bryant praised a number of people and organizations, particularly the Michigan Economic Development Corp., Wayne County officials and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, which is working on bus routes to bring in Technicolor workers, for their efforts in attracting Technicolor.

*SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES **BOARD OF EDUCATION** Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road February 21, 2000

*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of February 21, 2000; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Timmons convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia Present: Kirsten Galka, Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Kenneth Timmons. Absent: Dianne Nay.

Team Effort Award: Trustee Dan Lessard presented the Team Effort Award to the Riley night custodial staff. Doug Glasgow, Steve Mac, Charles Pollitt, and Scott Valley for the outstanding way they clean and maintain their building, as well as meeting the needs of the public who use

Rend Across America Resolution: Motion by Nalley and Galka that the Board adopt a recolution recognizing the contribution made to children's literature by renowned author, Dr. Seuss, and the focus on reading to children on his birthday.

Jay Young director of Community Services, introduced Karen Zyczynski (donned with Cat in the Hat hat), LEA president, addressed the Board to state all the activities that each building will be participating in during the month of Marcha Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmoons Nays: None.

Audience Communications: David Marlowe, 36860 Sunnydale, addressed the Board regarding the hockey incident involving CHS and SHS hockey teams. He stated that the decision to penalize for misconduct should be on an individual basis, not on a team basis. Chuck Nebus, 16727 Blue Skies, addressed the Board regarding the SHS hockey team. He asked why SHS was penalized five games while CHS was penalized four games. He also seled that the team be informed as to when or if they could play in the state tournament play-off games. John Gotsis, 34839 Bretton, owner of the Golden Lastern Restaurant, informed the Board that he would like to upasts one percent of their daily sales to seven elementary schools of Livonia: Bushanan, Hoover, Kennedy, Marshall, Roosevelt, Case, and Hull. Kevin Whitshead, 35656 Minton, thanked the Board for taking the initiative to pass the resolution for the borid issue for the physical education

Assemble Misseston of \$7700: Mr. Galks asked that the minutes of February 7, 2000, he amended to include the date of January 15, 2000 in her comments regarding the survey article in The Defroit News/Free Press.

Motion by Gelku and Kokenakes that the Regular Minutes of February 7, 2000 include the date of Jenuary 15, 2000 in the comments of Ms. Gelka in Hearing from Board Members. Ayes: Gelka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timesons. Nays: None.

Consumt Againstic Motion by Lescard and Morgan that the Board approve the following consent against items as recommended by the superintendent: IV.A Amend the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2000. IV.B Minutes of the Special Meeting of Pebruary 7, 2000. IV.C Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of the Pibruary 7, 2000, IV.D Minutes of the Closed Session of February 14, 2000. V.A Move that general fund sheek not 500635 through 331500 in the amount of \$4,066,151.60 be approved for payment. Also, move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,001,738.23 be approved. VLB Move that the Board of Education of the Liveria Public Schools School District approve the purchase of paper for the at from the Lowe Dido dz German Patrick, for \$79,517.30; from Unisource for \$1,200.00; from Western States for \$9,114: and from Xpedz Paper & Graphics for \$1,037.81. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakos. Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None.

Recent President Timinous recessed the meeting at 7:40 p.m. to congratulate the recipients of the Team Effort Award. The meeting reconvened at 7:48 p.m.

Gift-Holms Middle School PTSA: Motion by Galka and Lessard that the Board accept the generous gift of \$23,200 from the Holmes Middle School PTSA for enrichments to the programs and school climate at Holmes Middle School, Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays:

Gift-George W. Auch Company: Motion by Nalley and Morgan that the Board accept a cash donation of \$1,000 from the George W. Auch Company. Ayes: Galka, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays; Kokenakes,

Purchase of Two-way Radios: Motion by Nalley and Galka that the Board authorize the purchase of 100 Motorola No. SP-21 two-way radios from ComSource, Inc., of Livonia for the low bid amount of \$18,299 Ayes Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None.

Ratification of the AFSCME/LCRA Contract: Motion by Morgan and Kokenakes that the Board enter into a four-year contract with the AFSCMEACEA union which was ratified on February 11, 2000 by AFSCME/LCEA members. Said contract is to commence July 1, 1999 and expire June 30, 2003. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons. Nays: None.

30-Year Employee: The Board unanimously accepted the proposed resolution of appreciation for 30 years of full-time service with the district for Lawrence Winger.

Leavest Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and approve the requests for leaves of absence for: Colleen McAlinden, personal leave; Susan Wilk, extension of child care leave; for the 2000-01 school year. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None,

Reports from the Superintendent; Dr. Watson commented on the recent hockey incident between Churchill and Stevenson and announced that Churchill and Stevenson hockey members have been notified that they will be allowed to participate in post season play-off tournaments; invited parents of tenth grade students to attend a meeting on March 23, 7-8:45 p.m., at the Dickinson Center dealing with Preparing For Life After High School; read a letter from Robert Bennett, former mayor and precident of the Livonia Symphony Society, stating how much the society appreciates the cooperation and help the members of Churchill's staff have afforded them throughout the season; received a letter from Mary Buda, MSC coordinator. midicating Dr. Kathleen Nolts, former MSC student at Churchill, is a distinguished lecturer at The University of Michigan and an outstanding professor at the university; congratulated Dan Freeman, athletic director at FHS, for his attainment of Certified Athletic Administrator; described the Business Education Alliance project "Teacher Connection" and mentioned he was in receipt of a letter from Larry Spiegel who indicated he had a great evisit with staff at Frost MS; introduced the video produced by Collette Bauman on the visually impaired program; and thanked the LEA for the Dr. Seuse neckties and pins honoring Read Across America.

Hearing from Board Members: The Board discussed the MASB Legislative Conference and Midwinter Conference in Lansing; discussed the discipline actions taken on students and the policies that support it; reported on the bond issue for our field houses and athletic facilities, along with the millage renewals; reported that both teams, CHS and SHS, will play in the post-season tournaments and hockey is not being considered to be dropped as a sport for LPS; thanked the businesses and parents for supporting the schools as partners; new link up for elementary students sollbechool.com. congratulated the PTA for their Founders Day Dinner celebration; thanked the LEA for sponsoring Read Across America; thanked Mr. Gotsis from the Golden Lantern Restaurant for offering one percent of the sales for seven of our schools; thanked Holsies PTSA for their generous gift, congratulated the Riley custodial staff; discussed the reassignment of the chair for the Financial Committee and the Livonia Liaison; thanked the camera crew James Bacheller, Anna Duplantis, and Adam Guth.

Adjournment: Motion by Morgan and Lessard that the regular meeting of Pebruary 21, 2000 be adjourned. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan. Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None

President Timmons adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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Local leaders oppose Motor Carrier Bills

would be an unacceptable price

Canton Township Supervisor

already has the most liberal

weight restriction truck laws in-

America. He shared this infor-

mation as well as many other

statistics with senators who are

enforcement, this committee

should be looking at reducing

truck weights and improving

truck safety inspection pro-

"Instead of discussing carrier

now considering the bills.

grams." he said.

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY STAFF WRITER lhumphrey@os.homecomm.net

Eighteen Wayne County community leaders came together with a strong message for Lans-

"The public policy being proposed is so bad, so ill-founded...it seriously compromises the best interest of the citizens in this state," said Jack Kirksey, Livonia mayor and chairman of the Conference of Western Wayne. CWW is an organization of the elected leaders of Western Wayne County, with 750,000 constituents.

CWW representatives argue that House Bills 4927-4932, also known as the Motor Carrier. Bills, will endanger the lives of people who drive on local roads and will lead to the deterioration. of our roads.

The Motor Carrier Bills, which have already passed in the House of Representatives, deny local governments the opportunity to enforce safety and weight regulations for the trucking industry within community lim-

Enforcement will become the responsibility of the State Police. Additionally, the money collected in fines will no longer go to local governments for local amenities, but will be directed to three specific areas: County libraries will receive 40 percent. county courts will receive 30 percent and local governments will receive 30 percent to be used only for road repair. The bills restrict local governments from using any of the money to fund the expenses involved in safety road inspections.

Implications of the bills will be far-reaching according to Kirk-

"Local governments, with the passage of these bills, will no longer have the funds to be able to provide this essential citizen safety service. This diverting of

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to pay."

Jack Kirksev Mayor of Livonia

local fines will significantly reduction of highway safety reduce local motor carrier enforcement," he said.

The legislation originated with a state representative from a Tom Yack said that Michigan rural area of northern Michigan. Sponsored by Rick Johnson (R-) LeRoy), the Motor Carrier Bills are now before the Senate and could be voted on as early as next week.

Wayne County Commissioner Kay Beard, (D-Westland) does not support the bills. She contends that if the bills pass, there will be less enforcement, which could encourage some trucking companies to load more cargo on the trucks. The heavier the truck, the more room they need to come to a stop before hitting whatever is in front of them.

"I've been concerned that these larger vehicles cannot stop intime. It's something all of us on the Commission are wary of, she said. "We need to be vigilant on the safety factor."

The legislation was proposed after trucking companies complained about being unfairly targeted in certain communities. Some truckers claimed to have been ticketed in more than one city on the same route for the same problem.

Kirksey countered, "If there are communities who are irresponsibly enforcing motor carrier operations, deal with them directly. Don't attempt to change the system to correct the actions of a few government units."

He alleged that this proposal is "designed to benefit the trucking industry" at the expense of residents welfare. "The resulting

passage of these bills. Canton is divided by Interstate-275, and has portions of Ford Road and Michigan Avenue in its bound-

"We are also home to an active landfill. Trucks from Canada, Michigan municipalities and private waste firms deliver waste to this landfill via I-275, Michigan Avenue and Wayne County roads," he said. "To my knowledge, no state motor carrier officer has ever been seen enforcing the state of Michigan weight or safety regulations on these roads.

Yack has a large stake in the

Larger fight

These bills are part of a larger fight between local government and Lansing. If these bills become law, they will be another example of Lansing taking control of local issues from local offi-

"This is another example of

unnecessary and inappropriate involvement of the state into

local matters," said Kirksey. This on-going argument has inspired some municipal leaders to support a ballot initiative which would amend the state Constitution. The Michigan Municipal League is actively seeking signatures to put the amendment question before voters in November. About 80,000 signatures have been collected, but 325,000 are needed by July

The MML is proposing an increase in the amount of support needed at the State level to make a bill a law. The Constitution currently requires a simple majority vote, but the amendment would require support from two-thirds of each house in the legislature. The CWW will vote on supporting the ballot initiative, called Let Local Votes Count, at their meeting next month.



Opposes bills: Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey, as chairman of the Council of Western Wayne County, has taken an active role in opposing the Motor Carrier Bills, which he calls a danger to the public.

Task force holds hearing on senior long-term care

A special legislative task force studying ways to make it easier for senior citizens to receive long-term care and stay in their homes longer will be holding a public hearing 9-11:30 a.m. Monday, March 20, at the Thomas F. Taylor Towers, 36500 Marquette, Westland, said state Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, cochair of the task force.

"Senior citizens in our community have made it clear that they would prefer to stay in their homes as long as possible, and not go to a nursing home," said Rep. DeHart. "This task force is studying how we can help make that possible for Michigan seniors because they deserve a secure retirement."

The task force will examine proposed tax credits for families who care for elderly relatives at home, expanding the Michigan Emergency Prescription Program, providing coverage for inhome and emergency prescription fees, legislation to require criminal background checks on home health care workers, and having state-required training for in-home health care workers.

"The task force is interested in hearing the community's thoughts on these issues, as well. as any ideas residents have to help seniors stay in their own homes longer," said Rep. DeHart, "My colleagues and I are interested in any proposal that makes it easier for families to take care of elderly relatives at home."

The task force is in the midst of a statewide tour to listen to Michigan residents concerned about long-term care for senior citizens. The task force will make specific legislative recommendations later in the year."

Schoolcraft hosts college reps on bachelor degree programs

That bachelor's degree you have always wanted isn't a dream. Area colleges offer accelerated bachelor degree programs for motivated adults with work experience and well-developed writing skills. Find out about these programs Saturday, March 18, at a special forum at Schoolcraft College.

The seminar will feature presentations and meetings with representatives from the following institutions: Central Michigan University, Cleary College. Concordia College, Detroit College of Business, Northwood University, Rochester College, Saint Mary's College, Siena Heights College, Spring Arbor College, University of Detroit Mercy, the University of Phoenix, William Tyndale College and Wayne State Universi-

as business and health administration, trade skills and industrial professions, offer upper division courses during the evening and weekends: Students may receive as much as one year of credit for work experience or training and life activity.

Each institution's programs are different, so it is advisable to listen to all presentations. There will be time to ask questions, browse, collect materials and speak with program representatives. The seminar is free and open to the public, but reservations are required. Presentations begin at 10 a mi in room. 200 of the McDowell Center.

For information or to make reservations, contact the School craft Counseling Center at (734) 462-4400, ext. 5213. Schoolcraft College, is at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven The programs, in fields such. Mile Road just west of 1-275.

Meeting on vouchers Monday

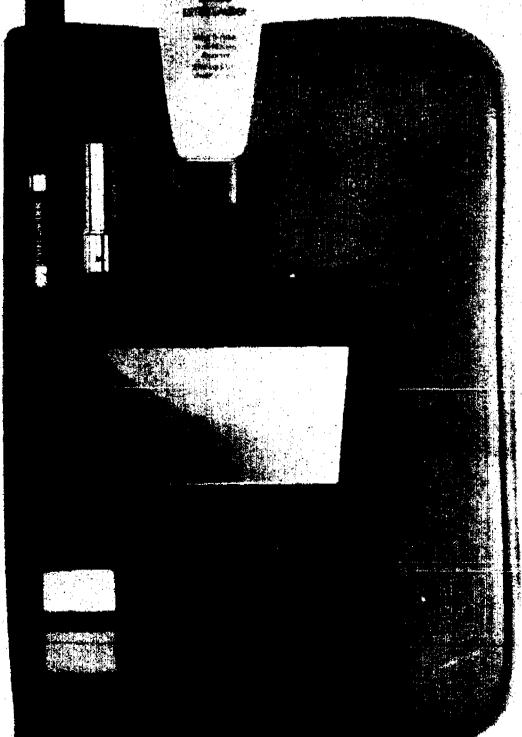
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Participants can order dinner

For more information, call Valp.m. Monday, March 13 at the Wolf at 234-222 0467 or Ida





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Virgil Smith announces he'll run for prosecutor

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

State Sen. Virgil Smith formally announced his candidacy for Wayne County prosecutor Thursday.

The announcement from the longtime Detroit lawmaker. who is trying to succeed the retiring John O'Hair, was

widely expected. Smith, 52, who has represented the Second Senatorial District for the past 12 years, ran against O'Hair in the 1992 and 1997 elections, and was narrowly defeated each time.

Even without O'Hair in the running, this year's election promises to be a difficult one with Livonia's Michael Duggan and Plymouth's George Ward expected to be Smith's main opponents.

All three men have powerful backers in the political world. Duggan, who has already announced his candidacy, has

the support of Wayne County

Executive Ed McNamara.

officially announce his candidacy on March 20, has been an assistant in the prosecutor's office for 14 years. O'Hair has endorsed Ward to be his suc-

Ward, who has said he will

Smith, who also spent 12 years as a state representative prior to being in the Senate, has secured the backing of Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer and former Attorney General Frank Kelley.

"I want to fight for our children, for those who are trying to do the right thing and for those who have lost their way." said Smith, who made his announcement at Detroit's Dave Miller UAW Retirees Building.

"I want to ensure that our children, youth, and seniors feel safe to live, work, play and worship in their own neighborhoods.

Prospective candidates still have until May 16 to file their candidacy for the office.

Schoolcraft sets April 9 open house

Learn how to apply for college, choose classes, get financial aid and find a program that fits your career plans at Schoolcraft College's College Expo. Sunday. April 9.

Visitors can drop in from noon to 3 p.m., tour the campus, talk with current students and explore the range of programs available to lifelong learners.

The College's various divisions will present information for graduating high school seniors, adults who have not attended college or have some college but have not earned a degree, for those seeking personal enrichment classes, and for parents interested in summer enrichment courses for their children.

Prospective students can learn about admissions, financial aid, scholarships, career planning, tutoring, student activities, athletics, distance learning and

Continuing Education Services. The event includes free materials, a lab with computer-based course sampling, and faculty members available to answer any questions. Public safety will

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display the police, fire and EMT vehicles. Culinary arts will have a table display. Computer assisted drafting and electronics will demonstrate software, and computer graphics technology will host a hands-on workshop. Biology will demonstrate techniques used in DNA fingerprinting, and Continuing Education Services will have materials available on its program for gifted and talented children. A group of students from communications arts will provide story telling for younger visitors.

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credit fee is \$100. Students can earn 1.5 continuing education

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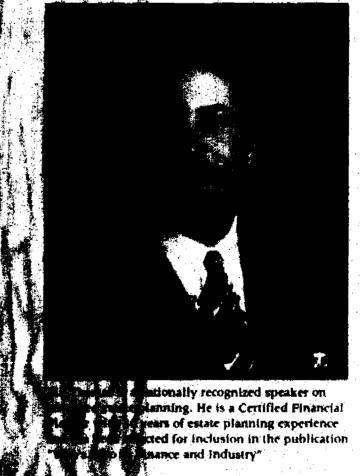
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Airport awards runway job to two Macomb contractors

By KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Last week Metro Airport officials accepted a \$44.77 million bid for the construction contract of the main 4-22 runway, a key component of the massive Midfield Terminal project.

The low bid was proposed by the joint venture of Dan's Excavating and Ajax Paving, both Macomb County-based contrac-

The 10,000-foot-by-150-foot project will account for 95 percent of the take-offs and landings at the new mile-long terminal that has a price-tag of \$1.2

"This runway is going to give. us a superior airfield and make us very competitive with other major airports," said Michael Conway, Metro's information director. 'It is the piece of the puzzle that is going to guarantee the success of this airport."

Although signatures are still needed from the county's purchasing department and executive office before it becomes official, Metro officials and representatives from Dan's and Ajax expect to begin construction on the runway sometime in April. It is scheduled to be completed in December, 2001, the same month the entire Midfield project is expected to be finished.

However, the bidding process has not been without its share of controversy. Claiming they had miscalculated the breadth of the project, county officials rejected a previous round of bids made last November.

John Carlo Inc., a Mt. Clemens-based contractor, which had presented the previous lowest bid of \$66 million, challenged the legality of the re-bidding pro-

Noting the county had the legal right to reject all bids. Wayne County Circuit Judge Kathleen Macdonald threw out the challenge in early February. That decision opened the way for the county to accept the new bid.

Metro officials believe their decision to reject the previous round of bids was fair because an entire taxiway was eliminated and the building materials were overestimated.

"We felt the scope of the project changed significantly enough that the prudent thing was to re-bid it," said Conway.

Attorney Sam Damron, who represents John Carlo, said the company is waiting for the county to make an official announcement on the new bid and may take further legal action at that

In the meantime, representatives for Dan's and Ajax are happy about getting the contract and are ready to get moving on the work:

"It is unfortunate the way the bidding process went," said John Otto, vice president of Dan's Excavating, which had also proposed a bid last November. "Wayne County probably could have handled the situation a little better, but this is the type of project we excel at and we're excited about moving forward."

The \$44.77 million contract is only one part of the larger \$119 million runway project, which also calls for property acquisition, drainage, wetlands mitigation and road relocation.

The construction of the runway will disturb 168 acres of existing wetlands. Because of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements, the airport replaced them by adding 277 acres of wetlands to the Crosswinds Marsh Wetland Interpretive Preserve in Sumpter Township.

The new runway will also force the county to relocate portions of both Wayne and Goddard Roads, which will be moved at separate times to minimize traffic prob-

"We will be building the new runway and doing road relocation at the same time," Conway

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Airport recommends vendors

Metro Airport officials presented their recommendations for the new Midfield Terminal's 80 retail and restaurant operators to the county's Commission on airport's revenue will nearly

The presentation took place Thursday at the county's Warren Valley Golf Club.

While the list of recommended names, such as Burger King. Olga's Kitchen, and a PGA Tour Shop, there are also those of a

more local flavor, including The mearly half of the new shops are Ford Museum.

County officials believe the: Roads, Airports and Public Ser double because of the new retail shops and restaurants.

"Revenue from retail earns approximately \$19 million for the airport today," said Wayne County Executive Ed McNamavendors included many familiar ra. The midfield concessions alone are estimated to earn in excess of \$22 million."

Officials also boasted that

Motown Bar & Grill and Henry owned by either minoraties or

"The percentage of minority. disadvantaged and women owned participation, we believe, will lead all U.S. airports." McNamara said.

The commission is expected tomake a decision soon

For more information and a complete list of the vendors. check the airport's website at www metroarrjort com-

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By Sue Buck Staff Writer sbuck@oc.homecomm.net

When a 12-year-old Plymouth Township girl confided to a friend that she had been sexually assaulted, that friend relayed information to a Plymouth-Canton school district counselor, who then called police Feb. 4.

As a result, Plymouth Township resident Brent Anderson and his girlfriend, the mother of the alleged victim, could go to prison.

Anderson and the woman, whose identity is being withheld to protect the daughter, were arraigned Wednesday and face a preliminary exam March 20 before 35th District Court Judge John MacDonald.

"We took the report, and then did the investigation," said Jamie Senkbeil, Plymouth Township community resource officer.

At the arraignment, Anderson was charged with five counts of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, which involves penetration. The felony charge carries up to a life sentence. Anderson was also charged with one count of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, which involves contact only. Magistrate Eric Colthurst set bond for Anderson at \$500,000 cash.

The girl's mother was charged as an accessory. Colthurst set bond for the mother at \$20,000, or 10 percent. Police emphasize that the mother is not being charged with having sexual contact with the victim.

"My client vehemently denies any truth to the accusations," said Benton Richardson, an attorney for the girl's mother. The mother was expected to be released soon from Wayne County Jail, Richardson said.

John McWilliams, Anderson's attorney, called the charges "the accusations of a child that can be recanted."

In conjunction with the Westland Police Department, a warrant was written up for Anderson and the girl's mother, according to Senkbeil.

"The reason why Westland was involved in this is because the victim talked about an isolated incident that occurred in Westland," Senkbeil said.

Bowlers aid visually impaired



Winner: Jill Jacobs (left) of Westland and Tiffany Taylor of Westland cheer after the event.

Things just roll along

Bowlers and businesses spared nothing in terms of generosity, helping a Livonia organization that aids families of blind people raise more than \$10,000.

Livonia Parents of the Visually Impaired hosted its third annual bowlathon at Woodland Lanes Feb. 5.

Some 122 bowlers solicited donations while others like Livonia Family YMCA, Chris Furniture, Breadsmith, AMC 20 Theatres and Office Depot contributed prizes. Another 26 organizations also served as lane sponsors, contributing \$100 each.

Livonia Trophy donated trophies that were awarded to bowlers while Aid Association for Lutherans gave matching funds.

Money raised will sponsor a summer day camp, provide educational supplies and equipment, and support activities.

The organization serves blind and visually impaired children in western Wayne County, including those in Livonia, Wayne-Westland, Garden City, Redford Union and South Redford school districts.

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CARRIER OF THE MONTH: WESTLAND

Margaret L. Mueller, 11, of Westland is the Westland Observer Carrier of the Month for March. She is a fifth-grade homeschooler.

She is the daughter of John and Claire Mueller and has three siblings, Joseph, 19, Elisabeth, 17, and Matthew, 7. She has delivered the newspaper since February 1999 in Surrey Heights.

Her interests include reading, sewing, drawing and cooking. She likes "delivering papers and meeting nice people on my route," has learned to keep track of money and likes the chance to



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WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT Westland, Michigan 48336 SECTION 00010 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for Bid Package #9:

Divisions

TMP Project #98041 - Wayne Memorial High School Remodeling Wayne-Westland Community Schools will be received until 1:30 P.M. local time on Tuesday, April 4, 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

Bid Division Description

Asphalt Paving Selective Demolition

General Trades

Roofing

Waterproofing

Hollow Metal, Wood Doors & Finish Hardware (Supply) Aluminum Windows, Entrances, Glass & Glazing

Metal Stude/Drywall/E.L.F.S. Acoustical Treatment

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Metal Lockers

Plastic Laminate Casework

Hydraulic Elevator Modifications (Alternate)

Stage Curtains, Rigging & Tracks

Plumbing HVAC

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Bolding 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 one (1) set of bidding documents by contacting the Construction Manager, McS/EV, at (313) 535-6213. (Note: Bidders are issued 1/2 size plans. Plan scales are to be adjusted accordingly.) Additional plans may be ordered and purchased directly from Dunn Blue Reprographics Technology, (248) 353-2950. Bids are to be submitted in a scaled 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 Thursday, March 16, 2000 @ 1:30 P.M. at the Wayne Memorial High School cafeteria. All bidders are encouraged to attend.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of at lest 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 sward 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 bidding.

This project is to be bid at the prevailing wage rate.

