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—Fay K. Farmington Hills

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Sanders resigns amid charges



Celestine Sanders, former Adams Middle School principal, was arraigned Wednesday on charges including embezzlement from school accounts. She has agreed to repay the district, according to the school superintendent.

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Adams Middle School Principal Celestine Sanders, charged Wednesday with embezzling school money, has resigned her \$88,000-a-year position and pledged to repay \$8,000, officials said.

"She has agreed to make restitution to the school district," Wayne-Westland

Superintendent Greg Baracy said Wednesday.

Even so, defense attorney Elbert Hatchett portrayed Sanders as being innocent of 13 criminal charges stemming from allegations that she took money from student fund-raisers and other internal school accounts.

Hatchett, standing beside Sanders outside a courtroom Wednesday morning, described her as "not culpable" and

said charges against her lack integrity.

Sanders, 52, declined to comment on the embezzling charges that could land her in prison. She also chose not to issue a statement to her former 900 students.

"She has nothing to say to anyone at this time," Hatchett said.

Sanders, a 30-year district employee and popular seven-year principal, is accused of embezzling thousands of dollars between Jan. 8, 1998, and early this month.

The allegations have shocked students, parents and educators at a school known for innovative programs and recent improvements in student

achievement test scores.

Sanders, a Wayne resident, voluntarily surrendered to police Wednesday morning, shortly before she was arraigned by Livonia District Judge Kathleen McCann. Sanders is charged with 10 felony counts of embezzlement over \$50 by a public official; two felony charges of embezzlement over \$1,000 by an agent or trustee; and one misdemeanor charge of embezzlement over \$200 by an agent or trustee.

She was allowed to remain free Wednesday on a \$5,000 personal bond, but she has been ordered to return to court June 13 for a preliminary hear-

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Let's go shopping



A bargain: Marjorie Dinkins (left) buys a dog from Bob and Diane Hannenber at the annual Westland Garage Sale at City Hall Saturday. "I think I'll call him Buddy," she said. For more on the city event, please see A3.

STAFF PHOTO BY MATTHEW TAPLINGER

Teens: We need a place to go

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Area teens attending a Westland forum on "rave" parties - plagued by drugs and held in abandoned warehouses - are hopeful that the city will sponsor alternative dance events.

Some teens want to remove drugs, occasional violence and other negative influences from "techno" music raves - typically hidden from authorities in Detroit warehouses and advertised by

word of mouth.

"We want to get away from the drugs and the negative influences in the scene," Wesley "Wes Nesman" Henderson, 17, said. "We see a very positive culture inside this scene. We see a culture that has a lot of potential in the aspects of dance, art and creativity."

"Every generation has a different culture of dance scene," Henderson, a Trenton teen, added. "We see a culture that's being held down because it's being stuck in the middle of Detroit in

dirty warehouses surrounded by drugs and bad influences."

Henderson was among an estimated 75 people who attended Monday's forum, sponsored at the Bailey Recreation Center by a group of parents loosely organized under the name Alternative Productions.

Teens asked attending city officials from Westland and Farmington Hills to consider sponsoring dance events as

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Road upgrade mullied

BY TRACEY BIRKENHAUER
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Massive development has caused mammoth traffic tie-ups on southbound I-275 onto the Ford Road exit, used by many Westland residents.

The Michigan Department of Transportation will hire a consultant to examine the problems into the primary freeway access point into Canton. The expert will review the area and interchange to devise an improvement plan.

"Our goal is to relieve the congestion you get on the southbound ramp for maximum usage for peak travel time," said Mark Chaput, MDOT's Taylor Transportation Service Center manager. "This should be a relief for motorists and improve the safety on 275."

Improvements may include widening the exit and/or lengthening the lanes farther north.

The Wayne County Traffic and Safety Department has timed traffic lights in the area to keep traffic moving, but MDOT recognizes that's not enough.

Julie Skubik of Plymouth avoids the area during rush hour.

"I would never go there," she said. "I don't drive during rush hour and I certainly avoid Ford Road."

Kirk Urbanowicz, manager of the Canton Bob Evans restaurant just off the exit, said business would likely improve if the traffic problem was fixed.

"If it's done properly, it could really help," he said. "From three o'clock on, that exit is congested all the way up 275."

The project consultant should be hired by summer.

"If there's a low-cost fix with large benefits to relieve congestion, we could implement it as soon as 2001," Chaput said. "But I wouldn't commit to that."

The plan is in response to driver complaints as well as correspondence from Canton Township asking for a new interchange.

"This is nothing new," said Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack. "We started talking 12 years ago. We need more exits, but we know it's not going to happen."

Another problem, Yack noted, is

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Bailey pool's beckoning

It's a sure sign that summer is near.

The city's Bailey Center outdoor pool will open Friday in time for the Memorial Day holiday.

The heated pool will be open daily from noon to 3:30 p.m. and 4:30-7:30 p.m., although hours will be extended after local schools turn out for summer.

The pool includes a water slide, a baby pool and specials such as birthday packages: \$7 per person includes admission, pizza, pop, a T-shirt for the birthday person, games and a take-home "goody bag."

One-hour swimming lessons will be offered in two-week sessions. Call 722-7620 between 9 a.m. and noon Monday through Friday.

The pool features a teen night/middle school



Kids at the pool

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Local pizzeria reports robbery

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A knife-wielding woman Sunday robbed a pizzeria on Westland's northeast side, escaping with an undisclosed amount of money, police said.

No one was injured during the holdup that occurred at 10:35 p.m. at Antonio's, 8035 N. Middlebelt near Ann Arbor Trail.

The lone bandit revealed what a 29-year-old pizzeria worker

described as a 7-inch knife after she walked behind a sales counter area, police said.

The woman earlier had asked to use a telephone.

Wielding her knife, the woman ordered the male worker to turn over money from the cash register, and he obeyed.

"She directed him to the rear area of the building, putting him in the food locker before fleeing," a police report said.

food locker for about 20 seconds, then exited and phoned the police."

No arrest had been made early this week, Westland police Lt. Marc Stobbe said.

An employee of a nearby Shell gas station told police that a woman, believed to be the pizza-ria bandit, came inside the station to use a bathroom, then left without incident.

The suspect was described as a 5-foot-6, heavyset black woman,

18 to 23 years old. She reportedly wore a green sweat shirt with a hood pulled over her head, exposing only her face.

Anyone who has information about the incident is encouraged to call the Westland Police Department at (734) 722-9600 or, during daytime work hours, (734) 721-6311.

Anonymous tips also may be made to Crime Stoppers of Michigan at (800) 831-3111.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Honor roll students have been named for Wayne-Westland high schools. They are:

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High-profile arrest in city

BY DARRELL CLEM
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A 50-year-old Whitmore Lake man expected to meet a 14-year-old girl for sex in Westland after he supposedly chatted with her on the Internet, authorities said. The suspect didn't realize until he was arrested Friday that undercover Wayne County deputies had posed as the girl, Sheriff Robert Ficano said. "He wanted to meet her at this McDonald's in Westland, at Merriman and Michigan Avenue, where he was going to pick up what he thought was a 14-year-

old girl," Ficano said. "We put up a (computer) profile of being 14 years old, and this man entered the discussion," the sheriff said. The suspect was supposed to meet a teenager who planned to tell her parents that she would be baby-sitting, Ficano said. "Our deputies arrested him on the spot," the sheriff said. The suspect, who piloted a medical helicopter for University of Michigan Medical Center, faces a June 1 court hearing for soliciting a minor and illegal soliciting over the Internet,

Ficano said. The defendant, jailed on a \$35,000 cash bond, could face 15 years in prison if convicted. He has pleaded not guilty. Ficano said his department has now arrested 19 people for soliciting sex with minors over the Internet. The sheriff offered advice to parents. "Have the computer in a central location in the house, and talk with your children," he said. "If they get e-mail that makes them feel uncomfortable, have them tell you about it."



Like a pro: Sydney Cooley, 7, makes a sale Saturday at the Westland Garage Sale as her mother, Melissa Hertz, (far left) helps out. STAFF PHOTOS BY MATTHEW TAPLINGER

Officer escapes serious injury

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A Westland police officer trying to impound an abandoned car encountered an angry owner who dragged him with a pickup truck, barricaded himself inside a house and threatened the officer with what appeared to be a high-powered rifle, police said. Fearing for his life, Officer Steve Ewing fired his own gun and, without shooting the suspect, knocked the weapon out of his hand, police said. Officers then arrested the 28-year-old man, ending a tense situation that erupted at 10:25 a.m. May 16 on Manistee, a residential street southeast of Venoy and Palmer. The suspect's weapon was revealed as an air pellet/BB gun that had been modified so that its muzzle looked like a .30-caliber rifle, police said. "This was 100 percent meant to look like a real gun," Westland police Lt. Marc Stobbe said.

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Ewing, other officers and the suspect escaped serious injury during the incident that occurred when Ewing tried to impound an abandoned 1981 Oldsmobile on Manistee. The suspect started arguing with Ewing and then tried to block access to the Oldsmobile with a pickup truck, police said. Ewing reached inside the truck to try to unlock the door and pull out the suspect, but the driver accelerated and drove off. "Ewing's arm was inside the vehicle, and he held on for fear of being run over by the rear tires," a police report said. "He yelled at (the driver) to stop but to no avail. The defendant drove away at a high rate of speed, dragging Ewing along. "Ewing finally fell from the vehicle, landing on the grass of a front yard and narrowly missing a utility pole," the report said.

The suspect then barricaded himself inside his Manistee residence, locking the doors and propping bicycles and chairs against them, police said. However, an officer using a battering ram was able to knock open the back door. Inside the house, the suspect is accused of pointing his weapon at Ewing and warning him not to move. But a police report said Ewing reached for his own weapon, fired two rounds and knocked the gun out of the suspect's hands. Under orders from police, the suspect then walked out the back door and surrendered. The suspect, jailed on a \$50,000 cash bond, faces a June 1 court hearing that will determine whether he should stand trial for two counts of felonious assault; resisting arrest and obstructing police; and reckless driving. The suspect, who has pleaded not guilty, could face four years in prison if convicted as charged.

Sale delights bargain hunters

Bargains aplenty were found last Saturday in the City Hall parking lot in Westland. "We don't have all the figures in yet," said Ronalee Bowman, Westland Youth Assistance director, adding there are expenses. She estimated the amount of money raised at \$1,900 to \$2,000. Half the revenue will go to Youth Assistance for recreational programs such as canoeing and Cedar Point trips. The balance will go to Westland Therapeutic Recreation of Westland Parks and Recreation. The ongoing sale is held twice a year, with the next one set for Saturday, Sept. 23. Organizers thought Saturday's event went

well. "We were very pleased," Bowman said, adding sellers were pleased, too. The Westland Explorers were

a big help with the garage sale. "They gave us big support." Bowman found some bargains. "I got a nice table and chairs for my son's new house."



Golfers: John and Beverly Handelman inspect a set of golf clubs while Tammy Koski of Twice The Fun Golf in Canton assists them.

Senior is recognized

Gerald "Jerry" Keyandwy has been chosen Senior of the Month for May at the Westland senior citizen Friendship Center. Keyandwy helps out with the center's free bread program, drives seniors on day trips, chairs the billiards room and co-chairs the billiards league competition. He also has been a hospital volunteer for 11 years. Keyandwy met his wife, Shirley, in the billiards room of

the Friendship Center. They married in June 1999 and attend St. Michael's Lutheran Church. Keyandwy, a British Columbia native, is a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. He retired from Sears in 1986. He has five children and 14 grandchildren. Keyandwy has been awarded a lifetime membership at the Friendship Center for his contribution to the lives of seniors.

Gala on tap June 22

A retirement party/dinner is scheduled for Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek, former senior citizen resources director, at 6 p.m. Thursday, June 22, at Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 N. Merriman, Westland.

Tickets are \$50 per person and may be purchased at the senior Friendship Center, Westland's 18th District Court and Mayor Robert Thomas' office at City Hall. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Young talent shown

Three fifth-grade students from Elliott Elementary School in Westland wrote, directed and performed in an original play titled "Friends To End Segregation." Nicole Bouren, Renee Crosby and Elise Motley are all in the same class. Their play was about two girls who met in the summer during the time of segregation. The girls, of different races, wanted to continue their friend-

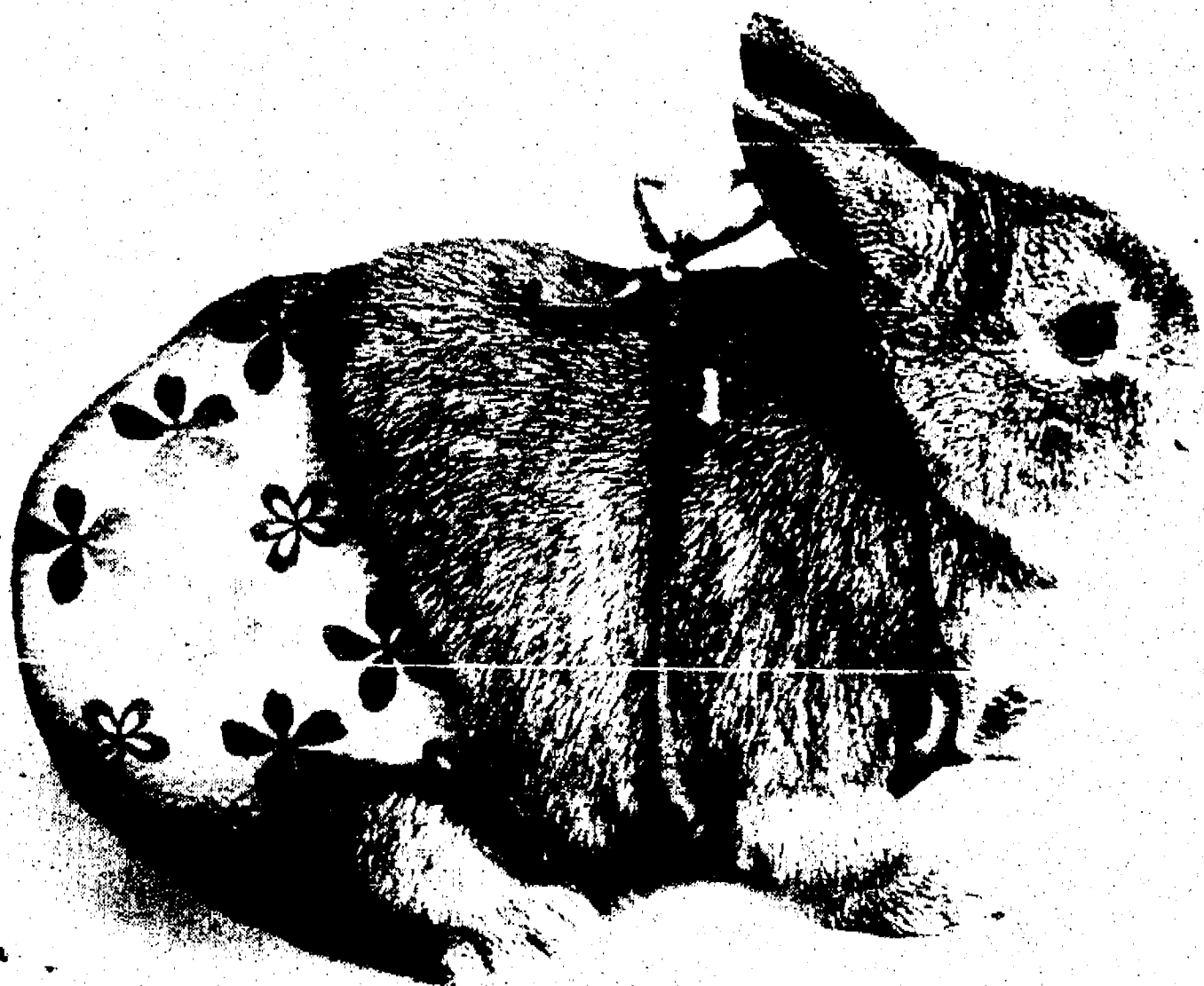
ship when they went back to school, but could not. The mother of one of the girls refused to let them see each other. For 35 years, the two friends continued to visit each other secretly. Throughout segregation and to this day, they remained friends. Elliott Principal Johnnye Summerville said the story was well thought out and performed very intelligently.

Learning continues at schoolhouse in Westland

Summer school? Those two little words are powerful motivators. The thought of someone going to school while friends enjoy summer vacation has caused many a student to work at least hard enough to ensure a passing grade in every subject. The summer school to which you're invited is the Perrinsville One-Room Schoolhouse, located at the corner of Warren and Cowan roads. Here you can step back in time and see a circa 1890 school. The school was built in 1858 and served the community as a school until 1937. Here, students in first through eighth grades were taught reading, writing and arithmetic. In 1937, Henry Ford had a new schoolhouse built near Nankin Mills and the Per-

rinsville School was closed. From 1948 to 1966, the school was used as a Bible church. After that, the school fell into disrepair. The city of Westland acquired the school in 1990. After much hard work, the schoolhouse has been restored to its 1890s appearance. It once again serves the community as grade school classes spend a day inside its walls, experiencing what it was like going to school in the late 19th century. From June through October, the Perrinsville One-Room Schoolhouse will be open to the public on the last Sunday of the month. Hours will be 1-4 p.m. For information, call the Westland Historical Museum, (734) 326-1110.

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Mercury spill closes Franklin

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
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Franklin High students and staff received an unexpected two-day break after a student spilled mercury in two classrooms Monday, which shut down the school.

While dealing with cleanup, police were trying to determine if the act was deliberate and what charges could result. The student involved has been suspended from school.

The student spilled approximately two ounces - about the size of a nickel - in two areas. School officials closed Franklin High Tuesday and Wednesday while cleanup took place.

Mercury poisoning - through inhaling its fumes or directly ingesting the liquid - can lead to nausea, headaches and vomiting. People exposed to high levels can sustain brain and kidney damage.

District officials were notified about the incident at 1:45 p.m. Franklin High lets out around 2:10 p.m., so there was no immediate evacuation, according to David Watson, Livonia Public Schools operations director. Monday evening events were canceled.

An environmental firm, Inland Waters, tested hallways, cafeterias, ventilation and tunnels for any traces of the toxic substance commonly used in thermometers and barometers.

"The building, for the most part, is clean," Watson said. "They found traces in a hallway directly outside the particular science room ... and in the rooms themselves."

"We will not do anything until we get 100 percent clearance."

Police interviewed the student believed to be involved in the incident.

The 17-year-old male, whose name is not being released, is a laboratory assistant and was authorized to be in a storeroom where sources of the potential toxin were being kept.

During third hour, he used two long pieces of plastic tubing to extract the mercury and told investigators he then dumped them on tables in an art room and photo lab a couple of hours later. He also reportedly flung one tube against a wall in the photo shop.

Livonia police later learned of a report that he tried to spray two female students with the metallic substance, Lt. Ben McDermott said.

One female student confirmed the incident to investigators. Police were trying to contact the second student that afternoon.

"He said he was fooling around and didn't intend to hurt anybody," McDermott said. "He denies he did it because he wanted to close the school down or as any type of threat."

Police contacted a number of agencies, including the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and state Attorney General on possible charges. Such an act could result in charges from knowingly releasing hazardous materials and felonious assault to malicious destruction of property, McDermott said.

Officials decided to close school after the environmental firm could not finish their work Tuesday night, Watson said.

The environmental firm detected mercury readings of 5.2 - 7.1 milligrams per square foot in the rooms where the substance was spilled. Readings of 3.0 or below are considered low and non-detectable.

To clean up mercury, a chemical is used to bond and trap the element. The area is then vacuumed and cleaned before another reading is taken.

Another independent firm was to check for any traces of mercury before the school would be re-opened, Watson said.

MARIA GAFRANEK

Services and burial for Maria Gafranek, 91, of Westland were May 20 in Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock. Officiating was the Rev. Thomas Villerot.

She was born Nov. 8, 1908, in Austria-Hungary and died May 17 in Barbourville, Ky.

Surviving are her daughter-in-law, Gloria Gafranek of Kentucky; two grandchildren, Josef Gafranek Jr. and Debra Jo Davis of Kentucky.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

ELEANOR D. BLOSSOM

Services for Eleanor Blossom, 92, of Westland were May 22 in Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with burial at Oakland Hills Memorial Park. Officiating was the Rev. Drex Morton.

Mrs. Blossom was born Oct. 6, 1907, in Hamtramck and died May 20 in Wayne. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her son, David (Becky) T. Blossom of Canton; two grandsons, Christopher Blossom and Stephen Blossom, and granddaughter, Monica Blossom.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Detroit Rescue Mission or charity of choice.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

VIOLA F. DUTHOO

Services for Viola Duthoo, 92, of Westland were May 23 in

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Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, with burial at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock. Officiating was the Rev. Roy Forsyth.

Mrs. Duthoo was born Dec. 18, 1907, in Wapakoneta, Ohio, and died May 20 in Westland. She came to Canton Township when she was 4 years old and remained a Canton resident until 1990.

She attended Kinyon and Hanford one-room schools and graduated from Plymouth High School in 1927. She was a homemaker. She enjoyed quilting, latch-hook rug making, card playing and crossword puzzles. She was a member of the Canton Pioneer Senior Citizens, a past member of the Wayne County Farm Bureau and Extension Clubs.

Surviving are her daughter, Marie Gentz of Canton; one brother, Clifford Wilkin of Westland; two grandsons, Raymond Gentz of Ann Arbor and Steven Gentz of Ypsilanti.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Marcel Duthoo.

Memorials may be made to the Westland Convalescent Center, Eden Project, 36137 W. Warren, Westland, MI 48185.

Arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

MARK F. JARVIS

Services for Mark Jarvis, 46, of Westland were May 24 in Garden City Presbyterian Church, Garden City with burial at

Mount Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Christopher Harris.

Mr. Jarvis was born Oct. 8, 1953, in Garden City and died May 20 in Ann Arbor. He was a truck driver.

Surviving are his wife, Laura Jarvis of Westland; daughter, Rebecca Jarvis; son, Jason Jarvis; parents, Bernard and Lowanda Jarvis; one brother, Bernard Jarvis Jr.; two sisters, Michele Tannis and Andrea West; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Detroit VA Hospital Activities Fund.

Arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Sons Funeral Home.

TAMERA M. FOGG

Services for Tamera Fogg, 41, of Westland were May 23 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Robert McDonald.

She was born July 28, 1958, and died May 18 at home. She was a machine technician.

Surviving are her parents, John and Nan; sister, Linda (Gerry) Kenger; grandmother, Rebecca Pilon; nephews, Justin Kenger and John Kenger and several aunts and uncles. Grandfather Merlin Pilon and grandmother Mary Massine preceded her in death.

Arrangements were made by Uht Funeral Home.

Hopefuls speak

The Livonia PTA Council candidate forum of the four hopefuls for two seats on the Livonia school board will be airing in Westland on MediaOne Cable Channel 19 or Americast Cable Channel 15, the schools' channels.

In Westland, it will be shown at the following times and dates:

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WESTLAND CITY COUNCIL
SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
MTG NO 10-5/15/2000

Presiding: Council President Griffin
Present: Anderson, Cicirelli, James, LeBlanc, Scott
Absent: Cox

137: Approved: minutes of regular mtg held 5/1/2000
Adopted budget Amendment 2000-17: Increase in insurance premiums for retiree health care, amt \$150,000.00
Adopted Budget Amendment 2000-18: Michigan Department of Natural Resources project agreement for revitalization of Central City Park, amt \$63,000.00
Introduced Budget Amendment 2000-19: Replacement of Heating/Cooling and Electrical Service amt \$362,000.00
Adopted Resolution #2 setting public hearing for 6/19/2000 on necessity of paving Parent St.
Approved bid - Digital Playback System for Cable Dept. to Adtec, Inc for total bid price, \$27,900
Approved bid - Construction of Fire Station 5 to EGH Contractor, Inc for total bid price, \$895,991
Approved bids - Court Renovation Project - Bid Package 2nd Award for total bid price \$1,125,206.07
Approved redemption of city-owned properties
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Adopted lot split resolution splitting Outlot Sal, Norwayne Subdivision #6, S side of Palmer, W of Venoy
Adopted lot split resolution splitting Lots #60, 61 & 62, Wayne Road Subdivision, S side of Palmer, W of Wayne
138: Approved vacating & abandoning 20' wide alley adjacent to Lots 147-153 & 154 of Re-Subdivision of Dearman Park, E of Cavell, N of Warren
139: Approved vacating, abandoning & terminating 1' x 40' portion of utility easement at rear of 8344 Hugh, E side of Hugh, W of Middlebelt, S of Joy
142: Approved Clerk Consultant contract with Section 5 (3) to read as follows: "The Consultant shall provide such related services as requested by City Clerk with approval of the President of the City Council
143: Closed nominations to the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals for 3 yr terms
144: Granted Site Plan Approval for Proposed Multi-Tenant Commercial Building, Lots #612-616 Supervisor's Nankin Plat #16, N side of Van Born, E of Middlebelt with contingency
145: Granted request from C Kimbrough to rezone from Single Family Residential to Planned Unit Development for Proposed Senior Housing Facility, Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 29425 Annapolis
146: Granted request from D James to split lots #177-180 of Wayne Road Subdivision, S of Palmer, W of Wayne, located at northwest corner of Booth & Crown with contingency
147 & 148: Introduced, waived procedure & adopted Final Draft of HUD Mandated One Yr Consolidated Plan Action Plan for Fiscal 2000/2001: Yr XXVI Community Development Block Grant & Home Program Budgets (7/1/2000-6/30/2001)
149: Appointed G Anderson as Delegate to Michigan Municipal League Annual conference to be held at Mackinac Island from 9/27/00-9/30/00
150: Appointed S Cicirelli as Alternate Delegate to Michigan Municipal League Annual Conference to be held at Mackinac Island from 9/27/00-9/30/00
151: Approved check List #619,252.43 & Prepaid \$8,362,721.55
Mtg adjourned at 11:35 pm
Minutes available in City Clerk's Office

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***SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES**
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
April 17, 2000

*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of April 17, 2000, the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Timmons convened the meeting at 7:03 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Kirsten Gaika, Frank Kokenakes, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons. Absent: Daniel Lessard.

Golden Apple Award: Trustee Dianne Nay presented Golden Apple Award to Lillian Gisser, ESL volunteer (CES), for her 20 years in the adult English as a Second Language program.

Qian Zhang Commended: Trustee Patrick Nalley presented a resolution commending Qian Zhang on attaining first place in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition for the second consecutive year.

The Board unanimously passed a resolution commending Qian Zhang on attaining first place in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition.

Recess: President Timmons recessed the meeting at 7:15 p.m. to congratulate the award recipients and reconvened the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Audience Communications: John Stewart, 14956 Maplewood, addressed the Board regarding his candidacy for State Representative and stated that he is a big proponent of public education. Glen Walthall, 34721 Bridge, addressed the Board regarding the PE program and the body composition testing. He would like the testing eliminated from the PE program. Kellie Hallaron, 16134 Riverside, addressed the Board saying that she was a parent and a registered dietician. She would like to see the body fat analysis kept out of the schools. She is concerned that it might turn students toward eating disorders. Brian Olech, 34710 Bristol, spoke to the Board regarding the permission slip for the body fat analysis. He would like to completely eliminate the body fat analysis program. Paul Derwich, spoke to the issue of the body fat analysis program. He stated that the program is being reviewed by our health care providers and results will be presented shortly. The program has been modified and a number of procedural changes have been incorporated. Trustee Nalley asked that this item be put on the next Board Committee agenda for review. Dr. Watson stated that he would like to wait for the results from our health providers and then put it on a committee agenda for further review.

Kevin Whitehead, 35656 Minton, addressed the Board regarding the millage. He thanked the voters who supported all three proposals and thanked the Board for having the courage to put all three proposals on the ballot and thanked the Say Yes to Schools Committee for their support.

Mr. Timmons asked that the record show that Mr. Whitehead be amended to include Item VI F in the Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Ms. Gaika and supported by Ms. Nay that Item VI F be included in the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Gaika and Nay that the Board approve the following consent agenda items as recommended by the superintendent. IV, Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of April 3, 2000. VIA Move that general fund check nos 334080 through 335089 in the amount of \$2,206,728.45 be approved for payment. Also, move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,796,541.63 be approved. VLB Move that the Board approve the issuing of contracts to fill the low bidders Six-K Construction Co., and RK Sports Seating, for the replacements and renovation of bleachers at Churchill, Franklin and Stevenson. VLC Move that the Board approve the issuing of a boiler at Bryant, Clay, Dickinson Center, two maintenance buildings, and Wilson Food Center in the amount of \$598,280. VLD Move that the Board approve the purchase of paper from the low bidder, Unisocon Company of Rochester and Livonia, for a total purchase price of \$296,750.80. VLE Move that the Board approve the following resolution in regard to Schools of Choice in which the Livonia Public Schools School District has determined NOT to implement schools of choice for the 2000-01 school year. IKA Move that the Board adopt a legal resolution establishing the ballot language for the election of candidates to fill two positions on the Board of Education. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Presentation-High School Athletic Program: Marc Hage, athletic administrator at Churchill High School, provided a video presentation of the athletic program in the high schools which included a general overview, sports offerings, focus on sportsmanship, and program successes.

Teachers for Approval: Motion by Kokenakes and Nalley that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 2000-01 school year to: David Hebestreit, Barbara Jones, and John

Strzempka. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

30-Year Resolution: The Board unanimously accepted the proposed resolution of appreciation for 30 years of full-time service with the district for Carolyn Norris-Deyell.

Appointment of Executive Director of Human Resources: Motion by Morgan and Nay that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and appoint Paul Derwich to the position of executive director of human resources beginning July 1, 2000. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Appointment of Direct of Elementary Instruction: Motion by Kokenakes and Gaika that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and employ Sheila Alles for the position of director of elementary instruction beginning July 1, 2000. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Appointment of Director of Finance: Motion by Morgan and Kokenakes that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and employ Teresa Zigman for the position of director of finance beginning July 1, 2000. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Appointment of Western Wayne Skill Center Principal: Motion by Nay and Gaika that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and appoint Alphonse Di Paolo to the position of principal of the Western Wayne Skill Center effective August 14, 2000. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Appointment of Middle School Asst. Principals: Motion by Timmons and Gaika that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and appoint Eric Stromberg as a middle school assistant principal beginning August 14, 2000. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Appointment of High School Athletic Administrator: Motion by Morgan and Nay that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and appoint Lorraine Hyman as high school athletic administrator beginning August 14, 2000. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Recess: President Timmons recessed the meeting at 8:45 p.m. to congratulate the newly appointed administrators and reconvened the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Leaves: Motion by Gaika and Kokenakes that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and approve the requests for leaves of absence for: Teri Alati, child care leave; Susan Stearns, personal leave, and Dana Zambek, personal leave for the 2000-01 school year. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Retirements: The Board unanimously adopted a resolution of appreciation for the services rendered by Audrey Churchill and Mary Ivers.

Resignation: The Board accepted the resignation for Janice Guice, effective 6/16/00.

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Watson explained election law at the request of a board member, congratulated the CHS AFJROTC unit for an Outstanding rating for their Unit Assessment inspection; acknowledged state winners from Livonia Public Schools in the PTA Reflections Contest: Michelle Ellison (Frost), Marcy Rowell (Holmes), Rachel Feathers (SHS), Jack Kovsky (Taylor), Eric Grunkemeyer (Webster), Gail Grunkemeyer (Holmes), Katherine Lee (Taylor), Christine Bilger (Webster), Alicia Ayyash (Tyler), Malory Fox (Case), Brett Wheat (Randolph), Tessa Tarole (SHS); and, thanked all those people who worked on behalf of the school district for the recent millage election and for all those who voted for the proposal.

Hearing from Board Members: The Board discussed the Galileo Walk with eight of our teachers who worked on professional and leadership skills; the CHS play *Once Upon a Mattress*; thanked the voters again for passing all three proposals; thanked those that addressed the Board regarding the body fat analysis in our PE program; congratulated all of the new administrators, attended the Michigan PTA Convention in Battle Creek, visited schools, attended the AFJROTC Military Ball at Franklin; congratulated the Golden Apple Award recipient and Qian Zhang and congratulated Mr. Frayer upon his retirement.

Adjournment: Motion by Morgan and Nay that the regular meeting of April 17, 2000 by adjourned. Ayes: Gaika, Kokenakes, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

President Timmons adjourned the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

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Student is lauded

A Wayne Memorial High School student attending the William D. Ford Career/Technical Center has earned the right to compete in the state finals of the seventh annual Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills National Quality Care Challenge.

The student, Howard L. Frazier, competed on a two-student team with Jonathan Smith of Cabrini High School in Allen Park on May 4 at Macomb Community College. In this automotive technology competition, the teams competed to correctly diagnose and fix identically "bugged" 2000 Ford Tauruses.

The purpose of the contest is to encourage young people to choose careers as motor vehicle technicians. Certified auto technicians can earn \$35,000 to \$75,000 annually, according to a Wayne-Westland School District press release.

More than 6,000 high school seniors are competing for more than \$9 million in prizes and scholarships in the 2000 Ford/AAA program.

Participating high school automotive instructors each select up to eight senior student auto technicians to take a 50-question written exam. The combined score of the two highest-scoring students from each school is used to determine the winner of the written competition. The top teams from the written exam advance to the state finals.

The final winner will represent Michigan at the national finals on June 19 in Washington, D.C., where the top team will receive scholarship money and prizes valued at more than \$70,000.

Sacrifice recalled

Vietnam Veterans of America No. 387 will honor war dead 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, 34224 Ford. A short ceremony will be held at the veterans section prior to the placing of flags on graves.

Local grade-schoolers to learn from maps, globes

By JULIE BROWN
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Kids in the Wayne-Westland schools will have an easier time learning about their world.

The board of education Monday night unanimously approved spending \$98,838 on maps and globes for elementary school classrooms.

"Our social studies instruction is really taking off at the elementary level," said Cynthia Swift, director of Curriculum

and Staff Development.

During Monday's meeting, the board also approved elementary music curriculum and enhanced elementary science kit leasing. Kits provide hands-on science experiments for students.

Science kits are being used in district elementary schools, Swift said, and educators wish to expand the number of leased kits for all elementary teachers.

"We are really enthusiastic about this program," Swift said, adding the cost is about

\$100,000.

Teachers and administrators serve on district committees to bring about such changes and recommendations, serving in addition to their regular duties.

Board members approved all measures unanimously, with Trustee Ed Turner absent.

In other business, the board recognized Jim and Margaret Harlow of Harlow Tire and David Mainz of Detroit Diesel Corp. with William D. Ford Career/Technical Center

National Vocational-Technical Honor Society Business Partners Awards.

They were recognized for their work with vocational education, and were among many honorees from the career center lauded Monday.

The board also recognized June 2 as School District Paraprofessionals/Teacher Aides/Teacher Assistants Recognition Day.

Financial reporting took kudos Monday, too, with the dis-

trict receiving a certificate of excellence from the Association of School Business Officials International.

A certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting was also given by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada.

Only two Michigan school districts received such recognition, said Superintendent Greg Baracy, adding it's a first for Wayne-Westland.

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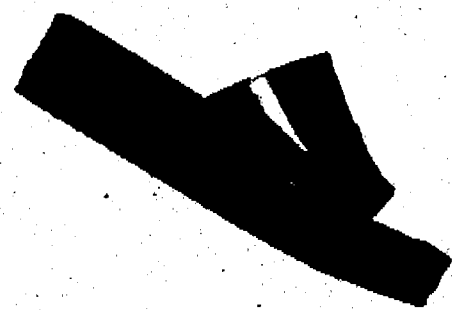


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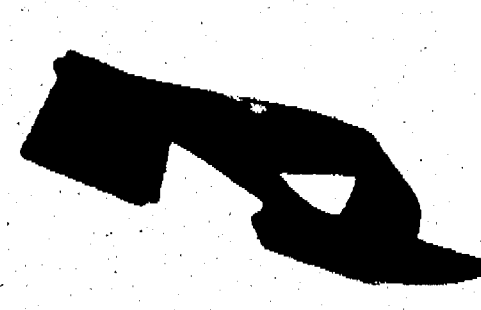
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Teens from page A1

an alternative to raves. "We need to do a lot of research," Westland Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski said.

"It's nothing that I'm going to jump into without more research," he said. Raves are typically attended by people in their late teens and early 20s, and they've become known for loud techno music and illegal drugs such as Ecstasy, the so-called date-rape drug GHB, and nitrous oxide, or laughing gas.

Kosowski said the city has made strides to provide services for teens, such as Bailey Center pool parties. Moreover, he said, in-line skating is planned for Central City Park, and city officials are mulling the possibility of a "skate park" that would even accommodate skateboarding enthusiasts.

'We need to do a lot of research. I'd like to go to one of these raves to learn more about it.' Robert Kosowski -parks and rec director

Trainer to give fitness a boost

Personal trainer Melissa A. Nicholls, who specializes in senior citizen fitness, will lead an orientation for strength training classes at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 6, at the Friendship Cen-

ter, 1119 N. Newburgh. Actual classes will start the following week. Register by calling (734) 722-7632 or sign up at the center's front desk.

Pool from page A1

night on Tuesdays from 8-9:30 p.m.; admission is \$1. The night includes a disc jockey, dancing, pool access and pizza. Each week features a different theme, and prizes are given for best dressed

and best dancer of the week. The pool is supervised by Debbie Lindquist, who has worked there for 27 years. She said the lifeguards "are very well-trained."

Honor from page A2

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ANGELO A. PLAKAS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

THE CITY OF WESTLAND, a Michigan Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. DIAMOND MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a dissolved Michigan Corporation, and COMMERCE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a dissolved Michigan Corporation, and unknown heirs, devisees or assignees, Defendants.

ANGELO A. PLAKAS AND ASSOCIATES, P.C. By: Angelo A. Plakas (P 18934), Mark A. McConnell (P 46434) Attorneys for Plaintiff 36330 Nankin Boulevard, Suite 702 Westland, Michigan 48185 (734) 421-5510

ORDER TO ANSWER BY PUBLICATION WITH MAILING REQUIREMENT EXCUSED At a session of said Court held in the City-County Building, City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State of Michigan ON: April 07, 2000. PRESENT: HON. JUDGE LOUIS F. SIMMONS, JR., CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

On January 13, 2000, an action was filed, against Defendants, Diamond Mortgage Corporation and Commerce Mortgage Corporation, in this Court to quiet title on a parcel of real property located in the City of Westland described as:

Lot 154, Carver Sub. No. 2, R9E, Liber 70, Page 79 of Plate, Wayne County Records Commonly known as 29014 Powers Tax ID# 56-083-03-0154-000

The Plaintiff acquired title to these properties by virtue of the tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources to the City of Westland. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff believes that the Defendants, Diamond Mortgage Corporation and Commerce Mortgage Corporation, at one time claimed or may have claimed an interest in these properties which, by virtue of the tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan to the City of Westland has expired. The purpose of this action is to declare that the Plaintiff, the City of Westland, is the fee simple owner of said properties and that any interest the Defendant may have had in said property has expired.

Upon consideration of the Verified Motion of Plaintiff, and the Affidavit in Support thereof, attesting to the fact that Defendants, Diamond Mortgage Corporation and Commerce Mortgage Corporation, in this action cannot be personally served with a Summons and a copy of the Complaint herein because their present whereabouts are unknown, and they have no last known address, and that publication of notice of this action in a newspaper of general circulation is most likely to give notice to these Defendants, and it appearing to this Court that Plaintiff, after diligent inquiry, has been unable to ascertain the Defendants' address either within or without the State of Michigan, and it further appearing that personal service of the Summons and Complaint in this action cannot be made on the Defendants for the above stated reasons, and that publication is the best means available to appraise Defendants of the pendency of this action.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendants, Diamond Mortgage Corporation and Commerce Mortgage Corporation, shall on or before the 13th day of June, 2000, serve an answer on Mark A. McConnell, attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 36330 Nankin Blvd., Suite 702, Westland, Michigan, 48185, or take such other action as may be permitted by law. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against the Defendants for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in The Observer & Eccentric, a newspaper of general circulation hereby designated as most likely to give notice to the Defendants named above. Publication shall occur within the County of Wayne, State of Michigan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within five (5) days from the date of entry on this Order, and that mailing a copy of this Order be dispensed with because Plaintiff cannot, with reasonable diligence, ascertain a place where the Defendants would probably receive this matter transmitted by mail.

JUDGE LOUIS F. SIMMONS, JR. CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE Publish May 25, 2000

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Tuesday, May 30, 2000, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct Public Auctions of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The first auction will begin promptly at 10:00 AM at Westland Service Towing, 37501 Cherry Hill, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

Table with 5 columns: YEAR MAKE, BODY STYLE, COLOR, V.I.N. Includes entries for 1986 CHRYSLER, 1989 FORD, 1988 CHEVY, 1991 FORD, 1988 BUICK, 1984 CHEVY, 1991 FORD, 1986 ISUZU.

