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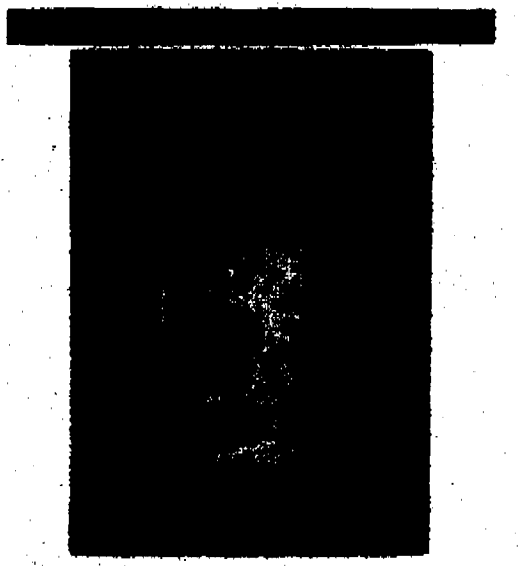
**VFW effort:** A Red Cross blood drive will be held 2-8 p.m. April 24 at the Bova Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 9885, 6440 Hix, between Ford and Warren roads in Westland. No appointment is needed. For information, call (734) 728-3231.

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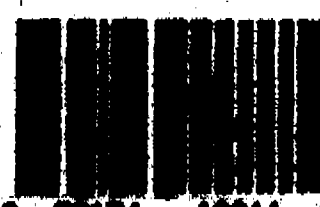
**Job search:** The Westland Chamber of Commerce Jobs and Careers Fair will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 29 at Westland Center, Wayne and Warren roads. For more information, call the chamber at (734) 326-7222.

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## Mayoral hopefuls show interest



**Two Westland City Council members have indicated they're interested in serving as Westland's next mayor. Mayor Robert Thomas hasn't ruled out running again, if he's defeated in the county commission primary.**

BY DARRELL CLEM  
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Mayor Robert Thomas' decision to seek a Wayne County Commission seat is fueling speculation about possible candidates for Westland's 2001 mayoral race.

Two potential candidates - Westland City Council members Sandra Cicirelli and Richard LeBlanc - have confirmed

they are interested in the job.

Thomas hasn't ruled out seeking a fourth consecutive four-year mayoral term if he loses his bid to unseat Kay Beard, a 22-year county commissioner serving as vice chair.

"I can't really make a decision on that yet," Thomas said Thursday. "I always like to keep the doors open."

Thomas will face Beard in the Aug. 12 Democratic primary. Political

observers say the primary marks the real battle for the county commission seat that represents Westland, Garden City and Inkster.

Thomas, in his 11th year as mayor, will step down one year early if he wins the county race. The council would name an appointee to fill his term, leaving voters to elect a new city leader in November 2001.

Cicirelli and LeBlanc have been widely mentioned as possible mayoral candidates, and both confirmed Thursday they will likely campaign for the job.

"My plans at this time are to go full speed ahead for next year's mayoral

election," Cicirelli, an 11-year council member, said.

Cicirelli said she will "definitely" run if Thomas isn't in the mayoral race and may seek the post even if the mayor does end up seeking re-election.

"I've thought about this for over a year now," Cicirelli said. "I have already gotten some commitments for support. In fact, I've gotten a lot of encouragement to run, especially if the mayor doesn't run."

If Thomas doesn't seek the mayoral position, Cicirelli said, "that makes my decision absolute."

LeBlanc said his supporters, too,

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### Remembering



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Biblical:** Soldiers Pat Grove of Westland (left to right), Joe Kogelmann of Westland and Rob Eaton of Garden City stand at attention in "The Power of Easter" performance at the Merriam Road Baptist Church. The drama teamed 80-some members performing shows Good Friday and Saturday. For more, please see A3.

## Westland census response good

BY JULIE BROWN  
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The work of Census 2000 isn't over yet, but those involved are pleased with progress to date.

Scott Veldhuis, Westland's economic development director, had heard recently the city response rate was a bit over 70 percent in recent weeks. Veldhuis is the local government's liaison for the U.S. Census Bureau.

"They're still trying to get that up," Veldhuis said of the Westland response rate. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Westland's response rate in mid-April was 75 percent, exceeding the national rate.

Areas of Westland where response rates were lower

include apartments and mobile home parks. Veldhuis has contacted managers of such facilities with blank census forms. He can provide forms if you call (734) 467-3220.

"Wherever I go, I'm trying to get the word out," Veldhuis said, adding the Census Bureau still needs workers. "I'm really encouraging people to contact the Census Bureau for those kinds of positions."

Veldhuis noted local promotion of the census, including newspaper and newsletter items, signs and cable TV messages, has helped to boost the response rate.

The Census Bureau announced this past week that "the initial response rate" for Census 2000, the percentage of questionnaires returned before enumerators begin knocking

Please see CENSUS, A5

## Compassion the credo for housing commissioner

BY DARRELL CLEM  
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As Westland Housing Commission chairman, John Franklin has toiled over difficult decisions like cutting off a family's housing subsidies due to problems such as drug abuse.

"That's very hard," Westland Housing Director James Gilbert said. "It's kind of like being a judge."

Franklin also has faced frustrations at seeing residents living in virtual poverty, yet realizing that housing officials can't magically revitalize a neighborhood overnight.

"When you're riding through the community," Franklin said, "you see people, especially senior citizens, almost in poverty. We have to take care of our senior citizens."

Described by Gilbert as "firm but compassionate," Franklin, 77, has marked his 30th year on the Westland Housing Commission, serving as chairman and president.

His friends and supporters honored him Tuesday before a housing commission meeting.

"I had been put on notice to come early. I thought it was just for dinner," Franklin said. "I didn't know I was

**'I had been put on notice to come early. I thought it was just for dinner.'**

John Franklin  
—Housing Commission chairman

involved in it. It was a good surprise. I was standing there with tears in my eyes.

"They fooled me," he said, "and I'm hard to fool."

Franklin has been on the housing commission since it was formed in 1970.

"When the housing commission started out, we had people that didn't know anything about housing," he said. "Rules and guidelines had to be set up. Now, things are done a little more. I'll say, sophisticated-like."

Housing officials have worked hard to help low-income families, particularly in neighborhoods such as Norwayne and Carver that have shown signs of rebounding.

"The biggest experience is when you ride through a neighborhood and you see the neighborhood is running down."

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STAFF PHOTO BY MATTHEW TAPLIN JR.

**Job well done:** Westland leaders congratulate John Franklin Tuesday night at the Dorsey Center on his 30 years of achievement on the Westland Housing Commission. From left, they are Andy Spisak, Franklin, Housing Director James Gilbert, Mayor Robert Thomas and Fire Chief Mark Neal.

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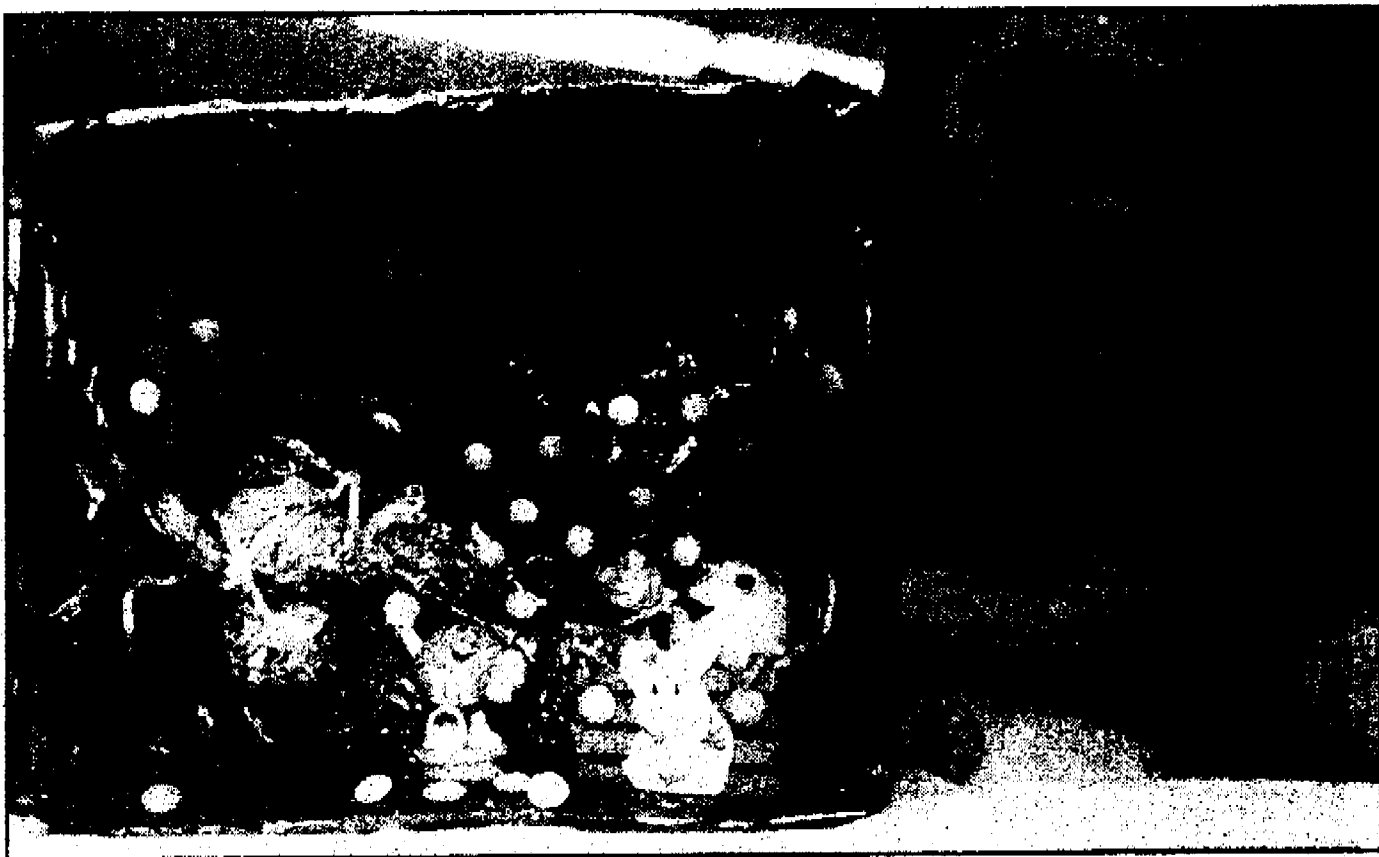
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**Eggciting**



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Spring style:** Sarah Love, a third-grader at Wildwood Elementary School, shows off her first-place M&M egg entry. Judges commented that it was the best of the show of the 105 entries from kindergarten through grade five in the annual egg decorating contest.

**OBITUARIES**

**RUBEN P. KALLUNKI**

Services for Ruben Kallunki, 82, of Westland were held April 20 in Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. Roy G. Forsyth.

Mr. Kallunki was born July 7, 1917, in Calumet, Mich., and died April 17 in Garden City. He was employed with Uniroyal in Detroit, and retired after 29 years of service. He was raised in Detroit and came to Plymouth in 1974.

Mr. Kallunki was a former member of the Plymouth Elks, a

charter member of the Corvette Car Club of Michigan and a member of the Plymouth Creditors.

Surviving are his daughter, Karen (Thomas) Vickers of Walled Lake; and two grandchildren, Dawn (Robert) Serafin of Highland and Terri Lynn Vickers of Walled Lake.

Mr. Kallunki was preceded in death by his wife, Sarena "Sparky."

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association of Michigan or the

Michigan Humane Society.

**CHARLES A. PARASCANDALO**

Funeral services for Charles Parascandalo, 67, of Westland were held April 20 in Vermeulen Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Cemetery in Coldwater. Officiating was the Rev. Leonard Partenaky.

Mr. Parascandalo was born Feb. 1, 1933, in Detroit and died April 17 in Westland. He was a service technician and a veteran.

Surviving are his sons, Mark (April) of Ypsilanti, Larry of Ypsilanti and Charles of New Hudson; daughters, Lori (David) Morgan of Canton and Nancy (Martin) Bay of Plymouth; one brother; four sisters; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association Michigan Affiliate Inc., 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 400, Southfield, MI 48076-3680.

**FRANCES V. OHLRICH**

Services for Frances Ohlrich, 67, of Westland were held April 19 in St. Richard Catholic Church with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Terence Trep-

pa.

Mrs. Ohlrich was born Oct. 18, 1932, in Detroit and died April 15 in Westland. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Richard Catholic Church.

Surviving are her husband, Kenneth; son, Eric (Geannie) of Silver City, N.M.; daughters, Sheree (Jay) Thibault of Brighton and Lisa (Tom) Weller of Lutz, Fla.; sisters, Mary (Joseph) Aprile of St. Clair Shores and Dena (Don) Benoit of Mt. Clemens; and seven grandchildren.

**LEONA M. STILWELL**

Services for Leona Stilwell, 72, of Canton were held April 19 in St. Theodore Catholic Church with burial at Tompkins Cemetery, Tompkins Township, Mich. Officiating was the Rev. Charles Hart.

Mrs. Stilwell was born May 31, 1927, in Fife Lake, Mich., and died April 16 in Canton. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Theodore Catholic Church.

Surviving are her husband, Charles; sons, Edward McKenzie of New Baltimore and Keith McKenzie of Burlington, Ky.; stepsons, Stephen (Sally) Stil-

well of Indianapolis, Ind., and Charles (Susan) Stilwell of Anaheim, Calif.; daughters, Sharon (Rolland) O'Connor of Westerville, Ohio, Lynn (Richard) Westhoff of Westland, Mary DeFazio of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Anita Osterhouse of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and LeAnn McKenzie of Jackson; brother, Reo (Barbara) Gonyer of Sparta; sisters, Leah Lewis of Cadillac, Gertrude Doyle of Manton, Ruby (William) Schaff of McBain and Emma (Neil) Schaff of McBain; 33 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Community Hospice Services, 32932 Warren, Westland, MI 48185.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

**ELSIE L. DRUMINSKI**

Services for Elsie Druminski, 83, of Westland were held April 20 in Vermeulen Funeral Home with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Harold A. Avers.

Miss Druminski was born March 13, 1917, in Detroit and died April 17 in Westland. She was a dietary aide at Grace Hospital.

Surviving are her friends, Ann Petroni of Westland and Jean Cyphers of Detroit.

Memorials may be made to Greenfield Peace Lutheran Church, 7000 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI.

**MILDRED S. CARLSON**

Services for Mildred Carlson, 67, of Wayne took place April 20 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Officiating was the Rev. Robert Schultz.

Mrs. Carlson was born Oct. 10, 1932, and died April 16 in Wayne. She was an inspector.

Surviving are her sons, Charles (Ruth) of Livonia and John Carlson of Westland; daughter, Elizabeth (Ernest) Jarman; brothers, Melvin Wiitanen, Lloyd Wiitanen, Wilho Wiitanen and Roy Wiitanen; sisters, Mae Stimac and Karen Ranta; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Carlson was preceded in death by her husband, Albert; sons, Fred Arington and Kenneth Arington; and many brothers and sisters.

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**Garage sale set for May 20**

The Westland Community Garage Sale will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 20, in the Westland City Hall parking lot, on Ford Road between Wayne and Newburgh roads. The city of Westland event is sponsored by Westland Therapeutic Recreation and Westland Youth Assistance. A rain day will be the following day, if needed. For information, call (734) 722-7620.

**Read Taste today**





**Preparing:** Apostle Tom Robinson of Westland (left) gets makeup put on by Pat Aynes of Garden City, playing the role of Salome in "The Power of Easter."

## Easter tale told

Music, drama and costumes bring "The Power of Easter" to life at Merriman Road Baptist Church.

This is the third year members of the Garden City congregation have presented their Easter pageant — complete with live animals.

"It's been growing. Each year we add new scenes," said the Rev. Wayne Parker, who wrote the dramatic portions of the pageant. Music Director Dan Babb arranged the music, a mix of traditional and contemporary. "We were looking for a way to



**Path:** The choir sings the overture "There Stands The Cross."

dramatize the Easter story. We looked at bought scripts but they didn't communicate it the way we wanted," Parker said.

About 80 people are involved in the production. Volunteers also work on costumes, makeup and sets.

The church has a large production at Christmas along with several programs by teens and children during the year.

"The difference with the Easter pageant is that it involves everybody — adults, youth and children," said Parker.

## Franklin has new principal

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

At its Monday meeting, the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education approved a host of new appointments throughout the district, including new principals at Stevenson and Franklin high schools.

The board named Steven Archibald principal at Stevenson, while Lorraine Hyman will become the school's new athletic director.

Franklin High School's new principal will be Daniel Willenborg.

Other appointees are Al Di Paolo as principal of the Western Wayne Skill Center, Eric Stromberg as assistant principal of Riley Middle School, Paul Derwich as executive director of human resources, Sheila Allea as director of elementary instruction and Teresa Zigman as director of finance.

Most of the appointments, which are effective July 1, were needed because of recent retirements.

Trustee Frank Kokenakes called the evening a "changing of the guard" and "a watershed moment" for the district.

The appointments of Archibald and Willenborg, both currently assistant principals at Churchill High School, were particularly important

because of the visibility they will have.

Archibald, replacing the outgoing Dale Collier, has been with the district since 1989 and at Churchill since 1994.

"I've been very fortunate to work with many outstanding people and had many incredible opportunities and experiences over my 10 years with the district," Archibald said.

"I cannot express in words how excited I am about joining the Stevenson community. There is a standard of excellence established there and I will do everything in my power to ensure that it continues."

Willenborg has only been with the district since 1996, when he was plucked from the Fremont School District to take over his current position at Churchill. He also served as an infantry officer in the Marine Corps in the mid-1980s.

"This is overwhelming and exciting to be on this principal track. I'm anxious to get started," said Willenborg, who is replacing the retiring Michael Fenchel.

District administrators were excited about the appointments of both men.

"I think both of these gentlemen are going to provide outstanding leadership," said Superintendent Ken Watson. "We look forward to working with both of them."

## Shells turn up at high school

BY JULIE BROWN  
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No injuries were reported Thursday, but a half dozen shotgun shells were found scattered at Wayne Memorial High School.

The incident took place around 10 a.m., said Sgt. Dan Juras of the Wayne Police Department. The shells had not been used.

The school staff had a student lockdown as three police dogs checked the school, Juras said.

"It was cleared out about 11:30." There were no threats made, he said.

Linking the local incident to the one-year anniversary of the

Columbine High School massacre in Colorado would be speculative, Juras said.

"It's interesting it did happen on the one-year anniversary date."

The shells were left in prominent locations, he said, and Juras said those responsible were probably just trying to disrupt school. He described Superintendent Greg Baracy and other school officials as "very cooperative."

The officer assigned to the school, Ken Spratke, also was helpful. School's out as of Friday and through the coming week. Juras said the case remains

under investigation.

Lorne "Skip" Monit, Wayne-Westland school board treasurer, has two children at Wayne Memorial. He was at the school Thursday and saw the incident being handled. Monit was comfortable with the procedures.

"I think our administration and the police department reacted responsibly," Monit said Friday.

He thought the incident was most likely a prank linked to the Columbine anniversary. A student or students probably wanted the day off, which didn't happen, he said.

## Chamber will laud community leaders

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will hold its Spring Awards Murder Mystery Dinner 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, at Joy Manor, on Joy east of Middlebelt in Westland.

Tickets are \$30 each and include dinner, the murder mystery "Lethal Luau," the awards and prizes. Chamber officials emphasize that the best deal is a table of eight for \$220, a savings of \$20.

The Business Person of the Year and Athena winner will be honored that evening.

The Athena Award is presented to an individual who has achieved excellence in her or his business or profession, has served the community in a meaningful way, and has assisted women in reaching their

potential. The award is presented in the form of a handcast bronze sculpture symbolizing the strength, courage and wisdom of the recipient.

Athena nominees include Mary Denning of Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe. The award is given nationally.

The 2000 Business Person of the Year will also be recognized. The nominees are: Dick Isham of International Minute Press; Tom North of North Bros. Ford; Hank Clemens of Hank's Auto Restoration and Mansion of Memories; and Steve Harris of Harris Construction Service Inc.

To make reservations, call (734) 326-7222. A 24-hour cancellation notice is required.

## DDA award given to Ford Road business

The Westland Downtown Development Authority has chosen Westland Lock and Key as its service award winner for the month of May.

Westland Lock and Key has been at the same location, 35665 Ford Road, since 1964. The business is owned by Neil and Jan Crawford, who purchased it from Jan's parents in 1985.

Westland Lock and Key sells and services a variety of locks, keys, safes and electronic access and control devices for both commercial and residential customers.

"We are honored that someone thought so much of our service that they nominated us for the WDDA service award," said Neil Crawford. "It's nice to know that someone appreciates and recognizes the effort it takes to provide quality products and services."

The Crawfords will receive the award May 4 at the Westland Economic Growth Center.

"We felt many of the people and businesses in the area are going above and beyond the call

of duty when it comes to the community and their customers," said Steve Guile, executive director of the Westland DDA. "We created the award to show our appreciation."

The general public nominates businesses. Nominations can be made by calling the WDDA office at (734) 641-6572, faxing (734) 641-8512, or e-mailing westland-dda1@excite.com.

To qualify, a business must be located within the DDA. It must also meet one of these criteria: have outstanding renovations to the establishment; have exceptional customer service; have a record of outstanding contributions to the community and/or charity; have recognition for professional achievement from the appropriate trade/professional association.

## Gardening talk's on tap

Marty Figley, gardening columnist for the Observer & Eccentric! Newspapers, will speak 7 p.m. Thursday, May 11,

at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 N. Merriman in Westland. Figley will discuss "Butterfly Gardens for the Environment"

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# Date nears for waste dropoff

Local residents have a chance to get rid of some toxic household waste in a safe and legal manner.

The Central Wayne Energy Recovery Authority is holding a one-day dropoff for household special waste 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 29.

The authority is located at 4901 S. Inkster Road in Dear-

born Heights.

Residents must show identification when dropping off materials.

Accepted items are oil-based paints and varnishes; cleaning solvents; household batteries; oven cleaners; transmission fluid/anti-freeze; metallic mercury (thermometers); wood preservatives; pesticides and

weed killers; mothballs; pressurized cans, and lead (found in shot and sinkers).

Unacceptable items are latex paint; explosives; smoke detectors; any materials from commercial or industrial establishments; used motor oil; tires, and recyclables that are accepted at local recycling dropoff centers.

# Locks shorn for a good cause

Bill Panyard of Westland is a bit lighter on his feet these days, and it has nothing to do with weight loss.

Panyard and wife Joyce were among attendees earlier this month at the John Glenn High School girls' volleyball banquet. The highlight of the evening was his having his long hair cut for the charity Locks for Love.

"I felt like a movie star," said Panyard, noting the cameras flashing in his face that night. "It was a lot of fun."

He'd started growing his hair about five years ago, and hasn't had any problems with safety in his Ford Motor Co. research and engineering job in Dearborn. Panyard is a plumber/pipefitter by trade.

Panyard had earlier told his daughters he'd cut his hair if their team won districts. He later arranged for the Locks for Love donation.

Each girl on the volleyball team got to take a snip that evening, and his daughter finished the job. Panyard went the next day for a finishing haircut.

"When they got done cutting it, I looked like a little Dutch boy."

The couple's daughters are Melanie, a 1999 Glenn graduate, and Nicole, a Glenn senior.



**New look: Bill Panyard's long hair (above) was scissored away during a sports banquet for John Glenn High School. He gave the hair to Locks for Love, which provides wigs for cancer patients who have lost their hair.**

# YMCA camp offers fun in sun

The Wayne-Westland YMCA, 827 S. Wayne Road in Westland, is enrolling children for its Jubilee (ages 6-8), Adventure (ages 9-12) and Challenge (ages 12-14) summer camps.

