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**Recall language gains approval** 

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City Hall: The Westland City Council will have two study sessions March 27:6 p.m. on the arena feasibility study, 7 p.m. on council procedure/site of meetings. Sessions will be held in council chambers, second floor of Westland City Hall, Ford near Carlson.

Sharon Scott, city councilwoman, is the target of a recall effort in Westland, following her vote to fire City Clerk Patricia Gibbons. The Wayne County Elections Commission approved the petition language Thursday.

#### BY DARRELL CLEM STAFT WRITER dclem@oe.homecomm.net

Elated recall organizers this weekend started circulating petitions calling for an election to oust Westland City Councilwoman Sharon Scott. A campaign to recall Scott officially.

began after the Wayne County Elections Commission approved petition language on Thursday. One recall leader, Brenda Gracin, predicted no snags in collecting the 5,401 signatures she said are needed

from registered city voters. "We're going to shoot for 7,000 signa-

tures," she said.

Recall supporters want to oust Scott, 60, for her role in the Jan. 18 firing of former City Clerk Patricia Gibbons.

commission ruling that she won't challenge the decision in Wayne County Circuit Court, although she had earlier threatened a legal battle.

"So far, I'm not going to do that," she said.

The petition language approved on Thursday simply states: "On Jan. 18, 2000, Sharon P. Scott voted to not reappoint the Westland city clerk."

Scott, who has defended her vote, vowed to campaign to keep her council seat if recall organizers succeed in getting the issue placed on a special election ballot.

Recall organizers will have 90 days

STAFF PROTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Scott indicated after the elections to collect their signatures. They lauded the commission's decision, which came after petition language had been denied in two earlier hearings in Detroit.

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"I think, finally, we got our justice down there," recall committee member Roger Caldwell, United Auto Workers Local 845 president, said. "Obviously, we're going to go forth wholeheartedly in collecting the signatures.

"I think the citizens of the city will sign those petitions," he said, "and Sharon's removal from office will go a long way toward bringing sanity back

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### TUESDAY

Guest speaker: Judge Maggie Drake will be the speaker 7:30 p.m. March 28 at a Westland Democratic Club meeting at 32715 Dorsey, Westland. She is a Wayne County Circuit Court judge. For directions or information, call (734) 422-5863.

### SATURDAY

Hippity hoppity: The Easter Bunny will arrive 11 a.m. April 1 at Westland Shopping Center. Children of all ages are invited to welcome the Easter Bunny in West Court (J.C. Penney) and enjoy an Easter Magic Show with Absolutely Baffling Bill. Photos will take place in East Court following the arrival and show. Photo hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Lines will be cut 15 minutes before closing time.



# Search yields adult materials

Police searched a Westland warehouse Wednesday and found what appeared to be a distribution point for adult bookstore materials, a sergeant said.

The search followed a lengthy investigation by Ypsilanti police that has resulted in several Michigan adult bookstores being closed for violating health or building codes.

None of the bookstores is in Westland.

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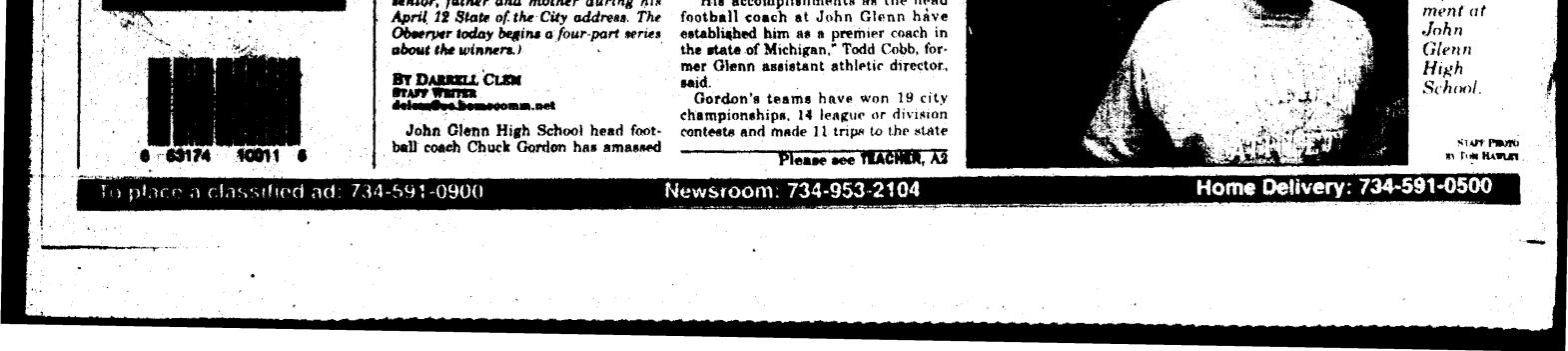
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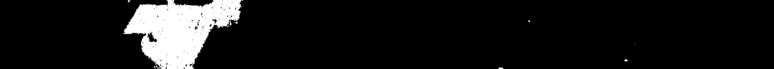
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Thanks, Bob! Westland Mayor Robert Thomas gives a tip for charity to Lori Brist, guest bartender at the Fire Academy in Westland.

# Chamber director lends a hand

ori Brist won't quit her day job, but bartending Wednesday evening at the Fire Academy in Westland was fun.

Brist is executive director of the Westland Chamber of Commerce. She was guest bartender Wednesday at the restaurant, with tips going to the Westland Firefighters' Public Awareness Fund.

"It was so much fun," she said Thursday morning. "It was fun to see everybody there." She appreciated the generosity of city officials, business people and residents who made donations.

"It was a great time," Brist said, adding she was tired when the fun was over. She estimated attendance at 60plus.

Other community leaders are scheduled to take stints as guest bartenders for charity at the Fire Academy.



Visiting: Lori Brist (center) talks with Mary Zurawski (left) and Marlene Werts, both of Westland, at the Fire Academy event.

# Police, business offer gun locks to promote safety

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

Hoping to prevent shootings, Westland police will soon offer free gun locks to local weapon owners.

"With all the situations happening recently with kids getting killed and kids killing kids, this is just a way to encourage people to put gun locks on

 their weapons," Police Chief Emery Price said.

The city has ordered 1,600 gun locks from Dick's Sporting Goods, which offered a discount.

"We're expecting them to come in any day," Price said Thursday. "Anyone who brings in a weapon to register will be given a gun lock, and anyone who lives in Westland and already has a

registered weapon can get one."

Gun owners will be able to get the protective locks at the Westland Police Department on Ford Road east of Newburgh.

Mayor Robert Thomas, announcing the program last week, said he is hoping for an enthusiastic response from gun owners

"Hopefully we'll get these (locks) in

most every home and on most every gun," he said.

The city has shelled out \$4,500 to buy the safety locks, Price said.

- "We had talked about doing this for: several months," he said.
- Like many cities, Westland has had its share of accidental shootings.

The latest occurred on Feb. 11, when

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# Teacher of the Year has winning record in life

Westland's top teacher, high school senior, father and mother during his

(Mayor Robert Thomas will honor a 177-54 winning record in 23 years of leading the Rockets.

"His accomplishments as the head



**Teacher:** Veteran educator Chuck Gordon chairs the physical education depart-

### POLIC

The search occurred on Commerce Drive in a Westland industrial park northwest of Ford and Hix roads.

"It basically is a warehouse which stores materials that I'm going to say are of a nature that could be considered adult," Westland police Sgt. Timothy Abramski said.

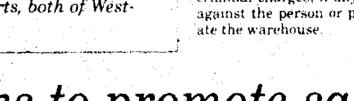
Police found adult magazines, videos and other materials

"It appears to be a place that ships these items out to various bookstores or adult bookstores - in Michigan and maybe the United States," Abramski said.

Ypsilanti police searched the warehouse with assistance from the Metro Street Enforcement Team, which includes officers from Westland, Garden City, Wayne and Inkster.

"There was no one at the location. but it was evident that it was a warehouse for (adult materials ranging from) movies to magazines to, let's say. aids of a sexual nature," Abramski said.

It wasn't clear late last week what criminal charges, if any, will be sought against the person or people who operate the warehouse



# Teacher from page A1

All that saide, Gordon happens to be an "outstanding" Glenn teacher of 27 years who chairs his school's physical education pertment, Cobb said.

New. Gordon has reached a career landmark by being named Westland Teacher of the Year in Mayor Robert Thomas' sixth annual Salute to Excellence progreno.

Gordon will be honored during the mayor's State of the City address at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road. The publie is invited; a social hour will start at 6 p.m.

Gordon was selected top teacher by a committee that reviewed 163 nominations.

"I was shocked because it's not something that's a realistic goal. It's not something you plan for," Gordon said. "When it occurred, I was really surprised. It makes me feel good and proud, but I'm

also humbled by it because there are a lot of great teachers in this (Glenn) building and a lot of great teachers in this (Wayne-Westland) district."

Gordon was inducted in 1996 into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame.

"In his 27 years as a staff member at John Glenn. Chuck Gordon has touched the lives of countless individuals," Cobb wrote in his nomination of Gordon as Teacher of the Year. "His positive impact on this community is undeniable."

Gordon cited two reasons why he considers his job rewarding.

"One of the rewarding things is that you see kids have successes on a daily basis, and they get some confidence in what they're doing," he said. "The other rewarding thing occurs after they've left high school, and they come back or you hear about them, and they're successful people with good families doing

something good to make society a little bit better."

Gordon and his wife, Joyce, have two daughters of their own: Jill, a 24-year-old math teacher at North Farmington High School, and Dorrie, a 21-year-old Wayne State University student. Gordon has a philosophy he

tries to impart to his students. "Being successful is really

nothing more than doing your best each day," he said. "Be the best you can be each day and don't compare yourself to others, because what might be successful for one person might not work for you. Just be the best you can be."

Gordon is proud he has worked for Wayne-Westland for more than half his life.

"Our district gets knocked from time to time, but I'm a big fan of Wayne-Westland schools, he said "My daughters went here, and they got a great education. This district has been very

a 16-year-old Westland boy survived a shotgun blast to his chest after his mother accidentally fired while trying to break up a father-son dispute, police said.

Safety from page A1

The mother had never handled a gun and made a miscalculated attempt to try to defuse an argument that erupted over a profane music CD, police Lt. Marc Stobbe has said.

The mother now faces trial for carelessly discharging a firearm and causing an injury. She could face a two-year jail term and a \$2,000 fine if convicted.

Such situations could possibly be averted if weapon owners would use gun locks, the mayor said.

But he said children account for one of the most glaring reasons for making guns safer.

"Children are mischievous and mysterious They pick up a gun that doesn't have a lock on it, and that's where we have a prob-

Gun locks help "the child who

show it to friends." Thomas said he hopes the city's gun lock program will grow in popularity, much like a safety-

nicks up a gun and really doesn't

know what it is ... or the kid who

decides to take a gun to school or

that provides smoke detectors and batteries to senior citizens.

related fire department program

"I think it will probably save some lives in the future," he said.

# Internet dangers topic of talk

BY LARRY O'CONNOR STAFF WRITER loconnor@oe.homecomm.net

The Internet is either:

1) A vast resource of information and insight; or 2) a foreboding, dangerous place where children, in particular, should tread

#### carefully.

lem," Thomas said.

Livonia librarian Barbara Lewis and legislative spokeswoman Sylvia Warner will likely agree to both descriptions, Where they differ is on how to police the Net.

On Thursday, Lewis and Warner shared their views before Suburban Republican Women's Club members at the Pick-A-Bone Rib House in Livonia.

Warner, who is press secretary to state Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, outlined legislative measures to curb cyber porn and online predators. Rogers, a former FBI agent, is sponsoring bills - two that have already

become laws - dealing with Internet crime.

"He believes the Internet is a wonderful tool, but this is a new frontier," said Warner about her boss, who is the Senate majority floor leader. "It's also like the Wild West. Criminals are finding it a great place to do their dirty deeds."

Those deeds have been wellpublicized, including one involving a Westland man who is charged with sexually assaulting a 14-year-old Livonia boy.

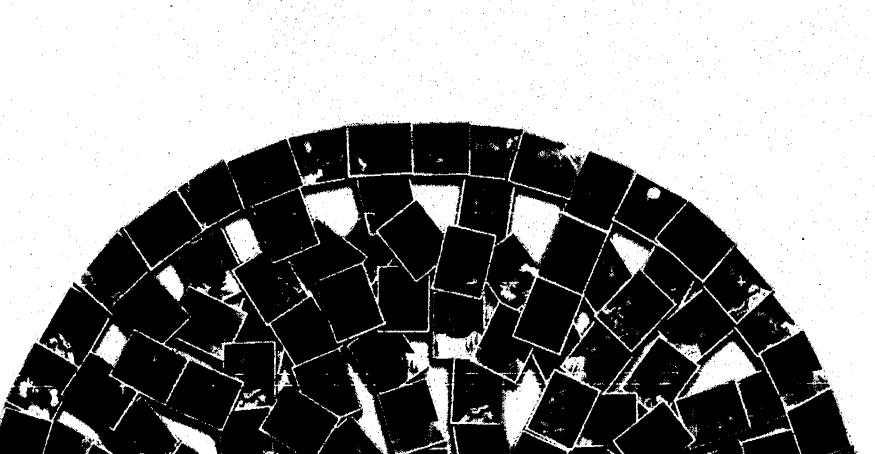
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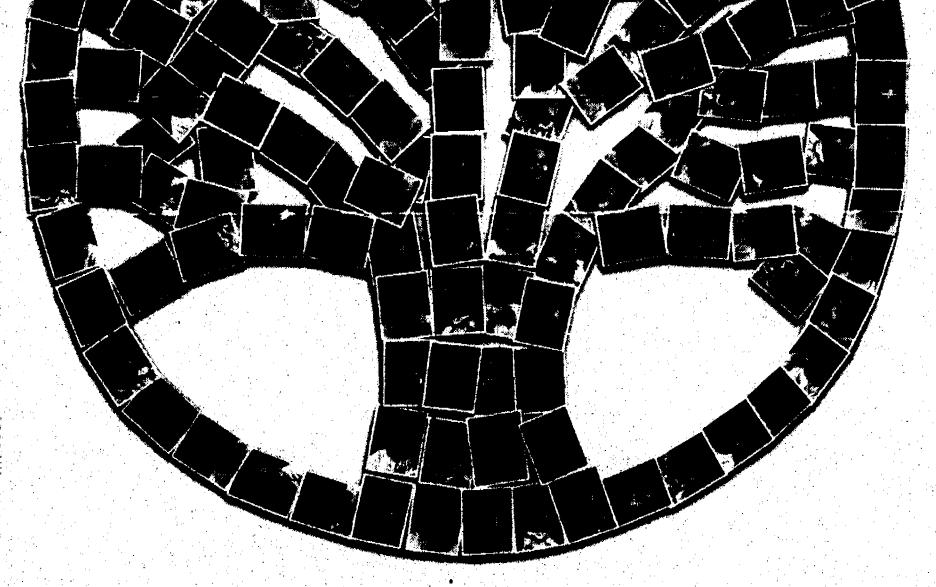
In a recent demonstration for state capital media, a police offi-

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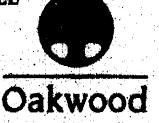






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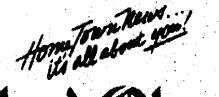
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In reverse: Arthie Atwett, 13, (front) and Bridget Hintz, 11, work on the backstroke.

Heed her advice: Swim coach Monica Drennen talks with some of the swimmers. Most of the young swimmers hail from Westland or Garden City.





Moving right along: Swimmer Robert Bolish, 14, gets in some practice.

STAFF PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL

# Young swimmers take to the water

#### BY LEANNE ROGERS STAFF WRITER Irogers@ce.homecomm.net

t's a blur of arms and legs splashing through the water as members of the Hurricane Swim Club hold their thrice-weekly practices.

Participants in the Wayne-Monroe Swim League weekly competitions, the club has about 50 members ranging in age from 5 to 17 - nearly all are Garden City or Westland residents.

"I like the meets to be able to compete. I just started this year. It's fun," said Westland resident Bridget Hintz, 11. "Before, I swam at the beach. My neighbor has a pool and I go there a lot."

Participating in relay and individual events, Bridget said she likes swimming the freestyle best.

and expanded with additional strokes.

"We want the kids. so they aren't afraid of the water. In the summer, we will do some (basic swimming) instruction." said Hurricanes coach Monica Drennen, who has run the club since it was started six years ago through the Westland Parks and Recreation Department.

Employed as a paraprofessional at Stevenson Middle School and serving as track coach, Drennen has four children – three of whom swim with the Hurricanes Her eldest daughter. Jennifer, helps coach the younger children.

In her third season with the Hurricanes. Westland resident Whitney Sonak said she's enjoyed the swimming and plans to swim competitively when she gets to high school.

"I like the coach (Drennen), she's nice She'll be our track coach and I'll go out for that," said Whitney, 11, who attends Stevenson Middle School. Garden City resident Jay Newcomb's two children, Elizabeth, 13, and Ben, 10, have been swimming with the Hurricanes for

three years.

"We thought it was important for the kidsto know how to swim well; we have a backyard pool." said Newcomb. "This is structured, but not overly. They have team scores at the meets, so it's not so competitive that kids get all upset if they don't win."

Another thing Newcomb likes about the Hurricanes program is that both boys and girls participate in different age groups.

"That way we don't have to go to multiple events." he said

When the Hurricanes are hosts for swim meets, parents are tapped to help out with timing races, concessions and other activities.

"It's really fun to see the little kids swim." Newcomb said.

Many of the older boys swimming with the Hurricanes swam competitively for Garden City High School during the recent prep season Several of the younger swimmers hope to compete for their schools in the future For information about the Hurricanes, call Drennen at (734) 728-7558.



The club has three seasons each year -September through December, January through April and March through Aug. 1 Usually, the kids joining the club will have some swimming skills which can be honed

True to their school



PHOTO BY AMIE M. GRAY

**Memories:** A portrait of current Wayne-Westland Junior Miss Brooke Robertson was dedicated recently at John Glenn High School. Included here are (left to right) Greg Baracy, school superintendent, Robertson, Glenn Principal Neil Thomas (back), Patricia Hermatz of Junior Miss, first runner-up Melissa Jennings and Ed Turner of Junior Miss, also a school board member. The portrait was donated by Allen Brooks Studio of Westland. The young women competed this weekend in Alpena for the state title.

# Retirement send-off scheduled for outgoing senior director

Westland senior citizens are preparing to give senior resources director Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek a warm send-off when she retires April 14, ending a 23-year city career.

A retirement open house is scheduled for noon to 4 p.m. Friday, April 14, at the senior Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, which Kozorosky Wiacek helped build into a center that has captured state and national awards.

The open house will "celebrate her years of ser-

visor Barbara Marcum said in a press release announcing the event.

A \$5-per-person "donation" is requested to help defray costs. Seniors may sign up at the Friend ship Center's front desk, by mail or through their various clubs

Marcum has asked seniors to respond by Friday April 7, noting that Kozorosky Wiacek's celebration "will not be complete without all those she has baland over the ware."

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### **OBITUARIES**

#### SARAH A. MCKEE

Services for Sarah McKee, 84, of Westland were March 13 in **First United Methodist Church** with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Jerry Smith.

Mrs. McKee was born Sept. 24, 1915, and died March 10 in Wayne. She was a homemaker. Surviving are her husband, Elmer; sisters, Bertha, Alice, Irdne, Darlene and Myrtle; special cousins, Margaret Osborne, Grace George and Georgia McKee; several nieces and

nephews. Mrs. McKee was preceded in

death by her brother, Donald, and sisters, Evelyn and Elizabeth.

Arrangements were made by Uht Funeral Home.

#### ALICE H. TOTH

Services for Alice Toth, 71, of Wayne were March 20 in American Hungarian Reformed Church, Allen Park, with burial at Woodmere Cemetery in Detroit. Officiating was the Rev. Keith Robinson.

Mrs. Toth was born Sept. 27. 1928, and died March 17 at her residence. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband Joseph; son, Brian Toth of Westland; daughter, Kathy (Patrick) Shifferd; brothers, Steve Angie and Martin Angie; sister, Emma Kantak; and two grandchildren. Memorials may be made to

Hospice of Michigan. Arrangements were made by

Uht Funeral Home.



Services for Katherine Jackson, 59, of Westland were March 22. in Uht Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Robert McDonald.

Mrs. Jackson was born Sept. 5, 1940, and died March 19 in Livonia. She was a cook.

Surviving are her husband, Link; daughter, Penny (Robin) Taketa: brothers. Bruce and Ronny; sisters, Mary Ellen Huston. Ruby and Marie: and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Jackson was preceded in death by her brother, Dave.

#### **GRACE B. BROWN**

Services for Grace Brown, 72, of Westland were March 22 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. **Officiating was Bishop Thomas** Jeffers.

Mrs. Brown was born April 27, 1927, and died March 18 at her residence. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, William; son, William (Michelle); daughter, Colleen Lloyd; brothers, John Tosh and LeRoy Tosh; sisters, Naomi Keller and Virginia Harper; and four grandchildren.

#### BETTIE J. PHILLIPS

Services for Bettie Phillips, 69 of Westland were March 22 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Roy Forsyth.

Mrs. Phillips was born Feb. 27. 1931, and died March 20 at her residence. She was a homemaker.



Surviving are her sons, James and Kenneth (Barbara); daughter, Carole (Chris) Hoelscher; 12 grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

#### ELMER LEE COTTINGHAM

Services for Elmer Cottingham, 79, of Wayne were March 6 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Knollwood Cemetery in Canton. Officiating was the Rev. Calvin Brown.

Mr. Cottingham was born March 11, 1920, and died March 2 at his residence. He was a custodian.

Surviving are his sons, Elmer Jr. (Carman) Cottingham and Robert (Lisa) Cottingham of Westland; daughters, Brenda (Carl) Pierson and Peggy (Leon) Foster; brother, Lawrence Clements; 13 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Cottingham was preceded in death by his wife, Emma; brothers, Glen Clements and Curt Clements; and sisters, Pearl Raines and Ora Cottingham.

#### KIMBERLY A. SAGONA HICKS

Services for Kimberly Hicks. 44, of Wayne were Feb. 23 in Uht Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Roy Forsyth. Mrs. Hicks was born Sept. 27. 1955, and died Feb. 21. She was a manicurist and hairdresser. Surviving are her husband,

David; son, Lawrence Sagona; mother, Jean Genette of Westland; brothers, Vincent and Mathew; and sister, Laura.

#### ANNIE L. JACKSON

Services for Annie Jackson, 71,

Funeral Home with burial at Knollwood Memorial Park in Canton. Officiating was Brother Fred Mayes. Mrs. Jackson was born Aug.

of Westland were Feb. 28 in Uht

16, 1928, and died Feb. 25 in Wayne. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, . Roy; son, Wayne (Janette) Jackson; daughters, Jane (Bill) Prazuch, Alice (Rick) Hubbard, Jackie (Loyd) Bone, Juanita (Larry) Dumont, Jeannie (John Holbrook) Greggi, Joni (Jack Wilburn) Stutzman and Jennifer (Tim Sullivan) Jackson; 12 grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.

Mrs. Jackson was preceded in death by her brother, Bill Turner, and sister, Ethel Wilson.

#### EVA DERWICH

Services for Eva Derwich, 83, of Livonia were March 25 in O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi with burial at Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi.

Mrs. Derwich was born in 1917 and died March 22 in Detroit.

Surviving are her son, Kenneth (Karen O'Dell); daughter. Joann (Steve) Charles: sisters. **Delphine Place and Rita Feld**man; five grandchildren, Scott, Jason, Kevin, Katherine and Keith; and great-grandson, Ian.

There are surviving family members residing in Westland.

Mrs. Derwich was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley. Memorials may be made to American Heart Association.

#### to Westland."

Scott and council colleagues Charles "Trav" Griffin, David Cox and David James have been angrily criticized for firing Gibbons, a 23-year city employee who served a 17-month stint as city clerk.

**Recall** from page A1

the council on Jan. 1.

tions among members.

ers me most."

former post.

"I've already said I'm not going

to run again," Scott said. "This is

absolutely ridiculous. The recall

people have so much hate, in

them. I think that's what both-

Gibbons' firing, approved in a

4-3 vote, fueled a council clash

that hurt already-strained rela-

7-0 Monday to promote Deputy

**Clerk Joann Seaberg to Gibbons** 

By contrast, the council voted

"I think the council will come

together a little more now," Scott

said. "That's going to be one of

my goals - to see if we can't keep

A section of the city charter

that deals with recalls doesn't

indicate how Scott's council post

However, another section indi-

cates that "if a vacancy occurs in

any elective office, then the

council by a majority vote of its

members shall fill such vacancy

Scott said it's possible the recall

group - if successful at ousting

her - could be disappointed with

Scott has been widely rumored

as a potential Democratic candi-

date for the 18th District state

House seat being vacated this

year by Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-

Westland. Scott said she still

hasn't decided whether to enter

her chosen successor.

would be filled if she is ousted.

this city from falling apart."

Recall organizers also have vowed to oust Griffin, Cox and James, but the trio started new council terms Jan. 1 and are protected by state law for their first six months in office.

"We're going to concentrate on Sharon now, but we are looking forward to when we can file a petition against the other three," Gracin said Thursday.

"We're very happy," she said of the elections commission ruling. "Now we just want to get busy and get the signatures. We will celebrate when we recall Sharon."

**Recall supporters on Saturday** evening planned to hold a meeting to map out their recall strategy. They named voting precinct captains to help steer the effort.

Gracin said citizens who want information about the recall may contact her by calling (734) 729-2805 or by e-mailing the group at CitizenPower@aol.com.

Scott questioned why the recall group would work so hard to oust her when she has already announced that she won't seek re-election when her council term expires Dec. 31, 2001.

She started her ninth year on the race.

A section of the city charter that deals with recalls doesn't indicate how Scott's council post would be filled if she is ousted.

not a catch-all, Lewis said.

are shooting at a moving target,"

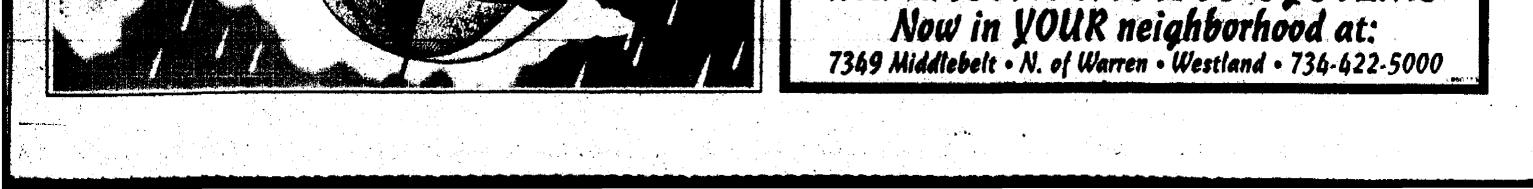
"We don't want parents to have a false sense of security that filtering software will protect their children from all

The Internet and its more unsavory aspects are not likely to disappear.

There are an estimated 900,000 porn sites, which are increasingly outside law enforcement's grasp. Such sites are proliferating in Russia, Eastern Europe and Asia, Warner said. Such operators are unscrupulous when it comes to catching unsuspecting surfers

One sexually explicit site even uses "whitehouse" in its Web site address to lure those looking for the government site.

That led one GOP woman to joke, "We've seen it for the last seven years.



# Katz quits as airport director with no regrets

#### BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER. rpearl@oc.homecomm.net

David Katz, who announced his decision Wednesday to resign May I as Wayne County airports director, said Friday he feels good about what he's done at Metro Airport and has no regrets about his two-year tenure.

"I sleep well at night," said the 41-year-old Katz, who began his near-16-year political career as an administrative assistant to then-Livonia Mayor Ed McNamara and followed McNamara into county government when the latter became the county's chief executive officer in the mid-1980s.

Katz, a Livonia Stevenson High School graduate with a degree from the University of Michigan, was McNamara's chief of staff before the county CEO appointed him airports director two years ago and told him to "clean things up over there."

"I've honored the position and behaved in a professional manner," Katz said of his directorship during a cellphone interview Friday with the Observer as he headed north to visit his ailing grandmother.

"Everything I did, I did upfront," he said.

He said he has an idea who will succeed him but deferred to McNamara for the announcement:

The new director will be announced in the "next couple of weeks," said June West, McNamara's press secretary on Friday, saying the position has not as yet been accepted. "It's still a little early."

Critics call for more experience

#### **Managing partner**

Katz said he will "be around until May 1" if his successor so desires and then will go to work as managing partner in Mulligan's Golf Learning Centers in Auburn Hills and South Lyon.

Katz is partners with McNamara, Deputy Detroit Mayor Freman Hendrix and three others in the venture, which offers golf lessons, a driving range and miniature golf:

Serving as airports director has been "a great challenge," he said. "I worked as hard as I possibly knew how to make cus-

tomer service the core value" at Metro.

"It was a tough job," he said of the position. "There are a lot of things out of your control, but you have to soldier on. I felt good about the approach I took, the tasks and the challenges."

Metro, which is building a new. 70-plus gate midfield terminal for its hub airline. Northwest, and will then remodel the existing terminals, "is poised for greatness," Katz said, adding "more so for Ed McNamara than for Dave Katz."

"Of 325 construction" projects relating to the midfield terminal,

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"285 are completed," he said, mentioning road and bridge construction as well as new runways and the terminal itself.

#### 'Out of the ground'

"You can see the steel coming out of the ground finally," Katz said, and, "it is his (McNamara's) vision that we have been following. It's taken three airports directors," he added joking-

"The only regret that I have is" that I didn't get the chance to finish that for him," Katz said. "It's funny how timing works. But this is a business."

Asked about Northwest Airlines' dominance as a hindrance to competitive airline service, Katz said "the opportunity is there" for new competition.

"Once Northwest switches, there's a lot of capacity for other carriers to come" and either open. at Metro or expand existing services, he said.

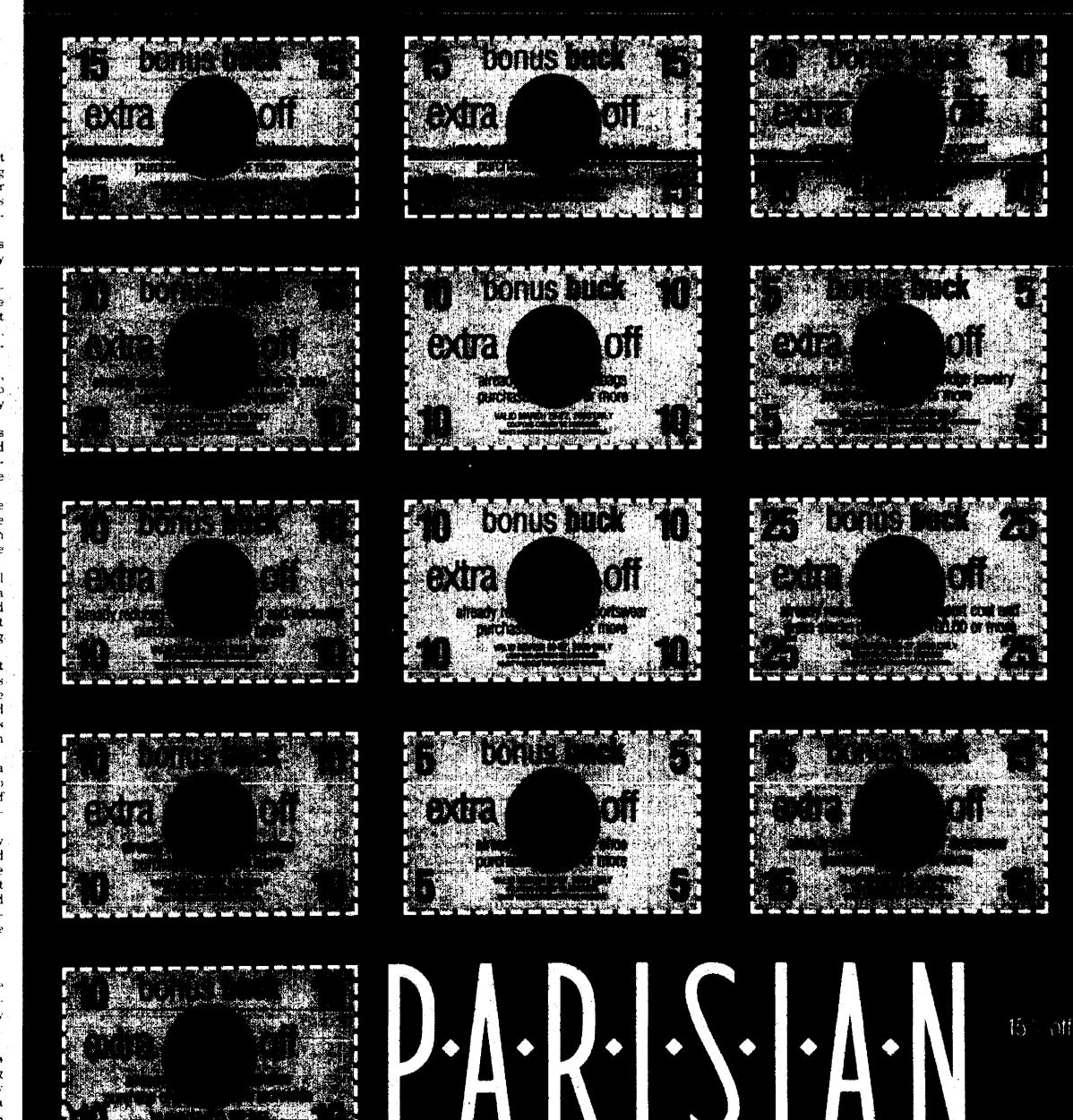
Noting statistics showing 55 percent of Metro's customers fly into or out of Metro on carriers other than Northwest, Katz said, "The real hope is that other carriers will add" passenger gates.