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES FEBRUARY 14, 2000**

Bresent were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek, Dodge, Irynch, Briscoe, and Gora. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Kocsia, Treasurer/City Clerk Bettis, City Attorney Cummings, Department of Public Services Director Barnes, Parks and Recreation Director Whitson, Community Center Supervisor McKarge, Fire Chief Hines, Police Chief Harvey, and DPS Streets, Sewer and Water

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

No comments were received from the public. ◆ Item 02-00-036 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED; To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 7, 2000. AYES: Unanimous, ABSENT: None

◆ Item 02-00-037 Moved by Lynch; supported by Briscoe: RESOLVED. To approve the Accounts Payable of February 14, 2000, as listed. 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 02-00-038 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Gora RESOLVED: To award the hid for 26 chairs to Staples, Inc. the sole hidder in the amount of \$3,494.00. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None

◆ Item 02-00-039 Moved by Wiacek; supported by Dodge, RESOLVED; To approve the resolution to support MMI, "Let Local Votes Count" Home Rule Petition Drive as follows:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE'S "LET LOCAL VOTES COUNT" HOME RULE PETITION DRIVE

WHEREAS, the City of Garden City, like other local governments across Michigan, are empowered to enact and enforce policies, ordinances and contracts to maintain and enhance the health, safety and welfare of local residents; and THEREAS, historically, the City of Garden City, and other municipalities

throughout Michigan have exercised home rule decision making authority to address the wishes and desires of local residents in a manner that reflects their local values; and WHEREAS, recent actions by the State Legislature to restrict, preempt or override municipal policies, ordinances and contracts has

sharply eroded municipal home rule authorsty; and WHEREAS, the Michigan Municipal League has proposed an amendment to the Michigan Constitution to require a 2/3 vote of each chamber of the Michigan Legislature on any legislative bill that seeks to restrict or preempt the powers and authorities of cities; villages, townships, counties and municipal authorities under home rule,

WHEREAS, the MMUs "Lat Local Votes Count" compaign is gathering the signatures of at least 302.711 registered Michigan voters to place the proposed Constitutional Amendment on the November 7 statewide election ballot, and

a constitutional amendment to limit state intervention in local **TOYETHANCE** NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Garden City Council.

hereby endorsed the "Let Local Votes Count" ballot initiative of the Michigan Municipal League and will encourage the citizens

of Garden City to sign the petitions to place the proposal on the Unanimous

◆ Item 02-00-040 Moved by Dodge, supported by Wiacek RESOLVED To RESOLUTION FOR

CLEAN MICHIGAN INVITATIVE RECREATION BOND PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Garden City has prepared and adopted a Recreation Plan which has been approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources: WHEREAS, the City Recreation Plan, identifies specific projects to be

implemented during the next five years in its Capital Improvements Schedule. WHEREAS, the Capital Improvements Schedule includes recreation

improvements to the Civic Arena, including addition of four (4) main hockey locker rooms, locker rooms for females on male teams, officials room, renovation of existing locker room into two (2) figure skating rooms, coaches room, warming room, rework and upgrade the building electrical system. WHEREAS, a public hearing was held in consideration of the City's

application for financial assistance under the Clean Michigan Initiative Recreation Bond Program on January 18, 2000 before the City of Garden City Council and Recreation Commission.

WHEREAS, the City Recreation Commission recommended to the City Council that an application for financial aid under the Clean Michigan Initiative Recreation Bond Program be filed. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Garden City

Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Recreation Commission to submit an application for funding assistance. FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Clarden City will undertake Recreational improvements at the Civic Arena, provided the

Clean Michigan Initiative grant application submitted on April 1, 2000 is funded, and the City commits to provide a local match equal to thirty percent (30% for the total projections), as detailed in this grant application.

All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are researched. AYES. Unanimous

ABSENT: None

AYES:

ABSENT:

None

◆ Item 02-00-041 Moved by Lynch, supported by Kaledas RESOLVED To. adopt attached resolution for the retention of City records

◆ Item 02-00-042 Moved by Briscoc; supported by Dodge Council requested that both the City Attorney and auditors recieue the proposed retention schedule

RESOLVED: To table Rem 02:00:041 until March 13, 2000 AYES: Unanimous ABSENT

The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

Code Master 100 Monitor/Defibrillator

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* Item 02-00-043 Moved by Kaledas, supported by Lynch RESOLVED To approve the purchase of a Code Master 100 Monitor/Defibrillator from Lucrdal Medical Corporation in the amount of \$7,447.50 AYES: Unanimous, NAYS: None

♦ Item 02-00-044 Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED. To approve Consent Agenda "A":

a. To award the bid support equipment for departmental issued sidearms to C.M.P. Distributors, Inc. in the amount of

To award the bid for Reloaded 40 Caliber Ammunition to Michigan Ammo Company, Inc. in the amount of \$8,960.00. To award the bid for New 40 Cabber Ammunition to C.M.P.

Distributors, Inc., in the amount of \$3,164 00 Unanimous

AYES ABSENT. None

4 Item 02-00-045 Moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek, RESOLVED To approve the resolution that the City of Garden City, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the City of Garden City does hereby specifically agree; but not by way of limitation, as follows 1. To appropriate the sum of one hundred five thousand three hundred

thirteen (\$105,313) dollars to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT and to appropriate such additional funds as such be necessary to complete the project. 2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records.

to make them available to the DEFARTMENT for auditing at 3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and

materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said 4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under

this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and 5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all

terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Coammous

AYES

ABSENT None ◆ Item 02-00-046 Moved by Lynch, supported by Gora RESOLVED Tengrant

permission to proceed with the GPS Mapping. Phase I The cost is not to exceed \$121,700 00 AYES, Unanimous ABSENT None ◆ Item 02:00-047 Moved by Dodge, supported by Birscon RESOLVED To

approve the cost agreement for the Ford Road Paving Project and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign such agreement. Account 202 202:337 045 in the amount of \$7,100 00 AYES Unanimous ABSENT None

• Item 02-09-048 Moved by Lynch, supported by Kalislas RESOLVED To waive the thit's noise ordinance for the Ford Road Paving Project and also that we formally restrict construction traffic from our local streets to help present the noise problems AYES Unanimous ABSENT None

4 Item 02-00-049 Moved by Dodge supported by Kaleslas RESOLVED To sword the lad for Housing Rehab Clear #002% to Complete Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of \$4,770 or AYES Unautmons ABSENT None

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OBSERVER **SPORTS** SCENE

Knights rule tourney

The Livonia Knights, a Pee Wee AA travel hockey team, defeated Belle Tire, 3-1, to captured the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association championship March 5 at Port Huron's Glacier Pointe Arena.

The Knights beat the Copper Countv Cougars (6-1), Monroe Hawks (5-1), Sault Ste. Marie (6-1) and the Port Huron Flags (3-2) en route to the finals.

Members of the Knights, who advance to Oswego, N.Y. for the nationals, include: Matt Fortier, Garrett Radford, Sean Sachau, Adam Stoner, Steve Slivoski, Chris Fairbanks, David McGrorty, Craig Dulman, Chris Barczuk, Jim Nawrocki, Kevin Horal, Tony Swarthout, Jeff Paison, Zac MacVoy, Justin Bolla and Steve Mnich.

Coaches include Pat Fairbanks, Doug Blanzy, John Swarthout and Kevin Fairbanks. The team manager is Jim Radford.

Coaches honor Howton

Former Wayne Memorial football coach Chuck Howton is among 20 honorees at the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame banquet Saturday, April 15 at Crisler Arena in Ann Arbor.

Howton, who retired two years ago. finished with a 60-57 varsity record with the Zebras in 13 seasons, including one state playoff berth (1992).

Cocktails will be served at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The program starts at 7:30 p.m.

Featured speaker for the Hall of Fame banquet is University of Michigan coach Lloyd Carr.

Tickets are \$20 per person. Checks should be made payable to the MHS-FCA and sent by Friday, April 7 to: Ivan Muhlenkamp, Ticket Chairman, Hall of Fame Banquet, 21000 Lakeview Avenue, St. Joseph, Mi. 49085.

For more information, call Don Lessner at (734) 671-6072.

Football conference

The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association will stage its Team Leadership Conference 2000 Saturday, July 29 at Michigan State University's Wilson and Holden halls.

Registration is from 8-9 a.m. followed by the conference for high school players and coaches from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The purpose of the conference is to provide leadership skills for both players and coaches to enhance their programs:

Pre-registration is \$40 (if postmarked by Saturday, July 15 or \$50 a the door. No phone registrations will be accepted. Included in the cos is continental breakfast, lunch, T-shirt, resource materials, ticket and program for the MHSFCA All-Star Game at Spartan Stadium.

To register, mail to: Fred Davis, 794 Fairway Court, Gaylord, Mi. 49735. Checks should be made payable to the MHSFCA.

For more information, call (616) 546-

Stampede of Races

The second annual U-M Heart Care/Domino's Stampede of Races will be Saturday, April 8 at Domino's Farms in Ann Arbor.

The first entry deadline is March 13. Fees are \$15 for the 20- and 10kilometer races, along with the 5K run/walk. Cost is \$5 for the Mitral Mile and Mini-Mitral (400 meters).

Entires may be printed off the event web site at www.AthleticVentures com or enter online with a credit card.

For more information, call (734) 332-3981.

Youth baseball tryouts

Tryouts for the Westland Federation Wildcats, a 12-year-old Little Caesars travel baseball team, will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 and Friday, March 17 at the John Glenn High School gymnasium.

For more information, call Shawn

Dunford at (734) 595-3496.

To submit items for the Observer Sports Scene, write to: Brad Emons, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. Mi 48150; or send via fax to (734) 591-7279.

Franklin falls prey in regional

Rocks solid; Pats ousted

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

There was happiness on one end of Joy Road, sadness on the other end.

Plymouth Salem proved the fourth time could be a charm, repeating as Class A regional volleyball champions Saturday at Saline with a 15-8, 15-12 victory over Western Lakes Activities Association nemesis Livonia Franklin.

The Patriots, who beat Salem three times during the regular season, bow out at 45-8-2 overall and regional runner-up to the Rocks for the second straight year.

Meanwhile, Salem, 44-11-1 overall, advances to the state quarterfinals, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Eastern Michigan University's new Convocation Center. The opponent will be the Temperance Bedford regional champion.

Salem did in the Patriots with soft serves just over the net, stellar digging and well-placed tips.

Senior Amanda Suder led the Salem hitting attack with 12 kills, 21 digs and five ace serves. Denise Philips added eight kills, while setter Jill Dombrowski had 25 assist-to-kills.

Franklin's senior hitting tandem of Tera Morrill (eight kills) and Andrea Kmet (nine kills) were often neutralized by the off-speed shots and the serving of Suder and Kelly Jaskot.

"We were trying to pull their hitters up to the net and get their weaker passers involved," Teeters said of his strategy to beat the Patriots. "Tera is not only their best hitter, but she's also one of their best passers. We also decided to put Amanda (Suder) against their setter Lyndsay (Sopko) because it was a better matchup. We didn't block Tera, instead we had Amanda digging against her.

"We knew the matchup was not 'Suds' versus Tera because we knew Lyndsay liked to get Tera the ball."

Jaskot got on a roll in the first game, serving at one point eight straight points. She also had a five-point run in the second game to help overcome an 8-1 deficit.



Effective placements: Plymouth Salem's Amanda Suder (left) tips the ball past Livonia Franklin setter Lyndsay Sopko.

"The frustrating aspect of their game plan is that we had prepared for it," Franklin second-year coach Mary Helen Diegel said. "We were aware of it as far as the different tactics, as well as their offenses and defenses.

"They could not be more prepared. but in tense situations like this you have to play with experience and from motor memory.

"Salem had an 'on' day and we just didn't execute."

In the morning semifinals, the Rocks had a difficult time disposing a scrappy Adrian team for the second time this season, 13-15, 15-9, 16-14 (capped by two Jaskot ace serves at 14-all).

The Maples, who lost to Salem in three games at the Bedford Tourney, were led by 5-foot-11 junior Catherine

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Suder, however, countered with 18 kills and nine aces for Salem. The 6foot Philips and Dombrowski contributed 14 and eight kills, respectively. Sarah Jensen also provided some soft rolls in the middle.

"We ran out of subs and we had to have Jill hit and Jaskot to set," Teeters

said. Adrian coach Mike Watkins, whose team bowed out at 44-18-4 overall, was happy with his team's play, but disappointed with the outcome.

"Maybe after we won the first game we woke them up because they (Salem) didn't make as many mistakes." Watkins said. "We changed our defense. to cover the short tips. We figured if you tip on us, you can beat us. We just couldn't stay with what we wanted to

"We also faced a lot of jump serves, which we don't see a lot of it. Sometimes you panic when you see something different."

While Salem was taking 1 hour and 40 minutes to oust Adrian, Franklin was having an easy time with Ypsilanti-Lincoln, a team with a 9-24-7 record.

The 5-11 Morrill had nine kills and six aces, while 6-2 Kerstin Marshall, a junior, added six kills as the Patriots prevailed 15-4, 15-5.

"We knew they hit the ball well, but we didn't expect them to be that efficient running their offense." Lincoln coach Michael Armstrong said. "We really haven't been a strong blocking team and we ask a lot of our defense to dig against their hard hitters.

Their setter is very good. They have a lot of options. She (Sopko) did a good 300 of spreading her passes around

The regional final marked the final appearances for six Franklin seniors including Morrill, Sopko, Kmet, Rachel Bramlett, Alexis Bowman and Monica Little. The six helped Franklin to 82 wins in two years, including two district and two Western Division titles.

"This group of seniors exuded confidence, intelligence and court sense unparalled for most senior classes," Diegel said. "They have led the team in friendships, played with intensity and have exhibited a touch of class in anything they do.'

Shamrocks reach state finals again

By KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Dominating every aspect of the game, Redford Catholic Central trounced Troy 6-1 in a Division 1 semifinal game Friday at Flint's IMA Sports Arena.

The victory moved CC (25-2) within one win of clinching its second consecutive state title, and fourth in seven

Led by senior Dave Moss's hat trick and a punishing defense, the Shamrocks opened the game up with a fourgoal second period, giving them a 5-1 lead and crushing Troy's spirit.

Despite being outshot 14-3 in the first period, Troy was able to keep heavily-favored CC in check. Troy goalie Jim Geldhof made several good saves in the period, but Moss was finally able to break the spell with a 4-on-3 power-play goal at the 12:45 mark.

However, Troy bounced right back on a goal by Kyle VanderBussche with 18 seconds left in the period. The goal seemed to give the Black Hawks the momentum going into the dressing

"They played well in the first period,"

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said Moss, who also had an assist. "We couldn't get anything by Geldhof."

Whatever Geldhof had been able to do to them in the first period, the Shamrocks solved the problem in the

Right from the opening face-off, they turned up the pressure. Brett John scored at the 6:25 mark, and Moss scored less than 70 seconds later.

At the same time, CC totally stifled Troy's offense. For much of the game CC goalie Ben Dunne saw little action. The Shamrocks held Troy to just five shots in the second period, and Dunne didn't face a shot until less than a minute remained in the third.

For the game, CC which also got goals from captain Brandon Kaleniecki and Mike Ratigan, outshot Troy 37-9.

The Black Hawks finished the season with a 18-6-4 record.

"We wore them down. There's no question about that," CC coach Gordon St. John said. "We were able to get the puck down low, and we hammered it



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITT HELL

Shamrocks goal: Catholic Central's Dave Moss (No. 44) fires the first of his three goals past Troy Unified netminder Jim Geldhof as CC's Jim Spiewak (No. 12) jockeys for position.

Troy's frustration began to show as. they were skating off after the second period, when Geldhof shattered hisstick against the boards. It continued into the third when Derek Cox and Ryan VanderBussche were sent to the dressing room early after drawing game misconduct penalties for their rough play.

"This is not the way we wanted to finish the season," Troy coach Todd

Whitelaw said, "I think we were a little starstruck, and got caught watching them too much. We were too wound up, and took ourselves out of the game." Despite the impressive victory, the

Shamrocks, who play Alpena in Saturday's final, downplayed its significance. "We still haven't won anything vet."

Editor's Note: Saturday's state final will appear in Thursday's Observer

Schoolcraft's Brown, Bigby hailed

Schoolcraft College's Robert Brown collected sevarel post-season honors, including nomination for NJCAA All-American honors.

A 4-foot-4 sophomere forward from Oak Park, Brawn was named to the MJCAA Division I All-Region 12 team, the All-Michigan Community College Athletic Association team and first-team All-Sestern Conference.

The County Michigan University transfer led SC in scoring, averaging 18.9 points per game, and rebounding, at 11.2 per contest. He connected on \$35-of-\$39 floor shots (65.5 percent) and had 3.3 antista a game.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Several other Ocelote collected honors as well-Lamar Bigby, a 6-5 apphomore guard, collected All-region, All-State and All-Eastern Conference honors as well. The Detroit Northern product averaged 16.7 points, 5.7 boards and 3.4 assists per

Gilbert Mitchell, a 6-4 sophomore guard from Detroit Cody, earned All-region and All-Eastern Conference honors. Mitchell averaged 13.3 points a game, making a team-best 73 three-pointers (hit-

ting 40.8 percent).

Last but hardly least, SC coach Carlos Briggs was named Eastern Conference Coach of the Year after guiding the Ocelots to a 24-7 record and a conference championahip.

Ocelots' Kirkland commits to WSU Reggie Kirkland chose to stay close to home when

A 6-foot-3 sophomore guard from Romulus High averaged 6.0 points and 3.8 assists per game, making 24-of-59 of his triple tries (40.7 percent)

Ex-North American players saluted on 25-year-old team

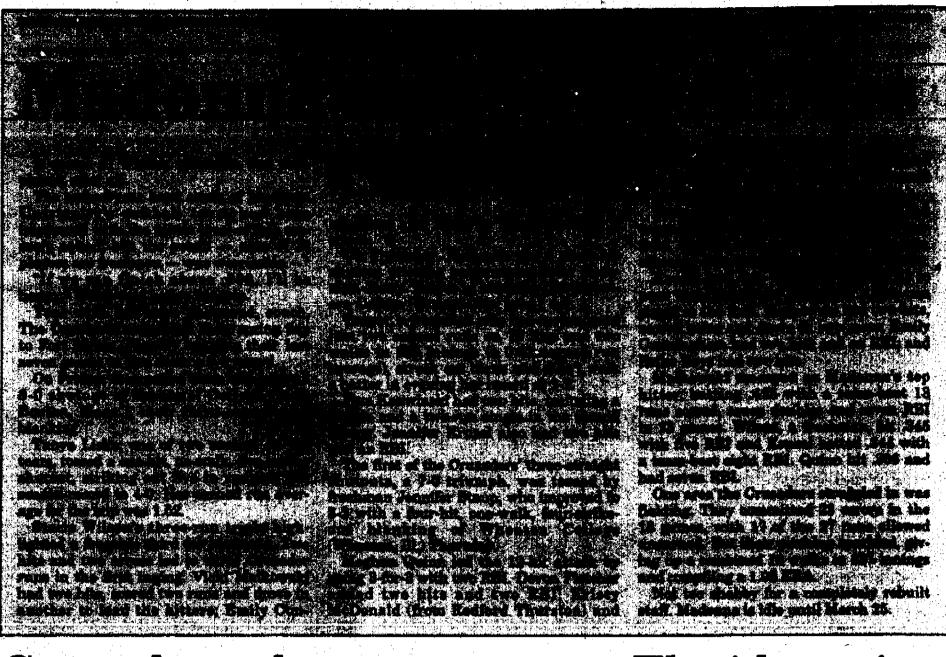
The North American Hockey League has named its alltime all-star team, dating from the league's inception in 1975. Seventeen former NAHLers have gone on to play in the National Hockey League.

Of the 18 players on the alltime squad, several have local ties. The most recent is David Legwand, the Plymouth Whaler standout who is currently playing with the Nashville Predators.

Others named to the team defenseman McSween, a Plymouth native who played at Michigan State and for the NHL's Anaheim Mighty Ducks, and goalie Brent Johnson, a Farmington native who played for Owen Sound in the Ontario Hockey League and the NHL's St. Louis Blues.







Crusaders show success on Florida swing

Madonna University was in the process of winding up a very productive spring baseball trip in Cocoa Beach, Fla.

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nesburg (Pa.) College, 4-3, Friday to improve their spring mark to 10-3-1. Earlier in the day Madonna played a seveninning, 10-10 tie with West Liberty State.

Nick Newman got the win in the second game, hurling two innings in relief of starter Jeremy Stevens. He gave up two hits, including and walked three but the three runs he allowed on a three-run home run were unearned.

Madonna had taken a 4-0 lead after he came in to pitch. Newman was 2-0 with a 3.27 overall.

Roy Rabe (Livonia Stevenson) and Bob Hamp had two hits apiece for the Crusaders while catcher Lance Siegwald stroked three Rabe and Eric Lightle (Livonia CHurchill) had the only two RBI by Madonna.

Ryan Andrzejewski (Plymouth Salem) worked 5 innings against West Liberty State,

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allowing 13 hits, walking two and fanning two. He was touched for seven runs, two unearned. James O'Connor (Redford

Catholic Central) worked an inning and gave up an unearned run while Derick Wolfe and Rabe each got an out.

The Crusaders scored a run in the bottom of the seventh to create the 10-10 tie.

Neil Wildfong (Plymouth Canton), Todd Miller, Wolfe, Jason Brooks and Lightle had two hits apiece for Madonna.

Nick Dedeluk (Redford Thurston) drove in three runs while Wolfe and Rabe had two RBI apiece.

Through 13 games, Rabe was the squad's leading hitter at .462 among those with 10 or more at-

bats. Dedeluk was next at .429 while Brooks had a .410 average. The team was batting 339 but

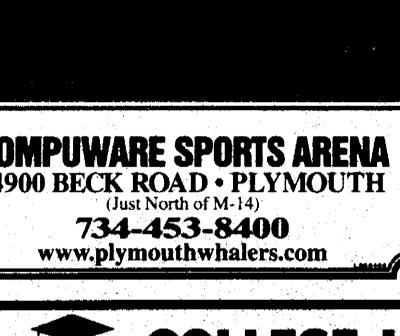
only had two home runs, one by Dedeluk. Brooks and Todd Miller led the team with 10 RBI apiece.

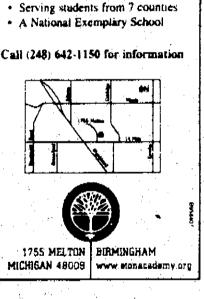
O'Connor had a 1.80 ERA to lead pitchers with 10 or more innings pitched. He was 0-1.

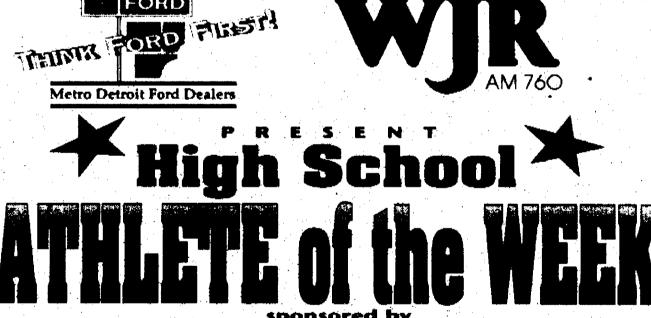
Mitch Jabczenski was 1-1 with a 2.13 ERA and Stevens had a 2-0 mark with a 2.57 ERA. The staff ERA was 3.10.

Highlights from earlier in the trip included a three-hit fiveinning shutout by Westland John Glenn's Dale Hayes (one walk, one strikeout) in a 16-0thrashing of Columbia Union.

Marto D'Herin (Redford CC had four RB in a 12-8 victory over Columbia Union and Jabczenski allowed five hits in seven innings of a 4-1 win over. Bethel (Ind.) College.



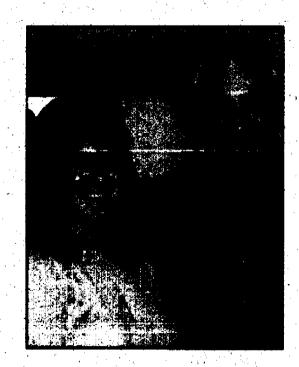




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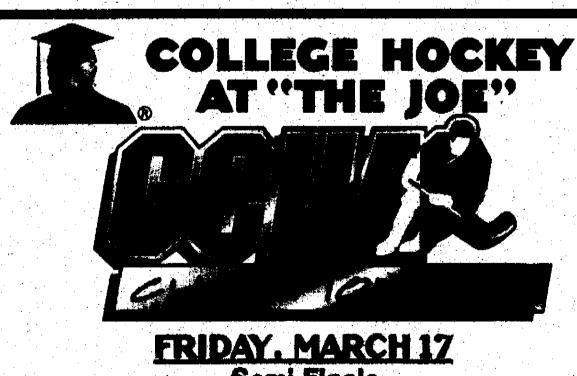
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Borgess prevails in finals

By RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

Redford Bishop Borgess is on its way to the regionals. Detroit Benedictine took the long way

Bishop Borgess tumbled Benedictine, 62-51, Friday night to capture the District 75 title in the Class C segment of the state high school basketball tournament.

The next task for the Spartans will be in the Riverview Gabriel Richard regional against the winner of Saturday's night's district final at Flat Rock between the host team and Gabriel Richard.

"We told the kids that the road doesn't do anything but get harder from here," coach Charles Albright of the Spartans said. "This was just one piece of the puzzle and we've got two pieces ahead of us."