The three age groups experience two, three and five field trips a week, respectively. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with

pre-care starting at 7 a.m. and post-care until 6 p.m. at no additional charge.

Character development, water parks, arcades, museums, science fairs, musical performers, canoeing, horseback riding, climbing towers and more are included.

The price is \$110 per week for

Jubilee and Adventure, \$120 for Challenge for members, and \$150/\$160 per week for nonmembers.

The program consists of 10 one-week sessions beginning June 19 and ending Aug. 25. For camp information, call (734) 721-7044.

# Stars shining as they compete

The Westland Stars pompon and cheerleading squad is reaching for the stars.

The first competition was held at Royal Oak Kimball High School Feb. 26. The Stars took first place in both cheerleading and the jazz divisions while finishing second in the pompon dance division.

The following weekend at Hazel Park High School Showcase America competition, the Stars received two outstanding ratings and one excellent rating for their invitational awards. They took third place for their lyrical and pompon routines and second place for their jazz routine.

Those awards gave them one second and two third place finishes in the regional competition and qualified them for national competition in Columbus, Ohio. The Stars are now focusing on the Starquest Invitational set for May at Clarenceville High School.

## ACHIEVERS

A local two-student team has earned the right to compete in the state finals of the seventh annual Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills National Quality Care Challenge.

Jonathan Smith of Detroit and Howard Frazier of Westland, who attend the William D. Ford Career/Technical Center in

Westland, will compete May 4 at Macomb Community College against nine other two-student teams from across the state.

Smith and Frazier qualified by placing among the 10 highest team scores on a written test of judgment and knowledge of mechanics and electronics dur-

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# Warnings issued about charities **Prayer** *from page A1*

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Livonia resident Kathleen Kowalski has a message for anybody thinking about contributing to a certain charity: Be careful before making out that check.

Kowalski recently received a letter from the Children's Wish Foundation asking her to support the organization's "2000 Livonia Area Wish Sponsor Drive."

"Join us in our efforts of putting children first," the letter states.

The organization says that its goal is to pay for the wishes of terminally ill children. These wishes include, among other things, paying for them and their families to go to Disneyland, or even visit the pope. According to the letter sent to Kowalski, today there are more than 125 children across the nation who are awaiting a "gift of love."

"We strive for each child to feel that the moon and the stars were hung in their honor and that they deserve every smile and every moment of laughter we can create," the letter goes on to say.

Touched by the message, Kowalski decided to contribute the \$15 the foundation was soliciting.

However, before writing a check, Kowalski decided to call the Michigan Attorney General to further inquire about the organization.

She was shocked by what she learned. In the 1998 fiscal year, the organization raised \$26.7 million in total revenue. Of that total, only \$3.05 million was used to fund 402 individual wishes. Another \$4.9 million was contributed to various children's hospitals and other charitable agencies, such as Ronald McDonald Houses.

"I think this is so misleading," Kowalski said of the letter. "This organization is all baloney. Finding out what I found out just rubs me the wrong way."

Representatives for Children's Wish Foundation say they are sympathetic to Kowalski's concerns.

"She has got to recognize that there is a cost to all of this," said Errol Copilevitz, legal counsel for Children's Wish Foundation. "The standard in this industry is that you have to spend a dollar to earn a dollar. People have to realize that there is a major cost to all of the fund-raising."

According to the organization's financial returns, it paid \$13.4 million, about half of its total revenue, to a fund-raising company called Reese Brothers. Another \$4 million was spent on publishing and consulting costs.

"If this woman (Kowalski) had directly called the foundation and said she wanted a 100 percent of her check to go directly to a certain area, it would have happened," said Copilevitz.

However, Copilevitz said, anytime someone contributes as a result of a fund-raising function, such as a phone call or a letter, the contribution has to help pay for the fund-raising efforts. He said the longer the 15-year-old organization is around, the less they will need to spend on fund-raising because they will have regular contributors.

"The organization definitely wants to see a higher net," he said.

Marion Gorton, director of the Michigan Attorney General's Charitable Trust section, said the financial breakdown is fairly typical of wish foundations, of which there are more than 50 operating nationally.

Despite her personal concerns, Gorton said the state is unable to make any kind of demands on these charitable organizations, except that they provide the state with the financial statements they file with the Internal Revenue Service each year.

If the organizations provide this information, the Attorney General has no choice but to give them a license that allows them to operate in the state.

"The United States Supreme Court has told the states they cannot tell these organizations how much they have to actually spend on certain causes," said Gorton. "We are very limited to how much scrutiny we can give them."

During her years with the Attorney General's office, she has seen the whole gamut in the way charitable organizations actually contribute to certain causes. While some have contributed nearly all of the money they raise, others have contributed nothing.

In her experience, Gorton said local charities are typically the most likely to donate the majority of their money to whatever cause they are supporting. That's because they are usually volunteer-oriented.

"People can call us to check on each organization they wish to donate to. It takes a little research to do it right," she said.

Gorton said people can obtain charity information by calling the Better Business Bureau, or by accessing Web sites such as [www.nccb.org](http://www.nccb.org) or [www.guidestar.org/search](http://www.guidestar.org/search).

Kowalski, for one, is happy she looked into the matter before making a contribution.

"This is the first time I've done something like this. I even did it during my favorite soap," she said.

scratch my head," he said. "They were so quick to have prayer until all of a sudden somebody who wasn't a rah-rah, back-slapping, lock-step person made a request," he said.

Griffin missed Monday's meeting but said later he would have allowed Davis to say his prayer if Davis had approached him Monday.

"I was going to let him do it," Griffin said, only because Davis made his request before Griffin announced the moratorium.

Now, it appears prayer will be

scrapped altogether until the three-member committee, made up of Griffin, Scott and Councilman Richard LeBlanc, finishes its work.

Some critics of council-meeting prayer have suggested that Satanists and other fringe groups could start to demand equal time. They also have spoken against mixing religion and politics.

Others have suggested that the city, and the council itself, could benefit from prayer.

# Census *from page A1*

on the doors of nonrespondents, was 65 percent, matching the 1990 rate.

"It's very close," said Raef Fakhoury, local office manager for the Dearborn regional area, of the local response compared to 1990. He's pleased with Westland's response.

"It's a good response rate," he said. Fakhoury attributed the strong response to a joint effort of city officials and others, including census workers.

About 120 million census questionnaires were mailed or hand-delivered to homes across the U.S. in March. As questionnaires were returned, the Census Bureau posted daily, from March 27 to April 11, on its Internet site ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)) the rates of return for the country, the states and about 38,000 local and tribal governments.

In the next phase of the census, called "nonresponse follow-up," as many as half a million temporary workers, with address lists and maps, will visit housing units the Census Bureau did not hear from. They will make up to

**Fakhoury and his colleagues have explained the form's statistical data provides information on planning in education, roads, health care and other areas.**

six attempts to contact nonresponding households: Three personal visits and three phone calls.

This operation will continue through July 7. Fakhoury said those interested in census jobs should call (888) 325-7733.

He's heard some complaints about the long form's length and nosiness. Fakhoury and his colleagues have explained the form's statistical data provides information on planning in education, roads, health care and other areas. They emphasize census confidentiality as well.

"Now, we hope that everybody would cooperate with us," he said. Census officials hope to reach 100 percent cooperation.

# Hopefuls *from page A1*

have strongly urged him to run. "I would say that it's very likely I'll be a candidate," said LeBlanc, a five-year council member and former Wayne-Westland school board trustee. "The final decision will include

advice and comments from my family and from close confidants," LeBlanc said. "The ultimate decision won't be based on who is or isn't rumored to be a candidate, including Bob Thomas. It will be decided on

whether we believe we have programs and thoughts and ideas that will benefit the community and whether the way to achieve those would be in an administrative role."

LeBlanc said he would run "a

positive campaign" focusing on a plan for the city's future.

The mayor's job pays \$90,465. Thomas also will receive longevity pay of \$3,016 this year, boosting his earnings to \$93,481.

## Many memories:

John Franklin clasps his hands during a sentimental moment at a ceremony held in his honor. Franklin has spent 30 years on the Westland Housing Commission.



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Hello, there! Attendees meet and greet John Franklin.

# Housing *from page A1*

and you see the dilapidated housing," Franklin said. "We can only do two or three houses at a time (for rehabilitation). We can only take care of a small part of a community at one time."

Gilbert said Franklin and his housing commission colleagues disperse subsidies to landlords for tenants, keep watch on finances of \$2 million to \$3 mil-

lion a year, and make "life-altering decisions" that affect families.

"It's been quite an experience for me," Franklin said. "Being a member of the housing commission keeps your mind busy all the time. I don't have one day of regret. I think it has helped to make me wise."

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# Board confirms Robinson as airports chief

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In an 11 to 1 vote, Lester W. Robinson became the new director for the Department of Airports.

He will direct operations at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (Metro Airport), including activities for the new Midfield Terminal, as well as Willow Run Airport. He will earn \$148,000 annually for the job, which will expire Dec. 31, 2002.

Wayne County Commissioners approved his two-year appointment Thursday following weeks of debate. Controversy centered around Robinson's experience with airport affairs.

"I would like to see Robinson

named as interim director," said Commissioner Kathleen Husk, R-Redford Township. Before casting the lone "nay" vote, she touted his credentials in the financial world but expressed concern over his ability to manage other aspects of airport operations. "He has no experience running an airport and (Metro Airport) is large."

Robinson, a certified public accountant, is not new to a county position or even to Metro Airport, which maintains a \$100 million operating budget. From 1991-1993, the Belleville resident served as deputy director at Metro Airport. Other county positions include: serving as chief financial officer, legislative auditor general and chief of staff to the county executive, Ed

McNamara.

Reflecting on his experience in Wayne County and his financial work in the private sector, most commissioners felt confident Robinson would do the job effectively.

Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, even went on record welcoming Robinson back. "I was sorry to see you go," she said.

Calling him "well-qualified," Beard said "we don't have to worry about breaking him into the people. We don't have to worry about breaking him into the county. He knows the process."

One process he is familiar with involves vendors' contracts. Recent allegations have been made against Wayne County officials accusing them of award-

ing contracts without receiving competitive bids. Some officials have also been accused of covering it up to protect their friends.

"I would never do anything like," Robinson stressed. "I believe my integrity and history with the county speaks for itself."

Commissioner Edward Boike, Jr., D-Detroit, spoke to Robinson's character before voicing his support. "We all know the integrity and value of having this man around," he emphasized.

To fulfill his new obligations, Robinson will leave a management position with Capital Financial Advisors International, L.L.C.

According to his resume, Robinson boasts over 26 years of

management and financial experience including governments, banking and financial institutions. He has served as financial officer on bond transactions ranging from \$1,017 billion to \$940,000.

He received a bachelor's of business administration from Michigan State University and did coursework in public administration at Eastern Michigan University.

Robinson said that "there will be challenges" in his new job, but he is planning to keep operations moving on the right track. "I don't think you will ever see that (elimination of the bidding process) happen again."

Richard Pearl contributed to this story.



Lester Robinson: The former McNamara aide was confirmed as the new airports director Thursday.

# \$4 million grant awarded for Willow Run Airport improvements

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Runways and infrastructure at Willow Run Airport are scheduled for some much-needed maintenance, thanks to a grant provided by the state.

Four million dollars has been earmarked for the airport, which houses about 350 planes regularly. The grant will cover expenses for new runway signage and lights, a new roof and elevator for Hanger 1, a newly constructed maintenance building and environmental projects.

"We're not making any physical changes as far as widening or lengthening the runways," said

Sean Brosnan, airport director. "We're reinvesting in the infrastructure."

Willow Run is one of 11 state airports to receive funds following the re-authorization of the Federal Aviation Administration package, which raised Michigan's share of federal aviation entitlements by 113 percent. Previously, Michigan received \$23.6 million annually, but recently signed federal legislation boosts that amount to \$54.4 million annually, starting next year.

"We'll get the money in October (2000) and spend it over the next year," said Brosnan. Work can not start until contractors

have been hired. Contractors can not be hired until state officials sign off on the grant.

Just the promise of extra money was good news to the director of the third busiest airport in the state.

"In the past, we weren't getting any money from the state or federal governments," Brosnan said. Officials rectified the situation once they were presented with information indicating how economically viable Willow Run is to Michigan and Washington. Tax dollars generated at the local airport are funneled to both state and federal agencies.

"On average, Willow Run generates in aviation tax dollars

alone about \$30 million annually," he said. "That doesn't even include sales tax, income tax and property taxes."

According to Brosnan, Willow Run has experienced significant growth in the past three years.

"Willow Run averaged 50 million pounds of cargo per year up until three years ago. Since then, it has increased to about 200 million pounds of cargo."

The bulk of Willow Run's cargo business is provided by automotive companies and their suppliers.

"We have daily 747s carrying cargo to Europe," Brosnan said. Jaguar alone uses Willow Run to carry engines and transmissions

from metro-Detroit to England and Germany.

"We also have a lot of sports teams coming through here," he said. From professional hockey and baseball teams to participants of college athletics, Brosnan has seen all sorts of celebrities board and unboard DC9s at Willow Run.

Situated on 2700 acres, the airport straddles two municipalities: Ypsilanti and Van Buren Township. Improvements at the airfield mean good things for both communities as well as the counties and the state.

"(Additional funding) means continued business," he said.

Federal legislators altered the funding allowance as part of

their routine review of the Federal Aviation Administration package, which includes funds for the Airport Improvement Program.

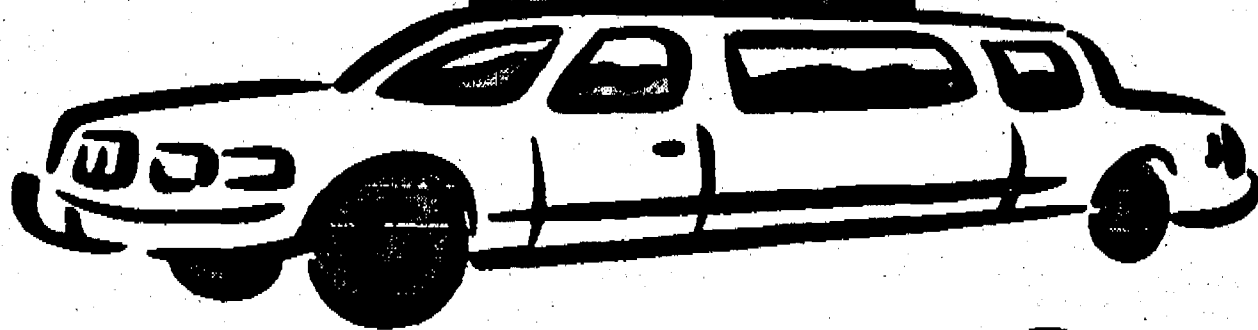
According to Robin Pannecouk, spokeswoman for the Michigan Department of Transportation, the earlier package expired this year.

"There was a re-authorization due on the Aviation Package, and typically that is a good time to reassess."

Gov. John Engler also expressed joy over the increase of funds for state airports. The state airports will share \$10 million for improvements.

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## 19 vendors approved for Midfield Terminal

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Nineteen vendors have been selected to operate 86 restaurants and shops at the Midfield Terminal at Detroit Wayne County Metropolitan Airport.

The terminal is scheduled to open by the end of 2001.

Airport department heads made their recommendations to Wayne County commissioners, who overwhelmingly approved them last week. Prior to commission approval, however, Chairman Ricardo Salomon instructed commission legal counsel Ben Washburn to include language stipulating that contract extension requests must come back to the commission for approval and that vendors will be subject to third-party audits by the commission.

According to Dave Katz, former director for the Department of Airports, the Department support cleared the way for a \$730 million concessions/retail program.

About half of the chosen food vendors were selected based on their minority business enterprise (MBE) or women's business enterprise (WBE) status. County officials agreed to hire a percentage of certified members from these two groups for the Concessions Department. County officials made similar accommodations for other departments under the Midfield Terminal project. The Retail Department requires about 30 percent of vendors to have MBE/WBE status.

Certification in any of these groups requires that employers maintain a certain percentage of employees belonging to that group. For instance, a company certified as an MBE must maintain a certain number of minority employees. County officials are responsible for checking the statistics before awarding them the contract as well as random checks during

the length of the contract. Federal authorities also follow through after the first year.

If the actual numbers do not reflect what companies claimed, the contract can be terminated, said Robert Murphy, corporate counsel for the airport.

"It is legal" to terminate their contract in that case, Murphy said.

Vendors were contracted to provide service for five or seven years, with an option to renew for up to three years. That option, of course, must be approved by the commission.

The following companies were awarded contracts:

### Duty-free contract:

■ World Duty Free; Glen Burnie, Md., seven year contract

### Retail contracts:

■ CA One Services, Inc.; Buffalo, N.Y., five year contract

■ Metro Ventures/Paradies; Detroit, Mich., five year contract

■ Pangborn Design, Ltd.; Detroit, Mich., five year contract

■ OraOxygen; Ontario, Canada, five year contract

### Food contracts:

■ Compass Group USA, Inc.; New York, N.Y., seven year contract

■ Concessions International; Atlanta, Ga., seven year contract

■ On Line Café; Detroit, Mich., seven year contract

■ The Sheik; Dearborn, Mich., seven year contract

■ Host International, Inc.; Pacific Palisades, Calif., seven year contract

CA One Services was awarded three retail contracts. Metro Ventures/Paradies was awarded six retail contracts. Compass Group USA Inc. was awarded three food contracts.

# Fight looms over phone system

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The stage is set for a major fight in the state Legislature over control of Michigan's telephone system. With the state's telecommunications law, first adopted in 1995, set to expire at the end of the year, lawmakers are beginning to haggle over what to replace it with.

And while all parties say they want the same things - better consumer protection and customer service, increased competition among companies providing local service, and reasonable rates - they are proposing to do it in very different ways.

On the one hand, Rep. Marc Shulman, R-West Bloomfield, is proposing to restore some of the traditional authority of the state Public Service Commission to regulate telephones. Specifically, his House Bill 4804 would give the PSC clear powers to hear complaints from competing local service providers when they believe "incumbent companies" - Ameritech and GTE - have engaged in anti-competitive practices.

The bill would address the concerns of critics of Ameritech that the company has thwarted efforts of new companies to enter the market. And the PSC has not been able to address those complaints since the passage of the 1995 law.

### Bill for repeal

On the other hand, state Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, has introduced his own version of reform, Senate Bill 1193. That bill simply repeals the telecommunications act of 1995.

Legislative aide Joelle Demand explained that is not the senator's final proposal, just a "new starting point." Dunaskiss wants to start with a clean slate before determining what regulations are needed, she said. His end result, Demand said, will likely include consumer protection regulations, such as rules designed to reduce slamming, and efforts to increase local phone competition.

"The 1995 act has not produced what he wanted to see in terms of increased local competition," Demand said.

Ameritech spokesman Mike Barnhart explained the senator's

bill this way: "He is taking a zero-based approach to regulation. You've heard of zero-sum budgeting where you start with a clean slate and add back what can be proved is needed... he is starting with a zero-based bill and will restore what regulations can be justified."

Although Ameritech has not endorsed Dunaskiss' bill, it does oppose Shulman's proposed revision. Barnhart said the Shulman bill would add "hundreds of pages of new regulations" on local phone companies, and that ultimately discourages competition.

Telephone deregulation dates back to the 1980s, when the federal government decided to break up the Bell system. While competition was opened in long distance services, local service was left in the hands of local monopolies. The 1995 Michigan law was intended to open up that market. And while an estimated 130 small firms have opened shop in Michigan to provide alternative local service, the vast majority of the residents do not have alternative local service available to them. An estimated 168,000 lines have been installed by competitors, compared to the 5 million lines operated by the state's largest "incumbent" local

provider, Ameritech.

With the 1995 act set to sunset in December, the process of revising the law is just getting under way in Lansing this month with hearings on the topic before the House Committee on Energy and Technology, chaired by Rep. Mary Ann Mittleman, R-Paw Paw.

### Ameritech response

The committee has already heard from Ameritech Vice President Harry Semerjian, who responded to complaints that the company's phone rates are too high. The Michigan Alliance for Competitive Telecommunications has pointed out that the cost of base service in Michigan at \$10.77 is higher than in any other Great Lakes state. In Ohio, the rate is only \$6.50.

The Small Business Alliance of Michigan earlier this year said a survey of its members showed they considered high phone rates to be the number one obstacle to business growth in the state.

Semerjian, however, said that when the typical services provided to phone customers are considered, the overall bill for the average customer in Michigan is lower than in other states.

Lawmakers, however, also point out that Ameritech's yearly

profits in Michigan are much higher than in surrounding states. The hope is that the opening of local service to other firms will bring down rates through competition.

Legislators say much of the problem with competitors entering the market is long delays needed to hook up customer's phone lines to the rest of the phone system, operated by Ameritech and GTE.

To address that, Barnhart said Ameritech has put together a system of "electronic bonding," between its "operations support systems" and those used by competitors, reducing the time required to process customer orders for local service. Since competitors' operating systems are often not compatible with Ameritech's, the result has been delays in the past, Barnhart said. The bonding system was completed just this month.

A key to opening competition, Barnhart argued, is allowing Ameritech to enter the long distance service market. While Ameritech is not presently allowed to offer long distance services, carrier companies like AT&T, MCI and Sprint are allowed to enter the local service market.

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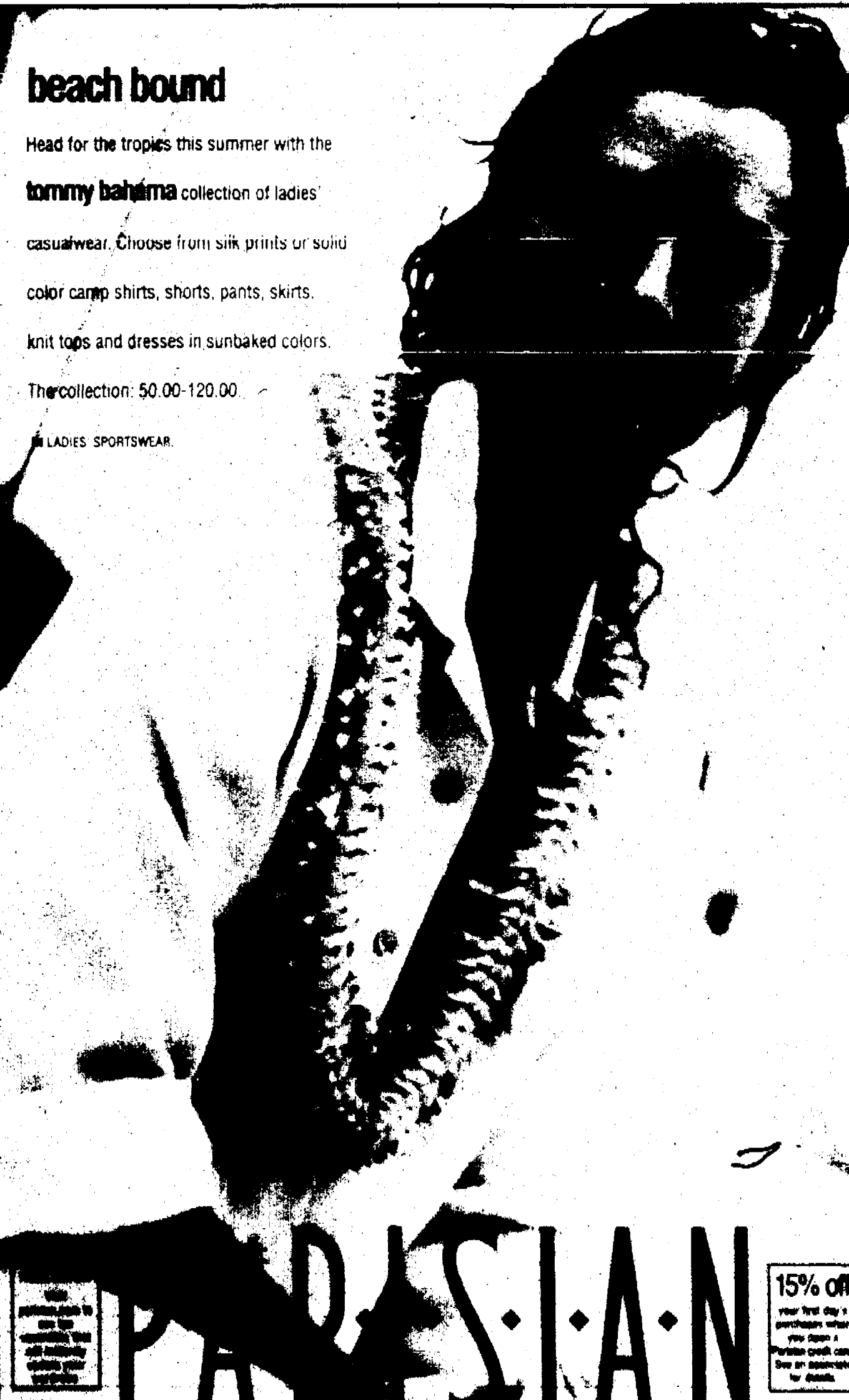
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# Census Bureau begins in-person visits on Thursday

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Beginning April 27, Census 2000 enumerators will be out seeking information from their neighbors who failed to return their census forms.