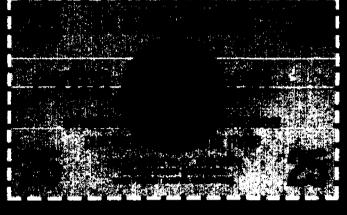
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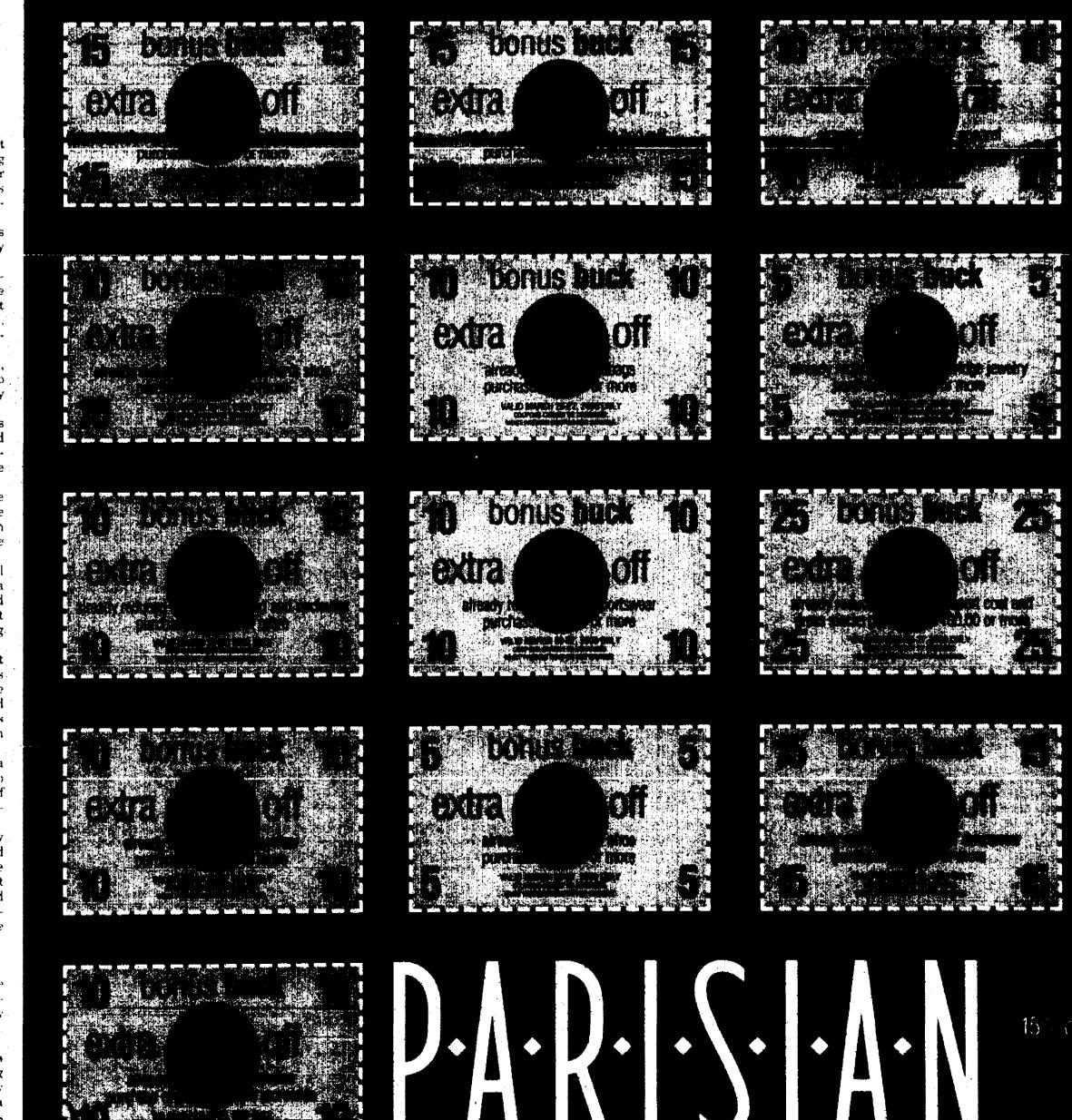
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David Katz's announcement Wednesday that he is resigning May 1 as Wayne County director of airports evoked surprise plus calls for a more experienced successor.

Katz was appointed airports director two years ago by County Executive Ed McNamara.

State Sen. Glenn Steil, R-Grand Rapids, whose committee is investigating alleged contract irregularities at Metro Airport. was among those expressing surprise.

"I like David Katz," Steil said, describing the 41-year-old who grew up in Livonia as "a very bright, energetic young man."

But, noting Katz's statements that issues being investigated preceded his tenure, Steil countered, "It's not all (as) lily-white as he made it out to be."

Steil's committee earlier in the week got the first of what are expected to be seven reports on Metro operations from state auditors.

He said the committee's legal counsel is "going over it with a fine-toothed comb" and added that there are "some areas that definitely need" more examining and explaining.

He acknowledged "there's a lot of pressure" in being airports. director but expressed surprise at reports of Katz's alleged "moonlighting" at the Mulligan's Golf Learning Centers in Auburn Hills and South Lyon.

"It's amazing to me that with a \$131,600-a-year job, he'd need to be moonlighting," Steil said of Katz, who is to become managing partner of the business.

Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey said it was best Katz resigned now because "it's reaching the time when the whole thing" at Metro Airport - the Midfield Terminal and other related construction projects - "has to be orchestrated."

#### **Right time**

"To have waited would have complicated the thing. The complexity of the project is only going to increase day to day. This is the time to do it.

Kirksey described Kats as "a very sharp, very able young man" who "has been in a very difficult assignment. Metro is a very complex operation that's heavily steeped with frastmation

"Dave is a young man with a young child at home and with

other interests," Kirksey said He called Katz's move "a good

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# Essay contest planned

The Westland city attorney's office is holding its fifth annual Law Day Essay Contest. This year's topic is "Should youth access to the Internet and mass media be restricted?"

Entries will be judged on the basis of composition and originality. The contest is open to all ninth- through 12th-graders at John Glenn High School enrolled in a civics class.

Entries should be typed, dou-

ble-spaced, and be a minimum of two to a maximum of three standard pages. Entries should include the contestant's name, home address, home phone number, name of civics teacher and should be submitted to Thomas Buckalew, John Glenn High School, by 3 p.m. Thursday, April 20.

The award will be presented at the Monday, May 1, Westland City Council meeting.



### **Rolling along**

Sign of spring: Christina Nastev, 5, (center) of Garden City waited all winter to try to learn to roller skate. This past week, the youngster had the opportunity to give it a try, wearing her pink Barbie roller skates with the help of her mother, Tamara Nastev, (right) and her friend, Tim Smola, (left) of Garden City at Central City Park in Westland.

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

#### CITY OF GARDEN CITY CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 3, 2000

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG), that a public hearing will be held by the City of Garden City, City Council at 7:30 p.m., April 3, 3000 at City Hall, Council Chambers, 6000 Middlebelt, Garden City, Michigan 48135.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the purpose of the public hearing is to hear and consider public comments regarding the expenditures of a Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEGB).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the expenditures document may be examined at the City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135 during regular office hours until the date of the Public Hearing. Written comments may be sent to the above address.

> ALLYSON M. BETTIS Treasurer/City Clerk

Posted: March 23, 2000

Publish: March 28, 2000

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

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

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

ANGELO A. PLAKAS AND ASSOCIATES, P.C. Angelo A. Plakas (P 18934) Mark A. McConnell (P 48434) Attorneys for Plaintiff 35330 Nankin Boulevard, Suite 702 Westland, MI 48185 (734) 421-5510



#### CITY OF GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PHASE IV REROOFING AT VARIOUS GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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The Garden City Board of Education requests sealed bid proposals for Phase IV Reroofing at various schools in the School District of Garden City.

Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after Monday, March 20, 2000. Examination may be made at the Office of the Architect, TMP Associates, 1191 W. Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302; the F. W. Dodge Corp. Plan room, Southfield, MI; the Der Plan Room, Madison Heights, MI or the Construction Assoc. of MI., Bloomfield Hills, MI.

Qualified Invited Bidders, may obtain bidding documents from the Office of the Architect, consisting of 1 set of Drawings and Specifications.

Bid proposals shall be on forms furnished by the Architect, accompanied by a satisfactory Bid Bond or Certified Check for 5% of the Base Bid Sum maximum possible amount.

Bidder shall agree not to withdraw Bid Proposal for 60 days after receipt of bid.

The right to reject any or all Bid Proposals, either in whole or part, or to waive any informality therein is reserved by the Owner.

Bid Proposals will be received until the time and place as follows, where and when the opening of bid proposals will be conducted by the Owner April 4, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. - EST at Garden City Board Office, Garden City Public Schools, 1333 Radcliff, Garden City, MI 48135. Attn: Gary Marchel Publish March 26 and 30, 2000

#### OBDER 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: <u>FEB</u> 16 2000\_ PRESENT: HON: <u>HONORABLE DAPHNE MEAN CURTIS</u> 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. -AND-

#### 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 Verified Motion of Plaintiff, and the Affidavit

Upon consideration of the Verified 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 herein because their present whereabouts 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 umble to assortain the Defendants' residence either within or without the State of Michigan, and it further appearing that personal service of the Summons 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 publication is the best means available to apprice Defendants of the publication is the best means avail-

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, shall on or before the 14th day of April, 2000, serve an answer on Mark A. McConnell, attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 35390 Nankin Blvd., Suite 702, Westland, Mishigan, 48185, or take such other action as may be permitted by law. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against the Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published more a weak for three concentive weaks in the Westland Observer, a newpaper of general circulation hereby designated as most likely to give notice to the Defendent named above. Publication shall occur within the County of Wayne, State of Michigan.

TP IS FURTHER ORDERED shot the first publication of this Order be made within five (5) days from the date of entry of this Order; and that mailing a copy of this Order be dispensed with because Flaintiff cannot, with reasonable diligence, accertain a place where the Defendance would probably receive this matter transmitted by mail:

TEOLA P. HUNTER Wayne County Clerk

HONORABLE DAPHNE MEAN CURTIS CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

#### CITY OF GARDEN CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 13, 2000

#### PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:00 P.M.

Present were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek, Dodge, Lynch, Briscoe, and Gora. Absent none.

- Lennox Custom Homes, Planned Development. To hear and consider public comments on the proposed planned development for the rezoning of approximately five acres of R-1 to P-D for the location of 40 singlefamily attached condominium units. The vacant property is located between Dillon and Davey Court, and Dawson and Beechwood.
- Leroy Asher, attorney for the applicant, gave an overview of the Planned Development.
- Dennis Ostrowski, of Garden City, spoke in opposition referring to traffic problems.
- Debra Wise, of Garden City, spoke in opposition.
- Donald Byrd, of Garden City, spoke in opposition to the Planned Development.
- Claudia Bay, of Garden City, spoke in opposition to the Planned Development.
- Eleanor Ellis, of Garden City, spoke in opposition to the Planned Development.
- Herman Bersano, of Garden City, spoke in favor of the Planned Development.
- Tim Hickman, of Garden City, spoke in favor of the Planned Development.
- · John Santisu, of Garden City, spoke in favor of the Planned Development.

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

Present were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek, Dodge, Lynch, Briscoe, and Gora. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Kocsis, Treasurer/City Clerk Bettis, City Attorney Salomone, DPS Director Barnes, Community Center Supervisor McKarge, and Police Chief Harvey, and Deputy Treasurer Smith.

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

- Christine Kinny spoke regarding ordinance amendment.
- Ginny McDonald and Margaret Szedenits also spoke to the proposed amendment change.
- Herman Bersano, of Garden City, discuss K-mart negotiations, massage parlors and the Mid Town Drain.
- Item 03-00-070 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 28, 2000. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Item 62-00-071 Moved by Briscoe; supported by Gora: RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 6, 2000. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Item 03-09-271 Moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge: RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable of March 13, 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 SS-00.672 Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To call for a public hearing on April 3, 2000 at 7:00 p.m., in regard to Lennox Custom Homes - Planned Development. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Itam 25-27-27 Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To grant permission to the Shriners to solicit in Garden City, June 16th and 17th, 2000; subject to receipt of a valid held harmless agreement by each participant, AYES: Unanimous, ABSENT: None
- Item 68-00-075 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve

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

#### MENTAL DETABLISTICS AND DEVELOPMENT DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS, mental retardation is a condition which today affects more than 7 million American children and adults and their families; and
- WHEREAS, the most effective weapons for alleviation of the serious problems associated with mental retardation are public knowledge and understanding; and
- WHEREAS, the potential for citizens with mental retardation to function more independently and productively must be fostered; and
- WHEREAS, during the month of March, 140,000 members through 1,100

and fund-raising campaigns under private sector initiatives; and

- WHEREAS, The Arc of Western Wayne County is celebrating 46 years of service to families and individuals in this community, and
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Arc of Western Wayne County and City of Garden City, do hereby proclaim the period of March 2000, as Mental Retardation and Development Disabilities Awareness Month in the City of Garden City and urge that citizens of this community give full support toward enabling people with mental retardation and developmental disabilities to live productive lives and achieve their potential.
   AYES: Unanimous

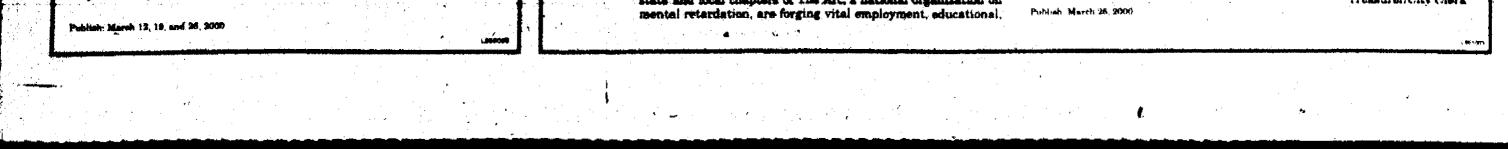
ABSENT: None

The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

- 1. Service Contract for Network Administrator.
- 2. Public Hearing for John Hauk Repaying.
- 3. Light Commercial Treadmill.
- 4. Detective Bureau Vebicles.
- Cherry Hill Resurfacing Project (Wayne Road to Merriman Road).
   Housing Rehab Case #7308.
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   Housing Rehab Case #0001.
- 8. 21st District Court Vehicle Purchase.
- 9. SEMCOG Annual Membership.
- Item 03-00-076 Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To award the RFP and approve execution of the contract for the City's Network Administration services to BPI Information Services, Inc. in the amount of \$37,500.00. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Item 03-00-077 Moved by Lynch; supported by Gora: RESOLVED; To call for a Public Hearing on the necessity for repaying of John Hauk for Monday, April 3, 2000, at 7:20 p.m. AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: None
- ◆ Item 03-00-076 Moved by Dodge; supported by Gora: RESOLVED: To reject bids and re-bid specification for a full commercial type treadmill based on the following: 1. The lowest responsible bidder did satisfy all the bid specifications listed but the treadmill is not adequate for our needs. 2. After visiting stores to test treadmills bids were received on it was decided that the light commercial treadmill will not fit our needs. It will not offer the endurance the full commercial treadmill will offer. 3. The full commercial treadmill is within budget. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT None
- Item 03-00-079 Moved by Kaledas, supported by Briscoe. RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of two (2) Detective Bureau vehicles from the State of Michigan Estended Purchasing Program in the amount of \$32,299.13. AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: None
- Item 03-90-080 Moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge: RESOLVED: To approve the cost agreement for the Cherry Hill Resurfacing Project and suthorize Mayor and Clerk to sign the agreement. AYES: Unanimous: ABSENT: None
- Itam 65-60-061 Moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek: RESOLVED: To award the bid for Housing Rehab Case #7308 (Electrical Work) to Kearns Brothers in the amount of \$1,450.00. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Liem 03-00-082 Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To sward the bid for Housing Rehab Case #7308 (Windows) to Nu-View Windows & Construction in the amount of \$2,490.00. AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: None
- Item 62-09-683 Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To award the bid for Housing Rehab Case #0001 to Final Touch Home Improvements in the amount of \$6,380.00. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Itam 61-09-084 RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of a Chevrolet Express 5-passenger van as a Work Release Program Vehicle from Buff Whelan Chevrolet, pursuant to Oakland County Contract, in the amount of \$16,902.70. AYES: Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacok, Lynch, Briscoe, and Gora. NAYS: Councilmember Dodge ABSENT: None. Motion passed.
- Item 03-00-095 Moved by Kaledas: supported by Gora: RESOLVED: To approve the SEMCOG Annual Membership in the amount of \$3,540.00.
   AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None
- Item 08-08-085 Mayed by Gora; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To request from the Planning Commission in their recommondation as to the ordinance change Subsection 161.183(Å) to allow a Planned Development on "any street". AYES: Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Lynch, and Gora. NAYS: Councilmembers Wiscelt, Dodge, and Briscos. ABSENT: None. Motion passed.

The meeting was then adjourned

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# Area hospitals provide emergency shelter for newborns

#### BY RENEE SECCLUND STAFF WRITER rakegtund@oe.

Against the backdrop of the emergency room of the Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane in Dearborn, representatives from the prosecutors offices of Wayne. Macomb, Monroe and Washtenaw counties unveiled a newprogram Wednesday that will allow mothers to leave their unwanted newborns at area emergency rooms without fear of prosecution.

Called "Safe Haven for Newborns," the program aims to save newborns from abandonment and death. Several metro Detroit hospitals - including the Henry Ford Health System, Garden City and the University of Michigan Hospital - will participate in the program.

At the state level, legislation has been introduced to grant immunity from prosecution to mothers who safely abandon their newborns within 72 hours at a hospital in the presence of a health-care or emergency medical services worker. No criminal charges will be filed in cases where the newborn was not deliberately harmed after birth.

The legislation allows the parent to anonymously leave medical information with the healthcare worker and grants the mother a 30-day window to

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reclaim her baby.

However, county prosecutors and participating hospitals are not waiting for the ink to dry on final legislation.

Oakwood Healthcare System

"We've got a problem. The prosecuting attorney's discretion is adequate to start a program for women who are so desperate," said George E. Ward, chief assistant prosecuting attorney for Wayne County. "These

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ble, to leave your infant to die, and we have an alternative."

Dr. Leland Ropp, an emergency room pediatrician at Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane. welcomed the program. "Seldom do you have a program that seems so right from the beginning. In an ideal world our babies would be loved and cared for. Unfortunately, it is not an

abandoned in the metro Detroit area. Just last week, a baby boy was found in a garbage bag outside a Detroit church. The problem may be on the rise.

"A forthcoming report by the U.S. Health and Human Services Department shows that 105 babies of 4 million born in 1998 were found abandoned in the United States, and 33 of those children were dead when discovered or died shortly afterward," said Rep. Patricia Lockwood (D-Fenton), one of the chief sponsors of the legislation, in a recent press release. Rep. Gilda Jacobs (D-Huntington Woods) is another sponsor.

The report also says authorities are concerned the problem will only get worse. The 1998 figures already show an increase over the 1991 numbers. In 1991, 65 infants were found abandoned, and of those eight were dead or died," Lockwood continued.

#### Procedures

The medical staffs approach to the mother is not intrusive. When she hands her newborn to someone in the emergency room. she is asked if there is any medical information about the baby she wants to share. The mother is thanked for leaving the baby in a safe place, and no further information is requested.

After a medical exam, the newborn is admitted to the hospital nursery as John or Jane Doe. An in-house supervisor then notifies a hospital social worker and the Family Independence Agency, which takes official custody and arranges for foster care after the newborn is medically cleared by the hospital.

The 30-day window in which a mother can change her mind is not automatic, said Ward. "It would be case by case." Also, the newborn is treated as a "true fondling" after it is taken into custody by the FIA, and a petition to terminate the rights of

the parents is then publicly publiebed.

But that does not automatically end the story. "Anyone can come in and oppose the petition." said Ward. The baby could end up with blood relatives.

Ward does not believe the program will promote irresponsibility, nor will it create more cases of abandoned babies. "It will help cases that already have been created." He hopes the program will eliminate a mother's fear of prosecution.

"If that's all it takes, we'll say you don't have to be afraid of ินธ."

Turn to the Health & Fitness page D4 to read about the risks newborns face when abandoned.

### Schoolcraft registers for spring

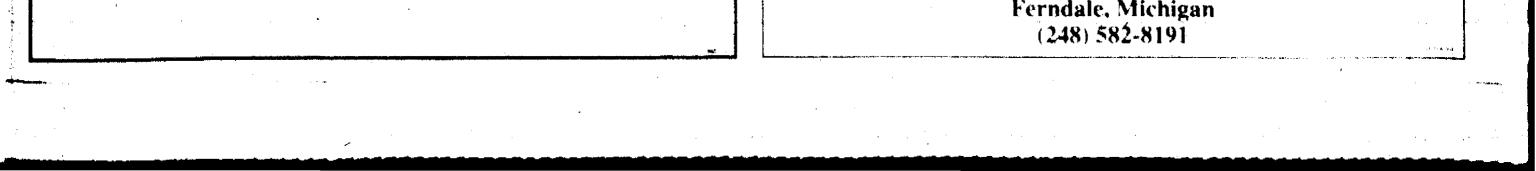
Schoolcraft College's spring term registration is taking place now through May 4, with classes beginning Monday, May 8.

Students can register in several ways: telephone (734) 462-4800 to sign up for classes through phone-in registration;

complete a mail-in registration form and send it to the Admissions Office until April 21: or register in person in room 200 of the McDowell Center May 1 - 4 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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decision. "I wish him well."

County Commission Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, and Commissioner Kathleen Husk, R-Redford Township, both said the next airport director should have the proper training for the job.

"We need to have someone who is experienced and can hit the ground running," said Husk.

"Our goal is to make Metro a world-class airport. It should not be training ground at this point," she said.

Beard, noting that Katz "worked very hard to spruce up the airport and make it more user-friendly for the traveling

public," hopes his successor will have "the necessary academic and technical training, as well as the actual experience in running an airport.

"It wasn't his fault" he didn't have the credentials for the job, said Beard. "He tried very hard. He made a difference out there. but that was not his field."

Commissioner John J. Sullivan, D-Romulus, said Katz has "been under the gun" and "seems to get attacked (and) blamed for things not his fault.

"The airport kind of runs on its own on a lot of things," he said, and "a lot of it doesn't get down to some levels."

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add flights and Southwest Airlines going from 40 flights a day to 70," he said.

The big corporations based in, or having facilities in, metropolitan Detroit make it "very, very enticing and I would predict you will see other carriers grow, and grow incrementally" - potentially by as much as 100 total new flights per day, he said.

As for the problems with the parking lot contracts not having been bid out in over 40 years, Katz said he is "still answering questions about something" done before he became director.

"There's no example of that ers have shown.

"I could see American Airlines happening in my watch," he said. "I know what I did the last two years. The record is there."

> Katz said his decision to take over the golf operations came while he was writing up a job description and realized "that is the job I wanted."

> Now that the Auburn Hills facility is up and running 12 months a year, "It's like a little baby that needs constant attention."

As for the "very emotional" period since his announcement, Katz said he's been "overwhelmed with the kindness" oth-

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Sullivan said Steil's report was "another slap in his (Katz's) face" and that it so far hadn't revealed anything new.

Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, who has known Katz since his college days, said that "None of these wrongdoings that everyone is upset about happened under David's watch. And the whole purpose of his being put in to clean up the airport was that McNamara wanted someone he trusted 110 percent." A source who spoke on condition of anonymity said it was understandable why McNamara, 'a top Democratic Party leader in Michigan, would blame Katz's resignation on Republican legislators.

But "anybody with any sense can take a look at all the critics (of Katz's appointment and problems at Metro) standing shoulder deep" and would realize that "to cite a small group in the state legislature is ridiculous."

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The Thompson-McCully Foundation has given Schoolcraft College a \$500,000 contribution to be used immediately for student scholarships leading to tuition and books.

The half-million-dollar gift from the foundation that was created by Robert and Ellen Thompson of Plymouth was announced at Thursday night's college board of trustees meeting by Norene Thomas, Schoolcraft director of marketing and development.

Thomas said the gift is "somewhat unique" in that the foundation specified the gift not be placed in a fund.

"They want to make a contribution to the under-served populations," Thomas said.

friend and supporter of Schoolcraft who will be this year's commencement speaker, is the former owner of Thompson-McCully, which was Michigan's largest asphalt-paving company when he sold it for \$461 million in. 1999 and then shared \$128 million with his employees.

S'craft receives \$500,000 gift

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Robert Thompson, a longtime, aires of 77 employees who had ao retirement plans.

> Thompson, who founded the company mith \$3,500 saved by Ellen, his wife of 46 years, paid the taxes on each of the milliondollar gifts by giving each person \$1,528,000.

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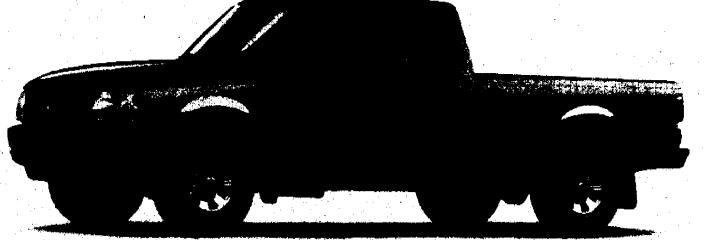
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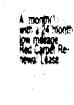
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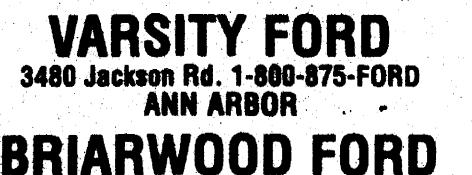
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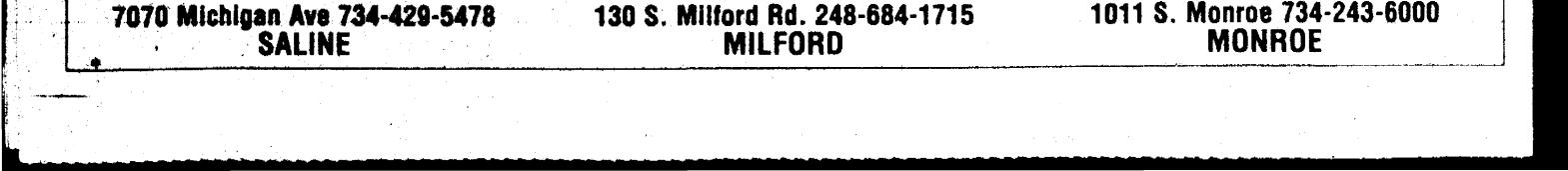
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### OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### **Dietrich is All-America**

Madonna University's Chris Dietrich, a senior, became the first Lady Crusader basketball player to earn NAIA All-American honors when she was given honorable mention status.

A 5-foot-8 guard, Dietrich started all 27 games for Madonna, averaging a team-best 15.3 points a game. She shot 40 percent from the field and 80 percent from the free-throw line, averaged 3.5 assists and 2.5 steals, and was third on the team in rebounds with four a game.

Dietrich finished her career ranked second all-time in scoring, assists and steals for Madonna.

### **Putnam All-Academic**

Madonna University senior forward Chad Putnam has been named an NAIA All-America Scholar-Athlete for the second straight year.

The Redford Thurston High product earned a 3.69 cumulative grade-point average as a History major in MU's Education program. To be named to the All-America team, a player must be at least a junior and have a 3.5 cumulative GPA or better.

Putnam, a co-captain for the Crusaders, started 31 of 32 games. He finished second in scoring (12.4 points per game).

He completed his MU career by appearing in more games than any player in school history.

#### Flames win tourney

The Livonia Pee Wee Flames defeated the Novi Jaguars, 2-1, to capture the Spring Thaw Tournament title March 19 at the Birch Run Sports Arena.

Team captain John Clancy led the Flames with 11 goals and two assists in five games. Other scoring leaders included Brian Louwers, four goals and four assists; Matthew Vincini, seven points; Ryan Burke, six points. Goaltender Alex Witte, named MVP, had a goals against average of 1.4. The defense also stood out led by assistant captain Tom Korch, Chris Zylik, Ricky Crowe, Sean Hostetter, Ricky Serlyo and Jacob Sheffer.





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Spring fever: Livonia Franklin high jumper Dave Painter (left) hopes to clear 6 feet this year, while Livonia Stevenson's Joe Ordus (top photo) returns in the long jump.

# **Chargers look to replace stalwart**

#### BY KURT KUBAN SPORTS WRITER

One of the biggest problems facing Livonia Churchill boys coach Rick Austin is how to deal with the loss of standout hurdler Ryan Kearney.

For three seasons Kearney was the backbone of Churchill's program, winning regional titles in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles in each of those seasons, as well as contributing in several other events.

Last year Kearney (now at Western Michigan) propelled Churchill to the Western Division crown in the Western Lakes Athletic Association, along with conference runner-up finish behind Walled Lake Central

Austin, who is in entering his fourth season as head coach, is expecting senior hurdler Brant Hauck to pick up the slack in Kearney's absence.

Last season, Hauck ran a 41.0 in the 300 hurdles, which ranked seventh among Observerland competi-

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"The distance crew is definitely our strength this year, and our sprinters will be much improved," said Austin.

From what he has seen in the first few weeks of practice, Austin is expecting big things from freshman sprinters Paul Perez, Leron Hairston and James Gale.

Freshman hurdler Derek Dodd has also caught Austin's eye.

"These freshman are going to help us tremendously," Austin said.

Feeling his biggest competition in the WLAA will come from Plymouth Canton, and the Walled Lake schools, Austin believes his team should be able to compete if everything falls into place.

"There is a lot of unproven talent on our team,"

"As far as our 1,600 relay, I think we can come close to replacing both guys (Hayes and Houstalakas)."

One 1,600 relay member will be senior Mike Schultz, who was a member of the Patriots 3.200 relay team that clocked a fifth-best area time of 8:24.3.