Also in the Gabriel Richard regional is Detroit St. Martin de Porres, a chief Class C contender and always a favored rival of the Spartans (10-12). It's not unthinkable to forecast a Borgess-de Porres regional final.

This is the way it is every year," Albright said. "It seems like we always run into de Porres. We look forward to it.

"But at this stage of the seasonyou have to take it one game at a time and take it from there."

The game turned late in the second quarter when Benedictine (13-8) watched a 22-14 lead unravel.

The Ravens missed their last eight shots of the quarter and six free throws in a row before finally hitting one with no time show-

ing on the clock. Albright scolded his team about its lax rebounding at one point and the Spartans immediately picked it up. They were outboarded, 14-4, in the first period and 50-33 for the game but from the mid-point of the second quarter on it was fairly even.

"The first half they were really killing us on the boards, Albright said. "The second half, we got a few key rebounds."

Donald Didlake made two free throws and a three-point play and Khalil Mims closed a 15-1 run with four straight free throws to help Borgess regain the lead, 29-23, entering the third period.

A key factor for the Spartans was the play of 6-foot-2 junior Jose Kincannon, who played both ends of the court at 150 percent of speed.

"He brought us back," Albright: said. "He just plays hard. He gives us so many extra posses-

"He's relentless. Sometimes we have to tell him to slow down. He plays too fast and too hard."

Kincannon scored nine points, third high on his team. Kendrell Jones scored 14 and Didlake led with 22:

Angelo Bell led the Ravens with 18 points, including a bundle of key hoops while scoring nine points in the third quarter. Junior Brandon Proby was next with 13.

Bell made a basket with 4:58 left in the third quarter, making it 34-29, and got into what looked to be an edgy but friendly smacktalking contest with Didlake before completing his three-point play with a free throw.

Bell got another three-point play to cut the deficit to 34-33 but Didlake answered with a critical triple from the right wing to stabilize his team.

"I knew we were in trouble." Albright said, "when I looked up in the stands and saw my mother telling me what to do."

Benedictine got within two, 37-35, with 3:10 left in the third quarter but Borgess made 4-of-6 free throws and Jones hit two baskets to send the Spartans into the final period with a 47-39 lead.

"We had to settle down." Albright said. "There was a lot of emotion in this game.

"A lot of these kids went to grade school together, live in the same neighborhood and just know each other real well: The biggest part of this game was setthing everybody down."

Free throws played a big part. Borgess was sharp at the line until the final two minutes, mak-

ing 21-of-34 overall. Missing six free throws in a row in the second half of the second quarter hurt the Ravens and going 12-for 32 from the line in the game wasn't helpful either

Lahser nips Falcons for district title

BY DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITER domes, a does home communet

Pressure? No problem for Bloomfield Hills Lahser junior James Mathis, who scored the last point at the free throw line Friday to give the Knights a thrilling, 48-47 win over Farmington.

His three-point play in the final seconds enabled Lahser (17-5) to win its first district championship in boys basketball since 1996.

The Knights will play either Southfield-Lathrup or Birmingham Groves in a regional tournament game 7 p.m. Wednesday at

Lathrup.

"The beauty of it is we didn't do anything different than we did the other 21," Lahser coach Chris Drogosch said, "I told the kids we had a good shot at winning, and we just had to keep playing hard."

Farmington's C.J. Whitfield had just made two free throws with 20 seconds left to give the Falcons a 47-45 lead.

On the ensuing possession, Lahser senior Brandon Cassar spotted Mathis open underneath the basket and delivered the ball from the wing.

Mathis made the layup and was fouled with 5.2 seconds on the clock. After a Farmington timeout, he converted the free throw for the winning point.

"Fortunately, I think two (Farmington) guys fell down and James was wide open," Cassar said. "I was surprised he was that wide open. I just tried to get it to him as quick as I could, and he finished beautifully."

was able to give me the ball in that situation," Mathis said. "I knew I had to go out there and be a captain and sink the free throw.

That was the first of two big plays for Lahser at crunch time. The first was a three-pointer by Cassar with 1:37 to play that: tied the score at 45.

"It was supposed to be a pick and roll for (senior) Joe (Finland) or James," said Cassar, who shot the ball from the same spot he later passed to Mathis.

"I was spotting up on the block. My man got caught in a double pick, and I was wide open. When I let it go I thought it was way right, but it edged

"Those were two of the set plays we've run all year," Drogosch said, adding Finland set screens on both. "They're nothing I drew up special. Joe, James and Brandon executed so well."

Following Cassar's three, Farmington made a turnover and Lahser decided to play for the last shot, but Whitfield stole the ball and was fouled going to the hoop.

After Mathis' three-point play and a Farmington timeout, Whitfield dribbled up court and was fouled on the floor with 1.7 seconds left. The Falcons attempted to inbound the ball, but Finland knocked it away as time ran out.

Mathis and Finland scored 12 points and had 13 rebounds apiece to lead the Knights, who also had 11 from Cassar Junior Ryan Cassar tossed in five.

Senior Justin Milus scored a game-high 16 points for the Fal-"I was thankful my teammate cons (17-6). Junior Matt Mikel

had 13 (all in the second half) and Whitfield 10. Senior Chad Seaborn added six.

The Falcons took a 38-30 lead into the fourth quarter, but the Knights closed to 39-35 when Finland made three of four free throws - the last two on a technical foul.

He missed the first but was given another two-shot opportunity when a Farmington player raised his arms while Finland was shooting. That's when Farmington coach Denny Mikel received the T for being out of the coach's box.

"I was trying to get an explanation from the official why they were giving the shooter two more shots," Mikel said, "Usually, they warn you or tell you to back up (when the coach is out of the box), but he didn't do that in that situation."

A 6-0 run on baskets by Finland, David Kemsley and Mathistied the score at 41 but Milus and Whitfield answered with deuces to give the Falcons a fourpoint lead with 2:45 remaining. Another Finland free throw made it 45-42.

We stayed with man and probably should have gone zone," Mikel said "We didn't want to give them any open shots on the perimeter, but they ended up dumping it inside."

Lahser played well in the first half, leading by eight late, while Farmington seemed to struggle. But the Falcons got within two at halftime, 23-21, as Milus (four) and Whitfield combined for the final six points.

"We just didn't seem to get in sync," Mikel said. "We were hoping to get up on Lahser and have

them play catchup. We never did and weren't able to use some

"We would've liked to use more zone but were afraid to. We staved with man and, for the

most part, the kids did a good

Job.' The Falcons turned it around in the third quarter, hitting seven of nine shots (78 percent) and outscoring the Knights, 17-7. Matt Mikel had 11 points, including three triples, in that period.

"I felt pretty good when we were up by eight," Mikel said. "We were playing better and had momentum going our way. To their credit, (the Knights) cameback and played us tough.

"In a game like that, whoever gets the breaks at the end is going to end up winning the game. The kid hit the foul shot; that was a big-time free throw."

"When we got down 10, we took a timeout and said we knew we were going to face some adversity," Drogosch said. "Wesaid 'Let's put that behind us,' and the kids responded very. well.

The last time the Knights. Division 3 champions in the Oakland Activities Association, won league and district titles in a the same year was 1976.

"Other years we lost to West Bloomfield in the first round," Cassar said, "After we got by Harrison, we knew we had a

"After the last four years, I think we turned a lot of peoples heads this year. We played Lathrup and Groves this year, and I think that's a very winnable;

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Redford Thurston basketball host Eaglets were Friday night why they're the best," said Bates: "Personally, I think they were at the top of their game tonight. They hardly missed any shots. They must have shot 70 percent tonight. When they did missed, they got the rebounds.

"Our tallest player (Jesse Dooley) was shorter than their shortest player."

St. Mary (23-0) turned a 26-6 advantage after the first quarter into a 55-19 rout by halftime. The mercy rule went into effect for most of the second half as the Eaglets improved their lead to 62-27 by the end of the third quarter.

"We went right in against them and drove the lane and took our shots," said Bates, "but we didn't hit them early and kind of got down a little mentally. We were scrapping and we boxed out, but we were just undersized.'

Dooley and Joe Wilson led the Eagles with nine points each, while Jared Kazmierczak added eight. Kazmierczak and Dooley also had six rebounds each.

Maurice Searight led OLSM with 24 points, while Jermaine Gonzalez had 13.

"We got a lot of open looks, we just couldn't knock down our shots," said Bates after his team ended its season at 11-11. "Maybe we were a little intimidated. There were a lot of nerves there; we'd never played that type of competition.

"We played hard, but it was a combination of their quickness and their caliber of play."

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turnovers (22) than field gnais (20). The district title was the second pursuably for the Engles, who will take their Use record and 16-game winning street to Hillshale Dollege Tuesday for the regional opener against Reading. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.

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Thursday's win was the first house game an nine PCA seniors. Starting was all an out the list in the l the appreciative crowd.

"Dorric (Isensee) told me the other day that he and the other seniors had only lost three home games since they were in the wighth grade," Taylor said. "There's a love affair there between our fans and this senior class, which was obvious by the reaction the crowd gave the players when they were taken out of the game,

"They deserve everything they get, too, because they're hard-working kids."

Jackson Christian coach Bob Stanton was not about to disagree with that assessment. They're a very solid team." Stanton said. "If they keep hitting their three-point shots like

they did against us, they're going to be tough to beat." Stanton said his team wasn't intimidated by PCA's gaudy record and lofty stature among the

state's smaller schools. "I think our kids were fired up more than saything," Stanton said. "But emotion can conditable Company of the compan o meeting petting 12 points, all the result of times supported.

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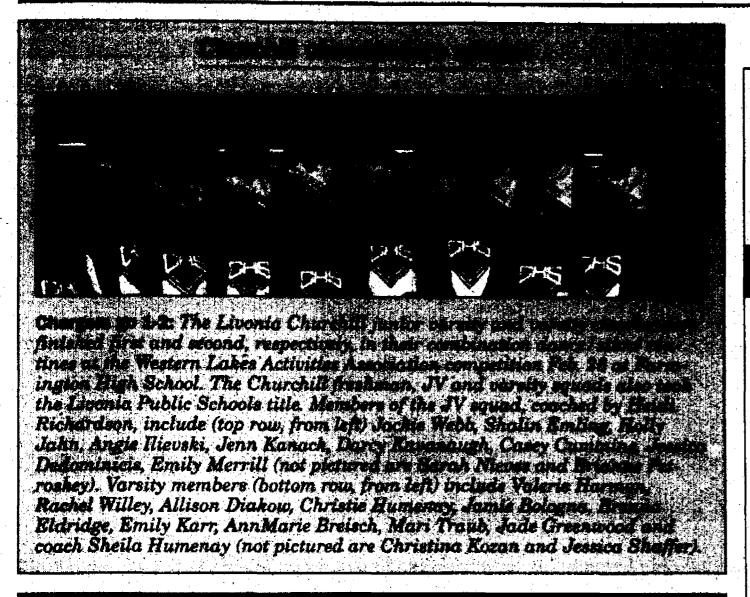
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

STING SIGNS REDFORD CC ICERS

Two current members of Redford Catholic Central's hockey team have signed tender agreements to play next season with the St. Louis Sting of the North American Hockey Lèague.

Senior forwards Brandon Kaleniecki and Dave Moss will play for the Sting, coached by former Detroit Red Wing Rick Zombo in 2000-01.

Through 24 games this year. Kaleniecki had 24 goals and 29 assists while Moss had 12 goals and 23 assists.

PISTONS/SHOCK CLINIC

Members of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Shock will put on a basketball clinic Saturday at Ward Presbyterian Church. located at 40000 Six Mile (west of Haggerty) in Northville.

Boys and girls in the third-toeighth grades are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$15.

Session I (grades 3-5) will run from 2-3:15 p.m. Session II (grades 6-8) will run from 3:30-4:45 p.m.

Arrive 15 minutes early to register, or pre-register at the Ward Presbyterian Church by Friday. Parents are invited to attend

(no additional charge). The clinic includes five follow-up Saturdays of open basketball practice, from

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Fundamental basketball skills will be emphasized (ball-handling, passing, shooting, defense

and rebounding). For further information, call (248) 374-5937.

SPRING HOCKEY SIGN-UP

Registration is now underway for adult spring recreational hockey leagues.

The Rockets (over 21 years) will play Sundays and Thursdays at the Artic Pond Arena in Plymouth.

Meanwhile, the Plymouth Maşters (over 40) will play Sundays and Wednesdays at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The Golden Eagles (over 49) will play Sunday and Wednesday nights at the Artic Pond. The season runs April 2-May

To register, call or FAX name and address to John Wilson at (248) 471-0658, or E-mail him at: john@rspi.net

WESTLAND JAYCEES SOFTBALL The Westland Jaycees are

seeking participants for its adult 21-and-over women's and men's

softball leagues.

Practices will start within a month. There will be one game per week.

For more information, call (734) 480-4984.

ALL STAR GYMNASTICS

All Star Gymnastics will hold auditions for two competitive cheerleading squads.

Girls in grades 6-9 and both girls and boys in grades 10-12 may audition.

Tryouts will be at 8 a.m. Sunday, March 10 at All Star Gymnastics, 235 E. Main Street, in Northville.

For more information, call ±248±380-5330.

HARRIER COACH WANTED

The Plymouth Salem girls cross country team is seeking an assistant volunteer coach for the fall 2000 season.

The job includes knowledge of distance running and ability to convey that experience to high school athletics.

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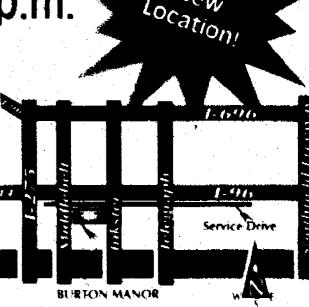
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Former Westlander captures top cash prize

HARRISON

A Bacardi/Brunswick Blue Ribbon Group scratch tournament took place March 5 at Taylor Lanes.

After three games of qualifying, Linda Batke of Redford hit the first ten strikes in the third game to finish with a 289.

She lost in the match play finals but the big game gave her an award for 100 pins over

average, which for her was 182. Linda runs the night snack bar at Mayflower Lanes.

Brandon Hildebrandt, the 14-year-old who won the last Bacardi/Brunswich Blue Ribbon Group tournament, made the last cut to match play but was defeated by another previous champ, Donald Parks.

Meanwhile, Tina Barber-Judy, a longtime Westlander who now lives in Dearborn, was able to qualify eleventh in the 12 match-play spots.

She took care of some very strong competition including Don Parks, who was consistently in the pocket but was unable to get the carry.

Tina made some great shots and car-

ried her hits to emerge on top and receive the first-place check of \$1,000.

Her husband, Joe Judy, and two of their daughters, Amy and Amanda, were there to root her on to victory.

The next Bacardi/Brunswick Blue Ribbon event is slated for Saturday, April 15, at Roosevelt Lanes in Allen Park.

Call (313) 381-0222 for more information and entry forms.

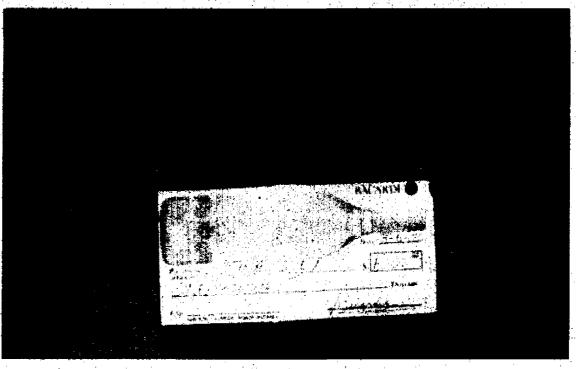
•The Mid-States Masters held its new 222 division competition March 4 at the Super Bowl in Canton.

Gerald Johnson of Detroit took home first-place money while Matt Dalley of Plymouth came in second, 233-212.

Dalley came out of the 212 division to help support this newly created divi-

Local qualifiers for match play were Joe Fitzsimmons of Waterford (7th): Derrick Jasper of Livonia (10th); Tim Banyi Jr., of Westland (14th); and Don Potts of Plymouth (16th).

Others who made a good showing were Ron Burgess of Plymouth (22nd); Michael Ksiasek (25th); Ed Dudek (27th); Gary Duarard (32nd); Steve Demeter (35th); and George Fineran (39th), all of Livonia; Pat Engebretson (29th) of Westland and Chuck Morris of Garden City.



A winning number: Tina Barber-Judy (second from right) receives the first-place check from Al Harrison (right), Vicky Ingham (second from left) and Michael Capaldi.

 The Greater Detroit Bowling Association held a caucus last Tuesday to discuss and coordinate the voting of the delegates to the ABC national convention in Albuquerque later this week.

Delegates from all local associations

will be on hand, with results appearing in next Sunday's Observer.

Cloverlanes All-Star •The Bowlerettes continue to rack up big scores as Sandy Schultz rolled her third perfect game and Tamika Glenn of

Farmington Hills shot the lights out with 231-279-278 for a series of 789.

Karen Martin kept her hot streak going with a 277 game and Kelley Ross chipped in with a 289 game.

The league bowls at 8 p.m. Mondays at Cloverlanes in Livonia. Fans are welcome to come on down and watch these great bowlers in action.

 The Wayne Westland Metro Bowling association and the Tri-City Womens Bowling association held the 17th Annual Mach Memorial Youth Scholars ship Tournament on Sun., Feb. 27, at Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland.

Top finishers in the Girls Division were winner Laura Engebretson of Westland, 574 plus 252 handicap for 826 and a \$1,000 scholarship; runnerup Amber Trongo of Garden City, 500 plus 222 handicap for 722 and a \$500 scholarship.

The Boys Division winners were winner Kevin DeMara of Westland, 699. plus 150 handicap for 849 and a \$1,000 scholarship; runnerup Steve Reitzel of -Canton, 666 plus 150 handicap for 816 and a \$500 scholarship.

Amber Henn of Westland had high game in the girls division with 234/579 and Bill Collins of Garden City tied for boys high game at 267 and a 708 series.

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Wednesday Teast & Coffee: Lisa Sallade Carter, 210; Bev Munir, 237/576; Ann Grohoski, 220 Kim Eller, 235/553; Susan Tossava. 203/554.

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Deer management questioned



PARKER

A group of concerned hunters is taking the Department of Natural Resources and the Natural Resource Commission to task over the way the state sets regulations regarding fish and game manage-

ment. deer hunters from Gratiot County, has blossomed over the last few months.

The group, which is receiving legal council from Fred Trost, producer of "The Practical Sportsman" TV show, claims to be circulating petitions in 70 of the state's 83 counties in an effort to change the Legislative Procedures Act.

Subsection 207 (D) of that act exempts the DNR and NRC from holding public hearings before

setting regulations. Public opinion is welcomed at the monthly NRC meetings, but Whitetails Forever wants to force the NRC to hold public hearings so every opinion expressed at these hearings will become a matter of public record and will have to be considered in

the decision-making process. Senator David Jaye (R-Macomb) has jumped on the Whitetails Forever bandwagon and is considering sponsoring legislation to change the act,

Opposing views

Whitetails Forever is opposed to the DNR issuing unlimited antlerless deer permits and holding an extended antierless-only deer season throughout most of the Lower Peninsula over the

last two years. A lot of hunters disagree with to show up at an NRC meeting?

the current antierless permit situation, which the DNR claims is needed to reduce a statewide deer population of approximately 1.8 million deer to a more manageable size of 1.4 to 1.6 million.

Hunters claim there are many areas of the state that can't handle unlimited antlerless permits and that the DNR is not managing the deer, but slaughtering them to appease the Farm Bureau and state insurance companies.

Whitetails Forever has a legit-Whitetails Forever, which imate point in that there are started out as a small group of areas of the state where the deer ings will not solve any problems, population is but a skeleton of what it was just five or six years ago. There are areas that were closed to antierless hunting three years ago but have been open to unlimited antierless killing the past two years.

That doesn't make much sense

Complicating the issue

But to change the way the DNR and NRC manage wildlife over one controversial issue doesn't make sense to me either. Whitetails Forever claims it doesn't want to take away any

power from the DNR or NRC,

and that it just wants to force

the state to listen to hunters and The problem is that changing the Legislative Procedures Act through an act of legislation simply brings more government and

more complications into the pic-

If public hearings were held on every rule or change, game management would be sacked in the backfield. What now takes 60 to 90 days to accomplish would take months to get through a

public-hearing process. And what happens the first time a not-so-hot topic arises and hunters get back to their typically apathetic ways and fail

I'll tell you what will happen. The anti-hunting crowd, knowing it's opinions will be a matter of public record and factored into the final decision, will show up in force. Anti-hunters are activists.

They write letters, call legislators, show up at meetings and voice their opinions. Most hunters and anglers, on the other hand, aren't activists, don't write letters and don't show up at meetings.

Changing the Legislative Procedures Act to force public hearand may create some. It will only complicate the entire process.

The vote is in

In 1996, state voters approved Proposal G, which gives the Natural Resource Commission the authority to manage our fish and wildlife. Public comment is welcomed at monthly NRC meet-

For those doubters who claim the DNR and NRC don't work with or listen to the concerns of sportsmen, I say that's not so.

For proof, look no further than the recent passage of a preference permit system for bear hunting. It took some time, but patience and perseverance paid off for bear hunters, who now have the permit allocation sys-

tem they wanted. I hope Whitetails Forever realizes what it is asking for and reconsiders. On paper, changing the act looks like a good idea, but the ramifications of such a proposal could backfire and slap

hunters and anglers in the face. (Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E.

Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009)

Spring brings new mating season



chasing each other, crows are building nests, chickadees. nuthatches and cardinals are singing or posturing to each other. All these activities are NOWICKI

signs that a new

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nitely in the air.

Squirrels are

duction has arrived. Squirrels spiraling down a tree trunk like the stripes on a barber's pole is a sign of amorous actions. Males may be chasing females, or males may be chasing other males from the area so they will have exclusive rights to the females in the area.

Watching the intensity of the chases and the duration of the chase is an indication of how serious the animals are about their intentions. Small animals like squirrels

average about three years.

During their short lives they must make the most of each reproductive season and raise as many young as they can. That means they are very serious about protecting their invest-

I enjoy watching crows build a

First, they start when their are no leaves on the trees, that makes their activities easy to watch. Second, if you watch them for a while you can actually see them collect nesting mate-

They land near the ends of branches where the twigs are thin. Then they grab a twig with their bill and twist their head to see if it will break off. If the twig breaks free, they will hold on to it and transport it to the nest.

Other crows may be in the vicinity and provide sounds of "encouragement." Sometimes two or three crows will be in the area of the nest. These satellite birds can be young from the previous year. They will help with raising their parent's next brood.

and song birds do not live very long. Fox squirrels may live During the nest building periabout six years, while chickadees od, birds are nervous about predators scouting the area for

potential meals.

When a predator, like a hawk. is spotted, crows will call to rally others in the area to deter it from getting closer. Crows mobbing a hawk near a neet make a loud raucous call that warns not only crows, but other kinds of birds in the area that danger is

crows will become aware of the threat, but do not have to worry too much. They can continue their flights of fancy and aubtle posturing which alerts other males that they should stay away, or where the nest hole selected is located.

Singing, raising the feathers on top of their head, quivering their wings, all mean something in chickadee language.

If you watch them class will see some of these actions.

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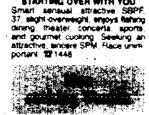
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Master class features former CAPA student

ail Mack had tickets to see "Fosse" long before she knew her former student ? Reuter, was one of six principal dancers in the production, which continues through March 19 at the Fisher Theatre. Mack frequently goes to see shows at the Fisher, Gem and Fox to stay on top of her job as director of the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in Livonia. But she never would have had the opportunity to coordinate a March 2 master dance class with Reuter if it hadn't been for Mary Murphy.

It was during a November class trip to Chicago to see "Fosse" that the CAPA dance instructor discovered Reuter doing some of the same steps he'd done in the CAPA production of "Sweet Charity."

Still, students weren't expecting Mack to begin the master class by reminiscing about how Reuter locked students in a props cabinet when a substitute teacher was filling in for one of her theater classes in the 1980s, Reuter's come a long way since his days in the CAPA program. This year the program is training 150 Livonia high school students in theater, dance and music.

Sharing experiences

"I think it's wonderful that students who've gone on to success come back to share their experience," said Mack. "For the dancers in CAPA it gives them the chance to dance with professionals and find out what's involved. For theater students, it exposes them to dance and musical theater."

After a brief introduction, a video of the production featuring "Big Spender" and "Mein Herr" was shown. Reuter and cast members Linda Bowen and Jennifer Savelli then led 40 CAPA students through a combination of steps from "Bye, Bye Blackbird." Afterward, during a question and answer session, students had the opportunity to find out what it takes to become a professional performer.

Did Reuter have a degree in theater? Yes, he earned a bachelor of fine arts in musical theater performance at Western Michigan University. Bowen, originally from Maryland, has a degree in dance and choreography. Savelli went straight from high school to performing with a ballet company.

How did they survive while auditioning in New York City? Bowen worked as a waitress on Second Avenue before she got a break. Reuter advised students to get a job and save money before leaving Michigan.