The Census Bureau is hiring people who live in the neighborhoods to ask these questions. Their belief is that people will be more willing to share this personal information with someone who looks like them, talks like them and shares their community concerns.

"It makes more sense to have people from your own community," said Michael Price, media specialist for Michigan representing the U.S. Census Bureau.

"Right now we are in the process of hiring over 31,000 enumerators," he said. "That's for the whole region. There are five offices serving Wayne County, and each will hire about 1,000 people."

## The task

Enumerators will canvass the neighborhoods morning, noon

and night through July 7. According to Price, they will need to work unusual hours because most people are away from their homes from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"They need to go when they will find people at home," he said.

They have about 20 percent of households to cover in western Wayne County. The Farmington area will take less time, with about 15 percent of homeowners who need to be surveyed.

Enumerators will be wearing identification badges and carrying bags identifying them as representatives for Census 2000. Another identifying factor is that more often than not, teams of people will be canvassing the same area.

Enumerators will ask homeowners the questions which appeared on the forms sent to their homes. So, one in six homeowners will be asked about 50 questions while recipients of the short form will complete their survey in eight questions.

"It's relatively quick," said

Price.

Price could not comment on any parallel between the number of people who submitted a completed survey and those who received the short form compared to those who received the long form, but he did stress the importance of providing the information regardless of which form homeowners received.

"It is so important for both forms to be filled out. While the long form may seem intrusive, I-696, I-275 and M-59 have been created mostly because of the information that was provided on those forms," he said. "It puts our tax dollars to work for roads, hospitals, new housing, banks, day care and care for the elderly."

Information collected through the Census 2000 is confidential, yet people still refuse to answer

the questions. Price said lack of compliance is the result of several factors, but mainly it's due to a lack of understanding.

"There are people who were born outside this country, and may have had an experience with an abusive government; or there could be language barriers," he said.

Price said the hardest demographic to enumerate is the 18-34-year-old population.

"Often they are on their own for the first time and they don't feel they have to tell anyone about themselves," he said.

## Confidentiality issues

There are two reasons people are being asked to answer Census 2000 questions: power and money.

"Enumerators have sworn the information they get will be used

for the census only," Price said. "It will not be used for personal interest. It will not be shared with landlords. It will not be shared with credit card companies."

Information will be used to determine congressional appro-

priations and to determine how much money each municipality receives of the annual \$185 billion pie. Anyone found guilty of violating the confidentiality rule is liable for a \$5,000 fine and up to five years in prison.

## Class helps nurses start businesses

Madonna University's College of Nursing and Health will offer an on-line course entitled "Introduction to Entrepreneurship for Nurses." Fall classes begin the week of Sept. 5.

"This introductory course is designed to be a springboard for nurses who want to start their own business," said Kate Walters, a registered nurse and the course instructor. Participants will learn about other nurses in business and how they turned their ideas into successful endeavors.

Minimum hardware requirements for PC users is a Pentium processor with 64 MB RAM and at least a 6 GB hard drive. Macintosh users must have an OS 7.5.5. Both configurations require Internet Explorer 4.0 or Netscape Navigator 4.0 with a 28 KB modem.

Founder of the Michigan Nurses in Business Association, Kate Walters holds a bachelor's in nursing from Oakland University and earned her master's in nursing from Madonna University. She is currently pursuing another master's degree in professional accounting from Walsh College. In addition to serving as an adjunct clinical instructor in Madonna's College of Nursing and Health, Walters manages her own business, Care Works Inc.

This course is offered for one semester hour credit for enrolled students and a maximum of 15 nursing contact hours may be earned. Madonna is an approved provider of continuing education in nursing by the Michigan Nurses Association. The MNA is accredited as an approver of continuing education by the American Nursing Credentialing Center Commission on Accreditation.

Over the past 12 years, as one of the largest four-year nursing programs in Michigan, Madonna's nursing program has experienced an average of 96 percent of its nursing graduates passing the nursing board examinations on the first attempt. Madonna offers bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing, as well as a degree completion program of registered and licensed practical nurses.

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## Summer camp has open house

The Child Development Center at the University of Michigan-Dearborn invites parents to an open house 4-8 p.m. Thursday, May 4, highlighting two summer day-camp programs for children from kindergarten age through 7 years old. Open house visitors will meet staff at the Center Office, Room 1031 in the CASL Annex, on the campus's Fair Lane Drive west of Evergreen Road.

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The body responds by mobilizing lymphocytes to seal off these enemies to body stability. There are two forms of lymphocytes: the B-cells and the T-cells. B-cells make antibodies that circulate throughout the body. T-cells secrete substances called cytokines that stimulate cells to create defenses against the threat of intra-cellular invasion by the offending agent.  
In Lupus erythematosus, the autoimmune problem is that B-cells make antibodies not against an infection by against the body's own cells particularly the kidney. In rheumatoid arthritis the T-cells are overactive and cause joint lining cells to make cytokines that irritate local inflammation.  
At present, researchers have not identified what signals set off the lymphocytes to activate inappropriately. So preventing autoimmune disease is not possible.  
The medical community has at hand medications such as steroids and methotrexate, which can slow activation of the lymphocytes. However, the need remains for therapies that can act more specifically and with less toxicity.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### MU signs Texas spiker

The Madonna University women's volleyball team added another player Wednesday as outside hitter Lizzy Frecko of Laredo (Tex.) Community College signed a letter-of-intent.

Frecko, who has three years of eligibility remaining, attended Laredo United High School where she was a three-sport standout in volleyball, track and basketball.

She was named All-City and All-District first-team in volleyball. Frecko was also City and District high jump champion and a regional qualifier.

She was named the school's Female Athlete of the Year her junior and senior years.

"Lizzy is a gutsy, scrappy, all-around player with good athleticism," Madonna coach Jerry Abraham said. "She will bring one year of college experience with her."

"In addition to her fitting with the team on the court, she instantly fits in with the chemistry of the team. She will be a good player as well as a good team member. We're excited to have her."

Frecko was also an All-State Academic selection. She graduated in the top ten of her high school class and served as a class officer, as well as being a member of the National Honor Society.

Frecko's signing brings Abraham's total to six.

Also in the fold are first-team All-Observer players Amanda Suder (Plymouth Salem), Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin) and Kate LeBlanc (Livonia Stevenson). They will be joined by junior college products Natalie Sayre (Grand Rapids) and Jennifer Frost (Flint Mott).

### Collegiate notes

The Hope College women's track team is off to a 3-1 dual-meet start as freshman Katie Sherron (Livonia Stevenson) owns season team bests in the 400-meter run (1:02.55) and 800 run (2:26.63).

University of Detroit Mercy senior midfielder Nick Deren (Stevenson) recently received the Dad Butler Award in men's for dedication in rehabilitating from injuries at the 2000 President's Athletic and Academic Honors luncheon.

Meanwhile, junior defender Andrea Will (Livonia Churchill) received UDM's Larry Bleach award for conditioning and fitness in women's soccer.

### Rutherford sharp

Livonia Churchill and Eastern Michigan University product Mark Rutherford has been sharp in the early going for the Reading (Pa.) Phillies of the Class AA Eastern League.

On April 17, the right-hander threw just 81 pitches in eight innings in a 4-3 win over Akron to raise his record to 2-0. Rutherford struck out four, allowed just four hits and did not walk a batter. He also pitched five scoreless innings and allowed just three hits April 11 in a win over Harrisburg.

### Pee Wee Leafs gain 1st

Captain Nick Dahlstrom notched the hat trick and Matt Sgriccia added the other goal as the Livonia Pee Wee Leafs defeated Chatham, 4-3, to win the Susan Rumble Memorial Tournament April 2 in Blenheim, Ontario.

The Leafs, coached by Ralph Humphlett, capped their season by capturing their third tournament. They also won the Little Caesars Thanksgiving Tournament and Ron Stros Memorial Christmas Tournament in Allen Park. They also took home the Rumble Tournament's sportsmanship trophy for fewest penalty minutes.

Dahlstrom had a pair of goals, while Chris Bridge and Sgriccia each added goals in a 4-2 first-round victory over Dresden. Matt Moulard chipped in with a pair of assists.

In a 3-1 second-round win over Strathroy, Dahlstrom had two goals and assisted on a goal by Sgriccia.

The Leafs reached the finals with a 9-1 triumph over Blenheim as Bridge had a natural hat trick, while Dahlstrom and Moulard added two goals apiece. Dan Furca and Sgriccia also scored for the Leafs.

Leafs netminder Tom Pugmire allowed just seven goals in four games.

Rounding out the Leafs: Matt Burk, Pete Schrader, Leo Casa, Shawn Martin, Richard Bass, Jeremy Risher, Brett Humphlett, Josh Yono, Steve Roberts and Andrew Jaworski.

Assistant coaches include John Sgriccia, Mark Martin and Jeff Jones.

## Detroit Rockers relocating from Palace to Compuware

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### PRO INDOOR SOCCER

It was the logical move to make. So the Detroit Rockers did it, agreeing to play 16 of their 22 regular-season home indoor soccer games next season at Compuware Arena. The Rockers have signed a three-year lease with Compuware.

"It's a good fit for us," said Rockers general manager and part-owner Dave Woodrow. "I think it's going to work out well."

Mike Vellucci, building supervisor for Compuware Arena, agreed. "They went

out to the Palace (of Auburn Hills), and that was too big," he said. "This is a more intimate facility for them, with 4,500 seats."

It does, indeed, seem the right place for soccer. Compuware sits in the middle of the state's biggest soccer pocket, with Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Farmington, Northville, Novi and Brighton all within a 20-minute drive. In the last decade, most of the state's best prep soccer teams have come from

these areas.

The move began to take shape when Mike Illitch, owner of the Detroit Red Wings and Detroit Tigers, decided to sell the Rockers last year. That forced the team to leave Cobo Arena for the Palace.

But that proved too big a forum for this still-growing sport. "Our product is better suited to a smaller arena," said Woodrow.

Enter Compuware.

According to Woodrow, the Rockers' owners were "approached by three

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## Help on way, SC women's recruits sign

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There were some considerable losses from last season's team that needed attention, in particular with the graduation of point guard Antone Watson.

It seems Schoolcraft College women's basketball coach Karen Lafata has not just addressed them, but improved the Lady Ocelots everywhere.

"We have four starters coming back," Lafata said, referring to last season's 11-14 team. She didn't exactly say the roles of her returnees could change, but the incoming class of nine players is formidable enough to cause alterations and carry SC to national prominence.

"We got size, quickness, athleticism — I couldn't be happier," Lafata said. "This is the best recruiting class I've ever had. We want to go to Nationals and with this class, I think we can."

There are certainly a multitude of options that should be available. At the top of this class are a pair of recruits at a position help is most needed: point guards Rachel Ely and Crystal Crawford.

Ely is perhaps the program's top recruit; a 5-foot-3 Class D first team all-stater from Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher, she is certainly an NCAA Division I prospect. Ely averaged 16.5 points and six steals a game.

"She's a catch," said Lafata.

"She's quick and she's fast." Crawford, a 5-5 Class C standout from Detroit Communications and Arts, was "a solid performer for them. With these two, we're not going to lose a beat."

Crawford, Ely and Lafata's recruit at shooting guard — Redford Thurston standout Kelly Grenan — will all be capable of supplying points from the perimeter.

Grenan, daughter of former SC women's coach Jack Grenan, was first team in the Mega Conference Blue Division; she averaged 22 points a game.

"She's a flat-out scorer," said Lafata. "Crawford and Grenan should light it up."

But that's just the backcourt. Lafata has also signed three centers and three forwards, and all can contribute.

Kelly Bendernagel is a 5-9 power forward from Novi HS who can go inside and score; she averaged about 10 points a game for the Kensington Valley Conference champions and was "a solid starter for them."

Katie Bradacs, a 5-10 small forward from Auburn Hills Avondale, is "a tremendous all-around athlete, and she can shoot the three." Bradacs is also a standout at volleyball and as a soccer goalkeeper.

The third forward is 5-10 Devin Francois, a 1998 graduate of Ypsilanti HS who is returning to school and could be quite a boost to the program. "She can play," said Lafata.

The centers signed by Lafata include 6-foot Markeeta Hearn of Detroit Kettering.

"She reminds me of Charles Barkley," said Lafata. "She's real strong, she can go inside or outside, and she can rebound." Lafata estimated Hearn averaged between 16 and 17 points per game for Kettering.

Keysa Hamilton, another 6-footer, was a standout for Highland Park. "She's a real good athlete, a four-year starter and a double-figure scorer," Lafata said.

The biggest of the recruits, quite literally, is 6-3 center Krystal Dennis of Redford St. Agatha. Honorable mention all-state in Class D, Dennis is tall and thin and the only recruit Lafata could label "a project," adding emphatically, "with a lot of potential."

"She's a good athlete — she's running track for St. Agatha."

Size, strength, shooting prowess, ball-handling, rebounding. It appears Lafata has indeed got everything she wanted in this recruiting class.

What the team manages to do with all this ability is the question now.



Grand theft: Stevenson's Dan Wilson slides in safely for the steal under Canton second baseman Jim Reddy in the top of the sixth inning. Canton earned a 10-5 win.

## Clutch single

### Sophomore a hit in 7-6 Patriot win

Jeff Robinson delivered a clutch line-shot single to right-center field with two strikes, driving in the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh to give host Livonia Franklin a dramatic 7-6 baseball win over Westland John Glenn.

Franklin trailed 6-5 when Chris Hall and Joe Ruggiero opened the seventh with singles. Tony Clark walked and Steve Tracey brought Hall home with a sacrifice fly, setting the stage for Robinson.

Franklin is 2-6 overall, while Glenn falls to 2-7.

Robinson went 2-for-2 with an RBI. Ruggiero and Ryan Tracy each added two hits.

Franklin starter Shawn Middleton pitched 6½ innings, allowing six hits, two walks and one hit batter. He did not figure in the decision.

The victory went to Jim Priebe, who got out of a jam in the seventh with a double-play.

Dave Holloway clubbed a solo homer for Glenn.

Losing pitcher Jeff Mitchell added two hits and two RBI. Chad Sansom also had two hits for the Rockets in the Western Lakes Activities Association crossover.

**CHURCHILL 14, N. FARMINGTON 3:** Brad Bescoe, Josh Odum and winning pitcher Paul Mercier each knocked in a pair of runs Wednesday to lift Livonia Churchill (5-5) past North Farmington (2-3) in a WLAAC crossover.

The game was stopped after six innings because of the 10-run mercy rule. Churchill has won four of its last five.

Churchill's Rob Wilson added a two-run double and walked with the bases loaded to wind up with three RBI.

Mercier scattered six hits and two walks over six innings. He turned five.

North pitchers gave up a total of 12 walks.

Mike Reininger, the starter, lasted three innings and was charged with 50 runs.

Adam Gray pitched two hits for North.

**ANNARBOR 10, CANTONVILLE 6:** Ryan Heip belted a two-run homer to lead Redford Union (6-2) to the non-league triumph Tuesday at Charter School (4-6).

Ethan Hayes and Ryan Gaffert each added two hits for the victorious Flyers. Gaffert also scored three runs.

Brad Bescoe went 3-for-4 with a solo homer, triple and two RBI.

Josh Odum added two hits, including a two-run homer in the fifth.

RJ starter Mike Stevens, who worked 4½ innings, earned the victory.

Churchill starter John Bennett took the loss.

**CANTON 22, STEVENSON 8:** On Wednesday, sophomore Jim Wilson went 3-for-3, including a double and solo homer to lead host Plymouth Canton (3-2) past Livonia Stevenson (5-3) in a Western Lakes crossover.

Winning pitcher Jon Johnson also went 3-for-3 with two RBI. He was the distance, scattering nine hits and one walk while fanning six.

Dan Wilson started for Stevenson, going three innings. He was the victim of four unearned runs. Reliever Tim Oliver, whose head was grazed by a line drive, took the loss. He pitched 2½ innings.

### PREP BASEBALL WRAP

Pete Pinto was Stevenson's top hitter going 2-for-4.

**HARPER WOODS 10, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 6:** Winning pitcher Mike Whately tossed a two-hitter and struck out eight over six innings (mercy rule) on Wednesday to power Metro Conference leader Harper Woods (9-1, 2-0) past host Lutheran High Westland (2-7, 1-2).

Steve Rhode added two hits, including a homer and two RBI. J.R. King also had a pair of hits and two RBI.

Brent Habitz was the losing pitcher.

Mike Moser went 2-for-3 for the Warriors. Brett Braun added a single and walk in two trips to the plate.

**REDFORD CC 14, RICE 4:** After Warren DeLaSalle clubbed the Shamrocks, 10-0, in the first game of a Tuesday doubleheader, Catholic Central rallied for a split of the twinbill with a 6-5 win in the nightcap, then a 14-4 win over Birmingham Brother Rice on Wednesday.

The second game against the Warriors was postponed because of darkness, with Rice holding a 9-4 lead in the bottom of the fourth and will be made up on May 13.

"The first game against DeLaSalle was fairly close for a while, then they got a three-run homer to put it away," said CC coach John Satter as his team improved to 8-2 overall and 4-2 in the Catholic League's Central Division. "We didn't play that well and they hit the ball pretty good."

The Shamrocks scattered four hits in the opener against the Pilots and left nine runners on base. Ryan Rogowski led the hitting attack with a double, while CC pitcher Andy Smith (3-1) suffered the loss, giving up seven runs, five earned, seven hits, seven walks, seven strikeouts in six innings.

CC's bats came alive in the nightcap as Rogowski's solo homer in the fifth inning put the Shamrocks ahead to stay.

"We showed a lot of poise, especially around the plate," said Satter.

CC grabbed three more runs in the top of the seventh for a 6-2 lead, but DLS came back with three more runs in the frame, and had runners at second and third with two outs, but reliever Adam Kline got the last batter to ground out and preserve the win.

Rogowski (2-0) got the win in just his second start, with five strikeouts, two walks and nine hits in 6½ innings, with Kline getting the save. Dave Tovey was 2-for-3 with an RBI, John Hill was 2-for-4 with an RBI and Anthony Coratti snapped a double.

Designated hitter Charlie Haeger led the hit parade in the win over Brother Rice by going 3-for-4 with a single, a one-run double in the fifth inning and a two-run homer in the first inning.

"We beat on the ball (Wednesday) pretty good," said Satter, whose team hosts Redford Union in a noon doubleheader on Tuesday. "We just kept adding to our runs."

Mike Wadowski helped out the 14-hit attack by going 3-for-4 with two doubles, John Hill was 2-for-4 with two RBI, Matt Lortas was 3-for-4 with three RBI and Adam Kline was 2-for-3 with an RBI.

Kevin Entaminger (1-0) pitched a sparkling game, by striking out 14, giving up seven hits, four walks, and four runs — all earned.



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**HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRACK RESULTS**



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**Anchor leg: Churchill's Ryan Gall finishes the final leg of the 3,200-meter relay during Wednesday's meet at Harrison**

**FARMINGTON HILLS HARRISON 99**  
**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 68**  
 April 19 at Harrison

Shot put: Mike Gaura (LC), 51 feet, 4 inches; discus: Brad Person (FHH), 144.7; high jump: Paul Karotak (LC), 50; long jump: Eric Scott (LC), 20.7; pole vault: Derek Laskowski (FHH), 12-0; 110-meter hurdles: Nick Hall (FHH), 14.53; 300 hurdles: Hall (FHH), 41.8; 100 dash: Marcus Woods (FHH), 11.01; 200: Agim Shabaj (FHH), 22.65; 400: Terrill Maybery (FHH), 52.69; 800: Ryan Gall (LC), 2:04.0; 1,600: Jason Richmond (LC), 4:43.0; 3,200: Richmond (LC), 10:00.0; 400 relay: Harrison (Hall, Chris Roberson, Marcus Woods, Kevin Woods), 45.46; 800 relay: Harrison (Shabaj, Roberson, Woods, Woods), 1:32.0; 1,600 relay: Churchill (Scott, Brant Hauck, Matt Buddenborg, Gall), 3:36.0; 3,200 relay: Churchill (Michael Attard, Aaron Whitworth, Logan Schurz, Gall), 9:16.3.

Dual meet records: Harrison, 2-1 overall; 1-1 WLAA-Western Division; Churchill, 2-1 overall; 1-1 WLAA-Western Division.

**NORTH FARMINGTON 82**  
**LIVONIA STEVENSON 88**  
 April 19 at N. Farmington

Shot put: Brad Arsenault (LS), 43 feet, 4 inches; discus: Dominic Frede (LS), 125.0; long jump: Andy Zak (NF), 19.4; high jump: Keith Marks (NF), 5.6; pole vault: Jim Gabriel (NF), 12.6; 110-meter hurdles: Brian Jones (LS), 15.0; 300 hurdles: Jones (LS), 42.33; 100 dash: Anthony Beal (NF), 11.05; 200: Blair Weiss (NF), 22.9; 400: Beal (NF), 52.31; 800: Steve Keckskemeti (LS), 2:03.5; 1,600: Charlie Stamboulian (NF), 4:40.3; 3,200: Eric Travis (LS), 10:19.2; 400 relay: North (David Harris, Justin Cook, Nete Kenan, Weiss), 45.6; 800 relay: North (Harris, Mike Millat, Kyle Meteyer, Beal), 1:33.81; 1,600 relay: Stevenson (Dave Novara, Nick Soper, Joe Lubinski, Keckskemeti), 3:36.2; 3,200 relay: Stevenson (Novara, Frank Schneider, Brad Carroll, Matt Isner), 8:22.6.

Dual meet record: Stevenson, 3-1 overall; 1-1 WLAA-Lakes Division; North, 3-0 overall; 2-0 WLAA-Lakes Division.

**PLYMOUTH SALEM 106\***  
**WESTLAND JOHN GALEN 29\***  
 April 19 at Salem

Shot put: Synder (PS), 46.5; discus: Synder (PS), 125.10; long jump: Coble (PS), 20.3; high jump: Silva (PS), 5.10; pole vault: Joe Reilly (WJ), 10.0; 110-meter hurdles: Silva (PS), 15.88; 300 hurdles: Showalter (PS), 44.5; 100 dash: Johnson (PS), 11.2; 200: Coble (PS), 23.5; 400: Silva (PS), 55.8; 800: Warner (PS), 2:07.8; 1,600: Carpenter (PS), 4:58.2; 3,200: Kubitski (PS), 11:12.4; 400 relay: Salem, 47.37; 800 relay: Salem, 1:37.9; 1,600 relay: Salem, 3:44.2; 3,200 relay: Salem, 9:02.8.