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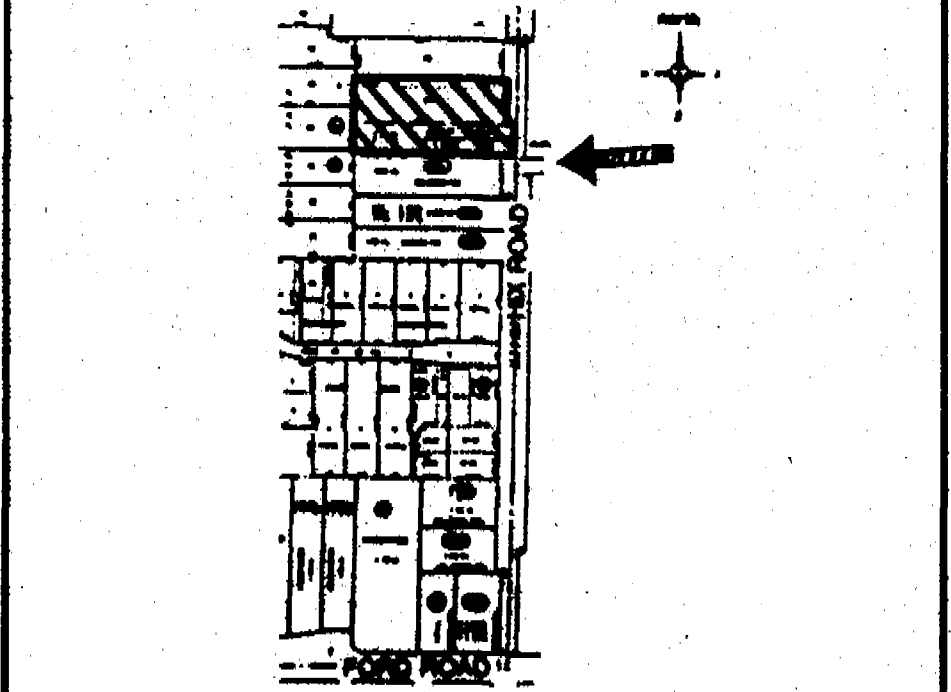
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Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after June 24, 2000 unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time:

Table with 5 columns: YEAR MAKE, BODY STYLE, COLOR, V.I.N. Includes entries for APACHE, POP-UP TRAILER, WHITE, NONE.

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan: Case #1861D, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Addition to Westland Car Care Collision, 6375 N. Hix, Parcels #027-03-0020-000, #019-000, #9-0007-000 and #9-0008-000, West Side of Hix Road, North of Ford Road, Sw-7, Glenn Shaw Jr.



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held in the City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 6, 2000. Written comments may be sent to the Westland Planning Department at 37095 Marquette Avenue, Westland, Michigan 48185

ROBERT C. BOWERS, Chairman Westland Planning Commission Publish May 25, 2000

CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID WAYNE ROAD RESURFACING (GLENWOOD TO CHERRY HILL AND FORD ROAD TO COWEN)

Sealed proposals for the Wayne Road Resurfacing, will be received by the City of Westland at the office of the Purchasing Agent, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, until 10:00 a.m., local time on June 6, 2000, (no exceptions will be made) at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The approximate quantities for major items of work are as follows: Cold Milling 39,000 m2, Conc Pavement Patching 2,600 m2, Bituminous Pavement 23,000 t, Bituminous Pavement Patching 2,100 t.

The project being carried out in conjunction with the Wayne County Department of Public Services, involves the resurfacing of 4.56 km of five lanes of pavement in two locations. Included is concrete base course repair and curb repair. There will be turf restoration behind the curb throughout the project area.

Contract Documents may be examined at the City of Westland Engineering Division Offices, 37095 Marquette Road, Westland, Michigan, 48185; Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc., 34935 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, Michigan 48150; Dailey Construction Reports Plan Room, 40000 Grand River Ave., Suite 404, Novi, Michigan 48375-2147, area office of Dodge Reports, 26330 Telegraph Road, Suite 350, Southfield Michigan 48034, and the Construction Association of Michigan, 1625 S. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302-3204.

Contract Documents may be obtained after 1:00 p.m. on May 23, 2000, at the City of Westland Engineering Division Offices located at 37095 Marquette Road, Westland, Michigan 48185. A non-refundable charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) will be made for each set of Contract Documents.

Each proposal shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked with the name of the bidder and shall be plainly marked on the lower front, left hand corner "Proposal - Wayne Road Resurfacing, Bid Opening June 6, 2000, 10:00 a.m.". Proposals Must be addressed to the City of Westland, Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185-2298 and delivered to the Purchasing agent's office on or before the time specified above. Bidders are responsible for submitting proposals before the stated closing time. Any proposal received after the stated closing time shall not be accepted and no exceptions shall be made.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid and be payable without condition to the City of Westland as a security for acceptance of the Contract. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive informalities, or accept any bid it may deem in the best interest of the City. All bonding companies must be listed in the Department of Treasury's Federal Register of Approved Sureties Listing.

This project, per City of Westland Ordinance Number 240, requires Contractor's and sub contractors to pay employees the prevailing wages and benefits as stated in the most recent survey of the Michigan Department of Labor for prevailing wage determination, under Act 166 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended.

Questions regarding this project should be directed to Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment at (313) 522-8711. J.H.L. B THOMAS, Purchasing Agent City of Westland Publish May 25, 2000

Time to tee up for annual county parks golf classic

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Get your sticks out - it's time for the annual Friends of Wayne County Parks Pro-Am Golf Classic.

The shotgun-start, beat-ball scramble, proceeds from which benefit the county parks system, is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m.

Friday morning, June 9, at Warren Valley Golf Club in Dearborn Heights.

Registration and a continental breakfast begin at 6:30 a.m., with lunch following the competition at noon.

Foursomes will consist of one celebrity/golf professional and three amateurs, according to Larry Fitch, the classic's execu-

tive director.

Tickets are \$100 each. Hole sponsorships are available for \$750 and includes the pro-am foursome.

Warren Valley is located at Warren and Beech Daly Roads.

This year's event organizers, working under the direction of Friends chairwoman Debbie Dingell, hope to raise funds to pur-

chase a couple of new displays for the popular Wayne County LightFest.

The Lightfest is the annual Christmas holiday display in Hines Park.

In past years the Classic, which annually draws about 200 golfers and raises almost \$10,000, has helped the Friends purchase playground equipment for the park, according to Fitch.

The event also "gives us a chance to talk about the parks system and what we're doing and to get support from the community," added Fitch, who's also assistant parks director.

Tourney operations are directed by Ray Glenn, golf professional and manager of Warren Valley. Last year, 16 golf pros from 13 area courses competed in the event.

Also expected to be on hand will be Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara.

The Friends Pro-Am Classic was begun around 1991, before the current parks millage came into existence, Fitch said. That millage is up for renewal Aug. 8.

The Friends have helped the parks system immensely, said Fitch, because there's usually "very little money" in the parks

system budget for purchasing playground equipment or supporting the holiday light show.

Among those on the Friends board of directors are Jerry Snider, government relations director for Ford Motor Co.; Jerry Neyer of NTH Consultants; Hurley Coleman, Wayne County parks director; Ernest Burke, Detroit parks director; George Gillies, deputy mayor of Westland; Mike Gouin, outgoing Canton Township parks and recreation director; and former county airports director Dave Katz.

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Transportation's bulletin board systems and Web sites, how to bid construction projects or become an MDOT prequalified construction contractor or consultant, and how minority- and women-owned firms can become certified to do business with MDOT.

There will be no lengthy formal presentations, but trade-fair type sessions with ample opportunity to interact with buyers from various state and local offices.

The seminar begins at 8:30 a.m. in the McDowell Center. Reservations are necessary, and can be made by calling Claudia Allen in the Michigan Office of Purchasing at 517-373-8139.

Seminar explores bioethics

A forum "Scientific Breakthroughs and Bioethics" will be 7-9 p.m. Thursday, June 1, at Washtenaw Community College Morris Lawrence Bldg. Room 103. The college is at 4800 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor.

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, is hosting the seminar. After the initial presentation by a panel of experts, panelists will be available to take questions from the audience.

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Bankes unopposed for commission; Hunter quits clerk race

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Wayne County Clerk Teola P. Hunter canceled her run for re-election and threw her support behind her protégé, Chief Deputy Clerk Veronica Massey, in the upcoming Democratic primary election.

Hunter, who has held the office since 1991, withdrew Friday, citing continuing health problems resulting from a June 5, 1999, automobile accident in which she was injured.

Because no Republican filed for the primary, that election will determine the next county clerk.

The lone Democrat's withdrawal assured Republican incumbent Lyn Bankes of re-election as 10th District primary for Wayne County commissioner.

Bankes, a Livonian serving her first term as commissioner, had no primary opponent and was to face Democrat Patrick Timothy Sullivan of Livonia in the November general election.

But Sullivan withdrew when he realized he had registered in the wrong district: He lives in the 9th District, the eastern Livonia area represented by Commissioner Kathleen Husk of Redford Township. Husk also is up for re-election.

Sullivan, a first-time candidate, said Tuesday, "I was in



County Clerk Teola Hunter

Bankes' district" when she was a state representative from Livonia and that that had created some confusion.

Bankes understood: "You've got a congressional district number, a senate district number, a county commission district number - you can't blame somebody for being confused." Bankes had represented him for six years in Lansing.

Besides, Bankes said, there's always a drop-off in votes: A lot of people vote for president of the United States, but by the time they get down to county commissioner, many don't vote because

they don't know who represents them.

Bankes said he had expected both a primary and a general election race, but she welcomed the reprieve from personal campaigning. She will, however, host a Republican fund-raiser and "will be very busy electing Republicans."

"It gives me the opportunity to concentrate more on the budget process. Since we're running a deficit this year, it's more important than ever for me to concentrate" on that issue.

A Democratic county commissioner, the 13th District's Susan L. Hubbard of Dearborn, also was assured of re-election by the withdrawal of her lone primary opponent, Abed Hammoud, also Dearborn. No Republican filed.

Sharon Flowers of Detroit withdrew from the six-candidate field in the Democratic primary for 6th District commissioner, a seat held by George Cushingberry Jr., who is seeking re-election.

Opposing him are fellow Detroiters Clifford Woodards II, Alan Bond, Raymond H. Cheeks and Edith Lee-Payne.

Two Democratic primary candidates for prosecuting attorney, Detroiters Daryl Marie Carson and John Patrick Anderson, withdrew from that race.

That reduced the field to five candidates: Michael E. Duggan of Livonia, deputy county execu-

tive; state Sen. Virgil C. Smith of Detroit, who is being term-limited from office; George E. Ward of Plymouth, chief assistant prosecutor to retiring Prosecutor John D. O'Hair; attorney Sharon McPhail of Detroit, who has previously run for Detroit mayor and Wayne County executive; and attorney Jennifer L.M. Colthirst of Detroit, a political unknown.

Ron Cleveland of Detroit was the only Democrat to withdraw from the register of deeds primary, reducing the field to 14 candidates who are seeking to succeed retiring registrar Forest E.

Youngblood.

Among them are Edna Bell, former 8th District County Commissioner; state Rep. Thomas H. Kelly of Wayne, who is term-limited; Jim Netter of Wayne, Western Wayne NAACP chairman; Myron H. Wahls Jr. of Detroit, son of the late state court of appeals judge; and Bernard J. Youngblood of Grosse Pointe Farms, a third cousin to the incumbent.

County Clerk Hunter said Tuesday her physical problems have made it "very difficult to work and I am continuously going from one doctor to another

to correct it."

The withdrawal ends a 20-year career in politics, during which she served 12 years as a state representative.

"I love being a public servant, and the decision (not to run) was something I had to agonize on," said Hunter, whom observers credit with giving her office a classy touch. "My decision was not a welcome decision, but a necessary decision."

In endorsing Massey, she said "Nobody else could do the job. The deputy clerk is responsible for the day-to-day activities of the office."

Man files complaint against clerk

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A complaint by a Redford Township man against County Clerk Teola Hunter is scheduled for a hearing June 13 before Chief Circuit Court Judge Michael F. Sapala.

Sapala said he issued the summons to Hunter to respond to the complaint and "show cause why she should not appear" before him for disciplinary action.

The summons is in response to a writ of mandamus filed by Joseph Ditzhazy of Redford and

is "an order based on a complaint (the writ) which anybody in the world can file," the judge said - a reference to the writ's being part of the U.S. Constitution. "It requires a pleading from the opposite side" in a complaint.

He said Hunter or her office could provide a response "which would indicate there is no reason why they should appear and ask for dismissal."

Sapala said he could not comment further "on a pending case out of fairness to both sides."

Ditzhazy charged that Hunter "has been mis-using state laws

and administratively abusing Michigan citizens" in the issuing of marriage licenses, birth certificates and in "the treatment of indigents regarding Circuit Court filings."

Clerks in her office "have created requirements due to laziness and not" due to "any requirement backed by law," he claimed.

Ditzhazy is chairman of the Reform Party of Wayne County.

Hunter did not respond to a request for comment by the Observer.

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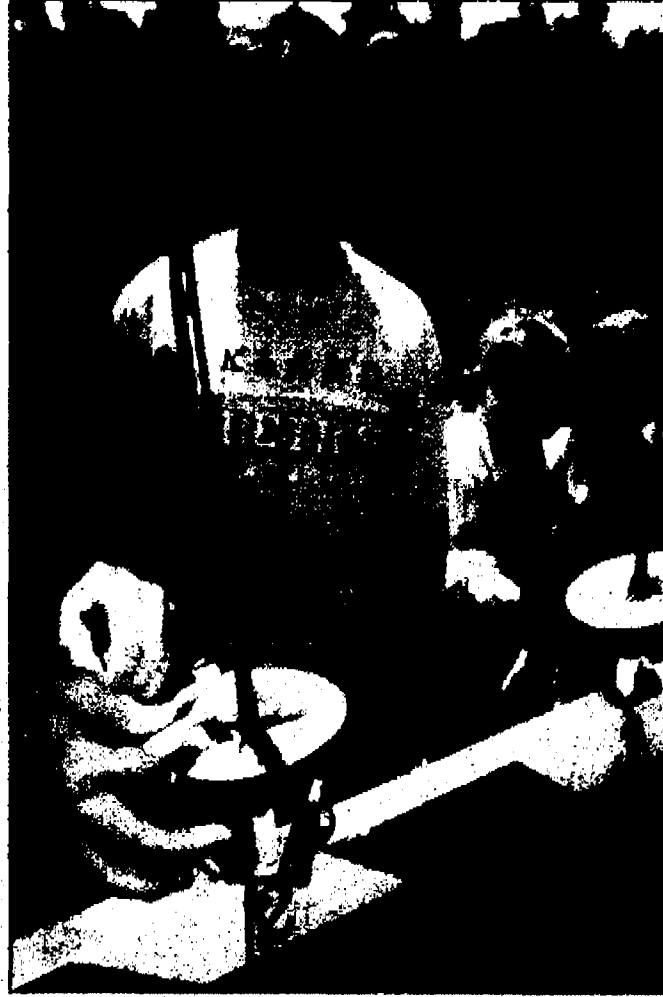
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Doing it right: Justin O'Neill eyeballs his model rocket to make sure it is straight while building it.



Together: Steve Earles and his 13-year-old son, Josh, work on building a rocket.

Youngsters aiming high during Model Rocket Day

Model Rocket Day soared into the sunny Westland skies.

The Westland Parks and Recreation event, held recently at Sam Corrado Park, drew some 25 participants who aimed model rockets at the skies.

"We thought it was a great project and we expect to do it next year," said Margaret Martin, therapeutic and program supervisor.

She hailed Rider's Hobby House, which assisted with models, and Toarmina's Pizza, which provided the eats.

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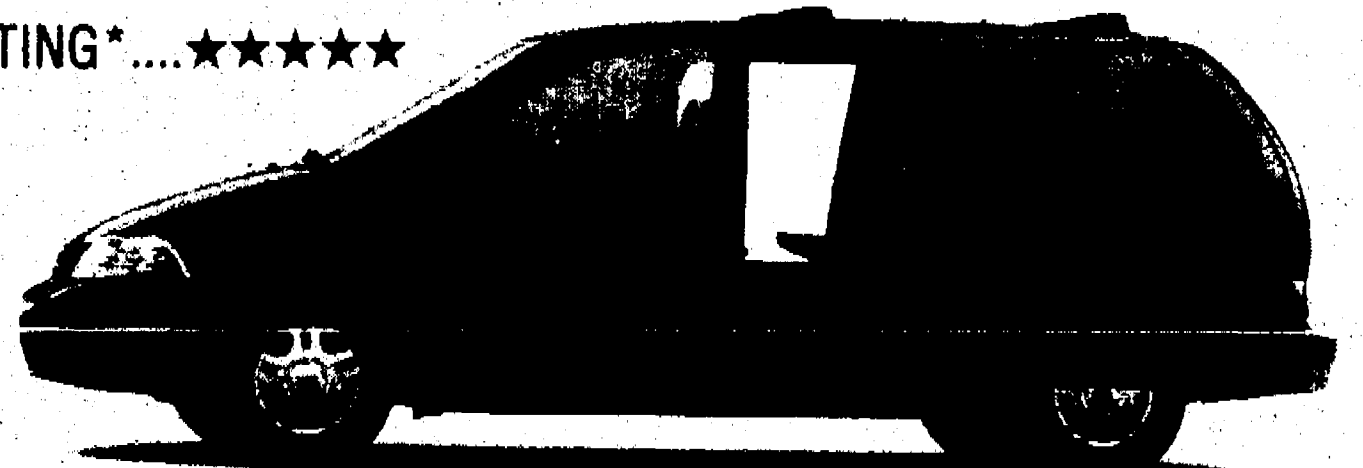
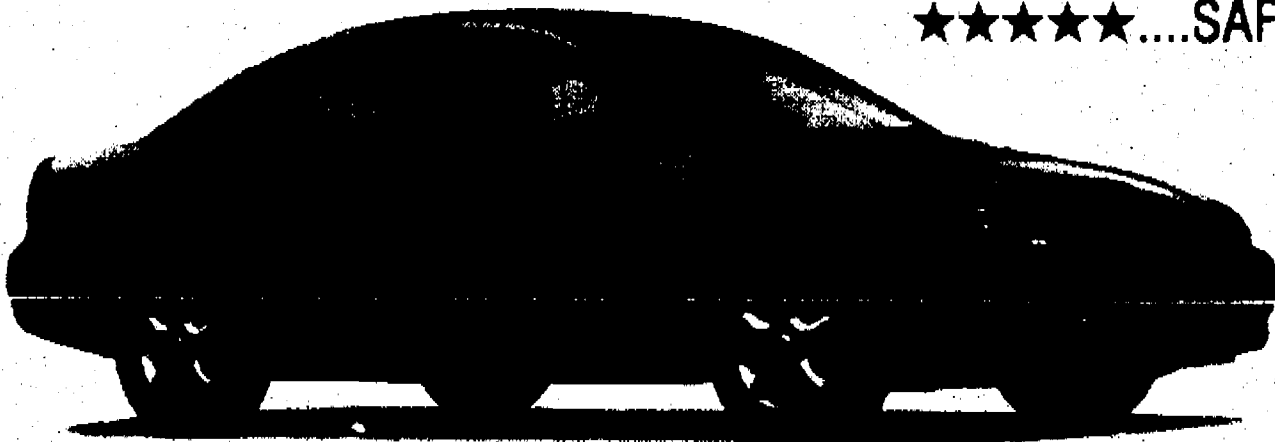
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Metro Airport plans lots to relieve parking shortage

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Plans under consideration at Metro Airport eventually could provide even more parking spaces than will the new 1,000-space lot announced Tuesday, a spokesman said.

The airport, facing a 1,300-space shortage when the Green Lot is closed for road construction late this summer, said it will build the new long-term parking lot during the summer on Northwest Airlines property, through an arrangement worked out by new Wayne County Airports Director Lester Robinson.

But the airport also may gain additional spaces at the existing Yellow Lot outside the International Terminal and later could expand Red Lot No. 1 by 400-500 spaces, according to spokesman Michael Conway.

If all came to fruition, the airport could come out ahead by over 200 spaces, Conway indicated.

"We may be able to reconfigure the aisle-ways in the Yellow Lot and capture some more parking spaces," Conway explained. However, it isn't known yet how many spaces would be gained.

The airport also plans, he said, to expand Red Lot No. 1, located on the East Service Drive, by removing a "fuel farm" of underground storage tanks. However, no date has been set.

Under Metro's arrangement with Northwest, the airport will — possibly by mid-June — begin work on a new parking lot located on a grassy area just north of the airline's existing freight terminal on East Service Drive. The terminal has a 747 jet painted on the side facing the drive.

Robinson said he approached Northwest Vice President Jim Greenwald about the 300,000-square-foot parcel and asked him if the airline would be willing to temporarily turn over the property to the county "to help solve a (congestion) problem for our mutual customers."

"He immediately agreed," said Robinson.

The location is "ideal — between the current Green Lot and the Red (overflow) lots," Robinson stated.

"We will only need the property for about 18 months," he said. "When the new (Northwest) mid-field terminal opens (in December 2001), it will include approximately 11,500 spaces of struc-

tured parking on 10 floors."

The Green Lot will be closed to make way for the road from the new terminal which will connect with Rogell Drive at that point.

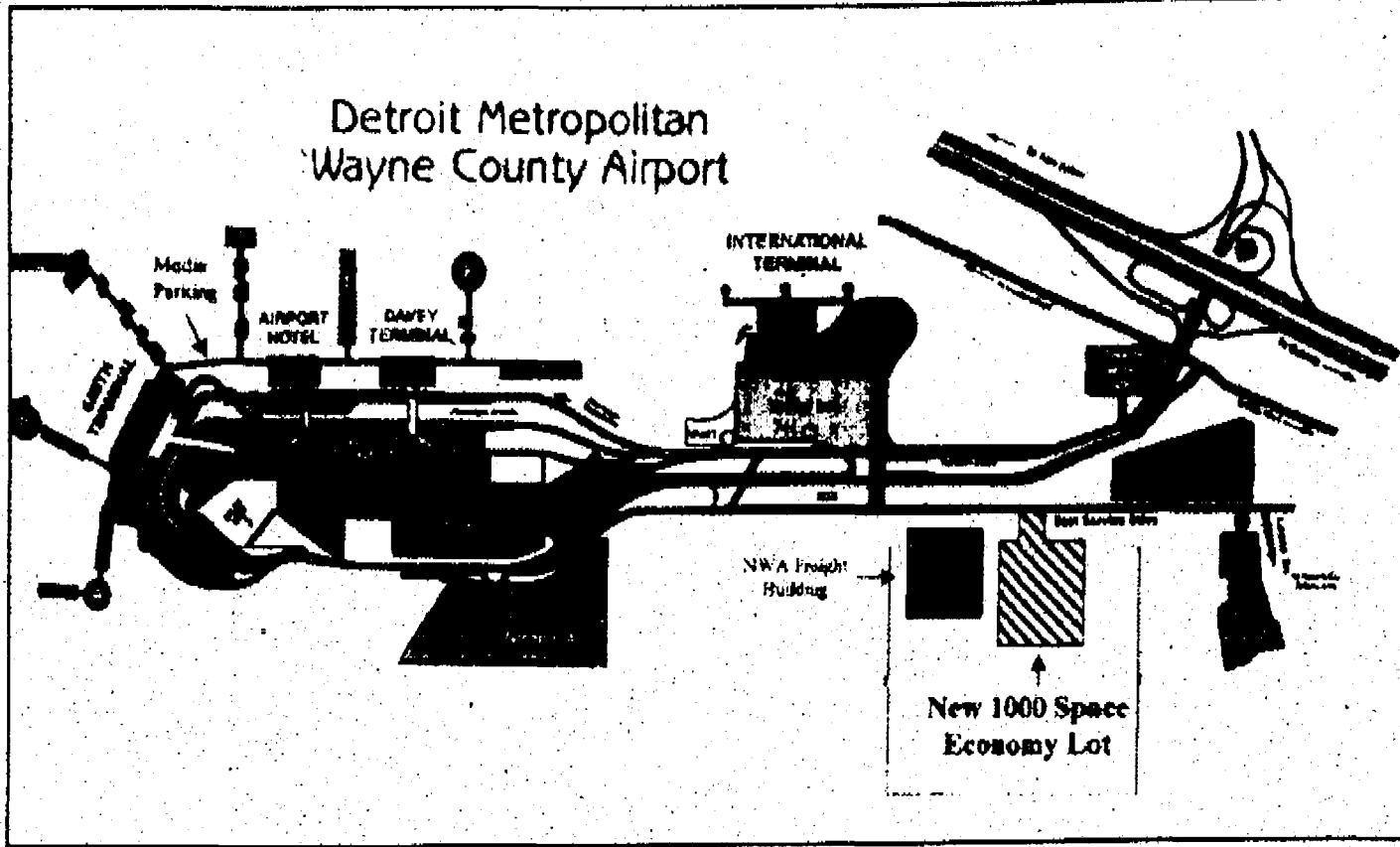
Valerie Hirshman, Northwest's regional director for airport affairs, said that "Additional parking will be a great benefit to our passengers" and added that "we are very happy to work with Lester Robinson to make this project possible."

Construction on the temporary lot is expected to begin in June, with completion by Labor Day at a cost of approximately \$1.5 million. Parking revenue will pay for construction costs, Metro officials said.

Robinson, who succeeded David Katz as airports director on May 1, had to deal with the fact the airport already has converted all of its own suitable parking space property in the process of having added over 1,300 spaces. Only scattered, smaller parcels remain.

"Lester Robinson is one of the best problem-solvers I have ever worked with," stated Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara.

"He will take charge of a situation and build whatever consen-



A 'whole lot' more: Metro Airport's new 1,000-space parking lot will be located on the East Service Drive, between the Northwest Airlines freight terminal and Red Lot No. 2. Green Lot No. 2 will be an economy lot with shuttle service to the terminals and a daily flat rate of \$7.

sus is necessary to come up with creative solutions," added McNamara, who appointed Robinson to the post in April.

Metro officials cited these parking and roadway improvements from the past two years:

- expansion and reconfiguration of Green, Yellow and Red Lots, adding approximately 400 spaces;
- construction of Red Lot No. 1, adding 457 spaces;
- installation of an electronic variable message sign at Metro's entrance;
- posting of parking hotline on

Michigan Department of Transportation freeway message boards;

■ addition of a commercial lot across from Northwest's bag claim facility;

- credit-card express exit lanes at the parking deck;
- tripling of the curb-front area for private vehicles for arriving Northwest passengers; and
- new overhead roadway signs.

Richard Marsh, community development director for the city

of Romulus, said there are no new commercial parking lots under consideration in the airport area and no existing lots have announced expansion plans.

He said a city regulation permitting only the construction of parking structures was expanded early this year to include the airport area.

"We have a lot of land in town, valuable land" which city leaders feel would be better utilized by businesses building structures which would boost employment and the tax base, he said.

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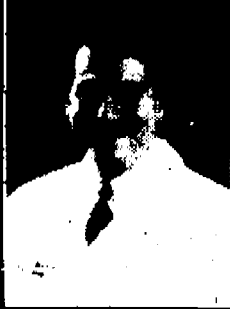
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Road from page A1

Canton has no service drives. "How do you fight city hall?" Yack asked. "They're giving us some of our own medicine." MDOT doesn't plan to add more Canton exits, even though Canton is the second-fastest growing township in southeast Michigan.

Changing the exit ramp won't help Canton residents much, Yack said.

This summer, MDOT also will

look at southbound I-275's Eureka Road exit, which will access Northwest Airlines' new Metro Airport terminal set to open in 2001.

The Eureka exit hasn't proved problematic yet, but MDOT is being proactive.

"If the consultant's recommendation is acceptable, we'd like to get the work done in advance of the opening in December of 2001," Chaput said.

'Road to Riches' has local flair

Joyce Roberts of Westland will appear this Saturday as a contestant on the Michigan Lottery's "Road to Riches."

A recent winner on the show is Ellen Cacioppo, 76, of Wayne. The retired Wayne County Board of Health clerk said, "This

is fantastic!" after learning she had been chosen to appear.

She has no immediate plans for her winnings. The mother of two and grandmother of five enjoys playing poker, working on her computer and collecting Christmas jewelry.

Sanders from page A1

ing that will determine whether she should stand trial on the charges.

Sanders could face 10 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine if convicted.

"She pleads not guilty to each and every charge ..." Hatchett told the judge.

During a joint press conference Wednesday afternoon, Westland police and school officials elaborated on a case that emerged in late March when police received tips from an undisclosed source who said Sanders was misusing school money.

"The staff of the school certainly cooperated with us," Police Chief Emery Price said.

Wayne-Westland school officials also conducted an internal investigation and reached an agreement with Sanders on Monday that she would resign and repay \$8,000, Baracy said. Sanders will likely still receive

her pension, he said. "The district feels that this issue has been resolved," Baracy said.

Still, Wayne County prosecutors chose to move ahead with criminal charges following an investigation that Price said spanned hundreds of hours.

Police Sgt. James Dexter's probe centered on missing school money dating back 1 1/2 years.

Baracy and Price wouldn't speculate on why the money may have been stolen. Baracy said the district hadn't had any problems with Sanders prior to the embezzling allegations.

Price described Sanders as a principal who had earned the community's respect, including his. He said the situation has been difficult for police and school officials.

"We're all very uncomfortable with this. We feel bad about it," he said.

"I'm sure that she feels some remorse," Price said of Sanders. "She's having a tough time with this."

Sanders' arraignment was handled in Livonia after Westland District Judges C. Charles Bokos and Gail McKnight disqualified themselves.

Sanders helped foster a Law Day program in which Bokos and McKnight visit her school for a day and hear their cases in front of students.

Adams is the only middle school out of four in Wayne-Westland to sponsor a Law Day program, which lets students see how a court is run.

Baracy said he didn't believe that revelations of missing money point to any major flaws in the school district's auditing and money-handling procedures.

"We believe this is an isolated case," he said. "We will review our practices and take whatever

measures are necessary." Sanders has been replaced on an interim basis by former Adams Principal Walter Durant.

Baracy said it isn't known when Sanders' successor will be chosen.

Sanders had been suspended with pay since May 1 as the police investigation continued.

"She will not be returning to work," Baracy said Wednesday after announcing Sanders' resignation.

"It's always disappointing that someone has to end a career this way," he said.

Celestine Sanders

Service from page A1

for any company these days. But there are lots of local businesses that want to get on the Web but don't quite know how to do it or figure it just costs too much," Power explained. "We think we can help these folks out and, at the same time, provide a real service to our local readers."

According to Dave Morin, HomeTown's vice president for Technology, all the Internet activities now located in the various newspapers of the group will eventually be transferred to hometowndigital.com, the new corporation. "We think it's far better for our digital staff to concentrate solely on Internet applications and e-commerce in a corporate environment quite distinct from our newspapers," he explained.

Morin also said he is looking for able, energetic and entrepreneurial people to join the new company.

"For people who want to be part of the most exciting industry in the world today, this is an

ideal opportunity. Right now, we're looking for a general manager to build and drive the organization. It's a terrific opportunity to get in on the ground floor of the most exciting Internet organization in the region." Morin can be reached by e-mail at dmorin@hometown.net.

Morin explained that the new company would be incorporated within HomeTown Communications Network on the idea that, if successful, it might be spun out and taken public at some future date.

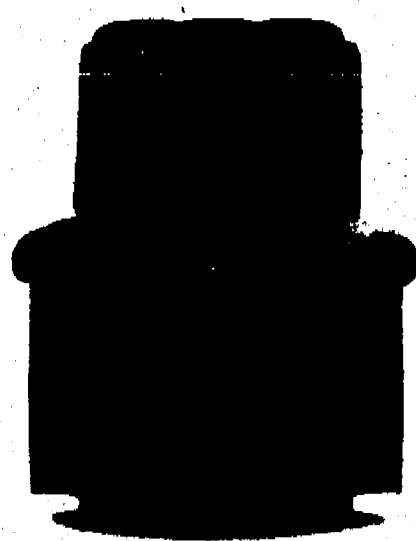
The offices for hometowndigital.com will be located in southeastern Michigan, currently a hotbed of Internet and information technology organizations. Morin said he is looking for space in Ann Arbor, Royal Oak or Birmingham.



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Final Statement for the Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan Strategy and a One-Year Action Plan for Fiscal 2000/2001 Including Proposed Housing and Community Development Goals, Strategies and Proposed Uses of Funds for Program Year XXVI (7-01-2000/6/30-2001)

BACKGROUND

As required by U.S. Congressional Statutes, the City of Westland has prepared a Five-Year Consolidated Plan Strategy for the period July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2005 as a prerequisite to receiving funds from a variety of Federal and State sources including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Homeless Assistance Programs, the HOME Program, and certain other Federal Programs, including Section 8 Housing Assistance. In addition, the City prepared an annual Consolidated Plan Action Plan with funding requests for project and programs for the upcoming fiscal period.

2000-2001 CONSOLIDATED PLAN ACTION PLAN NARRATIVE

The 2000/2001 Consolidated Plan Action Plan will provide information regarding the financial resources which are expected to be available in federal fiscal year 2000 for Community Development and affordable housing programs including new construction, rehabilitation, rental assistance, home purchase assistance programs, etc. The Consolidated Plan reviews various Federal, State, County, and local resources as well as those of the private and non-profit sector.

The Consolidated Plan Action Plan also discusses implementation for the City fiscal year 2000/2001 (7/1/2000-6/30/2001) in terms of the number of households to be assisted by Federal, State or Local programs and which family types the assistance will be targeted to. For fiscal 2000/2001, the City anticipates programs and projects which were already projected under the 1999/00 Consolidated Plan Action Plan. The 1999/00 Consolidated Plan Action Plan provided a mixture of housing programs to serve very low and lower income families; owners and renters; elderly, small family and large family commensurate to the amount of Federal and State assistance provided to the City. Housing rehabilitation for owners; rehabilitation of rental property in the Norwayne and Carver Subdivisions; and the provision of Section 8 rent subsidies to all family types will continue at levels provided during the five-year period 1990-1995. The City has an established HomeBuyer Program in both the Norwayne and Carver Subdivisions to encourage a greater interest in homeownership amongst families who currently rent. The Westland Housing Commission (WHC) will continue to operate its Family Self-Sufficiency Program for up to as many as (25) interested families who are currently receiving Section 8 Housing Assistance benefits. The program encourages families to either work or obtain an education and become independent of government assistance. In April of 1999, the Commission began to administer 212 Housing Preservation Vouchers at the Point West Apartment complex in Westland. This contract was awarded to WHC by HUD when the owners opted out of their long-term contract with HUD.

The City will continue with the implementation of its Carver Subdivision Revitalization Plan and has designated a non-profit housing provider, Peoples' Community Hope for Homes, to continue affordable housing initiatives including in-fill housing on vacant lots and an acquisition, rehabilitation and resale program for vacant homes. PCHFH may also undertake some demolition activities to remove long term vacant, substandard housing. In its place, PCHFH will build new construction, single family homes. PCHFH has an approved Neighborhood Preservation Program with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. Construction should start this year on Phase I of a new subdivision in the Carver Subdivision. Currier Street has been built and storm and sanitary sewers have been installed. An existing watermain has been upgraded to current standards. A total of 34 new homes will be constructed once a Development Agreement has been finalized between the City and Developer. A total of (14) or 41% of the new homes, at a minimum, will be available for low/moderate income families only.

The Westland Department of Housing and Community Development will monitor the progress and implementation of the Consolidated Plan and provide reports to various commissions, HUD, and the local legislative body on a regular basis.

ADOPTED YEAR XXVI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME PROGRAM

The City of Westland anticipates receiving approximately \$1,187,000 in Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the Year XXVI Program which begins July 1, 2000, from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. It is proposed to utilize \$100,000 in program income returned to the City from loan and grant repayments from the CDBG funded Housing Rehabilitation Program to provide an increased level of capital improvements and public service activities in the Year XXVI Program. The City also anticipates receiving an increase in the amount of HOME funds from that received in the prior fiscal period from Federal resources. The total expected HOME funding is \$409,000.

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The CDBG program was enacted by Congress in 1974 to address the problem of deteriorating cities and neighborhoods. In order to achieve this goal of revitalizing the nation's communities, the federal government established three broad national objectives to which the City of Westland has certified it will give maximum feasible priority. These objectives include:

- 1. Activities which benefit low and moderate income families.
2. Activities which aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight.
3. Activities which address an urgent threat to the health or safety of the community.

LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

- 1. Preserve and/or expand the existing housing stock through housing rehabilitation and code enforcement programs.
2. Conserve and upgrade the neighborhoods of low/moderate income families through capital improvements and the installation of new public infrastructure.
3. Improve and expand the recreational facilities for low/moderate income families, including senior citizens and the handicapped.
4. Provide for, and expansion of, a varied program of social and community services to low/moderate income persons including senior citizens.
5. Provide for the expansion of job opportunities for low/moderate income persons.
6. Alleviate conditions which are detrimental to the health and safety of the residents.
7. Undertake planning studies for the future provision of capital improvements and expansion of social and community services.
8. Barrier-free accessibility projects for physically handicapped and disabled persons.
9. Expand housing opportunities for low income families with special initiatives including new construction single family homes, homebuyer program with incentives for new and existing housing and in-fill housing for vacant lots in existing neighborhoods along with an acquisition, rehabilitation and resale program.

2000/2001 PROPOSED USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

Consistent with the above-stated objectives, the Administration is proposing the following list of projects/programs for the City's Year XXVI Community Development Block Grant Program.

Table with columns: Project, Funding Level, Classification, Objectives (National/Local), Location. Includes projects like CD Administration, Rehab Admin, Housing Rehab, Fund loans, Senior Programs, N.S.A. Transportation, Hegira Programs, First Step.

Program to reduce incidence of spouse abuse and sexual assault; counseling, education, outreach, transportation, and emergency shelter.

Table with columns: Project, Funding, Classification, Objectives, Location. Includes projects like Child & Family, Youth Assistance, Friendship Center, Rehab Code Enforcement, Dorsey Center, Carver Subdivision, Public Park, Carver Sub, Youth Assistance, Fire Station No. 5, Reprogramming of CDBG Funds, Reprogramming of HOME Funds.

appraisal, legal, engineering, environmental, titework, planning, banking, architectural) necessary to implement and administer the various City of Westland HOME programs.

Set-Aside to Non-Profit Housing Organization (Peoples' Community Hope for Homes, Inc.) (PCHFH) (00-H03). Existing non-profit housing organization has been designated by the City of Westland to conduct affordable housing projects and programs to initiate a revitalization of the Carver Subdivision, a distressed residential neighborhood. Planned activities include in-fill housing on existing lots. Another program includes the acquisition, rehabilitation, and resale of homes that are currently vacant. No displacement of low income families will be permitted. PCHFH will use a 100% recapture of grant funds provision for properties sold before the end of the HOME affordability period. PCHFH has an approved Neighborhood Preservation Plan through the State of Michigan which will provide funding for the Carver Subdivision Revitalization for (2) to (3) new in-fill housing projects. Administrative/operating costs will be allocated at \$20,450 and the remaining funds, \$220,000 must be used for project costs.

Table with columns: Budget Type, Amount. Includes TOTAL PROPOSED CDBG BUDGET, Regular Block Grant Allocation, Program Income, TOTAL PROPOSED HOME BUDGET, U.S. Dept. Of Housing & Urban Development.

The above amount includes \$100,000 in program income received in the prior fiscal period 7/1/98-6/30/99 and the current fiscal period, 7/1/99-6/30/00 returned to the City from loan and grant repayments from the Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Fund. Total program income received during the 7/1/98-6/30-99 fiscal period was \$125,815. We anticipate receiving \$100,000 in program income for the fiscal period which runs July 1, 1999 - June 30, 2000.

PROJECT/PROGRAM AMENDMENTS REGARDING CHANGE IN DESCRIPTIONS OR SCOPE OF PROJECTS

- 1. Amend Westland HomeBuyer Program Guidelines at Section 7.1 and Section (I)(B)(1) of the Participating Lending Agreement to include Block Groups 1, 2, 3, 4 of Census Tract 5683 as an eligible area to purchase a home and receive downpayment and closing cost assistance.
2. Under Senior Programs, reduce allocation for Operation Breadbasket and create special allocation of \$4,725 to partially subsidize transportation for seniors to travel to distant medical complexes for medically necessary trips that are required for a serious illness of a continued duration via a private transportation provider.
3. Amend existing descriptions of improvements to Stottlemeyer Park (Census Tract 5689 at Hanover and Daicy) contained in the 1996/1997 Consolidated Plan, Project 96-16, Stottlemeyer Park Development Phase III and the 1997/1998 Consolidated Plan, Project 97-16, Stottlemeyer Park Development Phase IV. In addition to previous work described, this amendment would allow for the resurfacing of two basketball courts, one tennis court and an in-line hockey rink. The proposed new work involves sealing all cracks, resurfacing with 1 1/2" asphalt cap and the application of resurfacer with two coats of latexite and striping. All improvements listed under prior descriptions have been completed except for installation of a water line and the provision of electricity to the shelter. These are not feasible at this time. The remaining balance of funds for both projects is \$25,615.