Getting the job

How did they get the job dancing in the production that showcases the works of legendary choreographer Bob Fosse? Through open calls. Before

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STAFF PROTO BY PAUL BUSINESSEARCE Steppin' out: Greg Reuter shows CAPA students at Churchill High School a few dance steps from the musical "F088e."

Catharsis: Eisenhower Dance Ensemble is one of six companies performing at the Michigan Choreographers Concert. Shown are Greg Patterson and Darby Wilde. WSU hosts Great Lakes regional festival

By Linda Ann Chomin Staff Weiter lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

inda Simmons is a little nervous, but nonetheless thrilled about the Great Lakes Region American College Dance Festival coming to Wayne State University March 15-18. More than 700 students and faculty members from 16 universities throughout the Midwest and Canada are participating in the event that exposes dancers to the latest techniques and choreography in master classes, lectures and performances. A faculty concert, Michigan Choreographers Concert and Gala Concert cap the festivi-

This is the first time WSU is hosting the event founded in 1973 to support

Multi-media: Peter Sparling

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Dance Company previews the

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Michigan Choreographers Concert 8 p.m. Friday.

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and affirm the role of dance in higher education.

An honor

"This is an honor for us," said Simmons, the WSU dance professor coordinating the festival. "We're excited about showing off the dance department at Wayne and all the great artists in the area. With our Michigan Choreographers Concert we wanted to showcase Michigan and show them our very best."

Simmons, and the staff of the university's dance department, invited established companies such as Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, Rochester Hills: Peter Sparling Dance Company. and Onyxx Dance Company of Detroit to present the best of Michigan dance

on Friday, March 17 at the Detroit Opera House. Ann Arbor based-Bichini Bia Congo Dance Theater will add cultural diversity to the concert with its Congolese-flavored fare.

During the festival, faculty and student dance companies will present two choreographed pieces from each of the schools for judging by Luke Kahlich, dance professor at Temple University in Philadelphia; Gina Gibney, director of the all-female ensemble Gina Gibncy Dance in New York; and legendary dance/choreographer DeLavallade.

The best of the student and faculty choreography will be presented at a Gala Concert on Saturday, March 18 Ann Arbor; Detroit Dance Collective at the Bonstelle Theatre on the WSU campus. Several of these companies will go on to compete in the national festival in Maryland in May.

Wayne State's dance department will perform "Sand People of the" by faculty member Erica Wilson-Perkins, and the student choreographed piece 'Her," by Megan Brunke of West Bloomfield.

Preview

On Friday, March 17 the Peter Sparling company will preview the first section of "Possible Dances" which is scheduled to premier June 30 at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival in the Power Center. Set to poems written by Sparling and a score by Paul Epstein, the work features dancers moving to the sounds of nature. Sparling, who

> spent his teen years in Plymouth, will read the text for this multi-media piece.

"Every poem is a dance in a way," said Sparling, a University of Michigan dance professor who for the last couple of years has been working on his poetry during a summer writers retreat at Cranbrook Educational Park in Bloomfield Hills. "It's through imagery and the flow: that a poem comes

PHOTO BY TOM KRAMER alive." Tim Smola, a member of Collective performs a work by Barbara the Peter Sparling Dance Company, is looking forward

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Festival debuts avant-garde productions

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

Nearly everything about the Ann Arbor Film Festival is avant-garde --from the defiant sensibilities of the films to the actual location of the screening room, where an annual media preview of the entries is held.

Clearly, Ann Arbor isn't Sundance. Festival organizers loathe notions of commercial popularity or mainstream



Film spectrum: Over six nights, 114 experimental films will be shown at the Michigan Theater. Shown above is a scene from "The Bottomless Cup".

acceptance. The intent is to prod, provoke and challenge.

Experimental isn't just a concept used by filmmakers. It's the operating philosophy followed by festival director Vicky Honeyman, who graduated in film studies from the University of Michigan in the late 1960s; and maintains the fervent idealism of the counter culture.

By day, Honeyman is a hair stylist, Every other waking moment she gives

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Film Festival

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Where: Michigan

shape and style to the longest running experimental film competition in the country. held this Tuesday through Sunday at the 1.700-seat Michigan Theater in downtown Arbor.

Against the current

Last year's preview venue was in the back room of Honeyman's hair salon a few blocks east of Main Street. which, by any standard, is a

bit cramped. Certainly, there's been an in-yourface hipness to previewing films in a room where you can also get your roots: retouched and a few inches taken off the sides.

This year's preview was held next

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CONCERT

Dances."

Jazz musicians ready to wail and do battle

Selinger.

Passing Through: The Detroit Dance

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STATY WRITER lchomin@ce.homecomm.net

18, at Bonstelle Theatre

Midge Ellis remembers a time in the 40s and 50s when jazz greats such as Gene Krupa, Oscar Peterson and Ella Fitzgerald traveled all over the world just to play in a Battle of the Bands. Perched on a revolving stage that individually showcased each group, the hands would lay down licks, one as hot

On Sunday, March 19, Ellis is sounding the battle cry as a fund-raiser for the Michigan Jazz Festival at Schoolcraft College. Larry Nozero, Matt.

What: Arry Nozero, Matt Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders Detroit Jazz Affisters go horn to horn in a 'Battle of Whee: 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19. Wheret Clarenceville High School

Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt, south of Eight Nile Road, Livonia. Tickets: \$15, call (248) 474-2720 of (734) 459-2454. Proceeds go to the Michigan Jazz Festival (Sunday, July 16 at Schoolcraft College) and the Clarenceville Schools Alumni & Friends Foundation

Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders' Detroit Jazz All Stars will go horn to horn playing everything from be-hop to swing and Dixieland in years ago. For more than 20 years the a Battle of the Bands at Clarenceville High School in Livonia.

Ed Love, WDET jazz DJ and newlynamed programming director for the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, will emcee the battle.

"We're trying to bring that idea back," said Ellis of Livonia. "It was just the most fun. They would take turns wailing. It's a lesson in improvisation. and that's the mission of the Michigan Jazz Festival — to educate."

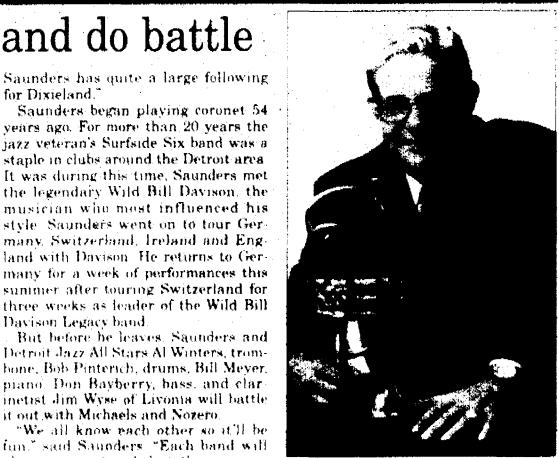
Matt Michaels remembers those days too. He and his trio with guest trumpeter Johnny Trudell will play jazz in the swing style. The trio, with various guest artists, can be heard every Wednesday night at Ron's Fireside Inn. in Garden City.

"We're offering a choice of what they like," said Michaels, a Southfield rese dent and instructor at Wayne State. University, "Guy Lombardo, Harry James, they all would engage in these There'll be three different styles TomSaunders has quite a large following

for Dixieland." Saunders began playing coronet 54 jazz veteran's Surfside Six band was a staple in clubs around the Detroit area It was during this time, Saunders met the legendary Wild Bill Davison, the musician who most influenced his style Saunders went on to tour Germany, Switzerland, Ireland and England with Davison. He returns to Ger-

Davison Legacy band. But before be leaves. Saunders and Detroit Juzz All Stars Al Winters, trombone, Bob Pinterich, drums, Bill Meyer, piano. Don Bayberry, bass, and clarinetist Jim Wyse of Livonia will battle it out with Michaels and Nozero.

"We all know each other so it'll be fun," said Saunders "Each band will play a man set and then their version: of one specific song. I got hooked on -Dixieland as a little kid. My brother played it It was in the house all the time. I like it because it a happy



Hot jazz: Tom Saunders and his Detroit Jazz Allstars put their Dixieland music on the line in a "Battle of the Bands."

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they reached the stage however, dancers spent eight hours a day, six days a week in rehearsal with Fosse protégés Ann Reinking and Gwen Verdon. When students asked if he had to give up his social life Reuter replied, "there are sacrifices and you have to take care of yourself." While on the road, dancers work six nights a week with one day off. But Reuter never discouraged students. He told them if they're serious about a career in theater to go for it. That his "biggest lesson is that there's room for everybody in this business."

"These kids are great and it brought back a lot of memories." said Reuter afterward. "We wanted to give them exposure to the material so they could get a taste of what Fosse is all about."

Mack and Murphy were beaming with pride at the speed with which students caught on to the

E 'I really enjoyed the master class. I learned i like this type of danc-

> Meghan Dolan CAPA student

steps. Reuter said he was exposed to different dance styles by Murphy who was excited by his visit. She said, it was a feather in the cap of the dance program which brings in guest artists several times a year.

Murphy was most pleased to hear Reuter's answer to the importance of ballet in becoming a dancer on Broadway. The CAPA dance program is based on ballet with explorations of modern dance, jazz and tap.

"I'm thrilled for my students,"

said Murphy, who directs CAPA students in their Jazz Blowout dance concert Friday-Saturday, March 17-18 at Churchill, For tickets, call the CAPA office at (734) 523-8841. (CAPA will present "David and Lisa" at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford May 11-14.) "He offered them hope of being able to obtain a dream whether it's in dance or theater."

Junior Meghan Dolan was one of the CAPA students who saw the production in Chicago and had the opportunity to work with Reuter on stage in the dance session.

"I really enjoyed the master class," said Dolan who began tap lessons at age three. "I learned I like this type of dancing."

Jessica Reschke, a second year CAPA student, thought the information was something she'll eventually be able to use. A dance student for 14 years. Reschke's goal is to one day dance on Broadway.

"I liked it because it was like an audition and gave me a feel for what I'm up against," said Reschke.

Leah Trzcinski, now in her fourth year of CAPA, echoed Mack's sentiments about Reuter's visit.

"It's really good to see CAPAtrained kids come back and give to the program."

"Fosse" continues through Sunday, March 19 at the Fisher Theater, Detroit. Tickets are \$37.50-\$65.50 for Friday-Saturday, \$35-\$62.50 Tuesday Thursday and Sunday evenings. Call (248) 645-*6666.*

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

All That Jazz: "Fosse" cast members Jennifer Savelli (right), Greg Reuter and Linda Bowen answered questions after a master dance class at Churchill High School.

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to returning to the festival he participated in as a University of Michigan student. Smola's senior thesis was presented during the festival at Northern Illi-

nois University two years ago. "I enjoy the festivals a lot," said Smola, a Garden City resident. "There's a wide range with so many different colleges participating. You get to see what kinds of pieces other colleges are doing."

Like Smola, Anne Bak had her work chosen to be performed at the festival held at Oakland University in Rochester in 1993. This year, she's back as a member of the Eisenhower Dance Ensemble to perform "Catharsis," a dance choreographed by company founder Laurie Eisenhower. The large ensemble work is set to music by Phillip Glass with Brian Eno and David

"Not only does it give you the opportunity to take classes from dancers around the region but also to have adjudication and a gala concert that shows the best," said Bak, a Lake Orion resident who's also associate manager of Eisenhower Dance Ensemble.

Paula Kramer is excited about the Detroit Dance Collective previewing Barbara Selinger's "Passing Through" at the Michigan Choreographer's Concert. The work premiers at an April 8 Music Hall concert which celebrates the company's 20th anniversary. Founded at the Midwest Dance Center in 1981. the company was in residence for 14 years at Oakland Community College in Royal Oak before moving to Detroit's theater district three years ago.

"It's fast paced with intricate patterns and set to the music of J.S. Bach," said Kramer, coartistic director of the company with Selinger, a Farmington Hills resident. "It's a full-out moving piece that shows off technical skills."

Kramer and Selinger will be teaching several of the 40 master classes being given each day during the festival.

"The level of dance at colleges is getting close to professional." said Kramer. "The fun of the festival is the young people joining together. When that happens there's sparks flying everywhere."

from page C1 door to Honeyman's salon in a

relatively spacious converted storage room with well-preserved hardwood-floors. A screen was hung above a steam radiator. that defied any attempts to be regulated.

Several armchairs were placed randomly in the room. Apparently, publicity agents and Hollywood producers weren't notified. Two years ago, Honeyman recalled, no one even showed for the screenings. This year, there wasn't enough press for a euchre

A tepid media response hardly deters festival organizers, most of whom are volunteers with a passion for film and an againstthe-current sensibility.

Longtime volunteer Michael Woodruff, who takes pride in the title "festival handyman," is a performance artist whose work can be seen in and around the Michigan Theater during the sixday festival.

A Birmingham Seaholm graduate of 1983, Woodruff considers avant-garde film a breeding ground for ideas that eventually make their way into the main-

"A lot of the hip stuff you see

Experimentally intriguing

Notable films in this year's Ann Arbor Film Festival include:

"Zyklon Portrait by Elida Schogt" — A chilling account of how the Nazis used Zyklon B in gas chambers. The clinical tone presents an eerie resonance of the rationalization of those who committed genocide.

The Light in Our Lizard Bellies" by Sarah Abbott — Follows a highly erotic dancer. Shot in black and white to the rhythm of breathing and chanting.

■ "Sunday Afternoon" by Paul Charney and Marc Vogel — A comical dialogue based on the intention of language.

The Bottomless Cup" by Paul Bonner - A Kafkaesque/Twilight Zone story about a man who stops at a roadside diner for a wake-up cup of coffee and never leaves.

"Grace" by Lorelei Pepi - Looking at the electric energy fields of the body in a highly-sensual exploration of the body. The Day Stashi Ran Out of Honey" by Sonia Bridge - An

allegory of the subtle relationship between the mundane of daily life and the bombardment caused by war.

"Edgeways" by Sandra Gibson — A highly-experimental exploration of color and sound utilizing hand-painted cells.

"Abandoned Dolls" by Karl Staven — A Toy Story with a seedy edge. Dolls with missing and broken parts appear forlorn amid abandoned urban setting.

- Frank Provenzano, Staff Writer

on MTV, commercials and (widedistribution) films originated in the work of experimental filmmakers," he said.

A list of past entries in the festival read as a Who's Who of American Film, including Brian DePalma, Andy Warhol, Gus

Van Sant and George Lucas.

Over six nights and 24 viewing hours, 114 films will be shown. ranging in length from one minute to two hours. The films cover a range of topics and explore the elements of film similar to how abstract painters express the elements of their art.

Generally, the films in the festival push the boundaries of genre and medium.

Some films fit into distinct genres, such as narrative, documentary or animation. Other films defy pigeonholing and can be best described as "visual paintings," said festival director Honeyman, who served on a

that watched each of the 380 submitted films.

four-person review committee

This year, to broaden audience appeal, a screening room at the Michigan Theatre will feature documentaries, animated works and narrative films. In addition, four hours of film will be available for yiewing at universities around the country.

All entries have been shot, edited or transferred to 16-millimeter film, which is probably most recognized as used in newsreels. The type of film is about half as wide as the 35-millimeter film used in feature movies. The choice of 16-millimeter film is also a practical consideration since it is relatively affordable for student filmmakers, said Honeyman.

Idea is the art

Over nearly four decades, the festival has persevered despite operating on a shoestring hudget. This year's festival is funded largely by a \$12,000 National Endowment for the Arts and \$24,000 state grants and corporate support. Last year's main corporate sponsor, Absolut, dropped out, leaving the festival to rely more heavily on support from the metro Detroit film/video production community

What's strikingly absent in the festival is flashy, high-tech polished imagery. Of course, that's hardly the point. Clearly, the festival isn't enamored by technology, nor is it looking to find further derivations of a popular

For 38 years, the Ann Arbor Film Festival has been a place where the idea is the art. In an age of blockbuster movies and multi-million-dollar marketing budgets, focusing on the possibilities of film as an artform may be the most defiant act of all.

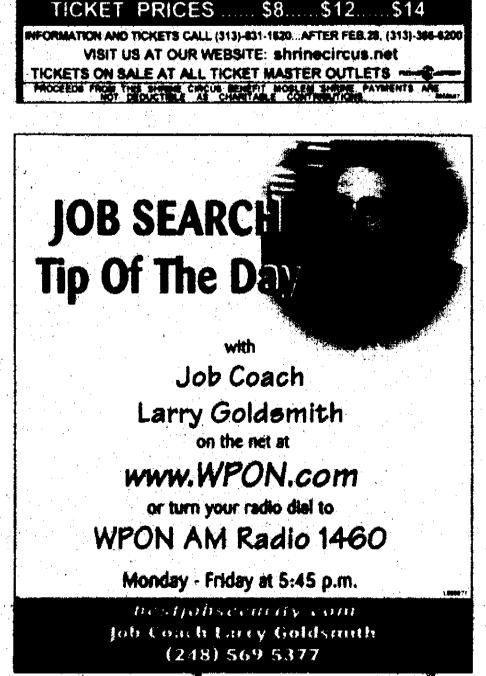




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Artists needed to exhibit their work at the 4th annual fine arts exhibit June 10-11 at Livonia's Historic Greenmead Village. Applications must be in by April 15. Applications and information may be obtained by calling-Debbie Dufour at (734) 466-2540.

ARTS AWARDS NOMINATIONS

The Farmington Area Arts Commission is accepting applications for the Artist-in-Residence and "Distinguished Service to the Arts" awards for 2000, Deadline is Monday, March 21. For information contact Ginny at (248) 682-6562.

BOHEMIANS MUSIC COMPETITION

Deadline for the third annual Solo Concerto Competition for orchestral instruments is April 1: Prizes are \$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.

LIBERTY FEST 2000

Call prartists for the ninth annual fine art and fine craft show on June 24 and 25 in Canton Township. Application deadline is April 15. (734) 453-3710.

METROPOLITAN SINGERS

The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pops, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Birney Middle School Vocal Room, 27000 Evergreen, Southfield.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE **COMMUNITY CHOIR**

Auditions for new members by appointment. This year's repertoire. includes music by Bach, Mozart; Brahms and Rachmaninoff, Call (248) 349-8175. To schedule an audition call Mark Perrine at (313) 937-0975.

CLASSES

ART CLASSES

D & M studios offers fine art classes for preschooler through adult. Classes held at three locations: 8691 N. Lilley Road; Canton; 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton; 525 Farmer, Plymouth. (734) 453-3710.

DETROIT BALLET

Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap, and jazz, Adult beginners welcomed. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine

Mile. (248) 474-3174. EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older, 1541 W. Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois, Rochester Hills. (248) 852 5850.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

Adult art classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon. Woodcerving classes at 9 a.m.

Monday-Friday, 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday Friday; intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. 5526 W. Drake. West Bloomfield. (248) 932-8699.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Registration begins March 14. for spring classes for children and adults. Tour the van Gogh exhibit at the DIA on Wednesday; May 10. Registration is taking place now at PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Livonia Camera Club presents a workshop on Glamour Techniques 7:30-9 p.m. March 15 and March 22. Held at Grant Elementary School, 9300 Hubbard, Livonia. (734) 416-4ART.

VISUAL ART

ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA

Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting, workshops in batik and watercolor monotypes at the lefferson Center Room 16, 9501. Herery Ruff | Livorola | 7.345 455 9517

Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

MAKING CONTACT: Please submit items for publication, at least two weeks in advance to the event, to Noteworthy, The Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009 or fax (248) 644-1314

CONCERTS

BRUNCH WITH BACH

The music of Mario DiFlore at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS

The Soldier's Tale at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Detroit (248) 362-9DCW.

DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR "A Little Bit of Heaven" is 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at St. Mary's in Greektown. For information

call (313) 882-0118. **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

Mary Black performs at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 16, Roberto Abbado conducts the DSO March 17-19. Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111. FERNDALE MUSIC SERIES

Pamela Jordan Schiffer presents "Contemporary Song for

Dummies" at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Zion Lutheran Church, 143 Albany, Ferndale. (248) 546-2503. **NOONTIME CONCERT SERIES 2000**

Vocalist Sylvia Inwood and

pianist Deborah Hochberg perform standards and theatre songs at noon, Tuesday, March 14 at the Detroit Public Library. 3rd floor (Fine Arts Room), 5201 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-4042.

LAKE ORION CONCERT SERIES

Theresa Weiss and Lois Kaare will perform musical theatre classics at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion. (248) 693-3009.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND Presents "Irish Spectacular" a Celtic celebration with the Madrigat Chorale of Southfield at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at the Southfield Centre for the Arts.

24350 Southfield Road. Southfield. (248) 424-9022. PATRICKTIDE CONCERT

An afternoon of Irish poetry and song featuring Mary Callaghan Lynch, Caitlin Lynch and Patrick Lynch is at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at St. Regis Church located on Lahser Road

between 14 and 15 Mile in Bloomfield Hills. (248) 647-4619. **PLYMOUTH**

SYMPHONY *Scenes &

Landscapes" is 8 p.m. Saturday, March 18 at Our Lady of

Good Counsel Church, Plymouth. (734) 451-2112.

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UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY Ali Akbar Khan, sarod accompa-

nied by Zakir Hussain, tabla at 8 p.m. Friday, March 17 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor, American String Quartet performs Beethoven at 4 p.m. Subjay, March 19 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 East Washington, Thomas Quasthoff. baritone with Justus Zeven on piano at 8 p.m. Monday, March 20 at Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, 911 North University, Ann Arbor, J.S. Bach birthday celebration with the Michigan Chamber Players, 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 at Rack tom Auditorium, 1-800-221-

FOR KIDS BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART

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CENTER

Enjoy the West African Cultural Workshop, an event for the whole family, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, (248). 644-0866.

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE

Songs and puppers with Rita Kirsch. For ages birth to 4 years with a parent. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham (248) 644 5832

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Kids can explore the history of traditional African musical instruments at the "Wiggle Giggle Dance Studio," 1/3 p.m. Saturday, March 18 at Woodward and Kirby, Detroit (313) 833-1262.

KINDERNRISIK

Enroll anvilme for classes for newborns to children age 7 Parents participate in classes for children under 3. Classes are held at the First Baptist Chargis of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial. Plymouth: Call Lore at a 1346 3546 9109.

Sneak preview



Good act: Bethanne Still plays Sarah in "Translations," a play by Brian Friel, and produced by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance at Oakland University's College of Arts and Sciences. The production opens on Thursday, March 16, and runs through Sunday, March 26 at OU's Varner Studio Theatre. Call (248) 370-3013 or TicketMaster at (248) 645-6666.

WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Rita's songs and puppets for ages birth to 4 years. Classes are at the Sports Club, Farmington Road, West Bloomfield, Register at (248) 539

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Opens Saturday, March 18 -"Seeds of Expression," a multimedia exhibit through April 26. Opening reception is 6-9 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

ORION ART CENTER

Opens Thursday, March 16 Annual photography exhibition through April 7. Opening reception 7:10 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at 115 S. Anderson, Lake Orion. (248) 693-4986.

REVOLUTION

Opens Saturday, March 18 -Scott Richter and Jim Chatelain: The Notebook Drawings through April 22, Artists' reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-

GOING ASSARIAN CANCER CENTER

Through March 21 — Handmade quilts by cancer survivors and their families in the Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery, Center for the Healing Arts, Providence Cancer Institute, 47601 Grand River. Novi. (248) 374-5478.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Through April 1 --- Michigan Fine Arts Competition, [5]6 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866.

CARY GALLERY

Through April 1 - Oit and watercolor paintings by Sonia Molnar and Fran Wolok, 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651 3656.

CENTER GALLERIES

Through March 18 -- Sherry. Hendrick & Hugh Timlin: Fire + Water, 301 Frederick Douglass,

Detroit, (313) 664-7800 **COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY**

Through April 7 - MFA Thesis Exhibition featuring John Harkins. Harlan Lovestone, Loretta Markell, Frank Rouleau and Marsha Wright, 150 Community Arts Building, Wayne State University, Detroit, (313) 577

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through March 31 -- "Visions of Peace and Evolution in the New Millennium, " almulti media exhibit by 20 artists 47 Williams St. Pontiac: (248) 333-7849

CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY Through March 27 Artwork of

Deborah Donelson and Vidvads Zviedris 162 North Old Woodward Burningham (248) 647-3688 DETROIT CONTEMPORARY

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GALLERY AT MARYGROVE COLLEGE

Through March 24 — Riverside: The Songbooks of Craig Matis and Cal Smith/Personal Views on Racism, Closing reception is 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, March 24. Also "The Saga of J Blue" by J.H. Dozier is a ten chapter suite of prints through March 24. Fourth Floor, Marygrove College, 8425 W. McNichols at Wyoming. Detroit, (313) 927 1336.

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Through March 25 — New work

Photography II* photographs of I4 artists from around the world. 63 Townsend, Birmingham.