Another key returnee is senior Nate Hensman, who threw 47-3', in the shot put. He will be joined in the shot put and discus by senior Scott Tomasceski.

"We'll be better in the throws this year," Lee predicts.

Other senior returnees include Dennis Kusiak (hurdles), Dusty Hall (sprints), Dave Painter (high jump), Bill Nolan (400) Brian Bueler (800) and Rick Burnett (400).

Junior distance runners Brian Klotz and Steve Stewart will also be factors, along with junior sprinter Jeremy Bruckner. Newcomer John Moore, also a junior, will add depth in the sprints and 1,600 relay.

Other Flames include Denver Malenfant, Derek Swintek, Mike Horgan, Jason Dunn and Mike Rusaki.

The Flames, sponsored by SHS Inc., finished the season by winning the Thanksgiving City Sports Tourney and a runner-up finish in their Livonia Hockey Association division. They also advanced to the semifinals of the district tourney.

The Flames are coached by Vic Vicini, John Louwers, Dale Swintek and John Clancy. The team manager is Cecilla Zylik.

### **Predators finish 1st**

Tournament MVP Michael Brichler posted a pair of shutouts, including the first four attempts in a championship game shootout March 19 to lead the Livonia Pee Wee Predators past Mount Pleasant, 3-2, in the Chicago (III.) Extravaganza Weekend Tournament.

It was 2-2 after regulation as Keegan Malone and Chris Lantto had the Predator goals. Michael DuPuis, Lantto and Michael Barnett then scored in the shootout to wrap up a 4-0-1 weekend.

The Predators opened tourney play with a 0-0 tie against St. Peter's (Mo.) followed by a 5-2 win over a team from Flint as DuPuis and Malone had two goals apiece, while Michael Carpenter added the other. Barnett collected three assists.

The Predators also defeated Kirkwood (Mo.), 8-0, on two goals each by Lantoe, DuPuis and Malone. Matt Luzaich and Dan Reckling had the other goals.

In the semifinals, Lantto and DuPuis had third-period goals in a 2-1 victory over St. Peter's.

Other members of the Predators, who finished 18-18-4 this season. include: Patrick Reckling, Justin Oblak, Joe Bermudez, Jeff Elberling, Chris Davis, Michael Bay, Matt Antrobium and Kirk Becker.

The Predictors are coached by Dave Elberling, Dar Becker, Eric Elberling. Bruce Lastto, Mille Dansich and Art Reckling. The tests manager is Jan Lantto. The team is sponsored by B&R Sales and Service:

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ers this season.

"Hauck really wants to step out of Kearney's shadow," Austin said. "He's running much quicker than he did last season."

Austin also points to his group of distance runners to be major scorers for the team.

First among the group is senior Jason Richmond, who finished second at the conference meet in the 3,200.

"Jason is looking to finish at the top of the conference this season," Austin said. "He has been working hard in the officiation. I believe he will be use of the top distance guys in the entire area."

Other top distance runners include junior Aaron Whitworth, and sophomores Ryan Gall and Jean Harris.

Another big point getter for the Trojans will be senior shot put and discus thrower Mike Gaura.

As a shot putter last season Gaura finished third in the WLAA, and his throw of 49 feet, 5 inches was fourth best in Observerland.

Austin says Gaura has looked good in early practice sessions, and is on pace to achieve his goal of breaking the school record.

"Mike has improved his strength and foot quickness in the off-season, which should help him as he shouts for the record," Austin said.

Austin also believes he has a good crop of sprinters, which includes senior Paul Karolak, and juniors Eiji Takizawa and Eric Scott.

Scott is also a solid long jumper, finishing fourth at the regional and third at the league meet. Last season his jump of 21-3 (second in Observerland) set a school record.

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tors. He should be one of the top scorers for the Charg- Austin said. "To be successful we are going to have to focus.

> "Time will tell. Our goals remain the same, though. All we want is the opportunity to compete for the division and conference titles."

#### Livonia Franklin

Patriot coach Dale Lee was hit hard by graduationlosses, but there are some talented returnees.

"We lost a lot, but we didn't lose it all," Lee said. "We're a little better than I think this year although we've got some holes and maybe not the depth other activola marc."

Franklin will miss distance runner Josh Burt, who clocked a 4:25.5 in the 1,600 and 10:03.8 in the 3,200. Burt is now at Wayne State.

Also gone is Pat Hayes, who set a school record in the 110 hurdles (14.4) and ranked high in the area in the 300 intermediate hurdles (40.3).

"You don't replace a Burt or Hayes easily," said Lee, who has over 60 athletes out this spring.

Other notable losses include pole vaulter Ryan Shiplett (13-0), sprinter Cory Harris (23.2 in the 200), hurdler John Turner (15.1 in the 110 highs) and Nick Houstalakas (1,600 relay).

Franklin's 1,600 relay team was best in the area last year at 3:27.6).

Two members of that foursome return including 6foot-5 senior Kevin Schneider, who clocked a 50.6 in the 400, second best in the area. Teammate Ryan

"Kevin will run the 200, too," Lee said. "We'd like to-

see him eye that school record (of 48.4 by Mike Jinnett) in the 400.

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#### Livonia Stevenson

The Spartans have 107 out this spring, including 29 freshmen.

"We're getting there," Stevenson coach John Gores said. "Last year we took a step up and this year the maturity and experience will help out.

"Walled Lake Central is a good team in our division, but this year we hope it's us. Things have to go our way, but I think we're certainly capable."

The Spartans lost six key performers to graduation - Dustin Willim (156-1 in the discus); Kurt Pfankuch (135-7 in the discus); Mike Baskin (11-0 in the pole vault); Matt Freeborn (51.0 in the 400); Joe Verellen (2:02.7 in the 800, 4:30.1 in the 1.600 and 9:48.4 in the 3,200); and Eric Bohn (9:51.3 in the 3,200).

Among the top returnees are seniors Mike Lenardon (11.2 in the 100); Steve Kecskemeti (2:01.8 in the 800); and Brian Jones (14.8 in the 110 hurdles and 40.8 in the 300 hurdles).

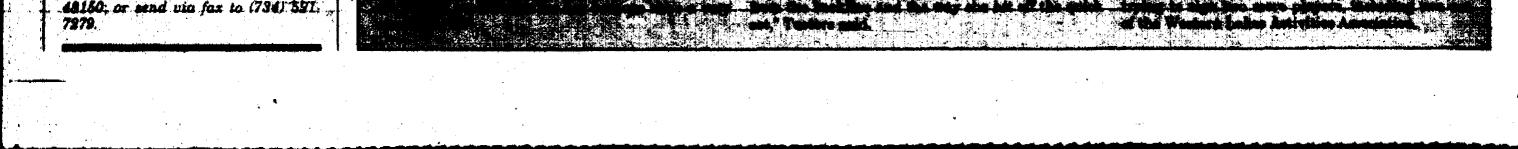
Distance will be a strong suit led by seniors Matt Isner, Brad Carroll and German exchange student Frank Schneider, along with junior Eric Mink. Sophomore Dave Novara will run anything between the 200 and 800.

Top sprinters include sophomores Dan Howery and Joe Lubinski

Meanwhile, senior Joe Ordus returns in the long jump, while senior Brad Arsenault and junior Steve Burke will lead the way in the discus and shot put.

"We may not have the front guy, but we have solid guys in all events," Gores said. "Maybe we need some: depth in the field events."

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# Whalers turn back Knights

It was a loss, but it didn't mean a whole lot.

The London Knights popped in four first-period goals Friday night and rode the onalaught to s 5-1 victory over the Plymouth Whalers in an Ontario Hockey Loogue geme.

The Whalers had already assured themselves of having the best overall record in the OHL, giving them home-ice advantage through every playoff round.

Coach Peter DeBoer thus decided to rest his mainstay players for Saturday night's playoff opener. (Results of Plymouth's first three post-season games will appear in Thursday's Observer.)

The Whalers scored their only goal in the second period. Captain Randy Fitzgerald scored at 14:01, assisted by Stephen Weiss and Jonathan Billy.

Plymouth held a whopping 43-19 edge in shots on goal but London made the most of its fewer opportunities. Bill Ruggiero played goal for the Whalers.

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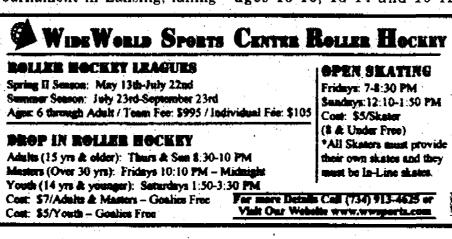
#### BUCKS JV HOOP CHAMPIONS

The Bucks, a junior varsity basketball team in the Livonia Junior Athletic League, recently finished the season with a 10-0 record.

Members of the Bucks. coached by John Belczak and Bob York, include Jeff Belczak, Matt Bilger, Richard Brown, Bill Casey, Chad Casey, Brian Chandler, Mike cieslak, Anthony Franchina, Brice Gasser, Chris Harding, Ian Kovich, Matt Rzepka, Ricky Roman, Ben Schroeder and Alex York.

#### LIGHTNING RUNNER-UP

The Livonia Lightning, an 10and-under girls AAU basketball team, recently finished runnerup in the St. Patrick's Aim High Tournament in Lansing, falling ages 15-16, 13-14 and 10-12.



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Pre-registration fee (Before March 28) is \$16. Race day registration (at Running Fit) is \$20.

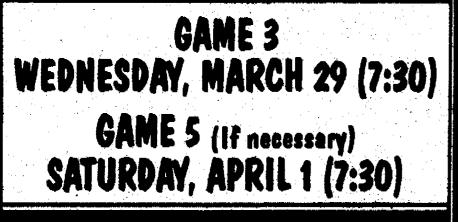
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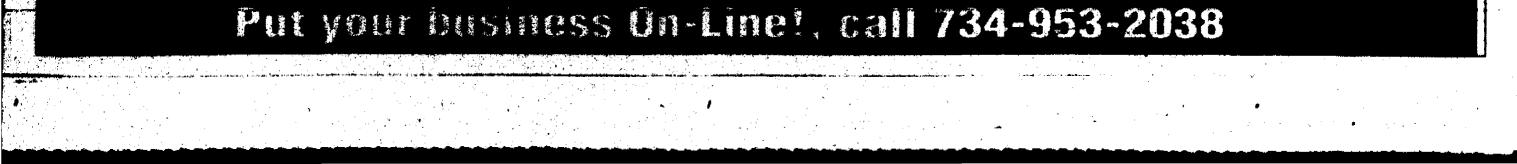
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# Boys track previews from page B1

#### Westland John Glenn

Rocket head coach Jess Shough is still trying to recover from a disastrous season that saw the team go winless in dual meets last year.

As far as he is concerned, the team has nowhere to go but up.

"We still look at this season as a rebuilding year," he said. "Last season was a disaster, especially for me. It was the worst year in my memory. So I'm looking for a lot of improvement."

As is the case at Wayne Memorial, Glenn will be helped this year by the fact that the Wayne-Westland school district reinstituted sports, including track, at the middle school level last year.

The most noticeable result of this so far has been the big increase in roster numbers at both schools.

Shough, who has been the head coach since 1991, has 60 members on his squad, which is up from just 35 last season.

· "We have a lot of young talent again, but most of these kids still need to be taught the basics.' Shough said.

The Rockets do have some key returnees, including senior pole vaulters Joe Riley, David Teets and Brandon Trigg.

Other important field event competitors will be discuss and shot put throwers James Doherty (a senior), Nick Samples (a junior), and sophomore Bennie Oliphant, who is also a sprinter.

Having already cleared 6-0. junior high jumper Darnell Dorris should be a strong scorer for the Rockets. Junior jumper Pierre Hill will also contribute:

Glenn's most notable sprinter is junior Rob Gentry, who has run 11.3 in the 100.

Hurdlers include senior Dorian Brown, and sophomores Kameron Sleep and Justin Gold.

Slough feels junior Mark Parent will be his "primary scorer in distance events," and sophomore Derek Hurst will be the top middle distance runner.

Foremost among Rocket newcomers should be senior discusand shot put thrower Yaku Moton, who strong presence as a center for the school's basketball

die distance runner Tom Kuk, and Enrique Garcia, who is "going to be a lot of things, because he has a a lot of different talents."

Although he expects a few bumps along the way, Shough thinks his team will make some large strides over the course of the season.

"We have a lot of new kids who are very inexperienced," he said. "As the season goes along, we should show tremendous improvement, and we're very excited about that."

#### Wayne Memorial

Even though his team has yet to compete against anybody, Wayne Memorial coach Kevin Miller believes his program has already made major strides over last season.

For one thing Miller has a roster of close to 50 boys, as opposed to just 19 at the end of last season, in which the team finished 1-8 in dual meets.

"I'm still building the program," Miller said. "But with the added numbers, this should be an exciting year for us.

Miller also has the luxury of getting back some key returnees.

The Zebras should be particularly strong in the sprints with the return of senior Kwame Hampton, junior Randy Lee, and sophomore Antoine Austin.

Hampton, who is also strong in the long jump and the hurdles, ran 11.1 in the 100 last season ranking seventh among Observerland competitors. Hampton also soared 21-4<sup>1</sup> in the long jump, which was third best in Observerland.

"I expect big things from him this year," Miller said of Hamp-

Wayne's group of sprinters will also include newcomers Tad Harvey and Jermaine Garner, who are both seniors.

In addition to Hampton, important hurdlers will include senior Donnell Perry.

Wayne's top distance runner will be junior Ron Abel, who rancross-country for Miller in the fall. Even if he doesn't win a single race, Abel will be a success

it was removed last summer. Abel began training on his own, and is now running pain-free.

"He is running so strong right now," Miller said. "I expect him to run the mile under 4:40 this year. and to top that next season. He should do real well."

In the field events, the Zebras will look to senior discus thrower Girard James and freshman shot: putter Kyle Moton, who Miller senses will be "a force to reckon with" in the future.

Miller believes this mixture of key returnees and promising newcomers, will give his team a chance to climb the ladder in the Mega Conference.

"I think we are going to be competitive if I can keep everyone healthy," he said. "If we finish third or fourth in the league, I will consider it a tremendous improvement."

#### Lutheran Westland

The Warriors shared the Metro Conference title last year with Macomb Lutheran North and finished second in the Class C regional.

Gone is Ryan Ollinger, a regional champ in the long jump (21-8) and 110 hurdles (14:4). Ollinger, now at Michigan State, also finished third and fourth. respectively, at the state meet in those two events.

An unexpected loss was sophomore long jumper Andy Moldenhauer, who is out with a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his knee. He was also a pivotal member of three relay teams.

"That hurts," said Unger, who has a 40-man squad, "when you lose a guy like Moldenhauer, who went 18½ feet in the long jump as a freshman.

But coach Mike Unger returns senior pole vaulter (11-6) and hurdler Jason Davis, Junior Steve Rickert will also help out in those two events.

Lutheran Westland's strength this season may come in the burdies.

Senior Ryan Noel is the top returnee along with junior Derek Bias and sophomore Nick Doher-

The shot put and discus events

Meckes (who can also high jump). Freshman Josh Meckes will also lend help.

The distance crew, however, appears to be thin, according to Unger.

The best of the group will be junior Matt Rae, along with Alex Eichler, a transfer from Walled Lake Western.

Sophomore Justin Combs (400/high jump) should also contributed.

#### Livonia Clarenceville

After a season in which her team of only 14 boys went winless, Clarenceville coach Kelly Murphy knew where to turn for help. She simply called on the football team and its coach, Greg Hudkins.

This season Hudkins has joined Murphy's staff as an assistant in charge of strengthening, More importantly, he convinced a few of his players to come out for track.

With this infusion of grid iron stock, including sophomores Tim-Shaw (sprints) and Steven Meadows (sprints and long

R

jump), junior Ernest Reddic (sprints, long jump), and middle distance runner Nick Elam, the track roster has jumped up to 30 members.

"Pretty much all of my newcomers are football players," said Murphy, who is in her second season

Their participation should not only bolster numbers, it should also help the Trojans compete at Metro Conference meets, especially against the likes of Lutheran Westland and Lutheran North.

'We have so many bodies compared to last year," Murphy said. "We should be able to fill up all of the events."

Murphy is particularly excited about the additions of Shaw (All-Observerland in football) and Meadows, who both starred as running backs during the fall.

Along with Reddic, Murphy believes the tandem should turn some heads in the relays.

"These guys have so much speed," Murphy said. "Our relays are going to be awesome."

Clarenceville will also be to this report.

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helped by the return of junior middle distance runner Brent Carignan, who's leadership skills are just as important as his running ability.

\*Brent is definitely our leader," Murphy said. "He really knows how to get the guys going."

Junior discus and shot put thrower Jeff Carignan (Brent') brother) will also be someone the watch.

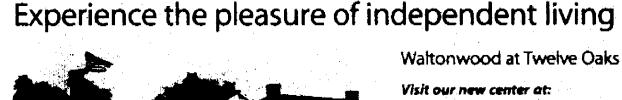
Senior Quincy Shoi will be another top middle distance runner for the Trojans, and junios James Lim will be the top dis tance competitor.

Senior hurdler Dan LeClerc in also back after taking his junior year off.

While there is no question that. Hudkins has helped the cause of the track program, Murphy; believes she is providing a service to the football team as well.

"I should get extra pay for act." ing as a conditioning coach for: their team," Murphy joked.

Brad Emons also contributed.



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Shough expects him to be just as much a power for the track team. In a scrimmage with Ann Arbor Huron last week, Moton took first place in both events.

"It looks like he is going to be one of our top point getters," Shough said of Moton.

Other key newcomers will be sprinter/long jumper Aaron Short, who transferred from Ypsilanti, and junior sprinter Dan Smitherman.

Shough has been impressed with a few of his freshman, including sprinters Anthony Davis, Jerimiah Thornton, mid-

story

Last year his season was cut short when doctors found a cancerous tumor in his ankle. After

also look strong for the Warriors That group includes senior Andrew McLaughlin, juniors Ernie Fackler and 6-7 Nate

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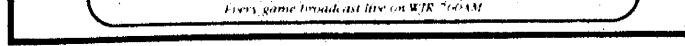
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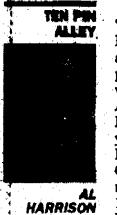
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# ABC outlines internet goals, among others



"The Land of Enchantment, and that is a pretty accurate way to describe Albuquerque, N. M., site of this. year's American Bowling Congress tournament and 109th ABC National Convention.

The tournament itself runs

The convention took place last

week with more than 1,200 dele-

gates from throughout the USA

The ABC is recognized world-

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They include an awards pro-

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ABC is also on the internet

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from March through June.

and Canada taking part.

with bowl.com as the window to They call it millions of internet users.

Executive Director Roger Dalkin announced a strategic plan to develop and deliver these services to provide more than ever for the members and to guide the ABC.

Included are product changes and services, reworking the volunteer network, a new recognition/awards program and advancing new technologies such as the WinLabs system.

If there are leagues operating without the benefits that the ABC provides, they are missing the boat.

The advantages of membership are even more important for individual bowlers than everbefore.

I came away from Albuquerque with this message to all bowlers:

"How fortunate we all are to have this great organization, the American Bowling Congress, in place and working for us."

ABC is ours, and I am proud to be a member. •Keynote speaker at the ABC

convention was Peter Vidmar,

who led the U.S.A. gymnastics team to victory in the 1984 Olympics.

He is a great motivational speaker and demonstrated some of his moves on the pommel horse as he talked about risk. originality and virtuosity, three elements that it takes to rise above the ordinary competitors.

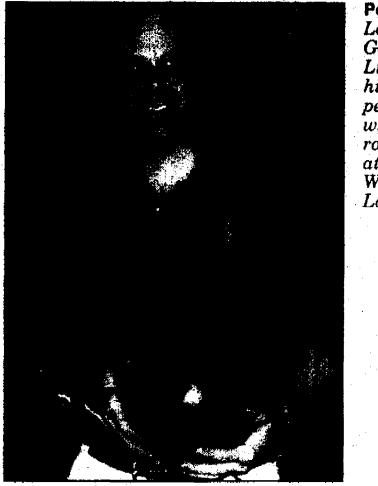
The same principles, he said, can be applied to our daily lives.

 During Saturday's activities we experienced a massive power failure.

Started by a careless smoker. electricity was completely out from El Paso to Las Vegas. The convention had just ended, but there were hundreds of bowlers competing at that time in the convention center.

The power was out for four hours, during which time the tournament was halted. The lights came back on about 8:30 p.m., the competitors then had to resume bowling - with some even bowling into the wee hours of the morning in order to keep the rest of the squads on schedule.

By the way, this reporter did



bowl in the team event, but not well enough to write about. the new Hall of Fame honorees Other highlights were, selec-

Perfecto: Larry

Geiger of Livonia got his first-ever perfect game when he rolled a 300 at Livonia's Woodland Lanes.

with the living members of the ABC Hall of Fame being recognized.

•Larry Geiger was, until recently, the circulation manager of this newspaper.

He can still deliver - on the lanes — as he rolled his first 300 game at Woodland Lanes in Livonia.

He converted the dreaded 7-10 split a couple years ago, a feat most consider rarer than a perfect game.

Last year, I suggested he enter the Pro-Am event at Taylor Lanes when he said he needed a new ball. He did, and not only received the Storm 'El Nino Wrath,' he even cashed in the event.

Larry gives full credit to Ray Kreuter of Ray's Pro Shop at Westland Bowl for much of his recent success, as Ray drilled up his ball.

He also watched Larry throw and made some good recommendations on his delivery (not the newspaper). Since then he has taken new responsibilities in promotional activities here at the Observer.

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# Heavy park use under review

OUTDOOR BISIGNTS

Twenty years ago hunters rarely saw that. other park users in the state parks during the fall hunting seasons.

Since then, our population has grown and wild areas have diminished. Gaining access to hunt private land is often an insurmountable task...hence, state land - parks, recreation areas and game areas - especially here in southern Michigan, receive a tremendous amount of hunter pressure during the fall sea-90TIS.

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In state parks particularly, hikers, bikers, runners, even in-line skaters in

some instances are also taking advantage of the parks rail systems, treading and trudging along the same trails hunters use to access their favorite spots.

Certainly, all user groups, including hunters, have the fight to enjoy our natural resources. Unfortunately, all this added pressure has caused a conflict or two.

In fact, I was admonished one bright, suntry morning fast fall by a woman who was taking her young son on a biks. I was headed back to my car following an enjoyable morning bow hunt when we encountered each other along the trail.

Before I even had a chance to wish her a cheery "Good Morning," which I had every intention of doing, I was erhally assaulted for being a hunter. "Go hunt somewhere else," I was told. "People are using this trail," she baid, insinuating I was something less than human.

Controling my urge to get into a verbal sparring match with this ill-advised woman, I said nothing at all as I walked passed her and her unfortunate son. Maybe I should have politely explained the parks were there for

#### Maybe not.

Still, the incident left a bitter taste in my mouth. There are too many people out there who aren't tolerant of other park users. There are many who would like to close the parks to hunting, biking, off-trail exploring and other forms of recreation that don't fit in with their ideas. On the other hand, there are hunters who feel the parks should be closed to others during hunting seasons.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Bureau is attempting to address such issues by developing a trails program management plan for state parks in southern Michigan.

The DNR is inviting the public to comment on the plan, which focuses on non-motorized uses of trails in state parks. The plan is the result of a comprehensive study of trail usage throughout the year and combines input from numerous trail user groups and conservation organisations. The DNR now wants to hear from individual trail users,

"The rapidly growing use of trails, especially in heavily populated areas of the state, has created conflicts that raise issues of safety, equal opportunity for recreationists, protection of resources and maintenance," said Rodney Stokes, DNR Parks and Recreation Bureau Chief.

"The DNR's goal is to promote safe use, minimize con-

Lansing, MI 48909, or by visiting the DNR Web site at www.dnr.state.mi.us.

#### Leftover turkey permits

A record 131,000 hunters applied for a spring turkey permit this year and all were not successful in receiving their choice of a permit.

If you were one the the unsuccessful applicants, there are 606 leftover permits that go on sale at 10 a.m. Wednesday at all authorized license dealers across the state.

The number of leftover licenses and their corresponding hunt numbers are: hunt 168 - 50 leftover licenses available; hunt 172 - 44; hunt 176 - 107; hunt 180 - 11; hunt 189 - 60; hunt 193 - 18; hunt 197 - 6; hunt 206 -173; and hunt 228 - 137.

Successful and unsuccessful applicants were notified on March 17. If you applied and were not notified call (517) 373-3904.

Drawing results also are available on the DNR web site at www.dnr.state.mi.us.

Unsuccessful applicants are also eligible to purchase a permit for the special late hunt (No. 234), May 16-31. The entire area open to turkey hunting is open during the late hunt, except public lands in Zone 3.

Don't sell this opportunity short. I've hunted the late hunt twice and killed a gobbler both times. True, the weather is warmer, bugs are out and mushroom pickers are plantiful, but the hens are nesting, leaving the gobblers lonely and callable.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers

flicts and protect the natural resources from erosion and abuas."

Public Policy Associates, an independent Lansingbased research firm, helped the DNR with the study, and is coordinating the public comment period, which continues through May 1. The DNR intends to release its final trails program management plan for state parks in southern Michigan by July 1.

#### are urged to report their success. Questions and com Copies of the 50-page draft Southern Michigan Trails Program Management Plan may be requested by writing requested. Call (734) 261ments are also encouraged. Send information to: Out-Maybe I should have engaged in a conversation about 1990 to register and for more doors, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E, Maple, the reality of nature and food chains and things like to the DNR Parks and Recreation Bureau. Box 30257. information. Birmingham, MI 48009.)

## Ducks bring beauty back to Michigan

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no doubt that hummingbirds and warblers are some of the most beautiful birds, but some of the ducks in s p r i n g breeding plumage

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but some of the ducks in s p r i n g breeding plumage are hard to beat.

Now that the ice has melted from lakes in southeastern Michigan, ducks are returning from their southern wintering areas.

Since ducks cannot reach the plants they need for food when ice forms on lakes, they migrate south to more suitable areas.

Most species winter along the Gulf of Mexico coast, or along the Atlantic Ocean coast. A few species, like the black duck and greenwinged teal, will winter just far enough south where they can find open water.

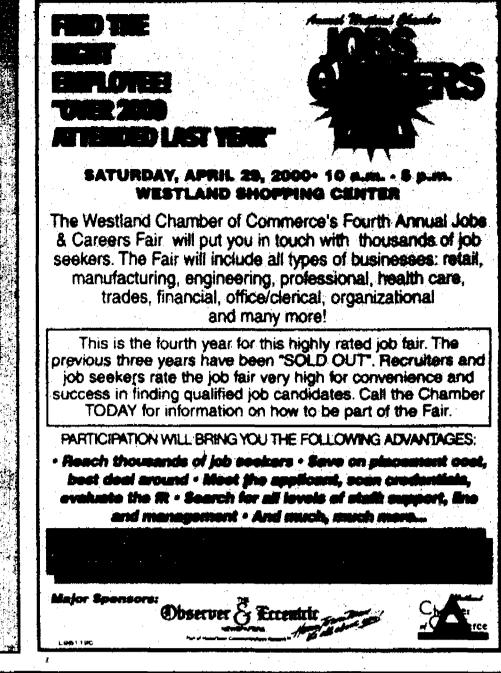
Ducks are strong fliers and can move north with the melting ice quickly and easily. Though the prairie potholes area of the Dakotas is the main nursery for ducks in the U.S., several species nest in Michigan and in the midwest.

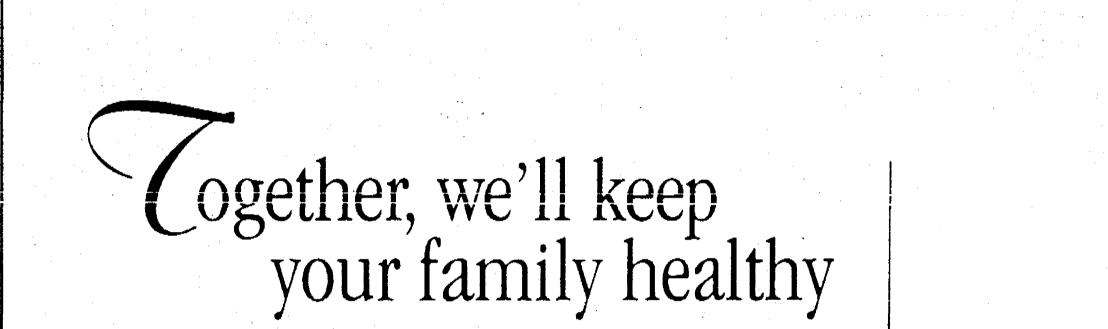
Besides the beautiful wood duck that nests throughout the state, greenwinged teal nest sporadically in both the upper and lower peninsulas. Their finely striped gray body is set off by the chestnut head with a large green ear parch. A fine white strip near the breast on the sides really stands out in the field.

My favorite, the pintail, nests in Michigan, but only in a few scattered areas. Most of the birds we see during the spring migration probably just pass through the state. But while they are here, take the time to see this stately duck. It has a white line that runs behind the cheek area on the head and moves down into a white breast



Mite champions: Sporting an overall record of 27-7-5, the Livonia Mite Panthere recently took first place in the NHL Shate Spring Thaw Theirmensent at Birch Ran. The Mendmen ecoched by Don Schwarz and Ied by coursement MVP Kyle Schwarz, defeated the Mushegon Chiefs I in the championship, 6-4, after posting wine over the Livones Devile (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Devile (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Devile (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Devile (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Devile (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Leons (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Leons (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Mushegon Chiefs II 2018 and themes Leons (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). If the Chiefs II 2018 and themes Leons (8-4). Leonnia Penguine (8-4). Trevor Baruzzini, Kyle Wrathell, Patrick Cole, Kyle Schwarz, Leons (8-6). Roberts, Steve Ducies, Jacob Henart, Danie Sothenwick and Left Hustennia. along with gouldenders (front, from 1eft) Crist Materi and Mate Penguines. The coaching staff includes (top row, from 1eft) Pat Hewitt, Jeff Raberts, Jeen Schwarz and Chuck Cole. The team manager is Cindy Roberts Themes proves Editor's Note: The All-Area boys hockey team will appear in the Thursday, March 29 editions of the Observer.





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Like the green-winged teal, it has a finely striped gray body, and like its name suggests, it has a long pointed tail.

Northern shovelers with their enlarged bill are a beautiful duck, despite the big beak. They have a green head like the mallard, but a male shoveler has a white breast and a prominent rusty colored side

Nests in the state are even fewer than the pintail, so be sure to visit our lakes before they leave for the prairie potholes.

When describing the coloration of ducks, 1 am describing the male coloration. Females are typically a variation of a brown camouflaged coloration. Males have bold colorful patterns to impress females that they are the one for her.

In a few areas in the state you could see the American wigeon nesting, but since there are very few in the state it is better to see them on migration.

American wigeon were once called baidpates. This name came from the white cap on their head. Just below the white cap is a green ear stripe and a finely striped gray cheek and neck. The breast is a rich salmon color. Near the tail on the side is a white patch that contrasts with the black undertail feathers.

When you visit our lakes to see these ducks you will encounter the blue-winged teal, which is a commonnesting duck throughout the state.

In the breeding season, males That's a bluish head with a white crescont moon shape in front of the eye. This ficklemath is unique to the blue winged teal.