LOCATIONS:

- A. City-wide impact for low/moderate income persons
B. 1119 N. Newburgh Road between Ford and Marquette
C. 32715 Dorsey Road (Norwayne)
D. Census Tract 5685 (Norwayne) - Wildwood, Palmer, Glenwood, and Merriman
E. 8623 N. Wayne Rd., Suite 156
F. Civic Complex at 36601 Ford Road
G. 44567 Pinetree Drive, Plymouth, MI 48170
H. City-wide impact for handicapped/disabled persons.
I. Community Development target areas' exceeding HUD low/mod. threshold.
J. Census Tract 5690 (Annapolis, Inkster, Van Born, Middlebelt).
K. Census Tract 5689 (Annapolis, Van Born, Middlebelt and Henry Huff).
L. Census Tract 5690, Carver Subdivision (Annapolis, Harrison, Van Born, and Middlebelt).
M. Census Tract 5685 (Norwayne) - Wildwood between Glenwood and Palmer
N. Westland Police Department - 36701 Ford Road
O. Bailey Recreation Center - 36651 Ford Road

ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL 2000/2001 (07/01/00 - 6/30/01)

Listed below is the Total Anticipated Funding to be Received by the City of Westland from Federal and State sources:

- 1. Community Development Block Grant - Estimated funding to be received by City of Westland from HUD Time Period for Expenditures - (12) Months \$1,187,000
2. Program Income Allocated to New CDBG Projects and Programs. Time Period for Expenditure - (12) Months \$100,000
3. Participating Jurisdiction HOME Funds received directly from HUD. \$409,000

This funding will be utilized to fund the following programs: A \$240,450 set-aside to Peoples' Community Hope for Homes, Inc. A non-profit housing organization; HOME Rental Rehabilitation Program (Norwayne and Carver Subdivision) at \$127,650, and \$40,900 for Administration. Time Period for Expenditure - (24) Months

- 4. Annual Contract Authority from HUD for 30 Section 8 Housing Certificates for existing, participating families or those on official waiting list at 50% of median income or below. Section 8 funding is being cut back as new project contracts are approved on an annual basis. This program is being eliminated by HUD and the certificates are being converted to Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers. Time Period for Expenditure - (12) Months \$130,000*
5. Annual Contract Authority from HUD for 570 Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers for participating families or those on the official waiting list at 50% of median income or below. A possible technical amendment from HUD may increase Westland's voucher authority by (18) units increasing the total number to 588. This modification is due to an adjustment from the Pointe West Opt-out of last year. Time Period for Expenditure - (12) Months \$2,700,000*
6. Annual Contract Authority from HUD for Section 8 Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator. Wages and salary only. Contracted out; no new permanent staffing. Time Period for Expenditure - (12) Months \$30,596*
7. Funding from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHA) Housing Resource Fund for Peoples' Community Hope for Homes, Inc. to construct (4) new single family homes in the Carver Subdivision. Time Period for Expenditure - (12) Months \$500,000*
8. Funding from the HUD Section 202 Program (Supportive Housing for the Elderly) to construct 60 units of senior citizen affordable rental units in the Annapolis Park Subdivision (CT5689). The project would be located at the southwest corner of Middlebelt and Annapolis roads. This would be a joint venture between the Lutheran Church of Our Savior and Presbyterian Villages of Michigan. In addition, the 202 award will provide an operating subsidy for five years. The land for the project will be donated by the church. This project is in the proposal stage. \$5,000,000*

* Indicates potential funding not yet approved by Congress or the State of Michigan.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The Westland City Council received public comments at a public hearing on April 17, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. on the One Year Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2000/2001 and the Five-Year Consolidated Plan Strategy. Citizen review and comments were also taken at the April meetings of the Westland/Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (CDCAC), Westland Rehabilitation Review Board, and Westland Housing Commission, as listed above. Anyone who was unable to attend the official public hearings and wished to comment or make suggestions can do so by submitting their comments in writing to the Department of Housing and Community Development at 32715 Dorsey Rd., Westland, MI, 48186. Technical assistance will be provided on a limited, as needed basis to low, very low and extremely low income resident groups that require assistance in developing proposals for eligible projects, approved by the City under the consolidated submission. A fully copy of the revised Citizen Participation Plan is on file in the Housing and Community Development Department at 32715 Dorsey Rd., Westland, MI during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

ROBERT J THOMAS Mayor City of Westland

Road funding formula under review

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Rep. Thomas Kelly

When lawmakers rewrite Michigan's road funding distribution formula later this year, they will likely replace it with a system state officials describe as "cutting edge," a process known as "asset management."

Rather than just divvying up Michigan's \$1.7 billion in transportation funding in a three-way split among the road agencies at the various levels of government — state, county and local — as is the case now, asset management will allow the state to rank roads and prioritize repair projects based on a number of "performance factors." Such factors might include the number of vehicles that use that road, lane miles, congestion and commercial weights carried by it.

Asset management is the "key recommendation" of a report completed earlier this month by the Act 51 Transportation Study Committee. Now being printed, the document is expected to be presented to the legislature and Gov. John Engler in June.

State lawmakers have until the end of the year to replace the current law, which expires Dec. 31. Already, at least three proposals implementing aspects of the report have been introduced to the state House and Senate.

And many of the details have yet to be settled, such as what performance factors will be used and how they will be evaluated. If the report is being heralded now as a great compromise, it is in those details that controversy could be reignited.

Controversial formula

Road upkeep and traffic congestion rank consistently as top concerns of Michigan residents. And if that's a number one issue, the road funding distribution formula — set in Public Act 51 — lies at the heart of it. First passed in 1951, the act divides road money — from gas taxes, license fees, federal grants, etc. — to road agencies like the Michigan Department of Transportation, county road commissions and municipalities. The division — 39.1 percent to the state, 39.1 percent to counties and 21.8 percent to cities and villages — has long been a source of contention.

The MDOT has often been crit-

icized for keeping the biggest share of the money of any single road agency. But state roads, including expressways, carry the heaviest volumes, state officials counter. County road commissions, particularly Oakland County's, have been chronically underfunded for years. Many municipalities, tired of waiting for repairs or upgrades from the state or county, have gone ahead and passed local road bonds in order to do the work inside their municipal limits themselves.

It is the disagreement over the funding distribution formula that has kept many lawmakers and local officials, particularly those in Oakland County, opposing increases in the gas tax in the past.

"The key to this is that it is a long term strategy. Everyone recognizes that it is going to take time to come up with the definitions and criteria for the performance factors. So it will take time to get this up," said Robin Pannecouk, spokesperson for the MDOT. In the meantime, if the legislature follows the recommendations of the committee, the current distribution percentages would continue.

The changeover to asset management would require an intensive new information gathering process, according to Craig Bryson of the Oakland County Road Commission. Handing out money by a percentage is simple by comparison. Evaluating each road in the county to be ranked in an asset management system

would require compilation of a great deal of information, he pointed out.

Pannecouk agrees. Much of that information, for instance traffic counts, may already be in the files of various road agencies, but she said she is uncertain if the state and county agencies gather the same information or gather it in the same way. So additional research may be needed.

All those details are to be worked out by a new Technical Advisory Panel. That's where differences between the levels of government may re-emerge, according to Bryson. Pannecouk, however, said that the fact the panel is to have representation from the Michigan Municipal League, the County Road Association of Michigan and metropolitan planning councils, as well as the MDOT, should alleviate that concern.

"And what if those performance factors show that the pie overall just isn't big enough?" Bryson said. "What if they show more money is needed? What then?" Oakland's Road Commission has advocated an increase in road funding through higher gas taxes for years.

"We have all the resources we need," Pannecouk countered. "It's a matter of prioritizing them properly, and that is exactly what asset management is intended to do."

Panel agreement

The study committee members included Reps. Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy, and Thomas Kelly, D-Wayne, as well as Sens. Phil Hoffman, R-Jackson, and Joseph Young, D-Detroit. Also on the committee were Sam Hart of the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 324, in Livonia; Robert Hertzler, president of the Monitor Sugar Co. in Bay City; Jordan Tatter, commissioner for the Michigan Department of Agriculture; and former MDOT director Bob Welke.

The panel wrapped up its work in a meeting May 5 when all but one, Young, agreed to sign the report.

Kelly agrees the report is a significant compromise. He has said he is impressed with how well the committee was able to address all the concerns of all

the various road agencies. Committee staffer Polly Kent said the committee went to great lengths to address all the concerns raised by all the levels of government.

Other recommendations

There are also a great many other recommendations in the report for which legislation has not been drafted. Some may produce other disagreements.

For example, one issue involves increasing the role of local governments on county road commissions. Although included in the report, the proposal was not recommended. It's the one disputed proposal left unresolved in the document.

Pannecouk explained that of the three local units that can levy taxes for roads — counties, municipalities and townships — only townships don't have a voice on road commissions. The proposal is to add that voice.

Bryson disagrees. In many counties, road commissions are elected. Others, like Oakland's, are appointed by the county board. Bryson estimated that 60 percent of road commission members across the state either live or have served office in townships, so townships do have a voice there.

Other recommendations of the report include:

- Providing incentives for regional coordination of road planning.
- Setting a base level of funding for the routine maintenance of all roads.
- That all road agencies seek warranties from contractors for all road and bridge projects.
- Increasing the information flow between road planners and land use planners.
- That all road agencies put all maintenance work up for competitive bidding.
- That mass transit programs, including the Detroit Department of Transportation and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation be coordinated, and that mass transit be coordinated with other modes of transportation.
- And that state operating subsidies of AMTRAK, in the budget for the coming year, be eliminated in the future so that the money can be returned to local agencies.

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Livonia schools

Naser, Whitehead best picks

Voters in Livonia's school board election would serve the district best by casting ballots for **Larry Naser** and **Kevin Whitehead** on June 12.

Both candidates are well-known in the schools for their volunteer efforts and activities on behalf of children, and because of that work, each brings a broad range of community support and endorsements to their candidacies.

The other two challengers seeking election, Clifford Thompson and Alicia Douglas, offer positive, issue-based campaigns. Thompson's years as a teacher bring strong suggestions about improvements in the lower elementary grades and better use of technology; Douglas has been a regular at school board meetings and functions for months and promotes better communication in the district.

However, we urge voters to support Naser and Whitehead as the two candidates who present the best opportunity to keep the district moving forward, especially in the current situation with two open school board seats and no incumbents running.

Naser placed a close third in the balloting last year, which wasn't surprising based on his long-standing efforts on behalf of special needs children - including helping to write numerous Individual Educational Plans and helping to develop a program for children with autism. Those efforts won him an honor roll award from the Livonia Human Relations Commission.

So, Naser comes into the race with a track record of advocacy and success. He knows the district and that will serve him well as he targets goals like improving the use of technology



Naser



Whitehead

and tries to push for the special needs (both for the disabled and gifted) youngsters.

Whitehead's involvement is deep and broad - working on his local PTA, the district's PTA council, several school district committees and co-chairing the "Say Yes to Schools" campaign that won voter approval for two tax renewals and a \$28 million bond issue plan for new gymnasiums. He could even be seen Sunday helping to run children's games at the city's 50th Birthday Block Party.

Whitehead plans to be an agent of change; not necessarily changing things to his desires, but ensuring a climate that allows and welcomes change - something well-suited to his grassroots experience and easy personality. He also plans to use his own "moral barometer" and ideas for improved marketing to keep the district on course.

When it comes to experience, effort and accessibility, we expect voters will be pleased by the work of Larry Naser and Kevin Whitehead on the Livonia Board of Education.

Arts enhance our daily lives

There are those who look at the \$28 million in gifts given recently to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and claim that with such private support there should be less need for public funding. (The donations were part of a \$125-million fund-raising campaign to finance a new administrative office building, renovate Orchestra Hall, erect a high school for the performing arts, and build the DSO's endowment.)

Overlooked in the celebration of generous philanthropy, however, is that the state of Michigan also supplied \$10.75 million or nearly 40 percent of the recent financial contributions.

The answer to perpetuating cultural institutions and enhancing the cultural life of the region isn't simply to rely solely on the good will of wealthy individuals and foundations. On the contrary, the future funding support for cultural institutions must be based on a deeper partnership between the public and private sectors.

Ten years ago, the state unwisely cut back on public funding to the Detroit Institute of Arts. As a consequence, the museum reduced staff and hours of operation. Sure, the DIA has succeeded in finding alternative means for funding, but what about the long-term impact of the negative perception about the area's support for culture?

It would be imprudent to associate Gov. Engler's imposed cutbacks in the early 1990s as the direct cause for the unprecedented successful fund-raising campaigns at the DSO, DIA, Detroit Zoo and other cultural institu-

tions. The reason these campaigns have succeeded has more to do with the historic growth in wealth during the 1990s, than from any policy to reduce public funding to the arts.

To simply claim that those with the financial means to donate money should be obligated to support the arts and culture misses the most significant feature of a pluralistic society. Art and culture in a democracy should represent a diversity of perspectives and sensibilities. The privileges of wealth shouldn't be a prerequisite for determining which cultural institutions are supported.

A broader public debate about the nature of the private-public partnership is needed. Those with great financial resources should continue to demonstrate their support, but there's a role for others.

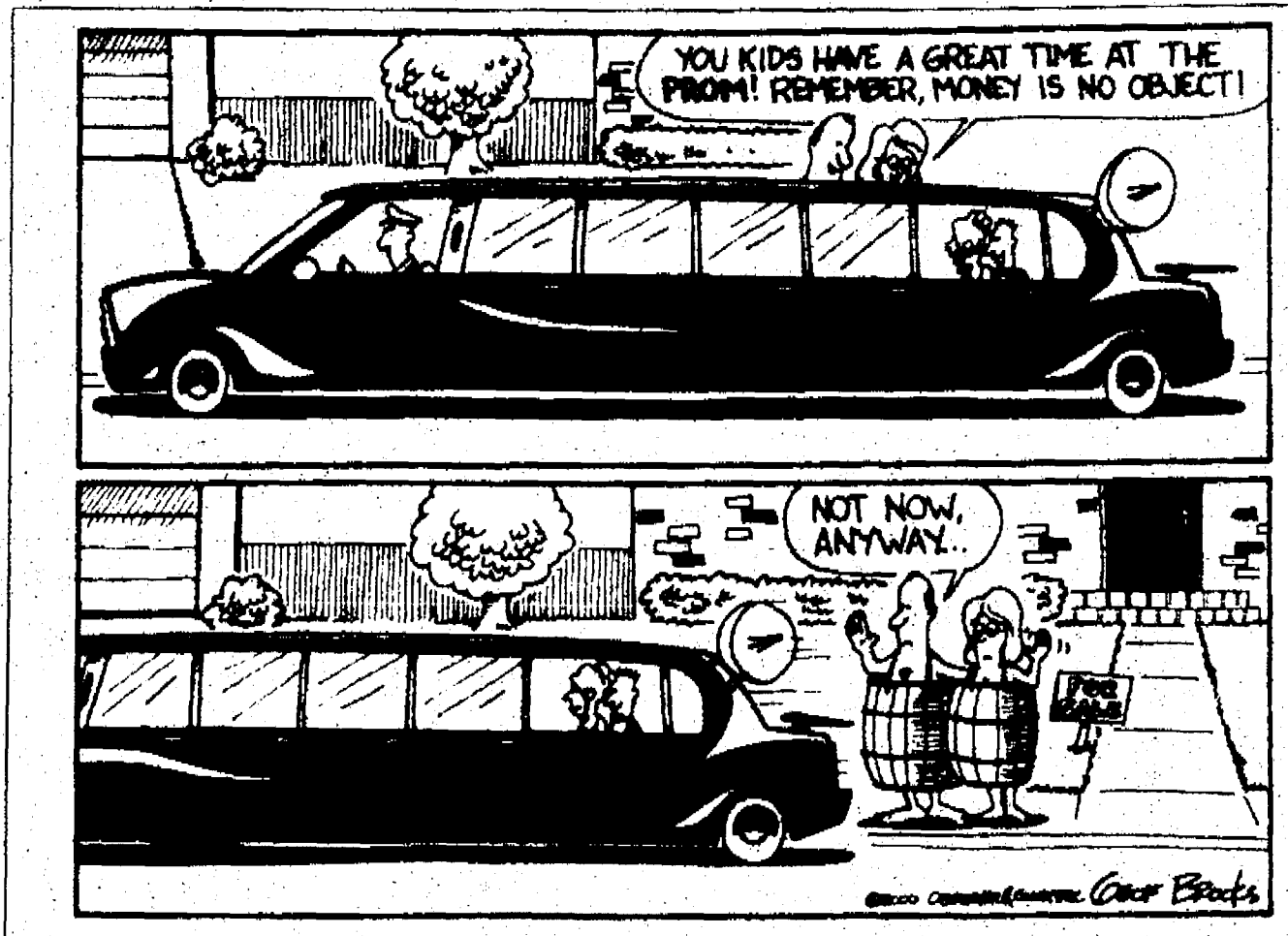
Arguably, the much talked-about cultural tax could be a catalyst for such a debate. A cultural tax would levy a quarter of a mill on property. The tax revenue would support the region's cultural institutions and local arts/cultural groups. (Currently, the issue is mired in political wrangling among the Oakland and Wayne county commissions.)

Perhaps we all must realize that the quality of culture is a mirror of a society's collective soul.

Ask your county commissioner where he/she stands on the cultural tax issue.

While we have not taken a position on the tax itself we support an open and frank discussion about our responsibility for the quality of culture in our region.

GEORGE BROOKS



LETTERS

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

Questions actions

I would like your opinion concerning the president of the Westland City Council. Did he overstep his position concerning the city clerk? Does he believe in the Constitution of the United States and how it was made? If he does, has he ever read the Federalist Papers (Nos. 10 and 51) by James Madison and A. Hamilton? The fathers of our country believed in fact in government. When faction is included in government, it stops people in powerful positions from abusing said power.

When the president didn't include the full council in his firing of the city clerk, he in essence violated the very principles that our government was built on! At the very least, he should have conducted a vote of the full council before he implemented his position on this issue. I believe he should have addressed his constituents before he acted. In that way, he could have a feeling how the people felt about this. He has made the position of president of Westland City Council a monarchy; the very thing Madison and others tried to keep out of our government.

Please pass this along to the council, I would like a response from the president of the city council. I'm sure in college he read the Federalist Papers. Maybe he let his feelings dictate his actions.

My name is Larry Ables and I was raised in Westland, went to school with the mayor and believe Westland needs someone in the position of president to act in a reasonable manner when deciding issues that affect the public.

Larry D. Ables
Wayne

Gibbons supporter

This past weekend, I was happy to read that Patricia Gibbons is running for state representative.

In her previous positions with the city, Patricia has consistently put the needs of the citizens first. To have her as our state representative would be fantastic! She listened to us when she worked for the city, she heard the citizens when they suggested she run for state representative and I have no doubt that she will continue to listen to us as our state representative.

Thank you, Patricia, for running! You have

the support of many in this community, including myself! Thank you for listening to the community.

Judith Siren
Westland

Hypocrisy

When I first saw the photo of Reno's agent with his Mp5 in Elian's face of terror, and then again in the cartoon of May 11, O&E editorial page, I thought I was witnessing Clinton's gun control ad. How happy the NRA must have been at the hypocrisy!

Beatrice Sealise
Westland

Prayer thoughts

Regarding "Open with prayer" letter of Donale and Edna Venturino of Westland. I must point out that the United States has a secular form of government, not a religious one. There is no misconception about separation of state and church except in the minds of the Venturinos. The First Amendment states that "Congress shall make no laws respecting the establishment of religion..." and, no, it was not a communist idea (secular government).

Marx's communism (Russian revolution) occurred in 1917, 127 years after the United States Constitution was ratified. A secular government was an American idea. The United States was the first government founded without the God idea.

"There is nothing wrong with a prayer before a meeting." On the contrary, there is something wrong with a prayer at a government meeting regardless if that meeting is the local city council or the Congress of the United States. The First Amendment has established a wall of separation between state and church. The government of the United States is a secular government, The Constitution of the United States is secular document that established this country as a secular nation.

Prayer (religion) is a private matter that rightfully belongs in the home and the churches of those people who are religious.

Henry Morgan - one of 10 million
atheists Americans
Westland

COMMUNITY VOICE

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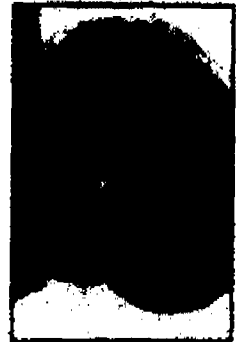
What are your plans for Memorial Day?

We asked this question at the Garden City post office.



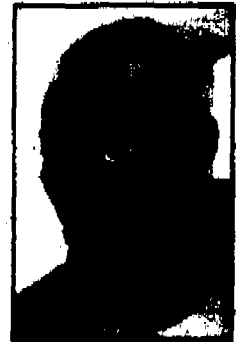
"I'll probably cook some ribs in the back yard - cold watermelon, barbecue chicken and ribs."

John Williams Jr.



"I'm going to stay home and take care of my yard."

Laura Taylor



"Actually, I'm going to Grand Rapids to visit some friends."

Jenorris Jackson



"I'm baby-sitting the grandkids and going to the parade."

Carol Carmickle

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--- Philip Power

LETTERS

Reality check

Hi, everyone. The Fab Four Lady would like to point out a few reasons as to why it is that the Westland City Council has so much power, instead of the citizens. Wa-a-ay too much power! It is also important to note that some changes must be made, so that we don't replace one set of council members with another set as equally distasteful.

First, doesn't anyone see a problem with family members working together, whether on the council or in city hall, in general? Time for a reality check! After all, at how many other jobs are applicants asked, "Do you have any relatives that work at this company?"

And, for good reason. If left unchecked, everyone becomes one big, inbred, related, royal family that rules with one big, gavel-waving iron fist. I just had a newsreel flash. Remember way back to Nikita Krushchev, when he banged his shoe on the UN table when he didn't get his way?

Moving along, I would like for someone to tell me just how many other appointed, not elected, positions there are, aside from the office of city clerk, that transfer power from the people to the council. I believe that all major appointed positions should be done away with.

And, it should be totally verboten (Oops! Did I say that?) I mean, it should be totally forbidden to charge anything, at any time, ever, to the taxpayers, unless it is strictly for business ...

Using the citizens as a personal expense account is unbelievable beyond words. Why is this practice allowed? ... Is the whole state government involved in all of this? I mean, the "higher-ups" know that this behavior goes on, because, the Lansing and Westland officials all chum it up together. As we can see on WLND programs.

So, I have to wonder, at least, when they all get together in Westland, just how many people do get to "stick it to us"? If anyone wants to smoke and drink and God knows what, then pay for it yourselves. That isn't city busi-

ness. I have our Voucher Lady, Deb Davis, to thank for making me aware of some of the taxpayer expenses. I love her Absopure reports!

By the way, I thought I'd gag and heave when I heard the council president say how he liked to help people at the last council meeting of Monday, May 15. Next, I thought about all of the kids who he chums up to, while they are all coerced into praying to that idolatrous piece of cloth, in the name of "patriotism," and, I thought to myself, "Hmmm, wait till the kids are a little older."

I wonder if their twinkling eyes and smiles of innocence that we now see will be replaced later with looks of betrayal and horror when they finally realize that he now will time and censor their speeches, as he did with their elders, as he rises and smiles, and threatens them all with removal from the council chambers - for any reason that he wants.

That's how a monarchy works.

The Fab Four Lady,
Angela Frances Todd

Let people speak

The May 15 Westland City Council meeting once again showed the ongoing attempt of council President Griffin to call the shots as he deems fit.

His new procedure regarding citizen questions really upset me. I have to wonder how, in this volatile arena of community outcry and demand for answers, he can dare to try to stifle our right to question the decision makers in this city ...

For Mr. Griffin to DECLARE that ALL questions from citizens during "citizen's comments" must be directed to him, NOT MERELY ASKED THROUGH THE CHAIR AS HAS BEEN THE PROTOCOL ALL ALONG, shows me, once again, his arrogance and disrespect for the citizens coming to council meetings. He has said that he respects all citizens, but then treats them like beggars.

Citizens are so much smarter than you realize, and they usually know full well who they want their ques-

tions answered by. Mr. Griffin has no right to infringe on citizens' questioning of any elected official, appointee or department head at the council meeting. Why should HE decide who best to hand off our questions to so that IF and only IF the question is deemed worthy of an answer it might be given, BUT wait, do not expect to be answered on the spot, while the question is fresh in your mind AND (the key point here - fresh in the mind of the viewers at home) NO, citizen answers, if one is deemed worthy, will likely be given "LATER" ...

Waiting for our limited opportunity to speak (and I know that many, including myself, have been allowed, to go over three minutes) can be frustrating when there is so much going on. Questions from previous meetings never answered, follow-up questions to partial answers given, new questions about recent events, comments considered after reviewing the tape or the newspaper articles, even comments about actions taking place at the very council meeting ARE ALL worthy and difficult to expound upon in three minutes. Yet I respect this rule and will try to follow it. But our elected officials, too, need to understand that this is part of the reason many of the same citizens return with the same or similar questions and concerns at each meeting.

Even if you exclude the Pat Gibbons comments, I have heard dozens of comments raising awareness on many serious issues within our city. I hate to bring it up, but that whole gambling issue by a high-paid director and the computer invasion issue by the personnel director, a lawyer no less, these are SERIOUS.

I applaud those citizens who are questioning and wonder why so few council members aren't doing the same.

Citizen's comments is the citizen's time, and as long as we are paying the bills around here we will speak our mind. If that means lifting a few rocks and exposing the snakes that crawl underneath, so be it. Cleaning house is a GOOD thing, not a BAD thing. And NO, we don't have to wait to take our feelings to the ballot box. Vote? Of course, by all means, but stay silent

until an election? Absolutely NOT.
Cheryl Graunstadt
Westland

Moore's response

When I read Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gracin's letter to the editor in the Thursday Observer, I became very angry. I was angry because they portray me as someone who lacks character. Anyone who knows me, and these people do not, would know this is just not true.

I was going to write a scathing response to be read at Monday's Westland City Council meeting. Then I found out something on Saturday that changed my mind. My beloved pet, an innocent pawn in this little political game of "let's make the city council bend to our wishes," died. A family member whose only drawback was that he was not a traditional pet, died five days after we moved him away from us. He quit eating and drinking, he died of loneliness.

I then began to think about all the pawns in this little power game and who really stands to win in this situation. One of these winners is the newspaper. The more scandal, the more deception, the more fighting - sells papers.

Out of our two local papers, the biggest winner would be the Michigan Community Newspapers. Sensationalism always sells and this paper, in particular, needs all the help it can get.

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gracin's letter brings up the "We the People" group and corrects and informs me that "We the People" has not been formalized. I had not spoken on "We the People" anywhere in public and the letter that had been published in the paper did not mention "We the People."

Now I did write a letter in which my subject was the "We the People" group. It did not get published until Sunday. I read Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gracin's response to my letter (not yet published) in the Thursday Observer. How could Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gracin even know about my letter four days before it was published? Did someone affiliated with the newspapers give Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gracin my letter?

Why? More fireworks? It does sell newspapers!

I would like to mention another group of winners. How about Patricia Gibbons running for state representative? Patricia Gibbons, whose biggest supporter on the council has been Glenn Anderson? Mrs. Gibbons running against Mr. Anderson? I don't think so. I believe that both Mrs. Gibbons and Mr. Anderson may go through the gymnastics of running a campaign, but one of them will drop out ...

Another group of winners would be the mayoral hopefuls ... The city of Westland is losing so much because of this turmoil. Mr. and Mrs. Mario Gracin brought up in their letter, "united you stand, divided you fall." This is exactly what is happening in Westland. This council and administration are so busy defending themselves, anything positive falls by the wayside. I urge everyone to really think about what is going on here.

My biggest request is to ask everyone to think through the reasons for the Sharon Scott recall. The Wayne County prosecutor gave his opinion that no wrong doing occurred. The Westland Observer had a huge byline (headline) back in March stating this. The attorney for the city of Westland stated that Mr. Griffin acted within his duties of council president ...

Brenda Gracin stated in the Observer, even before the prosecutor's opinion was rendered, that even if the Wayne County prosecutor came back with an opinion that there was no wrong doing, she would still continue with the recall ... If you are unsure as to why you should or should not sign a recall petition against Sharon Scott, please contact me ...

I will tell you why it is not in the best interest for the city of Westland. Please don't let yourself become a pawn in this little game. We will all lose something dear should this happen.

Robin Moore
Westland

(Editor's note: The Westland Observer holds all letters to the editor in the strictest confidence.)

Is the GOP playing politics with judicial appointments?

"The presidential appointments process now verges on complete collapse." So concludes Paul C. Light of the Brookings Institution (usually a liberal Washington think tank) and Virginia L. Thomas of the Heritage Foundation (usually conservative) in a study of the experiences of 435 cabinet and sub-cabinet officials who served in the Reagan, Bush and Clinton administrations.

Some found treatment by the White House appointments people "an ordeal."

Others - 35 percent of Reagan administration appointees and 57 percent of Clinton's nominees - were held hostage to the politics of the U. S. Senate in waiting for confirmation hearings.

That's one reason a lot of talented people are not about to consider appointment to top government positions.

A perfect example of this problem concerns the nominations of two Michigan lawyers to fill vacancies on the U. S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals that have been twisting slowly in the wind of the U. S. Senate for far too long.

Helene White is presently a member of the Michigan Court of Appeals. Nominated by President Clinton in January 1997, Judge White has yet to receive a hearing from the Senate Judiciary Committee. Kathleen McCree Lewis, the daughter of former U. S. Solicitor General Wade McCree, is a partner in the Dykema Gossett law firm in Detroit; her nomination has been pending before the Judiciary Committee since September 1999.

Circuit Courts of Appeals are enormously important federal appellate courts, just one step down from the U. S. Supreme Court. Appointments to these courts are made by presidential nomination, followed by hearings conducted by the Judiciary Committee and by a confirmation vote of the entire Senate.

The Sixth Circuit is authorized to have 16 judges. Currently, the court has four vacancies, one of which goes back five years. For the court to operate at 75 percent efficiency means long delays to the litigants and enormous workloads for the remaining judges.

What's going on here? Michigan's Sen. Carl Levin, a Democrat and a minority member of the Judiciary Committee, says it's because Republicans in the Senate, hoping to win the presidency this fall, have decided to hold up judicial nominations from the Clinton White House.

As evidence, he produces a table showing that while the Democrats controlled the Senate during the Bush administration, a total of 66 federal judges were confirmed. However, when the GOP ran the Senate during the first term of the Clinton administration, 17 judges were confirmed. So far in Clinton's second term, the Senate has con-



PHIL POWER

firmed just seven judges, with a total of 33 judicial nominees hanging fire before the Judiciary Committee without any hearings scheduled on their nominations. There are at present 81 vacancies in the federal judiciary.

Michigan's other senator, Spencer Abraham, is also a member of the Judiciary Committee, but, as a Republican, his party controls the committee.

I asked Joe Davis, a spokesman for Sen. Abraham, how come it's taken 3 1/2 years (in the case of Judge White) and eight months (in the case of lawyer Lewis) just to get the committee to hold hearings on their nominations.

According to Davis, "Sen. Abraham does not know whether or when hearings will take place. He wants them to take place, though."

That's nice. Frankly, I suspect if Sen. Abraham really wanted the Judiciary Committee to hold hearings on these nominations, he'd find a way to do it PDQ.

A member of the Sixth Circuit, Judge Gilbert S. Merit, wrote in March to Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch. "The Founding Fathers certainly intended that the Senate 'advise' as to judicial nominations, i.e., consider, debate and vote up or down. They surely did not intend that the Senate, for partisan or factional reasons, would remain silent and simply refuse to give any advice or consider and vote at all ..."

Sen. Abraham is running for re-election this fall. He is stressing his performance as an effective senator in his campaign. Somebody should ask him why he can't get his committee to give two able, thoughtful and well-respected Michigan lawyers the courtesy of timely hearings on their nominations to the federal judiciary that is currently hamstringing in carrying out its work.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1889, or by e-mail at ppower@hometown.net.

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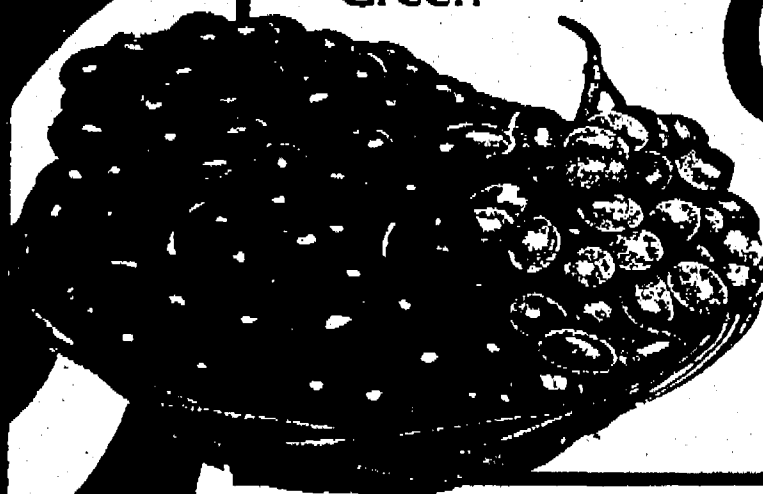
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Check references when choosing child's day care

Having a baby is definitely a joyous occasion, but when you have to decide on going back to work and finding a day care situation, it can be stressful.

There are several options for taking care of your baby or toddler. You can enroll your child at a licensed day care, you can hire a nanny who comes to your home or you can bring your child to a caregiver's home.

Whatever you choose, you definitely need to make a checklist of safety precautions which will ease your concerns as well as comfort your child. There are many professional, first-rate child care centers around the state.

Resources

■ Contact the Better Business Bureau (www.bbb.org) to find out about qualifications and licensing of day cares.
■ The Michigan 4C Community Coordinated Child Care Network promotes and advocates for the optimal care statewide.
Call (313) 259-4411; (800) 722-6345; or visit www.mi4c.org.

Ask your neighbors or friends if they have visited the day care with their children, and if they were completely satisfied with all the programs offered. Make a visit to the day care yourself, and check for the following:

How clean is the day care? Is the staff friendly? Does the day care offer a variety of educational as well as fun programs for your child? Does the day care provide you with a daily activity list of your child's visit including nap time, when he/she ate, and the progress of the child? Are there safety precautions set up so the staff doesn't let just anyone pick up your child at the end of the day? How many children are at the day care at one time versus how many staff members? and Is your child happy at this day care?

Online resources

There are several Web sites run by Michigan agencies relating to child care including the state of Michigan Child Day Care Licensing home page www.commerce.state.mi.us/bra/cdc. You can read the Michigan rules for child care facilities and licensing rules or visit the Michigan Child Development & Care site at http://nrc.uchsc.edu/michigan/michigan.htm

When choosing an in-home situation, make sure you check the references of the nanny or child care person. The best way to decide on an in-home situation is to get a referral from a friend or family member.

Usually someone in your neighborhood knows of a person who really loves kids and would take excellent care of your child. Yes, there are those nanny cameras out there if you are very concerned about your child's safety. If your gut feeling is that you need to find out for sure how that person is taking care of your child, then no precaution is too great.

Special businesses operate the nanny cameras, and they can be found in the Yellow Pages. These experts will give you all the information you will need concerning how to set up a surveillance system in your home or at the child care home.

It's going to be hard no matter what option you choose for your child, but always remember that if your child is happy in that situation, then you will be too. Make sure you have a pager for emergencies. Give the day care or child care person all your phone numbers including: business; cellular phone; husband/partners work phone; home phone; and a close neighbor's phone.

If you are fortunate, however, to have a family member watch over your child, then that's the best care you can offer the little one. Grandmothers are perfect for this role, especially if they are retired. That's just a thought.

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Yellow Ribbon Campaign

Mother strives to bring suicide prevention into focus

STORY BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON • PHOTO BY MATTHEW TAPLINGER

When Glenda Everett registered her son Jesse for kindergarten, in her worst nightmare she would never have imagined he would not be alive to accept his diploma with the graduating class of 2000.

Amidst all the pomp and circumstance of next month's graduation at Taylor's Truman High School there will be a bittersweet celebration: Jesse's name will be called and his diploma presented but his seat will remain empty — Jesse's mom will walk in his place.

Jesse Ross Everett shot himself on his first hunting trip Nov. 30, 1996. The sadness of his upcoming graduation day has been looming in Glenda's mind for the past 3 1/2 years.

"Suicide is not a secret to be kept," said Everett a Garden City resident. "We need to give kids tools to use if they lack the coping skills to deal with what's troubling them."

From the softball-size button Everett wears on her lapel Jesse Everett beams. The photograph of his round face and bright eyes reveals none of the pain and anguish he must have been living with before he took his life.

Born June 12, 1982 Jesse was a happy and sensitive kid, almost chameleon-like. "He put himself into everything people did. He cooked with me, played Sega and loved animals with his brother, Clint, and boats with his brother, Caine," remembered Everett. "He was my buddy."

Something changed

A fair student academically, Jesse would start the school year out with "all the pretty much," but end the year with a combination of A's, B's and C's, according to his mother.

His first semester as a freshman at Truman High School in 1996 was no different.

"His first report card he got all E's," said Everett. "The school called to set up an appointment with me and suggested we make sure there wasn't anything medically wrong with Jesse."

A physical examination showed nothing out of the ordinary but the day before Thanksgiving a teacher from his school called Everett and told her he thought Jesse was especially unhappy.

"We talked for about a half hour and made an appointment for Monday to meet," said Everett. "When I hung up the phone I turned to Jesse and said, 'Do you know how special you are that a teacher would call here and be that concerned about you?'"

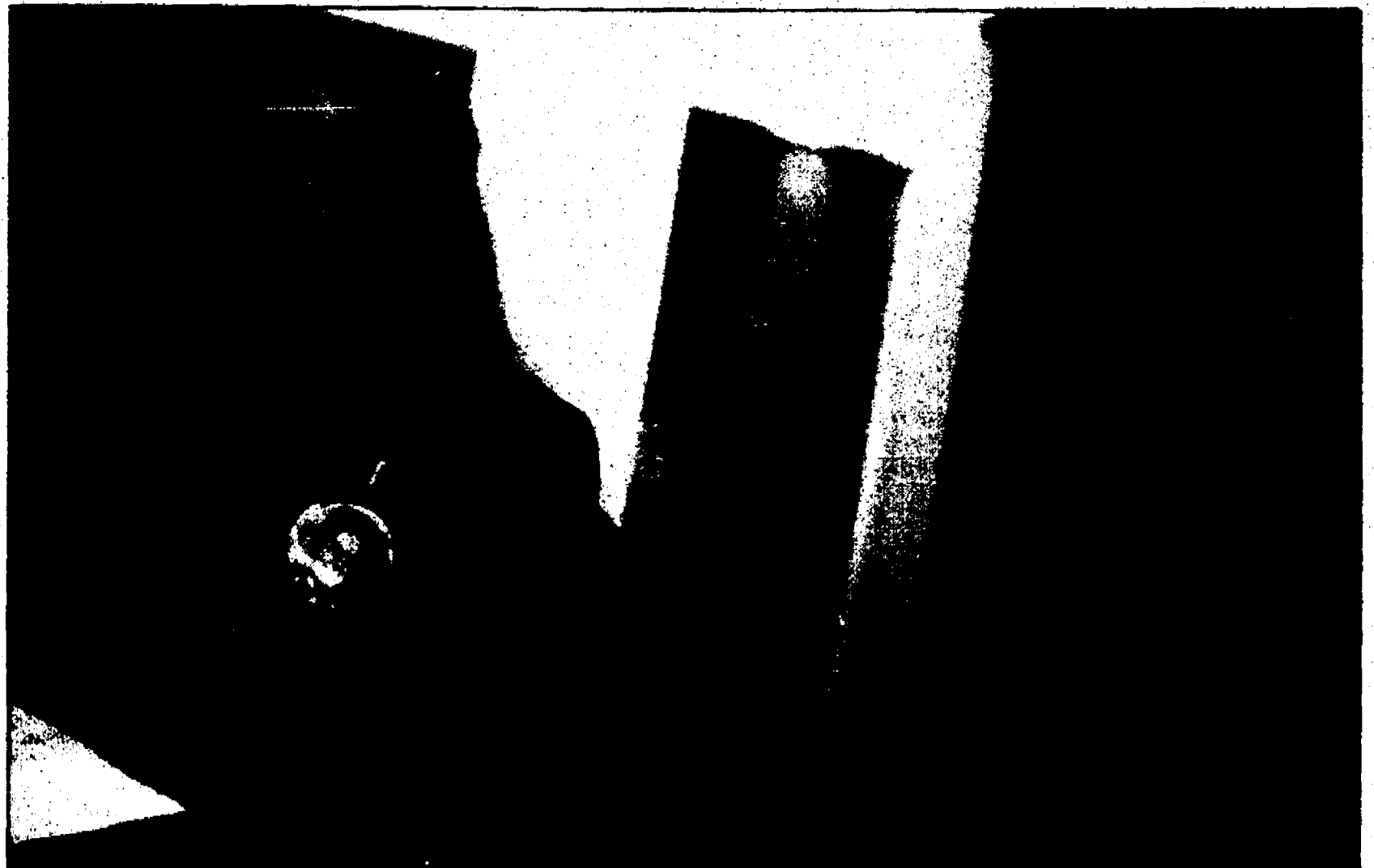
Everett recalled a single tear rolled down her sons face and he said, "It's too hard mom."