Glenn second places: Nick Samples, discus (118.6); Darnell Dorris, high jump (5.8); Bennie Oiphant, 400 (56.6); Dorian Brown, 110 hurdles (16.6) and 300 hurdles (48.5).

Glenn's dual meet record: 0-3 overall; 0-2 WLAA-Lakes Division.

**HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK ROUNDUP**

**LIVONIA STEVENSON 96**  
**NORTH FARMINGTON 41**  
 April 19 at Stevenson

Shot put: Tasha O'Neal (NF), 34.9; discus: Susan Hand (NF), 98.7; long jump: Tara Tarole (LS), 14.11; high jump: (tie) Andrea Polasky (LS) and Angela Alfonsi (LS), 5-1 each; pole vault: Lauren Turner (NF), 8.6; 100-meter hurdles: Clemons (NF), 16.3; 300 hurdles: Alfonsi (LS), 50.7; 100 dash: Theresa Chernenkoff (LS), 13.4; 200: Clemons (NF), 27.7; 400: Erin Mazzoni (LS), 1:05.3; 800: Heather Vandette (LS), 2:31.8; 1,600: Andrea Parker (LS), 5:34.1; 3,200: Sara Pilon (LS), 12:48.1; 400 relay: North, 54.6; 800 relay: Stevenson (Mazzoni, Alfonsi, Katelyn Edwards, Leyna Kasparek), 1:55.1; 1,600 relay: Stevenson (Tessa Tarole, Tara Tarole, Vandette, Parker), 4:25.4; 3,200 relay: Stevenson (Marissa Montgomery, Sarah Kearfott, Vandette, Parker), 10:24.6.

Dual meet records: Stevenson, 3-0 overall; 2-0 WLAA-Lakes Division; North, 1-2 overall; 0-2 WLAA-Lakes Division.

**WALLED LAKE WESTERN 71**  
**LIVONIA FRANKLIN 84**  
 April 19 at Franklin

Shot put: Lisa Baiko (LF), 34.9 (personal best); discus: Jenny Harb (LF), 98.4; long jump: (tie) Amanda Bowmer (LF) and Teufel (WLW), 14.5 each; high jump: Kiefer (WLW), 5.2; pole vault: Andrea McMillan (LF), 9.0; 100-meter hurdles: Kiefer (WLW), 16.7; 300 hurdles: Loomans (WLW), 50.9; 100 dash: Kuzam (WLW), 13.1; 200: Kuzam (WLW), 27.5; 400: Rita Melec (LF), 1:04.2; 800: Erica Johnson (LF), 2:38.6; 1,600: Christine Witte (LF), 6:01.0; 3,200: Jerrell (WLW), 12:34.0; 400 relay: Western, 54.8; 800 relay: Western, no time available; 1,600 relay: Franklin (Lyndsay Sopko, Erica Wolski, Johnson, Matec), 4:32.0; 3,200 relay: Franklin (Katie Wint, Sopko, Abba Alvarez, Johnson), 10:59.0.

Franklin's dual meet record: 0-3 overall; 0-2 WLAA-Western Division.

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# Stevenson rolls, 11-1

Livonia Franklin held tough for a half Wednesday, but Division 1 state girls soccer runner-up Livonia Stevenson exploded for nine second-half goals to beat the visiting Patriots, 11-1.

Even with four starters out due to early vacations, third-ranked Stevenson improved its overall record to 6-0-1 overall.

Leading the offensive charge was Lindsay Gusick, who had two goals and one assist; Nicole Katikos, two goals; Dana White, one goal and two assist; Jamie Hartrick, one goal and one assist.

Other Stevenson goal scorers included Megan Lane, Carly Wadsworth, Elizabeth DiPonio, Laura Shiskovsky and Christina Lewis.

Alexis Bowman scored for the Patriots (1-5-2).  
**CHURCHILL 6, W.L. CENTRAL 0:** Sophomore Deanna Deftoo pumped in three goals and had one assist Wednesday, propelling Livonia Churchill (4-1-1) to a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover victory over visiting Walled Lake Central (1-7-1).

Sophomore Sarah Phillips chipped in with two goals and one assist. Junior Michelle Esparza also scored for the

## GIRLS SOCCER

Chargers, who led 2-0 at intermission. Senior Michelle Smith collected three assists, while Karen Kramer had one. Goalkeeper Jennifer Gabon posted the shutout.

Churchill's scheduled game April 20 at Troy was called because of inclement weather. The game will not be made up.

**CANTON 5, JOHN GLENN 1:** State-ranked Plymouth Canton improved to 6-1-1 overall with the WLAAC crossover win Wednesday at home against Westland John Glenn.

Anne Morrell and Kara Marsh each tallied two goals and one assist for the Chiefs, who led 5-1 at halftime.

Glenn, which slipped to 4-4 overall, got a goal from Noelle Swartz off a corner kick from Val Kurzynski.

**WAYNE 2, YPSILANTI 0:** Kristina McCahill scored 13 minutes into the match on a penalty kick and Ronda Brockman added an insurance goal with 10 minutes left to give Mega Conference Blue Division leader Wayne Memorial (6-3, 5-0) the victory against the host Braves.

Toni Watson recorded the shutout in goal for the Zebras.

The loss dropped Ypsilanti to 4-1 in the Mega-Blue.

## Walled Lake

"I think it'll be a positive for the community."

The changes that will be made to handle the arena, Vellucci isn't really concerned. A wooden floor will be placed over the concrete surface and a carpet will be laid on top of that for the Whalers.

The Whalers' team offices will remain in Walled Lake and no change in the team name is foreseen, but team uniforms will be updated.

"The Whalers get preference, obviously," Vellucci said. "But with the dates, it should be no problem."

A few arena alterations are necessary, he added. For Rockers games, seats that will extend into the stands must be placed behind each goal.

The Whalers' scoreboard, which could present an obstacle for Rockers' goal kicks, will remain as is.

The owner of the Whalers, Computware Arena and the NHL's Nashville Predators is Peter Karmanos.

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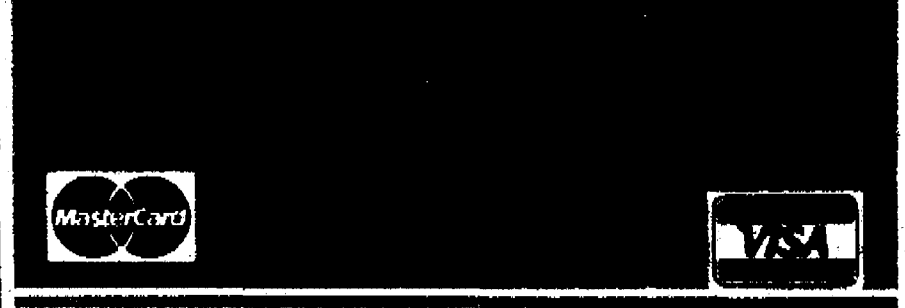
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 Redford Union at Redford CC (2), noon.  
 DePorres at Salem (2), noon.  
 Canton at Divine Child (2), 1 p.m.  
 Thursday, April 27  
 Wayne at John Glenn (2), 11 a.m.  
 RU at Southgate (2), 11 a.m.  
 Canton at South Lyon (2), noon.  
 Salem at Norwood (Ohio), 4 p.m.  
 Country Day at Redford CC, 4:30 p.m.  
 Salem at Cincinnati Purcell, 7 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 29  
 Salem at Cincinnati Purcell, noon.  
 Salem at Marion (Ohio), 3 p.m.  
 Blissfield Invitational, TBA.  
 (all double-headers)  
 U.D. Jesuit at Redford CC, 11 a.m.  
 Redford Union at John Glenn, 11 a.m.  
 Shrine at St. Agatha, 11 a.m.  
 Romulus at Luth. Westland, 11 a.m.  
 Berkley at Churchill, 11 a.m.
- GIRLS SOFTBALL**  
 Saturday, April 29  
 Chelsea Tournament, 9 a.m.
- BOYS TRACK**  
 Friday, April 28  
 Jackson Invitational, TBA.  
 Saturday, April 29  
 Lincoln Park Relays, TBA.
- GIRLS TRACK**  
 Tuesday, April 25  
 Riv. Richard at Mercy, 4 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 29  
 DeLaSalle Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 Lincoln Park Relays, TBA.
- MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL**  
 (all double-headers)  
 Saturday, April 29  
 Madonna at St. Francis (Ill.), 1 p.m.  
 Sunday, April 30  
 Madonna at St. Francis (Ill.), 11 a.m.
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL**  
 (all double-headers)  
 Tuesday, April 26  
 Madonna vs. Indiana Tech at Liv. Ladywood H.S., 4 p.m.  
 Thursday, April 27  
 Madonna at Saginaw Valley, 4 p.m.
- ONTARIO HOCKEY PLAYOFFS**  
**WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS**  
 (Best-of-7 series)  
 Tuesday, April 25  
 Ply. Whalers at S.S. Marie, 7:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday, April 26  
 Ply. Whalers at Erie Otters, 7:30 p.m.  
 Friday, April 28  
 Ply. Whalers vs. Erie Otters at Computware Arena, 7:30 p.m.  
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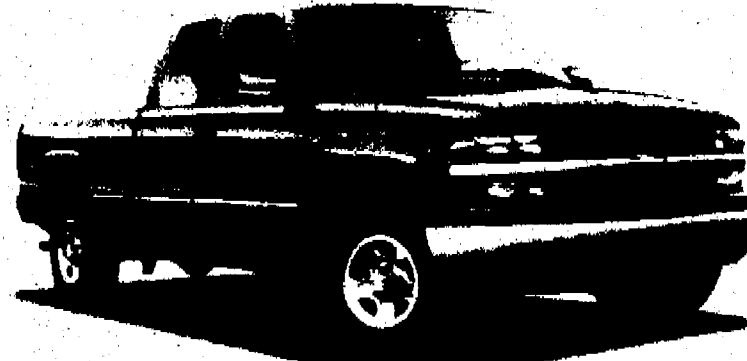
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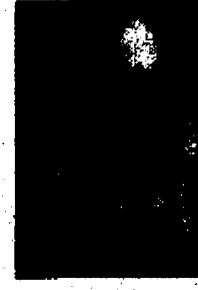




**BOWLING AND RECREATION**

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The annual Michigan Queens Tournament is the premier women's bowling competition in the state.

It was held last weekend at Royal Scot Lanes in Lansing.

And the winner and new champion — Julie Wright of Farmington Hills, a young lefty who defeated Tamika Glenn, another young southpaw from Farmington.

Both are members of the Monday night All-Star Bowlerettes League at Cloverlanes in Livonia.

Two other All-Star Bowlerettes finished third and fourth, Novella White and Lisa McCurdy, both of whom are members of the record-setting Turbo 2-n-1 Grips/Remerica team, which established a new all-time world record for women's high series with their 3,557 score.

Another member of the same league, Livonian Pam Jones, had a separate story on how she combines her two interests, bowling and rabbits.

I referred to this story in a previous column, but it only ran in the Livonia editions.

Jones travels all over this continent on weekends to serve as a judge at rabbit shows. She also offers good advice to prospective or new rabbit owners around the Easter holiday.

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\*If you are interested in movies with a bowling theme, the Disney Channel will have a showing of the great epic "Alley Cats Strike."

This is not Oscar material, but it is a fun movie, only seen as a Disney feature.

The story is about two rival high schools who play against each other in all sports for the Big Apple Trophy.

They finished in a tie, and by rule, that necessitates a game of bowling as a tiebreaker. I'll leave the rest of the story for you.

It airs again at 8:35 p.m. Thursday according to my search on the internet.

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- Garden Lanes (Garden City)**  
St. Lina Classic: Mike Baldwin, 224-212-247/683; Dave M. Bazner, 212-235-234/681; Gary Czaja, 257-223/679; Mark Koropetzki, 279/658; Jim Kowalski, 223-226-209/658.  
Friday Ladies Classic: Kim Even, 210-215-235/660; Joan Schmid, 206-214-236/656; Dae Siemiasz, 220-239/641.  
Oak Lanes (Westland)  
GGG Arts: Sue Ivancik, 266/611; Judy Gentilia, 243/594; Shannon Klepsch, 225; Debbie Houghtaling, 233; Paula Sitarski, 235/628.  
Westland Bowl  
St. Mel's Men: Scott Gyiraszi, 266/676; Mark Brooks, 258/691; Jerry Kobe, 279/623; John Kosowski, 244/680; Mark Garity, 246/639.  
Monday 8:30 p.m. Men's: David Pody, 269/749; Mike Gehrike, 267/684; Jeff Roberts, 253/627; Jeff Sosnowski, 241/684; Jim Przybla, 235/586.  
Sunday Sleepers: Terry Tesarz, 290/714; Steve Van Newkirk, 279; Pat Agius, 277/668; Don Vojtkofsky, 269/697; Jimmy Higginbottom, 268/772; David Anderson, 268/705; Mack Ivory, Jr., 268/680.  
E/O Hard Times: Dale Ritter, 276/723; Gary Shiemke, 267/673; Jon Williams, 267/671; Al Beiring, 259/640; Linda Mitchell, 232/578; Cherylann Thiek, 210/575; Suzanne Boyer, 207/526.  
E/O Double Trouble: Ken Weck, 275/636; Terence Hanley, 248/566; Andy Barrett, 247/641; Bill Barron, 247/612; Kathy Straight, 195/518.  
Thursday Nite Mixed: Ken Fabean, 246/601; Jim Koeng, 243/560; Dan Harrison, 236/650; Dean Neely, 226/564; Franklin Boner, 225/647; Candy Bailey, 204/583.  
Westland Champs: Dee Platt, 235/597; Angela McAllister, 227/571; Candy Loschia, 221/614; Susan Tkachuk, 209/551; Donna Middleditch, 204/509; Sunday Gains, 202/582.  
NASCAR Trio: Doug Eisey, 255/559; Dan Doodie, 255/657; Bill Elsey, 236/627; Lou Swindell, 234/612; Mike Boucher, 225/652.  
Youth League Saturday Coca Cola (Majors): Barry Bastien, 235/561.  
(Juniors): Stacy Vojtkofsky, 191/555; Kaitlin Darnell, 167; Trey Raynes, 221.  
(Preps): Richard Castaldini, 167; Jessica Barrett, 140; Andrew Galuszka, 142; Jordan Blaes, 124; Sarah Lapinski, 148. (Bantams): Brandon Le Anaris, 101.
- Mayflower Lanes (Redford)**  
Good Neighbors: Annette Treder, 192; Pauline Pok, 206.  
Monday Sealers: Jess Macciocco, 254-253/741; Bill Britton, 247-258/706; Jery Woehke, 269/680; Mel Aldrite, 244/677; Tim McCarthy, 279/632.  
Detroit Diesel Trio: Doug Elliott, 279/741; Chris Halliday, 738; Jeff Williams, 278/704; James Nykanen, 279; Jim Flack, 734.  
Last Weekenders: Dave Silverman, 300 (third 300 game in two weeks).  
Pine Lanes (Plymouth)  
Waterford Men: Jim Kuraah, 257-234-246/737; Mike Kania, 222-248-242/712.  
St. Colette Men's: Chuck Crespi, 289; Shawn Arbogast, 289-289-194/772; Mike Ksiazek, 278.  
Plaza Men: Dan Wilson, 268/707; Bob Day, 256/710; Larry Minehart, Jr., 256-237-256/749.  
Neggers: Jeff Cameron, 279; Dan New, 265-227-233/725.  
Woodland Lanes (Livonia)  
Midnighters: Robert Allen, 215; Evans Brown, 217; Paul Bruckner, 234; Mike Zielinski, 257.  
Gay '90s (Seniors): Chic Haryncik, 226; Bob Radtke, 227; Tom Gerovac, 223; Paul Brewer, 212; Mike Oumedian, 213; Richard Deras, 212.  
Saturday Youth: Stacey Lewandowski (104 average), 174; Kaitlin Parzuchowski, 169; Ron Adamowicz (68 ave.), 107; Carly Rzedzian (70 ave.), 130; Jennifer Ray (99 ave.), 172; Matt Chapman (100 ave), 157; Nick Fargala, 234; Chris Lenhardt, 223.  
Mixed Doubles: Toby House, 287/705  
Goodtime Rollers: Joe Paja, 297; Paul Gaddniski, 766.  
Monday Seniors: Jon Jarman, 236; Andy Brunel, 210; Gil Larson, 210; Sam Raick, 214.  
GGG Auto: Marv Gadge, 288/725; Scott Wilson, 266/726.  
Koffee Klutchers: John Sparkman, 254.  
Ford L.T.P.: Dave Mitchell, 300/824.  
Men's Trio: Kevin Muto, 268/761; Vern Flowers, 711; Dave Grabos, 280/763; Glenn Bradford, 725; John Wodarski, Jr., 268/710; Jim Rozell, 266/720.  
Senior House: Bill Morris, 300/718; Jeff Rochs, 265/731; Gary Durard, 259/748; Bryan Gogolin, 257/708; Walt Smith, 257/680; Dave Kinnell, 269/675.  
Lyndon Meadors: Virginia Kaliszewski (128 ave.), 234; Sue Duchame, 218.
- Cloverlanes (Livonia)**  
PoloGo Thursday Nite: Chuck O'Rourke, 279/602; Earl Lavake, 278/710; Jack Conidine, 269/706; Dave Diomed, 278/710; Larry Frank, 693.  
Thursday Junior House: Mark Gazo, 278/672; Alex Vincinti, 279/687; Mark Elliott, 275/742; Mark Brown, 248/717; Dave Looker, 300/689; Brendan Teddy, 267/672.  
Tuesday Sealers: Howard Simons, 245/544; Frank Baron, 224/563; Joe Newton, 252-229-222/703; Gertrude Newton, 200/565; Larry Slann, 222/582.  
Woodland Lanes (Livonia)  
Motor City Eagles: Bob Copclac, Jr., 257/706; Art Mak, 289; Don Kohlstrand, 679; Scott Meers, 253/686.  
Bowlerettes A.M.: Dawn Spisak, 233/596.  
Thursday Nite Wonders: Pam Hinzman, 248/653.  
Kings & Queens: Vicki Bennett, 258 (116 pins o/a).  
Super Bowl (Canton)  
Youth League Thursday Juniors/Majors: Jeff Hunley, 202; John Phipps, 213/587; Brian Stack, 213/574; Clayton Lajoie, 193/541; Kristine Eggenberger, 157.  
Preps: Sarah Clemens, 149; Andrew Laird, 108.  
Bantams: Nathan Proxty, 132; Joshua Oshisky, 130.  
Friday Bantams: Tim Hoffman, 105.  
Friday Preps: Jeremy Henderson, 208; Jerold Bonkowski, 190.  
Juniors: Eric Pawlus, 213/584; Jason Bonkowski, 214/552; Jim Bowles, 210/535; Justin Bonkowski, 222/604.  
Majors: Brent Moore, 243/557; Brian Poczynski, 248/696; Leon Walsh, 232/645; Todd Schemanske, 243/652; Jon Robinson, 231/583.  
Saturday 9 a.m. Bantams/Preps: Greg Pol-lard, 168; Bradley Alonzo, 161; Isaac Harper, 170; Kelly Delcol, 157.  
Juniors: Bobby Pollard, 222; Chris Jones, 194; Jessica Hessel, 177.  
Majors: Pat Brown, 279/790; Ken Bazman, 276/697; Todd Schemanske, 266/658.  
Saturday 11 a.m. Bantams: Ryan Clark, 185; Derek Saban, 133.  
Preps: Katelyn Ingraham, 179; Nick Quigg, 162.  
Juniors: Ryan Craig, 212/591; Katie Bobo-la, 159; Nick John, 173; Bryan Bennett, 186.  
Majors: Cory Cairncross, 225/605; Drew Barth, 269/651; Matt McCaffrey, 244/636; Chris Gimel, 238/573.
- Country Lanes (Farmington)**  
Greenfield Classic: Ron Turner, 247/606; Harry Allen, 253/640; Debbie Vandeker, 247-248/645; Tony Varma, 231; Chris Brugman, 222-236/637; Phil Saonye, 226/583.  
Ladies Semi-Classic: Pam Jones, 244/646; Phyl Long, 233/587; Lon Williams, 244/600; Bev Runyon, 225.  
University Men's: Glenn Litow, 288; Dave Chedda, 279/727.  
Advanced Youth: Hank Jones, 216/533; Myrt Stephens, 180.  
BIB-7: Marty Knorr, 279; Tim Jones, 277; George Berling, 268/718; Jeff Taylor, 286/680; James Frost, Jr., 258/682.  
Ladies Lanes: Leon Grubeck, 248/670; Mike Aaro, 243/623; Terry Valentine, 243; Steve Amosch, 278/704; Dave Jarrett, 263/629.  
Tuesday Morning Ladies: Dorothy Harrison, 202; Myrt Stephens, 196/540.  
Wednesday Knights: Dave Luecker, 256/687; Pat Teate, 247; George Kases, 663.  
Tuesday Trio: Joe Stankis II, 279/731; Joe Stankis III, 247/736.  
Monday Night Men: Carl Watkins, 268; Joe Galvan, 255; Larry Franz, 709.  
Afternoon B'amas: Helene Sports, 212; Sue Oston, 202/525.  
Monday Midnight Men: Lada Garmo, 259/702; Raad Dawood, 258; Layth Garmo, 679.  
Shirts & Skirts: Alan Hedger, 245/612; Thaddeus Mac, 232; Marybeth Welleman, 214; Victoria Bryan, 198/549.  
Country Juniors: Steve Robinette, 189; Ryan Meyers, 179; Jennifer Gardella, 169; Christina Mowad, 165.  
Country Preps: Bobby Rhinehart, 142; Steve Wagner, 129; Lakasha Rushing, 127; Amber Harjo, 100.  
Country Beginners: Gerald Johnson, 172; Joshua Valender, 119; Lindsay Tressler, 108; Madie Swan, 100.

# Bath time for the birds can be very entertaining

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

Our bird bath has been a constant source of entertainment since we got it.

We have all enjoyed watching the antics and interactions of birds using the bath. It also seems very reminiscent of people bathing.

First of all, many times there is a line for the bath.

Birds may be waiting on the edge of the bird bath, on the ground near the base, or on a branch nearby. Only one tub means

that some must wait. This reminds me of waiting in line for a shower at the campground.

In the bird world, bigger birds get to bathe first.

If a small house finch is bathing and a robin arrives, the finch makes a hasty departure. Fortunately, a bird bath does not take too long, so the finch can return in a short time to finish.

Watching a bird bathe can be very entertaining. Some of them really get the water splashing with wings, tails, or both. Others seem more sedate when bathing.

I've also enjoyed watching the sequence of bathing. Some birds will

wag their tail and rump in the water, then move on to do one wing and then the other wing.

Washing a wing generally involves dipping the wrist into the water, rolling the water back onto the wing and then flapping the wing in the water. Sometimes they squat down in the water and open their wing slightly to make sure water gets in the wing pit.

People certainly know how important it is to wash that area thoroughly.

Double wing flapping while squatting, rocking and rising, is another technique that is frequently used. This really gets the water churning and splashing into all those hard to get to places.

Once the bath is finished, then it's time to dry off.

Drying often starts with a good hardy shake. In the early morning when the sun is low, water drops flying from the feathers reflect the sun and create a bird in a "bubble" effect.