These verbal descriptions do not do these birds justice. Take some time to see them



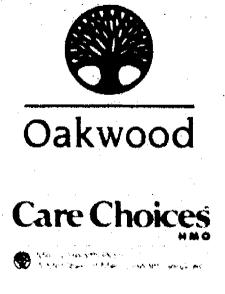


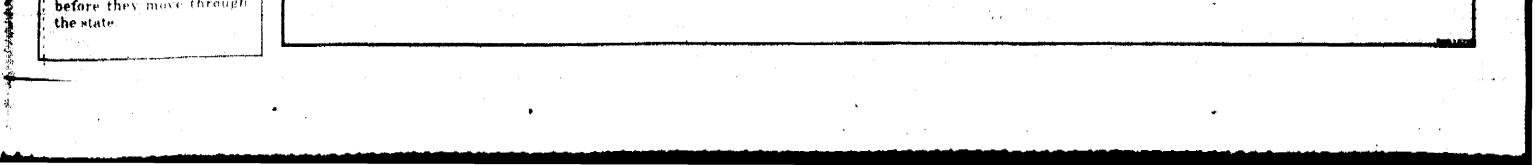


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## **Express** yourself through the arts

veryone I talk with lately has either gone or is going to see the Vincent van Gogh exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts. While I highly recommend the exhibit (I've seen it twice), there's so much more going on in the arts.

Whether you're interested in watching a multi-disciplinary performance spectacle or learning to better express your own ideas by attending a writing workshop, the arts will uplift your spirit and give you insight into the human condition.

Here's a guide to what's going on. There's no excuse not to broaden your mind through the arts.

#### Women's Historical Center

Take a trip to Lansing to see the paintings of Farmington Hills artist Edee Joppich and learn more about the achievements of Michigan women at the Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame. Joppich is proud to have a one-woman show of her large-scale watercolor paintings at the center, which offers exhibits portraying the lives and history of Michigan women. An instructor at the Visual Arts Association of Livonia for more than 25 years. Joppich shows four works from her "Gallery Dilemma" series. The series started six years ago after a trip to a San Francisco gallery where she became intrigued by a group of large acrylic





# 20 YEARS OF DANCE

#### BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER chomin@oe.homecomm.net

When the lights go down on the Music Hall stage in a little less than two weeks, Barbara Selinger and Paula Kramer will be celebrating in the wings. The co-founders of the Detroit Dance Collective have seen their share of ups and downs over the last 20 years but now they've reached the pinnacle of their careers. Their ensemble of nine gives a Gala Concert Saturday, April 8.

#### Sharing a dream

Ever since their days as students in the dance department at Wayne State University, Kramer and Selinger, a' Farmington Hills resident, shared a dream to form a modern dance company to have a platform for their own choreography. Together with Anita Surma Saganski and Sue Ellen Darr-Moustapha, they established the Detroit Dance Collective. An ambitious company from the beginning, it gave 15 performances in schools and other venues the first year.

"I think the reason why we're so successful is because we're a full teaching company and because we're very persistent," said Kramer, a Huntington Woods resident. "We sense where the pendulums are swinging; We're like sentinels. We're always watching."



**Celebrating 20 years:** Paula Kramer co-founded the **Detroit Dance Collective** with Barbara Selinger.

ta" features a set piece designed by the Detroit artist. Kramer thinks Rosas' painting mirrors the Detroit Dance Collective.

"It's drawn directly from Mel Rosas' painting, 'La Puerta,' which means the door," said Kramer. "He frequently features arches in his work. Many of our pieces are about

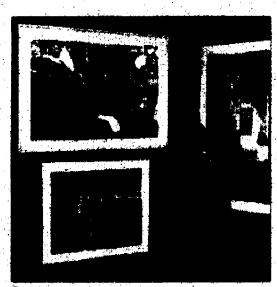
sculptures.

"It's an honor to be asked to exhibit my work there," said Joppich, the 1978 Artist-in-Residence chosen by the Farmington Area Arts Commission. "And from time to time, it's important to see your work all together.'

This is the 31st one-person show by Joppich. A nationally known artist, she's had work accepted into more than 100 exhibits. When not entering her work into competitions she organizes week-long painting workshops for women on the Leelanau Peninsula and trips to exotic destinations to create art on location. The next Artescape departs for Mexico Dec. 2. The six-day trip costs \$1,400 and includes round-trip airfare. For more information, call Joppich at (248) 476-1528.

The Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame is a project of the Michigan Women's Studies Association, an academic-professional organization founded in 1973 on the campus of Michigan State University. Located in the historic Cooley-Haze House, the nonprofit center opened in 1987 to give visibility to Michigan women. Changing exhibits feature topics such as the important role of Latino women. Traveling exhibits

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#### Edue Jeppich

#### Art Events

- Artist Edge Joppich exhibits work through Sunday, April 2, at the Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame, 213 W. Main, Lansing, Hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday; until 4 p.m. Saturday: and 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Admission is \$2,50, \$2-benier citizens, \$1 students, call (517) COS.1 (200).
- "Border Crossings," a multi-layered arts soncest & e.m. Wednesday, March 29, in Reckhern Auditorium In Ann Arbor. Free. Call (734) 747-8685.
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Multi-modia work: Barbara Selinger dances "Virtual Voices," a piece she choreographed in 1999.

#### DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

- WINC: The dance company celebrates its 20th anniversary with a gala concert. Within: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 8. Cham-
- pagne reception for patrons begins 6:30 p.m. Music Hall Center for the Per-
- forming Arts, 350 Madison Ave... Detroit TICKLINE \$16,50 concert; \$35 concert
- and reception for petrons. No charge for afterglow following performance: Call (313) 963 2366.

A 20-vear photographic retrospective of the Detroit Dance Collective by Tom Kramer continues through Saturday, April 15 at the Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward Ave, The images document dancers in rehearsals, performances, and at classes/demonstrations in metro Detroit schools. Also on display are historic costumes by Livonia designer Bernadine Vida.

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PHOTOS BY TOM KRAMPS



Moving place: The Detroit Dance Collective perform the 1982 "Travelers on the Road" at a gala concert to celebrate their 20th anniversary.

The company spent the first few

years based at the Midwest Dance Center in Oak Park until they were offered a residency at Oakland Community College in Royal Oak where they worked for the next 14 years. After outgrowing the space three years ago, they moved to the Detroit's downtown theater district where they're housed inside Central United Methodist Church on Grand Circus Park.

#### Vision

"We have a vision that has to do with creativity and communication," said Selinger. "A lot of the works are influenced by visual art. I feel choreographers are like visual artists. We just use a different canvas."

The Gala Concert to celebrate their 20th anniversary, like their vision for dance, includes everything from full-out fun pieces like the 1990 "Zydeco Songs" to deeply introspective works and strong social commentary. Nearing the end of the program, the Detroit Dance Collective will premiere Selinger's newest piece, "Passing Through." Set to the music of J.S. Bach, it features dancers creating pathways through space and intersecting one another in a continuing journey of intricate dance patterns.

"We wanted to represent ourselves with some of the best pieces. we've choreographed," said Selinger.

A painting by Mel Rosas inspired the first selection on the program back in 1994. Choreographed by Kramer to the music of Peter Gabriel and Steve Reich, "La Puer-

going through passages or doorways. We're always growing and changing, always looking for new doors to step through."

#### Newer pieces

"Virtual Voices" is one of the newer pieces choreographed by Selinger, who also dances the work with company members Anh Nguyen of Windsor and Karen Leighton, Farmington Hills. The multi-layered composition includes the photography of Anne McCartny in a video edited by Selinger. The work was made possible by a Creative Artist Grant awarded by Art-Serve through the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

"I'd visualized the dance for several years and wanted to coordinate movement on screen and on stage," said Selinger. "It combines virtual movement with the actual movement on stage."

Kramer was inspired to create "Travelers on the Same Road" (1982) after viewing Picasso's "Guernica" and Ernst Barlach's bronze sculpture "The Avenger" at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The title for "Travelers" is from a Hebrew prayer of mourning. The dance serves as a warning - heed the past or "ethnic cleansing" will continue in the future.

"It's a strong anti-war piece." said Kramer, who will receive a Jewish Women in the Arts award from the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, March 26. "It's about more than a Holocaust piece. It's a human rights piece because the killing continues as we've seen

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### CELEBRATION

# Fine arts festival will help your 'spirit soar'

### BY LINDA ANN CHOMMN STAFY WRITER

Marsha Miller is all for computers and time-saving devices speeding us through our daily lives, but being in an "instant mode" leaves little room for enriching our spirits

through the visual arts, 5000 music and dance. feistava). As chairman of the 1 \$3,50 B music and fine arts cominside mittee at Nardin Park United Methodist

Church in Farmington Hills, Miller is "loing semothing about that by bringing all three to the community in a celebration of the visual and performing arts

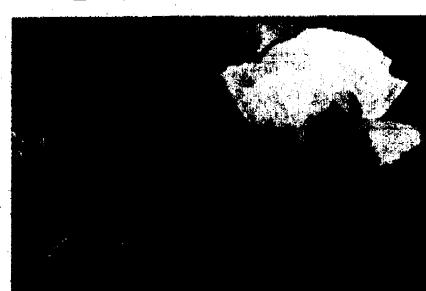
#### art exhibit, concerts, children's workshops and speakers, and except for a Saturday evening concert by the gospel group "Kingdom Heirs," all activities are free.

The choir from Plymouth-Canton Schools' Tonda Elementary performs 2 p.m. Saturday.

"Music is an international language." said Miller. "I believe the arts are the language of the soul. The weekend of art is an experience our church can bring to society and our community. It makes us whole human beings and helps us get in touch with our spirits."

The idea for the weekend arts extravaganza came about as a way of expand-

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Painted poppies: Marjorie Hogan Chellstorp is one of 18 artists exhibiting work as part of a celebration of the visual and performing arts

ing on the church's musical activities Saturday-Sunday, April 1-2. (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5393 "Let Your Spirit Soar" will feature an Please see PESTIVAL C2

# Festival from page C1

history of promoting music with a series of concerts which most recently featured New York baritone Erik Chalfant. So when Miller looked around the church at the art works received as memorial gifts through the years, it sparked the idea to have an art exhibit surrounded by plenty of music.

#### **Musical** offering

Miller hopes to attract people, other than art patrons, into the church by offering concerts by the Tonda Elementary choir;

Nardin Park has a 14-year Kingdom Heirs, the host quartet for the Southern Gospel Music Hall of Fame and Museum in Tennessee; the Oakland Singers, and the Hillside School Harmony Choir & Handchimes, 120 voices strong from the Farmington School District.

> "We have a lot of interesting art in our church that a lot of members and visitors aren't aware of," said Miller. "We wanted to invite those artists to show their work and to invite the community in to give the artists a venue. We wanted to bring in

musical groups that would attract a different audience. If we didn't have other things going on, we'd be like any other art show."

In addition to the concerts, Rob Koch, director of the Tonda Elementary choir and the children's choir at Nardin Park, will lead a musical workshop for children Saturday morning.

"We want to attract families, parents looking for a quality experience for their kids." said Miller. "After the music workshop children can choose to add butterflies or flowers to a spring mural or participate in a dance workshop led by the liturgical dance group, 'Lyrical Expression."

Melvin Rookus, Nardin Park minister of music, will team up with Koch to instill a musical interest in the children.

"The music workshop is an opportunity for kids who may or may not have had musical experience," said Rookus. "The emphasis is on children this weekend, to expose them to the

### "Let Your Spirit Soar'

What: Celebration of the visual and performing arts which includes art exhibit, concerts, workshops and speakers

When: Saturday-Sunday, April 1-2. Art exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

Where: Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile Road, west of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills.

Tickets: Events are free except for Kingdom Heirs gospel concert 8 p.m. Saturday (\$8), Call (248) 476-8860 Highlights:

10 a.m. Saturday - Children's musical activity followed by mural painting session or dance experience.

2 p.m. Saturday - Concert by choir from Plymouth-Canton Schools' Tonda Elementary

# 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday - Worship services (jazz and gospel) featuring choirs, soloists and Waterford clarinetist David Bennett

9:30 a.m. Sunday - Redford sculptor Sergio DeGiusti "Artistic Creation"

New venue

arts."

Marjorie Hogan Chellstorp is one of the artists grateful for the opportunity to exhibit her work at Nardin Park. The Farmington Hills watercolorist first became aware of the church when she was commissioned to paint a triptych as a memorial gift in honor of Muriel Thomas. An instructor at Madonna University, the Visual Arts Association of Livonia, and the Belian Art Center in Troy, Hogan Chellstorp

has exhibited extensively. In 1997, one of her paintings was on display in the Michigan Water Color Society's 50th anniversary exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"Exhibiting is what artists do," said Hogan Chellstorp. You want people to see your work. Having a special show for artists brings in people who wouldn't go to a gallery."

Among the other artists exhibiting their work are painters Jerri Fellwock, Sook-Kyung Hong, Peggy Smith, Gwen Tomkow, and Howard Weingarden of Farmington Hills; William A. Brown, basket weaving, Farmington Hills; Sergio DeGiusti, sculpture, Redford; Suzanne Bauman, painting, Bloomfield Hills, Kevin Bauman, landscape photography, Royal Oak: Kegham Tazian, sculpture/painting, Farmington Hills; Toshi Shimoura, flower arranging, Southfield; Donna Vogelheim, painting, Walled Lake. and Bernadette Zachara, sculpture, Farmington Hills.

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the killing continues as we've seen and it's not just one cultural group."

#### Making a difference

Kramer and Selinger believe in making a difference. In addition to the 15-20 formal concerts a year they perform in a variety of venues and choreographing pieces such as "Travelers," they'll take their dances to 350 classes in the Farmington and Detroit Schools by the end of the



year. Their outreach program has been a part of who they are since the beginning 20 years ago as has their "Downtown Danceabout Concert." The Friday. April 7 concert at Music Hall introduces upper elementary through high school students to modern choreography.

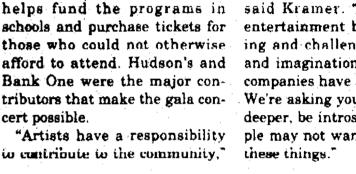
"We want to challenge the imagination of young viewers," said Kramer. "They are our future. Without these young people there will be no dancers or an audience."

**I** 'Artists have a responsibility to contribute to the community. We're not just entertainment but about learning and challenging the senses and imagination.

Paula Kramer

Co-founder, Detroit Dance Collective

said Kramer. "We're not just entertainment but about learning and challenging the senses



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#### ART SHOWS

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#### NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH The 19th Festival of the Arts juned art show is 11 a.m. 5 p.m. Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1, and noon-4 p.m. Sunday, April 2, 21220 W. 14 Mile Road, Bloomfield Township. (248) 646-4100.

WOOD CARVER EXHIBITION Sale of woodcarver art is from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 26 at the United Food and Commercial Hall, 876 Horace Brown Drive, between Stevenson Hwy, and John R. in Madison Heights.

#### AUDITION & CALL S FOR ARTISTS

#### ART IN THE VILLAGE

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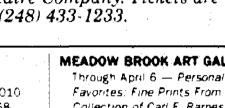
Dr. Gideon Greif, an authority on Auschwitz-Birkenau, presents a semimar for teachers from 1-4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28 in the Handleman Hall of the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield, 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield, For information call the Holocaust Memorial Center at: 248: 661-0840.

#### MEADOW BROOK HALL

Professor Michael Farrell of the. University of Windsor presents a lecture on Russian painter Marc Chagail at 10 am Friday, March 31 at Meadow Brook Hall ballroom in Puchester, Call Paint Creek Center for the Arts to register at 1248-651 4110

#### THE WRITER'S VOICE

NYC poet Edward Ereid and Argentine. author Osviado Sabine are at the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit at 1 30 p.m. Wednesday, March 29. 313 267-5310. ext. 338



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#### LIBERTY FEST 2000

Call for artists 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.

#### PERFORMING ARTISTS

The Paint Creek Center for the Arts is accepting applications for perform ing artists at the Art & Apples. Festival held Sept. 9 and 10. Applications are due by Friday, April 7. To receive an application, call the PCCA at (248) 651/4110.

#### SECOND CITY AUDITIONS

Male and female actors can audition by appointment only by calling (313) 471-3453. Auditions are Monday. March 27 through Wednesday, March 29. Second City-Detroit, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

#### CLASSES

#### ART CLASSES

D & M studios offers fine art classes. for preschoolers 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 bailet, 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 9 a.m. to boon every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Woodcarving classes at 9 a.m. Monday-Friday, Jazz classes begin Monday, March 27 for first through third graders. Belly dancing classes begin Wednesday, March 29. Learn to play the recorder beginning Thursday. March 30, Swing dance classes begin 7:30 p.m. Monday. March 27 Photography classes begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 29, 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park (248: 967 4030

#### KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES

Advanced and professional classical bailet program, 9.30 a.m. Monday friday; intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fodays a 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield 2 248 932 8699

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recital hall, 4110 Telegraph Bloomfield Hills. (248) 594 1414. KIRK IN THE HILLS CHANCEL CHOIR

The choir, orchestra and soloists present Bach's The Passion According to St. John at 7:30 p.m.Sunday, March 26 in the Kirk Refectory, 1340 West Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills (248) 626-2515.

#### ST. CLAIR TRIO

Performs at the Henry Ford Estate Fairlane at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 2. 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 593-5330.

#### UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

The Beaux Arts Trio is 4 p.m. Sunday. March 26 and the Moscow Virtuosi performs at 8 p.m. Friday, March 31 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington. The Czech Philharmonic Orchestra performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 1 at Hill Auditorium. 825 North University, Ann Arbor, 1-800-221-1229

#### DANCE

#### OAKLAND DANCE THEATRE

The Oakland University dance compamy will perform Hit and Run: Dances for a New Century at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, March 31 and April 1 at Varner Recital Hall at Oakland University, (248) 370-2030.

#### GARTH FAGAN DANCE

Performs March 30 April 2 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts in Detroit. (313) 963-2366. SWAN LAKE

The American Ballet Theatre per forms Swan Lake at the Détroit Opera. House March 30-April 2 (313) 953 2366.

#### DINNER THEATER

#### BACI THEATRE

Tony in Tina's Wedding, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Fridays; 4 30 p.m. and 9. p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Sundays, 40 W. Pike, Pontiac 248: 745 8668/(248) 645 6666.

#### EVENTS

#### CRANBROOK SYMPOSIUM

Renowned artists Howard Ben Tre. Richard De Vore, Ruth Duckworth. Tony Hepburn, John Mason, Ron. Nagle and Garth Clark conduct Seven Up A Symbosium from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 1 at Cranbrook Art Museum's deSalle Auditorium 1221 N. Woodward, Biodimfield Hills, - 248 645 3329

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301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit. (313) 664 7800.

#### CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY

Opens Wednesday, March 29 - • Features four artists of the American South including Cheryl Goldsleger. Carol Sams, Larry Millard and Lisa Weiss through May 1. Opening reception is 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 31. 162 North Old Woodward. öfrumgnam, (2+io) ö+i+sööö.

#### LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Opens Friday, March 31 --- The Livonia Public Schools student art through April 19 in the Livonia Orvic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. Livonia. (734) 466-2490. Opens. Monday, April 3 -- exhibition by the Artifacts Club of Livonia members through April 28 at the Livonia City. Half Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive. Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

#### MANISCALCO GALLERY

Opensi Saturday, April 1 -Reconstructionism featuring Jon-Lockard and Willis Davis through June 3. Opening reception 7-11 p.m. Saturday, April 1, 17329 Mack Ave . Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

#### SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Opens Saturday, April 1 - Helping Hands. The African American Health Care Experience in Southeastern Michigan through April 30. Residential Reflections, glass works by Donna Maskill will also be on display through April 30, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield, (248) 948 0460

#### SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Opens Monday, April 3 - The Waterford Friends of the Arts presents Spectrum, a multi-media extracit through April 28. Opening reception. 1 is 6-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 6. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield 248: 424-9022.

#### WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Opens Tuesday, April 4 --- Janet Kelman's For the Love of Glass through May 6. Opening reception 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 9 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor 1734: 761 2287

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Through March 31 - Visions of Peace and Evolution in the New Millennium, a multi-media exhibit by 20 artists, Through April 26, Seeds of Expression, a multi-media exhibit, 47 Williams, Pontiac. - 248 - 333-7849. DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY

#### David Gerstein, 4301 Orchard Lake Crosswinds Mari, West Broomfield. . (240) 020 0010.

#### DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

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#### MUSEUMS

#### CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through April 2 - Painting Zero Degree group show by contemporary artists, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, 800, GO CRANBIOOK CRANBROOK INSTITUTE

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#### DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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# Mystery gives new meaning to 'Cold War'

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"Winter of the Wolf Moon," by Steve Hamilton (St. Martin's, \$23.95).

If you enjoy gobs of snow, ice fishing, snowmobiling, bonechilling temperatures and other accouterments of life in the

> Upper Peninsula during winter, this story will probably appeal to you from the get-go. If you're rather indifferent to any of the above, "Winter VICTORIA of the Wolf DIAZ Moon" is a mys-

tery that may reach out and reel you in any-

way.

Michigan native Steve Hamilton is a writer who knows how to weave a tale, how to animate it with some convincing players and a touch of comic relief, and how to paint word pictures of a backdrop so chilling we may want to edge just a bit closer to the fireside as we read. Last year, he won the coveted Edgar Award for Best First Crime Novel with "A Cold Day in Paradise." "Winter of the Wolf Moon" is a sequel to that work.

Alex McKnight is an ex-cop who blames himself for his partner's death, which occurred when the two were crimefighters on some of the meanest streets of Detroit 14 years ago. Alex still isn't over it, and maybe he never will be Now living in a cabin near the Canadian border on some forested land willed to him by his father, McKnight has become something just this side of a recluse.

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sion to play. Seems the other team is headed up by a guy named Bruckman, a thuggish type who could make Marty McSorley seem likable on the ice. When Alex robs Bruckman of a couple of goals, the wheels of this story are set in motion. Bruckman, shall we say, does not like to be thwarted, although he will eventually come up as a loser in this story and in one of the most horrendous ways possible (after reading "Winter of the Wolf Moon," you may never look at an ice shanty in quite the same way again).

After the game, Bruckman's battered Native American girlfriend searches out Alex, asking for protection from the brute and hinting that others may be out to get her, too. The ex-cop puts her up in an adjoining cabin he often rents out to snowmobilers, but the next morning she's gone, and the cabin is ransacked. Alex, already racked with guilt in the matter of his partner's death,

manages some dabbling in Native American matters at the local rez near Whitefish Bay. (The Wolf Moon of the title has nothing to do with Indian lore, by the way, but has its origins in Celtic mythology.)

Hamilton's dialogue doesn't always ring true, and his ending may leave many readers slightly confused about how McKnight comes to the handy conclusions he reaches to resolve the story. But, ultimately, these seem rather small matters - and easy to overlook - in a tale that otherwise contains such special appeal, especially for Michigan readers.

Though flawed as a human being, McKnight as a fictional character will impress most readers not just as substantive and credible, but as highly sympathetic.

Here's a guy who has ended up on the fringes of society, in a sense, due to the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune. Yet, when the chips are down. he's out there, still driven to try to do the right thing, and somehow we believe this is exactly what he would do.

Picture a rough-edged hero out of Ed McBain's 87th precinct, crossed with a modicum of Dudley Dooright/John Wayne heroics, throw in just a touch of Woody Allen angst, and you begin to get some of the shadings of the many-faceted Alex McKnight.

Other well-drawn characters include McKnight's self-appoint-

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One night, his just-about-only friend, Vinnie LeBlanc, convinces the 48-year-old Alex to participate in a "slow puck" hockey contest at the local rink for creaky old guys over 30. ("Don't you ever get the urge to do anything, Alex?" Vinnie asks.)

But as soon as Alex is suited up as goalie, he regrets his deci-

# **Expressions** from page C1

Latino women: Traveling exhibits highlight a century of Michigan women, the Suffragette movement, and math and science achievers. The Hall of Fame spotlights Michigan women such as Rosa Parks, Sojourner Truth, Betty Ford and Lilly Tomlin.

"We'd like to invite people to come up and learn more about Michigan women and their achievements and their importance to the nation," said Gladys Beckwith, president of the Michigan Women's Historical Center.

#### **Border Crossings**

The première of an art/ dance/ music/ poetry collaboration by The Ariel Web billed as a performance spectacle, follows a performance of American popular and cabaret songs by William Bolcom and Joan Morris Wednesday, March 29 at Rackham Auditorium in Ann Arbor.

The Ariel Web is comprised primarily of University of Michigan arts faculty. The Web includes dancer/choreographer Peter Sparling, who spent his teen years in Plymouth, poet Richard Tillinghast, visual artist Jim Cogswell, film/video artist Robert Andersen, composer Andrew Mead, filmmaker Jonathan Tyman, producer Tom Bray and Distinguished Senior **Research** Scientist Fred Bookstein.

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blames himself for her disappearance, and sets out - almost frantically - to find her.

Along the way, he acquires a new "partner" of sorts; encounters a couple of not-so-crafty government agents, and finally comes up against some Russians who lend a whole new meaning to the phrase "Cold War." All the while, he's fighting a fierce U.P. winter, of course, and he also

ed, almost cartoonish "partner," Leon Prudell, and Vinnie LeBlanc, blackjack dealer and Ojibwa guide, "with a little bit of French Canadian in him, a little bit of Italian, and a little bit of God knows what else ...."

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident who writes about books, movies and theater for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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mated drawing by Cogswell is coordinated with a Robert Andersen video. Members of the Peter Sparling Dance Company. perform at a remote location. Their performance is filmed and projected into Rackham Auditorium, resulting in a multi-layered composition.

"The team of artists embodies process as much as product common themes and their metaphors grow out of 'close encounters' between members; and each artist contributes the essential materials from within his discipline while also extending his work into the others' media," said Sparling.

#### Writer's workshops

Get creative yourself at a series of writer's workshops and readings hosted by Schoolcraft College. Anyone wanting to have their work critiqued should bring 20 copies of his writing to the workshops or deliver them to creative writing professor Arthur Lindenberg a week before each workshop. Please bring no more than one poem or two word-pro-

of the Liberal Arts building

Kearns' poems have appeared in The Georgia Review, Iowa Review, Poetry Northwest, Passages North and have been widely anthologized. Her first book. "Line After the Line" (non-fiction) was published by Wayne State University press. Her recently published book, "New Numbers," was published by New Issues Press.

🖬 Joe Matusak – workshop 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, in room 420, Liberal Arts building, reading 7-8 p.m. in the McDowell Center, room 120.

Matusak is director of Arts Wire, a program of the New York Foundation for the Arts to help artists and administrators plan for technology. His work has earned him Hopwood Awards, a Cowden Fellowship and a Bain-Swigget Award. His new book. "Eating Fire," (Ridgeway Press) is due out in fall.

🗰 Lawrence Lieberman workshop 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 in McDowell Center, room 110:

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arfs news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

#### CALL FOR PERFORMERS

The Southeast Michigan region committee of VSA Arts (formerly known as Very Special Arts) is looking for children and adult performers with physical and mental challenges to take part in their festival Friday-Saturday, May-5-6 at Wonderland Mall in Livonia.

Special needs school/community groups and solo acts from the metro Detroit area will display their dance, vocal and instrumental music achievements at the "Celebrate Arts-Ability" visual and performing arts festival. In the last festival, more than 170 adults and children sang, danced and played hand chimes during the two-days.

For more information or an application, call Connie Lott at Far Conservatory (248) 646-3347.

#### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Up to \$500 is available to assist a person with a disability who wants to further their creative talent in the area of the visual, performing or literary arts. The Southeast Michigan region committee of VSA Arts (formerly known as Very Special Arts) is awarding their annual Jack Olds Scholarship to an artist (ages 13 and up, including seniors) living in Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw, Monroe, Macomb, Livingston, Lenawee or Jackson County

Deadline for application is Sunday, April 16. The scholarship must be used for independent work and not a student project. Last year's winner. Janis Stanton. created a series of 10 watercolors spotlighting Michigan sights.

#### ART EXHIBIT

Donna Vogelheim is the featured artist March 27 to May 25 at Farmington City Hall, Liberty and Grand River, and Farmington Hills City Hall, Eleven Mile and Orchard Lake Road. An opening reception is scheduled 7-8 p.m. Monday, April 3 at Farmington City Hall. Presented by the Farmington Areä Arts Commission, the exhibit focuses on watercolor paintings. Vogelheim, a Walled

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Lake artist, was the 1991 Farmington Artist-in-Residence. For more information, call the Cultural Arts Division, (248) 473-1856.

#### FRIENDS CELEBRATE EASTER

The Friends of Polish Art celebrate Easter with a traditional "Swienconka" meal and a demonstration of Easter palm weaving 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16 at Polonus Restaurant, 1744 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte.

Tickets are \$30 by advance reservation by April 9. Call (248) 549-4527.

If you wish to participate in the art of Easter palm weaving with Helen Budzinski, bring scissors and some palms for braiding.

### REDFORD UNION BAND

The Redford Union High School Band Boosters are holding a holiday meat sale to raise funds for the musicians. The Dearborn Spiral Sliced Ham has no water added and is ready-toeat.

Hams must be ordered by Thursday, April 6 for pick-up 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, April 20 at the high school cafeteria in Redford.

Half and whole hams are available as well as spiral sliced turkey breast, smoked Kolbasz



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#### play through June 30.

Prizes totalling \$2,500 will be awarded including a \$1,000 top prize: Deadline for application is April 17. For more information and an application call (734) 466-2540.

#### KIDS DANCE CLASSES

Hip Hop, Combo Dance, Budding Ballerinas, Mom & Tot, and Beginning Ballet, Jazz and Tap classes begin Monday, April 3 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction There is also an ongoing Dropin Art Studio for adults and Figure Drawing Sessions once a month. For more information, call (734) 416-4278.

#### ART FAIR

Sugar Loaf Art Fair comes to the Novi Expo Center 10 a m to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, April 14-16.

Admission is \$6, children under age 12 and parking free. For more information, call (248) 348-5600 or visit the Web site at www.sugarloafcrafts.com.



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#### FINAL CALL

The Livenia Arts Commission is looking for exhibitors for its Fine Arts in the Village June 10-30 in Livenia. Works will be displayed June 10-11 at Greenmead

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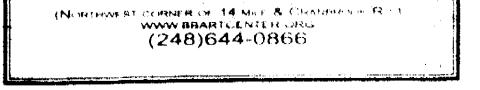
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# Love it, or leave it, logo mania has returned



that sprouted in the 70s and 80s and was nurtured by the upper-crust-statusstarved consumer. Considering that

Logos – it's a trend

designers are borrowing from the noholds-barred, glitzy era, it's not surprising logos are back in style.

So love it or leave

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it, or just your speed, you're likely to see loads of logos from all the usual suspects - Prada, Christian Dior, Hermes and Louis Vuitton and others.

Once upon a time, exclusive fashion houses like Gucci, Louis Vuitton and Chanel built their reputations on their famous symbols.

For Gucci, an interlocking series of the letter "G." Louis Vuitton's trademark, a brown "LV" is unmistakable. And, could anything be more classy than Chancl's double-linked letter "Cs."

In recent years, these logos, for one reason or another, were relegated to the backs of consumer's closets.

But, like all that is new again, designers are stepping back in time and taking inspiration from the logos of days-gone-by.

This time around, the rule isn't necessarily all things obvious and loud; logos, too, can be subtle.

Designer Marc Jacobs, who now has influence over the Louis Vuitton monogram logo, has embossed the classic "LV" on pastel-colored, patent leather. It's a totally unexpected move, but one that renders his Kelly bag one of the sexiest and most lady-like looks around. For those who want just a touch of the look, a savvy buy might be Louis Vuitton's Pochette Accessory bag, which resembles a cosmetic bag with a strap and zipper. At \$140, it's unpretentious, just the right size to hold the essentials - a cell phone, keys and lipstick - and hears the classic brown and comel "LV" logo. Recently featured as a hot item for spring on both The Today Show and Good Morning America, the Pochette bag is ideal for modern living, whether for a night out on the town or as a compliment to daytime business attire. Not surprisingly, Chanel is also going crazy for logos this season. But forget about the house's simple, gold and padded leather "C" emblem. At the Chanel counter at Neiman Marcus, the vinyl totes were presented in unexpected shades of purple and orange with emblems that literally scream for attention. For \$210, "CHANEL" is boldly spelled out across the front of the totes. Another plentiful source for logos is Gucci. Stroll into their Somerset Collection store in Troy. You can't miss the trend. Here, under the direction of designer Tom Ford, the famous "G" is miraculously, yet tastefully, placed everywhere - on ties, shoes, hats, visors. It's even used as an all-over print on trench coats.