"Hallelujah. That can be fixed," Everett told her son.

Jesse's oldest brother Clint, who was living with them at the time, told him he would help with any homework he had. "We are a close-knit family who wanted so much to help."



Sympathetic: Barb Bushey listens intently to a speech given by Glenda Everett on teenage suicide at St. Maurice Church of Livonia.



Mission: Glenda Everett (foreground) whose son committed suicide at the age of 14, waits to give a speech at St. Maurice Church in Livonia on the warning signs of teenage depression and the actions a parent or friend should take to intervene.

The next day, Thanksgiving, Jesse played Sega with his brothers and was surrounded by family for a traditional holiday gathering. "We cooked together and laughed," said Everett.

The next day they had an annual ritual of spending the day after Thanksgiving doing whatever Jesse wanted.

"It was Jesse's special day. I'd take the day off from work and we'd get his hair cut or go to the show," said Everett.

It would prove to be a disappointing day for Glenda. Jesse opted out of spending time with his mom and instead asked to go to his grandparents.

"My mom and I went shopping and Jesse spent the day watching TV with his grandpa," said Everett. "My feelings were hurt."

Saturday Jesse had made plans to go hunting with a family friend. Everett stressed they do not have guns in their home and Jesse had never been hunting before but he showed an interest in it so she agreed to let him go on the condition that he attend and pass a 15-hour hunter safety course.

Jesse did well and passed the class.

"Against my best judgment I felt I had to stay true to my side of the bargain," said Everett.

"I wanted Jesse to look and feel good about himself so we went out and bought clothes for the trip and a new hunting coat," said Everett.

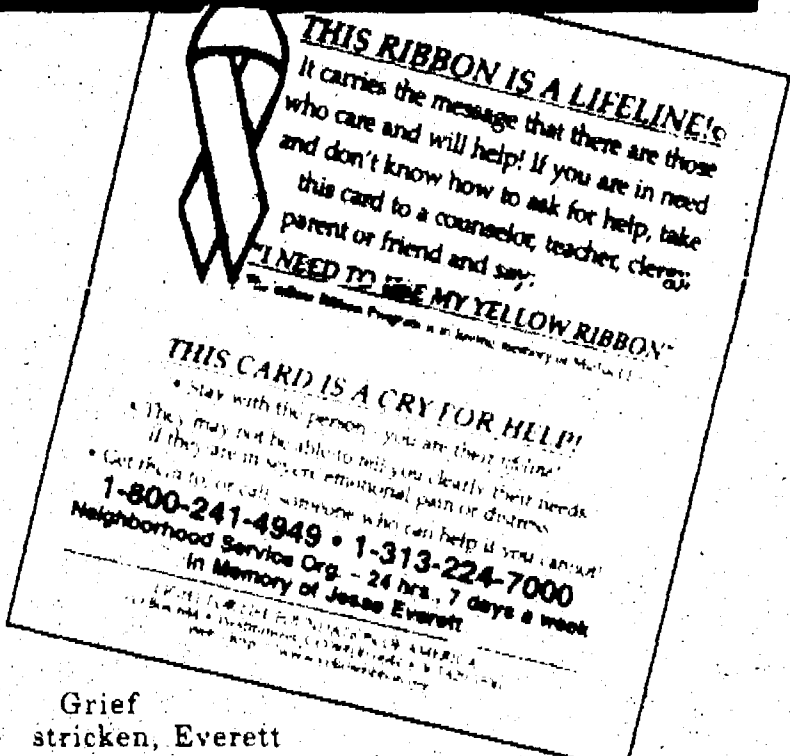
The night before the trip Glenda remembers the warmth that radiated from her son's head when she checked on him before bed.

"I asked him if he felt well enough to go the next day and he said 'yes.'"

That would be the last time Everett would see her son alive. Rising early for work Jesse was still sleeping when she left.

After breakfast Jesse and the family friend headed out to the woods to hunt. The 14-year-old separated himself from his escort, hung his brand new hunting coat on a tree branch and shot himself.

The news devastated the entire family. "My whole life changed. I felt like if I didn't say it out loud it wouldn't be true," said Everett. "I didn't know what I was going to do with his clothes in the dryer or his snacks in the cupboard. I didn't feel like a mom anymore."



Grief stricken, Everett said for the next four months she wanted to die. "I felt nothing. I would ask God to just please let me go but I didn't want to add more pain to the pain everyone was already feeling."

Turning a corner

On a Monday in March of 1997, Everett said she was washing floors with one of her co-workers and was thinking to herself she was going insane.

"I wanted to take my own life. What reason did I have to live for? I wished the world would just stop so that I could catch my breath," said Everett. "Then all of a sudden this wave of warm light came over me and love came into my heart. Even my friend working with me noticed the change."

Without explanation the Garden City woman said she began to feel as though she had a reason to get up in the morning. A few months later her daughter-in-law shared a newspaper article about a presentation a couple from Colorado was giving in Grand Blanc about their own son's suicide.

She was moved by Dale and Dar Emme's story about their son Mike, who shot himself in his yellow Mustang in the family driveway only a few minutes before his parents came home.

The Emmes started a "yellow ribbon" campaign by circulating cards at their son's memorial service that read, "Don't do this — don't attempt suicide. If you are ever at this point of despair, please ask for help."

When the first 500 cards ran out they began to get

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Local producer puts on her biggest show yet

PROFILE

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Bringing people together is part of who Carol Marvin is. It comes almost naturally to this Plymouth mother of four who plays a big role in the Detroit Electronic Music Festival this weekend at Hart Plaza.

The festival started out as a collaborative idea with others involved in Detroit's electronic music scene, and evolved into a history-making three-day festival. Marvin and her compa-

ny, Pop Culture Media, offered their expertise to help make the dream a reality.

Marvin is a dreamer and a doer. It started in fourth grade when she was an elementary school student in Livonia.

"I planned a student art show," she said. "Even then I saw how art could bring people together."

Her past experience ranges from a large-scale fashion show she produced in 1988, to working as director of Trapper's Alley in Greektown.

But through it all, the suburban raised woman hasn't strayed too far from the big city. She founded her own Detroit-based company in 1993,

and still has an apartment in the city.

"I've always believed in Detroit," she said. "I've always been an urban girl. I just think a major city is important and should be important to everyone."

With clients like The Michigan State Fair and the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival, Marvin and her company have grown.

"It gave me the experience I needed to produce the Detroit Electronic Music Festival," she said.

Marvin and I met in the spacious downtown loft that serves as headquarters for Planet E Records. Company CEO Carl Craig is artistic direc-

tor of the Detroit Electronic Music Festival.

Surrounded by brand-new iMac computers, lamps that snake and curl upward from the floor, and a black-trimmed window that stretches from floor to ceiling on one wall of the airy space, Marvin speaks with an easy-going authority.

In the face of this challenge Marvin doesn't blink an eye, for organizing a brand-new festival isn't the hardest battle she's had to fight.

Marvin said she's gained incredible patience fighting a longtime illness that has caused her to have both hips

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requests for more. From there the Light for Life Foundation International - Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program was born.

After a long conversation with the Emmes, Everett asked to be in charge of a Michigan Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Chapter. They agreed.

"Suicide is a word just like any other but it's one that we have to get used to saying and get past the stigmatism of it. Just because we say it doesn't mean that other kids are going to do it," said Everett.

As a result Everett is now speaking to church groups, service organizations, schools and to total strangers in an effort to bring suicide out into the light.

"I don't have any other credentials after my name except M-O-M," Everett said. "We have a responsibility as parents and as a community to bring it out in the open. I'm now street smart about suicide."

In retrospect, Everett says there were several actions and behaviors Jesse exhibited that would have indicated his frame of mind before the suicide.

She said his room was filled with Kurt Cobain photographs (a rock musician who took his life in 1994); he had headaches and an upset stomach; and he

told his cousin the night before his death she could have anything of his she wanted.

An important element of Everett's talk includes the distribution of the "Yellow Ribbon" cards that list a toll-free suicide hotline number and offer guidance on what to do if someone, regardless of their age, hands you a card as a means of crying out for help.

In less than two years, Everett alone estimates she has distributed more than 70,000 cards.

The Michigan Jaycees are also involved with the Light for Life Foundation as part of their community development programming. According to Michele Windling, a spokesperson for the Michigan Jaycees organization, the collaboration between Everett and the service club has only increased the exposure of Light for Life and the Yellow Ribbon campaign.

"Glenda is only one person," said Windling. "The Jaycees throughout the state have stepped up to help her whenever she needs it, whether it be scheduling talks in schools or fund-raising to help defray the cost of printing the cards and other literature. This is an example of just one program we recognize that we need to support to help Michigan's chil-

dren."

There are now several Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Chapters in Michigan, including ones in Ann Arbor, Brighton, Coloma, Detroit, Taylor and Vassar.

Overcoming obstacles

Everett says she feels she is prepared for Jesse's graduation day on June 10. She has been invited to speak to the 2000 graduating class and a moment of silence will be observed during commencement. The Everett family has also established a scholarship in Jesse's name that two graduates from Truman High School will receive. Everett said applicants were required to write a two-page essay about why they want to go into a career that involves "helping other kids."

"Jesse left me a job to do and I realize now that's to help other people," said Everett.

For more information about the Yellow Ribbon campaign and the Light for Life Foundation visit www.yellowribbon.org or the Michigan Jaycees' Web site at www.mi.jaycees.org or call (800) SUICIDE. Glenda Everett maintains a Web site at www.michiganyellowribbon.org where you can receive her "Pennies from Heaven" newsletter or e-mail her at pennies@ameritech.net

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replaced. She spent one year of her life in a wheelchair but now walks without assistance.

While encountering daily physical challenges Marvin learned to pay careful attention to detail. Her personal triumph attests to her strength and perseverance.

Marvin said it has also contributed to the success of her career - and even the anticipated Memorial Day Weekend festival.

Her children - Bob, Ryan, Drew and Madeline - have always been a great inspiration. Adriel Thornton, who works

with Marvin at Pop Culture Media, said she has been an important role model to him.

"She stays very positive and focused," he said. "She rarely lets anything change her attitude."

For Thornton, the Detroit Electronic Music Festival is an astounding accomplishment. "It's a dream Carol had that's come true."

It is Marvin's vision that the festival might have a symbiotic relationship in the city - one guiding and reaping the benefits of the other. She believes it's up to creative people and creative

'She stays very positive and focused. She rarely lets anything change her attitude.'

—Adriel Thornton
on Carol Marvin

thought to move the city forward in the new millennium.

"I think it's going to be one of the most fascinating and positive things happening in the city of Detroit," said Thornton.

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ONGOING

Friends of Garden City resident Joe Ziurinkas, who recently died in a construction accident, are collecting donations for his children ages six and four. A former employee of Complete Health and Fitness, the business will be collecting monetary donations if individuals want to drop them off or send them to: Complete Health & Fitness, 35000 Warren Road, Westland, MI 48185. Checks should be made payable to: Anthony and Emily Ziurinkas. A 1989 graduate of Garden City High School, the administration office is also accepting donations. Money will be placed into a trust fund for the children's education. In the future Standard Federal Bank will be handling the fund.

STROLL FOR EPILEPSY

The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan will host the "Summer Stroll for Epilepsy" June 3 at Kensington Metropark in Milford. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with continental breakfast; 9:30 a.m. awards presentation; 9:45 a.m. warm up and stretch routine; and 10 a.m. stroll around the lake. One lap is approximately four miles. Team up with family members friends and co-workers or walk as an individual with hundreds of other participants. Collect donations towards your own individual fund-raising goal. For a brochure to start collecting pledges call (800) 377-6226. The more money you raise, the better the prizes; and the more you help.

IN THE MOOD IV

The Gabriel Richard Historical Society hosts In the Mood IV - Latin Night, an evening of dining, entertainment and dancing on Thursday, June 8 at the Roostertail Club in Detroit. The annual fund-raising event fur-

thers restoration and preservation of Ste. Anne de Detroit, the oldest Catholic parish in Detroit, founded in 1701. Cocktail hour and silent auction begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m., dancing and live auction. \$125 per person (\$65 tax deductible). Black tie optional. Call (313) 963-1888 for tickets.

TOUR DE CURE

The American Diabetes Association will sponsor "Cure De Tour", an annual cycling fund-raiser to benefit both diabetes research and local programs Sunday, June 11 at Island Lake Recreation Area in Brighton. Early registration, \$15 (before April 19); \$20 (after April 19); \$25 (day of registration); and \$100 minimum pledge required. To register call (888) 342-2383.

GOLF OUTING FOR HOSPICE

The 7th annual "Living Every Day" golf outing, sponsored by the Community Hospice Foundation will be held Monday, June 12 at Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti. All proceeds from the event are designated for the "Hospice Home" project of Community Hospice & Home Care Services, Inc. of Westland and Plymouth. Cost is \$200 per individual golfer. Call for event details, (734) 522-4244.

PRO AM GOLF CLASSIC

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System will present this year's Las Vegas Golf & Tennis - St. Joe's Pro Am Golf Classic Wednesday, June 14 at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. Proceeds will benefit women's health education programs at the Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center and the Saint Joseph Mercy Plymouth Health Center. Call (734) 712-3192.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Garden City Presbyterian Church (1841 Middlebelt Road) will host a Strawberry Festival from 5-9 p.m. Friday, June 16 on the church grounds. Strawberries, cakes and ice cream will be sold as well as baked goods and crafts. Square dancing will be hosted from 6-8 p.m.

HEALTHCARE CLASSIC

Golf pro Hollis Stacy will join more than 350 women in their support of women's healthcare

through the Kelly Sorini Women's Healthcare Classic. The 8th annual all women's golf event will be presented by Oakwood Healthcare System June 19 at the Grosse Ile Golf & Country Club. Entry fee is \$175 per person. To register call (313) 791-1234.

GOLF CLASSIC

The fifth annual St. Mary Hospital Golf Classic will be held Friday, June 23 at Bay Pointe Golf Club, West Bloomfield to benefit breast cancer. New this year are two starting times of 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. for the 18-hole scramble. Both golfing groups will enjoy breakfast, driving range, buffer or sit-down dinner, locker room facilities and great prizes (week at a Florida golf resort). LPGA teaching professionals will be on hand for putting and driving clinics. Proceeds for the \$200 per person event are designated for breast cancer treatment, diagnosis and prevention programs at St. Mary Hospital. Corporate sponsors are available. Call (734) 655-2907 to register.

WAALK & ROLLATHON

Lutheran Adoption Service (Michigan's largest adoption program serving over 600 families per year) and the Park Jarrett Agency Aid Association for Lutherans are sponsoring the WAALK and Rollathon 2000 at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 24 at Hines Park in Westland. Registration will start at 9 a.m. and the walking and rolling at 9:30 a.m. You have the opportunity to walk/run, wheelchair, bicycle, stroller, or rollerblade one to six miles total. Features will include entertainment, lunch, refreshments and prizes. The event will start at the Nankin Mills Recreation Area (Hines Park) in Westland. Call (800) 225-8558.

JULY FLEA MARKET

Vendors are needed for Good Shepherd Reformed Church flea market to be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 8 at Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland. Space available. Cost is \$20 per spot. Applications are available by calling Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

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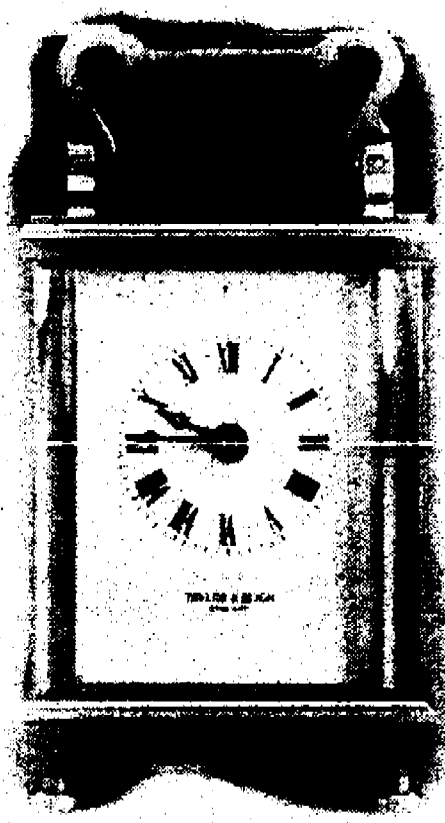
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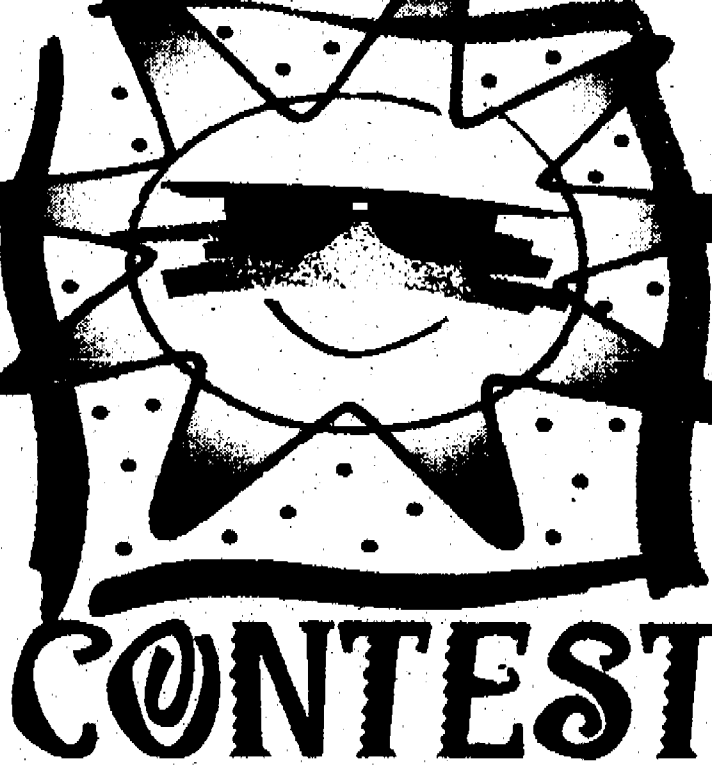
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ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS

Burman-Thompson

Karen and Bill Lange of Grosse Ile and Ken and Barbara Burman of Livonia announce the marriage of their daughter, Kristen Ann, to Keith Thompson of Nashville. The couple wed May 8, 1999, at Otter Creek Church of Christ in Nashville, Tenn.

The bride is a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy and Grosse Ile High School. She attended David Lipscomb University and now works as a marketing manager in Nashville.

Her husband, son of James and Peggy Thompson of Manchester, Tenn., is a graduate of David Lipscomb University and the University of Tennessee College of Medicine in Memphis. He is a pediatrician at Rivergate Pediatric in Tennessee.

The couple were married by Tim Woodruff. The bride was attended by maid of honor Jana Ross and bridesmaid Kelly Ingram. Abby and Cliff Thompson were flower girl and ring-bearer at the ceremony.

The groom was attended by his twin brother and best man Brian Thompson and groomsmen



man Tim Mangrum. Ushers were Brian Randolph, Russ Palmer and Matthew West all of Nashville.

In attendance were grandparents Grace Wheeler of Westland and Russ and Hazel Burman of Morris Plains, N. J.

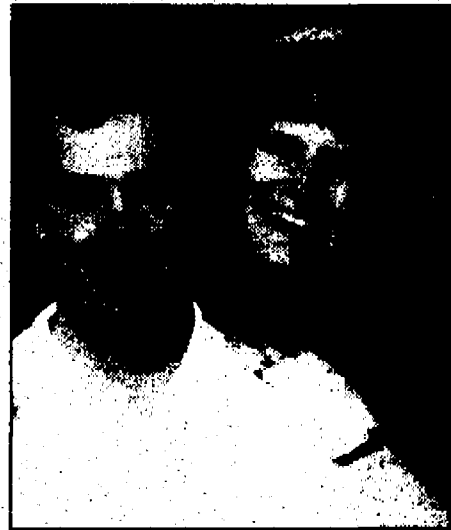
The couple received guests at Vanderbilt University Club and took a wedding trip to the British Virgin Islands. They have made their home in Nashville.

Suominen-Lezak

Jack and Roberta Bode and (the late) Paul Suominen of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacy Paulette, to Steve Louis Lezak of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1999 graduate of Madonna University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in social studies. She works as an elementary school teacher in the Wayne-Westland School District.

Her fiancé, son of Steve and Penny Lezak of Livonia, is a 1996 graduate of Madonna University with a bachelor's degree in history. He works as a high school teacher in the Wayne-



Westland School District. An October 2001 wedding is planned at Church of the Divine Child.

Cavanaugh-Brogaon

Michael and Theresa Cavanaugh of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Marie, to Ryan Gregory Brogaon of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1995 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a student at Eastern Michigan University. She works for McKesson Pharmacy Systems in Livonia.

Her fiancé, son of Douglass and Martee Hickman of Farmington Hills, is a 1989 graduate of Boca Ciega High School in Gulfport Fla., and a student at Lawrence Technological University. He works at Williams International in Commerce



Township. A wedding is planned for early spring.

Branching out

Family tree research starts with your branch

BY NANCY DEUTSCH
SPECIAL WRITER

There are a lot of informative books on genealogy out there, but surprisingly none of them come with a Surgeon General's warning, says Latricia Dickerson. With a sly smile, she adds, "They should say, 'Warning: this can be addictive.'"

Dickerson, guest speaker on genealogy at a recent meeting of the Canton Historical Society, should know. While not a certified genealogist — "I'm not a certified anything except a schoolteacher" — Dickerson has devoted a large portion of her spare time to tracing her roots and those of other members or want-to-be members of Daughters of the American Revolution, for whom she is registrar.

Dickerson has even loosely traced her own heritage to King David of Israel, although she readily admits the connection is too tenuous to stand up to legal scrutiny.

She quickly points out that this is one of the most important points about undertaking an endeavor of this kind — if there is anything a budding genealogist needs to know, it is to have proper certification of anything and everything.

"If genealogy is accurate, it should stand up in a court of law," Dickerson says.

Most people are interested in their own family history due to simple curiosity, but for some, the search has a legal aspect — they stand to inherit money from a relative if they can prove their heritage, she says.

Her own search was prompted by "a mid-life identify crisis." And every day her husband reminds her that there are less expensive ways she could have handled her restlessness, she adds with a laugh.

Where to begin

All you need to start tracing your own roots is a good lead pencil or dark ink pen and a pad of paper, she told members of the Canton Historical Society. However, if your thirst for knowledge goes unsatisfied, there could be considerable time, not to mention travel, involved.

But to start, all you need is some accurate

information so "you start with you," Dickerson says simply. "Always work from the known to the unknown." Write your name and date at the top of the page. Include the entire name you were born with, and be sure to write your surname in uppercase.

"Sooner or later, everyone comes across a name like Wesley James" and if all surnames are uniformly kept upper case, there won't be any confusion as to which is the last name, she explains. The reason for the date is also simple: it tells whoever seeks this information and comes across your data after you how likely it is that the information is accurate.

A 40-year-old who is writing from memory is more likely to remember things as they were than an 80-year-old, although this isn't always necessarily true, Dickerson says.

She remembers an elderly gentleman, quite on the ball, who recalled being kissed at the homecoming football game by the cheerleader he adored. When he carefully

accumulated information about his past, he was surprised to learn the event he remembered had been a final season basketball game, not homecoming football game. There were no cheerleaders to kiss him, although he had been bussed by a girl he liked.

After you have written basic information about yourself, set about proving it, Dickerson says. You can include a birth certificate, although, on its own, this is not the most authoritative piece of paper. Anyone can request the birth certificate of someone around his or her own age and use it, she

says. This is why documentation for passports requires the additional verification of people who have known you for at least five years.

So use as many sources as you can, she urges. After you have included information about yourself, decide how you are going to go about tracing your roots, either through your mother or father.

Then "you need to start talking to the older generation that's still alive. Do it before you are the older generation. People die."

Plan of action

It's important not to overwhelm relatives with too many questions at a time, she stresses. In addition, it is important to be specific. Start off with something like "who were you named for?" instead of "what was your father like?" It might be useful to ask questions around a memorable holiday or bring out old photos to use to help jog the memory, Dickerson suggests.

A number of Web sites or books may help you as you progress in your search, she notes such as www.ancestry.com or www.rootsweb.com. Use these to download or copy some useful forms to use for documenting your search.

There are courses offered by correspondence. Some are free, others charge tuition. Both the Canton and Plymouth libraries have a number of books and videotapes on genealogy.

"You should be able to get the information you need" to at least get started. And once you are on your way, totally engrossed in your family history, don't blame her if you get hooked. She warned you.

To obtain membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, a woman must be no less than eighteen years of age and can prove lineal, blood line, descent from an ancestor who aided in achieving American independence. She must provide documentation for each statement of birth, marriage and death.

Useful Web sites: www.rootsweb.com or www.ancestry.com

NEW ARRIVALS

■ **Brad Knight and Jennifer Haines** of Westland announce the birth of their daughter **Kaleigh Marie Knight** born May 2, at Garden City Hospital in Garden City.

Grandparents are Linda J. Knight of Westland and Sandra and Lawrence R. Haines, Jr. of Orange Park, Florida. Great-grandparents are Barbara D. Holzinger of Westland; Barbara and Martin J. Nemeosky, Jr. of Virginia Beach, Virginia; Nancy Haines of Naples, Florida; and Lawrence R. Haines, Sr. of Naples, Florida.

■ **Steven and Kimberly Palmisano** of Yardley, Penn., announce the birth of twins

Elizabeth Grace and Steven Mark Palmisano, Jr. born March 3, at Abington Hospital in Abington, Penn. Grandparents are Ignatius and Wanda Palmisano of Livonia.

■ **Dennis and Barbara Slaby** of Westland announce the birth of their son **Aaron Mitchell** born May 13 at Oakwood Hospital - Annapolis Center in Wayne. Aaron joins brother Alexander.

Grandparents are Rosella Milliman of Burr Oak, Mi.

■ **Steve and Susan Michalak** of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter **Amber Rose** born May 6 at Oakwood Hospital - Annapolis Center in Wayne. Amber joins

sister **Lindsey Anna**. Grandparents are Stanley and Kathryn Michalak of Garden City and Dennis and Rosemary Namyslowski of Garden City.

■ **Scott and Lisa Cooper** of Westland announce the birth of their son **Wyatt Scott** born May 10 at Oakwood Hospital - Annapolis Center in Wayne. Wyatt joins brother Nash Dalton. Grandparents are Bill and Dona Dillingham of Canton and Oliver and Mary Cooper of Pensacola, Florida.

■ **Christine and Michael Mass** of Livonia announce the birth of their son **Jacob Christopher** born May 17 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

Jacob joins brother **Nicholas Michael**, 2 1/2. Grandparents are James and Virginia McCarty of Garden City; Cheryl Barr and Ed Mass of Rochester Hills; and Darlene Sellers of St. Petersburg, Florida. Great-grandmother is Mildred Schrieb of Columbia, Tenn.

■ **Dawne and Peter Falk** of Garden City announce the birth of their son **Mitchell Peter** born April 23 at Botsford Hospital. Mitchell joins brother James Thomas, 2. Grandparents are Jim and Becky Falk of Garden City and Jacqueline Peski of Warren. Great-grandmother is Eleanor Marlinga of Las Vegas, Nev.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

VEGAS NIGHT

St. Richard's Catholic Church Women's Guild will hold a Vegas night fundraiser 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 3, at the church's social hall, 35851 Cherry Hill Road in Westland. The church is located just west of Wayne Road; admission is \$1. Call (734) 729-9529 for more information.

AT THE LIBRARY

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY

The William P. Faust Public Library organization meets at 2 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Call (734) 326-6123. Meetings last about one hour and are open to the public. The Friends also hold a book sale during regular library hours at the library.

WESTLAND CENTER

WALKERS

Westland Walkers meets the second Wednesday of each month except during the summer. Westland Center, located at Wayne and Warren roads, opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m., at Arcade 2 by Olga's Kitchen. Mall walking ends at 10 a.m.

RECREATION

BAILEY POOL

The Bailey Center pool will open Memorial Day weekend for the summer. It is open seven days a week and is heated. A baby pool is also available. Swimming lessons for all ages are offered, along with birthday packages. Teen Night is 8-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Debbie Lindquist is pool supervisor. For information, call (734) 722-7620.

RECREATION AND FUN

A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is held the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. Call (734) 722-7620.

VOLUNTEERS

ASSISTED LIVING

Marquette House assisted living facility, 36000 Campus Drive in Westland, seeks volunteers to spend time with residents to provide an activity or a one-on-one visit. Call Peggy in the activities department, (734) 328-6537.

ALTERRA HELP

Volunteers are needed at Alterra Sterling House and Alterra Clare Bridge Cottage of Westland. The assisted living residences are located at 32111 Cherry Hill, between Merriman and Venoy. For information, call Vince or Justine at (734) 729-4034.

ANGEL CARE

Angel Care is looking for volunteers to sew, crochet or knit blankets and burial gowns to donate to local hospitals for infants who die. Contact Mary Piontek for patterns and information, (313) 534-6496.

CROCHET ANGELS

Crochet Angels is looking for people to make premie booties, hats and afghans for area hospitals. Items can be crocheted or knitted. For more information, call Lisa at (734) 328-7759.

VETERAN'S HAVEN

Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real

estate donation program.

Donations are tax-deductible. For information, call (734) 728-0527. Food and clothing distribution is available. The center is located two blocks south of Annapolis, on the west side of Wayne Road. Those who need help filing for a service-connected disability may see Winnie Busby, a national service officer with the Vietnam Veterans of America, 1-3:30 p.m. the last Thursday of the month. To schedule an appointment, call (800) 882-6424. Those who have filed for Social Security and/or a VA pension because of a disability and need additional documentation may see Elaine Tripi; call (810) 227-1215 to set up an appointment. Combat/combat-era veterans from Wayne County who need ongoing counseling may contact one of the centers operated by the Department of Veteran Affairs, Lincoln Park, at (313) 381-1370 (Chet McLeod) or Detroit at (313) 831-6509 (Paul Esser).

CAMELOT HALL

Camelot Hall Convalescent Center seeks volunteers to spend time with residents, providing an activity or a one-on-one pursuit such as reading to blind people or just talking. The facility is located at 35100 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia. For information, call Esther or Diana in the Activity Department, (734) 522-1444, Ext. 27.

PET-A-PET

The Pet-A-Pet animal visitation program provides pet therapy with the help of volunteers. Pets should be friendly, well-behaved, and must have current vaccinations. There is a \$5 membership fee. Volunteer opportunities are available at Hope Nursing Care Center, 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month (Margaret Martin, (734) 721-2821) and Marquette House, 10:30 a.m. the second Wednesday of the month (Lorna Johnson, (734) 425-1681). There are also openings at Garden City Hospital, 3 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month (Stacy Suida, (734) 458-4392).

SCHOOLS

SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in its 2-year-old toddler-parent class on Friday mornings; 3-year-old class Monday and Wednesday mornings; and 4-year-old class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Classes run from September to May. Parents are required to help out at the school. All classes take place at Newburg United Methodist Church on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh. For more information, call April at (734) 207-7889.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for preschool programs at Stottemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Included are an early intervention program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a pre-primary impaired program and Sparky Preschool. Registration takes place 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 596-2860.

LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

The Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool for children ages 3-4, is located at 9601 W. Chicago. Parents learn with their children. Enrollment is limited. For information, call Mary at (734) 522-2967.

Speaking up



New voices: New members have been inducted into the Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club No. 6694. They are (left to right) Deborah Nesbit, Rajesh Ramanijan and Deana Gaston. The club, which promotes public speaking, inducted new members April 27.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in morning and afternoon sessions. The younger pupils attend Tuesdays and Thursdays, other pupils on Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is located at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. Call (734) 728-3559.

GARDEN CITY CO-OP

The Garden City Co-op nursery has openings for preschool classes for ages 18 months through age 4. Tots class meets on Wednesday mornings, and 3- and 4-year-olds meet Mondays and Thursdays. Parental involvement is required. Call Kelli at (734) 513-7708.

ST. MEL PRESCHOOL

St. Mel Preschool, 7506 Inkster Road in Dearborn Heights, has morning and afternoon classes for both 3- and 4-year-olds. To register, call (313) 274-6270.

YWCA READINESS

The YWCA of Western Wayne County Early Childhood School Readiness Program is available to 4- and 5-year-old children. The YWCA is located at 26279 Michigan in Inkster. Call (313) 561-4110.

CHARTER SCHOOL

The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves children in kindergarten through sixth grade. The school emphasizes basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills and offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with access to the Internet. Call (734) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.

LITTLE PEOPLES

Livonia Little Peoples Co-op Preschool is enrolling in programs for 3- and 4-year-olds. For additional information, call (734) 422-1176.

LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is holding registration. Classes meet Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoons and Tuesday-Thursday mornings for 3- to 5-year-olds. Little Lambs is a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory preschool. Call (248) 471-2077.

GARFIELD CO-OP

Garfield Cooperative Preschool offers programs for children 18 months to 5 years of age. It is located in Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road in Livonia. Call (734) 462-0135.

BUILDING BLOCKS

Building Blocks Preschool in Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman in Livonia, is offering classes for both 3- and 4-year-olds. A Pre-Kindergarten Readiness class for 5-year-olds and a Parent/Child Toddler class for 2-year-olds are offered. Call (734) 421-7359 for registration information.

MT. HOPE

Mt. Hope Co-op Preschool, 30330 Schoolcraft, between Middlebelt and Merriman in Livonia, is taking applications for the 2000-01 year. Classes meet 9:15-11:15 a.m. Monday and Wednesday for age 4, Tuesday and Thursday for age 3. For information, call Michelle at (734) 762-5255.

WILLOW CREEK

Willow Creek Co-op, on Cherry Hill between Newburgh and Wayne roads in Westland, is having open registration for the 2000-01 school year. Openings are still available for ages 3-4 classes. For information, call Julie, (734) 595-0238.

FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High School PTSA is seeking members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and the community. Members need not have a student in the school. Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should

be made payable to Franklin PTSA and sent to 31000 Joy, Livonia, MI 48150.

TUTORIAL PROGRAM

A free tutoring program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy in Westland. The program, 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, is for students ages 9 and older in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. For information on participating or volunteering, call Leau'Rette Douglas, (734) 722-3660.

ADULT LITERACY

An adult literacy program is being offered free Wednesdays at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center. Volunteers are being sought who are interested in tutoring children and adults 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. For adult literacy enrollment or additional information, call Leau'Rette Douglas, (734) 722-3660.

MOM'S MORNING OUT

Children ages newborn to 6 years old and their mothers may attend a Mom's Morning Out 9-11:30 a.m. every Thursday at Newburg United Methodist Church, on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh, Livonia. Children are grouped together by ages in rooms with two caregivers per room. The program is an optional co-op, with parents working once a month. Call (734) 422-0149.

HISTORIC

PIONEER TREK

The Nankin Township Pioneer Trek has been designed to introduce travelers to the rich history of the area. Travelers will visit sites that had an impact on the development of Westland as a community. Those who complete the trek will receive an embroidered patch. To start the trek, first visit the Westland Historical Museum and pick up a packet. The museum is located at 857 N. Wayne Road and is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays, except before a holiday. The trek is sponsored by the Westland Historical Commission and the Friends of the Westland Museum. For information, call (734) 326-1110.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School is in session at the Perrinsville One-Room Schoolhouse. It is located at the corner of Warren and Cowan roads. Built in 1856, the schoolhouse has been restored to its 1890s appearance. It is open to the public the last Sunday of the month, starting in June and running through October. Hours are 1-4 p.m. For information, call the Westland Historical Museum at (734) 326-1110.

FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday

of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette, between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Call President Jim Franklin at (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

FOR SENIORS

TIGER GAMES

The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) will sponsor several trips to Detroit Tigers baseball games this season. Dates are June 9 against the St. Louis Cardinals, July 14 against the Houston Astros, Aug. 18 against the Oakland A's and Sept. 1 against the Texas Rangers. All are Friday night games and will be played at Comerica Park. Those interested should sign up at the center's front desk, on Newburgh at Marquette in Westland. For information, call (734) 722-7632.

SUMMER PICNIC

Westland's senior citizen Friendship Center will have a summer picnic noon to 4 p.m. Friday, June 16, at Coburn Park, behind the center. The cost is \$6 for center members and \$9 for nonmembers, who must be Westland residents. There will be live music, door prizes and games. Tickets are available at the center's front desk, 1119 N. Newburgh. Due to space availability, tickets will not be sold to nonresidents or to people who go to the center only for cards and classes. No tickets will be sold after Friday, June 9. There will be no refunds.

HEARING CHECKS

Every third Tuesday of each month a representative from Personalized Hearing Care of Westland will check and clean hearing aids free, 2-3 p.m. by appointment only. Call (734) 722-7632 for more information.

SENIOR CHOIR

The Friendship Senior Choir, under the direction of Robert Cassidy, meets 9 a.m. Thursdays at the Westland Senior Resources Department Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Anyone who enjoys singing may join.

EXERCISE

Musical Chairs is a program from Jazzercise designed for exercisers older than 40. The program provides a low-to-moderate workout. The exercise improves strength, flexibility, balance, posture, coordination and cardiovascular endurance. It incorporates resistance exercises using rubber tubing and light weights with walking and jogging patterns. Wear loose-fitting clothing and comfortable shoes. Light weights and an exercise mat are suggested. Robert Cassidy is the certified Jazzercise instructor. Sign up at the front desk at the Westland Friendship Center or call (734) 722-7632.

TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Group meets 1 p.m. two Fridays a month in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebrations of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is an \$8 membership fee for Westland residents. Call (734) 722-7632.

MONTHLY MEAL/DANCE

The Wayne-Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal for people 50 and older 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road two blocks south of Ford. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers. The meal

includes beer, beverages, dancing to big-band music and door prizes. Call (734) 728-5010.

DYER CENTER

The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center offers activities Monday through Thursday at the center, located on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, Kitchen Band, 10 a.m.; bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in Hall A of the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh. The instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632.

DYER TRIP

The Wayne-Westland Dyer Senior Adult Center is hosting a 15-day Hawaiian guided tour of four islands, departing Oct. 17. Roundtrip airfare, accommodations, sightseeing, entrance fees, transfers, ground transportation and other expenses are included in the \$1,649 per person price (double occupancy). Reservations are confirmed only with a \$100 per person deposit on a first-come, first-served basis. Fliers and information are available by calling the center at (734) 595-2161 or Sandy Porter at (877) 845-7329. Family and friends are welcome.

CLUBS IN ACTION

WESTLAND ROTARY

The Westland Rotary Club meets 12:15 p.m. Thursdays at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt in Westland.

SWEET ADELINES

The County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International is looking for women who love to sing. The group sings a cappella music in barbershop style. Rehearsals are 7 p.m. Tuesdays at UAW Local 898 at 8975 Textile, Ypsilanti. For more information, call Paula at (734) 995-4110.

CHADD

CHADD of Northwest Wayne County meets the first Thursday of the month throughout the school year at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. CHADD aims to better the lives of individuals with attention difficulties. Call (313) 438-3099.

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. MI28, a support group for sensible weight loss, meets 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland. Call Jackie at (734) 722-7225.

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. MI53 meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at OptiEyes, Westland Super Vision Center, 35184 Central City Parkway, Westland. Call (734) 427-5200. Leader, Michele, (734) 422-1726; secretary, Karen, (734) 729-6366.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club No. 6694 (formerly Holy Smokemasters) teaches public speaking at the club's weekly meetings 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road next to Westland Shopping Center. Call John Elbe at (734) 326-5419 after noon.

The Observer Newspapers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or by fax to 734-581-7278. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 963-2104 if you have any questions.

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

RELIGION CALENDAR

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Registration for 2000-2001 Sunday School is being accepted for Congregation Beit Kodesh (31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia). Affordable tuition. Tuition assistance available to those who qualify. Call (248) 477-8974 for information.

SUMMER CAMP

Registration has begun at Christ Our Savior in Livonia for summer camp and fall classes. The church offers Christian programs for children ages 18 months to kindergarten during the school year and up through age 8 during the summer. Call Wendy at (734) 513-8413.

REDEEMED TREASURES

Redeemed Treasures thrift shop (sponsored by Detroit Challenge) is open most Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. year round. The shop is at 20740 Grand River (1.5 miles east of Telegraph). While browsing, you can have your car washed and detailed for a donation.