Then, just like people run their hands through their hair to squeeze the excess water away, birds will stroke their flight feathers through their bill to remove the excess water. This is particularly important since a bird needs to fly efficiently if a predator should come upon its bathing retreat.

Though water is not real tasty, they don't want it to be a sauce for the preda-

tor. A mourning dove I watched was very methodical in drying after its bath. In the morning sun it raised one wing vertically while sitting on the ground and kept it up so the wing pit faced into the sun. Periodically it would fold its wing back in place and ruffle its feathers before stretching out its wing again.

After a few wing stretches on one side it would raise the wing on the other side and repeat the process. It seemed like it directed its wing pit toward the sun when it changed wings.

Again, we know how important it is to get those pits DRY! They seem to feel the same way.

**OUTDOOR CALENDAR**

**CLASSES/CLINICS**

**FLY TYING**

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

**MORE FLY TYING**

River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 360-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

**DUCK & GOOSE CALLING**

The West Bloomfield Schools Community Education Department is offering a basic Duck & Goose Calling class on Mondays, beginning May 1 and lasting through May 22. The one-hour classes will be taught at Orchard Lake Middle School from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$40. Contact the West Bloomfield Schools Community Education Department at (248) 539-2290 for registration information.

**JUNIOR OLYMPICS**

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

**ACTIVITIES**

**DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS**  
Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc.

membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365 or club President Ray Banbury at (810) 598-0310.

**3D TARGET LEAGUE**

An archery outdoor 3D target league will be presented by Royal Oak Archers Inc. of Lake Orion (Orion Road, one-half mile west of Adams) beginning Wednesday, April 26. The league is scheduled to last for 10 weeks. For more information, call (248) 589-2480 or (248) 583-4229.

**DETROIT ARCHERS OF WEST BLOOMFIELD**

Open shoot hours are from 1-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 6-10 p.m. Thursday. For more information, call (313) 825-2110.

**LIVONIA RANGE**

The Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The range is also open Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only through the end of November. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

**BASS TOURNAMENT**

The 2000 Top Bass Tournament will be held at various sites throughout the summer months. The schedule is as follows: Saginaw Bay, May 27; Lake St. Helen, June 3; Wixom Lake;

June 24; Sanford Lake, July 8; Wixom Lake, July 22; Lobdell Lake, Aug. 5; Lake St. Helen, Aug. 19; and Wixom Lake, Aug. 26-27. Guaranteed payoffs will be awarded with amounts determined by the number of entries. For more information, call (734) 729-1762 or (734) 422-5813.

**CLINTON VALLEY BASS**

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

**METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS**

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

**MICHIGAN FLY FISHING**

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

**FOUR SEASONS**

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15215 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

**FISHING BUDDIES**

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non boaters). Call

(248) 656-0556 for more information.

**HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS**

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

**BASS ASSOCIATION**

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

**SOLAR**

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

**SHOOTING RANGES**

**BALD MOUNTAIN**

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap), sporting clays, 5-stand, rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays,

and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

**PONTIAC LAKE**

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

**ORTONVILLE RECREATION**

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are noon-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

**METROPARKS**

**METROPARK REQUIREMENTS**

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178; Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

**2000 PERMITS**

The 2000 Huron Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The

annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

**OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS**

**COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS**

Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

**PERMITS**

The 2000 Oakland County parks motor vehicle permits are on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is \$20 through April 30 and \$25 thereafter. Call (248) 858-0906 or TTY (248) 858-1684.

**STATE PARKS**

**STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS**

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

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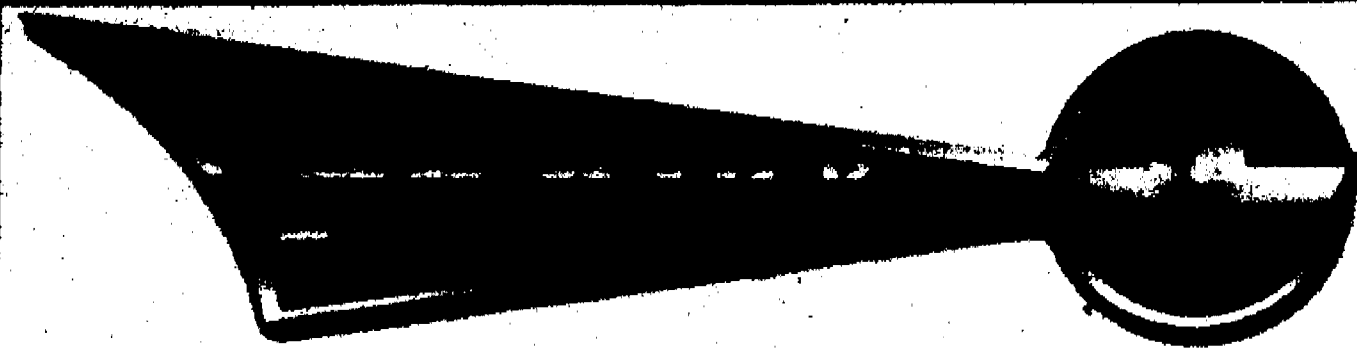
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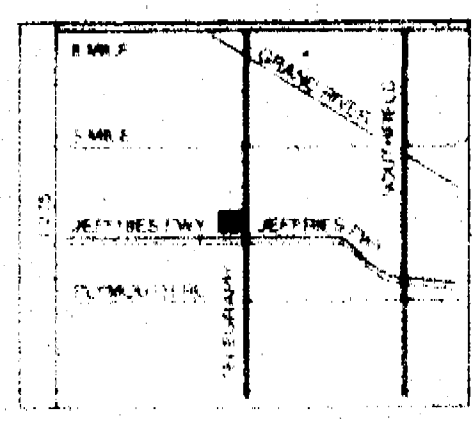
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

## Tango tantalizes audiences with its fiery passion

Tango may have originated in the brothels of Buenos Aires, but for Amy Calio, knowing the dance's history doesn't dampen her love for it. Just try to stop her from telling you about the sensuality and passion expressed in the dance of her homeland - Argentina.

Calio's spent the last nine years promoting the dance by founding the Latin and Argentine Tango Club of Michigan with her husband, Ray Hogan. Now she's bringing tango and the folk dances of Argentina to the metro Detroit area with a series of concerts featuring Ballet Los Pampas with special guests Hugo Daniel Gonzalez and Silvia Cespedes, and Pampa Cortez and Ana Valeria Friday-Sunday, April 28-30. Ballet Los Pampas combines traditional and contemporary dance forms which draw on Latin American cultures from the Andes Mountains, Argentine plains and city life of Buenos Aires.

"Argentinean tango was born in Buenos Aires," said Calio. "It was so sensual it was done by men. Women weren't allowed to dance it until later. The French took it and thought it was too sexy so they did a far-away tango where the partners held each other at a distance. Then it came to the U.S. Now there are three types of tango - Argentine, American and International. The Argentinean is freer, less structured than the American and International. In Argentina in the evening, people go to a milonga where they dance to six o'clock in the morning. It doesn't matter who you dance with - your grandfather or a friend. You're not in love with the person but in love with the dance."

Calio, as a young girl, began dancing the tango on top of the feet of her father. She planned to become a professional dancer, but a tragic car accident left her paralyzed. Although the doctors said she would never walk again, Calio was determined to prove them wrong. She did seven years later. Nothing could stop Calio from getting back on her feet to dance her beloved tango.

"It's something I carry in my heart since a little girl," said Calio. "Because I was paralyzed for so long I couldn't be a professional dancer so I started the club and people were interested. I brought people from Argentina to teach and give demonstrations."

Jose Vazquez-Garcia of Canton is just learning the dance through the club and is looking forward to seeing Gonzalez, Cespedes and Ballet Los Pampas.

"The Argentinean tango is the best way to dance," said Vazquez-Garcia. "You can get as close as you can to a woman. The embraces are different between International and Argentinean tango. Argentinean they dance very close together."

Gonzalez and Cespedes remained silent as Calio told of her love for the dance during a recent interview.

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8 p.m. Friday, April 28, in Pease Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (\$40, \$25 students)

8 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at Royal Oak Music Theater \$40, \$50 VIP tickets

3 p.m. Sunday, April 30, at the Capitol Theatre and Arts Centre, Windsor (\$40 U.S., \$60 Canadian, \$70 VIP ticket includes afterglow).

Festival of the Arts

What: Farmington community arts organizations present exhibits, concerts, theater, dance, poetry readings, and hands-on activities. Events are free, except for gala. Farmington Community Chorus concert and Farmington Players production of *Kiss Me Kate*

When: Sunday-Sunday, April 30 to May 7; hours 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday-Friday, April 30-May 5, until 5 p.m. Saturday Sunday, May 6-7. Gala Preview Dinner Party 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 29, tickets \$20, \$35 couple, call (248) 473-1816

Where: William M. Costick Activities Center, 28600 Eleven Mile (gate four), Farmington Hills



FIRST PLACE

Top Award: Elizabeth Sylvester of Beverly Hills won first prize for her oil *Life Supports at left*. Below, Alice Nichols' watercolor, titled *Rest Time*, came in second place. (Lower left) Nancy Hurd, a Livonia artist, took third place for this portrait of a girl with shawl.



PHOTO BY BETTIE CANNON

Spring concert: Livonia Civic Chorus director Jim Whitten and his wife, Terese, rehearse a duet.

## Livonia chorus marks 35 years of joyful singing

BY BETTIE CANNON  
SPECIAL WRITER

What Livonia organization has in its ranks a chiropractor, a couple of dentists, comedian/writer, housewives, mothers, businessmen and women, doctors, retirees, a few twenty-somethings, and even a Gen-Xer or two?

The Livonia Civic Chorus, and its members do have something in common - they love to sing. The chorus, which is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year, will mark the event 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 28-29, with a Spring Show in the auditorium at Clarenceville High School, 20155 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia. Tickets are \$8, \$4 seniors/students. Call (734) 466-2410.

The chorus was formed in 1965 when a few neighbors from Livonia's Kimberly Oaks subdivision, who were also members of a local church choir, gathered in somebody's basement or garage to sing at block parties, picnics and barbecues in the summer.

Kim Alderman of Westland remembers when her father was a member, and what a close-knit group it was.

"The men began by going Christmas caroling in the area, stopping at each other's homes for a drink, socializing and singing late into the evening," she said. "Not to be outdone, the women planned golf outings and picnics. They really had fun together."

Then someone got the idea to ask for financial support. The city of Livonia, which continues to support the organization, agreed to provide a small grant

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# MEDLEY OF MEDIA

FARMINGTON FESTIVAL UNITES ARTS IN FREE-FOR-ALL

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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The Farmington area is a hotbed for the arts and proud of it. Lily Dudgeon thinks that a good thing for the Farmington Artists Club, whose spring exhibit is one of the cornerstones of the Farmington Festival of the Arts Sunday-Sunday, April 30 to May 7.

The festival is sponsored by the Farmington Community Arts Council with support from the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills. The fifth annual festival features activities ranging from exhibits to concerts, theater, dance, and poetry readings. Since most events are free, Dudgeon expects the exhibit to draw a large audience. The only exceptions are the Saturday, April 29,

*Starry Night* gala, Farmington Community Chorus concert and Farmington Players production of *Kiss Me Kate*.

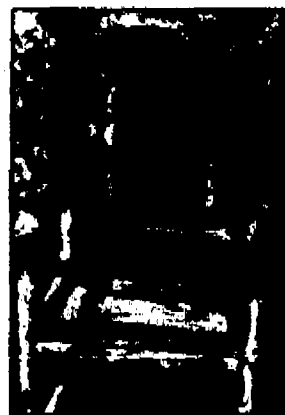
Mary Brecht Stephenson, an artist and former curator at the Detroit Institute of Arts, selected 84 pieces for the exhibit from 154 entries. Mediums ranging from oil paintings to pastel, wood blocks and monotypes will be on display as well as the winner by Elizabeth Sylvester of Beverly Hills. Unframed art offers festival visitors the opportunity to buy at reduced prices.

"It's nice because people come and pass through our area and they might buy a piece," said Dudgeon, president of the 145-member club.

"It's important to our members to show their work but also to promote the public's interest in art. The Farmington Community Arts Council provides us with funding for prizes, and a place for our own show."

Nancy Coumoundouros, coordinator of the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division, helps produce the extravaganza of the arts. Several of the more than 20 organizations belonging to the arts council are participating.

"The idea is to showcase all the groups from the Embroiders Guild to the Community Band. Members of the Ridgewriters will read their poetry," said Coumoundouros. "The



SECOND PLACE

Farmington area is very rich in the arts. The festival combines the best of an art fair and a music festival and also includes literature, dance and all the other arts."

The preview party Saturday, April 29, kicks off the festival, which officially opens with the Farmington Area Arts Commission's annual awards ceremony 2 p.m.

Sunday, April 30. Marjorie Hogan Chellstorp will be this year's artist-in-residence. The Farmington Community Chorus will receive the Distinguished Service to the Arts-Group award.

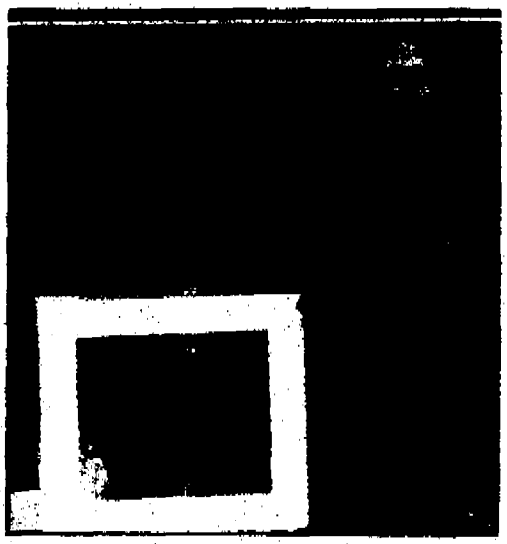
Silent and live auctions will feature works by former artists-in-residence Edee Joppich, John Glick, Kegang Tazian, Alice Nichols and Howard Weingarden.

"The gala is the first chance for anyone to walk through the exhibit and purchase art," said Coumoundouros. "It's black-tie optional with a full gourmet dinner and music by the Matt Michaels Trio. It's just a fun evening, and the proceeds go to support the festival."

Festival history

Paul Barber came up with the idea for the festival six or seven years ago as a way to unify arts organizations

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THIRD PLACE



STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BARBER

Arts festival: Members of the Farmington Artists Club prepare for their spring show.

## BOOKS

Book signings

■ The Kingsley House, at Greenmead Historical Park, 20501 Newburgh Road, south of Eight Mile Road, Livonia will be open for tours 2-7 p.m. Sunday, April 30.

■ Arliss Ryan will be present to sign books, and answer questions. Her book will be available for purchase. At 4 p.m. Ryan will give a presentation about the process of researching a historical novel in the Meeting House. Her presentation will include slides of historic documents and photographs. Ryan's mother, Laura, will also be present. Call (248) 477-7375 for more information.

■ Borders Books in the Arborland Mall, 3527 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor - 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2.

■ Borders Books, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills - 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 3.

## 'Kingsley House' author builds on family history

BY KEELY WYGNIK  
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Getting your first novel published is difficult, and Arliss Ryan has the rejection slips to prove it.

But like her Livonia ancestors Nathan and Mary Kingsley who persevered in hard times - she kept writing, believing that one day she would succeed.

Ryan will discuss *The Kingsley House* (St. Martin's Press, April 2006, \$25.95), a historical novel inspired by her relatives, on Sunday, April 30, at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia.

The real Kingsley House, built in 1843 by Ryan's great great grandfather Nathan Kingsley has been preserved at Greenmead since 1977. It was originally an 80-acre farm. The house was on Farmington Road north of Five Mile Road.

"My mother started documenting our family history," said Ryan. "She assembled an album of documents and pho-

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graphs. When I would visit she'd say, 'Let me show you what I discovered.' My gosh, I thought, this is a novel waiting to happen."

With encouragement from her mother, Laura, Nathan's great-great-granddaughter and a Plymouth resident, Ryan started the project that would become her first published novel.

"I spent four years writing the book," she said. "I'd call mom and say, 'Here's a question, what do you think?' She'd go to the library, cemetery or Greenmead to get an answer."

"I had a lot of help, I did not do it myself," said Laura about her research. "We managed to fill in all the generation gaps."

Laura started investigating the Kingsley family in 1973.

"My father was still alive and we were looking through old photos," she said. "He showed me a picture of the house and said it's still standing." Most of the pictures were taken by my mother.

"I'm glad I started to investigate. My father died a year later. I started to get things organized, and my daughter said, 'mother there's more to this than just an album, it's a story.' I went to the cemetery and discovered my long-lost relatives. Gradually you keep accumulating bits and pieces of information and they fit together."

It's easy to get lost in the story that begins in 1843 when Nathan Kingsley, a farmer in Livonia Center, builds a house for his new bride, Mary.

As the story spanning five generations unfolds, you'll become acquainted with the Kingsleys and feel as if you know them and their neighbors. Picture Livonia through the eyes of Mary and Nathan Kingsley - nothing but farm land and forests - no subdivisions or malls.

There's plenty of drama too - a runaway slave takes refuge in Mary's cellar, spiritualists hold a seance in the parlor, a diphtheria epidemic brings heartbreak to the family. Scheming Horace, Nathan's son, tries to cheat his wife out of her property and commit her to an insane asylum.

"It's a wonderfully romantic story," said Ryan. "The house did inspire me very much. There are

no pictures of Nathan or Mary, so I don't know what they looked like. But the house is simple yet beautiful, and all done by hand. Nathan, 22, could neither read nor write, yet he built a house of classical symmetry in the Greek Revival style on land that 10 years before had been wilderness."

The Kingsley House is part fact, part fiction. Some of the events mentioned in the book really occurred, but not necessarily to Nathan and Mary or their offspring. There was a diphtheria epidemic in Livonia in the 1880s and many children died. If you read the book and want to know something, Ryan said she promises to tell the truth when she speaks at Greenmead on April 30.

"So far people can't tell what's fact and what's fiction," said Ryan. "That's great, that's the way I wanted it to be - seamless. I let mom read each section of the book. It was important that I have her blessing."

Because she didn't have a lot of source material, Ryan relied on stories from relatives, research, and her imagination.

For example, Ryan felt Emma would have been sad to lose the farm so she fictionalized to keep it in the family even though it was sold by the family about 1917.

Her hope is that The Kingsley House will inspire other people to research their family history. "There are real treasures to be discovered," she said. "The Kingsleys were ordinary, yet they lived more than ordinary lives. They were farmers, yet I found wonderful stories about them. I was struck by the basic everyday-ness of their lives. I found the extraordinary in the ordinary."

Ryan's mother will join her at Greenmead on April 30, and will be bringing along the album that inspired Ryan to write her book.

Ryan is already working on her next book, and finished the first draft. It will take place in a fictional town in Michigan, and is the story of three unlikely characters who band together to save a drive-in movie theater.

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Then, Gonzalez's hands danced as he spoke in his native language. Like Calio, Gonzalez loves the dance so much he wants everyone to know about it. This is his second trip to the U.S. In 1994-95, he toured for six months, bringing tango and salsa to American audiences.

"A dance only lasts three minutes but in those minutes you can express yourself in so many ways," said Gonzalez as Calio served as translator. "I want to go around the world introducing people to Argentinean dance. It's something that's inside of yourself that you can express on stage. I want people to understand what it's all about. Some

people go through life without knowing that you can dance and not feel anything. You can dance and feel passionate love and you can dance and be angry. You can dance every emotion."

Gonzalez began studying tango at four years old. His parents used to send him and his brother to dance school to keep them busy. By age 14, Gonzalez was teaching. Then tragedy struck. His older brother, Hector Manuel, who Gonzalez admired as a dancer and person, was killed by a train.

"He was a great dancer and devoted to his art," said Gonzalez. "After his death I took dance seriously. Now I dance for the

both of us. I do it for my brother."

Back home in Argentina, Gonzalez and Cespedes dance at Casa Blanca, a club in San Telmo, with the Buenos Aires Ballet. They are also members of the Brandsen and Salta ballets. Cespedes started dancing at eight years old. She's now 26 and still loving it.

"I will do anything to learn," said Cespedes. "Even though I go to the university, I always come back to dance. The tango is the only dance that offers something different than other dances. We're living a very fast life and people don't take the time to understand. In this dance you can feel the other person and communicate. It can be love or with someone who will become just a friend."

You don't have to be a profes-

sional dancer to enjoy the tango. In addition to the production showcasing Argentinean tango and the country music of Argentina, Calio is hosting Penas in the area. A Pena is an Argentinean celebration featuring food, music and dance. There will be a complimentary lesson before each beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call (313) 561-3236.

■ Saturday, May 20 Gonzalez and Cespedes will teach the tango at Dance Avenue, 1860 N. Telegraph, Dearborn.

■ Saturday, May 27 at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor/Saline Road, Ann Arbor.

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# Chorus from page C1

for music and other costs, and space for the concerts.

The group immediately began the schedule it continues today - a Christmas concert and Spring Show each year. They have performed their Christmas program for patients and residents from Presbyterian Village in Redford each year since 1965.

Under the direction of Jim Whitten of Farmington, the Livonia Civic Chorus has grown to 70 members and holds auditions each January. "We are actively looking for new members," he said. Rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings at Frost Middle School in Livonia.

Whitten was appointed director of the chorus in 1994. In commenting on previous shows, chorus vice president Nora Gross, treasurer Macaire Boos, long-time member Eleanor Smith of Livonia, and chorus librarian Shirley Batosh of Belleville, said they have always been varied and professional. The quality of performances has not changed over the past 35 years.

Hard work and enthusiasm, plus a talented membership, are some of the reasons the women gave for the group's success.

"We made all our own costumes years ago," said Boos. "We made one blue and silver outfit with silver shoes. We were all dressed alike and changed our look each year."

Gross remembers that the men wore a blue blazer with gray slacks one year. Today, the singers wear a black skirt or

pants, white blouse or shirt with red boutonnieres and a sash.

Not only did the members have music and lyrics to memorize, lines to learn, dance steps to practice, costumes to design and sew; they also designed sets, painted furniture, donated props and did everything to put on a show. Members don't make their own costumes anymore, but they still paint and build sets, and set the stage for the musical performances.

From the beginning, most performances were presented at Clarenceville High School on Middlebelt Road in Livonia. The group also sings at local malls, nursing homes, at Greenmead, and the Knights of Columbus Hall in Livonia.

Each performance throughout the year is closed with "Music You Are A Friend to Me." The chorus's signature song tells how much music means to the singers. At the Christmas concert, former chorus members are invited to the stage to sing with the group.

"No founding members are in the chorus now," said Whitten. "I think our signature song says it all. Through the chorus I have made friends, shared joys and sorrows and worked hard to present musical programs to the community. Come join us."

Bettie Cannon is a Farmington Hills resident and a member of the Livonia Civic Chorus.

# Festival from page C1

in the Farmington area. Barber, as music coordinator for Farmington Public Schools, had produced a similar festival for students. Barber also founded the Farmington Community Band with his wife Fern in 1966. The band, which is a member of the Farmington Community Arts Council, closes the festival with a concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7.

"We wanted to find a way to showcase all of the arts groups and unify our talents," said Barber. "We'd done something like this in the schools over three days but with the Costick Center available we thought why not make it a week-long celebration? We bus students in on Tuesday and Thursday, and this allows kids in groups such as the North Farmington Jazz Band to perform."

"There's something special every day. We want to show what all is going on in the arts. The Farmington Players have been around a long time, and the community chorus is celebrating 20 years. Many of the groups have been here 20 years and up."