# Goodbye casual Friday Dressing up is making a comeback

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#### BY NICOLE STAFFORD SPECIAL EDITOR

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Amanda Turner, fashion director at the Somerset Collection opened her spring fashion show at the upscale Troy mall with a surprising prediction.

"It's all about dressing up," said Turner, who was attired in a soft coral, luncheon suit for the occasion.

And, while many of the outfits featured in the show, held last week for a private audience, were quintessentially casual - one segment was devoted to athletically-inclined attive - it was obvious a more glamorous, pulledtogether elegance is making a comeback.

The show's evening wear segment, designs influenced by Latin culture, seemed to drive home that point; even playful, liberating attire translates into elegance and grace.

"I think people are just tired of being casual. I think women want to be more feminine, more elegant. Women want to dress again," explained Turner following the show.

Perhaps we went too far with casual Fridays?

Maybe we've decided to rebel against our quest for comfort and utility? Regardless of the reasons, women have a choice today.

And, having options drives a desire to dress-up, said Turner, who featured not only dressy evening attire but also a series of very feminine, pastel luncheon suits and a run of glamorous beach wear in the Somerset Collection show.

"It's going back to that Hollywood glamour," she said of her pool-side looks, feminine-cut bathing suits with sheer, flowing coverups, big hats and dramatic sunglasses.

"Even your weekend wear is getting more polished," said Turner. "You know denim is a big trend, but it, too, has gone dressy with so much beading and feminine details."

Outside of the decorative beading, sequins, flower appliqué and embroidery we've grown accustomed to seeing on denim and cashmere twin sets, fashion designers have resurrected many other feminine-elements for spring and summer use.



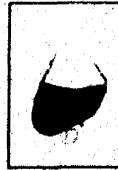
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Latin elegance: Bohemian, peasant and latin looks may be in style but that doesn't rule out dressing up. That was obvious at the Somerset Collection's spring fashion show where an entire segment of the presentation was devoted to formal wear inspired by Latin dance and culture.

True, luxury is back in style, so maybe now is the season to splurge a little.

On the other hand, for what you'd spend on an exclusive logo, you could probably outfit

month.



Logo Dior: Many of Christian Dior's spring handbags come with a

dangling "D."

Or, hop on a plane to New York, and enag a few fabulous fakes from the nearest street corner.

Hey, even the latter might be less



**Beach glamour:** Dress up your suit with a flowing, sheer coverup, big hat and dramatic pair of sunglasses. It's that 40s Hollywood starlet look all over again.

Ruffles and pleated skirts, polka dots and gingham check, lace and hosiery, hats and hand-held handbags are just a few that showed up on Turner's runway. Once more, dainty handbags and lady-like slides have been decorated with delicate beading and flower appliqué, rendering even accessories ultra-feminine. Chiffon is also readily available this spring.

And, while the sound of the word conjures up images of taffy-colored bridesmaid's dresses and other fussy, formal attire, many better-casual designers with contemporary aesthetics, namely Donna Karan, have incorporated chiffon into their collections.

Indeed, the bigger picture suggests we're yearning for a neater, more delicate, if not dressed-up, look. How to achieve it quickly and inexpensively? Turn-

er suggested buying these five pieces:

a luncheon suit (dress or skirt with a jacket)

an elegant, slim pair of pants a cashmere twin set

a gingham or polka dot blouse

a silk handbag with a handle

But, is casual dressing on its way to extinction? The notion of comfort and

utility a thing of the past? "Elegance and sophistication in our wardrobe is something that we always yearn for," said Cheryl Hall Lindsay, fashion and special events director at Saks Fifth Avenue. "But will casual wear go away? "No. It will have it's

place. The totally casual look, that very relaxed, almost utilitarian way of dressing, has run its course, not that we haven't learned from it. It's just that we know now comfort can be included in elegance."

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> Cheryl Hall Lindsay -Saks Fifth Avenue



Plaid pose: Even plaid can be dressy. A Burberry signature plaid shirt tied above the belly offsets a black ball gown skirt, both from Burberry at the Somerset Collection in Trov.

on Thursday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. For details, call (248) 855-8877.

#### CHANEL COSMETICS CLINICS

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts Chanel cosmetics clinics through April 1, Cosmetics department, first floor. To schedule an appointment; call (248) 643-3300 ext. 2101.

#### THEORY MARDRODE DAY

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy. hosts a wardrobe day with a representative from the Theory label, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Casual Sportswear department, second floor. For more information, call (248) 614-3386.

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the question: how do I get in on the logo trend without breaking. the bank? Not to mention, how do I wear a logo or two without looking

to the like.

Rema) at Livonia Mall, at 7 Mile Road, through March 80. Sponsorship is provided by Channel 7, Botsford Hospital and the United Health Organization. For additional information, call (248) 476-1160.

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View an extensive collection of spring gowns from such designers as Budgley Mischks, Pamela Dennis and Halston through March S1 at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Cou-

# ADDED ATTRACTIONS

noy Women's Clothier in Southfield, talks about her latest book on traveling well, "Going Like Lynn, New York," at Borders Books & Music in downtown Birmingham. She'll also show patrons how to pack lightly when heading to the Big Apple, 7:30 p.m. TOBBLERS STORY TIME

#### Borders Books & Music at Troy's Oakland Mall host Borders Explorers Story Time, an introduction to the world of books for toddlers, 10 a.m. For details, call (248) 585-6029.

THURSDAY, MARCH 30

#### RALPH LAUNER FREIBEN SHOW

Hudson's at Twelve Oaks mall in Novi presents a fashion show featuring looks from Ralph Lauren's spring collection, 7 p.m. Reservations are required. Please call (248) 443-6328.

Retail, style and special store events are list-And, that begs ed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malle & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric. Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI

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a la carte

#### WE STUFF



On course: Hugo Boss has added golf wear to their lineup of sophisticated men's fashion. They say golf is a game of confidence, so boost your ego with some style from the retail. er's spring and summer collection for the links, shirts, \$69.50-135, pants, \$135-185, and sweaters, \$135-270, at Hugo Boss.



**Spirited:** Designer Judith Leiber's handbag collection for spring explodes in vibrant color from bright blue to pale blush tones, prices vary, at Neiman Marcus.

# Mall garden show set to go

in the backyard and you're itching for a dose of colorful blossoms and fresh scents, you can always take a stroll through the Somerset Collection.

The Troy mall's annual Home and Garden Collection show is slated March 30 through April 22 in the Somerset North Grand Court.

The show features a series of elaborate gardens by Gerald Salerno, landscape designer and president of the Cranbrook Gardens Auxiliary, and three children's playhouses designed by architect Dominick Tringali.

The show's theme, "Season of Sharing," was chosen as a way to draw attention to related fundraising activities and events:

🖀 A black tie gala for the Beaumont Pediatric Cancer Survivor Scholarship Fund and University Cancer Foundation; 7

If spring has yet to take hold by Unique Restaurant Corp., live play mini-car from FAO auction, raffle and the sounds of the Simon Vitale Band.

A garden party brunch to benefit the Cranbrook Gardens Auxiliary, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, April 2, \$40 ticket includes buffet brunch by Unique Restaurant Corp.

A garden party brunch to benefit the Children's Center, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, April 9, \$40 ticket includes buffet brunch by Unique Restaurant Corp.

On weekends during the show, the Somerset Collection will hold a "Create Your Dream House" contest for children:

Each child who draws a sketch of his or her dream home will receive an architect's tube, sketch paper, ruler and pencils. And, for each sketch submitted. the Somerset Collection will donate \$1 to Share Our Strength. After the contest periSchwarz. To entice young, budding architects, the cars will be on display outside each of the three children's playhouses.

In keeping with the "Season of Sharing" theme, two of the children's playhouses will be auctioned at the March 31 black tie gala, and the third will be donated to Variety, The Children's Charity.

For car lovers who think on a larger scale, a 2000 Jaguar sedan, courtesy of Troy Ford, will be raffled to benefit the Henry Ford Estate at Fairlane. Only 1000 tickets, at \$100 a piece, will be sold.

Also, several presentations will be held during the garden event, including talks given by local gardening columnist Nancy Szerlag on April 9 and 16.

For additional information or to make a reservation for an

### HERE CAN I FIND? This interactive feature is deditake and use old magazines

cated 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, werwere 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:

- A reader has a 1998 Muffy Bear Sugar Plum Fairy.

- A reader has the 1930-1940 Time/Life book series.

- A spiral-bound journal for the year 2000 can be bought at Barnes & Noble on 6 Mile and Newburgh roads.

- Sander's cream puffs can be purchased at the Chocolate Shop, 3316 West 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills, (248) 553-3366.

- A reader has African-American dolls.

Facial spray by Evian can be purchased at Jacobson's at Laurel Park Mall in Livonia and at the CVS store on 5 Mile and Levan roads.

- A mailbox shaped like a tractor can be purchased at the Hardware Classic Company. 7 Mile Road in Livonia.

- Reader also have: the WDIV channel 4 video tape about influential people, a Singer sewing machine table and a piano/organ.

#### FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

Hospitals and nursing homes

- We found an organization that would like one of our reader's exercise equipment.

- A reader has old National Geographic magazines to donate to an organization.

#### WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- A June, 1997 Rochester Adams High School yearbook for Bryan.

- The Nintendo game North & South for Doug.

- A store that sells parts for a counter Nutone blender.

- A store that sells Nail Tek for split nails for Peg of Redford.

- A store that sells Hammer's Rustoleum metal finish to use with a brush or roll for Norma of Garden City.

- An electric omelet pan by Sultan (formerly Maxim) for Kathy of Garden City.

- A Detroit Tigers comforter/blanket (full-sized) for Tama of Canton.

- A store that sells Scotch Brite Rescue soap pads by 3M for Frances.

- A store where ice cube trays that form letters of the alphabet and numbers can be bought for Christine.

- A videotape copy of Disney's "Bambi" movie and its soundtrack for Norma of Livonia.

- A business that can repair a GPX phone (with a clock and an alarm) for Daniel.

- A videotape of the movie, "Dad Can I Borrow the Car?" for Billy and Jimmy of Livonia.

- The body lotion "Andre" by Ben Rickert, formerly carried by J.C. Penney, for Shirley of Commerce.

- The book "Memories of a Non-Jewish Childhood" by

Robert Burn for Richard of Canton.

-A store that sells Heims Spicy Brown mustard for John of Livonia.

- A store that sells men's sweaters with shawls or lapel collars for Al of Livonia.

- A store that sells shoe stretchers for ladies shoes for Elsa of Livonia.

- A store that sells "Guess" cologne for Diane of Livonia.

- A store that sells tall, black kitchen trash bags for Dell of Livonia:

- A store that sells "7'UP" and root beer-flavored popsicle treats that are flat for Tom of Rochester Hills.

- An owner's manual for a Kero-Sun kerosene heater (Omni model #105) for Luke.

- A store that sells leans made by the Midwestern Jean Company, formerly carried by Winkleman's, for Karen.

- The 1999 Hallmark Christmas ornament "Dorothy & the Good Witch."

- The children's toy the "Sticker Maker," which uses photos to make stickers, for Kav of Canton.

- A store that sells the women's Levi's 517, boot-cut jeans for Lonie:

- A store that sells the **Jacqueline Smith perfume** "California" for Karen of Commerce Township.

- A store that sells lipstick by Dana of New York in "Palm Desert" for Jane.

- A store that sells a twolight tube light with metal cover for attachment inside of a china cabinet for Delores of Livonia.

- A used, 32-volt, Delco system generator for Walter. - Sandi Jarackas

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# Traverse City: Spectacular sunsets, shorelines, shopping

### BY MARY QUINLEY SPECIAL WRITER

s Mother Nature shifts gears, local travelers begin to make plans to savor the warm seasons. For Kris Kowynia and Tom Diaz of Westland, the reservations are already made.

"This summer will be our third year going to Traverse City." said Kowynia, who loves to watch the spectacular beachfront sunsets. "We usually stay in a place on the Grand Traverse Bay."

Tucked into Michigan's northwest Lower Peninsula, Traverse City and her surrounding sister communities, present a lively mix of city life, soothing shorelines and wide stretches of grapevines sprinkled among gentle hills.

Go with a friend or take the family.

"We went to the Sleeping Bear Dunes," said Kowynia. "It's amazing! We took the scenic drive and stopped and looked out over the cliffs."

### If you go...

Traverse City is approximately 250 miles from Detroit. For information on the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa, call (800) 748-0303 or check their Web site: www. grandtraverseresort. com.

For information on all Traverse City area attractions, reservations, or to request a free copy of their travel guide, call (800) TRAVERS or visit their Web site at: www. mytraversecity. com

#### **Blessing of the blossoms**

On May 20 and 21, Traverse City, the largest producer of cherries in the world, will celebrate the Blessing of the Blossoms. "It's a family affair," said Jeff Haas, vice president of public relations, Traverse City Convention & Visitors Bureau.

The Old Mission Peninsula, said Haas, is "literally covered with mile-after-mile of cherry blossoms." Activities include wine and sparkling juice tasting, nature hikes and walks through the Old Mission Lighthouse.

#### Scenic Drive

The Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive, a 7.1-mile route, features panoramic views of the dunes, Glen Lake and Lake Michigan. Once you've completed the drive, park the car and explore the dunes on foot.

"It was exhausting." said Kowynia, describing their trek to the top of the dunes. However, she added, "we ran down the hill. I felt like a kid."

Last year the couple attended the city's National Cherry Festival. Kowynia described the fest's atmosphere as very small town, with local arts and crafts dealers and an assortment of cherry-flavored foods. "I had a piece of cherry pie," she said." "It was awesome."

The week-long celebration features activities ranging from turtle races and parades to cherrypie-eating contests and live entertainment. This summer, the festival is July 1-8.

How about a family-friendly, one-stop getaway on the city's fringes?

#### **Grand Traverse Resort**

The Latarski family has a suggestion. It's the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa, six miles northeast of Traverse City in Acme.

"While my husband attended a conference, the kids and I found things to do at the resort," said Pat Latarski, a Livonia resident. Of course, browsing at the Tower Gallery of Shops was on

her list. "The shops were wonderful." said the mother of three children. "There were a variety of things. One store had made-in- 31, the resort's three champi-Michigan products. Other stores onship golf courses, including carried art works and touristtype items."



**Panoramic view:** A view from the Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive of Sleeping Bear Dunes and Lake Michigan.

refreshing."

The Latarskis liked the convenience of everything being under one roof. "In my opinion, it's better to stay in the Towers rather than the condominiums," said Latarski.

Condominium accommodations are located along the fairways of the golf courses and on the shores of the bay.

During the summer months, guests 6-12 years may participate in Cub Camp. The mix of educational and athletic options goes from drama and first aid lessons to international crafts and voileyball games. Advance registration is required.

Bring your clubs. On March

you inquire about accommodations, be sure to ask about packages that include lodging and golf.

While you're in Acme visit the "performing museum." A fabulous display of player planos, nickelodeons and music boxes lines the spacious walls at The Music House.

Take the kids by the hand and meander through the rooms. You'll be treated to the sounds and sights of restored and rare antique musical instruments.

#### Options

Want to do something else in and around the city? How about a snooze under the stars? It can happen on the tall ship Malabar.

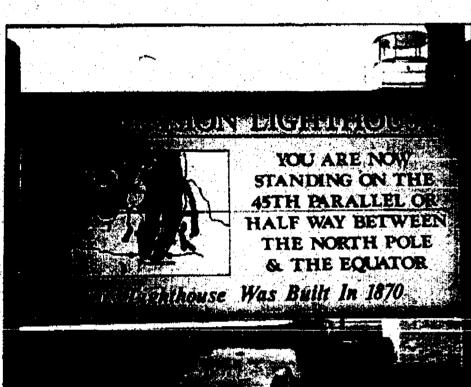
Rustic cabins with a mid-1800s motif are available for bed-and-breakfast passengers. Or stroll along the streets of the historic downtown area. You can taste fudge, search for antiques, and shop for miniature train cars. A restored City Opera House Press).

featuring summer theater; candlemaking demonstrations at the Candle Factory; and, community productions at the Old Town Playhouse supply indoor entertainment.

Feel like fishing? Coho, whitefish, trout and salmon keep anglers busy. If paddling piques your interest, rent a canoe or kayak from a local livery.

Before heading home, take a side trip: A mini-car excursion to the Leelanau Peninsula (north of the city) delights lighthouse lovers. The century-old Grand Traverse Lighthouse warned passing ships of the rocky Lake Michigan shores.

So - are you prepared to bask in Mother Nature's long-awaited scenery change? Perhaps Traverse City deserves consideration.





Sightseeing: Kris Kowynia in front of Old Mission Lighthouse, near Traverse City.

A dip in the pools (there are two) and the hot tubs ranked as there are more than 20 - are favorite activities. "I did the indoor hot tub," she said. "It was Michigan championships. When

The Bear, a Jack Nicklaus design, and a Gary Playerdesigned course, will open.

Many of the region's courses tournament-tested and host

Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and author of "52 Ohio-Weekends," (Country Roads

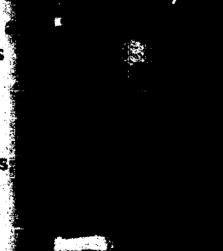


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# CHEF CAROL HASKIN Haute cuisine considered finest in the world

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hink of fine food, and undoubtedly the French come to mind. Haute cuisine enjoys the reputation of being considered the finest cuisine in the world.

Literally meaning "high cooking," haute cuisine, with the rich sauces, fine ingredients and exquisite taste, typifies classic French cooking.

Through the efforts of the great French chefs, haute cuisine first came to the attention of the rest of the world at the time of the French Revolution. Before 1789, chefs were employed by the richest families to prepare food similar to what was being served to the royal court. These chefs established a proving ground for the elaborate

recipes that formed the basis of haute cuisine. The style at the time was elegant food served in many courses, often with rich sauces to accompany the many meats on the menu.

#### **Restaurants** grow

Although the food was unfamiliar to common citizens and beyond their reach, it emerged to popular consumption after the revolution. The fall of the aristocracy meant the great chefs were out of work, which resulted in the opening of numerous restaurants. Before the revolution, there were at least 100 restaurants in Paris, which increased to more than 500 after the social changes. Those who had never tasted a truffle now were able to visit the burgeoning restaurants to sample new delicacies, such as quenelles, tripe cervelle de conut, and foie gras. Restaurants became temples of haute cuisine. Today, the French influence remains prevalent in American restaurants. At an elegant restaurant, the "maitre d" leads diners to their table. Back in the kitchen, the "saucier" whisks sauces. in the garde manger" salads are prepared, while the "chef de cuisine" oversees the cooking operation.





#### SALON CLASS PREPARES COMPETITION O R

If you were serving pickerel as a chilled salad, you might place a cracker on the dish as a garnish, or set it nearby to be consumed with the fish.

Joel Vassallo of Canton, a culinary arts student at Schoolcraft College, gives a lot of thought to such matters. Garnishes aren't afterthoughts, they should complement the dish.

A sesame cracker, baked

ABRANCZYK - PHOJOŠ BY BRYAN MIECHTEL

Focused: Evan Demers, front, and Sondra Baier,

between Macomb and Oakland community colleges. Jean-Paul LePage serves as an alternate, in case one of the others is unable to participate.

That's not all. They and four other students or recent graduates - Sondra Baier, DaJuan Sandifer, Evan Demers and Traci Bahlman will travel to Singapore April 8 for an international individual salon competi-

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Guests are served "hors d'œuvres" and presented with the soup "du jour."

However, you don't have to dine in the finest restaurant to enjoy one of the easiest and most used French culinary techniques. The literal translation for "sauté" in French is "to jump" (from the verb, sauter). When sauteing items, chefs frequently make the contents in the pan "jump" by shaking the pan. Sautéing is best defined as "cooking in a small amount of hot fat in a shallow sided pan usually over high heat."

#### **Preparation** is key

As with stir-fry, most of the work in sauteing is involved in the preparation stage. Once the ingredients are assembled, the cooking is done in a matter of minutes.

These are the basic steps to a quick and delicious sauté meal. First, sear your meat in a hot pan turning only once. When cooking in batches, remove the meat from the pan and place on a warm platter in a medium oven.

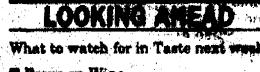
Cover lightly with foil. After cooking all the meat, a flavorful liquid such as lemon juice, wine, liquor or stock is then added to the pan and brought to a boil. Stir with a whisk to incorporate any food particles and pan juices - this procedure is known as "de-glazing."

Add any final ingredients and seasonings. Finally, add the meat to the sauté pan to finish cooking a few minutes more.

When sauteing, chefs insist that the pans are "smokin' hot." A less than hot pan is a common and serious mistake. Once the pan is hot, add a small amount of fat. When the fat is hot (it will only take a few moments), add your favorite meat, vegetables or seafood and begin preparing your "Four Star" meal.

See recipes inside Taste.

Chef Carol Haskins is the pastry and consulting chef at Big Rock Chop & Bress House in Birmingham. Chef Oural holds the distinction of being the



With lightning spead: Janue Value of Farmington Hills spreads out chopped mushrooms to prepare his pate brix of mushroom in the culinary arts kitchen at Schoolcraft College to prepare for a regional Salon competition starting Friday in Kansas City. Salon 2000 team members also practice chopping red peppers and other vegetables following strict cutting guidelines.

#### THE WINNING SALON 2000 MENU

- A pate brix of mushroom crisp roll of mushrooms on wilted greens, served with forest chips and a mushroom essence created by Jamie Valvo of Farmington Hills.
- Chilled salad of pickerel Seviche-style, layered with a jicama red onion slaw, cucumbers with a cilantro-lime vinaigrette by Joel Vassallo of Canton.
- Bailotine of chicken, presented on black beluga lentils with braised sweet cabbage, wine merchant sauce and a sweet potato chip by John Griffiths of Farmington Hills.
- Medley of orange, orange bavarian, tangerine sorbet, blood orange sauce and a pistachio tuille from Sharon Martin of Norhville.

in a spiral shape, is substiboth of Northville, practice tuted for a buttermilk stick in the Schoolcraft kitchen. cracker as a garnish for a

cracker was placed on top of the pickerel, like a skyscraper jutting out against a city skyline.

Changing the garnish adds an incredibly dramatic dimension to the dish.

"Instead of rolling (the cracker dough) flat, I used a pasta attachment to make it thin, cut it into long strips, then wrapped it around a wood dowel and cooked it," explained Vassallo.

Cher Kevin Gawronski, director of culmary arts, Vassallo, and his salon team members from Schoolcraft College in Livonia, hope judges in the two-day regional cooking competition in Kansas City starting Friday, March 31, notice their attention to detail.

"Last year we lost by five-hundredths of a point to the eventual national champs,' Gawronski said. The team from Kansas won the regional competition and advanced to the nationals.

But it isn't just garnishes they're concerned about; students have slaved for weeks, making competition dishes, over and over again, tweaking them with herbs, spices and juices.

Vassallo first wanted salmon in his recipe. Then he wanted rainbow trout. After practicing, he soon decided on pickerel for its leanness. His chilled salad of "seviche-style" pickerel is layered with jicama red onion slaw, cucumbers and a cilantro-lime vinaigrette.

"The acids from the lime juice and the white wine cook it," said Vassallo, explaining the term "seviche." "The pickerel with jicama and red onion slaw is something nice, light and refreshing. The high acid content opens up the taste buds for the next dish. "Something like. that stands out."

#### Team competes

The team, which includes Vassallo, Jamie Valvo, John Griffiths and Sharon Martin, won a Salon competition to represent the state tion, then to Bangkok for a cooking class.

Gawronski believes Schoolchilled pickerel salad he created. The sesame craft is the only community college from the United States going to Singapore, a competition that features 25 to 36 countries. The trip will cost \$26,000 - most of it being paid for with money from fund-raisers.

The salon class prepares students for competition, Gawronski said. "Skill development is encouraged, and they work under a severe timetable. They create and design their own ulonco."

Students learn about the seasonality of foods, taste associations and food groupings, Gawron--skí said.

The 11 salon students are divided into two teams for the class. The team that "wins" in the instructors' eyes competes as a team, while the others compete individually.

Please see SHARPEN, D2



Practice makes perfect: Sharon Martin of Northville, front, mixes for a cake for her medley of orange dessert, while Joel Vassallo prepares pickerel for his chilled salad.

# **Book satisfies hunger for 'Wholesome, Vegetarian Cooking'**

#### BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFT WRITER kabramczyk@ce.homecomm.net

Lenore Baum has practiced and preached natural foods cooking for more than 25 years. First in Phoenix, and for the past nine years at her cooking school in Farmington Hills.

Baum's first cookbook is "Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome, Vegetarian Cooking," book, set to hit bookstores in April, highlights many of those cooking

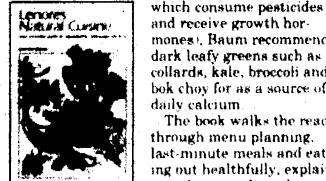
cooking classes. The recipes contain "What motivated to me to write this most recent trend in eating this way LOOKING AMEAD less than 15 percent fat and are made ed soy sauce. Made from soybeans, book." said Baum, "was that I had not has to do with health. Research has yet discovered a down-to-earth, practilinked lower rates of heart disease; without refined sugar or dairy prod-What to watch for in Taste next work: cal cookbook that would guide people ucts. "The recipes are tasty, nourishing high blood pressure, cancer, diabetes and satisfying, not bland, boring ortoward a healthier diet." Baum and obeaity with a vegetarian diet." Focus on Wine So what's a shopper to do? Instead of complex," Baum said designed a user-friendly cookbook that Cooking for presidents provides simple step-by-step instrucdrinking milk from cattle (most of Baum loves soups, like her hearty

tions, and more than 260 cook's tips to help you get good results and save time.

She promotes a healthy diet, particularly the vegan (pronounced VEE-gan) diet. which excludes all animal products such as meat, cheese, eggs, milk and honey.

"People become interested

passion for animals to religion to world Baum said many of the more than 100 recipes were fine-tuned in her as shoyu and tempeh. Shovu is the hunger issues," Baum writes "But the iensons.



and receive growth hormones), Baum recommends dark leafy greens such as collards, kale, broccoli and bok choy for as a source of daily calcium

The book walks the reader through menu planning. last-minute meals and eating out healthfully, explain

bean soup and pressure-cooker peasoup, with a crusty whole wheat bread. Her creamy cauliflower and chickpea soup is high in beta carotene. The cauliflower is pureed, and the chickpeas add a creamy heartiness. Baum said

She came up with spaghetfi with gingered broccoh while visiting a friend and using ingredients found in the refrigerator. Now that recipe as one of her favorites.

The book calls for unusual ingredi-(Culinary Publications, \$21). The cookin a vegetarian diet for a ing what to order, why and And persisted female consultive chef in the State of Minister. ents that will require trips to specialty variety of reasons ranging from comhow to eat well. and natural food stores for items such Japanese name for naturally ferments roasted wheat and salt, it is fermented in wooden kegs for at least 18 months Tempeh is a fermented soybean prod-Please see BOOK, D2

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# Pork flavored with mustard Sharpen

See related Cooking Conquests column on Taste front.

#### PORK MEDALLIONS WITH MUSTARD SHALLOTS AND CAPERS

- 2 pounds pork tenderioin, trimmed and sliced 1/2-inch thick
- 2 teaspoons fresh cracked black pepper
- 1/4 cup olive oil (6 tablespoons).
- 1/2 pound of shallots, thinly sliced
- 1-1/2 cups dry white wine
- 1-1/2 cups Crème Fraiche
- 2-1/2 tablespoons drained capers
- 1-1/2 tablespoons whole grain mustard
- 1-1/2 teaspoons anchovy paste
- 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- Salt to taste

Preheat oven to 200°F. Place platter in oven to warm. Rub pork medallions with pepper and set aside for 15 minutes

Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil. Without crowding the pan with medallions, saute them 1-1/2 to 2 minutes on each side. Transfer the pork to the warmed platter. Repeat with another 2 tablespoons oil and the remaining meat.

Place the pork in the oven. Add the remaining oil to the pan and when it begins to smoke, add the shallots. Saute until browned (about 3 minutes). Add the wine and de-glaze the pan, scrape up any browned pieces from the bottom. Bring to a boil and reduce by . half - about 3 minutes.

Stir in Crème Fraiche, capers, mustard, anchovy paste and lemon juice.

Continue cooking 5-6 minutes on medium heat. Add the pork and any accumulated meat juices to the sauce and stir to coat. Serve at once.

A small baked apple, steamed broccoli and wide egg noodles would complement the tangy pork nicely. Yields four to six servings.

1 tablespoon shoyu or more to taste (available at

Full a large stock pet with five quarts of water.

ing to package directions. Gently pour cooked

Bring to a boil. Cook spaghetti until al dente, accord-

spaghetti into a colander in the sink. Rinse until cold.

Meanwhile, steam broccoli until barely fork-tender,

about 2 minutes. Set aside. In a large, nonstick skillet

Add broccoli. Mix gently. Cover and heat through

or wok, heat oil. Saute ginger and garlic 1 minute.

Add spaghetti. Saute until lightly golden, 3-5 min-

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utes. Season with shoyu to taste.

Leave in colander.

## Author's spaghetti spiced with ginger, garlic

Here is a recipe from "Lenore's Natural Cuisine: Your Essential Guide to Wholesome, Vegetarian Cooking" by Lenore Baum, who teaches at her cooking school in Farmington Hills. See Taste front for a review of the cookbook.

#### SPAGHETTI WITH GINGERED BROCCOLI

- 1 pound semolina spaghetti
- 1 bunch broccoli, stems peeled and diagonally
- sliced, florets separated
- 1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil
- 1 4-inch piece fresh ginger, peeled and cut into matchsticks

# Book from page D1

uct originating in Indonesia. Shoyu costs about \$3 for 10 ounces, while tempeh costs \$1.49 a pound, she said. "Beans are 80 cents a pound, and that's enough

effects of refined sugar.

body crave more sugar," she

# 'As a wise person once said, if you don't take the time to be healthy now, you will take the time to be sick later.

> Lenore Baum -author and instructor

because you are taking good care

you don't take the time to be healthy now, you will take the

Lenore Baum will sign her book 1 2 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at Whole Foods Market, Maple at Coolidge in Troy; and 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, at Borders; 14 Mile and Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. Baum also teaches vegetarian cooking classes at 22899 Inkster Road in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 478-4455 or visit www. lenoresnatural.com

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The team has 90 minutes to complete a four-course meal with four portions each. "Nothing can be fabricated beforehand. Everything's from scratch," Gawronski said.

The students premare meals, then critique them with the chef instructors.

#### **Practice**, practice, practice

Valvo of Farmington Hills practiced his recipe - pate brix of mushroom - at least 15 times.

Valvo, his classmates and instructors taste the dishes they prepare, exchange ideas and suggest spices, but in the end, it is the students' work.

"It is supposed to be what we like. There are just so many ideas out there in cooking." Valvo said. "It's an art."

"The more complexity, the more points that are scored," Gawronski said. But practicality also weighs heavily in the judges' eyes and whether that recipe can be served at a gathering of 100 people.

For example, Gawronski said Griffiths worked on his ballotine of chicken, using yeal cheeks and chicken legs to stuff chicken thighs, then truffles and cognac "to elevate" the dish. The chicken ballotine is served over stewed black beluga lentils.

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Sharon Martin's dessert, an orange bavarian and flourless chocolate cake with cigarette paste, tangerine sorbet and blood orange sauce, presents a mix of flavors between

juice from tangerines and oranges, few of the winter fruits available at that time of year. and a chocolate cake with chocolate, butter, egg yolks and egg whites. "It is a warm and cold dessert on the same plate, which shows diversity," Gawronski said.

before serving, about 2 minutes. Yields four servings of yourself." "As a wise person once said, if time to be sick later."