SCRIPTURE SERIES

A Scripture Series is being offered at Saint Colette Church (Newburgh Road between Six and Seven Mile roads) from 7-9 p.m. Thursdays evenings, May 25: "Revelations about the Book of Revelation," Why is the Book of Revelation so frequently misinterpreted? How do Catholics understand this last book of the Bible? Sr. Ginny Silvestri, OSM, will be the guest speaker. She is a member of the Order of Servants of Mary. She is currently a consultant for the Office for Leadership Formation in the Archdiocese of Detroit. Pre-registration by calling (734) 464-4435. Walk-ins are welcome.

BARBARA KEEFE CONCERT

Barbara Keefe, spiritual teacher and new thought vocalist, will be performing and hosting a workshop at 2 p.m. May 28 called "Playing with God," at Unity of Livonia (28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads). The program will be offered on a love offering basis. Keefe tours extensively in the U.S. performing concerts for spiritual and private groups. For information call (734) 421-1760.

UUCF SUNDAY PROGRAM

Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington Sunday Program

for May 28: Rev. Bob Renjilian presents "Keeping the Memories." In observance of Memorial Day we will share in the important work of remembering through our grief and our joy those who have gone before. Weather permitting, we will end services outside near the Memorial Garden. Services and Sunday School at 9 and 11 a.m. 25301 Halsted Rd. (North of Grand River) Call (248) 478-7272 or www.wwnet.com/~uucf/

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Come and experience a weekend of praise and worship through the Women of Greater Grace Temple — Taylor will gather at the Marriott Hotel (1275 W. Huron St.) of Ypsilanti for the May 19-20, 14th annual Women's Retreat. Reservations can be made by calling (800) 228-9290. This year's theme is "Women of Praise Worshipping the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness: The Power of Prayer and Fasting." Keynote speaker is Evangelist Connie Hightower of Mt. Calvary Apostolic Church, Ohio.

RAISE THE ROOF

Christ Our Savior (46001 Warren Road). - Canton Campus will host a contemporary praise concert "Raise the Roof" beginning at 7 p.m. June 3. The event is presented by "Circle of Friends" Canton Music Group. Special treat for kids. Ice cream social following the concert.

FINANCIAL SEMINAR

A financial seminar will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 3 at United Assembly of God, 46500 North Territorial Road in Plymouth. Free of charge. Continental breakfast offered. Must register to attend. Call (734) 453-4530.

SPORTS NIGHT

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church of Livonia (16700 Newburgh Rd) hosts a Call Friendship Club for mentally and physically challenged young adults 18 or older. A sportsnight and cook-out is planned for June 15 at the church. Cost \$3.00. For information call (734) 464-8844.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Trinity Presbyterian Church (10101 W. Ann Arbor Road) of Plymouth invites children to

come to Vacation Bible School June 19-23 from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. daily. VBS is open to children entering kindergarten through six grade in the fall. This year's program is SonZone Discovery Center, a week of adventure is a fantastic inventor's museum designed for kids including lively songs, crafts, games, hands-on experiments. Bible study and snacks. Registration begins May 21. Call (734) 459-9550.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School at Christ Our Savior Lutheran church, 14175 Farmington Road in Livonia, will take place from 9:30-11:30 a.m. June 19-23. Outback Expedition - Celebrating God's Family will include Bible stories, drama, music, games and crafts. Children age four through grade six are invited to attend. To register call (734) 522-6830.

WORLD HEALING SERVICE

On Mon, June 19 a World Healing Service will take place at 7 p.m. facilitated by Barbara Wade, licensed Unity Teacher at Unity of Livonia (28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads). Come and pray for healing of Mother Earth, your loved ones, mankind, the world and yourself. Call (734) 421-1760.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are scheduled June 9-11 and July 14-16 at St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile Road in Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol to register (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524. Visit www.rc.net/detroit/wmwe

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church of Livonia/Canton will host the fifth annual overnight retreat Sept. 8-9 sponsored by Women's Ministry. The program titled "Enjoying the Presence of God," will be held starting at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8 and run through 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Holiday Inn/Fair-

lane in Dearborn. Guest speaker will be Jan Johnson an award-winning author of eight books and thousands of magazine articles. Jan will speak Friday on "Intimacy with God," and a service of prayer and praise will be led by the Canton Praise Team. After breakfast Saturday, Jan will speak on "Finding God in Hard Places/Empty Space." Following lunch she will give her last talk "Drawing Energy from the Heart of Christ." Cost before July 15, \$95 for double occupancy; \$85 triple; \$75 quadruple and \$40 for one day only. If you register between July 15 and Aug. 7 add \$10 to fee. Call Suann Dibble (734) 522-6830.

HEALING SERVICES

The Rev. Gary Seymour offers healing services for the series titled "Rise and Come Forward" the third Wednesday evening of each month at the Church of the Risen Lord, 821 N. Newburgh in Westland. Call (734) 397-7132.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Bible studies at Timothy Lutheran Church are available from 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. The morning study is led by members of the congregation, and the evening study is led by the pastor. Timothy Lutheran Church is at 8820 Wayne Road in Livonia. Call (734) 427-2290 or visit www.timothylivonia.com

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN

New Life Lutheran Church worships at 10:15 a.m. Sunday at Bird School, 220 N. Sheldon. Sunday school is also offered. Please call (734) 459-8181 or e-mail the church at newlifelc@yahoo.com

NEW BIBLE STUDY

Adults interested in a complete overview of the scriptures may attend a Bible study at 9:15 a.m. Sundays at New Life Lutheran Church at Bird School, 220 N. Sheldon. Call (734) 459-8181 or e-mail newlifelc@yahoo.com

TAI CHI CLASSES

The Taoist Tai Chi Society, a nonprofit organization, is forming new, beginner tai chi classes, at 38121 Ann Arbor Road, Livonia, St. Paul United Methodist Church in Bloomfield Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills. Observers welcome. (248) 332-1281.

Outing to benefit hospice services

The 7th annual "Living Every Day" golf outing, sponsored by the Community Hospice Foundation, will be held Monday, June 12 at the historic Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti. All proceeds from the event are designated for the "Hospice Home" project of Community Hospice & Home Care Services, Inc. (CHHCS) of Westland and Plymouth.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HILBERTMAN

Foursome: Karen Berrie tees up while Sandy Sommer, Daniel Herriman and Maureen Butrico look on in Kellogg Park. The four were promoting the annual CHHCS golf outing.

For \$200 an individual golfer can enjoy 18 holes of golf and a cart, use of putting green and driving range, lunch and refreshments, use of locker room and facilities, steak dinner and open bar, contest holes (beat the pro, hole-in-one, closest to the pin and longest drive), a raffle, silent auction and door prizes.

Among the raffle prizes this year is a weekend for two (two nights/three days) at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island and a stay at Garland Resort — the Midwest's only four-diamond golf resort complex.

This year Ford Motor Company is a major sponsor. "Ford Motor Company has supported the outing since its debut seven years ago and we are very grateful," said Virginia Vreeland, one of the organizers of the event.

There are various levels of general and corporate sponsorship opportunities still available starting with a hole sponsorship through to platinum sponsorship. This occasion offers sponsors many opportunities including advertising and marketing throughout the metro-Detroit area, and corporate signage during

the event. The 100-year old Washtenaw Country Club is an ideal place to spread the word about your organization while helping the worth cause of hospice.

"Our supporters are thrilled to return to this wonderful course. Supporting hospice is so important to us and playing at Washtenaw Country Club makes the day extra special," said Beth Lurtz, Hospice Foundation Board Member.

The Community Hospice Foundation was established in 1992 to raise funds for and increase awareness of Community Hospice & Home Care Services, Inc. For information regarding the golf outing call (734) 522-4244 or (734) 459-0548.

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Right to life stance a visual display in Canton

ABORTION

Passing by Canton's St. John Neumann Church this week, it's hard not to stare.

But that's the desired effect that about 100 volunteers hoped for as they gathered Thursday, May 18, to place 2,200 white crosses into the ground in front of the church.

Sandy Rzepecki, a Canton resident for 22 years, was among the group. "I just wanted to help out and do something for the community."

Each cross represents two abortions — the average performed daily. "I pray everyday for the unborn babies," added Rzepecki.

She's not alone. Rosemary Smith had hammer in hand, despite lightning and the onset of rain late in the afternoon. "I just really believe in the right to life," said the 20-year Canton resident. This is a good way to show people what's happening. It's an inspiring sight. It makes you think.

This is the first year the church has been part of the very visible program against abortion. The crosses travel from church to church. Before being

set up at the Canton church, the white crosses were displayed at St. Irenaeus Church in Rochester Hills.

Crosses could also be seen on the grounds of Ladywood High School in Livonia earlier this month.

Father Jack Quinlann of St. John Neumann Church was happy to see so many people working for an important cause. He was among the group setting up the crosses Thursday.

"We hope it makes an impact on the community," said Barbara Weir of Canton. She said the crosses signify respect for all life, not just anti-abortion sentiments.

It certainly impacted the parish in Wayne County. Jodi Ring, who belongs to the Respect Life Committee, a division of the church's Christian Service Committee, said the project was split into different activities. Some volunteers marked a pattern, others pounded in bases and others put the crosses in the ground. She was pleased to see volunteers of all ages come out to help.

The crosses will remain at St. John Neumann Church, located on Warren Road, for a two-week period.



Committed: Maria Brish (center) and her son David, 7, help Jackie O'Dell, Jody Larsen and Teresa Haller place crosses at St. John Neumann Church in Canton.

Christian concert planned

Come one, come all to the Canton Friendship Church Christian concert at the Summit on the Park, Saturday, June 10.

According to organizers the free outdoor event will feature contemporary Christian music by three bands at the Summit's amphitheater beginning at 6:30

p.m. "It's really an all-day, family affair," said Dale Bennett a member of Canton Friendship Church. "Everyone is welcome to attend."

A family cookout will lead off the event at 4:30 p.m. and

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CRAFTS CALENDAR

If you would like to announce an upcoming craft show, bazaar, or arts boutique — items can be sent to: Crafts Calendar, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI, 48150 or e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

JURIED ART SHOW

The Women of Bloomfield — 16th Annual Juried Arts and Crafts Show is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday June 14th, First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple (south side of Maple

between Pleasant and Southfield Rd.) Birmingham. Eighty juried arts/crafters (wearable arts, jewelry, photography, baskets, dried and silk flowers, paintings and prints, watercolors, acrylics and oils; ceramics, glass, beads, crystal jewelry, wood furniture, garden statuary, metal sculpture, and handmade doll furniture, doll clothes, dolls, puppets and teddy bears, watercolor decorated stationery). Other features include white elephant booth, bake sale, food booth, raffle (over 70 prizes donated by artists).

Donation only \$1.00. All proceeds to Scamp and Care House. Free parking.

CHELSEA SUMMER FEST

Applications are currently being sought for arts and crafts vendors at the Chelsea Summer Fest, July 28 and 29. Booth hours are Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. If you are interested in obtaining a booth, contact Penny (734) 433-0354 or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 580, Chelsea, MI

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FALL ARTS/CRAFTS

St. Damian Parish is looking for crafters for their Fall Arts and Crafts Show that will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14 throughout the school. St. Damian is located at 30055 Joy Road in Westland. Call (734) 421-6130.

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Children and grief to be addressed on local cable show

Children And Grief: One Wound That Bandages And Salve Can't Heal

The loss of a loved one is something with which everyone must come to terms at some point in life, yet many families find it difficult to express the associated sorrow openly, particularly when children are concerned.

"On Main Street" host Dr. Dale Meyer confronts grief with Gregory Floyd, author of "A Grief Unveiled" and father who faced the unexpected loss of a child in 1995. Floyd's family was struck with tragedy as his 6-year-old son — one of six children under the age of 7 — was fatally injured in an auto accident. The grieving process through which his family dealt with the loss served as an inspi-

ration for his book and is an example to others in helping children express grief.

"Something that people can miss a lot is that children do grieve — they grieve differently than adults do because their life is different than an adult's life," says Floyd. "We (adults) do not give them the credit for the depth and the insight and the intuition that they have."

Floyd adds that a child's grief is episodic. Children are capable of participating in a favorite pas-

time, mourning the loss of a loved one and going out for ice cream all in the space of a half an hour — something inconceivable to adults.

In the interview with Meyer, Floyd stresses the importance of allowing a child to actively demonstrate grief by giving them a realistic picture of the situation. Euphemisms and colorful, "pie-in-the-sky" language are a negative distraction from the reality of death and may only serve to confuse the child

and set them up for added heartache down the road.

"Trying to shield a child from grief is one of the most destructive things a parent can do," says Floyd. "If they (children) repress grief — any psychologist will tell you and any good spiritual director will tell you — they will deal with that (grief) every few years for the rest of their lives... It is important for parents to explain to children in an age-appropriate language what's going on."

Floyd's touching story and

these important messages for parents and guardians will be shared in the "On Main Street" program, "Children and Grief" scheduled to air on Livonia cable, on Monday, May 29 on WLIV, Channel 12 at 4 p.m.

Winner of a 1999 Emmy Award, "On Main Street" is a 30-minute program broadcast weekly on the Odyssey Channel (Wednesday at 2:30 a.m. and Thursday, 10:30 a.m.), Vision Video and local affiliate and independent television stations.

To determine if the Odyssey Channel is carried by a local cable service, visit the Odyssey Network online (www.odyssey-channel.com).

For additional program information, visit the "On Main Street" section of Lutheran Hour Ministries' "Wired with the Word" Web site (www.lhm.org) or call (800) 944-3450 to request a complimentary copy of the quarterly publication, "Broadcast Guide."

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include children's games and prizes. Two dollar food tickets entitle the holder to a hot dog, chips and a drink. Six food tickets can be purchased for \$10. "That's a pretty good deal," said Bennett.

Each ticket purchased will be entered into a drawing for prizes that will be awarded during the second intermission.

Among the three featured Christian contemporary bands are local performers "Footprints," who will simultaneously be making their debut. The band members, including performers from Livonia, Plymouth, Canton and Brooklyn, are looking forward to releasing a self-titled CD this fall.

Other performances will be made by singer/songwriter Lanea Russell of "Renoir" and featuring singer/songwriters Aaron Swanger and Ryan Ballard of "Brother Jack."

"Renoir" appears regularly with nationally known bands booked at The Grain Coffee House in Marshall and "Brother Jack" is currently in the studio cutting a CD to be released this summer.

For additional information about the Christian music concert call (248) 374-4345 or Canton Friendship Church (734) 451-2100. Summit on the Park is located off Canton Center Road between Michigan Avenue and Cherry Hill roads in Canton.

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Wildcats hoop champs

The Livonia Wildcats, a 17-and-under boys basketball team, defeated the Downriver Regents in the finals to capture the 18-and-under division last weekend at the University of Michigan-Dearborn 2000 Spring Shootout.

Members of the Wildcats include Will Pendergrass, Brandon Dzikinski, Kevin Zielinski and Dan McMahon, all of Livonia Churchill; Mike Copeland and Derek Schema, both of Livonia Franklin; and Brad Hinzman, Hartland.

The Wildcats are coached by Rick McMahon. Patrick Cannon is club director.

Crusaders AAU champs

The Madonna University Crusaders No. III 12-and-under volleyball team posted a perfect record Saturday to win the Gold Division championship in an AAU Tournament at University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Hosted by Motor City and The Victors volleyball teams, Crusaders No. 3 won in straight sets against all three of its pool-play opponents, then swept both its the semifinal and final matches in four-straight games.

A combination of consistent serving by Chelsey Mellon, (nine serves in a row) and accurate passing by Laura Schroeter and Megan Hodges assured that a third game was never needed in any match. Other team members include Sarah Alexander, Lauren Kurtz and Amy Doenitz.

The Crusaders, coached by Scott Kurtz, look forward to the State AAU Volleyball meet June 3 in Adrian.

Madonna University's Junior Crusaders 12-and-under team completed its regular season tournament play with a first-place finish last Saturday in Grand Rapids. It was their fourth title this season. They, too, will move on to the state championships June 3 in Adrian.

Coached by Kim Price, Crusader team members include Marissa Bober, Teresa Coppellie, Jansen Falcousen, Ashton Judis, Amanda Lenart, Madison McCoy, Trisha Morrill, Rachel Pasquali, Lauren Price and Terry Rhodes.

Good at his Kraft

Driving a 1993 Ford Mustang, Westland's Tom Kraft won his Pro bracket points race Sunday at Milan Dragway by defeating Gary Alfrey of Allen Park in the finals.

Kraft's elapsed time was 12.597 seconds and his speed was 107.67 MPH. Alfrey was driving a 1971 Chevy Chevelle.

In a No Box bracket race Saturday at Milan, Kraft posted a speed of 100.19 MPH and an elapsed time of 10.712 against Jim Adams of Ypsilanti, who was driving a 1973 Chevy Nova. Kraft also defeated Ken Bentley in the semifinals.

Franklin football camp

The Patriot summer football camp will be from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17 at Livonia Franklin High School.

The cost is \$15. Lunch will be provided and campers will receive a free T-shirt if signed up by Thursday, June 1.

All participants must bring football or tennis shoes, along with water.

For more information, call (734) 523-9300. Checks should be made payable to Franklin High School (attention Coach Kelbert).

Boys hoop shootout

Schoolcraft College will host a high school boys basketball varsity and JV team shootout Friday and Saturday, July 21-22.

The cost is \$175 per team. For more information, call the SC men's basketball office at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5254.

Westland open skating

The Westland Sports Arena is offering open skating from 1-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays; 4-6:45 p.m. Fridays; and 1-2:45 Saturdays and Sundays.

The cost is \$2.25 (adult) and \$1.75 (children and seniors). Weekend fees are an additional \$1.

Drop-in hockey (18 and older) is available from 11-11:50 a.m. Mondays-Wednesdays. The cost is \$5 (full gear). Goalies skate free.

Youth drop-in hockey (ages 7-12) is from 2-3:45 p.m. Fridays. The cost is \$5 (full gear). Goalies skate free.

Skate rental is \$2 and skate sharpening is \$4.

Ladywood claims regional crown

Blazers break new ground

The trip last Friday to Algonac was well worth it for the Livonia Ladywood girls track team.

The Blazers came home with their first-ever regional championship in the Division II meet.

Ladywood edged Richmond for the title, 69-67, thanks to a fourth-place finish in the final event, the 1,600-



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Jump start: Ladywood's Alexis Noel takes off in the Catholic League A-B Division meet.

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meter relay. The foursome of Kayla Bridges, Rachael Malenfant, Andrea Doud and Kelly Carey posted a time of 4:27.0.

"We led Richmond by eight points and we had to finish fourth if Richmond finished first, which they did," Ladywood coach Lee Shaw said. "We also got disqualified in the 800 relay, but the girls rallied after that and we were able to overcome some adversity."

Ladywood qualified in five different events for the Division II state meet Saturday, June 3 at Grandville.

Individual qualifiers included Alexis Noel, who took first in the long jump (16 feet, 4 1/2 inches) and third in the high jump (5-0); Brianna Watson, second in the 100-meter dash (13.03); and Karen Kuszynski in the long jump (15-0).

Ladywood's 400 relay team also finished first as Laura Yales, Carey, Kelly Predmesky and Watson clocked a 52.73.

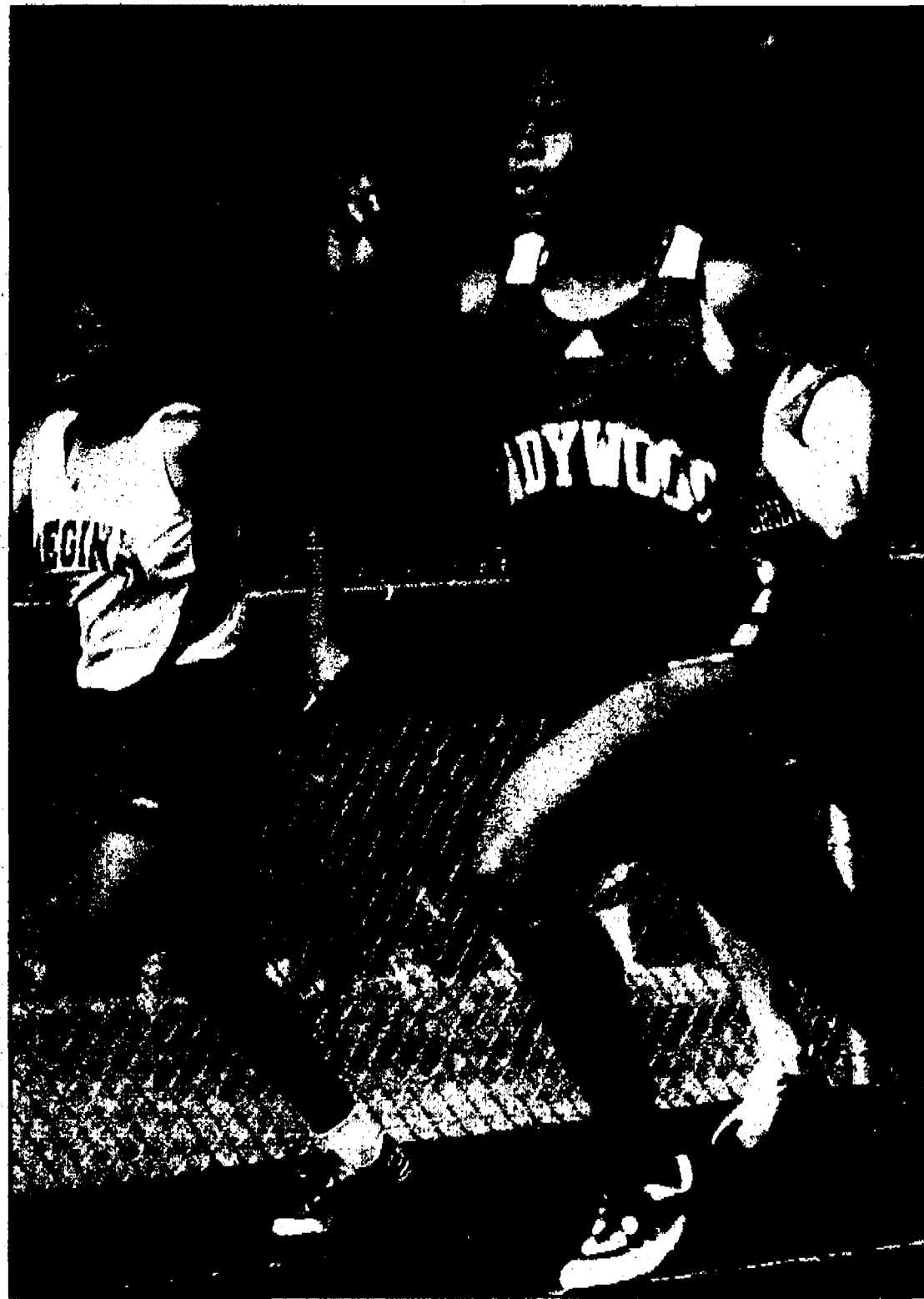
Other third-place regional finishers included Yales in the 100 (13.36) and Carey in the 200 (28.0).

Anna Plageny took a fourth in the 3,200 (12:36.1) and teamed up with Jennifer Koterba, Andrea Doud and Michelle Taylor for a sixth in the 3,200 relay (10:28.6).

Fifth places went to Doud, 800 (2:32.8); Sierra Miller, 100 (13.39); and Christen Jury, shot put (31-9).

By winning the regional, Ladywood also qualified for the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association meet Saturday at Corunna.

On Tuesday, the Blazers will also host the Operation-Friendship between the Catholic and Detroit Public School leagues.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Blazer: Brianna Watson (right) churns out the legs in the 100-meter dash in Tuesday's Catholic League meet. See results, C2.

Churchill earns 1st-ever state berth

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

For the first time in school history the Livonia Churchill girls golf team qualified for the state tournament.

By virtue of their third-place finish Monday at the Division I regional at the Carrington Golf Club in Monroe, the Chargers advance to the state finals Friday, June 2 at Michigan State University's Forest Akers (East Course) in East Lansing.

Ann Arbor Huron and Ann Arbor Pioneer each shot 367, but Huron captured the regional crown on a tiebreaker (which extended to the fifth player).

Churchill, led by sophomore Heidi Aittama's 82, finished with a team total of 377.

"The fact that we are going to state finals is very rewarding. This has been our goal since last June," Churchill coach Sharon Laskowski said. "I thought the girls were peaking over the last few weeks, and they played the way I expected they would. They really showed desire and determination out there."

Rounding out the field was Saline (381), Livonia Stevenson (393), Farmington Unified (397), South Lyon (408), Monroe (418), Plymouth Canton (430), Plymouth Salem (439), Novi (455), Dearborn (487), Westland John Glenn (502) and Temperance Bedford (545).

Aittama, who was ninth individually

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at the state finals last year as a freshman, tied for medalist honors with Shalane McClain of Huron, but lost on the first playoff hole.

Other Churchill scorers included Ashley Johnson (88), Kelly Parzuchowski (98) and Katy Reck (109). Jennie Lusa added a 110.

Stevenson, runner-up in last year's regional and eighth in the state tourney, was led by freshman Kristen Polanski, who shot 84 and finished fourth.

Polanski, whose brother Steve was a state Class A champion in 1998, qualified as an individual as a result of her top-five finish.

"She's a freshman and she's going to be a very significant presence in the state," Stevenson coach John Wagner said of Polanski. "She has an awful lot of ability and a desire that is extraordinary."

Stevenson, minus two key players because of injury and illness, was unable to crack the top three spots.

Rounding out the Spartans' contingent was Katie Carlson (93), Laura Haddock (108), Teresa Layman (108) and Leah Winesdoffer (114).

DIVISION II GIRLS GOLF REGIONAL

Blazers 2nd, qualify

The honeymoon just won't end for Livonia Ladywood golf coach Randy Ferguson.

Scheduled to be married June 3 to Stephanie Turbin of Belleville, Ferguson received an early wedding gift when his Blazers qualified for the state tournament after finishing second in the Division II regional Monday at Fieldstone in Auburn Hills.

Western Lakes Activities Association dual-match champion Northville, bolstered by medalist Kate MacDonald's 83, led the 13-team field with 366.

Ladywood, just 3-4 in dual meets this season and fourth in the Catholic League, was runner-up with 385. It will be the second straight trip for the Blazers, who finished 10th a year ago.

Meanwhile, Birmingham Marian, scoring 392, will also be making the trip Friday, June 2 to Michigan State University's Forest Akers (West Course) in East Lansing.

Senior Amy Eischen and freshman Leah Andersen, filling in for returnee Betsy Raes, led Ladywood with 95 each, tying for sixth place.

Two sophomores, Ashley Loyer and Amanda Graves, carded 97 and 98, respectively. Senior Mary Griffin added a 101.

"Probably our top eight girls are all within a stroke of each other," Ferguson said. "Raes had been sick the past two days so we bring in Andersen and she ties for our medalist honors. She was supposed to be an alternate today."

"Marian beat us two weeks ago in a dual meet and also beat us in the Catholic League, so it was probably our best effort."

Other Northville scorers include Pam Mouradian (86), Jessie Mills (98), Heather Rudy (99) and Jessica Magnatta (106).

Katie Woch led Marian with a 90 followed by Kristen Strohe (93), Julie Kluczynski (103) and Jessica Magnatta (106).

Zebras earn stripes, clinch division title

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

For the first time in its brief six-year history, the Wayne Memorial girls soccer team won a league title Wednesday by defeating conference foe Southgate Anderson, 2-0, in a showdown at home.

The senior-laden Zebras got second half goals from midfielders Tish Tedders and Christine Raupp, propelling them to a 13-0-1 league record and Mega Conference Blue Division title.

Anderson dropped to 11-1-1 overall.

"We worked so hard today," said Zebra coach Larry Brenner, who got a bucket of water dumped on him in the waning moments of the game. "When the season began, I knew this was the best team we've had around here. To the girls' credit, they went out and proved it. Everybody plays for the team and that is why we won today."

Both Wayne and Anderson entered

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the match undefeated in Mega Conference play.

Earlier in the year the teams met at Southgate, and played to a 1-1 tie, in which no goals were scored until the final four minutes of the second half.

Wednesday's game began much the same way. While both teams had opportunities to score in the first half, no one was able to get the all-important first goal.

Wayne, which had dominated much of the half, almost fell behind with 5:55 remaining when goalie Jenny Sheppard partially blocked a shot that got through her legs, but rolled just outside the goalpost.

In the second half, the wind picked up and so did Wayne's offense.

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Celebration: Wayne's Christine Raupp (middle), who scored the second goal, is congratulated by teammates Tish Tedders (left) and Kristina McCahill during Wednesday's title clinching win.

Catholic Central pulls out victory

You might say Redford Catholic Central jumped to first place in the Catholic League boys track meet.

The Shamrocks finished the meet Tuesday at Livonia Ladywood with 113 points to edge runner-up University of Detroit-Jesuit, which had 109. Birmingham Brother Rice was third at 104.

No other team topped 60 points in the eight-team meet. "The big thing was the high jump," coach Tony Magni of Catholic Central said. "To go in seeded ninth and 10th, then to go 1-3, well, that's not bad."

"That was a big turning point for us early on. Then we held them off at the end with our distance kids."

"In the mile we went 1, 3, 5 and 6, which was really big for us."

Matt Daly doubled in the mile and two-mile runs.

He won the 1,600 meters at 4:31.40 with John DiGiovanni third at 4:33.13, Ryan Lowry fifth (4:36.56) and Jeff Haller sixth (4:41.67).

His time of 9:51.56 at 3,200 meters was more than five seconds better than the runnerup's. Dan Krawlec was third (10:01.70) and John Krawlec fifth (10:04.80).

Mike Morris was another double-winner for the Shamrocks. He took the shot put at 49-feet, 7-inches and the discus at 150-feet even. Charlie Rozum picked up two points for a fifth in the discus at 138-6.

Morris also won the event two years ago as a sophomore.

But it was the high jump that got Catholic Central over the top.

Aaron Velthoven was two inches above the field at 6-1 and Zach Fellrach was third, on fewer misses, at 5-10.

Tom Grant scored for third in the long jump (19-10^{1/2}) and Velthoven brought back a point for a sixth-place finish (19-7). Grant was fourth at the high hurdles (15.59) and sixth in the lows (42.30).

Matt Markowicz was fifth in the 400 (52.63) and Robert Tymowski was third in the 800 (2:03.46). Lowry was fifth in the 800 (2:06.37) and Haller sixth (2:06.70).

Daly, Robert Tymowski, Adam Tymowski and Lowry teamed to take a second in the 3,200 relay, clocking 8:22.9.

CC's 800 relay team (1:38.02) scored a point for finishing sixth and its 1,600 relay team (3:34.37) was fourth, getting four points. The 400 relay squad was fifth (46.87).

The fourth-place in the 1,600 was critical and Haller did a good job of running down the finish.

"I told him we had to get fourth," Magni said. "If we finished fourth, we win. He stopped the kid from (Warren) DeLaSalle."

"That's four in a row for us. Our cross country seniors have never lost either. They've won six in a row."



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

One-two punch: CC's Matt Daly (right) and John DiGiovanni finished first and third in the 1,600 run.

DIVISION IV BOYS TRACK REGIONAL

Lutheran Westland runaway champion

Lutheran High Westland was a runaway winner Saturday in the Division IV-Region 39 boys track meet at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard.

The Warriors, coached by Mike Unger, scored a team-high 149 points. Detroit DePorres was a distant second with 76.

Redford Bishop Borgess was fourth with 63, while Redford St. Agatha and Plymouth Christian Academy scored four and two, respectively.

First-place individual finishers for the Warriors included Nate Meckes in the discus (142 feet, 2 inches), Nick Doherty in the 110-meter hurdles (16.2) and Mike Clark in the 100 dash (10.9).

Clark's win came against Observerland champion Darryl Anglin of Borgess, who also clocked a 10.9.

Earning seconds and also headed to the Division IV state meet Saturday, June 3 at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern from Lutheran Westland: Meckes, shot put (46-2); Steve Richert, pole vault (10-0); Ryan Noel, 110 hurdles (16.6); Doherty, 300 hurdles (42.2); and Matt Rae, 800 run (2:07.3).

All four of the Warriors' relay teams qualified for the state meet.

Lutheran Westland's 3,200 relay quartet of Richert, Alex Eichler, Carl Paulus and Rae also finished second in 8:46.0.

Among the Warriors' third place finishers: Meckes, long jump (18-2); Eichler, 1,600 run (4:54.9); and Jason Davis, 110 hurdles (16.8) and 300 hurdles (42.5). Davis also tied for third in the pole vault (9-6).

Meanwhile, Lutheran Westland's 800 relay team of Jake Nuoffer, Justin Combs, Doherty and Clark added a third in 1:34.6.

The 1,600 foursome also finished third in 3:36.9.

Lutheran Westland's 400 relay team of Nuoffer, Rob Greer, Nate Meckes and Clark posted a fourth-place time of 46.1. Josh Meckes added a fourth in the shot put (45-3).

Other finishers included Nate Reinholz, tied for fifth in the high jump (5-4); Justin Combs, sixth in the 400 dash (54.8); and Dan Unger, sixth in the 3,200 run (11:21.8).

Warriors repeat in Metro

Coach Mike Unger's Lutheran High Westland boys team captured the Metro Conference meet Tuesday, scoring 182 points to easily outdistance Macomb Lutheran North, which had 135.

Nate Meckes was a double winner for the Warriors. His 143-4 was tops in the discus and he also took the shot put at 46-9.

Lutheran Westland was strong in the relays, winning three of them.

The foursome of Steve Richert, Alex Eichler, Carl Paulus and Matt Rae churned out an 8:56.4 to win the 3,200 relay. Jake Nuoffer, Justin Combs, Nick Doherty and Mike Clark clocked 1:35.0 to win the 800 relay and Nate Meckes ran the third leg of the 400 relay team, which won at 45.8. Nuoffer, Rob Greer and Mike Clark ran the other legs.

Clark also won the 200 in 23.0.

Livonia Clarenceville's Tim Shaw captured the 100 dash.

Lady Warriors 1st

Lutheran High Westland edged Detroit DePorres, 112-103, to capture the 15-team Division IV regional Saturday at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard.

Southfield Christian was third with 70 points. Other area schools including Redford Bishop Borgess (18), Plymouth Christian (10) and Redford St. Agatha (4).

First-place finishers for the Lady Warriors included Kelly Clark in the pole vault (7-6) and Karen Abramczyk in the high jump (5-0).

Also earning individual automatic berths with second place finishes: Anna Rolf, pole vault (7-0) and 100-meter hurdles (16.5); Amanda Sales, long jump (14-4); Tess Kuehne, 800 run (2:30.0), 1,600 run (5:35.0) and 3,200 run (12:27.3).

Kuehne also teamed up with Jessica Montgomery, Mary Ebendick and Erin Jung for a runner-up finish in the 3,200 relay (10:29.0).

Other Lutheran Westland finishers include Sales, third, high jump (4-10); Anna Rolf, fourth, 300 hurdles (50.1); Jung, fourth, 800 run (2:32.7); Jodi Rolf, fifth, long jump (13-9); and Ashley McLaughlin, fifth, shot put (29-1).

Rolf's time in the 300 hurdles qualified for the state meet.

The Lady Warriors' 1,600 relay team of Montgomery, Jung, Abramczyk and Chelsea Romero finished third in 4:30.1. The 400 relay squad of Romero, Sarah Vetting, Abramczyk and Anna Rolf finished fourth in 54.4.

The 800 relay team of Romero, Vetting, Jen Loomis and Abramczyk took sixth (1:55.2).

CATHOLIC LEAGUE GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

CATHOLIC LEAGUE GIRLS A-B DIVISION

TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

May 23 at Livonia Ladywood

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Dearborn Divine Child, 152; 2. Birmingham Marian, 102; 3. Livonia Ladywood, 85; 4. Farmington Hills Mercy, 65; 5. Harper Woods Regina, 62; 6. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 29.

FINAL RESULTS

Shot put: 1. Judy Telford (FM), 39-feet, 9^{1/2}-inches; 2. Mandy Diddy (DC), 34-11; 3. Rebecca Herrmann (DC), 31-5; 4. Melissa Ivy (FM), 30-8; 5. Christin Jury (L), 30-6; 6. Jennv O'Rourke (NDP), 29-3^{1/2}.

Discus: 1. Telford (FM), 113-1; 2. Kristy Ramsey (FM), 101-11; 3. Herrmann (DC), 98-8; 4. Sarah Dudes (L), 96-9; 5. Alexis Terry (R), 92-10; 6. Edna Lansen (L), 89-4.

High jump: 1. Alexis Noel (L), 5-3; 2. Ramsey (FM), 5-2; 3. Allison Bzook (BM), 4-11; 4. Lauren McDonnell (BM), 4-11; 5. (Tie) Leah Grillo (R), Kelly Ward (L), 4-8.

Long jump: 1. McDonnell (BM), 16-3^{1/2}; 2. Ramsey (FM), 16-0^{1/2}; 3. Noel (L), 15-11; 4. Karen Kuszyński (L), 15-7; 5. Rebecca Rozzell (R), 14-11; 6. Sarah Smart (FM), 14-8.

3,200-meter relay: 1. Marian, 10:07:66; 2. Divine Child, 10:45:43; 3. Ladywood, 10:52:43; 4. Regina, 11:07:49; 5. Notre Dame Prep, 11:36:10; 6. Mercy, 12:16:21.

100 hurdles: 1. Grillo (R), 16.27; 2. Jackie Babich (R), 16.86; 3. Leslie Dzingile (DC), 17.26; 4. McDonnell (BM), 16.79; 5. Noel (L), 17.87; 6. Kuszyński (L), 18.93.

300 dash: 1. Brianna Watson (L), 12.94; 2. Cristine Brawis (DC), 13.58; 3. Alexandria Marshall (FM), 13.60; 4. Sierra Miller (L), 13.77; 5. Rozzell (R), 13.81; 6. Kristine Umlauf (DC), 13.93.

800 relay: 1. Divine Child, 2:02:66; 2. Mar-

ian, 1:50:13; 3. Ladywood, 1:50:71; 4. Mercy, 1:51:06; 5. Regina, 1:52:34; 6. Notre Dame Prep, 1:54:35.

1,600 run: 1. Erin Webster (DC), 5:23:11; 2. Shannon Webster (DC), 5:35:91; 3. Julie Hufnagel (BM), 5:37:60; 4. Rebecca Bartkowski (BM), 5:42:80; 5. Kelly Waldo (BM), 5:44:99; 6. M. Schneider (NDP), 5:49:53.

400 relay: 1. Ladywood, 51.98; 2. Regina, 52.84; 3. Divine Child, 52.91; 4. Marian, 53.17; 5. Notre Dame Prep, 58.42; 6. Mercy, 1:02:67.

400 dash: 1. Elizabeth Crenshaw (NDP), 1:00:81; 2. Lydia Prusinowski (DC), 1:00:86; 3. Umlauf (DC), 1:01:12; 4. E. Webster (DC), 1:01:99; 5. Grillo (R), 1:04:35; 6. Kate Reiss (BM), 1:05:35.

800 run: 1. E. Webster (DC), 2:26:13; 2. Hufnagel (BM), 2:27:13; 3. Andrea Doud (L), 2:30:39; 4. Bartkowski (L), 2:31:19; 5. Diana Verdugo (BM), 2:32:72; 6. Emily Walkowiak (DC), 2:33:07.

200 dash: 1. Crenshaw (NDP), 27:17; 2. Hall (R), 27:22; 3. Prusinowski (DC), 27:26; 4. Umlauf (DC), 27:52; 5. A. Maxwell (BM), 27:58; 6. K. Carey (L), 27:96.

3,200 run: 1. E. Webster (DC), 12:23:96; 2. S. Webster (DC), 12:24:90; 3. Hufnagel (BM), 12:29:23; 4. Anna Plagyn (L), 12:29:57; 5. Rachel Sherzer (DC), 12:46:47; 6. Waldo (BM), 12:51:43.

1,600 relay: 1. Divine Child, 4:15:75; 2. Marian, 4:20:16; 3. Ladywood, 4:23:41; 4. Mercy, 4:34:93; 5. Notre Dame Prep, 4:34:99; 6. Regina, 4:40:66.

BELLEVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Belleville Presbyterian Church is accepting proposals for architectural service for an 8,000 square foot expansion. The expansion will consist of a multi-purpose room, 4-5 classrooms, restrooms, heat-and-serve kitchen, two offices, conference room, library and entry foyer. Proposals should include a list of services, references, and a summary of all fees and should be submitted not later than close of business 6/9/00 to the Belleville Presbyterian Church, Attention: FEC, 11800 Belleville Rd., Belleville, MI 48111. Questions can be directed to Randy Wirick at 734 697 5624. Publish May 21 and 25, 2000.