The Farmington Artists Club has come a long way since holding its first exhibit in a hobby shop in the plaza downtown. Founded in 1965, the club went from location to location until it was invited to participate in the festival. Annetta Lind, one of the charter members of the club, remembers the early years when exhibits were held at banks and churches.

"I'm happy to be part of the festival," said Lind, who won an honorable mention for her mixed-media work based on a math equation. "There's lots of light, and the festival brings in a lot of school children and people to look at the art."

New this year is the PTA

Reflections exhibit spotlighting more than 70 pieces of art, music and literature created by students from across the United States. More than 600,000 entries were received. A musical composition by Nico Canzano of Livonia can be reviewed by means of a score and tape.

"We're excited to be part of the festival," said Aimee Ergas, Farmington PTA Council board member. "It's a good way to reach out to the community and showcase the talents of our students."

Ellen Kendall agrees the festival is a vehicle for arts organizations to encourage culture in the community. It makes all the planning and work begun last August worth it.

"It's an opportunity to bring all the cultural arts organizations together with exhibit, demonstrations, concerts," said Kendall, chairwoman of the Farmington Community Arts Council. "I don't think any other community does this. It's a community event."

## Arts events

A Summer lecture series begins as part of the festival with a presentation on Vincent van Gogh by Hope Palmer 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2. Tickets are \$25 for three lectures or \$10 each. Call (248) 473-1816 to register.

The Farmington Community Chorus celebrates its 30th anniversary with concerts 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, at Farmington High School. Tickets \$10, \$8 senior citizens and students, (248) 788-5322.

Farmington Players open *Kiss Me Kate* 8 p.m. Friday, May 5. The show continues weekends to Saturday, May 27. Tickets \$15, (248) 553-2955.

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## ART SHOWS

### GALLERY WALK

New Passages is hosting this fund-raising event 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 27 in downtown Pontiac's Habitat Galleries, Uzelac Gallery and Galerie Blue. Entertainment includes chamber, jazz music and a harpist. For information call (248) 253-0316.

**ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH**  
A benefit for the Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield is Wednesday, April 26, 22001 Northwestern, Southfield.

## AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

### ART ON THE GREEN

Franklin Arts Council seeks applications from artists interested in exhibiting fine arts or fine crafts at Franklin's juried show to be held September 4. Send application and slides to: Franklin Arts Council, P.O. Box 250683, Franklin. Applications must be received no later than May 1. To receive an application call (248) 644-3349.

### DANCE AUDITIONS

The Eisenhower Dance Ensemble is auditioning for male and female professional level dancers age 18 and older from 6-7 p.m. Thursday, April 27 at Oak Park University-Varnier Hall, Room 132. (248) 852-5850.

### HUDSON'S ART PARK

Michigan artists are welcome to submit proposals for Hudson's Art Park, which will be located in Detroit's Cultural Center. Deadline for proposals is Monday, April 24. Artists must submit no more than 10 slides, a list of works, resume and cover letter to Hudson's Art Park, DAM, Detroit Artists Market, 300 River Place, Suite 1650, Detroit.

### STAGECASTERS

Auditions for the Second Stage production of *Sylvia* are Monday and Tuesday, April 24/25 at Baldwin Theatre, 415 South Lafayette, Royal Oak. (248) 541-4832.

## CLASSES

**ANN ARBOR ART CENTER**  
Spring and summer classes in a wide variety of media begin April 24 at 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

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### JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

Adult art classes 9 a.m. to noon every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Woodcarving classes at 9 a.m. Monday-Friday. 15110 West Ten Mile, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

### KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES

Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. 5626 W. Drake, West Bloomfield. (248) 932-8699.

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**ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA**  
Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting; workshops in batik and watercolor mono-types at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff Livonia. (734) 455-9517.

## CONCERTS

**CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD**  
Presents Colin Mack at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 25 in the Library of Cranbrook House, 380 Lake Pine, Bloomfield Hills. (810) 261-2435.

### DETROIT CHAMBER

**WINDS & STRINGS**  
Performs *The Seasons* by Vivaldi and Vaughan Williams at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at the St. Charles Church, Pontiac. (248) 362-9966.

### DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Kay Rittig presents *Chopin* at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 25 at the Detroit Public Library, 200 East 14th. Tickets to call 800-355-7222.

Detroit. (313) 833-4042.

### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

An all-Mozart concert led by Carlos Kalmar is Thursday, April 27 through Saturday, April 29 at Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111. The final program of the Symphony's Volunteer Council's "Preludes" is at noon; Sunday, April 30 in the Main Dining Room of the Detroit Club, 712 Cass Ave. at Fort, Detroit. For information or reservations call (313) 576-5154.

### MUSICA VIVA

Love Sublime, an original adaptation of Dante's *Divine Comedy* is at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at Kingswood Auditorium-Cranbrook, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 851-8872.

### JESSYE NORMAN

The world-renowned soprano performs at the Detroit Opera House at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 29 in a benefit for the Chamber Music Society. Tickets \$35-\$250 through the Detroit Opera House box office and all TicketMaster outlets. Ms. Norman will be the guest of honor at an afterglow fund-raising reception and dinner at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History. Tickets for that event are \$150-\$250. For dinner reservations call (313) 494-5854.

### PERILOUS TIMES

T. J. Hemphill's Easter musical is April 23 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison, Detroit. (313) 963-2366.

### UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

Frederic von Stade and Martin Katz perform at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 25 at Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, 9111 North University, Ann Arbor. 1-800-221-1229.

## DINNER THEATER

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## EVENTS

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## GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

### FORD GALLERY

Opens Monday, April 24 — Graduate student exhibition through April 28. Opening reception is 3-5 p.m. Tuesday, April 25. (734) 487-1268.

### REVOLUTION

Opens Saturday, April 29 — Larry Fink, *Theater Without a Plot: Runway* through May 27. Opening reception is 5-7 p.m. Saturday, April 29. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

### SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Opens Monday, May 1 — Paintings by Pauline Ender through May 30. 24350 Southfield, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

## GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

### A.C., T. GALLERY

Through May 19 — *Go: Figure*. 35 East Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-4336.

### ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY

Through April 30 — Richard Ritter's *Suspended Expressions: Visions in Glass*. The gallery is on the third floor of the Mardigian Library at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. (313) 593-5400.

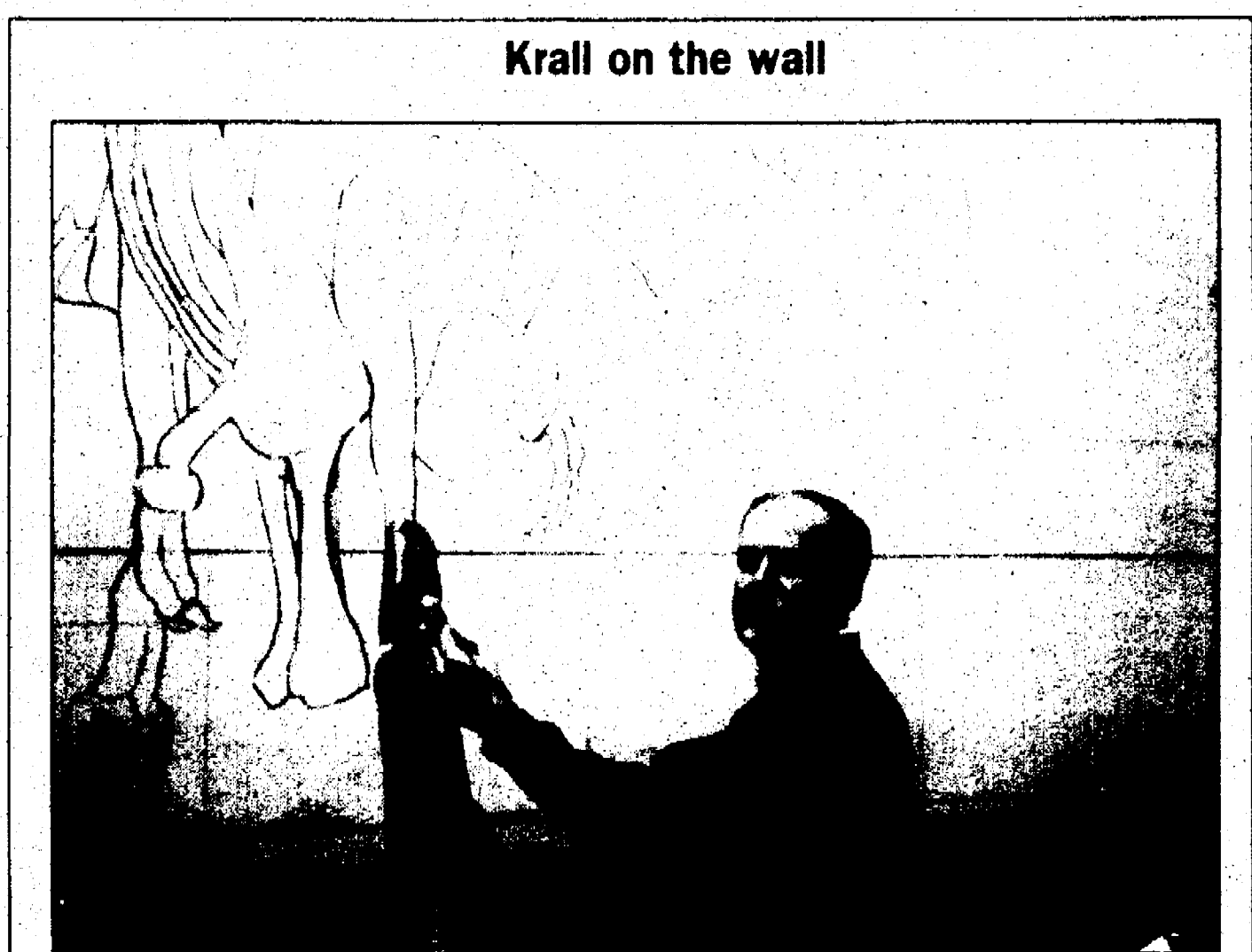
### ART CORRIDOR GALLERIES

Through May 31 — The work of Donna Vogelheim in the second floor of the Farmington City Hall, 23000 Liberty, Farmington.

### BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Through May 5 — Art Awards 2000: BBAC High School Competition. Through May 27 — Joe Zajac: *Vitreous Ideas*.

### Through May 5 — Art of a New Century: sculptures by members of the Sculptors Guild of



**Art expressions:** Local artist and designer Rick Krall demonstrates his art of painting on large canvases or backdrops in conjunction with the traveling exhibit "Take My Picture, Please: A Festival of Cultural Snapshots" at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Institute of Science.

Through June — Paintings by Diana Alva and James Puntigam, 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313) 831-1400.

### CENTER GALLERIES

Through April 29 — Larry Bell: *Fractions*. 301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit. (313) 664-7800.

### JOHANSON CHARLES GALLERY

Through May 6 — *Heroes: a* theme show. 1345 Division, Detroit. (313) 567-8638.

### CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through April 26 — *Seeds of Expression*, a multi-media exhibit. 47 Williams, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

### JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY

Through May 4 — Glass artist Jon Kuhn. 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

### GALERIE BLU

Kaiser Suidan: *Evolution*. 7 N. Saginaw (2nd floor), Pontiac. (248) 454-7797.

### GALLERY NIKKO

Through April 29 — A celebration of Michigan Glass Month. 470 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-0680.

### GALLERY 212

Through May 14 — *Endangered Planet*, an all media juried exhibition. 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

### HABAT GALLERIES

Through May 14 — The 28th annual International Glass Invitational. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

### SUSANNE HILBERY GALLERY

Through May 27 — Megan Parry paintings and clothing by Gary Shrobbree. 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-8250.

### ELAINE JACOB GALLERY

Through May 19 — *Modernism and Post-Modernism: Russian Art at the End of the Millennium*. 480 W. Hancock, Wayne State University. (313) 993-7818.

### ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through May 13 — Exhibition of paintings by Bob Nugent, sculpture by Christine Hagedorn and a group show of *Sculpture in Glass*. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

### DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Through April 30 — *New* Photography. Photographs of 14 artists from around the world. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.

### LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through April 29 — *Clay from the South*. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

### LEMBERG GALLERY

Through May 6 — Books by Susan Goethe Campbell. 738 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-6623.

### LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through April 28 — Exhibition by the Art-Makers Club of Livonia. The Art-Makers Club of Livonia. 3300 Civic Center Drive, Livonia. (734) 466-0449.

### MANISCALFO GALLERY

Through June 3 — *Reconstruction* featuring the work of Linda and Wes Davis. 1324 Mack, Detroit. (313) 588-2005.

### MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Through May 11 — *Progress* at the Department of Art and Art

## LECTURES

### THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

Presents Charles A. Krauss, one of America's most distinguished foreign affairs correspondents. at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25. Tickets are \$12 per person. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 644-2476.

### ORION ART CENTER

Through April 27 — the annual watercolor exhibition. 115 S. Anderson, Lake Orion. (248) 693-4986.

### PAINT CREW

**CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
Through May 20 — *Process: 25* works in collage and assemblage. Through June 17 — Eric Mesko: *Mixed Media* Constructions. 407 Pine, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

### PALETTE AND BRUSH CLUB

Through June 16 — a juried exhibit of the club's paintings at the BPS Corporate Conference Center, 31301 Evergreen, Beverly Hills. (248) 646-7033.

### PEWABY POTTERY

Through June 3 — *Animals: Vessels & Sculpture*. Pewaboy Pottery, E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

### PRINT GALLERY

Through June 2 — An exhibit of Malaysian artist Eng Lay. 29173 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 356-8454.

### SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

### SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through April 28 — The Waterford Friends of the Arts presents *Spectrum*, a multi-media exhibit. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

### SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES GALLERY

Hot Gun Art. Art by Woodrow H. Peare. 301 Adams, Detroit. (313) 463-7575.

### SYBARIS GALLERY

Through May 21 — *Baroque* by Jay Simons. 211 East Third Street, Royal Oak. (248) 433-1388.

### TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Through April 30 — *From the Heart* exhibition. 111 W. High, Troy. (248) 524-4735.

### UZELAC GALLERY

Through May 12 — *Interpretations in Glass*. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

### WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Through May 14 — *Art* by Ronald Kramarski. 730 Washington Street, Detroit. (313) 463-7575.

### ZEITGEIST GALLERY

Through May 14 — *Art* by Linda and Wes Davis. 1324 Mack, Detroit. (313) 588-2005.

## MUSEUMS

### CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through May 12 — The Student Degree Show 2000 featuring original work by more than 60 graduate students of the Cranbrook Academy of Art. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

### CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Eco Week events include: 11 a.m. 4 p.m. April 24 through April 30. Planet Alignment 2000. 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. April 24 through April 28 is Young Stargazers Sky Journey. at 2 and 4 p.m. April 24 through April 26 is Laser Swing. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

### DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

On the Art exhibit runs through April 30 at the museum. Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. (313) 833-1805.

### DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through May 21 — Detroit Public Schools Student Exhibition: *The Enduring Horizons*. American landscape Photographs from the DIA's Collection. Through June 4 — *Van Gogh: Face to Face*. Glass Works '01 — *Glass*. Through June 4 — *Martin Lewis: Drawings and Related Prints*. 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-1900.

### DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM

The Great Lakes Maritime Institute's annual party is from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 29. The Sea Scout Boat will be on hand from 11 a.m. to 1000. 3700 Lake Shore Drive, Berrien Springs. (269) 433-4400.

## THEATER

### GEM THEATER

*Twelfth Night* at Michigan State University. 1210 University Avenue, East Lansing. (517) 487-2222. Through June 25, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Wednesdays. \$10. Thursdays \$12. \$15. Fridays \$15. \$20. Saturdays \$24. \$28. \$32. \$36. \$40. \$44. \$48. \$52. \$56. \$60. \$64. \$68. \$72. \$76. \$80. \$84. \$88. \$92. \$96. \$100.

### MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

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## Fast times on 'Runway'



**Now showing:** An opening reception for "Theater Without a Plot: Runway," is on Saturday, April 29, at Revolution gallery at 33257 Woodward in Ferndale. Call (248) 541-3444. The exhibit is scheduled through May 27. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

### 24/58

24/58 new program to 10 p.m. for 1st to 10th grade Model in Weeklong camp cost \$175 for RRAC members and \$180 for non-members. (248) 541-3444.

### D&M STUDIOS

Registration is now being taken for the 10th Annual Summer Art Camp. 1000 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 851-8872.

### Maiguel

Maiguel. 1816 Cranbrook Birmingham. (248) 644-0868.

### BOOKBEAT

Through April 30 — Jeffrey S. Wertheimer's *Letters Home*. 29010 Greenfield, Oak Park. (248) 908-1190.

### BREAKFAST CLUB

Through April 30 — *Myth* paintings by Brian Taylor. 234 E. Main, Clawson. (248) 284-0800.

### CARIBBEAN COLORS

Through May 21 — *Art* and *Life* by Eric Reed. 2296 North Woodward. (734) 466-0449.

### CASS CAFE

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**National Amusements Showcase Classics**

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Between University & Walton Blvd  
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**ROMEO MUST DIE (R)**  
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**Showcase Dearborn 1-8**  
Michigan S. Telegraph  
313-561-3449  
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**Showcase Pontiac 1-5**  
Telegraph Sq. Lake Rd. W. Side of  
Telegraph  
248-332-0241  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
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**Showcase Pontiac 6-12**  
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of  
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248-334-6777  
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**FINAL DESTINATION (R)**  
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**GOSSIP (R) MV**  
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**LOVE AND BASKETBALL (PG13) MV**  
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**28 DAYS (PG13) MV**  
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**KEEPING THE FAITH (PG13) MV**  
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**AMERICAN PSYCHO (R) MV**  
12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 10:00  
**RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (PG13) MV**  
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**RETURN TO ME (PG) MV**  
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**ERIN BROCKOVICH (R) MV**  
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**AMERICAN PSYCHO (R) MV**  
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**RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R) MV**  
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**RETURN TO ME (R) MV**  
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**SKULLS (PG13)**  
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**HIGH FIDELITY (R)**  
2:20, 7:40  
**ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)**  
10:30, 1:25, 4:15, 7:20, 10:15  
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**RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)**  
1:20, 4:00, 6:45, 9:20  
**THE SKULLS (PG13)**  
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**HIGH FIDELITY (R)**  
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**CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13)**  
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**LOCAL TALENT**  
Darren DeWitt of Farmington Hills, and Mary Gormley and Walonda J. Lewis, Livonia are in the cast of *All in the Timing* which continues 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 27-29 at Wayne State University's Studio Theatre, 4743 Cass Avenue, Detroit.

David Ives' six one-act comedies examine the dynamics of human communication through the use of language.

Ticket prices range from \$6 to \$8. Call (313) 577-2972.

**SUMMER ART CAMPS**  
D & M Studios, in cooperation with the Canton and Plymouth parks and recreation departments, presents their summer art camps, *Knights of the Roundtable: Medieval Madness*.

Children will create shields, castles and masks from a time when knights on white horses and damsels in distress were part of reality. A 10 percent discount is offered for tuition paid in full by May 31.

D & M also hosts Spring Break All Day Paint workshops 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, April 24-25 and Thursday, April 27. The cost is \$24 for each day. To register for the camps or workshops, call (734) 453-3710.

**ARTS MEETING**  
Artifacts Art Club meets 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 25 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile east of Farmington Road.

Debra Danko will present examples and slides of her quilt work. Guests are welcome. For information, call Peggy Gray at

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# Malls & Mainstreets

## Preppy look resurfaces as country club chic

### REAL DEAL



CARI WALDMAN

Ever have an urge to ditch the tight little black numbers in your closet and buy a Izod polo shirt and pair of madras pants?

Well, here's your chance. Ready or not, the preppy look is once again hip. And, for lack of a better label, this time around it's being called country club chic.

The look is somewhere between what you might be wearing on a golf course in Charlevoix and year 2000 versions of Rob and Laura Petrie from the Dick Van Dyke Show.

Nautical motifs, polka dots, gingham prints, clam diggers, flat-front Bermudas and golf-inspired shoes all are in the forefront of the look, an eclectic one suitable for both men and women to wear day and night.

Of course it can be worn to the country club and on the golf course. More importantly, the trend has no limits and makes for easy dressing for all locales and occasions.

Like 80s prep, the shapes are tailored and simple. Unlike its predecessor, though, country club chic is far from monotonous and conservative.

From young, club hip-hoppers to the classic, distinguished set who never stopped wearing the look, post-modern preppy can be worn by any age group.

To keep it fresh, stay away from pink and green embroidered ladybugs on your lapels, knee socks with loafers, and sweaters over the shoulders. (They're signs you're stuck in 80s prep mode.)

The trend scores big on the comfort scale. Best of all, it's easy to incorporate your own individual style and personality into country club chic. Think classic clothes, Armani for example, and kick it up a few degrees with pieces or accessories that have sex appeal.

For him, khakis are essential, and those with a slimmer leg and no pleats are the most recent designs.

Men's shirts hug the body, much like they do in women's wear, although there is a renewed emphasis on button-down shirts in textured plaid and modern surf prints.

Among the trends highlights for women is a revival of the blouse. Cropped, cap-sleeved peasant tops and shirts with men's styling have been fashioned in feminine, pastel, sheer silks, as well as, polka dots and madras prints in cotton and shantung.

Button-front shirts are back, too. Tucked in, left out or tied at the waist, these classic shirts couldn't be more sexy when buttoned low and paired with a pair of fitted, ankle-grazing khakis.

Also back in style is the shirt dress. This time around, however, the fabrics are cool and laid-back. And, denim and stretch poplin are excellent choices.

I like the shirt dress: worn fitted; without all the buttons done; and both with or without a skinny belt. Pair the dress with flat sandals, open-toe shoes or flip-flops.

While I'm sure you have something hanging in the back of your closet to get you started on the country club chic look, here's an A to Z list of stores where I spotted key pieces:

- AX Armani Exchange, the Somerset Collection in Troy, for cap-sleeved, peasant tops
  - United Colors of Benetton for madras pants
  - The Gap for polo shirts (Hey girls, try a boy's polo shirt in size XL; they're cropped and fitted for a third of the adult size price.)
  - Imelda's Closet in downtown Birmingham for Kandahar golf shoes without spikes
  - Kmart for Dr. Scholl's and flip-flops
  - Loehmann's for gingham button-down shirts with ruffled sleeves
  - Old Navy for ankle-grazing, flat-front khakis
  - Ralph Lauren departments at area department stores for gingham print pants in silk and tops with polka dot prints.
- Cari Waldman is a free-lance writer and stylist who lives in West Bloomfield. Please send your style and shopping questions to Cari at OERealDeal@aol.com.*



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDELL

**Mission possible:** Marie Masters searches for slimming and attractive swimsuits at Hudson's at the Somerset Collection in Troy. The suits will be featured in the June edition of her Internet fashion magazine for women who live in the Midwest.

## Fashion and geography

### Web site aims to put Midwest style on the map

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
SPECIAL EDITOR  
nstafford@oe.homecomm.net

Dressed in a simple ivory suit and coral top — a measured splash of the season's hottest color — Marie Masters has come to the Somerset Collection with many missions.

A free-lance writer, self-described clothes horse and Troy resident, Masters' concrete mission is to find a slimming bathing suit to feature in the June edition of her Internet fashion magazine Midwest Woman.

Launched in March with a target audience of women between the ages of 30 and 55, the quarterly publication's motto is fashion for America's heartland. The "e-zine" also pays close attention to Midwestern lifestyles and will be updated monthly.

"We're looking for a Miracle suit today," says Masters, making her way towards Hudson's, the retailer she hopes to feature because it's based in the Midwest. The bathing suit will be photographed for a feature on figure-flattering swim wear.

And, while Masters is taking a "real clothes for real people" approach to her web publication, uniting women in the Midwest with functional fashion is only one of her larger missions.