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writes. "It is an addictive cycle.

"That's what research shows," Baum said. Though she admitted that language was strong, she added that a large percentage of the U.S. population has problems with the amount of sugar in their diets, citing the

book "Sugar Blues" by William Dufty.

"A balanced vegetarian diet will give you more energy to do what you want to do," said Baum. "It will help you lose unwanted pounds, and in general will make you feel better

See recipe inside Taste.

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#### Sharpening skills

Students also demonstrate their knife skills with five techniques, chopping parsley, garlic and carrots, dicing an onion and potato. Some of the cuts are challenging.

The julienne cut means they must cut pieces 1/4-inch by 1/4inch by 2 inches. A tourne cut. means a potato must have seven. perfect sides, between 1 1/2 to 2 inches. "It cannot exceed two inches," Gawronski said. Another cut is the brunoise (pronounced broonwass), a 1/8-inchby-L/8-inch dice of a potato.

Off to Singapore

The students are looking forward to traveling to Asia. Traci-Bahlman of Rochester, who will. compete individually, plans to prepare pan-seared Arctic char. with white truffle risotto.

Bahlman said the competition : hones her skills. "You have to be } disciplined to a practice schedule : and prioritize your time," she said.

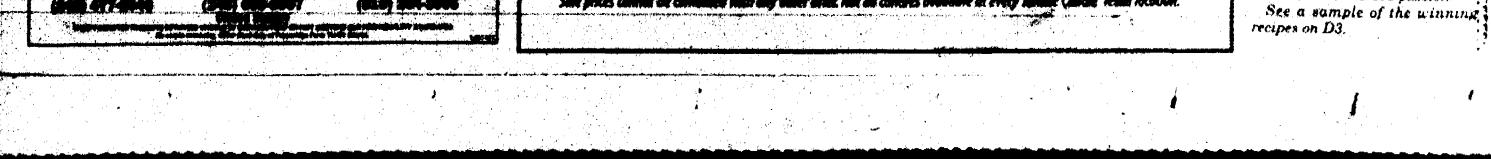
Evan Demers of Northville will create an Italian dish with calamari stuffed with shrimp and, scallop mousseline, and spinach : fettucini with mint pesto sauce. He likes the numerous ideas. that students and instructors. kick around for the class. "The chefs are always there and give ; you insight," he said.

DaJuan Sandifer of Detroit will prepare African-American dishes with a contemporary touch. Grilled pork tenderloin with sage, rosemary and thyme vinaigrette marinade and a smoked ham hock timbale are on ; his menu.

"I just want to learn and experience as much as I can," Sandifer said of his Singapore trip. "I want to go and see and bring back some of that knowledge to my friends."

Sondra Baier of Northville, expects to create a Southwest ern-based theme: nork tanderloin with a cumin rub, melody of beans and braised chirotel squash, among other dishes. She, too, is looking forward to the trip becaused "all the differant kinds of food and the differ. inst culture, just to see how it is prepared.

"Food is music. It's passion."



# Salon team members share mushroom, pickerel recipes

#### See related story on Taste front,

#### CHILLED SALAD OF PICKEREL "SEVICHE STYLE"

1 1/2 fillets pickerel(about 8-10 ounces), juli erined 1 bulb jicama 1 medium red onion 1 jalapeno. 8 limes, juiced 1 cup and 3 tablespoons vegetable oil 1/2 cup white wine zest of two limes 1 whole lemon. 1/4 to 1/2 cup cilantro, chopped 1/2 medium cucumber 1 3/4 cups flour, all-purpose 2 teaspoons sugar 1/4 tablespoon salt 2 ounces butter 1 cup buttermilk 1/4 ounce tahini paste 2 tablespoons sesame seeds egg wash Boston or bibb lettuce

Frisee lettuce

Juice the limes into a bowl. Cover the pickerel with lime juice. Refrigerate until the fish is cured, about 45 minutes.

Make a smooth dough with the flour, sugar, salt, butter, tahini paste and buttermilk. Let dough rest. then roll dough to 1/8-inch thick. Sprinkle with sesame seeds and bake at 350° F until golden brown, about 10 to 15 minutes.

Strain the lime juice off the pickerel and add finely chopped cilantro and lime zest. Slowly whisk in oil to form an emulsion. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Peel jicama and red onion. Finely julienne the onions and jicama. Mix with jalapeno and enough dressing to coat.

Mold fish in a ring mold, alternating the layers of pickerel and slaw. Peel cucumber and slice thin, Linecenter of plate with a ring of cucumbers. Unmold seviche and place in the center of the ring. Top with lightly dressed greens and garnish with cracker.

Recipe courtesy of Joel Vassallo.

#### PATE BRIX OF MUSHROOMS

2 guarts mushroom stock (reserve 1 ounce) 8 cups white mire poix, cut into chunks (2 cups celery, 4 cups onion and 2 cups parsnips,

1/4 cup button mushrooms 1/4 cup cremini mushrooms 20-medium caps oyster mushrooms

- 2 cups Madeira
- 1/4 cup cream
- 2 lemons 8 ounces spinach
- 2 ounces arugula
- 2 sheets pate brix (phyllo dough can be used instead)
- 2 quarts mushroom stock; split (created with dried mushroom stems, celery, carrots and onion)
- 2 slices white bread

#### **Mushroom stock:**

Prepare mushroom stock by adding dried mushroom stems to 4 quarts water and white mire poix with a sack of spices, created with one sprig of thyme or one teaspoon dried thyme, two bay leaves, a few peppercorns and two tablespoons parsley. Simmer on low for about one hour.

#### Main recipe:

Slice shiitakes and create chips by placing them on a buttered cookie sheet, season them with salt and cook for about 30 minutes at 275 ° F.

Mince garlic and shallots. Finely chop parsley and thyme.

Dice all the mushrooms except the oyster mushrooms. Clean oyster mushrooms, leaving just the large leaves (caps). Put scraps of ovster mushrooms into stock.

Sweat (or sauté 15-20 seconds) one tablespoon each of garlic and shallots, add diced mushrooms, then cook until tender. Deglaze with Madeira, add cream and reduce by half, until thickened and cream coats mushrooms. Finish with parsley, thyme and juice of half of a lemon. Season and cool. (Note: Mushroom mix must be completely cooled before placing on phyllo dough.)

Clean spinach and arugula. Combine and reserve.

Brush phyllo dough lightly with butter. Add cooled mushroom mix. Roll tightly and seal. Form into a triangle and place in a cooler.

Cut crusts off bread, place white pieces in small food processor with one teaspoon of garlic, shallot, parsley and thyme and 2 teaspoons melted butter. and puree. Place in pie tin and toast in oven at 300° F. for about 10 minutes, until golden brown and crunchy

Wilt spinach and arugula with one teaspoon each of rarlic and shallots in reserved one ounce of mush



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# MEDICAL BRIEFS

### **Mini-Med School**

Men and women of all ages and backgrounds are invited to participate in the University of Michigan Health System's "Mini-Med School," a series of weekly lectures 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, April 4-May 9. They won't end up with an "M.D." after their names, but they will gain a better understanding of women's health and illness issues.

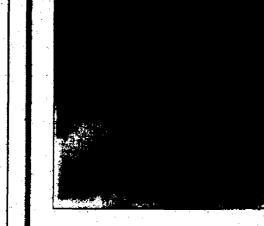
Topics include teen pregnancy. endometriosis, depression, menopause, fibroids and osteoporosis. Lectures are geared to a nontechnical audience. Students receive a book bag, syllabus and course materials.

Class size is limited, and enrollment is on a first-come basis. Tuition is \$60 per person, \$50 each for those who register with a friend or spouse, and \$30 for students and seniors. Tuition waivers are available. To pre-register, call the Women's Health Resource Center at (734) 936-8888.

### Living with Parkinson's

Health Development Network at Botsford General Hospital will present "Living with and Understanding Parkinson's Disease," a sevenweek educational series 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, April 4 to May 16. Topics include goal-setting, self-management, medications, other therapies and staying healthy.

"This is the only hospital-based program of its kind in the state," said Deborah Orloff-Davidson, director of HDN. "It's really a program



BY RENEE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER rskogiund@oe.homecomm.net

t's an act of desperation as old as time. Mothers ~ scared, ashamed, or in deep denial - abandon their newborns in garbage cans, in the woods and on the proverbial church doorsteps.

Last Sunday, a newborn boy was found in a garbage bag outside Grace Salvation Church in Detroit. He was taken to Sinai-Grace Hospital, where he was diagnosed with having "persistent fetal circulation" - a condition in which a newborn reverts to the circulatory pattern he had in the womb, said spokeswoman Barbara Lewis.

The newborn, just hours old when abandoned, was transferred to Children's Hospital on Monday evening. He was put on a heartlung machine and remains in critical condition.

Two years ago, near Christmas, a baby boy was brought to Garden City Hospital by the Dearborn Heights police after being left on the steps of St. Mel's convent in Garden City. Fortunately, he was in good condition and was released to the Family Independence Agency within hours.

"It was unbelievable. Those nurses treated that baby as if he was their own. The nurses wouldn't let the media near the baby." said hospital spokesman Terry Carroll.

Earlier this week, a county-wide "Safe Haven for Newborns" program was unveiled by county prosecutors' offices and hospital officials. The program allows mothers to leave

# Safe Haven for Newborns

EMERGENCY ROOMS OFFER LOVING HANDS FOR UNWANTED BABIES

is extremely important, Lozon emphasized.

It is the layer of subcutaneous tissue, the fat and fibrous tissue, that allows adults to maintain body temperature in the cold, said Lozon. Conversely, it is the lack of this tissue in infants, along with their body configuration of a large head and small body - more surface area as opposed to mass - that allows heat to evaporate more quickly.

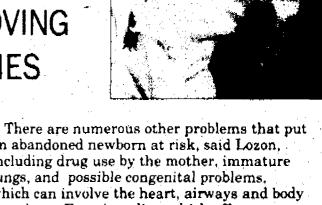
Falling body temperatures affect heart rate Normally, a newborn's heart rate is 140-160 beats per minutes. But if he becomes too cold, both his heart rate and breathing slows down. "Below 100 beats is dangerous," said Dorsch.

#### Other risks

Newborns need glucose to survive and are usually fed within four hours of birth. At Garden City Hospital, nurses take a heel-stick glucose reading immediately after birth, then again one and two hours later. If glucose levels are low, "you don't have energy to push oxygen through the blood," said Claudia Westbrook, director of emergency services.

Also, because an infant's metabolic rate is much higher than an adult's, they consume oxygen and glucose at a higher rate, said Lozon. That's why they are fed frequently. If the brain is seriously deprived of glucose, seizures and permanent brain damage may result

Infection is another problem. "You never know what they cut the cord with," said Dorsch. "If they don't clamp the cord fast enough, the baby can bleed."



an abandoned newborn at risk, said Lozon, including drug use by the mother, immature lungs, and possible congenital problems, which can involve the heart, airways and body chemistry. Even jaundice, which affects over half of all newborns in the United States, is potentially dangerous. If not treated in a timely manner, high levels of bilirubin can lead to brain damage.

#### A plastic bag

Plastic bags do not keep a baby warm. They smother it. Plastic garbage bags are nonporous, and as an infant's oxygen supply becomes depleted, the bag fills with exhaled carbon dioxide.

"If you have a carbon dioxide build-up and oxygen is being depleted, carbon dioxide makes you sleepy and unresponsive. The baby may stop breathing," said Lozon

Births within a hospital emergency room, especially involving mothers who have not had prenatal care or who have been involved in caraccidents, can be emotionally trying for medical staff, said Westbrook. The "unknown factor" increases with an abandoned baby. "She may have delivered in the bathroom in a gas station."

In most cases, the only known factor is that the mother was desperate. "People who do this are so in denial and so horrified of sharing this with their family, they want to wipe it off the face of the earth," said Lozon.

Thanks to Safe Haven for Newborns, hospi-

not to be missed for anyone dealing with the disease."

The cost is \$50 per family. Preregistration is required. Classes will be held at the Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Avenue in Novi. For more information and to make reservations. please call (248) 477-6100. The series is co-sponsored by the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation.

### Women's Health Day

Just a reminder to mark your calendars for a day away from kids. pets and household chores. The Marian Women's Center of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will present its sixth annual "Women's Health Day" 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 8, at the Holiday Inn-Livonia West on Six Mile Road and I-275.

Attendees can choose from topics in each of three sessions: Tai Chi, refractive eye surgery, happy and healthy feat, aromatherapy and therapeutic massage, and why "they" make you crazy. And keynote speaker Bobbie Staten, nurse and business woman, has an inspiring message on life, family, work and priorities for everyone: "I'm Going to be Happy When."

Registration fee is \$30 (\$35 at the door) and is requested by Monday, April 3. The fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, exhibits and a fashion show by Casual Corner Group. Sponsorships available. Call (1-800) 494-1617.

their unwanted newborns at area emergency rooms without fear of prosecution.

Would the newest baby John Doe's mother have taken him to the nearest hospital emergency room had she known about the program? That she would be free from prosecution? Maybe. Would he still have developed lifethreatening respiratory problems? Maybe not

"He was gorgeous, full term. No one knows what caused his problem," said Lewis.

#### The elements

The fact is all newborns - big ones, little ones, full-term babies and especially premature babies - are subject to extreme healthrisks when abandoned. The six hours after birth is known as the "transitional period." said Dr. Marie Lozon, director of Children's Emergency Services for the University of Michigan Health System. And the greatest risk is loss of body heat.

"Hypothermia is the most common reason (abandoned) babies die," she said.

For newborns, maintaining a core body temperature is a complex neurological and circulatory process, she said. "In the face of environmental stress cold, heat, even normal room temperatures - infants left lying unclothed could become cold, and that's a big stressor."

If the hostile environment persists, an infant loses the battle to maintain body temperature. A cascade of consequences eventually leads to shock and ultimately death.

Dr. Maria Dorsch, a pediatrician at the Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane, had a short answer when asked about an abandoned baby's chances on a cold winter night: "Forget it."A baby doesn't have much fat, she said, and "fat is what conserves heat in the body." To prevent heat loss, newborns are immediately dried off after birth and put into a warm environment.

Quickly and thoroughly drying off the infant

Infections also can be picked up as the baby teria in the birth

infections are routinely picked up during pre-natal care. However, mothers who have abandoned babies most likely have not seen a doctor

canal and vaginal

during pregnancy. In a suitable birthing setting, an emerging newborn's throat and nose are suctioned before the shoulders and chest are delivered. "The birthing assistant would normally do some suctioning in order that the baby would not take a deep breath before all those fluids are suctioned out," said Lozon. "A young girl delivering at home in a panic would not know to suction that out."

Fortunately, most full-term, healthy babies can sneeze and cough fluids out; however, premature babies don't have this strong reflex response.

travels through the birth canal. Common bac- | alternative.

tal emergency rooms can now offer a loving



PHOTOS BY TRACY GROSSRANS, HENRY FORD HEALTH SYSTEM Offering safety: Dr. Leland Ropp, pediatric emergency physician, Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane (left), and George E. Ward, chief assistant prosecutor, Wayne County, announce the start of Safe Haven for Newborns at area hospitals.

# Adult ADHD conference set at **Oakland Community College**

Restlessness, distruction and severe mood swings are just a few symptoms. of attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, which many adults have but often don't recomme

The Michael Golds Memorial Conference Fund will present a one-day conference titled "Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder and the Student: Impact, Diagnosis, Treatment and Resources," Friday, April 7, at Oakland Community College in Farming-ton Hills. Registration begins at 8:45 a.m., with the first selection beginning \*\*\*\*\*\*

The senference is geared towards college-aged students affected by ADED and their families, physicians, mental health professionals and eduTimothy Wilens, associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, will join a panel of experts focusing on the following issues:

**Diagnosis and impact of ADHD** and associated conditions.

Contemporary treatment issues.

Teaching and managing the ADHD student.

Communications between educators and psychologists.

Coaching the ADHD student.

Educational Resources for the ADHD and learning disabled student.

After lunch, attendees can choose from one of the smaller breakout sessions on ADHD complication, counseling, coaching and educator training.

The cost to attend the symposium is

# Listen and dance

### Hearing impaired children learn rhythm, pitch

The second annual "Hearing Impaired Listeners' Community Family Dance" will be held 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 1, at the Pittsfield Union Grange in Ann Arbor. The event is for deaf and hard-of-hearing children of all ages, their friends and family.

The dance is the brainchild of Marcie Brown, an audiologist, teacher of the hearing impaired, therapist and founder of The Hearing Teacher, an Ann Arborbased organization that specializes in auditory-verbal services for infants and children.

"The idea is for the children and their parents to have fun, while doing what we teach them to do naturally, to listen and respond to speech and music. Appropriate pitch and rhythm is essential to understanding spoken language," said Brown. "When children who are deaf learn to listen to changes in pitch and rhythm by singing and dancing, they develop more natural-sounding speech."

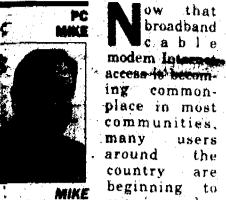
The program, led by Peter Baker, will be based on simple traditional community dancing. It will feature New England-style live dance music provided by popular dance musician Debbie Jackson and friends. The musicians will play a variety of instruments, including piano, tuba, fiddle and the marimba

During the break, children will have an opportunity to listen to the instruments and to "play" some of them.

The Pittsfield Grange is located at 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road off I-94 (first exit west of State Street, 1/2 mile south of I-94), Ann Arbor, (734) 662-8936. For

more information about the dance, contact Marcie Brown at (734) 741-8998. The Dr. Joei L. Young, medical director of the Rochester Center for Behavioral \$40 per person or \$25 per student. For more information, contact (248) 539cost is \$4 for an individual and \$7 for a family. "Scholarships" to be dance an available. "I don't want to turn anybody away," said Brown, Medicine, and kernote speaker Dr. 9957 or log on to www.rcbm.net.

# Is Internet cable a victim of its own growing popularity?



communities, many users around the country are beginning to experience what WENDLAND I. call cable's little dirty

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Cable Internet service is slowing, too.

So many people are taking advantage of the cable compamies offers to increase surfing speed by up to 100 percent that the system is starting to choke. There are also broadband pigs. people running high volume Web sites off cable modems, even though this is prohibited by most systems. These pigs, who run what cable people call "rogue servers," jam entire systems.

The results of the huge demand and the broadband pigs are massive slowdowns, traffic backups and inadequate service in many places. All around the country, cable companies are adding extra "nodes," or neigh-

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a motropolitan Detroit, the Comcast Online and the ing common- AT&T@Home systems have been growing at tremendous rates. And so far, I'm receiving only scattered complaints about service. Most users here seem delighted at the speed of broadband. Let's hope it stays that way

> But elsewhere, where cable Internet has been around a bit longer, system slowdowns are becoming commonplace.

What's happening is the demand is far outstripping the capacity of some systems. Remember, cable Internet is different than cable TV. TV is basically passive.

The information comes in and that's it. So thousands of users can share the same node. Not so with cable Internet, which is interactive, or two-way, and gobbles up bandwidth. Cable Internet also works just like any other computer network, When everyone is on at the same time. it slows.

Tied closely with the slowdown is inadequate service. Just try calling the service desk of your cable company, it took me three. real person to answer when I AT&T service.

From the e-mail I've been getting, it seems as if busy signals. and hour-long waits to speak to a technician are now the norm with some cable Internet providers.

This mess is going to get much worse before it gets better. The cable Internet industry needs to redirect thousands of more people into technical support around the country and thousands more in the field to add nodes. I'm already hearing from people fed up with cable in some regions who are switching to DSL.

While DSL service is considerably slower than cable Internet. DSL still beats the fastest modem by about 25 times and because it's a one on one connection, isn't going to degrade as more users come online sharing your same node, as with cable.

Wireless phones offer Internet The wireless phone revolution is in full motion. Though there are still some protocol issues the industry needs to straighten out, this year will see the end of cellular and the total domination of digital wireless phones. Many of us will soon use a wireless phone

replace pagers, too, offering up ehad some problems with my mail retrieval and "web clippings" of stock prices, sports scores and breaking news from the internet. The technology is already in place. This will be the year it catches on. I'm now testing out the latest offering from AirTouch and I'm impressed. They call the service "Mobile Web" and it offers instant access to Internet content, e-mail, information services, mobile originated messaging and address book and to-do list functions. Oh yeah, it's also a wireless telephone.

Onward and upward

Two new studies released this week indicate the Internet growth rate is showing no signs of slowing down. The Strategis Group says 53 percent of the U.S. population is now regularly online and that women make up nearly half - 49 percent - of all Net users. The study says the Internet has grown by 25 percent since 1998. Another new Internet measurement survey from the Canadian research firm Angus Reid puts the current worldwide Internet population at 300 million users and projects 1 billion users by 2005.

Web attacks The problem with Internet

security is most corporations. that have been hit by hackers are reluctant to report it because they worry it may hurt their image with consumers or adversely affect their stock prices. But among those 640 banks, corporations and financial sites that did respond to the FBI's latest survey, measurable losses directly attributable to hack attacks or security breaches cost a whopping \$265 million last year. That's double the rate of 1998. This year's figures are expected to be staggeringly more. "It's going from bad to worse," said a spokesman for the firm that conducted the FBI study

#### Trying again

You got to hand it to Microsoft. It doesn't give up. Even though its cumbersome and klutzy Windows CE handheld computer operating system has been a dismal failure, it keeps coming back for more marketplace beatings. Within two weeks, Microsoft and its partner companies like Casio and Compaq will rename the CE devices as PocketPC's and introduce a slew of new models to consumers. These units will offer color, of course; and multimedia capabilities, as well as an e-book reader. Microsoft's target is

Palm Computing, which has about 90 percent of the handheld market. Don't count Microsoft out. They know how to compete. Remember when Netscape held 90 percent of the Internet browser market? Now Microsoft's Internet Explorer holds the lead.

While CE sure hasn't been popular with consumers, eventually Microsoft may just get it right. That's why Palm just added its spectacular color IIIc model and is aggressively signing up designers and programmers, adding new software and forming new partnerships with Internet portal sites. The handheld computer battle is shaping up to be one of the year's best high tech stories. "73" until next week.

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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-

# **BUSINESS CALENDAR**

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 Business 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.

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 Ledong Li will share their exper-

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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The discussion will be held at Shifrin-Hayworth, a consumer research firm on March 29. For more information call Jackie at 1-800-559-5954.

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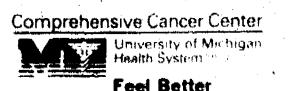
tise on expanding interests and overcoming the challenges of doing business in China. Cost is \$295 and includes a Chinese luncheon and handout material. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 5. Enrollment

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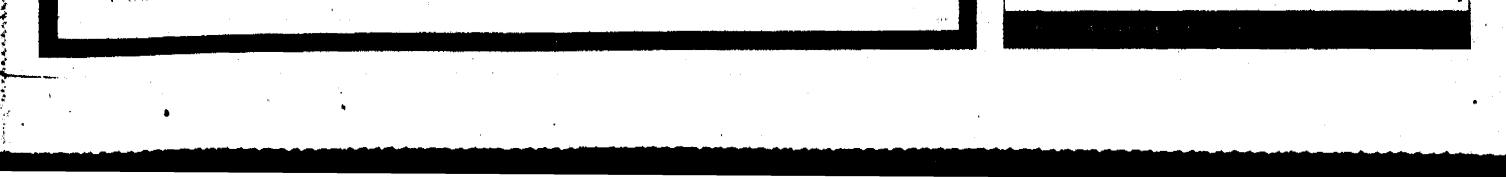
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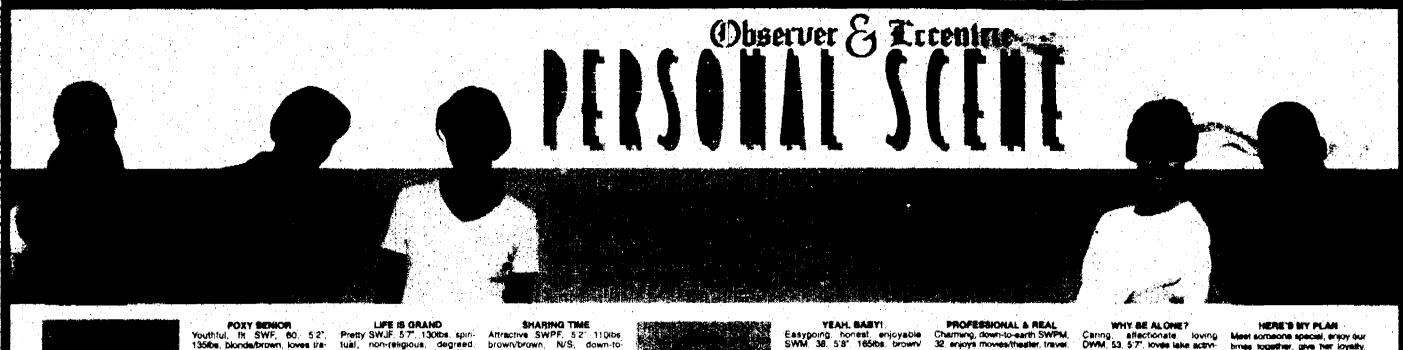
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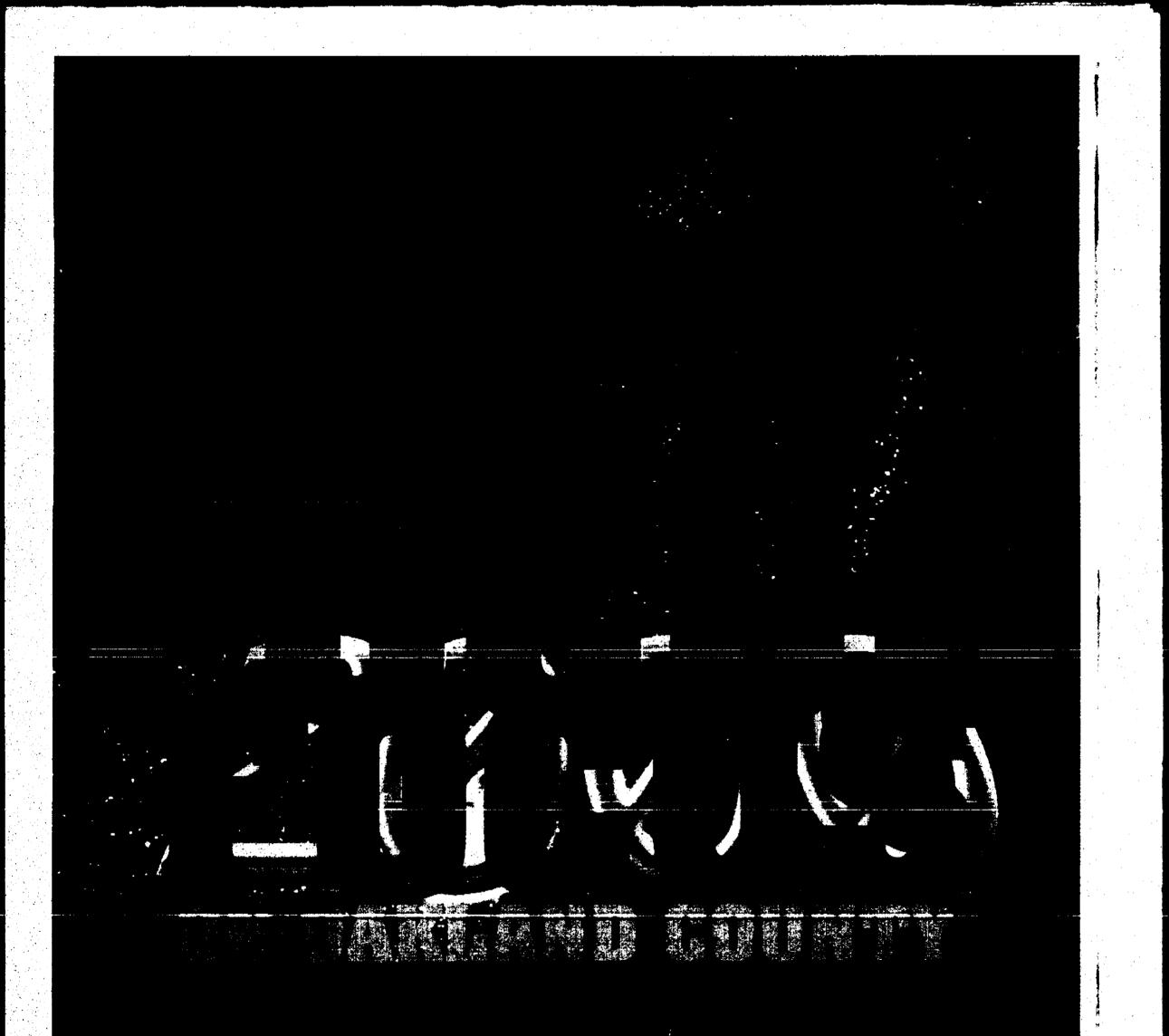
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# Assisted Living Residents Come Home To Courtyard Manor

In February, Courtyard Manor, an assistive living facility for memory impaired adults, such as those suffering from Alzheimer's Disease or other type of Dementia, held a Valentine's Day Ball. All patient participants were tuxedos or evening gowns donated by local businesses and, of course, a king and queen were crowned. This is an unusual activity, when compared to playing cards or bingo, but such widely-varied and creative activities are necessary therapy for patients. 'according to Bonnie Everett, M.S., regional director for Courtyard Manor.

"Stimulating activities help to slow the progression of the disease, prevent withdrawal and depression and improve quality of life," said Everette. Pet therapy, recreational therapy and other individualized, comprehensive therapy helps enrich patients' minds and lives, she added. Certified Recreational Therapists are on staff at Courtyard Manor and are diligent about incorporating such programs and activities.

Fourteen years ago, Courtyard Manor opened its doors to the families that could no longer care for their loved ones who were suffering from Alzheimer's and Dementia, or those who were physically frail. It is a fully-licensed, full-service facility with a continuum of care in a residential atmosphere. "We are an affordable alternative to other medical care facilities." said Everett. Courtyard Manor has facilities in Farmington Hills, Livonia, Auburn Hills, Sterling Heights and Wixom.

Licensing is not mandated by the State of Michigan, but Courtyard Manor is licensed facility. This means that they are governed by the State of Michigan's regulations and conform to their laws. Each facility is subject to on-site inspections or licensing action if they do not comply with licensing rules. This provides families with the reassurance that their loved one is well cared for.

Courtyard Manor is staffed 24 hours with healthcare assistants and licensed nurses. Attending physicians, physical therapy evaluation and rehabilitation, psychiatry, podiatry, laboratory, x-ray, vision care, dental exam and treatment and a full-service beauty salon mean patients never have to leave the premises. Hospice care is also available to ease patients' suffering as they near the end of their life.

Each campus has four specialized "cottages," which separate patients into four levels of need. Each suite, either private or companion has emergency call buttons in bedroom and bathroom, a bedroom, sitting area and a bathroom with private walkin shower and safety handle bars. Buildings have an open floor plan, with secured exits. The great room resembles a cozy skilodge with a fireplace, wooden vaulted ceilings and ceiling fans. Gorgeous courtyards are a trademark of Courtyard Manorwhere residents can sit outside on benches or garden, if they so choose.

Services offered include three home-cooked meals and snacks daily; medication administration; assistance with daily personal care; dressing and bathing; incontinence management; daily housekeeping; linen services; and personal laundry services.

"Residents are encouraged to bring personal items (i.e., hobbies, photos, furnishings or furniture) from home to make them feel comfortable and to stimulate long-term memory," said Everett. Staff is especially accommodating and flexible. "We treat every situation as unique," said Everett.

The decision to place a family member or spouse in an assistive living environment can be a difficult one. Some Alzheimer's warning signs include: recent memory loss, difficulty performing familiar tasks, problem with language, disorientation of time or place, misplacing things, changes in mood, behavior or personality and loss of initiative.