<p>CATHOLIC LEAGUE BOYS A-B DIVISION Track & Field Championships May 23 at Livonia Ladywood</p> <p>TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Redford Catholic Central, 113; 2. University of Detroit-Jesuit, 109; 3. Birmingham Brother Rice, 104; 4. Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 56; 5. Dearborn Divine Child, 45; 6. Warren DeLaSalle, 40; 7. Harper Woods Notre Dame, 34; 8. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 13.</p> <p>FINAL RESULTS Shot put: 1. Mike Morris (CC), 49-feet, 7-inches; 2. Brian McCoy (DC), 46-10^{1/2}; 3. N. Madelon (WD), 47-10^{1/2}; 4. Gavriel Hufnagel (BR), 47-4; 5. Justin Terry (UD), 46-4^{1/2}; 6. M. O'Brien (NDP), 46-11.</p> <p>Discus: 1. Morris (CC), 138-6; 2. Tony Rozum, 149-4; 3. Madelon (ND), 138-1; 4. D. Fonda (DC), 138-4; 5. Charlie Beaudry (CC), 136-6; 6. Gavriel Hufnagel (BR), 127-0.</p> <p>High jump: 1. Aaron Velthoven (CC), 6-1;</p>	<p>2. Ryan Sylvester (BR), 5-11; 3. Zach Fellrach (DC), 5-10; 4. David McDermott (SLSM), 5-10; 5. (Tie) Geoff Hall (BR), Frank Torsari (NDP), Lashina Hurst (UD), 5-7.</p> <p>Long jump: 1. Randy Alexander (ND), 21-0^{1/2}; 2. Jeff Allen (BR), 20-8^{1/2}; 3. Tom Grant (CC), 19-10^{1/2}; 4. James Wynn (UD), 19-10^{1/2}; 5. Sylvester (BR), 19-9; 6. Velthoven (CC), 19-7.</p> <p>3,200-meter relay: 1. U-D Jesuit, 8:13.9; 2. Catholic Central, 8:22.9; 3. DeLaSalle, 8:25.4; 4. Divine Child, 8:32.6; 5. Brother Rice, 8:43.8; 6. Notre Dame Prep, 9:23.6.</p> <p>1,600 relay: 1. McDermott (DLSM), 14.59; 2. Nick Meter (BR), 14.67; 3. Wahls (UD), 14.93; 4. Quinn (CC), 15.59; 5. Mike Blum (DC), 15.95; 6. Carter Gills (UD), 16.00.</p> <p>800 dash: 1. Desmond Crenshaw (UD), 11.3; 2. Anthony Sherrill (DLSM), 11.13; 3. Jim Raja (WD), 11.23; 4. Alexander (ND), 11.8; 5. Chris Fletcher (BR), 11.66; 6. Ryan</p>	<p>Alexander (UD), 11.72.</p> <p>800 relay: 1. U-D Jesuit, 1:31:30; 2. Brother Rice, 1:31:38; 3. St. Mary's, 1:31:87; 4. DeLaSalle, 1:33:63; 5. Divine Child, 1:34:15; 6. Catholic Central, 1:38.02.</p> <p>1,600 run: 1. Matt Daly (CC), 4:31.40; 2. Justin Vie (WD), 4:32.09; 3. John DiGiovanni (CC), 4:33.13; 4. Dan Murray (BR), 4:35.96; 5. Ryan Lowry (CC), 4:36.56; 6. Jeff Haller (CC), 4:41.67.</p> <p>400 relay: 1. Brother Rice, 44.55; 2. St. Mary's, 44.55; 3. DeLaSalle, 45.34; 4. Divine Child, 45.89; 5. Catholic Central, 46.87; 6. Notre Dame Prep, 50.05.</p> <p>300 dash: 1. Joe Martinez (BR), 50.89; 2. Ethan Rouse (DC), 51.07; 3. Allen (BR), 51.80; 4. Hurst (UD), 52.55; 5. Matt Markowicz (CC), 52.63; 6. Chris Lawson (WD), 52.88.</p> <p>300 hurdles: 1. Nick Meter (BR), 36.79; 2. Gills (UD), 40.01; 3. Wahls (UD), 40.52;</p>	<p>4. McDermott (DLSM), 41.48; 5. Brian Elmer (41.48); 6. Grant (CC), 42.30.</p> <p>800 run: 1. V. Jennings-White (UD), 1:59.45; 2. J. Smith (UD), 2:01.13; 3. N. Tymowski (CC), 2:03.46; 4. Gills (UD), 2:04.62; 5. Lowry (CC), 2:06.37; 6. Haller (CC), 2:06.70.</p> <p>300 dash: 1. Crenshaw (UD), 22.47; 2. Sherrill (DLSM), 22.81; 3. Mark Lengel (DLSM), 22.85; 4. Keryn Barbee (DLSM), 23.78; 5. Fletcher (BR), 23.92; 6. Tony Jackson (BR), 24.03.</p> <p>3,200 run: 1. Daly (CC), 9:51.56; 2. Mike Pierce (DC), 9:56.70; 3. Dan Krawlec (CC), 10:01.7; 4. Charlie Visconti (BR), 10:04.70; 5. John Krawlec (CC), 10:04.80; 6. Murray (BR), 10:11.57.</p> <p>1,600 relay: 1. Brother Rice, 3:27.60; 2. Divine Child, 3:29.30; 3. U-D Jesuit, 3:29.99; 4. Catholic Central, 3:34.37; 5. DeLaSalle, 3:34.53; 6. St. Mary's, 3:40.74.</p>
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In qualifying Monday at Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville, Livonia's Mark Johnson tied for second with a 74 to advance, as did Dave VanLoosen of Farmington Hills and amateur Greg Bores of Plymouth with a 77.

On Tuesday at Redford's Western Golf and Country Club, host pro Randy Grebeck carded a 74 to advance, while Wayne's Thom Piscopink shot a 75 to move on.

TOTAL BASEBALL CAMPS

Total Baseball is offering two summer baseball camps for ages 7-17 — 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, June 21-23; Tuesday through Thursday, June 27-29 — at Northville's community fields.

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ROSE RUN REGISTRATION

Online registration is available for the Rose Run, one of Michigan's most scenic races, will be Saturday, June 10 with the start and finish at Jackson Community College.

To save online your entry fee, you must sign up by June 5.

The races include a point-to-point 10-kilometer run and 5K, along with a four-mile walk and three youth runs (quarter, half-mile and 1.5-mile cross country).

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For more information, call (517) 796-8455; or try the race website at www.AthleticVentures.com.

GARDEN CITY HOOP CAMP

Garden City High School will hold a week-long basketball camp for boys and girls entering grades 4-9 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Monday, June 26 to Friday, June 30 at the school gym.

The cost of the camp is \$75 and includes instruction, contests, games and t-shirts. Campers are asked to remember to bring a light snack for the break.

For information, call (734) 762-8350 during days and (734) 421-0311 in evenings.

The school will also hold a summer league for any varsity boys basketball teams from Monday, June 19 to Thursday, June 22 at the school.

The \$325 entry fee includes officials fees and two games daily — at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. There is a 4100 deposit due June 1.

For information, call Greg Williamson at (734) 762-8350 or (248) 547-8850.

LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SOFTBALL

Patriots rule round-robin

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Franklin emerged the winner in a round-robin girls softball tournament among the three Livonia public high schools Saturday at Ford Field.

The Patriots improved to 11-10 on the season by successfully defending their title with an 11-1 mercy game win over Stevenson. (The game was stopped after six innings.)

"This is nice for our eight seniors," Franklin coach Linda Jimenez said. "One of our goals this year was to be .500 or higher. We've had a lot of adversity this year, but we've hung in there. The girls were excited coming in about playing this tournament."

Livonia Clarenceville, which had to drop out of the tourney because of commitments to the Metro Conference tournament, caused the format to change to round-robin.

Pre-tourney favorite Churchill suffered two one-run losses on the day, 1-0 against Franklin and 6-5 to Stevenson.

The final was almost anticlimactic despite being scoreless through the first three innings.

Franklin then exploded for four runs off Stevenson junior hurler Kelley Hutchins, sending nine batters to the plate in the fourth inning.

But in Hutchins' defense, she had little support behind her as the Spartans committed seven errors.

Meanwhile, Franklin hurler Tara Muchow was on her game, allowing just two hits while fanning nine.

Franklin wound up collecting 11 hits by Shari Drayer, Jeanette Bertrand, Jamie Linden and Muchow getting two apiece.

But the Patriots had to adjust their hitting style after the first three innings.

"We just were not hitting her (Hutchins) and we decided to shorten up and put the ball in play," Jimenez said. "When the second baseman has to cover, you're usually in trouble. My pet peeve is striking out or popping up."

By putting pressure on the Spartans' defense, Franklin added three more runs in the fifth inning and put it away with four more in the sixth.

"They were utilizing the slap bunt and pulling us out of position," Stevenson coach Jen Knoph said. "We were not

reading the slap play. You have to make the smart play and you can't afford to make errors."

Sarah Pinto had an RBI double to account for Stevenson's lone run.

"We've been very up-and-down this year and have lost quite a few one- and two-run games that could have gone either way," Knoph said. "There were some times when we could have been more aggressive on the bases."

Franklin blanked two and once held hitless this season by Churchill ace Meghan Misiak, came up with a 1-0 win earlier in the day against the Chargers.

The Patriots notched the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh when Sandrick walked, advanced to third on an infield error and scored on a fielder's choice off the bat of Rachel Bramlett.

Losing pitcher Renee Ritz, just a freshman, gave up just four hits and one walk in her first complete game of the year for Churchill.

Muchow, meanwhile, scattered six hits, struck out 10 and walked one.

The Chargers threatened to break the scoreless deadlock in the top of the seventh when Kelley Stahley and Ashley Crowley each singled, but both runners were left stranded as Muchow notched a pair of strikeouts to end the threat.

"We finally played some decent defense and Muchow, of course, pitched well all day," Jimenez said.

Stevenson upended Churchill in the first game, 6-5, erasing a 5-1 deficit in the final two innings.

The Spartans scored four times in the sixth to knot the score at 5-5.

Amy Hollandsworth and Pinto both singled to start the rally, followed by a walk, and RBI singles by Amanda Jankowski and Mary King.

The Spartans then tallied the go-ahead run in the seventh when Pinto and Hollandsworth both reached base on errors. With two-out, Pinto scored the game-winner on a Churchill infield error.

Hutchins, the winning pitcher, gave up four hits and two walks in seven innings. Misiak struck out 10, walked two and allowed eight hits.

Churchill sophomore catcher Sheilla Gilliom had an inside-the-park homer in the fifth inning.

Harrison avenges defeat vs. Churchill in 9 innings

GIRLS SOFTBALL WRAP

Lindsey Emmett did just about all a player can do, as Farmington Hills Harrison avenged its only division blemish, by winning a thrilling nine-inning girls softball game Monday at home against Livonia Churchill, 2-1.

Not only did the senior left-hander dominate on the mound and get the win, but Emmett also had three hits, and scored the tying and winning runs.

With the win, the Hawks, 13-6 overall, upped their Western Division record to 7-1 and came one step closer to clinching a berth in the Western Lakes Activities Association championship game on Friday.

The win also made up for the 1-0 eight inning loss to Churchill on May 7. With the loss, Churchill dropped two games behind Harrison at 5-3.

Emmett pitched a strong seven innings, but the Hawks still trailed 1-0 going into the bottom half of the inning.

So Emmett took matters into her own hands. She led off the inning with a single. With two outs, she scored the tying run when Gayle Ternes laid down a perfect sacrifice and a Churchill made a throwing error.

Two innings later, Emmett singled with one out, and was knocked in on a double by Ternes.

"It was a roller coaster game between two evenly matched teams," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said.

Overall, Emmett pitched nine innings, only gave up four hits, and didn't allow an earned run. In her last six games, she has allowed just one earned run.

"Lindsey was just clutch on the mound," Teachman said.

Churchill (12-7 overall) had taken its 1-0 lead after Emmett hit Carly George with a pitch in the fourth-inning. George moved up on a couple sacrifices and then scored on a passed ball.

Courtney Cross came up with two of the Chargers' four hits.

Despite the loss, Churchill coach Dana Hardwidge was satisfied with the way her team performed.

"I'm not disappointed because my girls really played tough," she said. "They made some good defensive plays. They just played hard."

Harrison must win at least one game today in a double-header at home with second-place Plymouth-Canton to clinch the division crown.

JOHN GLENN 15, SALEM 2: Westland John Glenn blasted off with four runs in the first inning and never looked back, as they defeated host Plymouth Salem in five innings (mercy rule).

Brooke Robertson (five RBI) and Amanda Ross (two RBI) both had three hits for Glenn, which upped its WLLA Lakes Division record to 3-5 (9-16 overall). Samantha Crews and Jenny Lack also contributed two hits apiece.

Stephanie Fedulchak pitched a solid game and went the distance for the Rockets.

Katie Kelly went 3-for-3 at the plate for Salem, which fell to 4-4 in the Lakes Division.

CHURCHILL 2-6, W.L. WESTERN 1-0: Meghan Misiak pitched a pair of complete games Tuesday as Livonia Churchill

(14-7, 7-3) swept a twinbill against visiting Walled Lake Western.

In the opener, Churchill scored in the fourth inning on a single by Christine Fones and a double by Sheila Gillies.

In the sixth, Gillies singled and Courtney Cross brought her home with the game-winning run with a two-out single for a 2-1 victory.

Gillies, a sophomore catcher, was 3-for-3 on the day.

Losing pitcher Laura Repicky, who gave up six hits, knocked in Western's lone run in the second with a single.

Misiak struck out four, allowed just two hits and did not walk a batter.

She tossed a five-hitter in the nightcap, fanning three and walking one.

Repicky, who was relieved by Laura Bell, took the loss.

Gillies went 2-for-4 with two RBI. Fones and Sallie Guratko also had two RBI each. Sarah Hennessey also had two hits.

CANTON 4, FRANKLIN 2: Plymouth Canton scored a pair of runs in the sixth inning to break a 2-all deadlock Monday to beat host Livonia Franklin (11-1, 2-8) in a WLLA-Western Division game.

Winning pitcher Laura Stewart had an RBI double in the sixth inning.

Lisa Baker had two of Canton's three hits, including a double. She also scored a run.

Franklin's Shari Drayer scored on a passed ball in the opening inning and Amy Sandrick crossed home on a wild pitch in the second.

Stewart allowed just three hits, while fanning 11 and walking four in seven innings.

Losing pitcher Tara Muchow also went the distance, allowing just three hits and two walks. She struck out eight.

W.L. CENTRAL 3, STEVENSON 0: Kristi Marszelac tossed a two-hitter and struck out seven to lead visiting Walled Lake Central (17-10, 5-3) past Livonia Stevenson.

Stacy Brinkmann was 2-for-3 with an RBI for the Vikings.

ALLEN PARK 4, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 2: Terri Davis threw a three-run double and pitcher Renee Kuppouhism struck a five-hitter Tuesday to lead the host Jaguars (14-10, 8-14) past Lutheran Westland (8-14-1) in a non-leaguer.

Kuppouhism struck out eight and walked four, outdueling Lutheran Westland hurler Cristina Hilden, who walked five and gave up just two hits over seven innings.

HARPER WOODS 10, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 0: In the Metro Conference semifinals Saturday at Kyle Monroe Field in St. Clair Shores, Harper Woods collected seven hits en route to the victory.

Warriors starter Heather Rose took the loss.

CLARENCEVILLE 5, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 3: In the Metro consolation final Saturday, Livonia Clarenceville earned the win behind the five-hit pitching of Amy Schiffman, who struck out five and walked three.

Losing pitcher Heather Rose gave up just one hit (to Jenni Swider), but walked 11.

Freshman Jenny Glenn doubled twice and knocked in all three Lutheran Westland runs.

BAPTIST PARK 10, HURON VALLEY 0: Stephanie Demos pitched a five-hitter Tuesday and host Taylor Baptist Park handed Westland Huron Valley Lutheran its first loss of the season.

Rachel Zahn took the loss as she gave up 12 hits. She went 3-for-3 with two doubles for the Hawks, now 13-1.

On Saturday, Zahn fanned 12 to pitch Huron Valley past visiting Plymouth Christian, 5-4.

Jessica Whiteaker had a double and an RBI in a 2-for-4 game while Gretchen Grosinske went 2-for-3, also with a double and an RBI.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Churchill on tear after city conquest

Churchill's baseball appears to be hitting stride just as the season begins.

The Chargers reclaimed the Livonia City baseball crown Saturday at First Field with victories over Stevenson (3-1) and Franklin (5-0), improving their overall record to 13-11.

"We've been notoriously slow starters, but right now our kids are feeling good about themselves," said Churchill coach Herb Osterland, who last won the title in 1998. "They feel everything is coming around right now."

Winning pitcher Paul Mercier, who struck out four and scattered nine hits over seven innings, tossed Churchill's fourth complete game in a row.

Franklin starter Joe Ruggiero also went the distance, allowing eight hits and two walks.

Mark Strain led Churchill's offensive attack with two hits, one RBI and three stolen bases. Rob Wilson added two hits and one RBI, while Brandon Laghtie also collected two hits.

Andy Kelley, Tony Clark and Ruggiero each had two hits for the Patriots, who fell to 7-15 overall.

Kelley had a two-run single in the first inning, while Clark added a two-run single in the sixth, pulling Franklin to within one, but the Patriots couldn't score the equalizer.

Churchill beat Stevenson in the opener, 3-1, behind Brad Bescoe's complete-game six-hitter. He struck out seven and walked two, outdueling Stevenson starter Dan Wilson, who gave up just four hits and two walks over six innings. Wilson fanned six.

Churchill tallied two in the first on an RBI double by Wilson followed by an RBI single by Marshall Tucker, who also had an RBI single in the fifth.

Tim McCrohan collected two hits to pace the Spartans.

Franklin won the other semifinal, 11-0, in five innings (mercy) against Clarenceville as Dan Horning gave up just one hit, a fifth-inning single to Eric Elmore.

Horning struck out five and walked two.

Clarenceville starter Kevin Silye took the loss. He was relieved by Tim Riedl.

Ryan Tracy went 3-for-3 with a three-run homer in the first inning for Franklin. Steve Tracey and Andy Kelley each added two hits.

In the consolation final at Franklin, Stevenson downed the Trojans, 7-2, as Tim Oliver pitched a complete game.

Pete Pinto had two hits to lead the winners, while teammate Travis Reeder contributed a two-run single.

Riedl was the losing pitcher for the Trojans, who dropped 4-11 overall.

Chargers pull upset; Ybarra lifts WM

Five straight complete games and counting.

That was the story Monday as host Livonia Churchill upset the state's No. 1-ranked baseball team in Division II for the second time this season.

The Chargers' John Bennett scattered nine hits in an 8-4 triumph over Farmington Hills Harrison.

"John did a nice job and prevented them (Harrison) from getting the big inning," said Churchill coach Herb Osterland, whose pitching staff has been on a role.

Churchill, fresh off Saturday's Livonia City Tournament conquest (see related story), is 14-11 overall and 4-4 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Harrison drops to 15-3 and 5-3 in the division.

The Chargers jumped on Harrison pitchers Brent Porhola and Robert Whipple for seven runs in the opening two innings.

Rick Strain and Rob Wilson each went 3-for-4 on the day. Strain scored three runs and tripled, while Wilson doubled twice and had two RBI.

Josh Odom and Rory Cesarz each added a two hits. Odom had three RBI, including a two-run homer in the first inning.

Kevin McVay led Harrison with three hits. Marcus Mencoiti added two.

WAYNE 8, EDEL FORD 0: Sophomore Ryan Ybarra lasted just 1 1/2 innings in a 15-0 loss Saturday to Garden City, but on Monday the right-hander came back and hurled a no-hitter to lead Wayne Memorial past host Dearborn Edsel Ford.

Ybarra struck out 14 and walked five as Wayne improved to 7-9 overall and 5-3 Mega Conference's White Division.

"Ryan was spotting his fastball 80 percent of the time and he had guys guessing on the off-speed pitches," Wayne interim coach Tom Wakefield said. "The team was very excited because sometimes you're never going to be a part of something like that."

Ybarra walked a batter in the seventh, but closed out the frame with three strikeouts.

"You would like to see the walks go down, but 14 Ks is also impressive," Wakefield said.

Offensively, Adam See, Gary Stevens and Scott Teasdale each collected three hits and three RBI for the winners. See had a triple and double.

CLARENCEVILLE 9, ZOE 4: Tim Riedl and Ray Gutierrez each went 3-for-4 to lead a 17-hit attack Tuesday as Livonia Clarenceville (5-12) downed Warren Zoe Christian in a non-leaguer.

Other hitting stars for Clarenceville including winning pitcher Joe Keough, Scott Carr, Dan Tondreau, Rob Simpson and Josh Young—all with two hits

apiece. Both of Carr's hits were doubles.

Keough went five innings, fanning five and allowing just one run before giving way to Simpson.

Gutierrez also had three stolen bases, while Simpson had two.

CHURCHILL 11-6, W.L. WESTERN 1-7: On Tuesday, Walled Lake Western snapped Livonia Churchill's eight-game winning streak in the nightcap as winning pitcher Rob Pisha had three hits, including a grand slam homer in the second inning.

Churchill (15-12, 5-5) was led by Rick Strain's two hits and two RBI. Matt Humaney was the losing pitcher.

The Chargers won the opener, 11-1, in five innings (mercy rule) as Paul Mercier struck out three and scattered eight hits.

Kevin Wade took the loss.

Brad Bescoe went 3-for-3 for Churchill with a pair of doubles. Josh Odom had two hits and four RBI, including a two-run homer in the third inning. Rob Wilson contributed two hits and three RBI, while Rick Strain collected two hits and one RBI.

Pisha, Ryan Smith and Chad Holton had two hits apiece for Western.

NORTHVILLE 11, STEVENSON 5: In a WLAAC crossover Tuesday, the host Mustangs (11-10) smacked three homers to beat Livonia Stevenson (12-12).

Andy Doren went 3-for-3, including a grand slam. Winning pitcher Tim Edick and Brian Boyea also hit solo homers.

Edick worked the first three innings.

Stevenson led 4-0 before Northville unloaded for nine runs in the fourth inning and never looked back.

Stevenson starter Ronnie Williams, who went 2 1/2 innings, took the loss. He was relieved by Gary Zielke and Tim Oliver.

Pete Pinto finished with two hits, including a solo homer. Zielke also hit a solo round-tripper.

W.L. CENTRAL 7, STEVENSON 5: Livonia Stevenson (12-11, 7-3) dropped out of contention in the Lakes Division race with a loss Monday against host Walled Lake Central (10-14, 3-4) in a game played at Walled Lake Western.

Stevenson starter Joe McCrohan was roughed up for seven earned runs and two homers in three innings, including a grand slam by Justin Dechow.

Shawn Casey came on to pitch three scoreless innings of relief.

Pete Pinto went 3-for-4 in a losing cause.

Brian Lindstrom also homered for Central.

Cory Johnson was the winning pitcher.

SALEM 13, JOHN GLENN 0: Plymouth Salem (15-12, 9-1) clinched the Lakes Division crown and clinched a spot in the WLAAC title game with a six-inning mercy rule victory over host Westland John Glenn (8-16, 1-7).

Winning pitcher Jason Lukaski (5-2) had a big day at the plate going 3-for-5 with six RBI, including a pair of three-run homers.

He struck out five, walked three and allowed just one hit, a fourth-inning single by Dave Holloway.

Steve Stiles contributed a two-run single in the fifth and Adam Kolb went 2-for-4 for the Rocks.

Jeff Mitchell was the losing pitcher, exiting in the fifth inning when Salem scored six runs.

Salem, which captured its first Lakes Division crown since 1995 under coach Dale Rumberger, will face the WLAAC's Western Division champion 4 p.m. Friday at home.

CANTON 14, FRANKLIN 1: In a five-inning mercy Monday, host Plymouth Canton (18-5, 7-1) stayed atop the WLAAC's Western Division in a lopsided win against Livonia Franklin (7-16, 3-7).

Jason Evans went 3-for-3, including two homers and six RBI for the victorious Chiefs. Jay Sofen had three hits and four RBI, while Bryan Kay added three hits and a solo homer. Jim Reddy also collected two hits.

Winning pitcher Mark Hanson (4-0) gave up just four hits and no walks in five innings. He struck out five.

Shawn Middleton was the losing pitcher.

Ryan Tracy had a solo homer for Franklin's lone run.

FAIRLAKE 17, HURON VALLEY 14: On Saturday, host Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian, which improved to 7-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, won by a field goal against Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (3-7-1, 1-5-1).

Fairlane out-hit the Hawks, 15-7.

Each team was issued 13 walks.

Freshman Josh Dorow, the losing pitcher, went 2-for-3 with two RBI. Renae Arnal had a two-run double, while Alan Kleinke had two hits and scored four runs in a losing cause.

Pat Krowski went 4-for-4 with a homer and triple to pace Fairlane.

GARDEN CITY 15-7, WAYNE 0-4: The state-ranked Cougars (17-3) completed a sweep in the nightcap by breaking a 4-4 tie with three runs in the bottom of the eighth.

RBI singles by Mike Sparks, Marco DiMichele and Robbie Hudson pinned the loss on reliever Shawn McDaniels, who had taken over for Adam Zimmerman.

Sparks led GC with three hits, while Hudson added two.

Chris Cox and Ryan Ybarra each had two hits for Wayne.

Winning pitcher Justin Ockerman, who went the distance, scattering nine hits and two walks, clubbed a three-run homer off Wayne starter Matt Mackiewicz to tie the game at 3-all in the sixth.

Ockerman struck out 11 over eight innings, while Mackiewicz had 11 strikeouts in 5 1/2 innings before exiting.

GC rolled in the opener, 15-0 (five-inning mercy) as Hudson had four hits and Matt Gordon contributed two, including a three-run homer in the second inning.

Ryan Krol was the winning pitcher, allowing now hits and three walks. Ybarra took the loss.

HARPER WOODS 10, CLARENCEVILLE 0: Winning pitcher Mike Whately tossed a four-hitter Saturday as the host Pioneers ousted Livonia Clarenceville in the Metro Conference playoffs at Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

Ray Gutierrez was the losing pitcher.

Clarenceville won its Metro playoff opener, 7-0, against Hamtramck as Joe Keough tossed a four-hitter and helped his own cause with a pair of doubles. Gutierrez and Tim Riedl each collected two hits.

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Lloyd selected Glenn boys coach

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

As expected, Westland John Glenn named Joel Lloyd head coach of the boys varsity basketball team Thursday.

Lloyd is no stranger to Rocket basketball. In addition to coaching the girls varsity team for the last three seasons, he has also directed the boys junior varsity squad for two seasons.

After accepting the job, Lloyd stepped down from his position with the girls team.

"I'm extremely excited," he said. "I didn't think this kind of opportunity would come my way so soon."

Lloyd takes over for Mike Schuette, who resigned this spring after guiding the Rockets to a 4-16 record, a season in which Glenn failed to make the Western Lakes Activities Association playoffs.

Overall, Schuette spent eight

seasons at the helm of the Rocket ship, compiling a 101-70 record.

John Glenn athletic director Jerry Szukaitis said he is confident Lloyd will be able to right the ship.

"We just weren't competitive last year," he said. "I'm hoping Joel can raise the level of competitiveness."

"Joel has put in a lot of time around here. As coach of the girls and JV teams, he has demonstrated that he's willing to make a commitment to the program and to the kids."

An Eastern Michigan University graduate, Lloyd has been teaching social studies at Glenn for four years. He has also been teaching a basketball technique class. He says having a constant presence around his players will make a big difference.

"I believe it will be an extremely important factor,"

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Lloyd said, "I will be keeping close tabs on the kids when they are in class and in the hallways. They will know I'm around."

One of the big changes from the Schuette regime will be Lloyd's addition of a summer program. He said he has already been on the phone trying to get the team into various summer camps.

"He will be involved with the kids on a yearly basis, which is something you need to be if you want to be successful with a Class A program," Szukaitis said.

With the girls team, Lloyd compiled a 25-40 overall record, but improved each of his three seasons. Last season the girls squad finished 12-11.

Szukaitis said he expects Lloyd to institute the same type

of aggressive style of play that was evident with the girls team.

"He brings in a lot of enthusiasm," Szukaitis said. "He also coaches an up-tempo game, especially on defense, which is what I like."

Lloyd said he inherited that aggressive philosophy from Chuck Henry, the longtime Wayne Memorial coach who also stepped down this spring.

As a Zebra, Lloyd played for Henry, and, after graduating in 1985, was an assistant for him for 12 years.

"They sometimes say that you coach like you were coached," Lloyd said. "There is definitely a lot of Chuck Henry in the way I coach."

Lloyd said he was upset when he learned Henry was stepping down from the Wayne position to take over at Canton Agape Christian, but he is somewhat relieved he won't have to face his

mentor when the Rockets and Zebras clash.

"If he had stayed on, it would have been emotional and very difficult for us to coach against each other," he said.

Lloyd said he also learned a few tricks from Schuette during the last couple years.

"Mike certainly showed me a couple things about coaching," he said.

While Lloyd won't make any predictions about next season, he does see some promise.

"Last year was a down year for us, and we definitely have our work cut out. But we have some good players coming back and some good young guys coming up that I coached on the JV," he said. "Our goal is simple. We just want to improve on a daily basis, whether it be in practice or a game. If you do that, everything will take care of itself."

WEEK-END

PROF. GARDNER
 Tuesday, May 23
 Redford at Wayne, 4 p.m.
 Oak Urban at Hazel Valley, 4:30 p.m.
 Inter-City at Luth. Wald, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 26
 Wayne at Redford, 4 p.m.
 Clawsonville at Ann Arbor, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 27
 Big Cars at Redford, 10 a.m.
Sunday, May 28
 Big Cars at Redford, 10 a.m.
WORLD WRESTLING
 Tuesday, May 23
 Wayne at Redford, 4 p.m.
 Urban at Hazel Valley, 4:30 p.m.
 Carlin at Luth. Wald (2), 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 26
 Romulus at Wayne, 4 p.m.
 Mooney at Lakewood, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 27
 Novi Tournament, 10 a.m.
WMLA SWIMMER
 Thursday, May 24
 (Western Lakes Association)
 Canton at St. Clair, 4 p.m.
Friday, May 25
 Luth. East at Luth. Wald, 4:30 p.m.
 TBA — time to be announced.

DIVISION I BOYS TENNIS REGIONAL

CC breezes to title

Redford Catholic Central waited and waited to begin its Division I tennis regional Saturday at Flat Rock-Woodhaven.

Rain forced the Shamrocks to wait until Saturday to begin play, but it proved well worth the wait as CC swept all seven flights and captured the regional with a perfect 28-point total.

Trenton placed second in the regional with 17 points and Woodhaven was third with 14.

"The guys were anxious to play because we'd already sat a day," CC coach Philip Eagleson said. "Then they all had to wait because everyone of our guys drew a bye."

"Once it got underway, we went out with a purpose. Everyone expected us to sweep it and the guys were trying to make certain that they did."

The third-ranked Shamrocks never lost a set in the seven flights — in fact the most games anyone in their combined matches all day was 10 — in qualifying for the Division I finals June 2-3 at the Midland Community Tennis Center.

Ten Shamrocks qualified for the tourney — Mike Findling at No. 1 singles, J.D. Shade at No. 2, David Atallah at No. 3, Billy Walsh at No. 4, Jeff Fleszar and Rob Sparks at No. 1 doubles, Mark Fleszar and Evan Currie at No. 2 and Ian McHenry and Lodewijk Von Holsbeek at No. 3.

WLAA GIRLS GOLF TOURNEY RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS GOLF TOURNAMENT
 May 23 at Hudson Mills

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Farmington Unified, 365 strokes; 2. (tie) Livonia Church Hill and Northville, 367 each; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 368; 5. (tie) Plymouth Salem and Walled Lake Western, 393 each; 7. Walled Lake Central, 411; 8. Plymouth Canton, 412; 9. Livonia Franklin, 465; 10. Westland John Glenn, 500.

ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM
 Medalist: Cassie Jamison (F), 79.
 Katie Carlson (LS), 81; Pam Mouradian (N), 86; Kristen Potanski (LS), 87; Ashley Johnson (LC), 88; Kelley Parzuchowski (LC), 88.

ALL-DIVISION TEAM
 Heidi Aruana (LC), 69; Kate MacDonald (N), 90; Jessie Perry (N), 91; Angie Jones (PS), 91; Katie Mills (F), 92; Julie Dziekan (PC), 93; Sarah Laird (F), 93; Laura Haddock (LS), 94; Kelly Henzie (WC), 94; Emily Charette (WLW), 94; Kim Tamme (PS), 97; Jenny Schwan (PS), 97.

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORING
 Farmington: Jamison, 39-40-79; Perry, 47-45-92; Laird, 48-45-93; Chrissy Dwyer, 54-47-101; Kelly Raymond, 54-52-106; Karolyn Knutson, 55-61-116.
 Churchill: Johnson, 46-42-88; Parzuchowski, 44-44-86; Altama, 46-43-89; Katy Reck, 51-51-102; Kelly Polce, 53-53-106; Jennie Lusa, 56-53-109.

Northville: Mouradian, 44-42-86; MacDonald, 43-47-90; Mills, 46-45-91; Lauren Farris, 49-51-100; Heather Rudy, 50-51-101; Kate Sekerka, 60-52-112.
Stevenson: Carlson, 40-41-81; Polanski, 45-42-87; Haddock, 46-48-94; Teresa Layman, 55-51-106; Leah Winesdorfer, 51-55-106; Courtney Gilkey, 54-57-111.
Salem: Jones, 47-44-91; Kim Tamme, 46-56-97; Schwan, 49-48-97; Molly Hedges, 52-56-108; Kelly Tamme, 60-49-109; Lindsay Young, 62-57-119.
W.L. Western: Charette, 48-46-94; Katy Jones, 49-50-99; Lindsey Boenker, 54-50-104; Erica Gordon, 56-48-104; Becky Finley, 53-52-105.
W.L. Central: Henzie, 45-49-94; Doriana Sowinski, 50-52-102; Katie Decker, 53-51-104; Jacque Mouden, 58-53-111; Sarah McDougal, 62-59-121; Christina Wilson, 71-68-139.
Canton: Dziekan, 47-46-93; Christine Slupek, 51-47-98; Jessica Ponzelli, 54-54-108; Meghan Depp, 56-57-113; Katie Herbeck, 62-61-123; Meghan Stewart, 63-61-124.
Franklin: Kristin Knit, 59-49-108; Colleen York, 57-61-118; Megan Houghton, 66-53-119; Amanda Szabelski, 58-62-120; Erin Gavie, 70-54-124; Nyle Niles, 65-61-126.
John Glenn: Cheryl Mackay, 62-53-115; Katie Provot, 58-65-116; Nicole Ziegler, 65-67-122; Dawn Dishop, 70-67-137; Jodie Lagure, 74-70-144; Arpa Kiming, 73-79-162.

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Following are the Observer's best track and field results. Coaches can fax update information to (734) 591-7279 or call (734) 953-2141.

SHOT PUT
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 53-11
Mike Gaura (Churchill) 53-61
Mark Snyder (Salem) 50-51
Nate Meckes (Luth. Westland) 48-3
Nate Hensman (Franklin) 48-3
Asa Hensly (Canton) 45-10
Josh Meckes (Luth. Westland) 45-3
Jeff Swinger (N. Farmington) 45-1
Dave Boucher (Salem) 45-0
Brad Person (Harrison) 43-10.

DISCUS
Mike Morris (Redford CC) 151-8
Charlie Rozum (Redford CC) 149-7
Nate Meckes (Lutheran Westland) 145-1
Brad Person (Harrison) 144-7
Mark Snyder (Salem) 142-5
Jeff Dueweke (Redford CC) 141-5
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 140-6
Nate Hensman (Franklin) 139-10
Ben Lukas (Farmington) 134-11
Asa Hensly (Canton) 131-9

HIGH JUMP
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 6-6 1/2
Chris Kalis (Canton) 6-5
Jeremy Mazes (Farmington) 6-5
Layne Bodily (Farmington) 6-4
Jery Gaines (Canton) 6-2
Brad Tucker (Harrison) 6-2
Paul Karolak (Churchill) 6-2
Aaron Velthoven (Redford CC) 6-1
P.J. Woodman (Plymouth Christian) 6-0
Ryan Silva (Salem) 6-0
Brad Person (Harrison) 6-0
Brant Hauck (Churchill) 6-0
Dave Painter (Franklin) 6-0
Joe Daman (Redford Union) 6-0
Dave Brown (Redford Union) 6-0

LONG JUMP
Eric Scott (Churchill) 21-4
Ugo Okwumabua (Canton) 21-0
Gabe Coble (Salem) 20-11 1/2
Kwame Hampton (Wayne) 20-6
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 20-3
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 20-2 1/2
Michael Rashad (Wayne) 20-2 1/2
Ken Page (Canton) 20-1
Aaron Velthoven (Redford CC) 19-11 1/2
Jawolin Spinks (Farmington) 19-11

POLE VAULT
Derek Laskowski (Harrison) 14-2
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 13-6
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 13-0
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 12-6
Shannon Simon (Garden City) 12-0
Brian Page (Canton) 11-6
Kevin Palmer (Canton) 11-6

Justin Shefer (Harrison) 11-0
Trevor Moore (Farmington) 11-0
Erik Oswald (Harrison) 11-0
Kevin Peterman (Churchill) 11-0
Chris Duncan (N. Farmington) 11-0
110-METER HURDLES
Nick Hall (Harrison) 14.5
Chris Kalis (Canton) 14.8
Brian Jones (Stevenson) 15.0
Kwame Hampton (Wayne) 15.1
Ben Lukas (Farmington) 15.1
James Cook (Harrison) 15.3
Dennis Kusik (Franklin) 15.4
Brant Hauck (Churchill) 15.5
Ugo Okwumabua (Canton) 15.5
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 15.6
Dave Brown (Redford Union) 15.6
Jim O'Brien (Canton) 15.6

300-METER HURDLES
Nick Hall (Harrison) 39.7
Jeff Frederick (Farmington) 40.4
Dave Brown (Redford Union) 41.1
Chris Kalis (Canton) 41.2
Brent Hauck (Churchill) 41.4
James Cook (Harrison) 41.7
Rob Showalter (Salem) 42.2
Nick Doherty (Luth. Westland) 42.2
Brian Jones (Stevenson) 42.3
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 42.3

100-METER DASH
Mike Clark (Lutheran Westland) 10.9
Darryl Anglin (Borgess) 10.9
Marcus Woods (Harrison) 10.9
Kevin Woods (Harrison) 11.0
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 11.1
Jamie Bonner (Canton) 11.1
Jeremy Mazes (Farmington) 11.1
K.J. Singh (Canton) 11.1
Blair Weiss (N. Farmington) 11.2
Pat Johnson (Salem) 11.2
Rob Gentry (John Glenn) 11.2

200-METER DASH
Agim Shabaj (Harrison) 22.1
Kevin Woods (Harrison) 22.5
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 22.7
Gabe Coble (Salem) 22.9
Darryl Anglin (Borgess) 22.9
Mark Ostach (Farmington) 23.1
Jeremy Mazes (Farmington) 23.1
Mike Sparks (Garden City) 23.2
Jamie Bonner (Canton) 23.2
Eric Scott (Churchill) 23.2
Mike Parker (Canton) 23.2

400-METER DASH
Anthony Beal (N. Farmington) 48.7
Jery Gaines (Canton) 49.5
Kevin Schneider (Franklin) 50.2
Blair Weiss (N. Farmington) 51.2
Nick Soper (Stevenson) 51.4
Gabe Coble (Salem) 51.5
Terrill Mayberry (Harrison) 52.0

800-METER RUN
Ryan Gail (Churchill) 1:59.1
Jery Gaines (Canton) 2:00.0
Brad Carroll (Stevenson) 2:00.5
Gabe Coble (Salem) 2:00.5
Steve Kacskemeti (Stevenson) 2:01.0
Jason Scarborough (Harrison) 2:01.3
Jeff Haller (Redford CC) 2:01.3
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Division champions: Livonia Youth Soccer Club United, an under-14 Little Caesars Premier League team coached by Nick Nishan and Steve Raupp, finished undefeated May 13-14 in the Michigan Soccer Association Division 1 tournament, who outscored their opponents 11-1. Includes Rachel Fyfe, Allison Johnson, Mindy Magoulich, Megan McConnell, Jaclyn Mervin, Christine Thom, Lia Williamson, Christine Williams and Danielle Williams, all of Livonia; Jordan McDonald, Canton; Caitlin Rich and Keri Dutton, Farmington; Kristin Dolmetach, Northville; Kelly Garcia, Commerce Township; Jillian Mallory, West Bloomfield; Tammy Unsworth, White Lake. Matt Fyfe is the team trainer.

Athens blanks Spartans, 2-0

GIRLS SOCCER WRAP

Top-ranked Troy Athens notched an early goal and added an insurance tally in the second half Saturday to beat Livonia Stevenson, 2-0, in girls soccer.