(248) 433-3700. LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY Through March 25'--- 4th annual. exposures 2000 photography show of emerging regional professionals, students and amateur

photographic artists at 6 N. 'Saginaw, (248) 334-1676, LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through March 30 - The Visual Arts Association of Livonia. Through March 30 - Michigan Doll Makers Guild at Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466 2490; Through March 30 --Exhibition by the Palette Guild of Livonia in the Livonia City Hall Lobby: Quilts by Susan McClenaghan of Livonia: 33000 Civic Center Dave, Livonia. (734)

466-2540. MANISCALCO GALLERY

Through March 25 - "Fantasia. groups works. St. Patrick's Day Salon with poetry, glusic and monologues is 3-6 p.m. Sunday. March 19, 17329 Mack Ave.,

Detroit. (313) 886-2993. **MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY**

Through April 6 -- "Personal Flavorites: Fine Prints From The Collection of Carl F. Barnes Jr. and Anna M. Barnes" at Oakland University, 307 Wilson Hall. Rochester, (248) 370-3005.

MILLERS ARTISTS SUPPLIES GALLERY

Through March 25 : Neville Clouten's exhibit of sketches and ... watercolors: 279 W. Nine Mile, Ferndale (248) 414-7070

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA Through April 6 - "People, Plants

and Cutture," an exhibit of the arts. and drafts presented by the Arts League of Michigan 1200 North-Telegraph Road: Pontiac (1248) 858 0415

ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS GALERIA

Through March 31 --- Graphics and ceramics by Appa Sikora and Lukasz Kosteckii Orchard Lakel Schools Galeria, Commerce and Orchard Lake Roads, Orchard lake (248) 683-0345 PAINT CREEK CENTER

FOR THE ARTS

Through April 1 - Solo exhibition by Nancy Thayer and "Photography" an exhibition. showing the diversity of photog raphy as an art medium, 407 Pine Street, Rochester (248) 651 4110

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DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY Through March 31 -- Israeli

artist David Gerstein, 4301 Orchard Lake Road, Crosswinds Mall, West Bloomfield (248) 626-5810.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through April 15 — Posey Bacopoulos in the Stratton Gatlery and "Wood Fired, Salt Fired," a group exhibition, 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit, (3(3)) 822-0954

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Through March 24 - Personal Visions, a photography show in cooperation with Livonia Camera Club. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4ART.

POSA GALLERY

Through March 31 — Featured artist: Phillip Krier. Portrait artist Lin Baum presents the portrait in an hour demonstration at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Summit Place Mall, Waterford, next to Hudson's. (248) 683-8779. THE PRINT GALLERY

Through April 3 - Latin American artists including Lenora-Carrington, Remedios Varo, Frida Kahlo, Gonzalo Cienfuego and Fernando Botero. 29173 Northwestern Hwy:, Southfield. (248) 356-5454.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE

FOR THE ARTS Through March 31 - Group exhibition: Images of the Mind. 24350 Southfield Road. Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

SPLASH GALLERY Through March 25 - Radiance

by Kpi, Detroit area artist. 7 North Saginaw, Pontrac, (248) 334-6825. SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY Through April 8 — Paintings by

Elizabeth Murray, 555 South Old

Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-9039

SYBARIS GALLERY Through April 8 — Ceramic sculpture by Beth Katleman and "Past Form-Present Tense," found object jewelry by Boris Bally, Robert Ebendorf and Ramona Solberg, 202 E. Third, Royal Oak,

(248) 544-3388.

UZELAC GALLERY Through April 1 - Off The Wall featuring six area artists exploring the third dimension in art. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac, (248) 332-5257.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY Through April 1 - First anniversary exhibition of small works.

(734) 761-2287. WATERFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL Through March 3I - artwork of more than 50 elementary stu-- dents will be on display at Waterford Wendy's, 370-Elizabeth Lake Road. (248) 623-

215 East Washington, Ann Arbor.

LECTURES

ARCHITECTURE

Jon Kletzieh lectures at 7.30 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at the auditorium at Lawrence Tech University, 21000 West Ten Mile. Southfield. (248), 204-2880.

BROWN BAG LECTURE

Irish folk performance by Charlie Taylor at noon, Thursday, March 16 in the Information Technology, Auditorium, County Campus in

Waterford (248) 858-0415. JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

Writer's corner featuring Wayne: State University Professor Norma Goldman is 10 a.m. Friday, March 17. Suzarine Seward from the speaker's bureau of the DIA will discuss "Women in Art" at 1 oim Thursday, March 23 6600 West Maple, West Bioomfield (248) 661-1000.

MICHAEL MEDVED

The film critic and author will speak about his new book. Saving Childhood: Protecting Our Children from the National Assault on Innocence, at 7:30. .p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake West 8(comfield, (248) 661.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM Through March 26 -- Joseph Grigely

Publications and Publication Projects 1994 1999, Through April 2 Painting Zero Degree, group show by contemporary actists, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, 1800 GO-CRANBrook

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DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through June 4 --- Van Gogh: Face to Face. Through March 26 --- Robert Frank: The Americans, Through May 31 - *Glass, Glass, Glass: From the DIA's Collection." 5200 Woodward Ave.; Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM Sonny Eliot is the celebrity tour guide for "On the Air!" exhibit from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 19. The exhibit runs through April 30 at the museum. Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. (313) 833-1805.

TROY MUSEUM Through March 30 - Going West-Michigan Cavalry in Indian - 5 Wars." 60 Wattles, Troy. (248)

THEATER

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

Arthur Miller's "Broken Glass" through April 9 at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. Opening night today at 7:30 p.m. Show dates March 15-19, March 22-26, March 29-April 2, April 5-9, Tickets \$15-25, To purchase tickets call (248)

788-2900. GEM THEATER

524-3570.

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, extended through June 25, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays; 8 p.m. Thursdays Saturdays; 3 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m., and 6 p.m. Sundays, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit: \$24.50-\$34.50. (313)

963-9800

THE KING KORN TRIO A romp back to the 1950s preisented in the McAuley Theatre of the University of Detroit Mercy March 30-April 16. Tickets \$10 for regular admission, for informa-

tion call (313) 993-1130.

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY The production of "Translations." a play about the clash between the Irish of 1833 and their English landlords by Brian Frield opens Thursday, March 16 and runs through Sunday, March 26 in the Varner Studio Theatre on Oakland University's campus.

(248) 370-3013.

STAGE DOOR PLAYERS "A Night at the Theatre: Five Short Plays." 6:30 p.m. Sunday. March 12 at Birmingham Groves Little Theatre, 13.Mile and

Evergreen

VILLAGE PLAYERS "Sherlock Holmes" March 17-April 1 at 752 Chestout, Birmingham, Tickets \$14, (248)

DINNER

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Tiony in Tina's Wedding, 17,30 pm Thursdays Fridays, 4,30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 30 p.m. Sundays, at 40 W. Pike, Pontrac (248) 745-8668 (248) 645

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

SNOW WHITE

Sara Smith Productions Youth Theater at The Community House in Birmingham will show "Show White and the Seven Owarfs - Appropriate for ages 5 and up. Performances are 2 birrilland 6 p.m. Sunday March 12. fickets are \$7 per berson (general) seating), \$9 at the door. Reserved seating is \$30 per person Proceeds benefit Sara Smith Productions Youth Theater at The Community House 248, 644 5832

VOLUNTEERS ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB

Looking for artists such as animators or corrections who would like to befeatured on cable. For more informs from contact Jane Dabish, president, ... P.O. Box 251651. West Bloomfield Mich 48325 1651 (248) 626 2285

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS Gallery Service volunteers to greet -

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AMBASSADOR TO AFRICA A fund-raiser for the CCB African

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Local bands get a shot at major Michigan entertainment venues

Local musicians, it's time to shine. Palace Sports & Entertain-

ment, Inc. is gearing up for its second annual Opening Act Contest, which gives local, unsigned and local-label bands a shot at warming up some of the hot summer shows scheduled for Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township and Meadow Brook Music Festival in Rochester Hills. According to a press statement from Tom Wilson, president of PS&E: "Most local musicians rarely get the opportunity to perform in front of a crowd the size of one found

at Meadow Brook or Pine Knob." Last year, more than 300 artists entered the contest. Winners included Sister Seed, The Atomic Numbers, Jimi Rutherford and Keri Noble. To be eligi-

ble for this year's competition, musicians must enter before Friday, March 31.

The requirements

Artists must perform original material ■ Artists must be unsigned or

signed only to a local label Artists cannot be related to any PS&E employee or have previously performed at any PS&E

What to send in

Audio/video tapes or CDs must contain at least 10 minutes of original material

■ All music and lyrics must reflect a live performance All submissions must

include a biography and photo. contact name, address and daytime phone number. Materials

All submissions must be postmarked no later than March 31. Send it to: Opening Act Contest, The Palace, Two Championship Drive, Auburn Hills, MI 48326. Do not call.

Finalists will be announced

May 1 The competition between eight finalists will be held Wednesday, May 24 at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Each finalist will perform a 10-minute live set. A panel of judges from the local entertainment scene will then choose three winners to open for various artists throughout the 2000 concert season. Those national artists are yet to be determined.

Enter today, and good luck

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings. Send news leads to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-mail to kwygonik@ oe. homecomm.net.

PSYCHIC TALK

Olympia Entertainment presents "An Evening with Sylvia," part of Sylvia Browne's book tour and psychic lecture series. Included will be a discussion of the author's third book, "Life on the Other Side." Tickets are on sale now for the event; set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Cobo Arena, Tickets are \$25 and \$40. For more information, call the Olympia Entertainment event hot line at (313) 983-6611 or Joe Louis Arena, (313) 983-6606. For tickets, call (248) 645-6666.

DISCUSSION GROUPS Reimagining Community - This winter book discussion series at the Carl Sandburg branch of the Livonia library will next examine "The Damnation of Theron Ware" - by Harold Frederick. The program. which features guest scholars from Madonna University and focuses on the changing concept of community, takes place 7 p.m. . Tuesday, March 14, at the library, 30100 Seven Mile Road west of Middlebelt, Call (248) 478 0700.

AUTHOR TO SPEAK Michigan outdoor author Tim Smith will make a special appearance in March at the Northville Barnes & Noble store, Smith, author of the Bück Wilder outdoor guides for children and a popular speaker for adult groups, will appear at the store 7 p.m. March 22. The event will consist of a Buck Wilder storytime. The store is located off Six Mile and

Haggerty.
SPEAKER AVAILABLE

Mary J. Stevens, autobiographer of "It's All in Your Head," a book relating her experiences as an identical twin nun teacher wife and mother, as well as her "death" and recovery experience. To schedule speaking engagements or to purchase her book, e-

mail Stevens at stevmi@aol.com

LIBRARY PROGRAMS The Flint African American Quitters' Guild will put on display a selection of legacy inspired quilting styles and patters at the Southfield Public Library, The quilts can be viewed any time the library is open, from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday Call (248) 948-0470 or visit the Web site at 222.shdlib.org.

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP Iris Underfood returns to Borders Farmington Hills 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 23, to conduct one of her patented creative writing workshops. There is no

charge. PARENT AWARENESS

Jaque Martin Downs, director of the Family Resource Center of Wayne-Westland, will speak about how to help children make the right decisions when faced with uncomfortable situations. The discussion, "Children and Peer Pressure," will take place at the Northville Barnes & Noble, Six Mile and Haggerty, 7 p.m. March

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You could be a lucky winner of four tickets to the Indoor Super Fair at the Pontiac Silverdome. Each ticket is good for one complimentary unlimited ride pass. Here's how to enter; send a postcard with your name, phone #. and address to: Super Fair c o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft, Livenia, MI 48150, (one entry, please). Winners will be notified by mail.



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PREE CONCERT

Brazilian guitarist Fabio Zanon will perform Scarlatti sonatas and music by Sor, Brouwer and Miranda noon Wednesday, March 22 during a concert in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Schoolcraft, between Six and Seven Mile Roads, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 462-4403.

Zanon made his orchestral debut with the London Philharmonic in 1998. In 1999, he recorded the soundtrack of the French film "Les Enfants du Siecle" and premiered new works in the Czech Republic and Lon-

don. His CD of Villa-Lobos' guitar works was hailed as a reference recording and his debut recital CD was chosen as the best CD of 1998 by Gramophone Magazine.

OPEN AUDITIONS

The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford is holding open auditions for singers, dancers and specialty acts 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford.

Performers should have at least 2-3 minutes of prepared material. All types of performers are encouraged to audition for this fund-raising event. Performance dates are May 5-6. Call (313) 531-0554.

GLASS BEADMAKERS WANTED

The Michigan Glass Beadmaker's Guild will hold an organizational meeting noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 26 in Room 251

of the Science Building at the 19. University of Michigan-Dearborn, Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

The program includes a beadmaking demonstration by Plymouth glass artist Don Schneider in addition to the organizational meeting.

If you can't attend and would like to be notified of future meetings/events, call Anne Sheppard at (734) 261-2150 or Don Miller at (313) 593-5262 or e-mail him at drmiller@umich.edu.

HONORS RECITAL DEADLINE APPROACHES

Students of voice, piano and all band and orchestral instruments are encouraged to audition for the 2000 Honors Recitals sponsored by the Schoolcraft College music department. Deadline for application is Sunday, March

The competition culminates in performances on April 9 for cash prizes. The recitals are designed to encourage excellence in performance and teaching in the Detroit-Ann Arbor area. Students in elementary through high school are eligible for the piano competition, students in grades 5-12 for the instrumental division, and students grades 9-12 for the vocal category:

Auditions for the piano recital are Friday, March 31. Piano. instrumental and vocal auditions continue through Saturday, April 1. All auditions and honors performances will take place in the college's Forum Recital Hall.

For information and an application, call (734) 462-4403.

PHOTO SEMINAR

Canton photographer Ted Nelson is one of the presenters at

the 37th annual Photo Seminar Friday-Sunday, March 24-26 at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen at Ford Road, Dearborn.

Advance registration is suggested and will be accepted through Monday, March 20, For more information, call (248) 474-6509 or (810) 775-3165.

Nelson will talk about the "Nature of Kensington." Nearly 3 million people visit Kensington Metropark every year but only a few see what Nelson has captured on film - sandhill cranes poking through dewy fields at daybreak and the rising sun filtered through the wings of a damselfly. Nelson will also share his experiences of self-publishing his recent book "The Nature of Kensington."

ART PROGRAM The Ann Arbor Women

Painters presents its third "Can We Talk?" program 7 p.m. Monday, March 20 at the Ann Arbor Public Library on Fifth Avenue at William, Ann Arbor: A panel: of artists from the Ann Arbor Women Artists will talk about art related issues ranging from how-to-do-it to current art

The public is welcome. Call-(734) 998-1123 for information.

WHITERS WANTED

Writers of all ages are invited to join the Plymouth Writer's Club which meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S.

Aspiring writers of all experience levels are welcome to share their work. For more information, call Brian Anderson at (734) 416-0418.

Campaign aims to 'de-snob' culture, build regional cooperation

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER PPROVENZANO@OE.HOMECOMM.NET

After years of political squabbling about the futility of regional cooperation and the cantankerous "Detroit versus suburbs" hogwash, the southeastern Michigan cultural scene is about to undergo a long-overdo makeover.

Stand up and take notice. Here's the first glimpse at the

changing metro-area cultural scene of the 21st century. Talk of culture will have to be

expanded beyond the tired political rhetoric and typical jabbering about auto industry trends and box scores.

Success also means the push for regional funding for the arts will be given a huge boost. Currently, the discussion to assess a half-mill tax on property owners in Wayne and Oakland counties has been at a logjam

"Enrich Your Life"

On Tuesday, 14 of the area's most recognized and attended cultural institutions will unveil a new, provocative advertising campaign aimed at transforming public perception about the array of cultural offerings of the

The 10th Annual

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region.

The bold initiative, optimistically entitled "Enrich Your Life," is a comprehensive multimediacampaign that will begin airing within the next week or two on TV and radio and run in newspaper and magazine ads.

The campaign is expected to run at least a year.

Developed pro-bono by Doner Co. of Southfield, "Enrich Your Life" has a contemporary, edgy

Heavy on humor and filled with irreverence, the campaign goes a long way to deflate highfalutin' notions of what is "art."

And, more importantly, the campaign makes an appeal that the arts (and cultural experiences) are for everyone, not just for the wealthy or "informed."

Hopefully, the ad campaign won't drip with the sappiness of the "It's a Good Time In Detroit" mantra intended to reinvigorate the perception of Motown as a happy place.

Rather, the focus of "Enrich Your Life" should be on making a compelling case for the

strength of the region's culture, from exhibits at Cranbrook and the Detroit Institute of Arts to Detroit Symphony concerts to plays at Meadow Brook and lavish productions at the Detroit

Opera House. After years of self-doubt and poor self-esteem about the area's cultural offerings, it'd be unfortunate if the campaign message sounded desperate or too flip-

Too much is at stake.

Follow the cue

For a moment, consider that the campaign will have the typical Doner magic.

What's needed for actual change in public attitudes?

First, the regional media must air and print the ads as public service announcements. That means local media must be committed to supporting the initia-

Of course, that means they give as much attention to the public service commitment as they give to titillating special reports during ratings month.

Second, business and governmental leaders must follow the cue, and step up to the plate.

Now is the time to raise the

level of debate about culture.

It's not enough to enjoy the humor of the ads. Nor will any worthwhile change occur if the catchy slogan does nothing to convince people of the deeper message.

Raise level of debate

Frankly, promoting the arts and culture isn't simply hyping exhibits and concerts. Promoting the value of culture is a means to stand up for a higher quality of life and a more humane society.

Ironically, with the proliferation of the suburbs over the last five decades, the notion of a shared regional culture has diminished.

An ad campaign can't change reality. But it can get everyone talking.

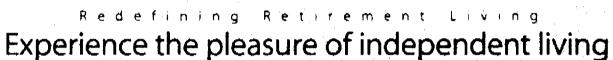
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Sunday, March 12, 2000

How do you define shopping?



STAFFORD

I've been waiting for a reason to write about my participation in a Gallup Poll survey on Internet shopping.

Since this section is called "Malls & Mainstreets," it's difficult to justify writing about shopping in cyberspace. (By the way, I'd like to hear from readers who have feelings one way

or the other about seeing Internet shopping information here. Send me an e-mail, drop me a note or give me a phone call.)

Anyway, there was a deluge of shoppers in downtown Birmingham earlier this week, apparently brought on by the unseasonably warm weather. Such an occurrence seemed to me to drive home the point shopping isn't just about buying or looking around for merchandise. Often, shopping is simply entertainment.

Anyway, a few days before Christmas, I received a telephone call from a guy at the Gallup Poll.

He asked about 10 questions. When was the last time I used the Internet? When was the last time I looked for merchandise on the Internet? Did I have Internet access at home?

He then asked whether I'd be willing to participate in a larger survey on web shopping. I said yes and listened to his instructions. He told me I would fill out the survey on the Internet. Written instructions and a pin number to access the survey would arrive in a few days, he said.

Since I regularly rely on the Internet for information about retailers and new merchandise for my job, I decided I was an excellent candidate for the survey. I probably knew things about retail cyberapace most people didn't.

Shortly after beginning the survey, I realized my knowledge about what retail offer on the Internet was unimportant to the Gallup Poll.

The survey was divided into retail categories, such as books, airline tickets, clothing, house wares and so forth. Each section began with the question: "Which of the following descriptions best fits your behavior when you shop on-line for ...?"

"I'm usually just browsing, not really in the market to buy at that time."

"I'm usually getting information so that I can make my purchase else-.where.'

"I'm shopping and may or may not make my purchase on-line."

"I'm usually intending to make my purchase on-line."

Following was a list of web sites and a series of boxes that were to be checked based on whether I had shopped or purchased there within the last two weeks or last two months.

In other words, the survey taps into how different people define shopping.

Is it merely browsing or a process of gathering information, comparing products and price tags? Or is it a more complex decision-making process? Is it pulling out the credit card and buying something? Perhaps it is a combination of these actions?

Of course everybody defines shopping differently, and I'm fairly certain most of us don't really think about these distinctions. I mean who has time for a semantice debate concerning something as trivial as shopping?

But obviously, there are people probably the executives who head up apperel companies and publishing houses and so forth - who care tremendately about these distinctions.

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Sweet times

Teens and retailers prepare for prom season



STAFF PHOTO BY GARY MALERBA Good fit: Rochester Adams High School juniors Keely Gramling and Katie Potter try on prom dresses at Hudson's at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. Both young ladies are participating in Prom Gala 2000, a program sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving and Healthy People, Healthy Oakland. Through the program area teens pledge to stay substance-free through prom season and appear in a prom fashion show and dance performance at an area mall.

That all-important night in a young girl's life prom - is approaching quickly.

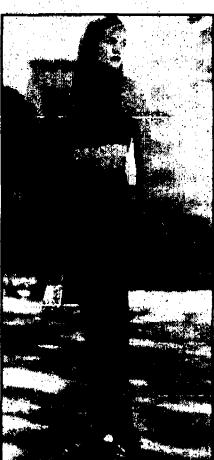
And both retailers and teenage girls are in the throws of preparing for the event

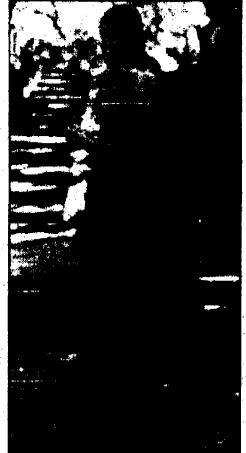
Several prom fashion shows are slated at area stores and malls, including Prom Gala 2000, a runway presentation of prom attire and a dance performance featuring both guys and girls from local high schools who have committed to stay substance-free through prom season.

The program is being sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving and Healthy People, Healthy Oakland and culminates in a fashion and dance presentation at I p.m. today (Sunday, March 12) on the stage at Oakland Mall in Troy.

For those who can't make the show, Jacobson's will highlight trends in prom attire at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 18 in the Ms. J department at their stores in downtown Birmingham, Rochester Hills and Laurel Park Place in Livonia.

The season's prom attire promises a substantial dose of color, especially different shades of pink. Bare shoulders, midriffs and backs that are discreet enough to keep parents happy also are in abundance, said Beverly Rice, Jacobson's senior vice president, fashion and merchandising. Separates, such as full skirts with cotton camisoles, and use of tulle are other promising trends, she said. "They're dressing up, you know," said Rice. "They're not slouching around.... It's a big occasion for most young people, and they want to dress up."







Sweet styles: Bare midriffs, shoulders and backs, feminine details and separates sweep prom looks, \$132-156 all at Jacobson's.

Pop singer Brandy visits Hudson's at Northland

Brandy style: Pop singer and television star Brandy is slated to visit the Northland Center Hudson's store in Southfield on March 18 to promote DKNY's new junior jeans



Jeans, teenagers and a role model. Gather them talking about DKNY's junior collection. together at the mall, and you have a winning event.

That's why DKNY which is launching a collection of junior jeans, is following in the footsteps of other apparel companies who have targeted the youth market, and bringing pop singer and television star Brandy Norwood to the area.

Brandy, a Grammy Award-winning, pop R&B star with Atlantic Records, has been chosen to appear in the company's advertisements for the clothing collection and participate in their marketing campaigns. which means retail appearances across the country.

She'll visit metropolitan Detroit shoppers and teens at noon Saturday, March 18 at the DKNY Junior Jeans shop at Hudson's Northland Center store in

Brandy is slated to spend about an hour signing autographs, shaking hands, conversing with fans and

The denim line is a new junior girls division for DKNY that targets teenagers, age 14 to 18, and seeks to appeal to the groups' urban and independent sensibilities.

The jeans, original styles designed specifically for a teenager's body and lifestyle, are available in different colors with a variety of embellishments. The label, which is accented with neon pink, says "DKNY//Jeans."

Coordinates for the collection are a mix of sexy and sweet: tie-dye halters, hook 'n eye ribbed tanks, plante tops, nylon surfer shorts, lace-edged white Capital pants and other trendy pieces.

For additional information about Brandy's appear ance, call Hudson's at Northland Center, (248) 443-

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ADDED ATTRACTIONS

ham, presents a trunk show of spring suiting and separates by Renfrew through March 19, 10 a.m.-8 p.ra. on Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday. For details, call (248) 723-2880.

Jacobson's in Rochester Hills hosts two trunk shows for men, the Hart Marx Collection, Men's Department, and the Johnston & Murphy Collection, Men's Shoes, 4-6 p.m. For details, call (248) 651-6000. FRIDAY, MARCH 17

SANOL PRINCIZ THINK SHOW

Ros & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, presents a trunk show of spring and summer evening gowns by Carol Peretz with an appearence by the designer through March 18, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. For details, call (248) 855-8856.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 TABASIS TRUIK SHOW

View the spring collection of evening gowns by Tadashi at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Galleria, third floor. For additional information, call (248) 643-3300.

DERBY EVENT

Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts the Livonia Family YMCA's Indian Guides Pinewood Derby, 8 a.m. 4 p.m., Food Court. For details, call (734) 522-4100. CRAIG TAYLOR APPEARANCE

Shirt designer Craig Taylor visits Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Women's Sportswear. For additional information, call (248) **644-690**0.

NEWELRY TRUNK SHOW

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a trunk show of the most recent jewelry collection by Robin Rotenier, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor. For more information, call (248): 643-3300

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

CHILDREN'S MAGIC SHOW Livonia Mall, at 7 Mile Road, hosts a children's magic show that teaches social skills and strategies, 1 p.m. Value City Court. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

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:

- Corn Huskers hand lotion can be bought at most Rite Aid.