"It's more than just fashion. It's the whole lifestyle," she says. "It's a celebration of women living the four-season lifestyle."

In Masters' opinion, Midwestern women's fashion needs and wants differ from their counterparts on the East and West coasts.

Yet, "we're kind of dictated by West Coast and East Coast fashion," she contends.

True, it's not clear which force — fashion trends or lifestyles — is more dominant and defining in women's closets, but there's undoubtedly a connection.

One clothing category that's significantly impacted by geography and lifestyle is outer wear, says Masters. For example, women who live in the Midwest must have at least a winter coat, pair of boots and raincoat, given the season changes. Transition clothing, pieces suitable for wear between seasons,

are other essentials.

While Midwestern women are well aware of their wardrobe needs, they may not realize how such requirements impact their shopping decisions, overall image and clothing budgets.

Most importantly, Masters would like to see women from the Midwest take charge of their fashion destiny and have influence over clothing designers, much in the same way fuller-figured women have in recent years. "I think the trends have kind of been handed down to us. I would like for us to export something," says Masters. "And, if we haven't established a style, I'd like to see us do that."

Such a process will be on-going, as well, she adds. Since women's lifestyles are constantly evolving, "fashion has to evolve with us," says Masters.

Thus, her job will be to continually tap into "what women want," she says. "My goal is to make women feel good about themselves."

Midwest Woman is located at [www.midwest-woman.com](http://www.midwest-woman.com).

## Collectible compact exhibit stops at Neiman Marcus

It's been said good things come in small packages.



Sometimes, the packages are just as special as the contents. And, that's often the case with fragrances, particularly compacts designed to hold solid perfume.

Blurring the boundaries

**New era: Estee Lauder's millennium compact is available for purchase at the exhibit.**

between fragrance and art is Estee Lauder's traveling, museum-style exhibit of perfume compacts, on display now through May 8 at Neiman Marcus at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

Tracing Estee Lauder's long history of creating the elaborate compacts, the exhibit contains nearly 100 of the company's designs, including several from private collectors.

The hand-made compacts, which contain a pat of solid fragrance, reflect a broad range of styles, from traditional cameo designs to Art Deco.

In addition to the exhibit, which is

making a five-city tour in the United States, a master craftsman will be on hand to demonstrate how a one-of-a-kind perfume compact is created. The process, including conception, typically takes about three months.

Also, six compacts designed by Estee Lauder for Neiman Marcus will be available for purchase.

Estee Lauder has offered limited-edition perfume compacts during the holiday season for more than 30 years. A distant cousin to the more ubiquitous powder compact, the glamorous perfume vessels, have attracted a following of collectors in recent years.

### Exquisite display

**What:** Estee Lauder's exhibit of nearly 100 hand-crafted solid perfume compacts created over three decades.

**When:** Now through Monday, May 8

**Where:** Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, first floor

**Contact:** For details, call (248) 643-3300

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: *Malls & Mainstreets*, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 23**

**MODEL AIRPLANE SHOW**  
Livonia Mall at Middlebelt and 7 Mile roads presents a model airplane show featuring radio control air shows, exhibits and other demonstrations through April 30, noon-10 p.m. Air shows are slated 10 a.m.-9 p.m. April 29 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. April 30. For details, call (248) 476-1160.  
**MONDAY, APRIL 24**

**SNEAKER CONTEST**  
Livonia's Wonderland Mall hosts the Livonia Parks and Recreation Department's Nasty Sneaker Contest with prizes for the worst sneakers, noon, Food Court stage. For more information, call (734) 522-4100.

**SHOE MONTH CELEBRATION**  
Maxwell men's clothier, 116 N. Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham, celebrates shoe month with

### ADDED ATTRACTIONS

a display of designer shoes such as Ferragamo, Donald Pliner and Bacco Bucci plus \$25 off purchases through April 30. For details, call (248) 642-1965.  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26**

**MAKEUP EVENT**  
A representative from Christian Dior presents From the Runway to Your Way, an event designed to help shoppers take advantage of current makeup trends through April 29, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Cosmetics and Fragrances, first floor. To schedule an appointment, call (248) 643-9000 ext. 466.  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

**CAROLINA HERRERA SHOW**  
Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts Carolina Herrera's Fall 2000 Collection with informal modeling through April 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Salon; second floor. For details, call (248) 614-3393.

**OUTDOOR CLUB DAY**  
Eastern Mountain Sports, the Somerset Collection in Troy, offers a 20 percent discount on all in-stock merchandise to members of outdoor organizations, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. For additional information, call (248) 816-9681.  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 29**

**CLUB MONACO SHOW**  
Club Monaco, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents a trunk show of their spring and summer collections, 2-5 p.m. For details, call (248) 649-2665.

**ART VAN CELEBRATES**  
Art Van Furniture celebrates the 15th anniversary of their clearance centers with in-store entertainment, food, refreshments and special savings, 2-4 p.m., locations in Livonia, Novi, Waterford and Westland.  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 30**

**BOUQUET SHOW**  
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# WHERE CAN I FIND?

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## WHAT WE FOUND:

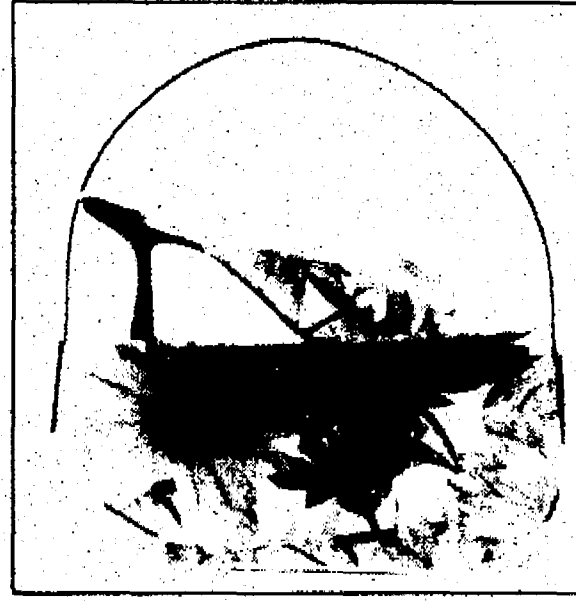
- A reader has an instructions manual for an Elna sewing machine.
  - A reader has a recipe for old-fashioned steam pudding.
  - Wood 1/2 barrels can be purchased at Home Depot stores.
  - A reader has Royal manual typewriter ribbon.
  - A reader has an Olivetti typewriter.
  - A reader has an airbrush with compressor.
  - We found a reader who will make a quilt that someone else has designed.
  - Downey honey butter can be purchased at Farmer Jack stores.
- ## WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:
- An aluminum wash board (24-by-12 inches) on a wooden frame for Mary Jo, who resides in Birmingham.
  - A store that sells old-fashioned, metal toy jacks with red sponge balls for Deborah.
  - The Parker Brothers game Master Boggle for Kathy.
  - Parts for a Sears rug/floor scrubber made in the 60s for Jackie of Livonia.
  - An owner's manual for a 1992 Camaro automobile for Neil.
  - A store where packaged,

- dried demi-glaze mix can be bought.
- The children's books *Judy Jo of Apple Market Street* and *The Coffee Pot* for Judy of Bloomfield Township.
- The Parker Brothers game *Master Piece* for Kendra of Plymouth Township.
- A business or company that will repair the arm of a stereo for Burt, who lives in Clarkston.
- A store in the Livonia/Redford area that sells Hush Puppies shoes for Margaret.
- A videocassette tape of the Disney movie *Bambi* and its soundtrack on compact disc for Norma of Livonia.
- Serving pieces for the 1847 Rogers Brothers' silver-plate Remembrance pattern for Sally.
- A January 1947 Northwestern High School yearbook.
- A store or catalog that sells Oriental, glass wind chimes (in a rectangular shape with a red bamboo top and red string ties) for Norman, who resides in West Bloomfield.
- A store that sells Lee's dungaree-style blue jeans for boys, formerly carried by Ward's, for Marcia of Canton.
- A 1951-52 Fordson Dearborn High School yearbook for Evelyn of Westland.
- A 1953 Southwestern High School yearbook and related school memorabilia for Carrie.
- A store where Revlon's collagen cream lotion in a jar can be purchased for Virginia.
- A store that sells Touch & Glow moisturizing makeup in the shade "Crème Beige."
- A store that sells high-quality baby scissors for Robin, who lives in Commerce Township.
- An extended, wood porch swing that attaches to the ceiling for Maxine of Bloomfield.
- A store that sells Carlotta

- perfume for Bea.
  - A compact food processor by Moulinex for Marilyn.
  - A store where nylon wind bonnets with ties can be bought for Marguerite.
  - A street guide for Detroit and its suburbs.
  - A store where a lead tester for use on china and other dish ware can be bought for Cam.
  - A store that sells pop-up coffee filters for Dan of Westland.
  - A 1951 St. Hedwig High School yearbook for Betty of Dearborn.
  - A store where Penny Brite's paste copper cleaner can be purchased for Eunice.
  - A store that sells Jennifer curtains, formerly carried by Hudson's, for Rose of Plymouth.
  - A store where a Pokemon candy mold can be bought for Darlene.
  - The card game *Chronology* for Mary of Redford.
  - An item from the product line *Paintings by Peg* called "A Special Event for Baby's First Year" for Tina.
  - A store that sells Little Tyke's outdoor houses for Catherine.
  - A store where soft-sole house slippers (size 12) can be bought for Mrs. Amato.
  - A store that sells 100-percent, petroleum jelly lip treatment for Anne of Redford.
  - A videocassette tape of the film *Mickey Goes to a Circus* for Dee.
  - A store in the Canton area that sells mother-of-the-bride dresses.
  - The cookbook *Sweet Miniatures* for Marcie, who lives in Farmington Hills.
- Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

## a la carte

### STUFF WE CRAVE



**Arrangements:** Floral detailing is an undisputed spring trend every year. If, however, you don't like flower applique, which is in abundance right now, or floral print tops and bottoms, try flowers printed on a bag or pair of shoes like Dolce & Gabbana's sunflower print accordion bag in silk and leather, \$665, and matching slide, \$375, both at Saks Fifth Avenue.

**Asian enrichment:** Pack sushi for lunch inside the Sumo lunch box, \$15.95, or round out your new sushi and saki sets with a tea candle, \$14.95, sushi eau de toilette, \$15.95, or tea soaps, \$6.95, all at Aetheria in Ferndale.



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# Spend a weekend exploring Cleveland's treasures

MARY QUINLEY  
SPECIAL WRITER

In the mood for a rockin' weekend jaunt? Then roll on down to Cleveland, an Ohio metropolis perched on the shores of Lake Erie. Here's a sampling of the town's diverse treasures:

## North Coast Harbor

High-tech wizardry, innovative films and videos, and an impressive gallery of musical "greats" adorn the rooms at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.

There's an extensive collection of personal memorabilia, including Buddy Holly's high school diploma, a leather outfit and guitar that belonged to Elvis Presley, and, one of Keith Moon's report cards with a notation "shows promise in music."

Not a rock fan? Perhaps the museum's rhythm and blues, soul, country, or folk music exhibits will be more appealing.

Tour Lake Erie and the Cuyahoga River (an Indian word meaning "crooked river") aboard the Goodtime III, a sight-seeing and entertainment cruise ship. The 1,000-passenger, triple-deck ship delights riders with laid-back, relaxing cruises through October.

The Great Lakes Science Center isn't just for kids. More than

## If you go

Cleveland is about a 3½ hour drive from the Detroit area. For information on attractions and events, contact The Convention & Visitors Bureau of Greater Cleveland at (800) 321-1004 or (216) 621-5555, or visit their Web site - [www.travelcleveland.com](http://www.travelcleveland.com).

### What's happening:

- May 16-18 and June 23-26, Major League baseball at Jacobs Field, Detroit Tigers vs. Cleveland Indians
- Through May 28, *Masters of the Night: The True Story of Bats*, Cleveland Museum of Natural History
- May 28 through July 30, *Faces of Impressionism: Portraits from American Collections*, The Cleveland Museum of Art
- Through Tuesday, June 6, *Mysteries of Egypt*, Great Lakes Science Center
- June 25, *The Three Tenors*, Cleveland Browns Stadium
- Through August, *Roots, Rhymes & Rage: The Hip Hop Story*, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum

350 interactive exhibits and an OMNIMAX Theater supply an afternoon of fun for all ages.

A golfers paradise! Ohio ranks sixth in the nation for number of golf facilities, and, more than half of the state's courses are located in the Greater Cleveland area. The courses vary from a sporting par-three to championship layouts.

Come aboard and check out the Steamship William G. Mather. This floating museum once hauled iron ore and coal to Cleveland's steel plants for more than a half-century.

## The Flats

Converted warehouses furnish a potpourri of eateries, night-clubs, and breweries in The Flats, an area of level land situated on both banks of the Cuyahoga River.

During the warm seasons, restaurant patio chairs, protected by extra-wide umbrellas, fill quickly. Have a seat. Keep watch for passing freighters as they slowly slip by.

In the mid-1830s, the west side of the river was called Ohio City and the east side was named Cleveland. A lengthy war raged between the two rivalries. Thankfully, in 1854, a peaceful settlement was reached when Ohio City became a part of Cleveland.

## Ohio City

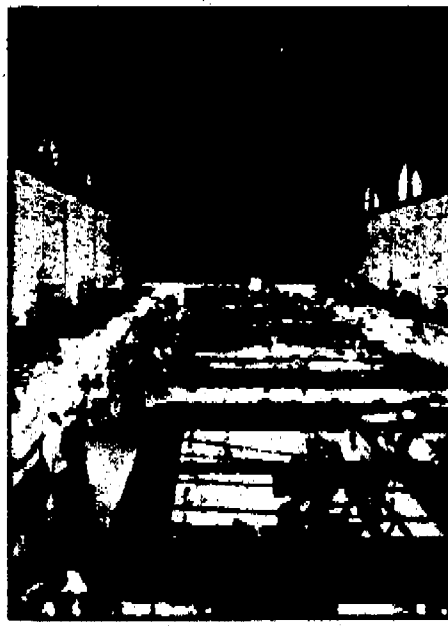
Once inside the West Side Market, a blend of tantalizing aromas surrounds shoppers. This Old World-style market, built in 1912, provides space for more than 100 merchants who represent a multitude of ethnic groups.

I decided to stand at a booth to watch the young man with the saw. However, when he informed me that the "meat" he was cutting was a lamb, I mumbled "thank you," and, quickly wandered away in search of other



Dining: Have a seat at one of the restaurants on the banks of the Cuyahoga River.

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Market: Go shopping at West Side Market.

"fresh" edibles.

It's true. West Side Market's reputation for fresh meats, fish, vegetables, fruits, baked goods, cheeses and herbs is not an exaggeration. Hours of operation vary.

The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, one of the country's oldest

zoos, is located five miles south of downtown.

In addition to housing "traditional" animals and displays, a spectacular two-story exhibit dubbed The RainForest is featured. Take a stroll through this tropical land. Watch for the giant anteater, the sloth, and dozens of tropical birds. And, be sure to experience the power of a tropical rainstorm - without getting wet. In June, the zoo's newest attraction, the Australian Adventure, will open.

## University Circle

It's called a circle, but actually it's shaped like a square. Plan an afternoon or a day side trip to check it out.

Eight museums, several performing arts organizations, lush gardens, appealing architectural structures, and, eclectic eateries fit snugly within a one-square mile on Cleveland's eastern edges.

## Shopping

Did you know that the country's first enclosed shopping cen-

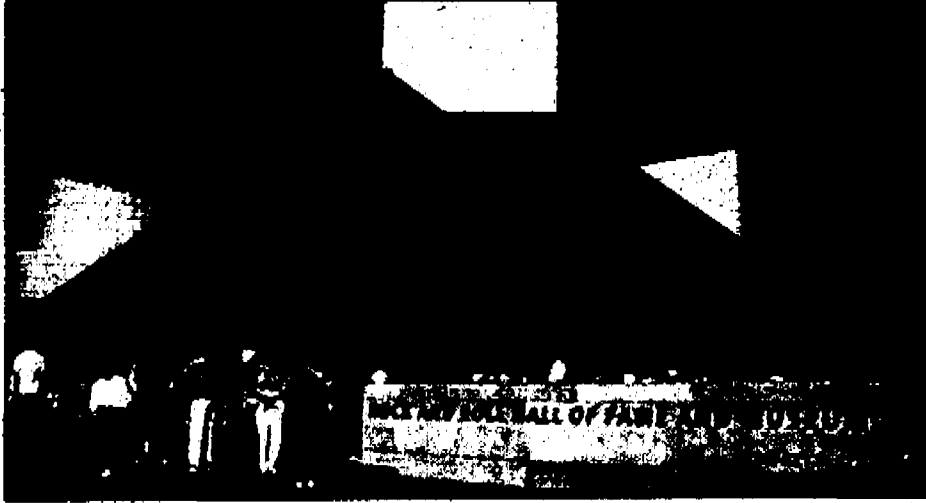
ter was built in 1890 in downtown Cleveland? It's called The Arcade.

Three levels of specialty stores and boutiques are enclosed in this atrium-style mall. Watch for the center's grand reopening in the spring, 2001.

Terminal Tower, a renovated train depot, houses an upscale shopping mecca known as The Avenue. Located at Tower City Center, The Avenue sports more than 100 shops, eateries, and entertainment facilities.

Save some energy to experience the bustling Warehouse District. In addition to shops, this historic area boasts some impressive mid-nineteenth century architecture and numerous dining possibilities. Park the car, put on your walking shoes, and follow the suggested strolls detailed in the "Walk Cleveland" brochure. It's a great way to explore the city's unique architecture, public art, restored historical sites and parks.

Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and author of "52 Ohio Weekends."



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KELLI LEWTON

## It's time for tea all over the world

While I was growing up, I shared a special ritual with my Irish grandmother, Ruth. Every other Saturday afternoon, we worked on a small craft project and ate lunch, which was followed by my favorite part of our afternoon visits — tea time.

She boiled the water in her copper kettle until it spouted a furious whistle. The hot water was then poured into a fine porcelain teapot decorated with beautiful roses that I know had to be hand painted. She then took two bags from her special tin and carefully placed them in the teapot, whispering with a knowing smile that we have to let them "bathe" for a bit.

After what seemed like a 20-minute bath (it was probably more like five minutes), she tipped the dainty pot with its slender spout over both our fancy cups whose roses matched that of the pot. The perfumed amber liquid would gently spill into our cups where we would both add a cloudy veil of milk and a dollop of sugar.

On about my 12th birthday, I traded my afternoon Saturday tea time for my Saturday swim team practices. I was reunited with tea six years ago when I turned in my coffee mug.

Tea seemed much different then I remembered it. Today there is a myriad of boxes to choose from: herbal, green, fruited and berryed. Many even tout medical claims on their packages. I started experimenting slowly, and now I have to admit, I'm a full-fledged, tea-bag-in-my-purse, "tea-totaler."

### Tea has a legend

Legend has it that in 2737 A.D. the Emperor Chen-Nung was heating

Please see TEA, D2

### Tea glossary

#### BLACK

- **Darjeeling:** An Indian tea that has an intense aroma and is very flavorful.
- **Keemun:** From China, a mild tea regularly consumed as a morning beverage.
- **Assam:** This tea has a malty flavor and is traditionally used in breakfast blends.
- **Black Flavored or Scented Earl Grey:** Flavored with Bergamot, a Cantonese fruit.
- **Lapsang Souchong:** A black tea from China, Lapsang souchong has a smoky, almost tarry flavor, resulting from being processed over pine root fires.
- **Fruit Flavors:** Any base tea that has the addition of fruits or flowers.
- **Oolong and Formosa Oolong:** This style has several grades and is often known as the "best in the world".
- **Wen Shan Pouchong:** This unique tea has an exotic perfume aroma.

#### GREEN

- **Gunpowder:** This Chinese tea has a grassy, fresh taste.
- **Dragon Well:** A delicate Chinese green tea, with a very nice aroma.
- **Sencha:** A Japanese green tea, pan-fried for a light color but rich taste.
- **Genmicha:** This is a blended Sencha, with toasted and popped rice.

#### TISANES AND HERBALS

- **Peppermint:** This tea is popular hot or cold, blended with other teas and herbs, or alone for a cool flavor.
- **Berry Teas:** These teas are best when blended with other herbs, spices or teas. Popular flavors include raspberry, blueberry and strawberry.
- **Hibiscus:** This tea has a tangy flavor and is best blended with other fruit and spices.

#### NO CAFFEINE, PLEASE

- **Yerba Mate:** This tea is known for its ability to energize without caffeine. It is made from the leaves of an evergreen shade plant from the rain forest.
- **Chai:** This Indian tea drink is made from black tea, various spices including cardamom, cinnamon, ginger, pepper and cloves. Mixed with milk, this drink can be served either hot or cold.
- **Roobos:** A popular tea from Africa, it is served and brewed like regular tea.
- **Bubble Tea:** This tea is a real treat, blended with ice, sweetener and soy milk. The blend is shaken in a martini shaker, creating a frothy, cold tea beverage.

Source: 1999 Tea Tutorial

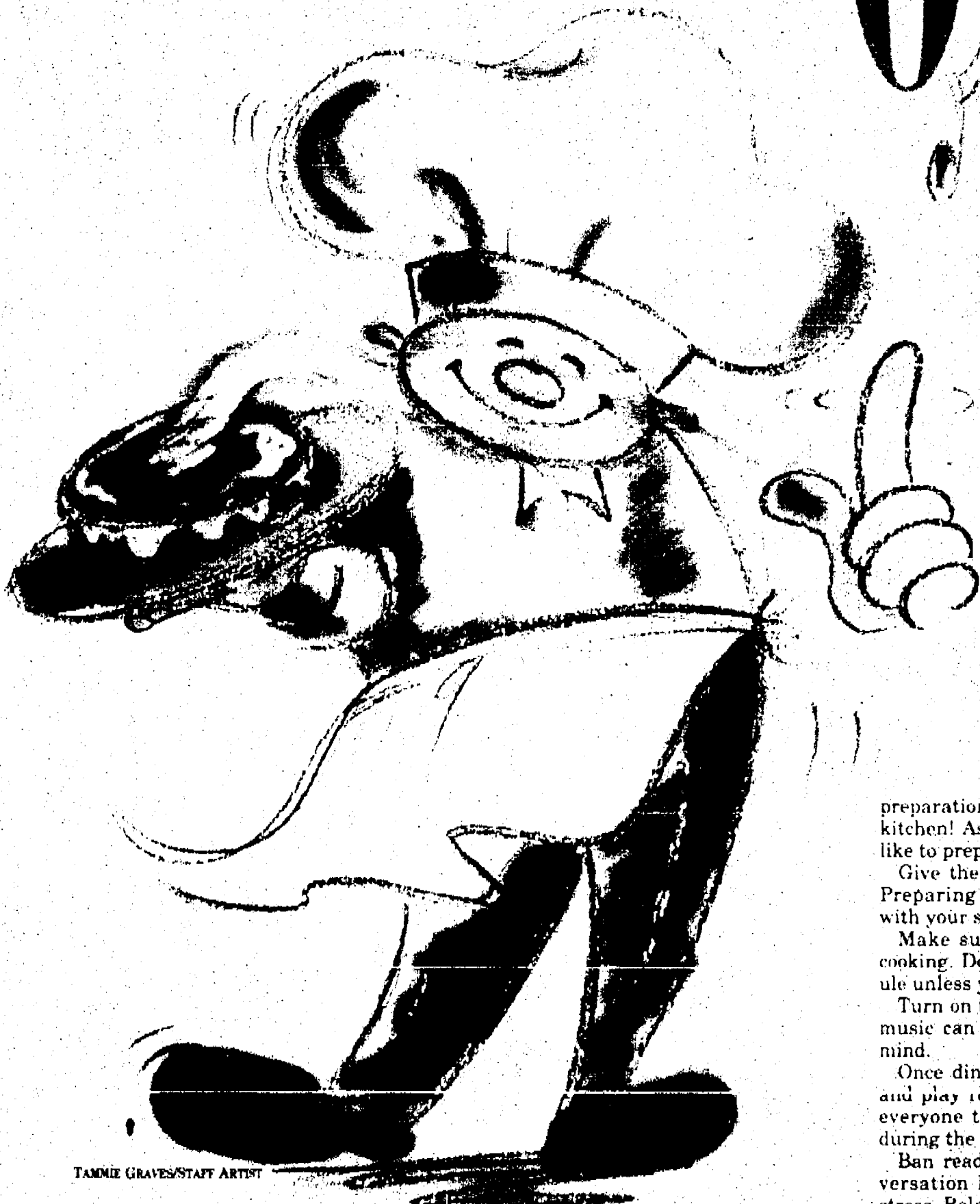
## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week.