Athens is now 15-1 overall, while Stevenson slips to 10-3-2. Jessy Barrett and Laurie Ewald each scored for the Red Hawks.

It was Stevenson's third loss in four games. The previous weekend Stevenson fell to Illinois power St. Charles and Wisconsin power Waukesha Catholic Memorial.

"We scheduled those games purposely that way so we wouldn't get big heads for the state tourney," said Stevenson coach Jim Kimble, whose team faces Plymouth Canton, 4 today at home for the Western Lakes Activities Association championship. "We're not concerned about the losses as much as the way it happened."

"Offensively, we were flat (vs. Athens) and we gave up an early goal. We need to get the lead and not play from behind."

Athens, the favorite to win the Division I state crown, has only one defeat (against Troy).

"They have an excellent team and Tim Storch is a great coach," Kimble said. "They're fast and they're physical."

"But we didn't go over to find out how good their are, we went there to beat them. We'd like to see them again in the state tourney, but that wouldn't happen until the final game."

WAYNE 7, FORDSON 1: On Tuesday, Wayne Memorial outscored Dearborn Fordson 5-0 in the second half to push its Mega Conference Blue Division mark to 12-0-1.

Tish Tedders led the Zebras (13-3-1 overall) with a pair of goals. Alana Green, Sheila Honeycutt, Kate Brothers, Kristina McCahill and Kristal Swope added one apiece.

Jenny Clark and McCahill each contributed assists. Jenny Sheppard was in goal for the Zebras, who led 2-1 at intermission.

WAYNE 11, ROMULUS 0: Sheila Honeycutt and Alana Green each scored a pair of goals Monday to lead host Wayne Memorial (12-3-1, 11-0-1) to the Mega Conference Blue Division triumph over the Eagles.

Also scoring goals for the Zebras: Wendy Pierson, Amanda Bledsoe, Toni Watson, Tish Tedders, Liz Beckert, Tina Bradley and Jenny Sheppard.

Kristina McCahill, Beckert, Rachel Fyfe and Lori Giordano each drew assists.

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 3, FAIRLANE 0: Krissy Rose, Angie Matthews and Emily McGuigan each scored a goal as the Warriors won the non-conference game against host Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian.

Stephanie Ericson and Lindsey Bowman each played a half of shut-out goal for Lutheran Westland, which upped its overall record to 7-6-2.

Division champs from page C1

With a brisk wind at their backs, the Zebras charged out and immediately pressured Anderson, and were able to keep the ball in the Titans' zone for almost the entire half.

"We had a good talk at halftime and the girls came out much more intense in the second half," Brenner said. "I told them not to let it come down to the end of the game, and get beat on some kind of mistake."

Obviously the team was listening.

With just 3:30 elapsed from the clock, Tedders was positioned inside the box and got a shot off that hit another player and ricocheted into the net.

Although it was the senior's ninth goal of the season, Tedders said it will be the one she remembers.

"Without a doubt, it was the biggest goal I have ever scored," she said. "It was so important, it brought tears to my eyes."

Less than two minutes later, Raupp, also a senior, received the ball off a corner kick, and popped it into the back of the



Almost in: Wayne's Rachel Fyfe (right) puts pressure on Anderson keeper Merdith Cholette.

"At halftime, Coach Brenner told us to go out and play our hearts out, and that is what we did," Raupp said. "We just wanted it more than they did."

Brenner said the program has come a long way since its first year when the girls had to pay to play. He said this is the year they are beginning to taste the fruits of a lot of hard work and dedication.

One of 13 seniors on the team, Raupp, who has been on the varsity for four years, agreed.

"This feels so great, I love it," Raupp said. "At the beginning of the season, we thought we had a good chance at winning the league."

"This makes all the practices and meetings worth it."

net. "I was just in the right position," Raupp said modestly.

Up 2-0, Wayne clamped down its defense, and Anderson was never able to mount any serious threats.

Sheppard spent nearly the entire half just trying to see the action at the other end.

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Dearborn High product Ryan Wilkinson, a center fielder who batted .471, made first-team All-Region.

Among the other individual accomplishments from area players this season:

•Shortstop Dan Fairchild (Garden City) made second-team All-Region after hitting .360. He led the state with eight homers and had 48 RBI (second in the state).

•First baseman Tim Reeves, an NJCAA Division II All-American as a freshman, was named to the All-Region Tourney squad. He hit .343 this season with 33 RBI.

•Catcher Dave Viane (Farmington High), a Division I prospect, also had an outstanding year batting .364 with 15 extra base hits and 38 RBI.

•Closer Chris Barnier (Garden City) also stood out with a 6-3 record and 1.98 earned run average.

•Right-handed pitcher Charlie Avery (Farmington) and outfielder-pitcher Adam Stachurski (Orchard Lakes St. Mary's) both made the All-Tourney team in Battle Creek.

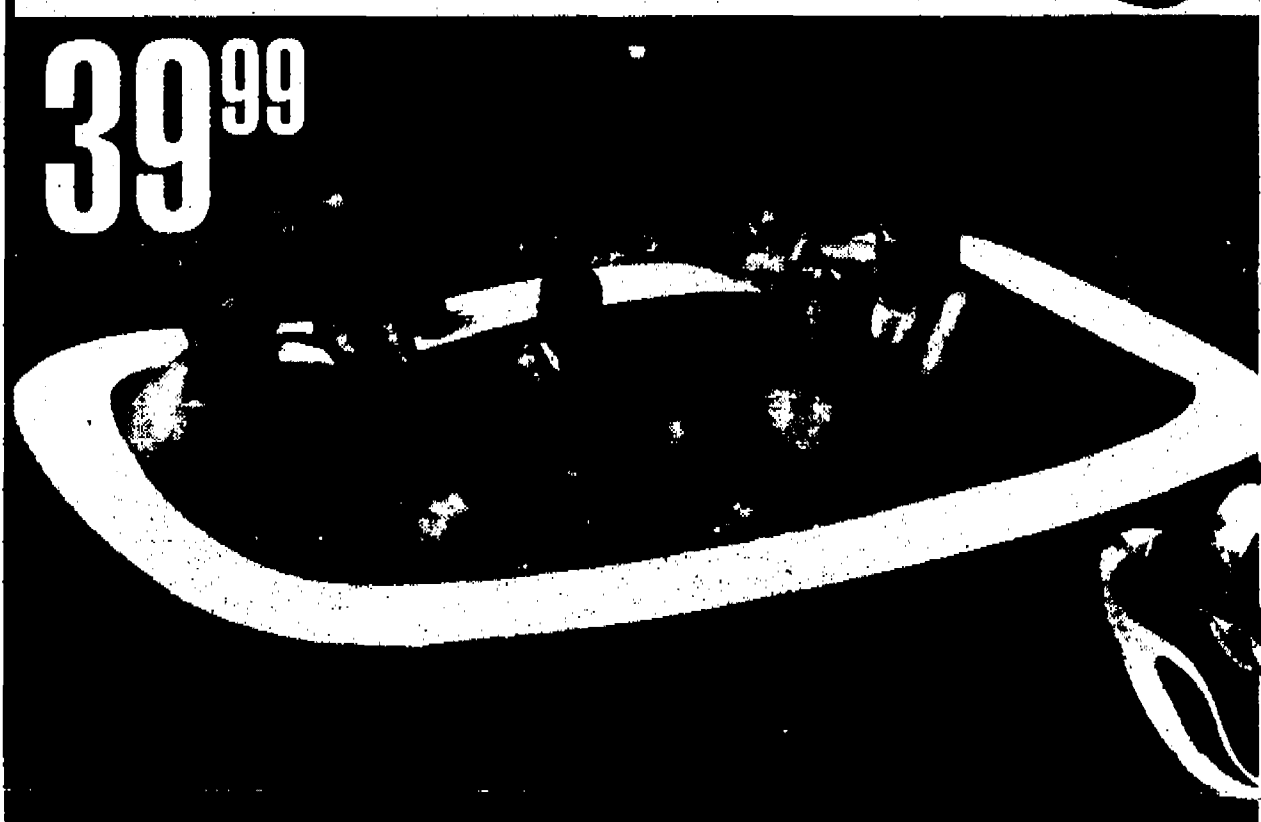
•Second baseman-left fielder Steve Anderson (Livonia Stevenson), who hit .283, broke into the starting lineup midway through the season and led the Hawks in walks.

•Infielder Andy Gutierrez (Farmington Hills Harrison), who hit .263, proved to be a valuable player off the bench.

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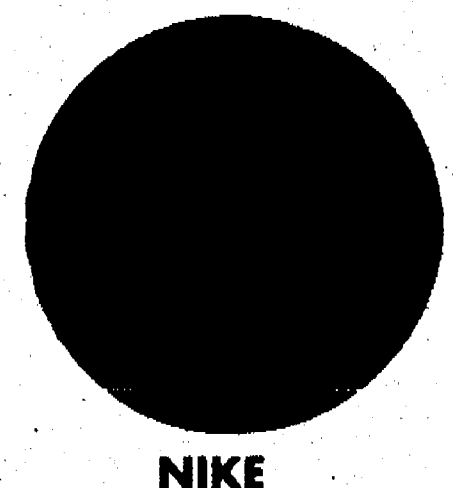
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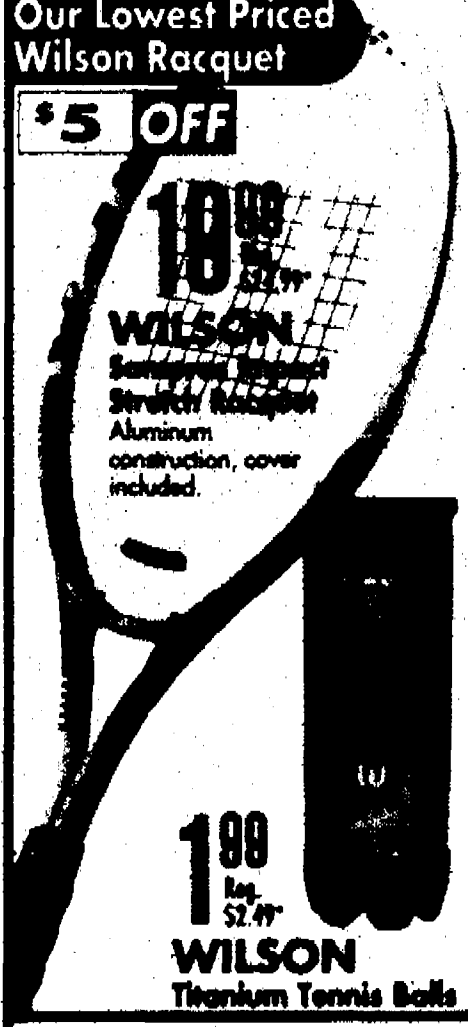


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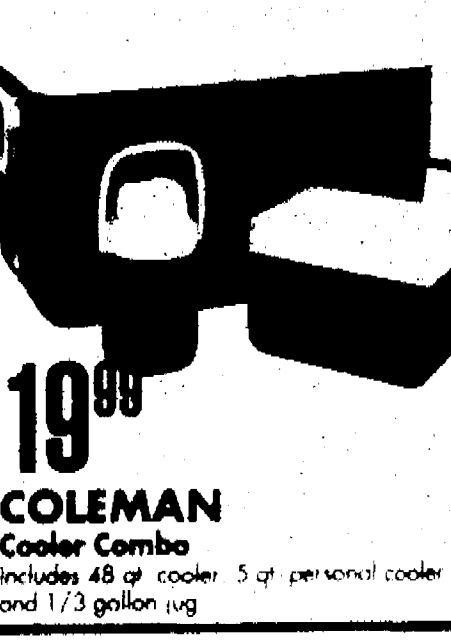


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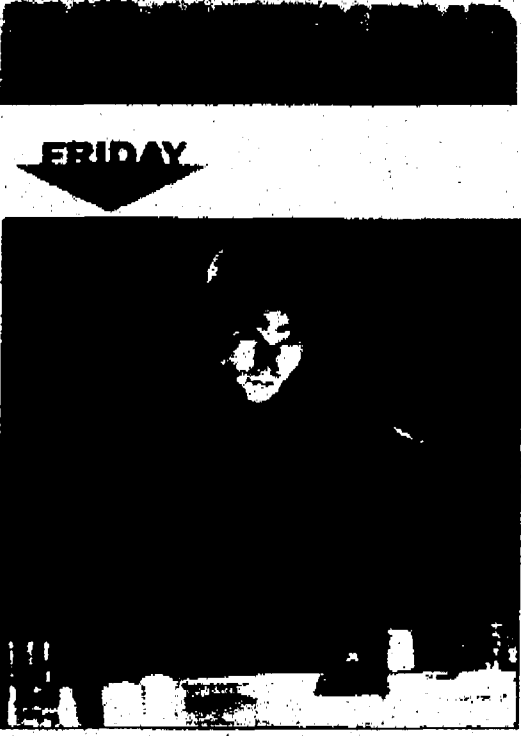
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SUMMER CONCERTS HEAT UP CLOSE TO HOME

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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As the weather in metro Detroit heats up, the stage is set for another summer line-up featuring some of the steamiest acts in popular music today.

Jeff Corey, director of public relations for the Palace Sports and Entertainment Inc., said tickets for more than 110 shows at The Palace of Auburn Hills, Pine Knob Music Theatre and Meadowbrook Music Theatre are already on sale.

"It's gonna be a busy summer," he noted. The main objective is appealing to a wide array of concert-goers in 2000.

For the first time, Meadowbrook is including some theatrical performances, like *Grease*. The Rochester Hills venue caters to families and offers shows that work with a more intimate crowd — such as comedic per-

formances. It's also a good place to "take a chance" as Corey said, on shows with an unlikely pairing — The Chieftains and Los Lobos, for example.

Festivals

One big difference this year is the lack of touring festivals. In the past Lollapalooza, The Hoarde Festival and the Lilith Fair drew big crowds with their array of headlining performers. "Right now OzzFest is the big summer festival," said Corey.

But in Detroit, it's out with Ozzy and in with the electronic age. Get out your glo-sticks kids, the Detroit Electronic Music Festival premieres Saturday, May 27, at Detroit's Hart Plaza. With more than 63 DJs set to take one of four stages, electronic dance music is sure to echo from the waterfront to the Cass corridor for three days straight.

The free festival's sure to succeed

with names like The Roots, Isotope 217, Stacey Pullen, Mos Def and Richie Hawtin. With the renowned Carl Craig at the helm of the impressive schedule, it's going to be an event to behold.

For those who prefer something a little less digitized, Dave Matthews Band has the distinct honor of being the first band to perform at Detroit's new Comerica Park. Bringing along Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, Dave and company are sure to draw more shouts than the Tigers' home opener when the band performs July 5.

Like many others, Dave Clark, who works in SFX/Cellar Door's event production and marketing department in Northville, is looking forward to the show and is curious to see how the event will be set up.

Formerly with Prism Productions, Clark now coordinates shows at The Palace, Pine Knob, Meadowbrook, The

State Theatre, as well as venues across the state. He noted that some of the highlights this year will take place indoors. He's willing to bet The Who and the combination of Jimmy Page and The Black Crowes will be smashing successes this summer.

Plenty of performers are on the comeback trail. Perhaps the most notable is Diana Ross, who accompanies The Supremes on their "Return To Love" Tour, scheduled to hit The Palace of Auburn Hills June 19.

Ringo Starr and his All-Starr Band return June 11 to Pine Knob. The always-anticipated sell-out show, Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band, follows closely behind when they perform two days later at the outdoor theater.

While some acts return, others threaten to bid a final farewell. Everyone's favorite rockers in black and white make-up, Kiss, will say

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ROCK, POP, COUNTRY AND CLASSICS AWAIT YOU ON THE SUMMER CONCERT STAGE

PINE KNOB MUSIC THEATRE

1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Tickets on sale now, call (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.

Eddie Money: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 27. \$7.50-\$15.50

Joni Mitchell: With Vince Mendoza conducting a 70-piece symphony, 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 31. \$55-\$75.

Styx and REO Speedwagon: 7 p.m. Friday, June 2. \$15.50-\$32.50.

Heatwave: With Sister Sledge and Evelyn "Champagne" King, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Charlie Daniels Band: With Hank Williams Jr. and Little Feat, 7 p.m. Sunday, June 4. \$15-\$27.50.

311: With Incubus, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8. \$18.50-\$24.50.

Blink-182: With Bad Religion, Fenix TX, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 9. \$25.

The Cure: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 10. \$20-\$45.

Ringo Starr and his All-Starr Band: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11. \$15.50-\$27.50.

Jimmy Buffett & the Coral Reefer Band: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 13. \$23.50-\$46.

Don Henley: 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 14. \$66 pavilion only. \$1 per ticket donated to Walden Woods preservation.

Kenny G: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15. \$15.50-\$32.50.

Three Dog Night: With Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Indigo Girls: 7 p.m. Saturday, June 17. \$15-\$27.50.

Ray Charles: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20. \$15-\$25.

Steve Miller Band: With Gov't Mule, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 21. \$31.50-\$37.50.

The Beach Boys: With Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22. \$12.50-\$29.50.

Randy Travis: With Darryl Worley, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 23. \$15.50-\$24.50.

Stacy Dash: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25. \$24-\$75.

Howie Mandel: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 28. \$12.50-\$24.50.

The Doobie Brothers: 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30. \$12.50-\$24.50.

Brian Setzer Orchestra: With Twistin' Tarantulas, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 1. \$15-\$27.50.

Poison: With Cinderella, Dokken and Slaughter, 6 p.m. Sunday, July 2. \$15-\$27.50.

Dwight Yoakam: With BR5-49, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Village People: With Lisa Lisa, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8. \$15.50-\$27.50.

Britney Spears: With LFO, Bosson, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 9. Sold Out; 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 10. \$25-\$40.

Yes: With Kansas, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 11. \$15-\$32.50.



Ozzy Osbourne

Ozzfest 2000: Featuring Ozzy Osbourne, Pantera, Godsmack, Static X, Incubus, Methods of Mahem, POD, Queens of the Stoneage and Crazytown, 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 12. \$50.25, with donation to Lifebeat Charity.

Clint Black: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Sting: With Tracy Chapman, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 14. \$25-\$75.

Tragically Hip: With Chris Brown, Kate Fenner and Guster, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 15. \$20-\$27.50.

Bob Dylan: With Phil Lesh and Friends, 7 p.m. Sunday, July 16. \$25-\$43.50.

Creedence Clearwater Revisted: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18. \$12.50-\$24.50.

Third Eye Blind: With Verticle Horizon, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 19. \$15-\$37.50.

Clay Walker: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 20. \$15-\$25.

Brian Wilson with Orchestra: 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 21. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Allman Brothers: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22. \$17.75-\$34.50.

Maze: With K-Ci and Jo Jo, Time TBA, Sunday, July 23.

Missing Persons: With Flock of Seagulls, Wang Chung, Gene Loves Jezebel, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. \$10-\$15.

The Judds: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 27. \$20-\$39.50.

Chicago: With Little River Band, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28. \$20.25-\$30.25.

Def Leppard: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 29. \$28.50-\$38.50.

Pat Benatar: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 30. \$12.50-\$22.50.

The Moody Blues: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Counting Crows and Live: With Galactic, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2. \$23.50-\$46.

Michael McDonald: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4. \$12.50-\$24.50.

Montreux Festival: Featuring Al Jarreau, Roberta Flack, David Sanborn, Joe Sample, George Duke, Saturday, Aug. 5. \$18.50-\$34.50.

Nickelodeon's All That Tour: With Ifo, B*witched and Blaque, Sunday, Aug. 6. \$18.50-\$28.50.

Red Hot Chili Peppers: With Stone Temple Pilots and Fishbone, 7 p.m. Monday, August 7. \$28.50-\$38.50.

Boston Pops: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 9. \$20-\$49.50.

Smoke Robinson: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10. \$15-\$25.

LeAnn Rimes: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11. \$15.50-\$29.50.

Peter Frampton: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12. \$12.50-\$24.50.

Santana: With Macy Gray, 7 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Aug. 13-14. \$25.50-\$59.50 pavilion. A 50 cent donation per ticket will be given to the Milagro Foundation.

Motley Crue: With Megadeth and Anthrax, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16. \$15-\$35.

Duran Duran: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17. \$15-\$29.50.

Creed: With 3 Doors Down, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18. \$25-\$35.

Tony Bennett: With Diana Krall, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20. \$15-\$35.

Ed Lang: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22. \$21-\$36.

BB King Blues Fest: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23. \$15.50-\$35.50.

Christina Aguilera: With Destiny's Child, 7:30 p.m.



BB King

Thursday, Aug. 24. \$38.50-\$25.

Gipsy Kings: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2. \$15-\$42.50.

Huey Lewis and The News: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 3. \$12.50-\$24.50.

Foreigner: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10. \$14.50-\$24.50.

THE PALACE

Lapeer Road and Championship Drive, Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale now, call (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.



Ted Nugent

Kiss Farewell Tour: With Ted Nugent and Skid Row, 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 24-25. \$75, \$25.

Tina Turner: With Lionel Richie, Janice Robinson, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 1. \$85.25, \$55.25, \$35.25. Eight ticket limit per person.

Diana Ross and The Supremes "Return To Love Tour": 8 p.m. Monday, June 19. \$39.50-\$125.

Jimmy Page and The Black Crowes: With Kenny Wayne Shepard, 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 26. \$39.50-\$55.

The Who: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27. \$35-\$85.

Ricky Martin: 8 p.m. Friday, June 30. \$45-\$85.

Dr. Dre, Snoop Dogg, Ice Cube, Eminem and Warren G: Up In Smoke Tour, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7. \$35-\$50.

MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Oakland University Campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester Hills. Tickets on sale now, call (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.

Trisha Yearwood: With Jessica Andrews, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25. \$15.50-\$30.

Franklin the Turtle and the Magic Fiddle: With Joanie Bartels, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 21. \$8-\$12.50.

Pure Prairie League and Poco: 8 p.m. Friday, June 23. \$15.50-\$25.50.

Steven Wright: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24. \$12.50-\$24.50.

The Chieftains and Los Lobos: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25. \$35 pavilion/\$20 lawn.

BJ Thomas: With Billy Joe Royal, fundraiser for Michigan Firefighters, Monday, June 26. \$15. On sale June 12.

Harry Connick Jr. and His Big Band: Come By Me Tour, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27. \$25.50-\$45.50.

Weird Al Yankovic: 8 p.m. Friday, June 30. \$12.50-\$24.50.



Martina McBride

Martina McBride: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1. \$22.50-\$33.50.

Get Back! Cast of Beatlemania: 8 p.m. Sunday, July 2. \$10-\$17.50. Children under 12 receive \$2.50 off ticket price.

Todd Rundgren: With Leon Russell, 8 p.m. Monday, July 3. \$12.50-\$25.50.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: 8 p.m. Friday, Sunday in July. Prices vary, call (248) 377-0100 for

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details.
Maurice Sendak's Little Bear: With Eric Nagler, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 12. \$8-\$12.50.
Grease: Featuring Eddie Mekka and Cindy Williams, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 18. \$15-\$25.50.
Scholastic's Magic Schoolbus: With Norman Foote, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 26. \$8-\$12.50.
Natalie Merchant: 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13. \$20-\$27.50.
John Berry: With Suzy Boguss and Billy Dean, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10. \$15-\$25.
Rick Springfield: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12. \$17.50-\$27.50.
Peter, Paul and Mary: 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13. \$14.50-\$32.50. Kids 12 and under receive free admission for lawn.
Alison Krauss & Union Station: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19. \$12.50-\$24.50.
Wimzie's House: With Linda Arnold, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24. \$8-\$12.50.
Trinity Irish Dance Company: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 25-26. \$15-\$35. Discounts available.
Terri Clark: 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27. \$15-\$30.
Lonestar: 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1. \$15.50-\$32.50.

FOX THEATRE

2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Tickets on sale now, call (248) 433-1515 or (313) 983-6611.

Qtopia: Featuring Mandy Moore, Vertice Horizon, Jessica Simpson, Hanson and Macy Gray, Thursday, June 1. \$27.50-\$50.
Eric Idle Exploits Monty Python: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 4. \$30-\$65.
Oprah's Growth Summit: 8 p.m. Monday, June 19. \$20-\$30.

POWER CENTER

400 Fourth Street, Ann Arbor. Call (248) 645-6666, (734) 763-TKTS or (734) 764-2538

Ann Arbor Summer Festival
Michael Feinstein: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 17. \$20-\$30.

David Grisman, John Hartford and Mike Seeger: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 18. \$14-\$26.
Streb in Action Heroes: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 20. \$14-\$26.
Nicholas Payton and Ensemble: "A Louis Armstrong Centennial Celebration" 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 21. \$14-\$26.
Natalie McMaster and Mark O'Connor: 8 p.m. Thursday, June 22. \$14-\$26.
Spalding Gray in "Morning, Noon and Night": 8 p.m. Friday, June 23. \$14-\$26.
Jazz Tap Ensemble: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24. \$14-\$26.
Trinity Academy Irish Dancers: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25. \$14-\$26.
Kate Clinton: "Y2K8.COMedy" 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27. \$14-\$26.
Reduced Shakespeare Company: "The Complete Millennium Musical" 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 28. \$14-\$26.
Rockapella: 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29. \$14-\$26.
Peter Sparling Dance Company: 8 p.m. Friday, June 30. \$14-\$26.
Ahn Trio: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1. \$14-\$26.
The Capitol Steps: 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 4. \$14-\$26.
Jose Feliciano: 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 5. \$20-\$30.
Linda Tillery and the Cultural Heritage Choir and The Paris Children's Choir: 8 p.m. Thursday, July 6. \$14-\$26.
Peter Schickele Meets PDQ Bach and The Ypsilanti Symphony Orchestra: 8 p.m. Friday, July 7. \$14-\$26.
Anthony Zerbe and Roscoe Lee Browne: "Behind the Broken Words" 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8. \$14-\$26.

HART PLAZA

West on Jefferson from I-75 on the waterfront.

Detroit Electronic Music Festival: The first-ever, three-day music festival will be held noon to midnight Memorial Weekend, May 27-29, Hart Plaza, Detroit. It features more than 63 electronic artists:

Saturday, May 27
DEMF Stage:
 1 p.m. Craig Taborn
 2 p.m. Space Time Continuum
 3 p.m. DJ Spooky
 5 p.m. Tikiman
 7 p.m. DBX
 8 p.m. TBA
 8:30 p.m. Isotope 217
 9:30 p.m. Stacey Pullen
MOTOR Stage:
 noon Hannah
 2 p.m. Minx
 4 p.m. Mike "Agent X" Clark
 9 p.m. Theo Parrish
CPOP Stage:
 noon Magda
 2 p.m. Mike Grant
 4 p.m. D Wynn
 9 p.m. Kenny Larkin
UNDERGROUND Stage:
 noon Jeff Karolski
 1 p.m. Clark Warner
 2 p.m. Jason Hogans
 3 p.m. Clark Warner
 4 p.m. Dykehouse
 5 p.m. Bill Van Loo
 9 p.m. TBA
 7 p.m. Reclouse
 8 p.m. TBA
 9 p.m. Wild Planet
 10 p.m. TBA
 11 p.m. Scan 7

Sunday, May 28
DEMF Stage:
 noon Double Helix
 1 p.m. TBA
 1:30 p.m. John Arnold
 2:30 p.m. TBA
 3 p.m. Aril Brikha/Time Space
 4 p.m. Kevin Saunderson
 9 p.m. Laurent Garnier (with band)
 7 p.m. TBA
 8 p.m. The Roots
 9 p.m. Gary Chandler
 10 p.m. Mos Def
 11 p.m. Gary Chandler
MOTOR Stage:
 noon Oscar McMillan
 2 p.m. TBA
 4 p.m. Buzz Goree
 9 p.m. TBA
 8 p.m. END
CPOP Stage:
 noon Lacksidaisycal
 1:30 p.m. Houseshoes
 3:30 p.m. Len Swan
 9 p.m. Breakfast Club
 7:30 p.m. Cash Money
UNDERGROUND Stage:
 noon Carlos Souffront
 2 p.m. Spacelings & Bassheads
 3 p.m. Carlos Souffront
 4 p.m. Adult

5 p.m. Godfather
 7 p.m. Ectomorph
 8 p.m. DJ Assault
 10 p.m. Fanon Flowers

Monday, May 29

DEMF Stage:
 noon TBA
 3 p.m. Theorem
 4 p.m. Juan Atkins
 9 p.m. Rolando
 8 p.m. Derrick May
 10 p.m. Richie Hawtin
MOTOR Stage:
 noon Derek Plaslaiko
 2 p.m. TBA
 4 p.m. Mike Huckaby
 9 p.m. Bone
CPOP Stage:
 noon Ronin
 2 p.m. Lauren Flax
 3 p.m. A Guy Called Gerald
 5 p.m. DeGo
UNDERGROUND Stage:
 noon Vitreous Flux
 1 p.m. Direct Beat Assassins
 2 p.m. Urban Tribe
 4 p.m. Keith Tucker/Puzzlebox
 5 p.m. Shake
 7 p.m. Detroit Grand Pubahs

COMERICA PARK

2100 Woodward Avenue, Detroit.



Dave Matthews Band: With Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, Comerica Park, Detroit. \$46.50. (313) 983-6611.

PHOENIX PLAZA

10 Water Street, Pontiac. Tickets on sale, call (248) 398-4438 or (248) 645-6666.



The Suicide Machines

Vans Warped Tour: NOFX, Suicide Machines, Green Day, Jurassic 5, Long Beach Dub Allstars, MXPX, Millencolin, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Good Riddance, Flogging Molly, Dilated Peoples, Unwritten Law, Snapcase, Save Ferris, Hot Water Music, Animal, Avail, One Man Army, Anti-Flag, One Minute Silence, Gob, Nippon, Camp, Beatsteaks, The Line, Bueno, Scooter Trash, The Hippos, Stingrays and Toledo Show, plus local bands to be announced May 10; noon Sunday, July 23, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. All ages. \$27.50.
Rib America: 4-11 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 15-16; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 17-18. Free festival with entertainment by Twistin' Tarantulas, Reefer Men, and

Molly Hatchett performing Thursday; Gordon Bennett, Jill Jack, and Loverboy performing Friday; Five Horse Johnson, Soul Clique, Alberta Adams, Johnnie Bassett, Thornetta Davis, and Otis Day & Knights performing Saturday; Agee, Shannon Curfman, Edgar Winter, and Mud-Puppy performing Sunday.

FROG ISLAND FESTIVAL

Frog Island Park in Ypsilanti's Depot Town. Tickets on sale, call (734) 487-2229 or check the Web at www.a2ark.org.

Friday, June 23
 5:30 p.m. Bon Temps Roule
 7 p.m. Lil' Malcolm and the House Rockers
 8:30 p.m. Buckwheat Zydeco
 10:30 p.m. The Fabulous Thunderbirds

Saturday, June 24
 Noon Sheila Landis Brazilian Fantasy
 1:15 p.m. Wendell Harrison Quartet
 2:45 p.m. Larry Nozero and Lyman Woodard
 4:15 p.m. The Regina Carter Quintet
 6 p.m. Al Hill and the Love Butlers
 7:30 p.m. Long John Hunter
 9 p.m. Marcia Ball
 10:45 p.m. Los Lobos

Sunday, June 25
 1 p.m. Detroit-Ann Arbor Groupai Ceol
 2:30 p.m. Tom Landa and the Paperboys
 4 p.m. Cathie Ryan
 5:30 p.m. The Drovers
 7:15 p.m. Solas
 9 p.m. Celtic Roots Jam.

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goodbye to Detroit Rock City as the band brings its "Farewell Tour" with Redford native and Motor City Madman Ted Nugent and Skid Row May 26 at The Palace.

Taking the place of annual music festivals, the summer season welcomes a host of shows pairing two popular acts at top billing. Live and Counting Crows could still pack a house alone, but the bands will tour together this summer. Two big names for the price of one is a growing trend this year.

Eminem comes home with hip-hop cohorts Dr. Dre, Snoop Dogg, Ice Cube and Warren G July 7 at The Palace. So far it looks like the biggest show of the genre set for the 2000 summer season.

As the new millennium gives rise to boy bands and girlie-Q's parties, plenty of healthy young teens will take to metro area stages to take their swoon and swooning to the next level. The Detroit area is supported by a list of venues including Mandy's, the Palace, the Fox Theatre, the Grand Concourse, the Grand Ballroom, and the Grand Ballroom.

The Fox Theatre is bound to hit its teenage capacity for this show June 1. N'Byz will catch the crowd again when the boys visit the Pontiac Silverdome July 18. Both Britney Spears (July 9-10) and Christina Aguilera (Aug. 24) will perform at Pine Knob Music Theatre.

Clark said the coolest thing about these shows is that they appeal to teens and their parents. They're family events. "It bridges the gap," he said.

Need something more extreme than mom and dad could handle? Catch Gage Day, NOFX and The Suicide Machines on the 2000 Vans Warped Tour at Pontiac's Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater. Punk-pop mavericks Blink-182 will get off to a raucous start with tourmates Bad Religion and Panix TX June 9 at Pine Knob.

Country fans new and old have something to look forward to this year at Pine Knob. From the sweet sounds of LeAnn Rimes Aug. 11 to Randy Travis and Darryl Worley on June 28 and the Charlie Daniels Band with Hank Williams Jr. and Little Feat June 8, country fans' shifts into high gear.

On the softer side, Joni Mitchell starts out the season accompanied by a 10-piece orchestra at Pine Knob. Brian Wilson joins in with his own musical accompaniment Friday, July 21.

As for radio stations like 107.7 "The Planet," Hank Williams' alternative classics will be back in a big way. With bands like The Cure, Depeche Mode and the Pretentious Pans back on the airwaves, it's only a matter of time before the '80s hit comeback as they make comebacks on stage as well.

Also from the '80s, metal fans may bang their heads once again when Poison returns with Cinderella, Dokken and Slaughter for a throwback to the days where image was everything and long hair and thick make-up reigned supreme.

Whatever the genre, Dave Clark's best advice to music fans is to start planning ahead and choosing what shows to see, rather than holding out until the last moment. He also recommends double checking to see if a concert is truly sold out, rather than assuming it would be. But leave some time open, some of the best concert announcements for August are yet to come.

"Detroit is really lucky to have the great venues that we do," said Clark. "Tourists want to come here. A lot of towns the size of Detroit don't get the shows that we do."

Because not everyone's tastes are alike, Pine Knob Music Theatre has brought back its "Pick Your Own Plan" series this summer. More than 60 shows are featured and 80 more will be added at Pine Knob, which held 58 events and welcomed more than 600,000 guests in 1999. For more information and tickets, call (248) 377-0160 or (248) 645-6666 or check online at www.palaceticket.com or www.1077planet.com.

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Sunday, June 4
 Gates open at 12 noon
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It happens

Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival reaches maturity

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Now in its 21st year, the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival is not a kid anymore.

Organizers of the annual Labor Day weekend festival, formerly known as the Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, promise to "light up Detroit for four days" with powerful, electric headliners like Nancy Wilson, Abbey Lincoln and Dr. John.

"Every stage is hot," said Ed Love, festival senior program consultant. "This festival is loaded."

Others headlining the 125-act, five-stage festival include Poncho Sanchez, Barry Harrison, Terrence Blanchard, Rufus Harley, One for All, Michael Weis, Jazz Time Superband, Caribbean Jazz Project, Uptown Vocal Jazz Quartet and Brasil Brazil.

"Deeply rooted in our vision at Music Hall is the belief that our service to the community as presenters of the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival is as important as the festival's incredible artistry," said Peg Tallet, Music Hall president.

More than 40 Michigan bands will participate in the festival. More than two dozen high school and college big bands will perform, including Farmington Harrison High School, Southfield-Lathrup High School, and Henry Ford Community College. Guest artists will work with students to help them improve their skills.

Jazzy festivals

■ **V98.7 Smooth JazzFest** - Friday-Sunday, June 2-4, on The Green in front of the Southfield Civic Center (Evergreen at Civic Center Drive). Advance tickets \$15 for Friday evening, \$20 at the gate. Saturday-Sunday tickets \$25 per day in advance, \$30 at the gate. Gates open 3 p.m. Friday with performances beginning at 3:30 p.m. and continuing to 10:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday gates open at noon; performances start at 12:30 p.m. and continue to approximately 10 p.m. Performers include George Benson, Dave Koz, Kimmie Horne and Keiko Matsui. Call (248) 855-2400 for more information.

■ **Michigan Jazz Festival** - Sunday, July 16, noon to 10:30 p.m. at Schoolcraft College in Livonia (Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile). Event features 24 bands performing on four stages including four big bands: Johnny Trudell, Brookside Jazz Ensemble, Ed Nuccilli, and Larry Nozero. Call (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454 for information.

■ **Birmingham Jazzfest 2000** - Thursday-Saturday, July 20-22 in Shain Park and downtown Birmingham restaurants. Opens 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 20, in Shain Park with Alexander Zonjic & Friends. Line-up includes Chuck Mangione, Chataqua Express, Straight Ahead, and Kenny Garrett. Call (248) 644-5832 for more information.

■ **Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival** - Friday-Monday, Sept. 1-4, Hart Plaza, on the river front, downtown Detroit. Call (313) 963-7622 for more information, or online www.musicall.org beginning in June.

This year's festival line-up and poster were unveiled Wednesday, May 17, at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts in Detroit.

"It's a great pleasure to see we've reached adulthood. I hope we make it to middle age," said Robert McCabe who has been involved with the festival since its beginning. "Then it was part free and part paid, now it's all free," said McCabe, thanking the more than 40 other corporate sponsors, including Plymouth-based Absopure Water Co., Absolut Vodka, Hammel Music, and the Michigan Council for Arts

and Cultural Affairs.

The festival's new name "more accurately represents the festival. Detroit has taken ownership of the festival," said Elliott Hall, vice president of Ford Motor Co. dealership, development, and newly elected festival chairman.

"We have a rich history of pure jazz in this city. It promises to be exciting. We're pleased with the evolution of the festival, and we hope you'll be in town."

This year, for the first time, local National Public Radio affiliates WEMU and WDET will broadcast the festival to NPR

stations nationwide. WWJ-Channel 62, will televise a prime time special featuring Straight Ahead, 9-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1.

Absopure will sponsor the radio broadcasts, and, according to William Patrick Young, vice president of advertising, is "pleased to bring cold water and cool jazz" to the festival. Absopure has been a sponsor for the past eight years.

This year's poster design will be featured on bottles of Absopure to be sold at the festival.

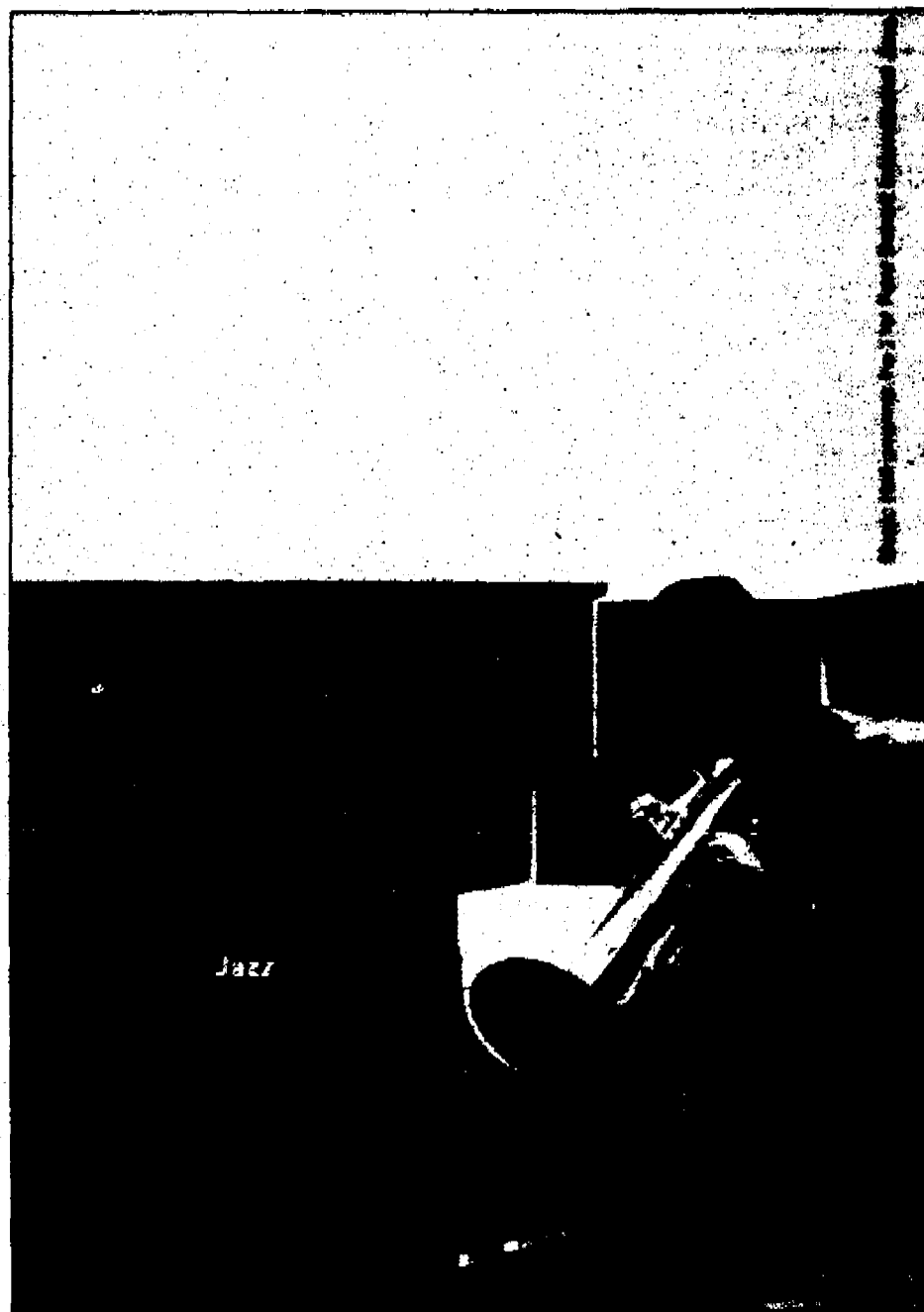
Rebecca Radtke, a multi-media designer at J. Walter Thompson, designed this year's colorful festival poster.