CVS, F&M, and Meijer stores. - The Beauty Boutique catalog carries some Adrienne Arpel cosmetics, (800) 497--7463.

- The game Michigan Rummy, also known as Tripoli, can be bought at Toys R Us. stores and at some Target and Kmart stores.

The perfume KL by Lagerfeld can be purchased at the Fragrant outlet at Birch Run. $(517) \cdot 624 - 0134$

FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

- We did not find a company that will repair a Seeberg jukebox, so we are still looking for

- We are no longer looking for an iron mangle; we had several readers with one available.

We have had many requests for Hudson's millennium Santa bears, but those readers with the bears no longer have any available.

- Jungle Gardenia perfume by Tuyache is no longer manu-

- Sutherland's restaurant served habbut not cod.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

 A company or person to appraise a small ceramic Chinese dog for Margaret of

- A store that will repair a glass dish holding a prism for a lamp, for Julia, who lives in Westland.

-' A 1998 "Muffy Bear" Sugar Plum Fairy for Diane.

- A used 32-volt Delco sys-

tem generator for Walter. - A Farberware or Revere stove-top percolator that is not electric.

- A store that sells Carter's all-cotton Spanky pants with a band leg.

- The 1930-40 Time/Life book series for Evelyn of Livo-- A store where single serv-

ing salad dressing packets can be bought for Elaine, a resident of Garden City.

A store where Angel Soft & Gentle floral/colored toilet tissue is available for Kathy of Redford

 A Samsonite metal card table chair in yellow and gray for children for Mary.

- A videotape copy of a television program aired on WDIV-Channel 4 on Thursday, Jan. 24, 2000 about events and influential people of the cen-

Barney software by Microsoft called "Barney Under the Sea," "Barney Goes to the Circus," and "Fun on the Farm," for Colleen.

- A store that has a whistling tea kettle that shuts off when it reaches boiling point for Barbara of

 A Detroit Brady Elementary School book containing poems and photos (1944-45) for Florence, who lives in South-

- The game Scotland Yard for Debbie.

British Sterling men's stick deodorant for Shirley of

- A store that sells FINESSE hair brushes for

New or used "Moon Glow" curtains, sheets, drapes and scarves made by Drapery Boutique for Debbie, a resident of Canton.

 A gasket for a 4-quart Mirromatic pressure cooker for Agatha of Livonia.

Two Millennium Barbie dolls for Nancy, a Livonia rest-

- Waterford's 1999 "Twelve Days of Christmas" ornament series for Helen of Livonia.

- Coty's 24-hour cream lipstick in "Redstone" for Lors.

who lives in Livonia. - A June, 1950 Grosse School Pointe High yearbook.

- AGZALELAND lavenderwater after-shave for men for Mike of Plymouth.

- The front page or a section from the June 18, 1998 edition of The Detroit News & Free Press for Carol, a resi-

dent of Troy. - An antique library style dictionary stand for Joanne, a Bloomfield Township resident.

- The book "Alphie, the Christmas Tree," by John Denver for Cyndie.

- A store where a heating coil for use in a cigarette lighter that warms coffee can be bought for Regina, a Commerce Township resident.

- A 1939 Commerce High School yearbook for Grace, a resident of Livonia.

- A store where "Wibbles that Wobble" are sold for Marge of

 A 6 or 8-ounce Vernor's ginger ale glass used for ice cream floats for John. - A store where bed sheets

for a 3/4 antique bed can be bought for Janet, who resides in Clarkston.

- A Foley pastry cloth. - Solo soprano music for "Dancing Doll" by E. Poldini

for Gail of Dearborn. - A 1934 Ferndale Lincoln High School yearbook for

Catherine, a resident of Novi. - A video tape of the movie "Bus Top" for Heidi of Bloomfield Hills

A store that carries products from the Super Guard II Ideal Security Hardware Corporation, based in St. Paul. Minn, for Christine of Ortonvalle:

A store where homemade, tightly-wrapped pizza rolls with a generous amount of cheese and pepperoni are sold for Kim of Livenia.

A store where standard. mattress sheets without elastic around the entire sheet are sold for Marie, who lives in

A store where a batteryoperated flour sifter can be bought for Sandra, who lives in Sterling Heights.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

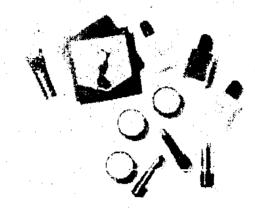
a la carte

Just friends: Friendship rings can symbolize the innocence of new romance, a special closeness between two friends or a promise made between two lovers. Whatever their purpose, they've recently gained in popularity, so Cartier has created an indulgent one complete with a 0.21 carat diamond and 18 karat white gold, \$1,750-2,575 at Cartier.





Simply luxurious: Neiman Marcus has launched an updated private label collection of goodies for the bath, including body lotion, shower gel and bath, guest and hand soaps. Look for new fragrances like tuberose, verbena, lavender and frangipani, \$15-32 at Neiman Marcus.



Tropical punch: The beautiful, vibrant colors of fruit are informing cosmetics collection this spring, as well as fashion. Stila's lineup includes extremely sheer eye color in shades of guava, kiwi and mango. Look for hues of melon, nectarine and raspberry in Stila's Lip Color lipsticks, Nail Shimmer nail polish and other products, \$12-17 at department stores.

Oakland Mall offers certificates on-line

Sure, merchandise can be purchased on the with a credit card for between \$5 and \$50 an

Internet But what about a gift certificate for a friend or

family member who'd rather shop than unwrap a

Actually, several local shopping venues offer on-Mall - the latest to extend the service to customers.

The Birmingham Principal Shopping District, the Somerset Collection in Troy and The Village shopping district in Grosse Pointe also sell gift certificates on-line

Oakland Mall's certificates are redeemable at any of the center's stores and can be purchased

increments of \$5; by visiting the center's web site int www.oaklandmail.com.

The shopping mall is located at 1-75 and 14 Mile Road in Trov.

The certificates, which have a one-year expiraline gift certificate programs, including Oakland - tion date, also bear a personalized message from the purchaser. Mailing and handling costs are paid for by the purchaser.

The service is being provided through an agreement between Oakland Mall and Isiah com.

Gift certificates for use in downtown Birmingham Birmingham Principal Shopping District and the Somerset Collection in Troy can be purchased on the Internet at Isiah.com.

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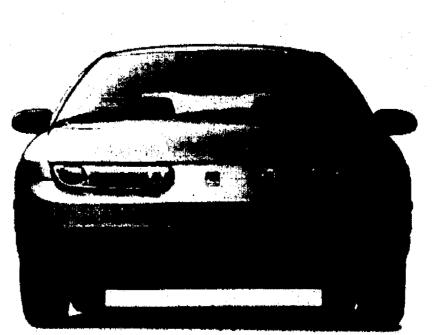
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Couple's travels lead them into Michigan's past

Down the dusty washboard road and across the river brings you past a cance livery and the remains of the old wooden bridge jutting out of the water. A few old deserted cabins, barely visible in the overgrown brush, lie behind a fenced off area on the other side of the river. Is that where the past is?

-from "Towns at the Turn" by Gene Scott

By Doug Johnson STAFF WRITER

"Nothing in history stands still but it sure seems like it when you get there," explains Gene Scott, Livonia writer and author of a new paperback book, "Towns at the Turn

The "there" is any of nearly three dozen towns, villages and mere crossroads in Michigan that are 100 years old.

Visiting them, researching their history and turning the information into a book was a labor of love for Scott, a retired reporter, editor, educator and public relations employee for the city of Detroit. His constant companion for travel and research is his wife. Barbara.

The writing/retirement project began in 1998. In May of 1999 the couple logged several thousand miles as they traveled around the state.

Goal

Their goal: talk to at least one person in every 100-year-old Michigan town. In one town they sat on a front porch and talked with three generations of people. As they reminisced, out of the barn came the family's patriarch

Gene Scott: The author is flanked by Painesdale residents Ruth Katalin(left) and Debra Pindral (right). Last July the little town celebrated its centen-

- a fourth-generation individual. The family had run the same farm since 1906, according to

In another town they met a woman who offered to drive them around to point out the places of historical interest.

The project included trips to the Michigan Room of the Library of Michigan and to the famous Burton Collection at the Detroit Main Library, where there are massive genealogical records. The local Livonia library. helped, too.

Scott also talked to county and township people, postmasters, and local historical society mem-

"Towns" takes the reader to 32 out-of-the-way places, many of them in the far reaches of the

Upper Peninsula.

"I got interested in this some time ago when I was working on my masters degree. I researched how eight Michigan towns worked." Also, Scott said, since he is involved in the Detroit 300 anniversary project and as a resident is aware of Livonia's 50 birthday as a city this month, he wondered about towns in between."

Scott is quick to point out this book is not academic; it is, rather, a layman's effort to have some fun, some "nostalgic enjoyment."

Most of the surviving towns from the turn of the century were once logging towns or copper mining villages. Some were farming or even resort communi-

Criteria

The book provides vignettes of 32 locations. Also included are lists of ghost towns, and towns long gone from Michigan maps. To be in this book, Scott set several criteria:

■ The place still had to be on the map.

■ The county engineers decide what stays on a map and what goes. These towns had staved

■ There were road signs to the Some places are small indeed. One town, Northport Point on

the Leelenau Peninsula, only has seven families. The Scotts' favorite Lower Peninsula town is Bentheim. where they spent time talking

with Maurice and Henrietta Heck, descendants of Germans who came to the area south of



Prosper didn't prosper: The Prosper Christian Reformed Church near Lake City apparently gave the tiny village its name.

Holland to farm. The couple delighted the Scotts when they rolled a 83-year-old Chevy soft. top out of the barn and started it up. "We spent an hour and a half talking to the couple. They took us through one barn that had been built in the 1880s," Scott

Their favorite Upper Peninsula town is Ralph. Yes, the city limits sign says "Welcome to Ralph."

"Ralph is about 15 miles from Iron Mountain, Scott said, "Out on an old Federal highway."

Hardest to find was Lepta on. dirt roads in Clare County northwest of Harrison, "It was all unpayed roads in and out." Scott said.

The book is illustrated with many vintage maps of the areas. and 63 photographs.

An audio-visual presentation (slides and sound) is available for community and service groups, presented free by Scott. The show takes about 30 minutes followed by time for ques-

"People are interested in the



Painesdale: One of the bigger "Towns at the Turn" is near Houghton and features this copper mining shafthouse.

method of research." Scott said. "More than the material itself. There is a lot of interest in genealogy."

The book is available from Scott at 8861 Utah, Livonia MI 48150 Send \$10, which covers all costs. Phone (734) 523-7844.



Still running: The author's wife, Barbara Scott (in car), talks with farm wife Henrietta Heck. The Chevy is 83 years old and still runs.





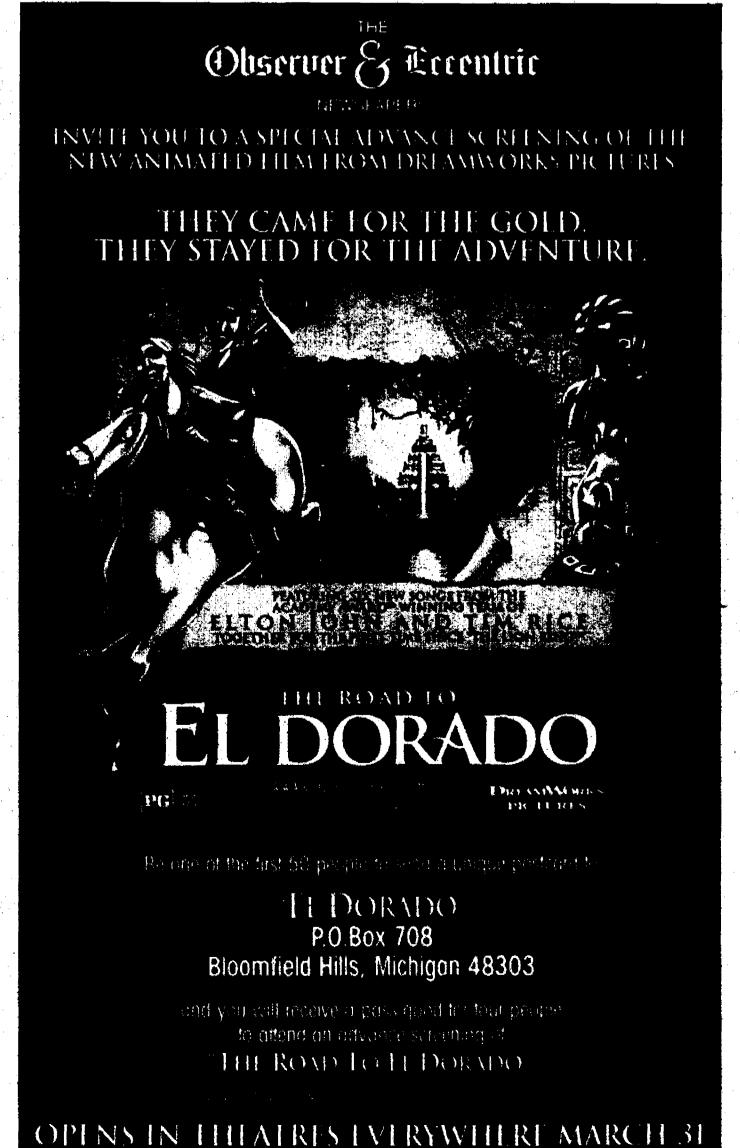
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I spoke with Ann Brody at

Starchefs and she is confident they

will be expanding to offer restaurant

reservations, culinary tours and

more. Guest chefs share secrets and

tricks of the trade; Ann encourages

all to stop by anytime, no reservations

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Sunday, March 12, 2000

Healthy eating starts with the first meal of the day

By PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS

arch is National Nutrition Month! Eating healthy foods and staying physically active contribute tremendously to your quality of life.

There are no secrets as to what it means to eat healthy. The best advice can still be summed up in three words: balance, variety and moderation.

Healthy eating starts with your first meal of the day when you "break the fast." It gives your body the fuel it needs to function throughout the day. It's no surprise to me that National School Breakfast Week (March 6-10) also fell during March, the month we dedicate to nutrition awareness.

Children and adults who skip breakfast tend to overcompensate and eat more over the course of the day. It is especially important for parents to eat a good breakfast because they are role models for their children.

Children who eat breakfast are less likely to miss school, be overweight or get sick. Breakfast eaters score higher on tests and have better concentration and muscle coordination.

Eating breakfast as a family provides a good opportunity to spend quality time together. If you're not used to eating breakfast, you can acquire the breakfast habit in progressive stages. Start with a glass of milk, juice or a piece of fruit. Have a little something more - maybe a piece of toast or a hardboiled egg - a few hours later so that you complete your breakfast by midmorning.

Then as the days go by, add other breakfast foods to the early morning menu. You will soon have a healthy routine to start your day. Since no single food contains all of the 40 or so nutrients your body needs every day, it's important to eat a variety of foods.

Breakfast pleasers

The few minutes it takes to fix breakfast can result in several hours of greater efficiency and a better frame of mind in the morning. Chances are those extra few minutes of sleep will not benefit you as much as a good breakfast. Here are some quick and easy breakfast ideas to keep you going all

- Ready-to-eat cereal with fruit and milk
- ed bagel with cheese Fruit-filled breakfast bar and yogurt
- Toasted waffle topped with fruit and yogurt.
- Fruit smoothie (fruit and milk whirled in a blender)
- Peanut butter on toast
- Scrambled eggs and Canadian bacon on an English muffin
- Ricotta or cottage cheese mixed with cinnamon and served with canned
- French toast with ham and canned pineapple

Breakfast and sugar

Watch any children's TV program and you'll see commercials for sweetened breakfast cereals, breakfast bars, toaster pastries and other sweet breakfast treats. We're a grab-and-go society that loves our sweets! From a young age, our children learn to prefer sweet tastes over others.

For most people, sugar in moderation is fine. Just remember that sweets are at the top of the Food Guide Pyramid and are really intended to be eaten in small quantities.

Breakfast around the world

Eating breakfast refuels your body with energy, vitamins, minerals and fiber. After eight hours of sleep and a "fast" (since last night's dinner was eaten some 12 hours before), adults need energy to help them function properly throughout the morning hours. Children need breakfast for the same reasons and to help them grow.

All over the globe, youngsters eat breakfast. Here are some examples of breakfasts around the world, which may be very different from what you eat – or maybe not:

China: Rice, dried pork, pickles and soybean juice - eaten with chopsticks.

England: Grilled kidneys, tomatoes, sausages and eggs. Italy: Fresh rolls with chocolate butter spread, hot milk with a little coffee

in it, blood oranges and yogurt.: Japan: Roasted seaweed dipped in soy sauce, boiled rice, pickled radishes

and salted plums. United States: Cereal, milk, juice, toast (is this close to what you ate



If your young child is over the 95th percentile for his/her age for weight on the growth chart and is having sweetened cereal for breakfast, then that cereal might be the only sweet that should be consumed that day.

Encourage kids to eat a variety of foods at breakfast. If you have time, make the "Egg Eyeballs" recipe inside today's Taste section. Arrange egg halves on a plate to make eyes. Complete the face with a half of a banana for a nose and an orange slice to make a smiling mouth. Toast quarters make good ears.

For those of us on the run, a healthy breakfast can be quick and easy with a little planning.

Try the breakfast sandwich recipe also inside today's Taste. We call it "The Count" because it is adapted from a recipe for Monte Christo sandwiches.

You can make a bunch of these in advance and freeze them. Pop one in the microwave to heat through and you've got a healthy sandwich to eat on the

Another quick breakfast idea is to make pancakes in advance and freeze in individual portions. Then just microwave and top with fruit.

The important thing is to eat a good breakfast to get your motor running. keep you healthy and maximize your potential all day long!

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Here's some trivia to munch on

Since it is National Nutrition Month, here is a little nutrition trivia to

munch on while you're eating your breakfast. A food that is labeled 98 percent fat-free doesn't necessarily contain only 2 percent fat, the 98 percent fat-free claim refers to the weight of the food, not

If a food is labeled fat-free, it contains three grams of fat or less per serving. Read the Nutrition Facts label for grams of fat per serving.

■ It is not true that fresh fruits and vegetables contain more nutrients than canned or frozen. Whether canned, fresh or frozen, they contain about the same amount of nutrients. Canned and frozen produce is generally processed at their peak and may contain more nutrients than fresh produce.

However, canned or frozen produce may have added sugar or salt, which something to consider when purchasing these items.

People are not born with a preference for salty foods. It is learned. If you slowly cut down sodium intake, your desire for salt will decrease.

Tour stomach does not shrink when you eat less. It expands to handle large amounts of food. As the food moves through your digestive system, your stomach returns to its normal size and stays there until your next meal.

Brown bread does not necessarily have more fiber than white bread. If the bread ingredient list states it contains whole wheat or other whole grains, then it probably has fiber. The brown color is likely from caramel coloring found in the ingredient list. Check the Nutrition Facts label for the number of grams of fiber per serving.

If you're looking for calcium-rich foods, cottage cheese is not a good source. A half cup of cottage cheese supplies only 65 mg calcium. On the other hand, eight ounces of milk or yogurt contains 300 mg calcium and one ounce of cheddar cheese contains 200 mg calcium.

The myth, "Feed a cold, starve a fever ... or is it starve a cold, feed a fever?" has no health benefit. To fight infection, your body needs a supply of nutrients, plenty of fluids and extra rest. A day's eating plan with variety and balance are as important as ever.

EATING HEALTHY

Wrap cube steak around a delicious veggie



MAIN DISH

good for you, but getting your family to eat them can be a chore..

Here's a welcome remedy - a dish that disguises the vegetables with meat and a well-seasoned sauce. The dish is simple and quick and made with cubed steak. It cooks so quickly you need to watch that it's not overcooked. A 3-ounce portion looks larger because it's wrapped around a veggie filling.

The veggies I chose for the filling are mild flavored - tomatoes, carrots and spinach, all excellent sources of

vitamin C and iron. These vegetables also contain cancer-fighting antioxidants like lutein, lycopene and

Serve Stuffed Cube Steaks with my Super Fried

Muriel Wagner is a registered distition who holds a doctorate. She will be profiled in the 2000 edition of "Marquis Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare" to be published in June. She has practiced in Southfield since 1980, and specializes in smart eating, not dieting. Look for her column in Taste on the second

Everyone knows vegetables are Sunday of every month. Wagner publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.

EATING YOUNGER SUPER FRIED POTATOES

- 1 (1 pound, 4 ounce) Simply Potatoes (refrigerated potato wedges found in the dairy case at your supermarket)
- It tablespoon olive oil or canota oil

Preheat oven to 450 degrees F. Pat potatoes dry with paper towel. Spray a shallow baking pan (jelly roll pan) with nonstick spray. Spread potatoes in a single layer. on the pan. Brush potatoes with oil using a pastry

Bake at 450 degrees F until the potatoes are brown. and crisp, stirring occasionally to prevent burning and insure eyen browning (about 15/20 minutes). Serves 4.

Food values per serving: Calories 115, fat 3g. Sat Fat 0.4g, Sodium 15mg, Cholesterol 0mg

Food Exchanges: 1-1/2 starches, 1/2 fat

STUFFED CUBE STEAKS

- 4 beef cube steaks (1/4 pound each)
- 1/4 cup fat-free Italian dressing
- 1 (8 1/4 ounce) can sliced carrots
- 1 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spipacit
- 1 large tomato (seeded and chopped)
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
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Brush steaks on both sides with Italian dressing. Mok carrots, spinach, onion, tomato and 1/2 cup of tomato.

Place one quarter of the vegetable muxtire on each steak. Roll up, jelly roll style, secure with wooden tooth picks Spray a nonstick skillet. Place meat rolls in skildet. Pour remaining sauce over ment. Summer, covered, until tender, about 15/20 minutes. Serve topped with

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What to watch for in Taste next week: Cooking across cultures ■ Recipes from readers

Here's minestrone minus the fat of beef

By The Associated Press

Beans are both vegetable and protein, the only food that falls into two groups on the USDA Food Guide Pyramid. They're low in fat and calories and rich in vitamins and minerals.

Minestrone Verde is a meatless soup with fresh green veggies. It is both quick and nutri-

MINESTRONE VERDE

- 6 cups reduced-sodium vegetable broth
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1/2 cup small or medium pasta shells 15-ounce can kidney beans, or 1 1/2 cups cooked, dry-packaged kidney beans, rinsed, drained
- 15-ounce can Great Northern beans, or 1 1/2 cups cooked, dry-packaged Great Northern beans, rinsed, drained

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Our Supreme • Center Cut

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2 cups slided zucchini

- 1 1/2 cups small broccoli florets
- 1 1/2 cups cut asparagus (1-inch pieces)
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil, or 2 tea-
- spoons dried basil leaves 1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary, or 1 tea-
- spoon dried rosemary leaves
- 2 cloves garlic, minced Salt and pepper, to taste
- Shredded Parmesan cheese, as garnish

Heat vegetable broth and onion to boiling in large saucepan. Add pasta, reduce heat and simmer, covered, 5 minutes.

Add beans and vegetables to saucepan; simmer, covered, until broccoli is tender, 6 to 8 minutes. Stir in herbs and garlic; season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve in bowls; sprinkle lightly with cheese. Makes 8 servings of about 1 1/2 cups each.

Veggie burgers feature lentils and wheat germ

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

They grew up as food opposites, these British Columbians. Tanya Barnard believed meat was fuel for a strong body. Sarah Kramer didn't taste meat until she was 13.

Barnard and Kramer were sharing a house with some other people when the two women decided to take the plunge into veganism - no dairy, no eggs, no meat.

"Turning vegan was a much harder decision than becoming vegetarian because there were so many unanswered questions," Barnard says. "For example, if I didn't drink milk, where would I get my calcium? And what about iron and protein?" She also had to persuade her amily to accept her decision as a healthy one.

It was an easier transition for Kramer, who grew up with a lot of vegetarian dishes, including Big Ben's Lentil Burgers. The recipe is in their cookbook. "How It All Vegan* (Arsenal Pulp Press, \$15.95 paper). The subtitle? "Irresistible Recipes for an Animal Free Diet."

As for this entree, Kramer says, "We called them Big Ben's burgers because my younger brother Ben was a miniature human garbage disposal with a big appetite. This was his favorite meal as a kid."

BIG BEN'S LENTIL BURGERS

- 3/4 cup wheat germ-
- 2 cups cooked or canned
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup chopped onions 3 tablespoons ofive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

On a small plate, set aside 2 tablespoons of wheat germ for coating. In a medium bowl, stir together the remaining wheat germ, lentils, bread crumbs, onions, oil, salt and pepper. Divide and shape into 4 patties. Lay each in wheat germ, coating each side.

In a lightly oiled frying pan on medium-high heat, cook the burgers for 5 to 10 minutes, flipping occasionally. Serve like a bun with condiments of choice.

Makes 4 patties.

Break your nightly 'fast' with these easy recipes

Here's a kid-pleasing recipe, followed by a breakfast sandwich. See related story on Taste front.