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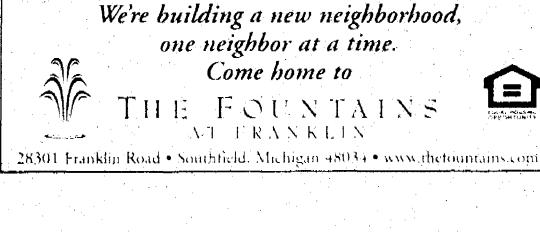
Today's seniors have more choices for better living than ever before. Just ask Emma and Fred Leeman, who reside at The Fountains at Franklin. Instead of worrying about shoveling snow and home maintenance this winter, they've been busy living the good life with their many friends and neighbors at this exceptional Southfield retirement community. Here, there are also special new programs to support those needing assistance, and also those living with dementia.

"We are so happy here. We feel very secure because we are well taken care of, especially when we had the flu --- the staff waited on us hand and foot. We think this is the best place for us. We feel part of the community here", the Leemans said. Frank Anderson, a Fountains at Franklin resident since 1997, agrees. "I am a very lucky man," he said. "I have three terrific sons. They made sure I would be taken care of. The staff at The Fountains at Franklin has made me feel at home."

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Raffi Eurdekian, G.G., Aline, buyer and sales consultant, and Harout Eurdekian, master jeweler/designer

If you want to buy jewelry from a jeweler who knows the industry, stop in at Swiss Jewelers of Southfield. The success of this family owned business is due, in part to their unique combination of talent, background, knowledge and love of beautiful jewelry in general. Harout Eurdekian, both designer and master jeweler, has been in the jewelry husiness since 1952. His son Raffi, is a graduate genulogist of the Gemological Institute of America and a professional appraiser. Raffi is also a expert witness in court cases for jewelry related fraud or disputes, FBI cases, and provides various jewelry and gemstone related consulting.

This unusual mix of scientific expertise and customer service ideals combined with current jewelry trends makes Swiss Jewelers a Unique Jewelry shopping destination

The success they've enjoyed for almost 30 years is due, in part to the quality of merchandise they carry. They have a vast selection of merchandise from designer jeweiry to custom designs all in 14K, 18K, or Platinum. But what Swiss Jewelers is specifically known for is the nicke they fill in the diamond arens. They specialize in diamonds which are cut to exacting proportions and symmetry designed to maximize fire and brilliance. They showcase Lazare and Hearts on Fire Diamonds and eagerly share their knowledge and expertise as to why Hearts On Fire Diamonds are the best on the market.

All of the 4C's are important considerations when buying a diamond. But it is the Cut which is inquestionably the smgle most important factor in determining the true beauty of a diamond. A diamond is cut to have many surfaces, or "facets, Most round diamonds are cut with 58 facets. These facets act like a series of lenses and mirrors. When cut with perfect proportions and symmetry a diamond will capture, focus and return light to the viewer in a dazzling display for fire, brilliance and scintillation The cut is the only factor that man can control and more often than not the diamond cutter will cut the rough diamond in order to retain weight. By doing so they can sell a heavier carat weight (usually a deeper cut diamond with losfire and brilliances for a higher price Caraf-weight is simply the weight not the size of a diamond use 5 caraterequids I gram. Weight does not equal-ered

What's really important is what you see face up and what you see face up is the diameter across the top of the diamond. A 0.85 carat Hearts On Fire Diamond looks as big as an ordinary one-carat diamond because the diameter across the top is almost identical. Less is definitely more in this case, because the extra weight in the bottom of an ordinary diamond actually takes away from its beauty and merely adds to its cost

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Hearts on Fire Diamonds take the art of diamond cutting to a new level. Each diamond is cut to express its inner beauty and release its incredible fire in a way never seen before. Each of its 58 facets are cut with precise care and exquisitely polished to maximize an elegance, beauty and rare inner fire that is uniquely Hearts on Fire. A Proportion Scope<sup>1M</sup> allows customers to view the perfectly symmetrical ring of hearts, seen via the bottom view and the perfect fire burst seen via the top view, often eliciting a simple, yet definitive, "wow"

Comparison shopping for a diamond can feel overwhelming or complicated and many shoppers rely on cost or a good deal'') to make a final decision. There is a certain psychological appeal to price, and unterradoly will of the free on that sales. said Raffi. But before you buy he adds take the time to shop at Swiss Jewelers to ask questions and get real answers which can help to "quantify value" to learn its much as you can on such an important purchase. Many people end up bayme 1 diamond that isn't what they think it is Sometimes they even have a written certaicate or grading report that just doesn't match with the djamond upon appraisal said Raffi<sup>®</sup>With a Hearts On Fire Diamond the value is vorifiable. Each diamond is laser inscribed with a Hearts On Fire name and unique identification number An AGS independent gemological laboratory gemological laboratories evaluates each diamond for the 4C's and provides a diamond grading report attesting to its findings. The number on the certificate, which matches the number insentied on the dismond, authenticates the diamond that earned the ratings is actually yours. Swiss Jewelers is committed to hone-ty. education and unparalleled customer service Swiss dewelers is located in Southfield at 23077 Greenfield Rd<sup>®</sup> Suite 350 in the Advance Building Store hours are Merry Fri, 10 am 6 pm, Sat. 10 and 5 pr. 15 learns more libeat. Hearts [Qi. 1] re-Diamonds, call Rath for an approximate and free videos CaB (218) 558 5197

### **New Pendleton Store In Rochester**

Since the pioneer days, Pendleton has been recognized for outstanding woolen products, made with a commitment to quality, value and craftsmanship. Products last season after season, year after year and generation after generation. Initially known for their blankets, Pendleton began making classic, durable clothing for men in the early 1900s and added a

women's line in 1949. Today their tradition is stronger than ever as is evidenced by the newly opened Rochester Pendleton, one \_of 54 Pendleton Woolen mill stores. Rochester

Pendleton off-

ers a complete line of Pendleton clothing for men and women as well as some home furnishings. Male shoppers come in looking for the classic Pendleton flannel shirts, which are known for their comfort, durability and style, not to mention their washability. They are available in over 75 exclusive patterns and in ten different shirt styles, to suit any lifestyle or wardrobe. Pants or trousers, shirts, sweaters, golfwear and sportswear, jackets and coats, a variety of knit shirts and a wide range of accessories are also on

display. Female shoppers can discover sweaters, skirts, blouses, shirts, vests, outerwear and knit shirts, all designed for comfort and fashion. Sizes range from petite to missy.

Pendleton utilizes a variety of wool for their products. Whisperwool is known for its incredible softness. Worsted wool, a light fabric that is suitable for year 'round wear is often mistaken for

cotton. Nonwool gar ments, such as those made from cotton, rayon or denim are added to the line to make Pendleton a year 'round sportswear retail compa-All  $\mathbf{n}\mathbf{y}$ Pendleton

products are made in the USA.

This year's commemorative blanket, "People of the Longhouse," will be available in May. Stop by to view the new spring line of merchandise at Rochester Pendleton, 115 E. Third St., in Rochester, Store hours are Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m. 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-5p.m. For more information or to be added to the catalog mailing list, call (248) 601-1282. For complete company history, visit the website@www.pendleton usa.com



Guvlene Martignon, Owner of Front Tee Golf Classics

As a golfer herself, Guylene Martignon, Owner of Front Tee Golf Classics, had the same complaint as many of you, "there seemed to be a shortage of great golf clothiers for women and even fewer places to purchase a nice selection of styles and sizes". "Not everyone can break 90", she said, "but everyone can and should look great". Comfort and classic styling are the key components. Women want to invest in clothing they can wear on and off the fairway; fabrics should travel well and fit into a busy lifestyle.

Guylene has served Rochester and surrounding areas for many years as an interior designer. Her love for color. design, style and quality has inspired a long awaited golf, tennis and resort wear boutique dedicated to women. "The goal is simple", she says, "offer beautifully designed pieces which span the gap from the fairway to dinner after your game and even to the work place".

Responses from first time shoppers is pretty much the same, "you have really great things and they are very different from what I've seen any where locally" The next comment is usually a question, "who is Jamie Sadock?" "I

love all my lines, says Guylene, Jamie Sadock is a New York designer who fills her line with fun trims and functional pockets such as her famous "Tee" pocket; Elendale offers a beautifully constructed classic golf look; Sugar Mag has a unique young look for the fairway and Belle Pointe adds to our resort wear with their usual great cotton sweater designs.

You'll discover friendly old fashioned service, the latest in fabrics and designs, custom bags and lots of accessories, all tucked into this quaint little Mackinaw style house.

Front Tee Golf Classics is located in Downtown Rochester at 308 East St. Showroom hours are Tues. - Sat.. 10 AM - 5 PM. Evening appointments are welcome or shop anytime in our on-line catalog www.frontteeclass ics.com for more information call 1-800-695-8969 or 248-656-8588



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## Arnold Schwarzenegger presents top fitness award to down town developer of World Gym Fitness Centers



Arnold Schwarzenegger presenting Christian Babini, "Old" A&P site developer with Top Franchise Award

Last week, at the Arnold Classic, Fitness Icon and Hollywood top box office draw, Arnold Schwarzenegger, presented Christian Babini, developer of the 4 acre "old A&P" site to the new upscale World Gym Fitness Center, the organization's most prestigious award. The Joe Gold Award of Excellence for his World Gym Fitness Center in Shelby Township. Annually the Joe Gold Award is presented to the top World Gym Fitness Center Clob and owner out of 300 globally i

Schwarzenegger went on to say "Not only does Christian make money, but also gives money back" referring to Babini's relentless effort in raising money for charity "Raising \$50,000 for Inner-City Games foundation. Multiple Sclerosis as well as several local families with physically challenged children the is the best." Arnold continued.

Babini's World Gym Fitness Conter in Shelby Township also received the award for Bust-Staff Anazingly in has had only two employees turnover in close to four years.

During the awards presentation, Schwarzenegger went on to have fun with the 300 plus crowd by saying "New Christian is moving into my territory." Reterring to the movie business "I had him visit me last year on the set of "End of Days" (Arnold's latest film release which has grossed over 200 million dollars." "We used him in a scene and you saw Christian for a second just before he blew up in the restaurant explosion."

Last week, the Eccentric newspaper was able to catch up to Christian Bubini and find out about his New World Gym Fitness Center in Downtown Rochester

**Observer/Eccentric** - Congratulations on winning the Joe Gold Award. What were your thoughts?

**Babini** 1 was absolutely thrilled. My partner Frank Palazzolo and I brought down 37 staff members and friends and sharing this experience with them was fantastic.

Observer/Eccentric - How does one win the Joe Gold Award?

**Babini** Owners are required to submit objective criteria, such as, financial components, member retention numbers, employee retention numbers, member services and programming diversity and community service activities. The Franchise office and Joe Gold himself take it from there.

**Observer/Eccentric** - Tell me about the status of your Downtown Rochester World Gym. Fitness Center, There has been a lot of speculation as to what the final product will be.

**Babini** - The Downtown World Gym is a dream in the making. I called on that downtown property 10 years aen for the same use, it was financeally untquebable for me back then it was overwhelmed with excitement when we closed on the property last summer and 10 years later.

Yes there is a lot of speculation and misinformation regarding the project and hopefully 4 can clarify. First, let me say that the City of Rochester has been absolutely supportive, professional and fair with the planning and building process. Ed Alward, Building inspector and Ken Johnson, City Manager were "in the loop" from the start. They gave me very specific direction as to what I could and couldn't do. This cooperative spirit helped the process along, us there have been no surprises thus far

As for the site plan. This property includes 4 acres and all four-acres will be developed. Most people see the building and the parking lot in front: What most DON'T know is that we have an additional 2 acres that are also going to be developed for parking and pool. The parking there will be outstanding. The pool will not be developed until we are certain a ability to teach each participant how to increase their metabolism, so that they're huming calories when they're not at the gym. The nutrition staff coordinates very well with our certified trainers for a complete program.

I can go on and on: Simply put our goal is to cater to the mature adult. We are proud that our Shelby Township location consists of about 70% women. AND About 70% of that number are women with children. In the mornings, out of every 100 members that come in 98 of them will be moms. Furthermore, we realize that these people can only squeeze in about an hour for exercise. Our goal is to make that experience educational, convenient and fun.

**Observer/Eccentric** Wow! That sounds great: Are you concerned about the competition in the area?

Babini - I had the opportunity to play college and professional football. In addition, I ran sales for a billion dollar, fortune 500 surgical device company where our major competitor was ten times larger than us. It's interesting to note that even though they were much bigger, our company commanded 70 to 80 percent market share consistently From these experiences, I've learned to always take competition seriously. I believe that the reasons for winning the Joe Gold Award of Excellence and Best Staff Awards will be the driving force behind the Main Street World Gym. Let's face it. Anyone can go to any club and find equipment and aerobics. What people want is a positive and motivating experience everytime they walk in. Our goal is to provide them exactly that. It is simply a matter of fact that in any business, employee turnover translates into customer turnover Our success in retaining employees comes from hiring well and providing an atmosphere where employees and members feel good about themselves. We eliminate pressure. For example, we've never had a sales department. No one gets paid commission for member: sign-ups Think about it. Potential customers are such and tired of being cornered as a sales room office then being told that if "you join today your price is this. But if you each tomorrow it will increase to this? Ca'Mon! This is sophomoric, it's hard to believe but there are still clubs that do this. We pride ourselves on encouraging any potential customer to take information home, review if them make an informed decision. The staff that "sells" the club are the ones that educate and develop relationships long after the mender has joined. In other words, everyhody

Another one of my pet peeves as a consumer was having to play an instruction fee. What the heck does that mean and what does it go towards? The public has become conditioned to this nonsense. Since we opened our first club four years ago, we never had an instruction fee. In addition, we have always offered a 30 day money back refund.

These are just a couple examples of differences that a customer may recognize. In a more pragmatic sense, the industry is growing incredibly fast. After a stageant period from the mid 60's to late 80's, the number of members in this country has tripled in the last decode to 29 million. By the year 2010, it is expected to triple again to a staggering 100 million members' That's with only a 10 to 12's market penetration. With that said, even the clubs that do a poor job of servicing customers will benefit from the growth. Indeed, there are enough members to support the current and future area health clubs. The decision the consumer has to make is simple. Where do 1 enjoy going ' Because if they unjey going, they'll keep coming back to achieve their goals.

Observer/Eccentric - When do you expect to be open '

**Babini** We feel it's very realistic to be open in September of this year. Much of the harn work (site plancis out of the way. Permits are in the works and as we get closer to opening, we will offer a pre-opening customer incentive membership drive where anyone can ion and use our Shelby location for work-outs while we put the finishing foucher on the Main Street World Gym. Which reminds me, any member that joins either the Shelby Township or Mainstreet World Gym will have membership reciprocity to both. In addition, there are over 300 World Gym. Fitness Centers around the globe where you can work out for tree every time you travel.

Well there you have it. It only takes seconds before realizing that Christian Babini is passionate about the fitness business and customer service. If you have questions regarding this Award winning World Gym operation, you can call World Gym Shelby Township at 810-566-6275 for more information...



#### won't affect parking

In addition, what makes this downtown location unique is that it's situated on Paint Creek Trail and Rochester Municipal Park. Imaging, any time of year, being able to pick-up cross country skis, snow shoes or bikes right at the club, walk in our backvard and access Paint Creek Trail for a cardiovascular workout then, when your finished, bring the equipment back to the club and finish your workout or enjoy a massage! Moreover, our site plan was approved for an outdoor fresh air exercise patio that overlooks Paint Creek. For 5-7 months of the year one can enjoy exercise outdoors with the same state of the art equipment you will have indeors.

Speaking of the induor area. We are adding close to 10,000 square feet to the building. When it's all said and done, the club will offer 25,000 square feet of fitness space. We are using the expansion for related tenants. Such as, a vitamin outlet, a full service day spa and we are actively recruiting a national coffice house cham.

The fitness areas will include massive cardiovascular, strength, aerobics and spinning areas. The aerobics room will also be used for special population (osteoporosis, post-rehab, limited range of movement, pre and post-natal, fibromvalgia) programs. We will also offer an expansive Kids Klub a supervised children's activity area. The huge juice bar will be strategically located for easy access.

Without question, however, the heart of our club, as it is with our World Gym in Shelby Township; is our education with regard to fitness and nutrition. Our nutrition programming staff has expanded to six directors. The programs offered are diverse, from group dynamic to individual programs. But the common thread that binds the success of our members is the

Enjoying dinner with Arnold during the "Ends of Days" filming.

### ELI OF TROY MENSWEAR HAS IT ALL – SOCKS TO SUITS

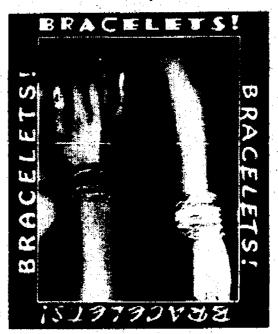
Many women know the frustration when the man in their lives resist new clothes or shopping in general. Women who shop at Eli of Troy Menswear have a secret: they purposefully buy the clothes they love for their guy in the wrong size so that he has to return to the store to get them altered. That's all it takes to get hooked. One shopping trip. Customers quickly get used to the free, on site alterations, the variety of high quality, practical clothing at a value and the personal attention every shopper receives. The guy who doesn't like to shop? He doesn't have to hunt for clothes himself — a store employee will pull items from which to choose.

Socks to suits, Eli of Troy Menswear has everything a man needs. Suits by Hart Schaffner Marx, Millennium and Gianni Marzonne. They offer a large selection of Sansabelt slacks, sports coats, tuxedos and dress shirts by Enro. The recently expanded casual wear section meets the needs of customers and reflects the changing trends in menswear. Sportswear by Woolrick, Jack Niklaus golfwear, summer apparel, shorts, short sleeve shirts, swimwear, rain coats, topcoats, outerwear, jackets and leathers are in stock. Ties, various accessories (i.e., watches, tie tacks, money clips, cuff links) and Burlington socks completely outfit any man for the day or week ahead of him.

Eli of Troy Menswear offers layaway, gift certificates and after-hours appointments if necessary. Four Italian tailors on staff ensure quality tailoring for special orders or emergency tailoring needs. Come in during the month of April to shop the Inventory Reduction Sale. Eli of Troy is located in Troy, at 5067 Rochester Rd. Store hours are Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; and Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Call (248) 689-2010 for more information.

## Bead Works beads have ancient lore and contemporary flair.

A visit to Bead Works in Franklin is like taking a trip around the world. In one display area, Austrian crystal dazzles, while another area in the shop showcases shimmering silver from Bali. Nearby, beads from



Czechoslovakia, Africa, China, Turkey, Pakistan, Jordan, India and Thailand draw customers to their unique styles. "We also have a large selection of American and Venetian art glass," says Ida Joyrich the owner of Bead Works.

Not only is shopping for beads a worldly experience, but one also can get quite a history lesson. For example, the building that houses Bead Works is a 150-year-old structure that once was a rooming house. Furthermore, staff members at the shop are quick to share the origin and ancient lore of the thousands of beads that fill the store.

For those who need consultation regarding creative ideas, the shon's four staff members are happy to oblige. "Customers can design their own 'vintage' purse straps for beaded or needlepointed bags and learn how to knit or crochet their own beautiful beaded evening purses," says Joyrich. "Or they can make necklaces, bracelets, earrings, stick pins, eyeglass holders and the newest fashion accessory, jeweled hair pinsand barettes." Employees also can help with the selection of semiprecious stones, such as onyx, jade, coral, lapis, malachite, amethyst and many others.

Bead Works brims with supplies, including threads, needles, looms, and a full selection of instruction books and videos. The staff also can help redesign and restring old jewelry.

"The allure of beads has always been strong, throughout history," Joyrich says. "Beads represent different cultures and artistic design, different methods of workmanship and standards of creativity."

Bead Works is located at 32751 Franklin Road, Hours are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues, through Sat. Call (248) 855-5230.



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### BRANDY'S CLASSIC AMERICAN FOOD

Brandy's has been serving classic American food at its Bloomfield location since 1973. Two years ago it was bought by veteran restaurateur. John Rugani and two partners. This popular restaurant is suitable for a quick meal in the bar area to a business dinner in the dining room to a family dinner.

The traditional restaurant fare includes four kinds of steak, four pastas, two kinds of lamb chops and a long list of fish and seafood. Hungry diners can start their meal with a selection from the appetizer list which includes barbecued baby back ribs, crab cakes and shrimp cocktail. The recently expanded menu includes a mix of

standard and unusual entrees, from calves liver and pork roast to Shrimp Portabella Fettucine and Fettucine Alfredo with salmon. Each dish is hearty and made from scratch with plenty of meat, potatoes, fresh vegetables or scalood.

Lunch patrons can choose from a variety of soups, sandwiches and salads. Sander's hot fudge sundaes are on the dessert menu and are still as good as you remember. Help selecting wine or drinks can be found in the menu-labeled, "Spiritual Guidance."

Brandy's servers are aimed at pleasing and often offer suggestions as to the best choice of the day. Live, light jazz music can be enjoyed Tuesdays and Saturdays. The restaurant is 75% smoke-free,

The newly-remodeled Club Room can accommodate 40 guests for business luncheons, dinner meetings or other gatherings. A children's menu is available, Brandy's is located at 1727 S. Telegraph, north of Square Lake Rd., in Bloomifeld, Hourstare Mont-Thurs 11 a m-40 p.m.; Fri & Sat. 11 a.m. 14 p.m.; Sun. 4 p.m. 9 p.m. For more information or to make reservations, call (248 (338) 4300)





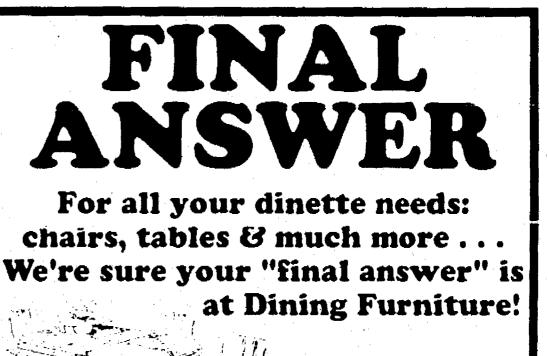
## The original discount dinette store

Some furniture stores sell furniture for every room of the house, specializing in none. Dining Furniture focuses on just one: furniture for the kitchen and dinette. With such a specialized focus, they are able to offer customized furniture at true discount prices. We'll beat anyone prices," said owner and President, Danny, "Dining Furniture is your final answer for all your dinette and kitchen area needs," he added.

[Danny teams up with Barbara and Kenny to share their 35- years of experience with each and every customer. Shoppers will find what they are looking for, said Danny, whether they decorate with a modern traditional, or effectic theme. Kenny and Barbara have a keen sense for interior design and often help customers decide which sets to choose of which ones to mix and match to coordinate with their home decor

We sell upscale dinettes for casual, game or great room needs, said Danny, Tables and chairs can be found at Dining Furniture in a variety of materials like wood, formica, glass, tile and corian. Special fabries are on display and others can be ordered. A large selection of bar stools are also available.

Dining-Furniture has two locations to serve you, **Pieasant Ridge, at 23716 Woodward Ave.**, (248) 544-3322; and Roseville, at 26151 Gratiot, (810) 775-6310. Call for hours and directions FINALANSWER FOR ALL YOUR DINETTE NEEDS



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Ann Abrams finalizes color selections and scheduling dates.

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Some of HomePro's customers - painted their garage floors with gravporch and deck paint or one of the do-it-vourself flooring kits, only to find themselves disappointed when it started to peel up only after a few short months. HomePro has a full line of epoxy floor choices. from a simple solid color to their beautiful Royal Flake system.

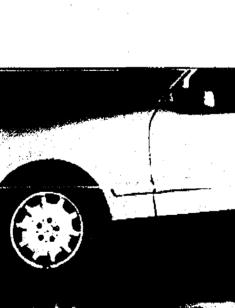
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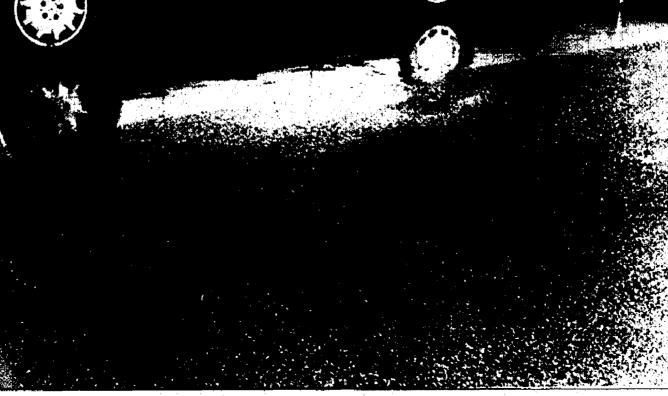
top of the concrete, causing it to chip and peel up. HomePro Flooring has developed four flooring systems to meet a range All floor systems come with a warranty against peeling and premature of customer needs. Homeowners find themselves struggling to make a wear, but, Ann Abrams, Manager of Operations from HomePro, said a final selection from the wide range of color combinations. While the HomePro epoxy floor will last much longer than it's warranty. "Keep in basic gray floor with black and white chips is still popular. Homebro mind that this is the same epoxy installed in factories and warehouses finds many homeowners leaning towards the more colorful color this epoxy is designed to stand up to heavy forklift traffic, so parking a combinations such as tan, beige and brown that complement each car on a HomePro floor will pale in comparison", says Abrams. other and are beautiful to look at.

Urethane topcoats are recommended, as they add to the life of the floor HomePro Flooring began installing their specially formulated One important factor that homeowners should consider is that the key epoxy flooring systems in 1993, after their parent company, a by offering protection form chemicals and scratches. Urethane is national installer of industrial flooring systems, found there to a successful flooring installation is proper preparation of the harder than epoxy, and the two products work well together to provide homeowners with an attractive, long lasting floor. was a fremendous demand for epoxy floor in the residentia Concrete. HomePro Flooring specializes in surface preparation, they use state-of-the-art shotblasting machines to prepare concrete for market. HomePro was founded to focus on this market niche, and they have been successful because they coatings. Shotblasting opens up the pores of a floor, allowing the epow to penetrate and form a structural bond with the concrete. concentrate solely on residential garage Shotblasting also removes any contaminates that may be present on installations. HomePro flooring can also beinstalled inside the house in rooms that have a vour floor. No other surface preparation method guarantees success like shotblasting. In the past HomePro had tried to use a chemical concrete floor, such as basements or suproofies. wash to prepare floors, but they found that this did not give a propersurface for the epoxy to bond to, and the epoxy would just lay on HomePro Flooring prides itself on its customer

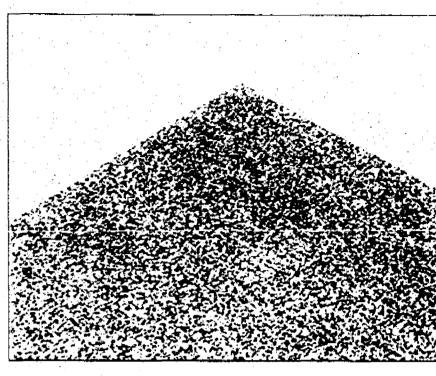
A professionally installed epoxy floor covering is applealing 10 homeowners for many reasons. An epoxy floor really makes any garage look terrific. It can even be color coordinated to match the rest of your home. Epoxy also resists damage from automotive fluids and is easy to clean. Warm soapy water quickly cleans dirt, gasoline, salt. oil and other debris before it can be tracked into vour home. Both new and older concrete can be coated, and HomePro can even repair your cracked or damaged concrete.







Royal Flake System with accent border

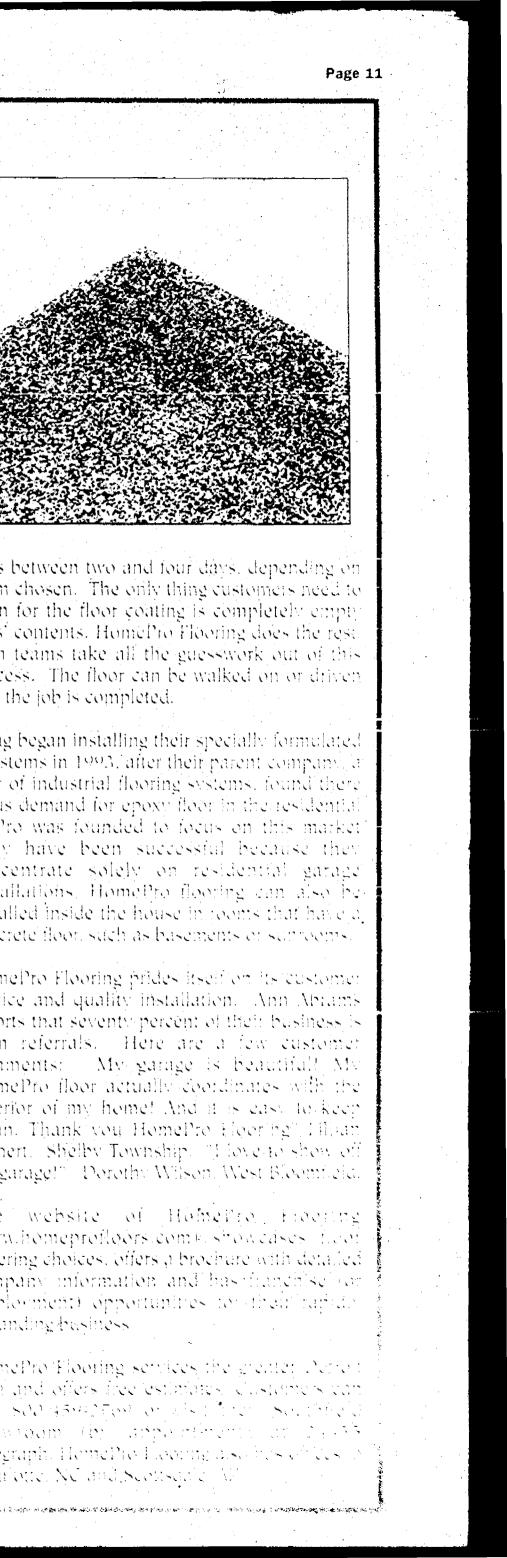


Installation takes between two and four days, depending on the type of system chosen. The only thing customers need to do in preparation for the floor coating is completely empty their garage of its contents. HomePro Flooring does the rest Their installation teams take all the guesswork out of this complicated process. The floor can be walked on or driven on 24 hours after the job is completed.

> service and quality installation. Ann Abrams reports that seventy percent of their business is from referrals. Here are a few customer comments: My/garage is beautiful? My HomePro floor actually coordinates with the exterior of my home! And it is easy to keep clean. Thank you HomePro Elgorite" [Han Reinert. Shelby Township. "Hove to show off my garageth. Dorothy Wilson, West Bloomfield.

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#### **Trust Your Pet to Someone You Trust**

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Susan S. Borenstein, DVM, has been caring for pets in the greater 🖷 Rochester Hills area for the past 17 years. Her 🕯 ongoing involvement with veterinary associations, on the local and state level has had a positive influences on 🖍

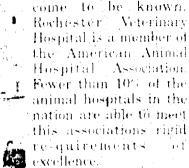
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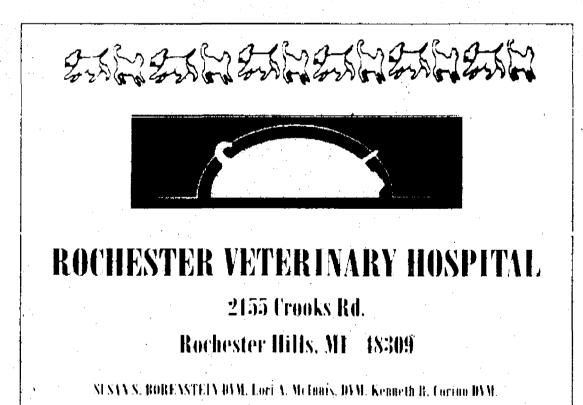
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### **Creative Capital Inc. Helps** You Get The Best Mortgage



When you're looking for a mortgage company, it is often an overwhelming decision. How do you differentiate one company from the other? Who do you trust? Peg Matthews, owner of Creative Capital Inc., of Royal Oak says, emphatically, "us."