- Glorious grapes
- Spring parties

# Stressed out?

TURN OFF THE TV  
TURN ON THE STOVE



TAMMIE GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS R.D.  
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SPECIAL WRITERS

Have you heard of "Cartoon Foods?" These are products that resemble and are named after popular cartoon figures.

Turn on the TV between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. or any Saturday morning and you will see a plethora of advertising for these products. In this media-saturated world, television advertising shapes both our children's food choices and values, which alarms many adults.

April is Stress Awareness Month, and this week, April 24-30, is National Turn Off the TV Week. While turning off the TV can cause stress for those who love to watch it, perhaps April is a good time to give it a try. Instead of viewing a steady diet of cartoon food ads, why not teach our children about the joys and rewards of cooking?

Children and adults alike tend to enjoy food more when they take part in its preparation, so get the "potatoes" off the couch and into the kitchen! Ask them to help decide which dishes they would like to prepare.

Give them some choices: pizza, spaghetti or pork chops. Preparing dishes without running to the store will help with your stress level.

Make sure that you've blocked enough time for family cooking. Don't add this activity to an already hectic schedule unless you omit something else.

Turn on the radio or your favorite CD. Upbeat dance type music can keep everyone moving and in a good frame of mind.

Once dinner is prepared and it's time to eat, slow down and play relaxing music, so you won't eat as fast. Remind everyone to savor each bite and to remember to breathe during the meal. It aids with digestion.

Ban reading and TV viewing at the table and keep conversation light. Many digestive problems are caused by stress. Relaxing while eating helps reduce stress.

### Eating like the pioneers

Here's an idea to help break the cartoon food habit. Ask your children to help you discover the kinds of food that kids ate before the era of television. With students learning American history in fourth and fifth grades, you'll be surprised at how much they know about this subject.

The Johnson family from Livonia recently made Johnny cakes as a special treat. The recipe is on the side of the Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix.

"My son, Ryan, had a crossword puzzle homework assignment where Johnny Cake was one of the answers," said Robin Johnson. "Making them was a tasty history lesson."

Picking strawberries at a u-pick farm is a fun spring outing. Making pies or jams from the harvest makes the experience even more rewarding.

Visiting a dairy or poultry farm can be fun. It is important to show our children that chicken isn't really something that comes in nuggets.

Friendship Bread, an Amish tradition, is a fun and delicious sweet dessert bread to bake and to give. A bit of starter is saved each time the recipe is made, to pass on to friends.

Kids love this bread because it is delicious, fun to make, fun to give to friends and very unique. It is also very unlike any cartoon food that they see advertised.

### Destressing

Since April is Stress Awareness Month, it's a good time to talk about stress.

What helps you relax? Some people unwind with exer-

Please see STRESS, D2

## HOW TO CONTROL CRAVINGS FOR "CARTOON FOODS"

Some cartoon foods may be as nutritious as their non-cartoon counterparts, but most are more expensive.

Eating is and should be a pleasurable experience. Both parents and kids should feel good about what kids are eating.

### CARTOON FOOD GUIDELINES:

- Ready-to-eat breakfast cereals are probably the most popular of the cartoon foods. Many are sugar frosted or contain artificial colors and flavors. Choose breakfast cereals with the most fiber and nutrients and the least amount of sugar and coloring. Set limits on how many times a week your child can eat the high sugar cereal or mix the cereal half and half with a non-sweetened variety. Watch how much sugar your child may be spooning from the sugar bowl. They may get more sugar per serving from a cereal they sweeten themselves than from a sugar-frosted one.
- Nothing beats home cooking, but kids are bombarded with advertising for canned spaghetti, boxed macaroni and cheese and frozen dinners. These products are high in sodium and fat and may be lower in high-

quality protein than the homemade version. Be sure your child drinks a glass of milk with these meals and eats a piece of fruit, applesauce or canned fruit for dessert. Choose frozen dinners that have less than 600 milligrams of sodium per serving. Ingredients are listed in descending order by weight.

Choose canned pasta that has meat or cheese as the first ingredient on the ingredient list. Better yet, use fun-shaped pastas like dinosaurs or teddy bears in your own homemade pasta dishes.

■ Snacks and desserts can be a part of your child's healthy diet, but proceed with caution if your child is eating these in lieu of eating whole grains, fruits, vegetables, milk, meat and other high quality protein foods.

Choose juice boxes that contain 100 percent juice. Choose dried fruits like raisins, dates and apricots rather than fruit roll-ups. Watch out for beverages or snacks that have artificial colors. Some "juice" beverages come in colors never seen in nature. When your kids ask for cartoon foods, what they may really want is food that is fun

## A-a-a-h-h-h, remembering mom's great cooking

Do you remember the smell of your mother's pork roast, beef stew or barbecue ribs emanating from her kitchen?

Do you remember racing up the stairs from the landing and bolting into the kitchen, asking "What's for dinner?"

If you do, and remember those mouth-watering dishes your mother used to make, or still does, we would like to hear from you for an article honoring moms on Mother's Day.

We welcome you to share your stories, and if you can, mom's favorite recipes with our readers. Tell us why dinner was, and its present

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## Give grits a try, you might like 'em

BY PATNY LAFAYE  
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The staple food thought to be eaten only below the Mason Dixon line is working its way to other parts of the country.

Grits, said to be passed on from the Native Americans to the settlers, are being found in homes and

restaurants across the U.S. They have been served at political fundraisers and in the White House. Grits were even featured on "Good Morning America." A lot of Southerners believe grits, catfish and kudzu will slowly take over the world.

Please see Grits, D2



# Tea from page D1

water under a tree when a gust of wind scattered the leaves into his boiling water. According to the American Premium Tea Institute, "tea" is the processed leaves of the *Camellia Sinensis*, and the beverage is derived from infusing those leaves with hot water. The extended definition of tea refers to those blends that are created using herbs, flowers and other botanical ingredients.

People today are sipping tea to do everything from lowering cholesterol to losing weight or improving skin tone. A botanical blend packaged under the tea label exists to assist in curing or helping just about any problem or condition.

Tea is the second-most consumed packaged beverage in the world, only overshadowed by water. U.S. tea sales have risen from approximately \$65 million in 1995 to almost \$99 million. It would seem many are discover-

ing the emotional and health benefits of our modern day tea selections.

### Growing regions

Like wine, tea comes in a variety of flavors, colors and grades. There are numerous specifications that will determine its final label. Here is a breakdown of various teas and their origins:

**China:** The greatest diversity of tea comes from its birthplace here. Among the most popular is Keemun from the Anhui province, a low-end tea frequently used in the U.S. for making a base for iced teas. Other popular teas include Yunnan, Fujian, Ti Kuan Yin and Lapsong.

**India:** This country is the world's largest producer of tea. India's diverse topography is reflected in its wide range of tea varieties. Ninety-nine percent of the teas processed here are black teas including Darjeeling and

Assam.

**Sri Lanka (formerly Ceylon):** This nation is the world's third largest tea exporter. Nearly all of Sri Lanka's teas are processed black. Due to its altitude, the nation's Ceylon teas grow more slowly, yield less product, but are of extremely high quality.

**Taiwan:** Known for producing Formosa Oolong, considered the champagne of teas, this island also produces certain gunpowder teas.

**Japan:** Almost all of the tea produced in Japan is green tea. Approximately 98 metric tons of this type of tea is produced annually. Japan is also known for Gen Mai Cha, a popular blend of green and Sencha teas, and roasted Hojicha tea.

### Tea tips

- Store tea bags in cool dark place.
- Never hold a finished tea for

more than an eight-hour time period.

■ Be sure to properly sanitize storage and brewing vessels.

■ Allow brewed tea to cool for an hour before adding ice for cold tea beverages.

■ Don't be afraid to mix and match teas with assorted fruits, yogurts or milks. Tea smoothies are the rage throughout the world.

■ Pick up a copy of the "Herbal Companion" and learn more about mixing different botanicals to fill your own health prescriptions.

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# Stressed from page D1

A healthy jog or brisk walk can lift the spirits as well as help keep you in good physical shape. Others enjoy being creative. Gardening, sewing and painting are all great activities for relaxing.

Cooking is something everyone can enjoy. Parents are always looking for tasty recipes that provide good nutrition for our families. It's very satisfying to create a meal that is both delicious and nutritious.

There is nothing more soothing than a big pot of chicken soup cooking away on the stove. The aroma brings back fond childhood memories. (Another bonus, chicken soup really does give you relief from the common cold. A recent University of Nebraska study showed that chicken soup eases respiratory congestion.)

All of us are different, and we react differently to aromas. Perhaps your "de-stressor" is the

smell of hot cinnamon rolls baking in the oven, or a steamy pot of tea.

Kathy Blake of Farmington finds nothing more relaxing than a cup of tea, a comfortable chair and her cat, Bee Jay, sitting on her lap.

"Tea is a real comfort drink for me," said Blake. "I especially like it on Sunday mornings while reading the paper."

Just as you can hit the off button on your TV remote control, you can also turn off stress-causing behavior.

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# Grits from page D1

Restaurants throughout the South serve grits with breakfast as a standard part of the meal. As franchises of some of those restaurants open in other parts of the U.S., grits gets to go along.

To correct a rumor, grits don't grow on trees. They are white or yellow corn, dried and soaked in lye to remove the skin, then rinsed several times. Once it becomes hominy, it is dried and ground into grits.

Grits are simple, nutritious, and down-home Southern. They contain almost no salt or fat and are a good source of carbohydrates, fiber, protein, minerals, vitamins, and energy.

But with all the "fixin's" that truly make them good eatin', they might freshen you up a mite. Of course, you can make

grits low-fat or no fat, depending on the ingredients you mix with them.

The taste ranges from a delicious sweet and nutty flavor, to paste, also depending on how they are prepared. Thick, or "tight," can be used for fish bait, mortar, chinking for log cabins or spackling compound.

"Not just for breakfast any more," Diane Pfeifer said in her book "Gone with the Grits," (March 1992, published by Strawberry Patch). "Grits lend a nonfat creaminess to dips and sauces, a sponginess to breads and chewy volume to bar cookies. Cooked with sturdier grains, they create exciting and economical meat alternatives for stuffed dishes and casseroles."

Grits reduce calories in some

of her vegetarian dishes, and Pfeifer offers calorie-cutting suggestions too.

There are regular, instant, or quick-cooking grits. Stone-ground or regular are harder to find. Quick and instant can be found at the grocery.

Some people think quick tastes better than instant. Made from scratch is much better than instant. This may come as a surprise but, not everyone likes grits. Not everyone will even give them a chance. I admit it could be a taste that needs cultivating. The taste is in the way they are fixed.

Southerners like them with eggs, biscuits, cream or red eye gravy, cheese, sausage, or just about anything except with sugar and cream.

Grits can be a great substitute for pasta or rice. Any sauce or gravy that you would put on pasta or rice is ideal with grits.

Be sure to make enough for leftovers. Put the leftovers in a flat bowl or pan, cover them with clear plastic wrap and put in the refrigerator.

Cut them in small pieces and roll the pieces in corn meal and fry them until golden brown the next morning.

There are plenty of recipes on the Internet, so there's bound to be some to your liking. Give grits a try. Who knows, you might like them.

*Patsy LaFave is a Waterford resident. See recipes inside.*

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# Turn off TV; share bread and chicken with family and friends

**Related story on Taste front.** Boneless, skinless chicken breasts can be used for the Lazy Day Chicken, or use a whole chicken, cut into pieces if you want. Friendship Bread includes a starter dough you can give friends for their own bread.

## LAZY DAY CHICKEN OR PHEASANT

- Flour for dredging, about 1/2 cup
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 rounded teaspoon anchovy paste
- Four boneless, skinless chicken breasts (or a whole chicken, cut into pieces)
- 1 medium sized onion
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 medium sized tomatoes, chopped into small 1/4-inch pieces
- 1 cup white wine
- 1/2 cup green olives (black

can be substituted), chopped.  
 Mix flour and pepper together. Dredge chicken pieces in flour/pepper mixture until lightly coated. Heat anchovy paste and olive oil in a large skillet (one that has a lid) and brown chicken on all sides.  
 Remove chicken and add onion and garlic. Sauté until onion is translucent. Put chicken back in skillet and add tomatoes and wine. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer for 1/2 hour for chicken breasts or about 45 minutes for chicken pieces. (For pheasant, increase this time up to 1 1/2 hours in order to make meat more tender. Just check periodically to be sure liquid is not evaporating.) Add olives 2 or 3 minutes before serving, just to warm through.

**Nutritional information per serving:** Calories: 403; protein (g): 30; fat (g): 19; sodium (mg): 456; carbohydrates (g): 19;

and percentage of calories from fat: 42.

## FRIENDSHIP BREAD

Makes 2 loaves for you and starter for four friends.  
 To make starter: (If you don't have starter from a friend, make the starter first.) Do not use metal utensils or containers. Do not refrigerate.

- 1 teaspoon active dry yeast
- 1/2 cup milk, warmed to 110° F
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup sugar

In a small bowl dissolve yeast in milk and let set for 10 minutes. Combine flour and sugar in another bowl and add the milk/yeast mixture. Mix thoroughly. Place in a 1-gallon zip-top bag and begin counting tomorrow as Day 1 below.

Directions to make Friendship Breakfast Bread from starter: Follow these instructions once you receive a bag of starter from a

friend or, if you have made the starter above. Do not use metal utensils or containers. Do not refrigerate.

Leave it alone for the first day, then mush bag on the second, third, fourth and fifth days. On the sixth day, add to the bag 1 1/2 cups each of flour, milk and sugar. Mush bag again. On the seventh, eighth and ninth days, mush bag and let the air out.

Empty contents of bag into large mixing bowl on the 10th day. Add 1 1/2 cups each of flour, milk and sugar. Combine ingredients thoroughly.

Here you have a choice. To make 2 loaves and starter for four friends, pour 1 cup of mixture into each of four 1-gallon zip-top bags and give to friends along with instructions. (Remember, do not count the day you divide as the first day. Rather, count the following day as day 1.)

Or you could make 2 loaves

now and two loaves later plus 1 starter for a friend or freezer: pour 1 cup of mixture into a zip-top bag to use as starter. Pour 3 cups into another zip-top bag and freeze to use later, beginning at this point once it is thawed. To the remaining 3 cups in your bowl, add the following and mix well:

- 1 cup oil
- 1/2 cup milk
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

In a separate bowl, mix dry-

- ingredients:
- 2 cups flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder

- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1 cup chopped pecans (optional)

Combine wet and dry ingredients thoroughly. Mix additional 1 teaspoon cinnamon and 1/2 cup sugar together. Reserve half of this mixture. Shake the other half mixture into 2 large, well-greased loaf pans. Pour batter into pans and sprinkle leftover cinnamon/sugar on top of each loaf.

Bake at 325° F for one hour. Let cool before taking bread out of pan.

Note: Starter can be frozen. (It won't completely freeze.) Just give it one extra day after thawing.

Recipes courtesy of HDS Services.

## Grits liven up casseroles

Cheese Grits Casserole is a great vegetarian dish from Eugenia, country singer Emmylou Harris' mother.

### CLASSIC SOUTHERN CHEESE GRITS CASSEROLE

- Makes 8-10 servings
- 6 cups water
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/2 cups coarse ground grits
- 1/2 cup butter
- 4 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 3 eggs, beaten

Preheat oven to 350°F and liberally butter a 2 1/2-quart baking dish.

Heat salted water in a heavy saucepan and bring to a boil. Pour the grits in slowly, stirring constantly as you do. Turn to a simmer and cook for 10 minutes, stirring frequently.

Remove from heat and add butter and all but a quarter-cup of the cheese, stirring until both are melted. Slowly add four or five tablespoons of the hot grits to the beaten eggs, stirring constantly.

When eggs are warmed up, pour them into the remaining grits and mix well. Turn out into the buttered baking dish, sprinkle the remaining cheese on top and bake for one hour. Serve warm.

### ULTRA GARLIC GRITS CASSEROLE

- Makes 6-8 servings
- 1 head of garlic
- Olive oil
- 4 cups water
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup coarse ground grits
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup 2 percent milk

Preheat oven to 350°F and use olive oil to liberally grease the inside of a two-quart baking dish.

Remove the loose, papery outer skin of the head of garlic (individual cloves will still have their peel). Rub lightly with olive oil and place in oven on a baking sheet or in a pie pan. Roast for 30-35 minutes until the cloves are soft when pressed. Remove from oven and set aside.

While the garlic is roasting, bring salted water to a boil in a heavy pot and slowly pour in the grits, stirring all the while. Turn heat to low and let simmer, stirring occasionally for about 15 minutes, until all the water is absorbed and the grits have softened some.

They should be about the consistency of oatmeal or slightly thinner than mashed potatoes. You might want to cook in a double boiler to prevent scorching. Remove from heat.

Break individual cloves off the head of garlic and squeeze between your fingers to extract the pulp. Put in a blender with eggs and milk and blend until some of the garlic is puréed but there are still small chunks. Add the garlic mixture to the grits and mix well. Bake in a 350°F oven until firm and golden on top. Serve warm.

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**PC MIKE**  
As I write this, I'm in Tampa and still steamed at Northwest. After wandering through a line of 72 (I counted them) bedraggled, sunburned, tired tourists heading back to still-cold Michigan from their spring vacations here in Florida, the Northwest ticket agent could barely muster a smile.

No problem. It was indeed a surly crowd. I smiled back brightly enough for both of us. I was heading home after a tough week on the road for business. So what if the line at the Tampa airport was turning mean? I wasn't going to get mad. I would soon be home.

"All I need is a boarding pass," I said, indicating I'd be carrying on luggage and his job would be easy.

"You'll need more than that, sir. Your flight was canceled."

He booked me on a 10:35 p.m. flight because, he said, the airport up in Detroit had been closed because of Friday's rains.

Why don't I believe him? Closed?

"That's what we're told, sir." The line behind me was getting angrier by the minute. Word had spread and most were also heading to Detroit.

So, taking the boarding pass, now with five hours to kill, here I am in Laptop Lane.

It's a comfortable cubicle equipped with a speedy Internet port to which my laptop is now connected, a Nortel telephone that I can use to call anywhere in the U.S. toll free, a FAX machine, a Pentium desktop with a nice 17-inch monitor and, Tony, my "Cyberspace concierge."

Really, that's what his business card reads.

If I have any technical questions, any difficulties hooking up, just holler, he says. I didn't. I'm attached and online in under three minutes. I hear him helping other customers though, getting their AOL accounts to log on. Showing them how to configure their network connections. He's pretty good. I could use him as a guest techie on my radio show.

There are a dozen other Laptop Lanes that have opened across the country, including Detroit. I found this one from a

catchy sign in the hallway. "Peace, quiet and a T1 Line," it promised. Looking at all the angry people waiting at the gate for a plane that won't leave for four hours yet, I shuffled in, handed Tony my Amex card and, for about \$2 for every five minutes, am comfortably ensconced in my quiet little cubicle.

It will cost me close to \$25 bucks for an hour.

I'd blow that much on dinner at the airport restaurant down the terminal hallway. I decided to settle for the peace, quiet and T1. I'll eat peanuts on the plane. And write this column.

But maybe it was meant to be. This is a pretty nifty discovery. Laptop Lane. I like it.

Meanwhile, here's what's been happening on the Net this week.

### Goofing off

A new study says workers are stealing company time to surf the Web for fun, checking stock prices, porno sites and passing along company secrets to outsiders by e-mail.

In addition, nearly one out of five respondents received at least one potentially offensive e-mail per month from a co-worker. One in three corporate workers said they spend 25 minutes or more each day using the Internet for personal reasons.

Much of that time is spent shopping, with the most popular destination sites for vacations

and vehicles. Employees report worse behavior among their colleagues. Nearly one in 10 respondents say they have seen co-workers accessing adult sites, while nearly one-third say they have seen co-workers job hunting on the Internet.

The result? An increasing number of companies are limiting employee e-mail and instituting sophisticated eavesdropping and surveillance policies to monitor just what it is workers are doing when they log on to the Net. The survey of 600 users from different corporations was commissioned by Etron Software, which makes e-mail filtering software.

### AOL tactics

America Online may be the world's biggest commercial online service but there's a lot of people who think its turning into the Net's biggest bully, too. The latest flap stems from tricky programming tactics in the latest version of AOL's software that makes it all but impossible for users to access rival Internet Service Providers (ISPs).

A suit filed earlier this month charges that it's an attempt "to eliminate competition in the Internet Service Provider Market" by preempting the existing dial-up settings of other ISPs' customers. There "is no legitimate business justification" for such action, says the suit, which

is being supported by a half-dozen ISPs around the country.

And that's just the latest complaint about Version 5 of the AOL software. Other class action suits have been filed accusing AOL of making it intentionally difficult to uninstall its software and having adverse effects on other Internet programs installed on the hard drives of AOL subscribers. AOL claims it has received few complaints but when problems do occur, it's the fault of the user, not the software.

### Y2K alarmists

Just when you thought it was safe to open your e-mails, the Y2K alarmists have found a new cause: The current turmoil in the financial markets. You'd think they'd be hiding out of embarrassment. But not so.

Now they're using the mailing lists they collected during the height of last year's Y2K worries and telling their former followers to hold on to their freeze-dried food stocks and keep gasoline in the generator because the market crash is going to trigger the mother of all economic depressions.

What's their angle? Greed. They're trying to get people to invest in coins and speculate in gold as a protection against dot-com mania. Toss their spam in the trash. These people have no credibility.

That's it from Laptop Lane. Till next week... 73.

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Answer the following questions based on the last 2 weeks or more.

YES	NO	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. I feel sad, unhappy, self critical
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. I feel tired and have little energy
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. I have trouble sleeping or eating (either too much or too little)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. I don't enjoy activities that I used to
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. I feel uneasy, restless, irritable or guilty
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. I have trouble concentrating, remembering things or making decisions

If you answered "yes" to 3 or more statements, you may be suffering from depression, a serious condition affecting millions of Americans. The Institute for Health Studies is currently looking for individuals experiencing the above symptoms to participate in a research study of investigational medication for depression. If you are selected, all research related care and study medication are provided at no cost. Get answers and information about depression.

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**ERECTILE DYSFUNCTION**  
Free outreach program on "erectile dysfunction" (impotence) presented by Dr. John Frederick Harb 7 p.m., St. Mary Hospital, Marion Professional Bldg., 14555 Levan Rd., Livonia. Call (734) 462-5858.

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Topics will cover the latest technology and remarkable success by top immunologists for immune system disorders such as cancer, HIV/AIDS, arthritis, chronic fatigue, lupus, and more. Free. 7 p.m. Comfort Inn, 2455 Carpenter Road, Ann Arbor.

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