EGG EYEBALLS

- For each serving, use:
- 1 egg, hard boiled, shell removed
- 1 turkey sausage patty (we used the Turkey Store patties)

Preheat oven to 375° F. Wrap sausage patty around egg so that it completely covers the egg. Place eggs in baking dish and bake for approximately 30 minutes, until sausage is browned and cooked through.

Remove from oven. Place on paper towel to drain. Slice in half and position on plate with yoke side up as two eyeballs.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 162; protein, 11.5 grams, fat, 12 g, sodium, 271 mg, carbohydrates, 1 g. Percentage of calories from fat:

THE "COUNT" (AN ADAPTATION OF THE MONTE CRISTO SANDWICH)

.4 slices whole wheat bread (we used Healthy Choice Soft Honey Wheat)

- 4 slices Canadian Bacon (or sliced ham or
- 2 slices Kraft Free American Singles Cheese

Olive oil spray

Peel crust off of bread slices. Beat egg in a shallow bowl. Heat a non-stick griddle to medium and spray with olive oil. Lay two of the slices of bread! on a plate and place a piece of cheese and two: slices of Canadian bacon on each. Cover each sandwich with the other slices of bread. Using a fork, crimp edges together so that the slices are sealed; with the cheese and bacon inside.

Dip the sandwiches in the egg to coat both sides. Then place on griddle until browned. Flip and brown the other side. Serve immediately. Makes

two sandwiches.

Note: You can freeze sandwiches and microwave one minute on high for an individual meal on the run. We suggest turning the sandwich pocket every 15 seconds during cooking and making certain the egg is thoroughly cooked.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 193; protein, 18 grams; fat, 6 g; sodium, 811 mg, carbohydrates, 19 g, percentage of calories from fat, 26.

Recipes courtesy of HDS Services.

1/2 cup fresh or dry bread crumbs

mashed potato mixture.

bread crumbs.

Boil potatoes till tender. Place hot potatoes in

mixer. Add egg yolk, chives, butter, cream and salt

Divide cold salmon into 15-20 small cube size

squares. Tuck a piece of salmon into center of rolled

mashed potato balls, and roll again so salmon is not

Place potato balls in freezer (to temper) for one

potato balls in flour, dip in egg, then roll in fresh

hour. Using standard breading procedure, roll frozen

Place breaded potato balls back in freezer and chill

Fry in oil of choice until balls are golden in appear-

Feel free to make potato balls in advance and hold

CORNED BEEF HASH

and pepper. Mix ingredients. Roll truffle-sized balls of

Try these potato recipes on St. Patrick's Day

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front.

TRUFFLED YUKON GOLD MASHED POTATOES

- 4 Yukon Gold potatoes (cut into quarters)
- 2 Idaho potatoes (cut into quarters) 1/2 cup milk
- 1 pound butter
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper (freshly ground) 1 tablespoon truffle oil (available in specialty

Rinse potatoes well before cutting. Place potatoes in pot and cover with water. (Water should be 4 inches above potatoes).

Drain potatoes, place on a cookie sheet and roast in

Cook potatoes until a knife inserted easily slides

the oven for 5 minutes. (This keeps the potatoes from Place potatoes in mixer with a paddle attachment.

Mix until smooth, slowly adding heated milk and but-Season with salt, pepper and truffle oil. (Amount of

truffle oil added will be dependent on your personal

ST. PADDY'S POTATO SALMON CROQUETTES

- 1 egg yolk
- 2 tablespoons heavy cream
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup flour
- 2 whole eggs (beaten)
- 2 large peeled idaho potatoes
- 2 tablespoons butter 1 teaspoon minced fresh chives

- 1 4-ounce fillet cooked salmon.

- 4 large Idaho potatoes, baked (skin on) 1/2 Spanish onion, diced

in freezer and fry when ready to serve.

- 1/4 corned beef brisket (cooked), diced medium
- 2 tablespoons butter

ance and float to top of pan.

- 1 tablespoon butter Salt and pepper to taste
- Cut cooled Idaho potatoes in 1/2-inch discs. Melt

butter in sauté pan. Sauté diced onions until golden. Add potatoes,

corned beef and second measure of butter.

Cook until crisp on side down; flip with spatula and cook other side the same. Recipes courtesy of Kelli

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recipes by category, such as dessert, snack, breakfast, international, main dishes, side dishes, condiments, soups, salads, sandwiches, special diets and dinner in an instant.

■ Foodweb.com - Offers a variety of recipes and information about special interest topics associated with food, drink and

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farmers online who share information with consumers including tips and recipes.

Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month. See recipes inside.

Benefit slated for tonight for Red Wings

Join the entire Red Wings team at the Hockeytown Cafe. tonight from 6-9 p.m. for an elegant evening of wine-tasting to benefit the family funds of Vladimir Konstantinov and Sergei Mnatsakanov.

The Toast of Hockeytown will feature a sampling of fine wines. cigars and a strolling buffet.

Red Wings forward Igor Larionov serves as the honorary chairman of the event and Wings' television broadcaster Ken Daniels will be the master of ceremonies.

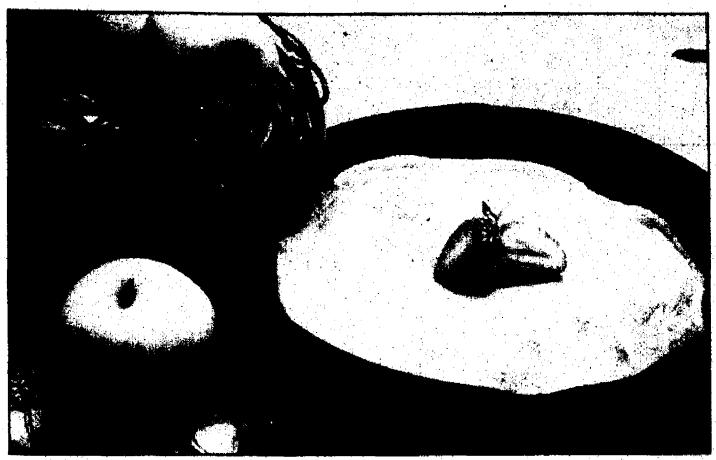
Guesta will also have an opportunity to bid on an array of unique sports memorabilia. In addition to sports collectibles, fans may bid on priceless, one-ofa-kind Red Wings opportunities

Ultimate Road Trip (March 26 and 27 vs. New York Rangers).

Ultimate Home Game Pack age (April 2 vs. Washington Capitale). Tickets are priced at \$175 per

person and are available by call ing (313) 396-7575. Quests must be at least 21 years of age





Apfolfannkuchen: Eating this Apfelfannkuchen, a German apple-filled pancake, is like enjoying a buttery baked apple, an airy souffle and an egg custard, all at once.

Apple sweetens this pancake

The Apfelfannkuchen is a German apple-filled pancake that puffs up like a pillow. This huge pancake is cooked on top of the stove in a deep, cast iron skillet.

Turning it can be hard without practice. To eliminate this challenge, this version is made starting on top of the stove, then finished in the oven, so turning it is not necessary. Eating it is like enjoying a buttery baked apple, an airy souffle and an egg custard, all at once.

"APFELFANNKUCHEN"---PUFFED APPLE PANCAKE

- 2 Golden Delicious apples. peeled, cored and sliced 1 tablespoon fresh lemon
- juice 6 tablespoons sugar, divided 1 tablespoon apple juice or

water

1/2 cup reduced fat (2 per-

cent) milk 1/2 cup flour

1/2 teasooon vanilla

1 tablespoon unsaited butter 2 teaspoons confectioners

Preheat the oven to 425° F. In a bowl, toss the apple slices with the lemon juice.

Spray a medium cast iron skillet or other heavy, oven-proof pangenerously with cooking spray. Place 2 tablespoons of the sugar. the apple juice and apples in the pan and set it over medium-high heat. Cook the apples, stirring occasionally, until they are slightly softened and caramelized in places, about 7 minutes. Set aside.

In a medium bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, remaining 4 tablespoons sugar, flour and the

vanilla. The batter will be slightly lumpy. Mix in the warm apple atices.

Add the butter to the skillet. Heat until the butter melts. Swirl the pan to evenly coat the bottom with butter. Pour in the apple batter and let cook for 1 minute over medium-high heat without disturbing it.

Place the skillet in the oven. Bake until the pancake is slightly puffed. When done, it will be dark brown around the edges and pale but dry in the center. Sprinkle the pancake with the confectioners' sugar. Cut into wedges and serve.

Each of the six servings contains 128 calories and 4 grams of fat.

Recipe courtesy of Dana Jacobi for the American Institute for Cancer Research. AICR's Inter-Web address is http://www.aicr.org

WHAT'S COOKING

Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI-48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net.

Send items for consideration in

■ Vegetarian Cooking - Lenore Yalisove Baum, author of Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking, conducts vegetarian cooking classes and has scheduled a session on soups for Wednesday, March 29 at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills. The classifee is \$35. Call (248) 478-4455.

■ Pasta Tips - Chef Dave Martinico will show how easy it is to make your own pasta and ravifoli at 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Traffic Jam & Snug Restaurant, 511 West Canfield. two blocks west of Woodward at the corner of Second, near Wayne State University in Detroit. Recipes, lunch and a glass of wine are included in the \$50 classifee. Credit cards accepted. Call (313) 831-9470.

Pressure Cooking - Toula Patsalis, author of The Pressure Cooking Cookbook, will provide information on how to handle, operate and cook with a pressure cooker, including how to prepare vegetable soup with sausage bits, chicken with arborio rice and peppers and South Pacific bread pudding with pineapole sauce. Sessions are scheduled for the

Kitchen Glamor stores at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and 1 p.m., Wednesday March 15, at 26770 Grand River, in Redford. Call 1-800-641-1252 for informa-

■ Culinary Recipes - Chef Dave Schneider, instructor from the Macomb Community College culinary arts program, joins the Kitchen Glamor stores to share tips and techniques about the Culinary Arts Olympics to be held in Europe. Schneider will teach how to prepare roasted garlic potato leek soup, roast. pork loin with gorgonzola and walnut crust, duchess potatoes with shiitake mushrooms. Sessions are scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 21, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96); Wednesday, March 22, at 26770 Grand River in Redford, and Thursday, March 23, at the Orchard Mall northeast corner of Maple and Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield, Call 1-800-641-1252 for information.

■ Crostini and Pasta - Joanne Weir, former chef of the famed Chez Panisse and author of "Weir Cooking," will appear at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 at the Kitchen Glamor store at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-90), to show now to prepare crostini with feta and hot red peoper, farfalle pasta with

olives, capers, tomatoes and mozzarella, and chewy chocolate walnut tart.

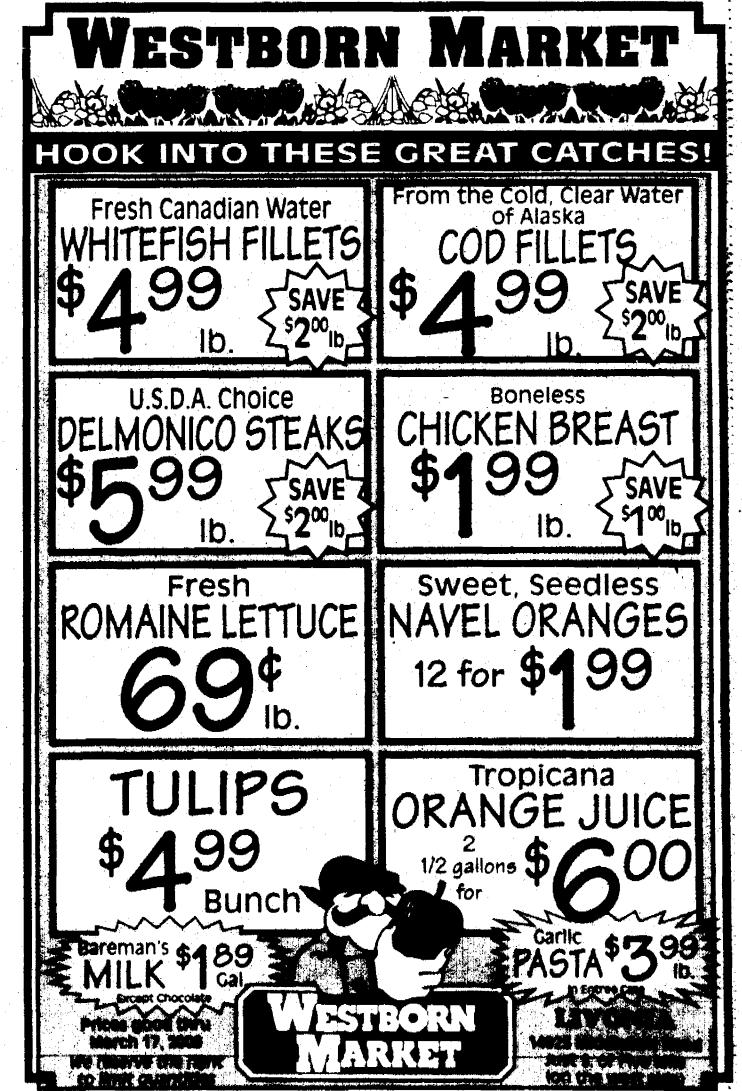
M Kids in the Kitchen - Home economist Dana Reynolds will instruct parents and grandparents with their children or grandchildren (aged 7-12) about the enjoyment of cooking. You and your child will learn how to wrap and roll phyllo pastry filled with berries and topped with ice cream and chicken fingers, southwest style, wrapped in tortilla and served with a variety of sauces. Class is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at 1-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for information. ■ Tea Party - Instructor Linda

Kay Drysdale will take participants to the wonderful world of tea. She will offer suggestions for tea sandwiches, petit fours and mini fruit tarts at Kitchen Glamor stores. Sessions are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 28. at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and Wednesday, March 29, at 26770 Grand River in Redford.

Easter Eggs - Learn how to make panoramic Easter eggs with sugar, royal icing and an egg mold with Audrey Edwards at a three-hour class at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 1, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Nov. Road exit at i-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for







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Sunttay, March 12, 2000

MEDICAL BRIEFS

Women's health

U.S. Representative Lynn Rivers and Congressman John Dingell will host "Women's Health and Life Forum" 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the University of Michigan, Dearborn Campus, School of Management lecture hall, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn.

Topics include: financial planning, interpersonal violence, consumer protection safety, heart disease and healthy cooking, cancer, stress and depression, and caring for children and aging adults.

Keynote speakers include Florine Mark, president of Weight Watchers, and a news anchor from Fox 2 News.

Classes are limited to 50. Participants may register for two classes. To RSVP, please call Rivers' office at (734) 485-3741.

Holistic health fair

The association of Michigan Myomassologists Inc. will present its annual Holistic Health Fair 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 18, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the Livonia Holiday Inn. 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive.

The fair features massage therapists performing free 15-minute modified massages and special massage for the physically challenged. The fair's roster includes aura photographs, chiropractic spinal screenings, allergy elimination techniques and astrological profiles. Vendors will sell preventative health care products. Saturday's lectures, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., feature reflexology, aromatherapy and natural approaches to menopause.

The health fair cost is \$5 to the general public and free to IMF members. For information, contact Kathy Grogan at (248) 569-4263.

Food for thought

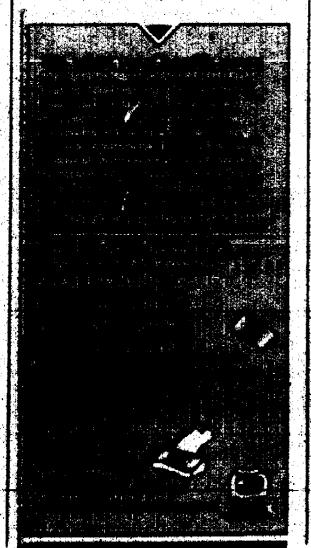
St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is offering a class on emotional eating as part of the "Food for Thought" nutrition education program 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at the Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Five Mile Road, Livonia. Participants will learn how to identify emotional eating and how to cope with it.

Cost to attend is \$6, \$5 for those over 55. Registration is requested. Please call (734) 655-8940.

Kidney transplant on

In conjunction with National Kidney Month, WebMD will Webcast a transplant www.WebMD.com at noon Wednesday, March 15, from the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Dr. J. Stuart Wolf, Jr., director, Michigan Center for Minimally Invasive Urology in the U-M Health System, will perform the kidney removal, a less invasive, "hand assisted" laparoscopic donor nephrectomy.

Immediately afterwards, Dr. Darrell A. Campbell, Jr., head of U-M's Division of Transplantation, will perform the transplant of the kidney into the patient. Dr. Walter Larimore of The Health Network will provide commentary during the operation. Additionally, Dr. Jeffrey D. Punch of U-M's Division of Transplantation, will host a live chat at www.WebMD.com.



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CLIMB THE FOOD GUIDE PYRAMID TO GOOD HEALTH

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STÅFF WRITER rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net

mericans suffer from a nutritional paradox: They know the value of nutrition and exercise in maintaining a healthy lifestyle, yet their levels of obesity are at epidemic proportions.

"We have a national epidemic in obesity," said Dr. Diane Howlin, assistant professor of internal medicine in the U-M Health System. "In fact, within the last decade, the obesity rate has risen roughly 50 percent in the United States. This is a very serious problem, especially in Michigan."

Simply put, Americans don't practice what they preach.

According to a recent nationwide survey by the American Dietetic Association, a whopping 85 percent of Americans believe diet and nutrition are important, and 84 percent say exercise and physical activity are equally important.

So what's the problem?

"The problem is we are sending dual messages. One is eat healthy and exercise, and the other is sit in front of the TV or computer and buy fast food and supersize it," said Linda Devore, a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator for St. Mary Hospital's Community Outreach Program in Livonia.

Forty-four percent of the participants in the ADA survey said they didn't want to give up foods they like, and 38 percent claimed it took too much time to plan and practice a really healthy diet.

The good news is we can have our cake and eat it, too ... but in smaller portions.

"Americans seem to suffer from portion distortion," said Boston-based registered dietitian and ADA spokeswoman Elizabeth Ward. "A portion size isn't a plate full of pasta, 32 ounces of soda. or a 10-ounce steak. People need to realize that when it comes to weight control, they can eat any food they want, as long as they control the portion and get regular physical activity, too."

Another example is muffins. A USDA standardsize muffin weighs one ounce and has approximately 100 calories. "I weighed the muffins at Cosco. They were 7 ounces, and I know people who eat the whole muffin," said Beth Thayer, a registered dietitian with the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute.



Diet destruction

on the web: http://observer-eccentric.com

Our culture constantly sabotages healthy diets. At supermarkets, the bigger package of cookies is often available for few cents more, and the twofor-one specials are seductive. "It's never two apples for one price; it's two gallons of ice cream for one price. You're paying with your health," said Devore.

And in elementary school - a time when children are most receptive to adopting healthy eating habits - students are often rushed through lunch. "It takes longer to eat an apple than a bag of chips," said Devore. Even toddlers aren't exempt, she added. They're encouraged to collect their favorite TV character figures, which are sold at fast food restaurants

Americans are their worst enemy when it comes to adopting a healthy diet, said Devore. "They expect to do it perfectly and evenly. You have to have moderation and restraint rather than omission. If you 'fail' than mentally it takes a toll, and you feel guilty."

In addition to good food and smaller portions sizes, exercise is the third component of healthy nutrition. In an article on the prevention of chronic disease through exercise that appeared in the February issue of Journal of Applied Physiology, the authors wrote:

... a strong association exists between the increase in physical inactivity and the emergence of modern chronic diseases in 20th century industrialized societies. Approximately 250,000 deaths per year in the United States are premature due to physical inactivity ... Epidemiological data have established that physical inactivity increases the incidence of at least 17 unhealthy conditions, almost all of which are chronic diseases or considered risk factors for chronic diseases.

Common sense

It's time for Americans to start making healthy food selections. The produce section is a treasure trove of vitamins and minerals. "It has everything you need," said Devore.

Good breads are out there, but you must read the labels, said Thayer. "Make sure the first ingredient is a whole grain. Usually the wheat bread is just a colored white bread. Even with something like a 7-grain bread, the first ingredient still might be white flour and the next ingredients may be in small amounts."

Breakfast remains the most important meal, Thayer emphasized. "It gets your metabolism going, especially if you're trying to loose weight. And it provides the brain with glucose for thinking." She suggests "breakfast on the run" - a small muffin, sandwich or yogurt - for people who don't usually eat breakfast.

Dietitians agree that most healthy people do not need food supplements. While research indicates certain vitamins, minerals and herbs may be beneficial, the dietary supplement industry is not regulated. What's more, some supplements. like omega-3 fatty acids, may interact with med ications. Omega-3 could compound the effect of blood thinners and raise the risk of a bleeding

In other words, if you want to take a supplement, absolutely ask your doctor.

Changing bad nutritional habits to good ones is not easy. Both the body and the spirit must be willing. It's a matter of practice and adhering to the golden rule of a healthy lifestyle: Eat less,

For food and nutrition information and a referral to a registered dietitian in your area, call the American Dietetic Association's Consumer Nutrition Hot Line at 800/366-1655. For customized answers to vour nutrition questions, call 900/CALL-AN-RD (900/225-5267). The cost of the call will be \$1.95 for the first minute and \$.95 for each additional minute.

supplements?

Take the following quiz to rate your eating habits. For questions 1-5, give yourself three points for every "yes" answer; for questions 6 and 7, give yourself three points for a "no" answer.

On most days, do you: 1. Eat six to 11 servings of grains (breads, cereal, rice, pasta, and other grain foods)? One serving equals one slice of bread, 1/2 cup of rice or pasta, I ounce of cereal or half a bagel.

2. Eat at least two servings of fruit? One serving equals one piece of fruit; 1/2 cup of chopped, cooked or canned fruit; or 3/4 cup of fruit juice.

8. Eat at least three servings of vegetables each day? One serving equals 1/2 cup of cooked or chopped vegetables; I cup of raw, leafy vegetables; or 3/4 cup of vegetable juice.

4. Est two or more servings of dairy foods, such as milk, cheese and yogurt each day? One serving equals 1 cup milk or yogurt, 1 1/2 ounces of natural cheese or 2 ounces of processed cheese.

5. Rat two to three servings of lean meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, eggs or nuts every day? One serving equals 2-3 ounces of sooked lean meat, poultry or fish. One egg, 1/2 cup of cooked beans, or 2 tablespoons of peanut butter count as I ounce of meat.

6. Generally est the same foods every day? 7. Frequently skip meals or miss out one or more food groups for the entire day?

15 points or more: Food Guide Pyramid expert. You know how to make wise food choices and the variety of foods important for a healthy eating plan.

9-12 points: You're on your way. You could be getting more nutrients

by fine-tuning your food selections. For example, if you fall short in the grains group, try including at least one more serving. 6-6 points: Keep trying: By making small changes, you can gradually impreve your sating pettern. Focus on one food group at a time and aim

to set the minimum number of servings each day. While notrition experts agree that following the Food Onide Pyramid is the best way to obtain vitamins, minerals and other autrients, you may bedefit from a multivitamin/mineral supplement - if you're unable

to eat from all the food groups. However, consult your doctor before taking supplements. Source: National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics

Adult fat phobia bad for kids' diets Fat-free cheese, fat-free mayonnaise, fat-free cookies. By stocking

kitchens with fat-free products, many parents may unknowingly put their children's health at risk. "Meal time for a child should not mean fat-free spaghetti with fat-free

meatless sauce, served with fat-free bread and a tossed salad with fatfree salad dressing," says Heart Smart registered dietitian Beth Thaver of the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute. "Many moms buy fat-free products, often because they want to limit

their own fat intake or because they mistakenly think 'fat-free' means healthier for their family. The problem is that they may deprive their children of necessary fat."

Fat is a an important nutrient for growing children. It plays a key role in the development of nerves. Fat also is necessary for the absorption of essential vitamins A, D, E, and K. In the most extreme situation, the absence of fat can retard growth or cause diarrhea, sores on the scalp and extremely dry skin.

Thaver emphasizes that unsaturated fat found naturally in fish, vegetable oil such as canola and olive, and in whole grains, fruits and vegetables provides the essential fatty acids necessary for children's growth and development.

According to the American Dietetic Association, there should not be a fat restriction for children under the age of two. Children 2 to 11 need about 30 percent of their daily calories from fat.

Thayer suggests parents take the focus off fat and follow these steps to ensure their children are eating a healthy diet:

Buy lean meat.

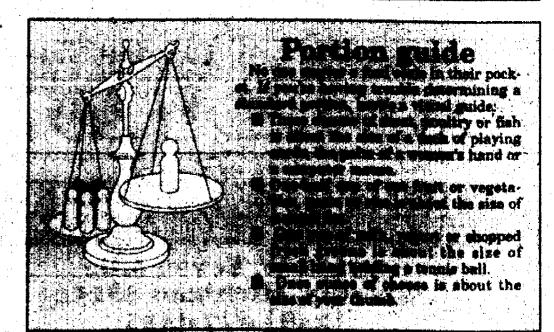
tain fat restrictions.

Serve low-fat (not fat-free) dairy products.

Cook with canola oil or olive oil. Serve fish several times a week because it provides plenty of essen-

tial fatty acids that protect against heart disease. More importantly, instead of saying "no" to certain foods, allow children to pick and choose what they like so eating is a positive experience.