**Peg Mathews** 

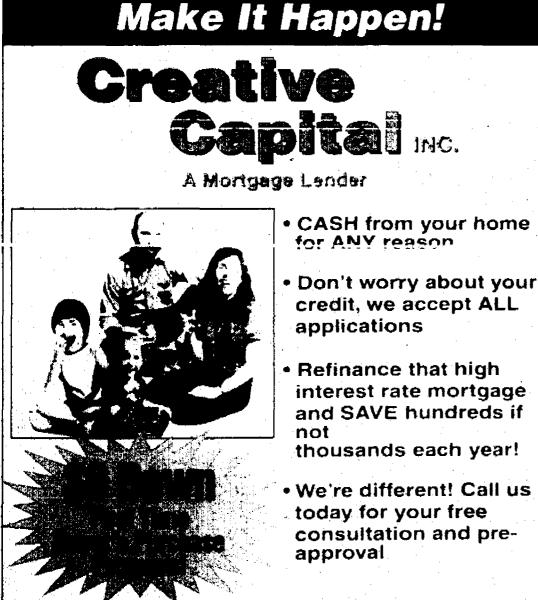
Creative Capital Inc. offers new home

mortgages, refinancing and commercial loans. Creative Capital Inc. has been in business since 1994 but Matthews has over 15 years experience in the field. "You have to trust your own judgment," she tells people when they are looking for a mortgage company," and whether or not you like the person you're dealing with.'

She believes in the basic qualities of any long-standing business: loyalty and honesty. Her mortgage company is different from some in that she makes sure each client understands the whole loan process, start to finish, in easy-to-understand language. She wants her clients to know exactly what they're signing, she said. She strives to make the process easy for her clients.

One-to-one, personalized attention is the norm at Creative Capital Inc. Matthews gets to know each customer and naturally builds a rapport with them. "In a sea of sharks, we are not." She added, "we want you to come back to us again, we intend to be your lifetime mortgage company."

Matthews specializes in credit problems, self-employed, & bankruptcies and is usually able to find a competitive mortgage rate even for people with bad credit. Refinancing for debt consolidation is a way to save a lot of money every month. Creative Capital can help you find the program just for you. Call (248) 542-0400 to talk to a loan representative about your particular situation. Creative Capital Inc. is located at 25600 Woodward Ave., Ste. 212 in Royal Oak.



### OCC Healthcare Programs for the New Millennium

The Highland Lakes Campus of Oukland Community College (OCC) is situated on 169 acres of gently rolling hills southwest of Pontiac This career development-oriented campus has three innovative degree and certificate programs that will help students prepare for a bright future in the Ailied Health. fields of Massage Therapy, Exercise Science and Technology, and Medical Assisting These unique programs work together, providing interdisciplinary course work that allows students to acquire multiple skills for greater marketability.

Massage Therapy Program Coordinator Janine McKay says the OCC program offers a medically and scientifically-based curriculum that enables graduates career opportunities in this growing healthcare field. This program has approximately 300 hours of "hands-on" practical experience on and off campus. This enables students in the program the



Left to Right, Janine McKay, Vicki Kloosterhouse and Karen Kittle

opportunity to work in settings where message therapy is used. Graduates from this program easily fit interphysical therapy clinic - hospitalsettings, chiropractic offices, nursing homes, or sports medicine climes. Students are lable to obtain a certificate in Massage Therapy or a 2year Associate Degree in Applied Science

Exercise Science and Technology (EST prepares students to enter a health-fitnesprofession in a setting that uses exercise therapeutically. This science-based program provides a wide variety of experiences, in the lab and through internships in the field ESF also provides two extended degree options in Gerontology and Business. The Gerontology, emphasis will allow students to work in senior adult services and the Business concentration will prepare the student for more entrepreneurial endeavors.

Karen Kittle the coordinator of the Medical Assisting (MDA) program states that the 1 year certification or 2 year degree curriculum helps students become proficient in both administrative and clinical skills in the allied health field. According to the AAMA. medical assistants are multi-skilled practitioners who can perform a wide range of

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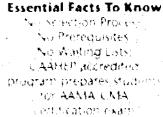
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For more information, call: Exercise Science & Tech. --- Vicki Kloosterhouse; (248) 942-3224 Massage Therapy — Janine McKay, (248) 942-3034 Medical Assisting --- Karen Kittle, (248) 942-3068

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## Three-step counseling approach to estate planning

Federal & State Estate Tax. Post Mortem Planning. Trust administration. School Bus Trust. All of these terms can be vital to securing your financial future. But they can also be overwhelming or even overlooked. Poling McGaw & Poling, P.C. want to

ensure that their clients understand the intricacies of estate planning by helping them every step of the way.

"We employ a three-step strategy," said Gregory C. Hamilton, Estate Planner at Poling McGaw & Poling, "which consists of settlement counseling by an attorney, updating the trust yearly and guaranteeing controlled cost." Counseling is what sets

them apart from their word processing competitors. "You teach us about your family, we'll teach you about the law," said Hamilton

"Counseling is an in-depth approach to estate planning success", said Hamilton. Goals, assets, successor trustee and guardians for yourself or children will be discussed during the session. Common issues include educational plans for children, remarriage of a spouse, provisions for disability, probate pitfalls and living wills. Their team approach includes a joint discussion with all of your financial partners such as your life insurance agent, stock broker and C.P.A.

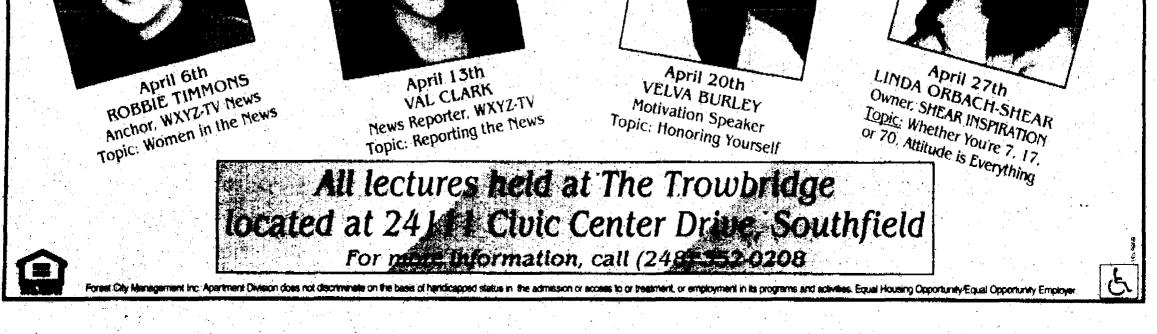
If you think you don't need an estate plan because your accounts are held jointly with your spouse; If you don't want to give your money to the IRS; or If you do not fully understand your existing estate plan - Poling McGaw &

Poling is for you. A lawyer can explain various estaterelated laws or share scenarios that you might not be aware of. Poling McGaw & Poling can prepare a trust that allows you to decide how your money is spent and can ensure that your money is actually connected to your trust, thus preventing financial shock for your loved ones. Greg Hamilton is a member of the National Network of

of the National Network of Estate Planning Attorneys, a nationwide network of attorneys that ensures families a lifeline of assistance.

Poling McGaw & Poling, PC: is located in Troy at 5435 Corporate Dr., Suite 275. Fees are based on a sliding scale, depending on the complexity of the estate, but are disclosed and guaranteed at the start. Potential clients' assets should average between \$750,000 to five to ten million. Free seminars are held regularly for all persons interested in learning more about their unique process. For more detailed information about the firm or to register for an upcoming seminar, call (248) 641-0500.





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### **Giovanna Italy Repairs Damaged Skin Skin Care Products Utilize Olive Oil to Repair Skin**



Sisters Joanna Baratta and Ninfa Crocenzi master minds behind Giovanna Itals

Joanna Baratta and Ninfa Crocenzi. sisters and business partners are the creators behind a revolutionary new skin-care line, Giovanna Italy, (Introduced in 1996, it was a way for Joanna to help her sister Ninfa, an MS survivor, Ninta's skin was traumatized by the medication as well as the disease itself and became patchy and dry. This motivated Jöanna to utilize her 20 years of experience in the cosmetics industry to create a skin care product that it is now being used to help individuals who have similar reactions.

Giovanna Italy products help repair brown spots, uneven tone, lack of luster. putchiness or dryness associated with medications or diseases such as MS, cancer fibromyalgia and lupas. The cream and moisturizer can also repair or prevent had skin or premature wrinkling. They have also proven effective in reducing wrinkling and other effects of grieving or stress.

The secret of Giovanna Italy is the anique combination of treshaxtra-virginalive oil and a specialized delivery systemulate referred to as the EU complex exclusive to Giovanna Itals It is comprised of minerals and botannicals freshly picked and harvested at the Eurfarma Cosmetici in Florence, Italy, Ingredients found near the Mediterranean, like must, also and bladder wrack elements, star aruse, thyme, licorice, ginseng and many others serve to enhance the therapeutic value of the product line. The facial skin-care products create a regenerative restructuring of new cell formation at the same pace as when your skin was young resulting in skin that is renewed, moitened and soothed, said Joanna.

Giovanna Italy contributes a percentage of its profits to the Michigan chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for rehabilitation and research. They sponsor yearly fundraisers and women's buncheons and help the MS Society with their fundraisers. We're supportive of any group in need and regularly contribute product baskets for fundraisers.) said Joanna.

The facial skin-care-line for all skin types includes a cleanison refresher, day cream, night cream, evel mnisturizer and anti-age serum Product lines slated for future development melude hair care, mens and whole body and spa products as well as aromatherapy and bahr products. Gievanna Italy can be purchased at specialty stores and spas throughout the Detroit area. Orders can also be placed by phone [\$10, 294-7727 or fax (\$10) 294-6610

## **Quality Mattresses At Deep Discount Prices**

You spend a third of your life sleeping. Are you sleeping on a quality mattress? If you're like most consumers, you probably don't know. Customers of Grand Rapids Bedding do, however, "We try to take the invstery out of buying a mattress by allowing people to actually see how mattresses are made. We educate them on how to make the right choices," said Larry Daye, Retail Vice President.

In addition to customer education: the store prides itself on being able to provide quality. Spring Air mattresses at near wholesale prices. consistently 15-25% below its competitors. They are able to offer these savings because they are the only true Spring Air factory-direct outlet in Michigan.

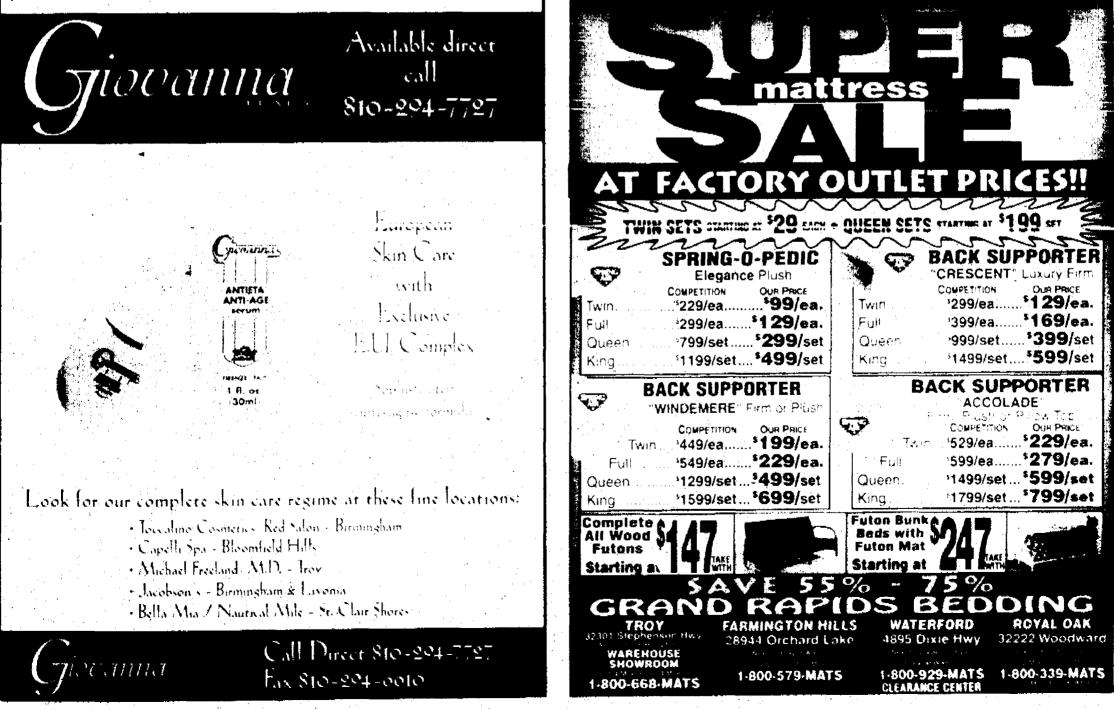
Grand Rapids Bedding Company was founded in 1889 and has been a factory authorized Spring Air dealer since 1926. Today Spring Air is considered one of the big four of the "S" group of bedding manufacturers along with Sealy, Serta and Simmons, Spring Air mattresses offer the long lasting comfort, durability. support characteristics. and necessary for a good night's rest.

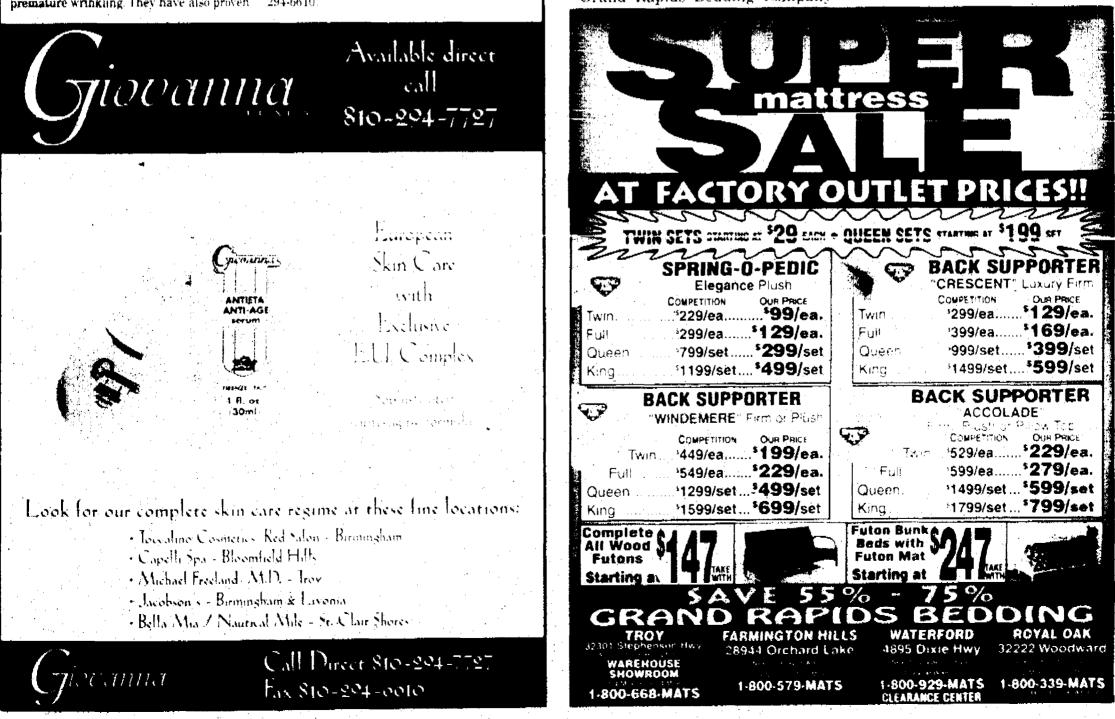
Grand Rapids Bedding Company



Larry Dave at Clearance Center

has four factory-direct stores located in Royal Oak, Madison Heights. Farmington Hills and Waterford The warehouse and clearance center is located in the retail outlet in Madison Heights and enables them to offer next day mattress delivery. Shop at Grand Rapids Bedding Company - buy bedding direct and save! For more information call 1 800-688-MATS:





### Your Lifestyle Never Retires, So Why Should Your Hearing??

Hearing aids have been around for a long time, over a century in fact. Presently, there are over 100 different manufacturers of hearing aids across the United States. Cruz Hearing Aid Service has been in business for nine years, and the staff has over twenty years of experience in the hearing aid industry. Felix Cruz and son Joshua, coowners of Cruz Hearing Aid Service, are here to help you and your loved ones.

Hearing aid users sometimes find difficulties when they first get their hearing aid. Whether it be putting the aid in their ear or adjusting it correctly, there just seems to be problems. While these problems occur on a common basis, they can easily be corrected with the proper guidance and knowledge. Unfortunately for too many people the hearing aids only sit in a drawer and collect dust. "You should be as comfortable with your hearing aids as you are tying your shoes," says Joshua Cruz.

Cruz Hearing Aid Service offers in-depth hearing evaluations and discusses the needs of your lifestyle, so that you will get the appropriate hearing aid. Every hearing aid is custom-fit, specifically for the user. "All hearing aids are not created equal," states Felix Cruz. "It is actually like comparing apples to kangaroos," adds Joshua.

Cruz Hearing Aid Service carries a wide selection of hearing aids. Along with conventional aids, they offer completely-in-thecanal aids (which are almost unnoticeable at any angle) and the newest digital technology (which processes and adjusts 1000 signals per second). Cruz Hearing Aid Service has assisted listening devices such as amplified telephones and TV enhancers in stock, along with all sizes of hearing aid batteries. Customized swim plugs, musician plugs, and noise pluge are also available. Cruz Hearing Aid Service is located at

18899 W. 12 Mile Rd. in Lathrup Village.



President of the Michigan Hearing Aid Society and Cruz Hearing Aid Service Felix Cruz.

Call (248) 424-8450 to schedule an appointment or visit their website for more information @ www.cruzhearing.com. Office hours are 9 am - 5 pm or evenings by appointment. The staff at Cruz Hearing Aid Service is trained to help patients with insurance questions. Financing or payment plan options are available. Felix Cruz is the President of the Michigan Hearing Aid Society, and Cruz Hearing Aid Service is." also a member of the International Hearing Society. Cruz Hearing Aid Service is here to help you and your loved ones.

## **Real Furniture from Real People**

They just don't make 'em like this anymore. Never was this more true than when you step into Amish Reflections. This is the real thing, no question. This unique store carries only handcrafted items made by an Amish community in Ohio. Lanis and George Swaney, and Mark and Kim Butcher, the store's owners, work very closely with the community that provides the items in their store, and in respect for the community's privacy, will not reveal the exact location of it. The store, though, is much more accessible. It is located in Midland at 704 S. Saginaw.

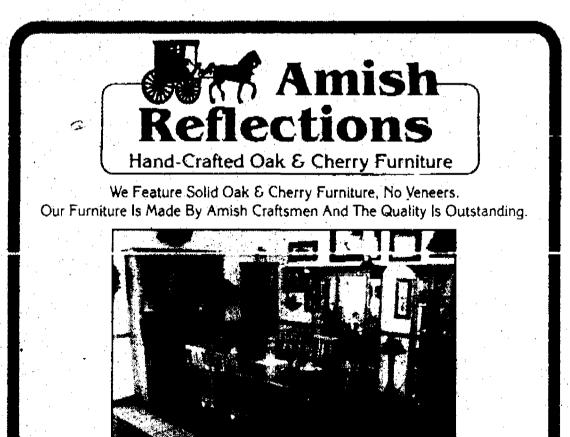
Unlike any other store, Amish Reflections' 5000 square feet contain absolutely nothing that has been machine wrought. Each and every item was crafted from real wood. Veneer, laminate and plywood have no place here; only solid oak and cherry, and some walnut and maple. Each piece was hand tooled in the Amish tradition and Vankote finished for a very hard, durable finish that can withstand both daily use and the test of time. Mrs. Swaney says of the furnishings that "you can leave" something wet on a table for 24 hours without damaging the piece."

Amish Reflections' heirloom quality furniture lines include dining and kitchen tables, entertainment centers, desks, bedroom and living room suites, occasional tables, jelly cupboards, and even an upholstered line. Many pieces can be customized, too. For instance, a very wide variety of sizes, shapes, or stain colors can be chosen for tables. But that's just the furniture.

Amish Reflections also carries an assortment of small Amish handcrafts. Pictures, dried and silk flower arrangements, baskets, candles and other items also carry on the Amish tradition. The store even has a line of hand forge wrought iron pieces, although it is not made by Amish.

The Swaneys and Butchers personally pick up the furnishings that stock the store, right from the craftsmen, to leave nothing to chance. They will also personally deliver anywhere in Michigan, but must ship elsewhere in the U.S. The store is open Monday and Thursday from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Amish Reflections can be reached by phone at (517) 835-3253.







### Four Seasons Sun Rooms of Utica Specializes in Designing and Building Home Additions

If you would like an addition that lets you expand your home and enjoy the outdoors from the inside, regardless of the weather, look no further than the experts at Four Seasons of Utica. With reasonable prices and high-quality craftsman-ship, this is the place to go.

They have served the community for more than 15 years, designing and building hundreds of sunrooms and greenhouses throughout southeast Michigan, Four Seasons sells,

designs and builds a variety of affordable surrooms that will perfectly match your style. Whether used as a greenhouse, an enclosed porch, a family room, a home office, a dining room or an exercise room, Four Seasons guarantees a beautiful addition.

"Our design consultants are knowledgeable about construction and about the projects we do," said owner Thomas Leininger There are 2.1 different styles of sunrooms and 30 different glass types to choose from. There is a style to architecturally blend in with almost any home, either wood or aluminum interiore, colid or glass roofs. We also have a line of holdsy greenhouses and mexpensive patio enclosures. "The quality of the whole unit sets us apart from our competition," Leininger said. The latest addition to their product line is a vinyl patio room that features a variety of windows, fixed glass, casement or double-hung.

Four Seasons is the largest manufacturer of sunrooms in the world

and guarantees the quality of its work with a great warranty to back it up. Its experts can design an allglass sunroom or a solid-roof shade room to blend in with your house. With the proper type of glass, you can have, a comfortable room despite the

weather outside.

Four Seasons is a member of the Construction Association of Michigan and the Better Business Bureau. Leipinger is a certified professional master builder by the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan. The skills of their design consultants won the 1994 "Before and After Design Contest," which judges the enhancement of the appearance and livability of a building

Four Seasons Sun Rooms is located at 41809 Van Dyke in Utica, threehuildings south of High Road Hours are 9 ann. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, and other times by appointment For more information, call (\$10) 254-4466.





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### FLY FISHING SPECIALTY STORE **OPENS IN BLOOMFIELD HILLS**

Does fly fishing for bonefish in the Seychelles Islands in the Indian Ocean appeal to you? "Where there's fish to be caught, we're going," said Mike Miller, managing partner of Westbank Anglers Michigan, a new Bloomfield Hillsbased storefront that caters to the sport of fly-fishing and adventure travel.

Westbank Anglers has personally fished every destination they offer, from Alaska to New Zealand to Chile, said Mike. "We teach our clients about the destinations we represent and whether there are great guides or good food and accommodations. We let them know where they can find exactly what they're looking for, as well as places for great non fishing activities", he added. Non-fishing spouses often tag along to kayak, swim with the dolphins, visit a rain forest or golf while the other one is fishing.

Westbank Anglers can make all the necessary arrangements for your trip and outfit you with everything you need, from fly fishing equipment to clothes for every type of destination we represent. Names like Patagonia, Royal Robbins, Tommy Bahama, Ex-Officio and Woolrich are available for both men and women.

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and packages for the experienced fishermen," said Mike. With over 100 rods and 100 reels from which to choose, fishermen are ready to hit the water.

The staff of experienced men and women are savvy with the sport of fly fishing which creates a comfortable, learning environment where women will feel as comfortable as men, said Mike. "We want every customer to leave feeling as if they've gained something by shopping at our store, maybe it's as simple as learning a new knot or picking up a tip on casting," he added.

Fly casting schools, fly tving schools (beginner, intermediate or advanced) and private clinics will be offered throughout the year. "We plan to do mom and daughter, dad and son or family group sessions," said Mike. Women-only fly tying and fly casting schools are also in the works. A womensonly trip to Jackson Hole, WY is currently being organized.

Westbank Anglers is located at 6612 Telegraph in the Bloomfield Plaza. Store hours are Mon. - Sat. 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Sun., 12 p.m.-5 p.m. Call (248) 538-3474 (FISH). Don't forget to ask about the extensive speaker schedule through-

out the year or the free out-

## Westbank Anglers/Michigan is Now Open. (Great Lakes fish, you have been warned).



The new Westbank Anglers/Michigan offers a huge selection of fly fishing and outdoor gear. From top names like Sage, Winston, Patagonia, Ex Officio, Simms, Scott, Abel, Royal Robbins and more.

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Alaska, the Bahamas, Mexico, Argentina and Chile, the Seychelles, Costa Rica and more.



We also offer fly casting and fly tying lessons, as well as guided fishing trips to the best frout and steelhead waters in the Great Lakes area.

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"We have the best selecdoor casting demonstrations tion of products in the indusevery Saturday through the try whether you're a beginfall. To learn more about ner or expert," said Mike, the company or stores referring to the line of fly nationwide, visit their website at www.westbank.com fishing tackle from top manufacturers like Sage, Simms, and add your name to their Winston, and Scientific email list by sending it to Anglers. "We carry introducwbam@mich.com. tory packages for beginners

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### AMISH DIRECT FURNITURE: QUALITY & VALUE

The Anish make furniture one piece at a time. This attention to detail ensures the highest quality of furniture on the market, said Paul D'Anna, who along with John Wist recently opened Amish Direct Furniture of Utica, They sell Amishmade furniture from several Amish orders from Indiana. Ohio and Maine.

All pieces that can be ordered are displayed in the showroom or are in catalogues. Customers can peruse a vast selection of dining room or kitchen furniture, hutches, eurio cabinets, rocking chairs or gliders. bedroom furniture and headboards / footboards, coffee and end tables. office furniture, entertainment centers, book cases and chairs. Some children's furniture can also be ordered. There's something to complement every decorating motif. including French Country, Royal Mission, Heritage, Shaker, Queen Anne, Turn Leg Style and the largest selection of Mission style furniture in Michigan.

\* "On average, it takes 8-9 weeks to receive a piece of furniture," said D'Anna, "The wait is well worth it," he added. The furniture is made from 100% wood and is hunderafted from kiln dried Red Oak or Cherry," The furnitore is screwed and glued, not stapled. Drawer corners are "English Dovetail," [an] old, world method of drawer construction. All

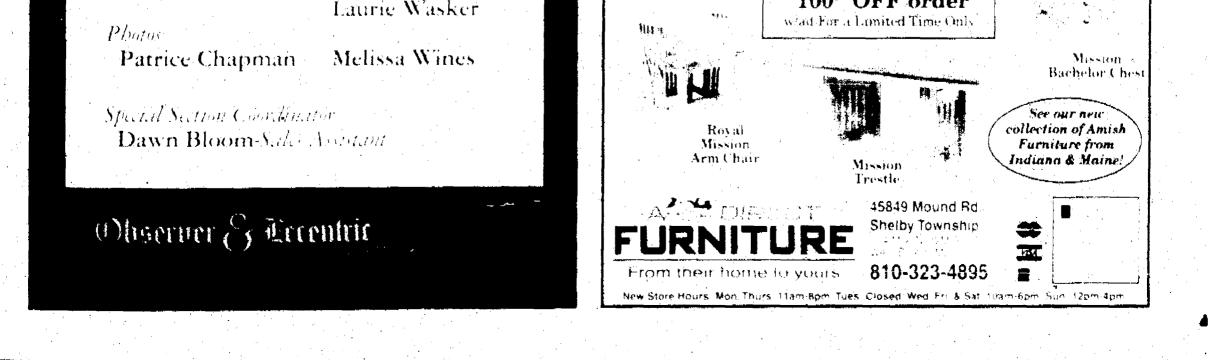


Paul D'Annwef Amish Direct

joints are tenoù and mortise joints. When ordering a variety of custonistains are available. A specjally, formulated finish used is a smooth varnishe that can resist dinost, anything, "If you think you pay more for this kind of craftsmanship, you might be surprised." said D'Arma.

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### WATER QUALITY A TOP PRIORITY FOR KINETICO

your drink water that someone told you contained "just a little bit" of lead, Yet, thousands of people every day do just that. The government allows cortain levels of these and many more toxins in the public water supply, but many people would

rather not take the chance that these chemicals are "safe" at any level.

Kinetico by Village & Country Water Treatment makes water safety and purity their number one concern. Kinetico by Village & Country has been an authorized dealership since 1976, serving Oakland, Livingston, Genesce and Washtenaw counties.

"Kinetico by Village & Country, has a wide selection of different makes and models of drinking water systems and water conditioners to suit everyone's water quality needs, Kinetico-a manufacturer of water conditioners and purifiers - has a superior product line. It is unique from its competitors in that it produces the only non-electric drinking water systems and water conditioners on the market. The re-generation process (how a unit cleans itself) of both

Jack Tracy, Aaron Martin and Jerrad Beauchamp of Kinetico By Village & Country in Clarkston.

conditioners and purifiers uses the same high quality of water produced, therefore greatly extending the life of the unit. An automatic shut-off feature on Kinetico water purifiers takes the guesswork out of filter replacement. Kinetico is the leader in manufacturer product warranties and is rated a "Best Buy" by Consumer's Digest.

Kinéticó by Villagé & Country Water Treatment is located in north Oakland County as well as retail locations in Livingston. Genesee and Washtenaw counties: They service residents and businesses throughout all four counties. They provide three services to both home and business customers: Installation of water conditioners or water purifiers; delivery of bottled water, installation and set-up of water cookers and delivery of galt for conditioners; and a rotail storefront where customers can shop for the necessary supplies or accessories for any water treatment system.

Water conditioners are in high demand in many Oakland County communities

You wouldn't willingly drink an ice cold glass of chlorine or benzene. Nor would - due to the hard well water many communities draw from Hard water contains minerals like iron time, rust and calcium which leave stains or soap scutte around the house. It can also leave a white residue on cooking pans or coffee pots. Installing a water softener can remove hard minerals so that water not only

"feels" softer birt works "better" in your house. For example, soft water extends the life of dothes, saves users money on soup and cleaning agents (you use less) and causes tess wear and tear of household fixtures.

Hard water also contributes to taste and odor problems for drinking and cooking. For customers who want to remove the salt from their drinking or cooking water a water purifier can be added to ensure the highest quality of water throughout the entire house for business). A water purifier improves taste and removes odors, and many of the harsh. toxic elements commonly found in drinking water (i.e., chlorine, arsenic, lead, nitrates and turbidity/organic particles and more Some charcoal cartridge water filter systems that you can juirchase at the hardware store only filter taste and odor, not harmful toxins.

Kinetico water purifiers utilize reverse osmosis to ensure the highest water quality.

The retail section of Kinetico by Village & Country stocks a variety of salts and sodium free salts, purifier equipment, bottled water, filters or cartridges for water filter systems and a display of softeners and purifiers. The trained staff answersquestions and explains the differences between various models or products to help guide customers in choosing the best product for their home or blisiness.

Kingtico by Village & Country offers rentals, leases and sales of all their systems. They service all makes and models of water softeners. The Oakland County, retail store is located in Clarkston at 5926 Octonville Rd., M-15 ; they can be populated by colling (248) 820.5460, Store hours are Mon Kri 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 2 and Sati, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. To schedule a tree, in home water analysis or estimated with no jublication, please (all (248) 888-WATER-10. Customers are welcome to bring a sample of their water to the store for a tree, on site analysis.



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