Offer a variety of fruits and vegetables and whole wheat grains such as whole wheat bread, oatmeal and cereal. Thayer notes, however, children with specific health concerns or a genetic predisposition to high cholesterol or heart disease may need cer-



MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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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

TUE, MARCH 14 MASSAGE III (BODYWORK)

information.

Advanced techniques that provide long-term results. Techniques include strain-counterstrain, trigger point therapy. myofascial release techniques. Class runs Tuesday, March 14 April 4, from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$150. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth, Call (734) 207-0557 to register

HOSPICE CARE

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia, 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Hospice 101" given by a speaker from Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice 6-7:30 p.m. in the community center. No charge, Call

Nanette Cooper or Denise Manion for reservations at (248) 428-

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Friends, a support group for anyone hypersensitive to chemical or environmental irritants, will meet from 2-5 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Wayne (across from the library at Wayne Road and Michigan Ave.) For more information, call (348-349-4972.

THYROID DISORDER

The Michigan Thyroid Disorder Support Group will meet at 6:30 in the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main Street, For more information, call Tracy Green at (734). 453-7945. Web site http://community.mlive.com/cc/thyroid

WED, MARCH 15

DYSLEXIA SUPPORT

The Michigan Dyslexia Institute of Detroit Metro Center will meet from 7-9 p.m. at MDI, 30230 Orchard Lake Road (Suite #130) in Farmington Hills. The topic will be "Dyslexia: What is it, how is it treated and how important is early intervention?" The presenter will be Ann L. Beatty, director, a Fellow from the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educa-

VEGETARIAN NUTRITION

Menu planning tips and resources for individuals of all. ages who are already vegetarian and those who are leaning in that direction. Includes hands-on cooking demonstrations. Class runs from 4-5:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall Health Stop (620 Briarwood Circle), Call (734) 827-3777.

YOUNG MOTHER'S SUPPORT

The Young Mother's Assistance

Program (Y-MAP) will host their

December support group from 6-8 p.m. at Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) in Livonia. For information call (734) 513-7598. Meetings are always held on the second Monday of each month. Y-MAP provides moms an oppor tunity to meet with other young parents and share feelings and experiences with each other. Speakers are invited to share topics of interest including positive parenting, substance abuse.

job search, education and more.

Child care is provided by licensed care givers at no charge. A light dinner and refreshments will also be available.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Macro Val will teach how to cook with soy from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

ADO AND HYPERACTIVITY

Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic will sponsor a free workshop on Attention Deficit Disorder and hyperactivity 7-8:15 p.m. Non-drug solutions will be discussed. Call (734) 455-6767.

THUR, MARCH 16 BABY BUILDING

Learn the building blocks for healthy nutrition before and during pregnancy and during breastfeeding. Topics covered include the foods you should at, rating your own diet, common food-related discomforts of pregnancy, hints for cooking and shopping and nutritious recipes Class runs from 7-8:30 p.m. Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall's Health

Stop of St. Joseph Mercy Hospi-

tal. 620 Briarwood Circle. Call

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

(734) 827-3777.

Providence Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia will host an immunization from 4-7 p.m. at 37595 Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Cost is \$5 per child and includes all vaccines your child needs except chicken pox. Don't forget to bring immunization records. Call (877) 345-5500 for information.

SAT, MARCH 18

PREGNANCY PLANNER

If you're thinking about having a baby or are newly pregnant, come to this pregnancy planning seminar. Presentations will cover a range of topics, including deciding if it is time to start a family, preparing for pregnancy, birthing options and parenthood realities. Optional tour of St. Joseph Mercy Family Birth Center. Class from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5301 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor. Call (734) 712-3456.

WED, MARCH 22

ARTHRITIS SELF-NELP

St. Mary Hospital and the Arthritis Foundation (Michigan Chapter) are sponsoring an Arthritis Self-Help Course, Wednesday, March 22, March 29 and April 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. in West Addition Conference Room B. St. Mary Hospital. This course provides arthritis education and skill building to help participants take a more active part in their arthritis care. People with arthritis or related diseases such as lupus, fibromyalgia, or scleroderma will benefit from this course. The cost is \$20 per person and registration is required. Classes are limited. St. Mary Hospital is located at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. For more information or to register, please call (734) 655-8940.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Learn to cook a healthy breakfast, including tofu sausage and miso tea with "Macro Val" from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

THUR, MARCH 23

STRONG DAUGHTERS

Parents of pre-adolescent girls age 5 and up can develop practical strategies to help their daughter achieve and maintain high self-esteem. Learn strategies to counter limiting cultural stereotypes in this six-hour program. Calls runs from March 23 through April 13 from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center - 1600 S. Canton Center Road. Call (734) 398-7557.

HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

HIV/AIDS heterosexual support group and family is sponsored by Friends Alliance and meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly, between Plymouth and W. Chicago in Redford. More information call Kathleen (800) 350-

SAT, MARCH 25 GIRLS IN SPORTS

Event is for girls ages 11-18 who are active in sports, their parents and coaches. Learn ways to reduce girls' risk of bone, joint and muscle injuries while improving strength and flexibility. Don't miss a special talk by swimmer and Olympic gold medalist Annette Salmeen. Includes breakfast snack and lunch. Call to register. Program runs from 8;30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5301 E. Huron River Drive. Call (734) 712-3456.

WED, MARCH 29

RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME

Do you or someone you know suffer from restless leg syndrome? There is support available and a wealth of new information. A Restless Leg Support group meets every other month at OptimEyes in Westland (across from Westland Shopping Center) on Central City Parkway. An area dietitian will speak and a video will be shown at 2 p.m. in the OptimEves community meeting room. For information call Jan Prentice at (734) 453-4847.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Learn to cook for your sweetie hot and spicy peanut butter tofu stir-fry, sweet potato chips with "Macro Val" from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

MON, APRIL 10

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TUE, APRIL 11 & 18

SHIATSU

Learn the traditional Japanese method of balancing body energy. Done on the floor over the clothing, this energizing treatment promotes health and wellbeing. Bring a mat and dress comfortably. Class runs Tuesday, April II and 18, from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$75. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

WED, APRIL 12

A series of graceful, slow motion movements for increasing flexibility and tone, improving health and mental outlook. Good for relief from muscular tension and mental stress. Dress comfortable and bring a mat. Your instructor is a certified fitness instructor and personal trainer with 16 years of teaching experience. Classes run from 6-7 p.m. and 7:15-8:15 p.m. April 12 - May 17. Cost is \$48 for 6 week class; drop-in rate per class is \$10. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

TUES, APRIL 18

BONE DENSITY

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia. 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Osteoporosis and Bone Density" 6-7:30 p.m. in the community center. Bone density screen available. Call either Nanette Cooper or Denise Manion for reservations at (248) 428-

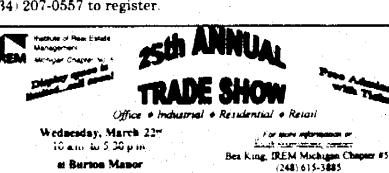
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TUE, MAY 2-16 BIOKINESIOLOGY

Learn to use muscle testing techniques to determine which vitamins, herbs, foods are best for you. Cost is \$115. Class runs Tuesday, May 2-16, from 6-9 p.m. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth Call (734) 207-0557 to register:



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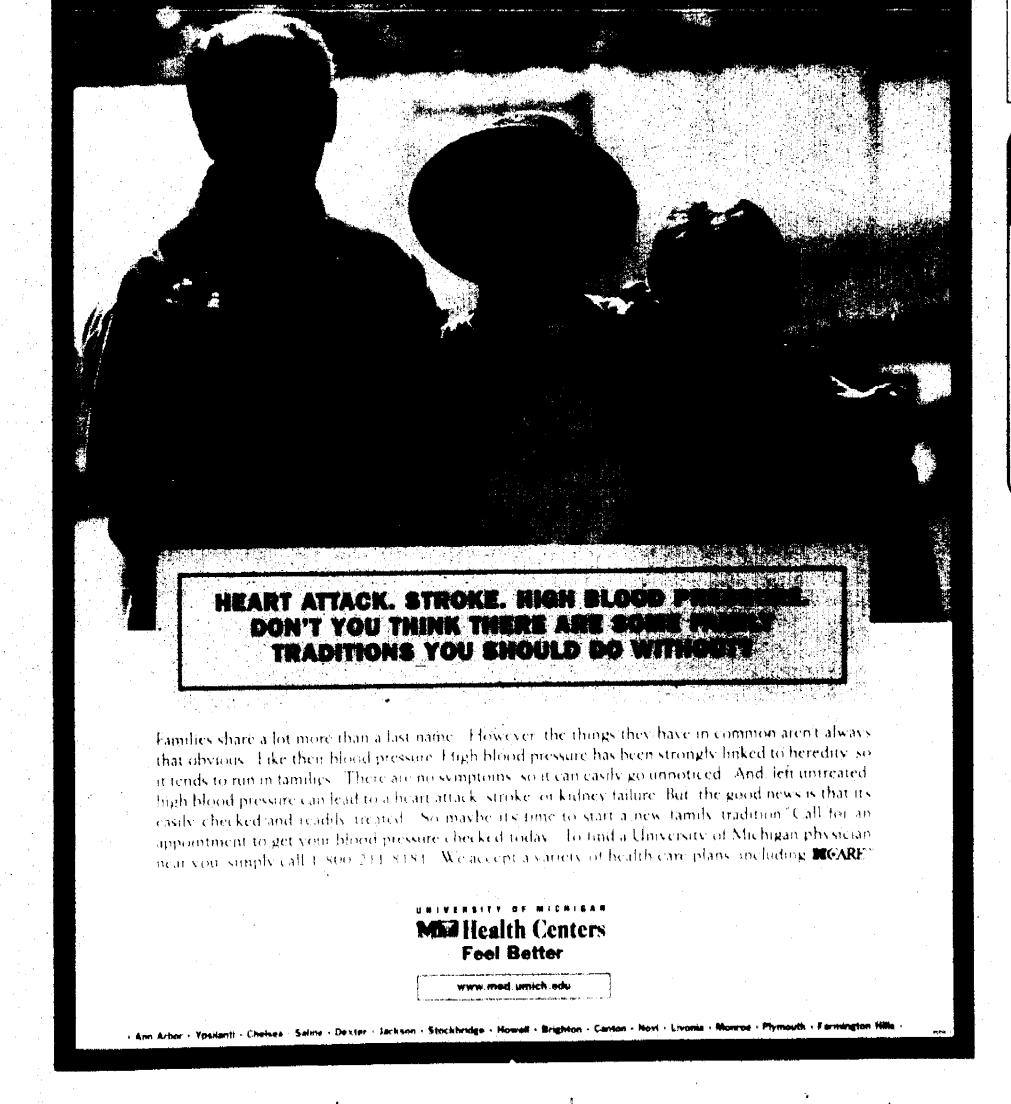
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The second aspect of maintenance is then You need to make sure you include milk or cheese. That iou limit you? meals with meat, and increase the fish in volusided. Use fluits and vegetables with abandon, and stop the habit of completing your meal with a slice of dake or ple You need hat spenic eidig time of money on food, just be thoughtful in what you select

The third aspect of personal maintenance is rest, You may not need more than 8 hours a day, but it is possible that going to bed with the intent of arising 8 bouts later is no longer appropriate. If your schedule permits, consider resting 6.7 tokurs at night, with additional time, from 20 minutes to an hour taken as a nad during the day

Remember, personal maintenance is both to repair wear and prevent in

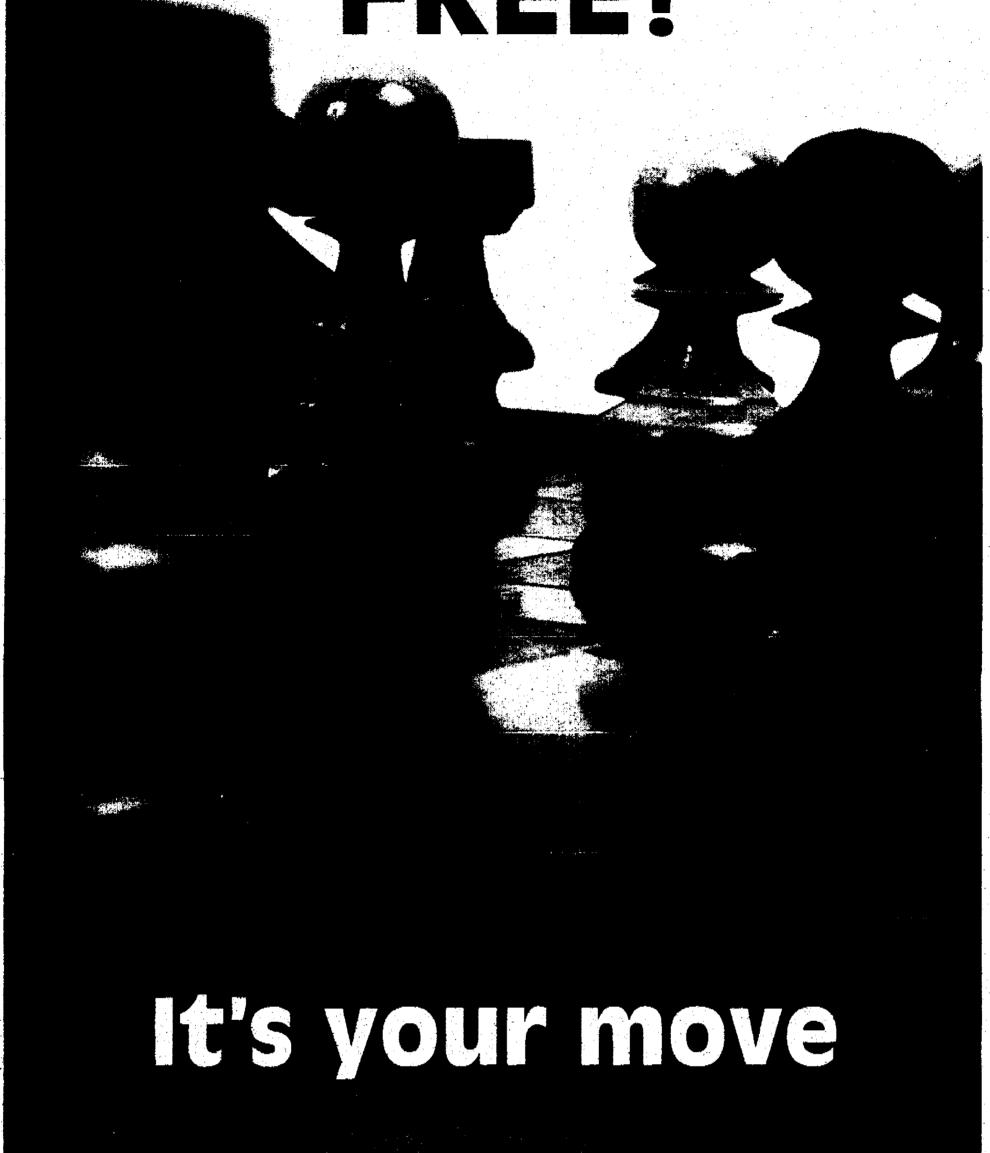


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Debate continues: Turn it off or keep it on?



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or leave it

I've been deluged with emails and calls to my WXYT weekend PC Talk radio show from people who have strong but differing views on the relative. merits of keep-

ing your computer turned on all the time, or turning it off at night or when you weren't using

The votes have been about split. Some users said power. surges, power brownouts and nearby lightning strikes during thunderstorms had harmed their computers when left on and taught them a valuable lesson about turning it off and unplugging it.

Others say the wear and tear of turning on and off the equipment and thus heating up and cooling off the components unnecessarily shortened their lifespan.

For the record, I did some cost checking. Based on an Energy Cost Calculator at a utility Web

would cost about \$7.11 a month to keep a typical home computer on 24 hours a day. If your printer is kept on all the time, too, add another \$5.33 to the cost.

Run the calculations yourself based on hours on and power drain and you'll see, there indeed is a cost savings to only turning your computer on when you need it. As far as component wear and tear, that's pretty hard to measure.

What prompted all this discussion was my coming home the other day from a week-long, outof-town trip to find my computer room filled with the smell of burning wires. Sure enough, a power supply transformer on one of my servers burned out. Fortunately, the PC just shut down without causing any fire or dam-

But it was a good reminder to be sure and have a smoke detector in your computer room. And as for me, when I'm around, my PC's are on all the time. When I'm away from home for extended periods of time, they're off.

And all my equipment is protected by an Uninterruptible Power Supply unit. For info on power protection, check out the Web site (http://www.apcc.com)

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Keystroke cops

Ever since the Wall Street Journal and MSNBC ran a story on surveillance software this past week, I've been deluged with e-mails asking if this is really true. The answer, as I've been warning here for months, is

More and more employers are investing in surveillance software that lets them monitor or eavesdrop on everything their employees type on their computers, be it e-mail, Web site surfing or even word processing. Everything. Every keystroke, every deletion, every punctuation

The most popular software out there is called "Investigator" (http://www.winwhatwhere.com/ invest.htm) and it costs just \$99. Spouses are buying it to see if their husbands or wives are having cybersex with someone else. Parents are buying it to monitor their children's Internet activities and employers, by the score. are installing it to see how employees are spending their time on the office computer.

So far, over 5,000 customers, including many major corporations, have bought the software, and more and more companies

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are making similar applications. Bottom line is that you must assume that everything you do on your work computer can be read by your boss.

Check's in the mail

Tve been pointing out how dubious some of those so-called "Free PC" offers that give you a computer at greatly reduced costs after an "Internet rebate." Besides the barrage of ads and Spam e-mail you'll get, besides the problem of being stuck with long-term dial-up contracts, there's another potentially more serious issue. .

Some of these alleged rebates are apparently not being paid in a timely manner. That's according to a little-publicized class action suit filed last week

against CompuServe. The suit claims that CompuServe failed to promptly remit rebate checks to consumers who purchased computers in expectation of \$100 or \$400 rebates. As many as 150,000 consumers may be affected. No comment from CompuServe. A special website (http://www.web-access.net/ -cscact/index.html; has been set up to provide details of the suit.

Virus spreading fast

I'm not big on virus warnings but a virulent one called "Pretty Park" is really spreading fast. There are reports that dozens of government and corporate mail servers have been infected. I've already received eight e-mails; infected with it. Some readers have written me saving they're getting even more.

The virus is really a Trojan Horse, and while it apparently does no real damage to a computer, it sends a copy of itself to everyone in the victim's e-mail address book every 30 minutes. It typically arrives in an e-mail from someone you know. The telltale sign is the e-mail contains the subject line "C:\Cool-Progs\Pretty Park exe."

There's an attachment. If you open it, you may see a picture of Kyle, one of the "South Park" TV series cartoon characters. But then if you do open it, it's too late. It starts sending everyone in your e-mail address book a copy of the virus. And because the e-mail seems to be sent by someone you know, many people are being tricked into opening the file.

If you get it, immediately trash the whole e-mail message without opening the attachment Most anti-virus programs will eradicate it but, to be sure, don't open any e-mail attachments; with any variation of the name! "Pretty Park." Just send them to; the trash. If you feel you already! have the Pretty Park virus, you! can find a removal program at http://www.web-access.net/

Until next week, "73" every-

PC Mike Wendland

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for! NBC-television stations coast-tocoast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach: Mike through his website at www.pcmike.com

BUSINESS **MARKETPLACE**

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Summer registration

Summer registration for Walsh College is March 20-24 at any of the four campuses: Troy, Novi, University Center in Clinton Township and Port Huron, Summer 2000 classes begin Monday, May 1 for 11and 14-week semesters.

Walsh offers junior- and senior-level course work toward bachelor's degrees in accounting and business administration, as well as a master's degree in business administration and master's of science degrees in finance, accounting, management, taxation, and information management and communication. The web address is www.walshcollege.edu

Women executives

Executive Women International, a husiness women's organization dedicated to the professional development of its members, is seeking new members. EWI helps members build professional relationships with career women and promote their business or company. In addition, EWI fosters community participation through scholarship programs, literacy efforts and philanthropic projects. For more information, contact Detroit-Windsor Chapter president Madeleine Philips at (313) **921**-1200. or e-mail: mphilips@pvchemicals.com.

Prestigious award

President Bill Clinton recently awarded the 1999 Malcom Baldrige National Quality Award to STMicroelectronics. The award represents the highest level of national recognition for quality that a U.S. company. can receive. The laward ceremo-

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Accounting promotion

Rehmann Robson, P.C. announced the promotion of Thomas E. Jurewicz, CPA to Principal, Jurewicz, who works

out of the Farmington Hills office, specializes in tax planning and compliance services for corporations and individuals. He is a member of American the



Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Michigan Association of Certified Publie Accountants, Urban Land Institute and Construction Innovation Forum.

International manager

The Detroit Regional Chamber has named Yanina Vega of Westland international trade

development manager. She will promote the Detroit region in both the NAFTA and U.S. markets. She has a bachelor's degree in Spanish and business administration from Madonna Universi-



Valassis Communications

Valassis Communications announced the promotion of Aaron Trager to plant manager of the company's Livonia facility. Trager started at Valassis in 1973 as pressroom material hanoller. "Aaron's strong manutacturing background and personal relationship skills will enable him to lead the Livonia Printing Division to great successes," said Ron Goolsby, vice president of FSI and Internet/e-commerce operations at Valassis.

Marketing promotions

Grace & Wild, Inc. of Farm-Hills ington announced the addition of Jama Fenstermaker to the company's marketing department and the promotion of Amy Weishuhn to lead marketing



coordinator. Weishuhn holds bachelor's degree in applied arts from Central Michigan Uhiversity. Weishuhn will



Visual effects director

Steven D. Wild, president of Grace & Wild, Inc. of Farmington Hills announced the promotion of Kevin Gillespie to director of Design and Visual Effects Services for the company's three divisions:

gan University.



Gillespie

Postique, Grace & Wild Digital Studios and Division X. "While we've always recognized the excellent artistic talent within our post-production divisions, Kevin's experience and understanding of this area of business will help us continue to recruit the highest caliber of Wient," said Wild.

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by took place in Washington. D.C.

.STMicroelectronics, Inc. motive Business Unit o Livonia joined the company's 3.300 employees in viewing the event in specially designed viewing rooms.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

Items from the Observerland area for the Business Calendar can be sent to: Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 attention: Business Calendar.

WED, MARCH 15

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FORUM John L. Pepper, associate business editor and columnist for The Detroit News, will speak about "Business and Borders" at the International Business Forum 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Fairlane Club, 5000 Fairlane Woods Drive, Dearborn. Cost is \$20 including lunch. For reservations, call Vanessa at (734). 479-2345 or e-mail ibf@wtcdw.com. Confirmation

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given.

Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

THUR, MARCH 16 SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED **EXECUTIVES MEETING**

Business Plan Workshop from 8:45 a.m. to noon at One Stop Capital Shop, 2051 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit: Topics include planning process overview. financial statements and management and marketing questions. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

INVESTORS RECEPTION The Livonia Economic Develop-

Annual Investors Reception" takes place 6-8 p.m. at the Livonia Marriott, 17100 N. Laurel Park Drive (off Six Mile Road between Newburgh and I-275). Please respond by March 13. Call (734)427-2122 or fax (734) 427-6055.

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FRI, MARCH 17 BUSINESS NETWORK

INTERNATIONAL Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at the Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800. Sat, March 18

SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED

EXECUTIVES MEETING Pre-Business Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wayne State University-McGregor Conference Center, 495 W. Ferry, Detroit. Topics include analyzing opportunities, marketing and advertising, and business planning. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

MARCH 21

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CAREER WOMEN

The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women will meet at 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Etiquette consultant Patricia Warner will discuss "Minding Your P's and Q's in the Workplace." Cost: \$18 for members and \$22 for non-members.

To make reservations, call Tracey Huff (248) 347-3355.

MARCH 30 SERVICE CORPS OF RETURED

EXECUTIVES MEETING Marketing Plan Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Executive Office Building of Oakland County, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. Topics include diagnosing marketing problems, market targeting, and advertising and publicity. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays

WED, APRIL 5 **WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

The Michigan Business and Professional Association will sponsor the 4th annual Women's leadership Conference and Distinguished Service Awards Luncheon Wednesday, April 5 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Conference is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Two workshops are planned: "How to Build a Successful Personal Strategic

Plan" followed by "Is Your Busi-

ness Checklist in Order?" The total cost is \$50; cost for luncheon only is \$25. For information about attending, co-sponsoring or advertising, contact MBPA at (810) 979-6322.

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. Friday, April 14 in Oakland University's Meadow Brook Ballroom. Co-sponsors include: The Detroit Regional Chamber, Pontiac Export Assistance Center - U.S. Department of Commerce, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and Leonard Woodcock Legacy. The seminar is an introductory course for individuals and organizations interested in developing or expanding markets in China. Jerome D. Hill, J.D., Ph.D. and

tise 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. 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.

FRI, MAY 12

FIESTA HISPANA BALL

The Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce hosts its 11th Anniversary Fiesta Hispana Ball at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. The VIP reception begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and dancing at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Bo Andersson, executive in charge of worldwide purchasing for General Motors Corp., is event chairman. The ball provides an opportunity to network with business representatives and meet corporate sponsors. For tickets, contact MHCC at (248) 208-9915.

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