"I wanted it to be clean looking and chose to feature a trumpet player because it's just a little bit different," she said.

Choosing the design to be featured on bottles of cool Absopure, festival T-shirts, and posters is a "pretty exciting experience," said Daniel Cerullo of Livonia, a senior partner and creative director at J. Walter Thompson. The design process is like jazz he said - "there's a lot of craziness, improvisation and creativity."

There were nearly 50 entries this year, and Radtke's design, Cerullo said, "captures the personality of the event, and the excitement of jazz."

The Montreux Jazz Festival, scheduled Saturday, Aug. 5 at Pine Knob in Independence Township, is being presented by a national touring company that features Al Jarreau, Roberta Flack and others.



Winning poster design: This year's Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival poster was designed by Rebecca Radtke of Ferndale, a multi-media designer for J. Walter Thompson.

Mahler's masterpiece evokes deep passions

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Gustav Mahler's wonderfully complex symphony of rage, death and acceptance is a challenge embraced by French horn player David Everson.

"Mahler created very difficult, but very good pieces for horns. They're quite enjoyable to perform," said Everson.

Everson, a Troy resident, will play first horn this weekend for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's three performances of Mahler's symphony, *Ninth*, conducted by world renowned Music Director Neeme Jarvi at Orchestra Hall.

Jarvi is one of the world's most recorded conductors with nearly 350 titles in his discography and appears annually with the New York Philharmonic and Philadelphia Orchestra.

Joining the DSO in 1999, Everson was raised around the sounds of music - his parents were both music majors.

Growing up in Livonia, he hoped to learn saxophone, but his parents convinced him to try the French horn - and he fell in love with it. He played principal horn in the Flint Symphony, assistant principal horn for the Toledo Symphony before becoming principal horn with the Kansas City Symphony.

Missing the Michigan landscape and his family, Everson looked to return to his home state. He auditioned three times before making it with the DSO. In fact, he was once beaten out by close friend Mark Abbott, the DSO's current assistant principal horn.

The performance of *Ninth* will be the DSO's first in nearly 20 years. Everson, however, took part in the 99-minute symphony in more recent years while working in Kansas



Conductor: Neeme Jarvi is music director of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

What: Music Director Neeme Jarvi will conduct the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in Gustav Mahler's Ninth symphony.
Where: Orchestra Hall, Detroit
When: 8 p.m. Thursday & Friday, May 25-26; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 27
Tickets: \$19-\$50 with a limited number of box seats available from \$62-\$66. Students/seniors can purchase \$15 or \$10 RUSH tickets at the box office 90 minutes before showtime. Call (313) 576-5111 or at www.detroit-symphony.com

NOTE: Ford Concert Talks - informal discussions about music and music making - begin one hour prior to the performance with host Charles Greenwell.

"But it doesn't get easier to play," he laughed.

Everson has been practicing the *Ninth* for several months. He can be heard quite distinctively during a solo passage and then in a duet with a flutist during

the first movement.

"They're very nice rather unusual solos," he said.

The entire symphony itself, however, could be called more "ironic" than nice.

Beautifully powerful, *Ninth* was written in 1910 while Mahler was not only mourning the death of his four-year-old daughter Maria, but also struggling with his own deteriorating health.

The *Ninth* is often characterized as a triumph of peace and acceptance of mortality. Mahler takes the listener from a funeral march in movement one to despair and anger in two and three and finally through a serene hymn in four.

Superstition that no composer after Beethoven would survive past their own Symphony No. 9. Mahler tried to beat destiny by titling it, simply *Ninth*.

However, fate soon played its role as Mahler died while creating Symphony No. 10 less than one year later.

Ninth was first performed in 1911, after Mahler's death.

It pays to get ticketed!



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A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

CAPITOL THEATRE: "Love Letters" Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, 2 p.m. Sunday, May 28, at the theater, Windsor. \$14. (519) 253-8065

CENTURY THEATRE: "Always...Patsy Cline" continues to Aug. 27, at the theater, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800/(248) 645-6666

GEM THEATRE: "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through July 30, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE: "The Day We Met," continues to Sunday, June 25; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, at the Aaron Derooy

PLANET ANT THEATRE: "Mere-Mortals" continues Sunday, June 4, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Hamtramck. \$10. (313) 365-4948 or www.planetant.com

FLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY: "Full Circle," Jeff Chastang's story about a family unraveling at the seams, continues to Sunday, June 25, in the Anderson Center Theatre at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$15-\$18. (313) 872-0279

COLLEGE

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: "Das Barbecu," a country & western musical comedy, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3 and Thursday-Saturday, June 8-10, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Sponberg Theatre on campus, Ypsilanti. \$8 Thursday, \$13 Friday-Saturday, \$11 Sunday. (734) 487-1221

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY THEATRE: "Wind in the Willows," 10 a.m. Wednesday-Friday, May 31-June 2, and 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, at Meadow Brook Theatre on campus, Rochester. \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6 students. (248) 370-3300

COMMUNITY THEATER

BIRMINGHAM VILLAGE PLAYERS: Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, at the theater, Birmingham. \$14. (248) 644-9667

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS: "A Bad Year for Tomatoes," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, and 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25; "Mass Appeal" Sunday, June 4, at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. \$12. (248) 625-8811

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: "Kiss Me Kate," 2 p.m. Sunday, May 27, at the barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. \$15, (248) 553-2955

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN: "My Fair Lady," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, at the theater, Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-TKTS

ST. DUNSTON'S GUILD OF CRANBROOK: "Damn Yankees," 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3 and Thursday-Saturday, June 8-10, in the outdoor Greek Theater. \$15, \$12. (248) 644-0527

SRO PRODUCTIONS: "You Should Be So Lucky," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 28, at The Burgh, Southfield. \$10, \$8 senior/child. (248) 827-0701

STAGECRAFTERS: "The King and I," continues to June 4, American Sign Language performance Thursday, May 25, at the Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. \$14-\$16. (248) 541-6430

DINNER THEATER

MICHIGAN STAR CLIPPER DINNER TRAIN: "Angelina's and Bo's Comedy Wedding," presented by Theatre Arts Productions, 5 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$69.50 per person, includes 3 hour train ride, five course dinner, and entertainment. (248) 960-9440

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

MARQUIS THEATRE: "The Princess and the Magic Pea," continues 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3 and 10, at the theater, Northville. \$7.50. (248) 349-8110

PUPPETART: "Crane Maiden," a Japanese tale with marionettes and puppeteers in traditional Japanese



War remembrance: Women lay flowers on the graves of fallen soldiers during Civil War Remembrance, Sunday-Monday, May 28-29, at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Activities scheduled throughout each day will educate and entertain visitors. Presentations bring to life the ordeals experienced by average American men and women who lived and fought during the Civil War. Hear from the mistress of Susquehanna Plantation whose home in Maryland is occupied by Union troops. Watch an artillery firing demonstration. Children can join in the fun and participate in typical mid-century recess activities. Greenfield Village is located at 20900 Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, west of the Southfield freeway and south of Michigan Avenue. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$8.50-\$13.05, children under age 5 and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 or visit www.hfmgv.org for more information.

costumes and masks, 2 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, 25 E. Grand River. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

THE RISING STARS: "The Hobbit," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at Andover High School, Bloomfield Hills. \$3. (248) 433-0885

SPECIAL EVENTS

GUITAR SHOW: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 3, until 5 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center. \$8. (248) 546-7447

REDFORD THEATRE: "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" starring Jane Powell and Howard Keel. 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27 and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 27, organ overtures begin 30-minutes earlier, at the theater, Detroit. \$3. (313) 531-4407

ROCHESTER BRANGERS: The Vintage Base Ball team plays Great Black Swamp Frogs from Sylvania, Ohio 1 p.m. Saturday, May 27 as part of the Rochester Heritage Festival, at Haibach Field on Woodward Street, Rochester. Free. Afterwards visit the exhibit, "Tally My Ace! Sports Memorabilia from the Past," at the Rochester Hills Museum, open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, \$3, \$2 seniors/students. (248) 656-4663

YANKEE AIR MUSEUM: Spend Memorial Day touring the museum, traveling through photographs, touring planes or even getting your own "dog tags," 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, May 29, on the east side of Willow Run Airport. Free. (734) 483-4444

FAMILY EVENTS

PAJAMA PARTY WITH RITA KIRSCH: A bedtime concert with songs, puppets and participation, 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, at The Community House, Birmingham. \$4. (248) 644-5832

FESTIVALS

GOPEL SUMMER JAM 2000: Features Hezekiah 7 p.m. Friday, June 2, Masonic Temple Theatre, Detroit. \$51.50, \$35, & \$20. (248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6611.

BENEFITS

CATCH A RISING STAR: An auction to benefit the students of Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8, at the Detroit Athletic Club. \$75-\$600. (313) 577-1458

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Present the musical comedy during a special gala to celebrate 48 years of

community theater and the last show at the barn, begins at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 3 with hors d'oeuvres and a silent auction followed by *Kiss Me, Kate* at 8 p.m., at the Farmington Players Barn, Farmington Hills. \$100, proceeds go to the construction of a new barn theater. (248) 553-2955

FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH: The committee of the Michigan Jazz Festival holds its annual fundraiser, a Father's Day Brunch, with the Larry Nozoro Quartet and guest trumpeter Johnny Trudell, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 18 in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. \$25, proceeds benefit the admission-free Michigan Jazz Festival scheduled for Sunday, July 16 at Schoolcraft College. (248) 474-2120 or (734) 459-2454

SANKOFA GALA: An evening of music, theater and excitement including the world premiere of "Full Circle," a gripping family drama, 6 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at the Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$100, proceeds benefit Plowshares Theatre Company and Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village. (313) 872-0279

ULSTER PROJECT OF METRO DETROIT: "Always Patsy Cline" 5:30 p.m. Sunday, June 11, at the Century Theater, Detroit. \$40, to benefit the "Building Peace by Peace" program. (248) 641-8374

CLASSICAL

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS: 8:30 p.m. Friday, June 2, at Hagopian World of Rugs, Birmingham. \$18. (248) 362-9329

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Mahler's Ninth 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 25-26 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$14-66. (313) 576-5111

JOHANN STRAUSS ORCHESTRA: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at the Meadow Brook Music Festival, at Oakland University, Rochester. \$58.50, \$22.50. (313) 576-5111/(248) 645-6666

TROUBLE IN VENICE: The world premiere of this work by Enid Sutherland takes place 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, features Bradley Brookshire, harpsichord, Aaron Johnson, piano, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-\$25. (734) 769-2999

OPERA

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE: "Peter Grimes," 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3 and Wednesday-Saturday, June 7-10, and 2 p.m. Sunday,

June 4 and 11, at the Detroit Opera House. \$18-98. (313) 237-7464/(248) 645-6666

BRASS

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND: 3 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Detroit. (313) 822-3456

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

CAPITOL THEATRE: Performing arts workshop: "How to get from Volunteer to Career Theatre in the Windsor/Detroit Area," after 2 p.m. matinee of "Love Letters," at the theater, Windsor. \$5. (519) 253-7729

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS YOUTH THEATER: Auditions for "Flapper," singing required, 11 a.m. Saturday, June 3, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 4. (248) 922-0740/(248) 363-0188

FRANKLIN VILLAGE CONCERT BAND: Auditions for woodwinds, flutes, saxophones, French horns and percussionists, rehearsals Monday evenings, 8 concerts a year. (248) 474-8869

MARQUIS THEATRE: Auditions for "The Elves and the Shoemaker" 6 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the theater, Northville. For performances Aug. 8 to Sept. 24. (248) 349-8110

MICHIGAN THEATER AND DANCE TROUPE: Open auditions for dancers age 16 and older. (248) 552-5001

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Performing arts classes, four two-week sessions June 26-Aug. 18, at Masonic Temple, Detroit. (313) 535-8962

WARREN CIVIC THEATRE: Auditions for adults and children for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," Thursday-Saturday, May 25-27, at the Ridgewood Recreation Center, Warren. (810) 751-8080. For performances Aug. 4-6 and 10-13.

CHORAL

DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY: Presents a Summer Solstice Concert featuring the Boychoir of Ann Arbor, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at St. Hugo of the Hills Church, Ann Arbor. \$15. (248) 650-2655

POPS/SWING

MICHAEL JAMES/DEBORAH JIMMERSON: Piano bar 7-11 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and 8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, at La Bistecca Italian Grille, Livonia. (734) 254-0400

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. Friday Saturday through May, at Andiamo Italia West, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

JAZZ

ALBERTA ADAMS: 9 p.m. Friday, June 2, at Edson's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

MARK ARSHAK: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 1, at Edson's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

SPENCER BAREFIELD/DAVID MCMURRAY/MARION HAYDEN: 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at the Harlequin Cafe, Detroit. \$10. (313) 331-0922

MARCUS BELGRAVE/SPENCER BAREFIELD/MARION HAYDEN: 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, at the Harlequin Cafe, Detroit. \$10. (313) 331-0922

GEM JAZZ TRIO: Performs 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

JEFF HAAS TRIO: With trumpeter Marcus Belgrave and jazz violinist Miri Ben-Ari, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 763-8587

BILL HEID: 9 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at Edson's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

KEIKO MATSUI: 7:15 p.m. Friday, June 2, at the Southfield Civic Center. \$15. (248) 645-6666

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With trumpeter Bob Mohica 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, at Ron's Fireside Inn, Garden City. (734) 762-7756

TONY POPE'S N'ORLEANS SIX: 3-6 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at Steak and Ale, Madison Heights. (248) 588-4450

SMOOTH JAZZFEST: Friday-Sunday, June 2-4, in front of the Southfield Civic Center. (248) 645-6666/(248) 855-2400

PAUL VORNHAGEN: 9:30 p.m. 11 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, at the Bird of Paradise, 312 S. Main (new address), Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 662-8310

URSULA WALKER/BUDDY BUDSON: With Dan Kolton, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at Giovanni's, Pontiac. (248) 334-5241

ED WELLS: Beginning Thursday, June 1, 5:30-7 p.m., at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

FOLK/ BLUEGRASS

LARRY ARBOUR: 7 p.m. Friday, at the Flying Fish Tavern, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747

PETER CASE: 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (734) 763-TKTS

SCOTT ROGERS: 8 p.m. Thursday, June 1, at Amer's Mediterranean Deli, Ann Arbor. (folk-rock)

WORLD MUSIC

AN EVENING IN A SPANISH GARDEN: Featuring mezzo-soprano Monica Swartout-beeow, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-25, \$5 students. (734) 769-2999

MOGUE DOYLE: 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, at Conor O'Neill's Traditional Irish Pub & Restaurant, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2968

FINNIGAN'S WAY: 9 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at Conor O'Neill's Traditional Irish Pub & Restaurant, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2968

DANCE

ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE: 8 p.m. Friday, May 26, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) 623-0624

JAZZ & SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE: Concert, 4 p.m. Sunday, June 4, in the Paul Robeson Theatre, Northwest Activities Center, Detroit. \$8. (313) 342-1000

WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING: 8-11 p.m. Friday, June 2, at 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Waterford. (248) 673-4764

COMEDY

COMEDY JAM: Starring John Witherspoon, Mike Epps, A.J. Johnson and T.K. Kirkland, Friday, June 1, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$27.50, \$35. (248) 433-1515

CUBICLE DOGS: Michigan's only comedy troupe dedicated to lampooning corporate life present "Mission Statement: Impossible," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through June 3, at Masonic Temple, Detroit. \$15. (810) 984-6336

BILL THOMAS: Presents his one-man show, "You're probably asking why I asked you here..." 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3 at Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10. (734) 464-6302.

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Thursday-Saturday, May 25-27, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill,

Livonia. (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Keith Ruff, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Mike Green, also Chrissy Burns, Thursday-Saturday, May 25-27; Horace Sanders, also Jon Uberoth, Thursday-Saturday, June 1-2, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

SECOND CITY: "Paradigm Lost" continues to May 28, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; additional shows 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday at 10:30 p.m. The 10:30 p.m. shows, and 8 p.m. shows Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday, are followed by an improv set at no additional cost. \$10. Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday; \$17.50 Friday, \$19.50 on Saturday; Improv Jammers 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays (\$5). (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM: WalkWorks, a self-directed exploration of the exhibit galleries that invites families and young visitors to become Super Sleuths; the museum offers more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun; at the museum, Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$6, \$4 children/seniors/students. (734) 995-5439

CRANBROOK HOUSE: Open for walk-in Sunday tours 1-3:30 p.m. June 4 to Oct. 29, at the house, Bloomfield Hills. \$10, Thursdays June 15 to Oct. 26 lunch at noon may be purchased for an additional \$12. Stroll through the Cranbrook Gardens at no additional charge or enjoy only the gardens for \$5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday (open 11 a.m. Sunday). Free parking at Christ Church Cranbrook directly across Lone Pine Road from Cranbrook House. (248) 645-3149

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE: Explore chemistry concepts with candy and get some recipes to try at home, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, May 29, free with museum admission, at the Institute, Bloomfield Hills.

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER: IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest," "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun," "Whales," "Mysteries of Egypt" and "Everest," at the center, Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400

DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM: Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at the museum on Belle Isle, Detroit. Regular admission \$2, \$1 seniors/children ages 12-18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. (313) 852-4051

HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE: In Dearborn, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors. \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

MEADOW BROOK HALL: Tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Oakland University campus, Rochester. \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: Victorian Tea 2 p.m. Saturday, June 3, followed by program and fashion show spotlighting "Personalities and Fashions of the 20th Century." New exhibit, "American Vacations & Leisure," continues through August. 7:30 p.m. at the museum, Plymouth. \$3, \$1 students, \$7 family. (734) 455-8940

LIVE MUSIC

CHRISTINA AGUILERA: With Destiny's Child, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$38.50-\$25. (248) 645-6666.

ALLMAN BROTHERS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18-35. (248) 645-6666

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LORI AMEY: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24, Espresso Royale, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-2770; 10 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Roadrunners Raft, Hamtramck. 21 and over. (313) 873-7238; 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Gayle's Chocolates, Royal Oak. Free. (248) 398-0001; 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 761-1451.

JOSEPH ARTHUR: With Scott Fab, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3, Blue Note Cafe, Pontiac. All ages. Free.

JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS: 10 p.m. Thursdays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-6368.

THE BEACH BOYS: With Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

CLINT BLACK: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

BLACKMAN AND ARNOLD: 10 p.m. Sundays in May, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922.

BLINK-182: With Bad Religion, Fenix TX, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 9, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25. (248) 645-6666.

BOY SETS FIRE: With Ann Beretta, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 1, The Shelter, Detroit. \$7. All ages. (313) 961-MELT.

BROTHERS GROOVE: 10 p.m. Mondays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU; Thursdays, May 25, Edison's, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150; Friday, May 26, Woodruff's, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519; Saturday, May 27, Intermezzo, Detroit. (313) 961-0707.

JIMMY BUFFETT & THE CORAL REEFER BAND: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$46 pavilion/\$23.50 lawn.

SCOTT CAMPBELL GROUP: With Mind Circus, Seismic 3, Bob Racecar Bob, hosted by WRIF's Doug Podell, 10 p.m. Friday, June 2, Token Lounge, Westland. (734) 513-5030.

CHICAGO: With Little River Band, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20.25-\$30.25. (248) 645-6666.

THE CHIEFTAINS AND LOS LOBOS: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$35 pavilion/\$20 lawn. (248) 645-6666.

COUNTING CROWS AND LIVE: With Galactic, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$23.50-\$46. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

CRACKER: With Koester, 8 p.m. Friday, June 2, 7th House, Pontiac. All ages. \$12 advance. (313) 961-MELT.

THE CURE: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$45. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

CHARLIE DANIELS BAND: With Hank Williams Jr. and Little Feat, 7 p.m. Sunday, June 4, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666.

DEEP CUT: 9 p.m. Sunday, May 28, June 4, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

DEEP CONCENTRATION: Featuring Triple Threat DJ's Vinroc, Apollo and Shortcut. Ming and FS, and People Under The Stars, 10 p.m. Friday, May 26, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. \$6. (248) 645-6666.

DETROIT COBRAS: With Tarbox Ramblers, The Mooney Suzuki, 9 p.m. Sunday, May 28, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and older. \$8. (313) 961-MELT.

DETROIT ELECTRONIC MUSIC FESTIVAL: The first ever, three-day music festival will be held Memorial Weekend, noon to midnight, May 27-29, Hart Plaza, Detroit. It features more than 60 electronic artists.

DR. DRE, SHOOP DOGG, ICE CUBE, EMINEM AND WARREN G: Up In Smoke Tour, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$45-\$50.

DR. HIFI & THE DETROIT COSMIC GROOVE: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, June 1, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

DURAN DURAN: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

BOB DYLAN: With Phil Lesh and Friends, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 14,

Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25-\$43.50. (248) 645-6666.

EARTH CRISIS: With Canderia and Walls of Jericho, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 25, The Shelter, Detroit. \$10. (248) 645-6666.

ELIZA: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3, 7th House, Pontiac. All ages. \$5. (248) 645-6666.

FACTORY 81: With Workhorse, Powerface, Too Many Gods, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$7. (313) 961-MELT.

THE FIGGS: 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. Free show. (734) 996-8555.

KENNY G: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

MADISON GREENE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 27, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10. (734) 464-6302.

GROOVIE GHOLLIES: With Buck, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 28, The Shelter, Detroit. \$6. All ages. (248) 645-6666.

JULIANA HATFIELD: 9 p.m. Friday, June 2, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$10 advance. (313) 833-9700.

ROY HAYNES TRIO: Featuring Danilo Perez and John Pattitucci, 8 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 16-17, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$20. (248) 645-6666.

HEATWAVE: With Sister Sledge and Evelyn "Champagne" King, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

DON HENLEY: 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$66 pavilion only. \$1 per ticket donated to Walden Woods preservation. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

THE HIPPOS: 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. \$7. (313) 961-MELT.

IMMUNITY: 9:30 p.m. Friday, June 2, The Library Pub, Novi. Free. (248) 349-9110.

JOINT VENTURE: Featuring Holly and Kevin, 9 p.m. Sunday, May 28, June 4, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

MARVIN KAHN AND KEITH VREELAND: 7 p.m. Thursdays, Le Metro, Southfield. (248) 353-2757 (jazz duo).

KID KOALA: With DJ Fodd and Bullfrog, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$12 advance. (313) 961-MELT.

BB KING BLUES FEST: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. (248) 645-6666.

KISS FAREWELL TOUR: With Ted Nugent and Skid Row, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 25, The Palace, Auburn Hills. \$75-\$25. (248) 645-6666.

ALISON KRAUSS & UNION STATION: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666.

KUNG FU DIESEL: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450.

DAVID LAABS: 8 p.m. Friday, May 26, Borders Books and Music, Auburn Hills. Free. (248) 335-5413.

LEONARD MOON: 9 p.m. Friday, Saturday, May 26-27, Tam's Oyster Bar, Southfield. (248) 396-9881.

JEFF LENNON: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 27, The Backwoods Cafe, Wayne. (734) 724-1337.

LONESTAR: With Rasputin's, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15.50-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666.

L7: With Nash Kats, Black Hawk Two for One, 8 p.m. Sunday, May 28, All ages. \$12. (313) 961-MELT.

MACHINE HEAD: 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25, June 1, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

MACHINERY HEAD: 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25, June 1, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

MAD PROFESSOR AND MACKA B: 9 p.m. Thursday, May 27, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

MAGNETIC FIELDS: Thursday, May 25, 7th House, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666.

DJ MARK E.P. OF PARADISE: 10 p.m. Wednesdays, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434.

PJ MARQUEE: 9 p.m. Thursdays, Detroit Science. "The Lab." 18 and older. \$10-\$15 cover. Ladies free. (313) 438-4146.

RICKY MARTIN: 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$45-\$85. (248) 645-6666.

MATHLETE: Thursday, June 1, Contemporary Art Gallery, Detroit. (248) 645-6666.

DAVE MATTHEWS BAND: With Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, Comerica Park, Detroit. \$46.50.

(248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6611.

MAZE: With K-Ci and Jo Jo, Time TBA, Sunday, July 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. (248) 645-6666.

MARTINA MCBRIDE: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 1, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$22.50-\$33.50. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100.

MATCHBOX TWENTY: With Angie Aparo, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 27, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$25. (248) 645-6666.

NATALIE MERCHANT: 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$20-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666.

STEVE MILLER BAND: With Gov't Mule, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$21.50-\$37.50. (248) 645-6666.

JONI MITCHELL: With Vince Mendoza conducting a 70-piece symphony, 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$55-\$75, pavilion tickets only. (248) 645-6666.

MOTLEY CRUE: With Megadeth and Anthrax, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$35. (248) 645-6666.

MOXY FRUVOUS: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030.

MOODS FOR MODERNS: CD Release Party with The Mood Elevator, Friday, May 19, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT.

THE MOODY BLUES: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50.

NICKELODEON'S ALL THAT TOUR: With Ifo, Bewitch'd and Blaque, Sunday, Aug. 6, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50-\$28.50. (248) 645-6666.

NOBODY'S BUSINESS: Hosts Rockabilly Jam Sessions, Thursdays at The New Way Bar, Ferndale. (248) 541-9870.

NO DOUBT: With Lit, Black Eyed Peas, 5:30 p.m. Monday, July 3, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. \$26.50. (248) 335-9497.

N'SYNC: No Strings Attached Tour, Tuesday, July 18, Pontiac Silverdome. \$49.75. (248) 645-6666.

OZZFEST 2000: Featuring Ozzy Osbourne, Pantera, Godsmack, Static X, Incubus, Methods of Mahem, POD, Soulfly, Queens of the Stoneage and Crayztown, 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$50.25, with donation to Lifebeat Charity. (248) 645-6666.

JIMMY PAGE AND THE BLACK CROWES: With Kenny Wayne Shepard, 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 26, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$39.50-\$55. (248) 645-6666.

PEARL JAM: With Supergrass, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, October 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$28. (248) 645-6666.

PRIMAL SCREAM: 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$17. (313) 961-MELT.

QTOPIA: Featuring Mandy Moore, Verticle Horizon, Jessica Simpson, Hanson and Macy Gray, Thursday, June 1, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$27.50-\$50. (248) 645-6666.

DJ'S QUIG AND DARREN REVELL: 10 p.m. Wednesdays in May, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922.

REEFERMEN: Friday, May 26, Thursday, June 1, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011.

RHYTHM HOUSE: Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, New Place Lounge, Dearborn. (313) 277-3035.

DUKE ROBILARD & HERB ELLIS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 10, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$25. (248) 645-6666.

TODD RUNDGREN: With Leon Russell, 8 p.m. Monday, July 3, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50-\$25.50. (248) 645-6666.

RUSTY LUNCHBOX: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

SANTANA: With Macy Gray, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$28.50 lawn and \$39.50 pavilion. A 60-cent donation per ticket will be given to the Michigan Heartbeat. (248) 645-6666.

SECRET CHIEFS 3: Mr. Bungle's 20th project, with Estradasphere, 8 p.m. Sunday, May 28, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030.

BRIAN SETZER ORCHESTRA: With East River Pipe, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 27, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

SKATALITES: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

SONIC YOUTH: With The Flaming Lips, Sunday, July 11, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. \$15 pavilion. Advance ticketing tickets to St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

RICK SPRINGFIELD: 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$12.50-\$25.50. (248) 645-6666.

RINGO STARR AND HIS ALL STARR BAND: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

STEELY DAN: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

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STING: With Tracy Chapman, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 14, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25-\$75. (248) 645-6666.

JERE STORMER: 10:30 p.m. Saturday, May 27, Roadrunners Raft, Hamtramck. (313) 873-7238.

STYX AND RED SPEEDWAGON: 7 p.m. Friday, June 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666.

SALLY TAYLOR: With Rooster, 8 p.m. Friday, May 26, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$8 advance. (248) 544-3030.

TERRAPLANES: CD release party, Friday, May 26, Woody's Diner, Royal Oak.

THIRD EYE BLIND: With Verticle Horizon, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, Pine Knob Music Theatre. \$15-\$27.50.

THREE DOG NIGHT: With Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

TRAGICALLY HIP: With Chris Brown, Kate Fenner and Guster, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$27.50.

TRAVIS: With Leona Ness, 6 p.m. Friday, May 19, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$13. (248) 645-6666.

RANDY TRAVIS: With Darryl Worley, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666.

TRIP THE LIGHT FANTASTIC: 8 p.m. Friday, May 19, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$7. \$5 theater members. (734) 464-6302.

TOOTS & THE MAYTALS: 9 p.m. Thursday, June 1, The Majestic Theatre, Detroit. \$18. (313) 833-9700.

TINA TURNER: With Lionel Richie, Jennifer Robinson, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 1, The Palace, Auburn Hills. \$85.25. \$55.25. \$35.25. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666.

VANS WARPED TOUR: NOFX, Suicide Machines, Green Day, Jurassic 5, Long Beach Dub Allstars, MXPX, Millencolin, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Good Riddance, Flogging Molly, Dierrot Peoples, Unwritten Law, Snapcase, Save Ferris, Hot Water Music, Animal, One Man Army, Anti-Fag, One Minute Silence, Gob, Nippon, Camp, Beatsteaks, The Line, Buelo, Scooter Trash, The Hippos, Stingrays and Toledo Show, plus local bands to be announced May 10; noon Sunday, July 23, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. All ages. \$27.50. (248) 398-4436 or (248) 645-6666.

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Giovanni's Cafe, Pontiac. (248) 334-5214.

DON WHITE: 8 p.m. Friday, June 2, Greenwood Coffee, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8558.

THE WHO: 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$35-\$55. (248) 645-6666.

WHO CARES: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 26-27, Cowley's, Farmington. (248) 474-5941.

BRIAN WILSON WITH ORCHESTRA: 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 21, Pine Knob Music Theatre. \$15.50-\$29.50.

WIRED MASSES: With Standing At Attention, Superstition and Kirk McFee, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 27, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030.

DAVID WOLFENBERGER: With Jason Demie, 8 p.m. Friday, June 2, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. (734) 464-6302.

TRISHA YEARWOOD: With Jessica Andrews, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$15.50-\$30. (248) 645-6666.

YES: With Kansas, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666.

DWIGHT YOAKAM: With BR549, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

YO LA TENGO: 8 p.m. Friday, June 16, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666.

CLUB CIRCUIT

ALVIN'S: 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. 18 and older welcome. (313) 832-2355 or www.alvins.ttcom.com.

ARBOR BREWING COMPANY: 114 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213-1393 or www.arborbrewing.com.

THE ARK: 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-8587.

ANDIAMO ITALIA WEST: 6676 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300.

BEALE STREET BLUES: 8 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 334-7900.

BIRD OF PARADISE: 312 Main Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310.

BLIND PIG: 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3 in advance. \$5 at the door. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com.

BULLFROG BAR AND GRILL: 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 533-4477.

CARBON: Joseph Campau just north of Caniff in Hamtramck. (313) 366-9278.

CAVERN CLUB: 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900.

CLUTCH CARDS/MILL STREET: 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older Saturdays; 18 and older Wednesdays. (248) 333-2362 or www.961melt.com.

COBO ARENA: 301 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6616.

CONOR O'NEILL: 318 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Free live entertainment. (734) 665-2968 or www.conoroneills.com.

COWLEY'S: 33338 Grand River Avenue, Farmington. (248) 474-5941.

THE DECK AND THE FIVE HOLE: 2301 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 965-9500.

DETROIT SCIENCE: 9 p.m.-5 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford. Cover \$10 for 21 and over. Cover \$15 for 18-20 year olds. No cover for women on Thursdays. (313) 438-4146 or www.detroit-science.com.

EDISON'S: 220 Merrill Street, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150.

ELIE'S: 263 Pierce Street, Birmingham. (248) 647-2420.

FIFTH AVENUE BILLIARDS: 215 W. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922.

FLYING FISH TAVERN: 17600 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747.

FORD ROAD BAR AND GRILL: 35505 Ford Road, Westland. (734) 721-8609.

FOX THEATRE: 2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 983-6611.

FOX AND HOUNDS: 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800.

GOLD DOLLAR: 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com.

GROOVE ROOM: 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or www.thegrooveroom.com.

HILL AUDITORIUM: 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538.

JOE LOUIS ARENA: 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6606.

JD'S KEY CLUB: 1 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 338-7337.

KARL'S CABIN: 9979 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450.

LA BOOM TEEN NIGHTCLUB: Dance night for teens ages 15-19. 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, 1172 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. (248) 926-9960.

LONELY HEARTS CLUB: 211 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 913-5506.

LOWTOWN GRILL: 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. (734) 451-1213.

MAGIC BAG: 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030.

MAINSTREET BILLIARDS AND THE ALLEY: Main Street, Rochester. (248) 652-8441.

MAJESTIC THEATRE, CAFE AND MAGIC STICK: (313) 833-9700.

MEMPHIS SMOKE: 100 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300.

MICHIGAN THEATER: 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 668-8397.

MOTOR LOUNGE: 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 396-0080 or www.motordetroit.com.

MR. B'S FARM: 24555 Novi Road, Novi. (248) 349-7038.

MUSIC MENU: 511 Monroe, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU.

THE PALACE: 2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills. (248) 377-0100 or www.palacedetroit.com.

PHOENIX PLAZA AMPHITHEATER: 10 N. Water Street, Pontiac.

PINE KNOB MUSIC THEATRE: 175 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. (248) 645-6666 or http://www.palacedetroit.com.

PURE BAR ROOM: 1500 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 21 and older. Cover charge Friday-Saturday. (313) 471-PURE.

ROCHESTER HILLS BEER COMPANY: 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080.

THE ROOKIE SPORTS CAFE: 3632 Elizabeth, Wayne. (734) 729-7337.

ROYAL OAK MUSIC THEATRE: 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 546-7610.

THE SCARAB CLUB: 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250.

ST. ANDREW'S/THE SHELTER: 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com.

7TH HOUSE: 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 335-3540.

STATE THEATRE AND STATE BAR: 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and over. (313) 961-5451 or www.statetheatre.com.

24 KARAT CLUB: 28949 W. Westland. 21 and older. (734) 513-5030.

313 JAC: Upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush, Detroit. (313) 962-7067.

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Discount for members. (734) 464-6302.

U.S. 12 BAR AND GRILL/WAYNE BREWERY: 34824 Michigan Ave. West, Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

VELVET LOUNGE: 29 S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. (248) 334-7411.

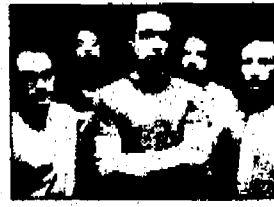
VILLAGE BAR AND GRILL/BEENY'S CUE & BREW: 35234 Michigan Ave. West, Wayne. (734) 729-2360.

WAGON WHEEL TAVERN: 102 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 643-1889.

WOODRUFF'S SUPPER CLUB: 242 W. Sixth Street, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519.

XHFDS CAFE: Sista Otis performs 8 p.m. Sundays at the club. 240 West Nine Mile, Ferndale. All ages. Free. (248) 333-3940.

ZIM'S IRISH TAVERN: 1384 Jackson Road, Oxford. (248) 966-9400.



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Yo La Tengo

Embark on a 'Road Trip' with MTV's Tom Green

CARRIE COOPER
SPECIAL WRITER

The college years for some men could mean sex, drugs, parties, girls, and, of course, freedom. But what happens when you abuse that freedom and cheat on your girlfriend?

Some might argue that cheating isn't really cheating if you are in different areas codes. But what happens when you videotape your infidelity and the tape is mistakenly mailed to your girlfriend 1,800 miles away? For four guys from Ithaca College it means a road trip is in order.

Road Trip, a production of Dreamworks Pictures and The Montecito Picture Co., directed

by Todd Phillips (*Frat House*) and produced by Daniel Goldberg (*Six Days and Seven Nights*) and Joe Medjuck (*Stripes*), attempts to recreate the comedy *American Pie* during the college years.

The film stars Brekin Meyer, Seann William Scott, DJ Qualls, Paul Costanzo, Rachel Blanchard and Tom Green. Green narrates this teen comedy of four guys who take a road trip to Austin, Texas, to retrieve an explicit tape accidentally mailed to a girlfriend.

Josh Porter (Meyer) attends college at Ithaca, while his girlfriend Tiffany (Blanchard) attends school in Austin. They have been together since child-

hood and when Josh doesn't hear from Tiffany for days he assumes she is cheating on him. As committed as Josh is he finds himself intrigued by Beth (Amy Smart), who is attracted to him as well.

To Josh it seems harmless and exciting when Beth wants to videotape their night together. But what seems harmless at the time could bring about the end of Josh and Tiffany. After Josh finally hears from Tiffany, he feels guilty. His guilt turns to panic when he finds out the

wrong tape was mailed to her: the one with him and Beth.

With the help of his roommates E.L. (Scott) and Rubin (Costanzo), his friend Kyle (Qualls), and his car, Josh is on his way to Austin. He must get to the tape before the tape gets to Tiffany and he only has a few days to do it.

What was to be a straight shot from Ithaca to Austin becomes a humorous adventure. The car is destroyed, the money is gone, they need a place to sleep and

time is not on their side - not to mention the police and Kyle's parents are on their trail.

Each of the young actors in the movie brings his or her own individual talents to this film. Tom Green (MTV's *The Tom Green Show*) is typical Tom Green. He narrates the trip in his bizarre yet comedic manner. Brekin Meyer (*Go* and *Clueless*) is no stranger to teen comedies. He has had several minor roles, but *Road Trip* propels him into the spotlight. Meyer proves he has the talent to be a star.

Seann William Scott has no trouble portraying E.L., a crazy and crude guy, much like the character he played in *American Pie*.

As for Paul Costanzo and DJ Qualls, this is their feature film debut. Both deliver great comedic performances. Keep an eye out for them in the future.

While *Road Trip* is no *American Pie*, it sure is worthy of being placed in the same category of great teen comedies. It's worth the "trip" to the theater.



A trip: Tom Green (right) of MTV's Tom Green Show stars in the summer's first funny adventure, "Road Trip."

Director makes 'small-time' comedy

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Small Time Crooks, Woody Allen's latest film, is good for a few small time laughs, but pales in comparison to the director's other comedies.

As the title intimates, the film takes us into the lives of a group of inept crooks. The setting is Allen's favorite locale, New York City. And the small time crooks, led by Ray Winkler (Allen), a dishwasher who landed in jail the last time he tried to pull off a robbery, are hatching a scheme to rob a bank.

The plan: buy a restaurant near a bank and get Ray's wife, Frenchy (Tracy Ullman), to run a cookie shop there. Meanwhile Ray and his partners (Michael Rapaport as Denny, Tony Darrow as Tommy and Jon Lovitz as Benny) will dig their way to some real dough. That is, tunnel underground to the bank's safe.

The first snag in the plan comes from Frenchy, a manicurist who's content with life and doesn't want to turn over the couple's savings to buy the restaurant.

"We're poor, but we're happy," she tells Ray, as if to warn him money can be dangerous. Besides, you're not a good robber, she says.

Ultimately, Frenchy acqui-



Crooked: From left, Tracey Ullman, Hugh Grant and Woody Allen star in "Small Time Crooks."

esces, but her words prove prophetic. Ray and company fail miserably as crooks; they get lost underground and tunnel into a dress shop. On the other hand, Frenchy's cookie dough proves more than delicious, and the entire gang gets rich the good, old-fashioned way - cookie franchises.

A *60 Minutes* style feature on the cookie corporation is clever and witty and serves to bridge the gap between the Winklers as middle-class crooks and wealthy corporate moguls, but the story has taken a quick turn. Unfortunately, more jarring shifts are ahead.

Once content just to be with Ray, Frenchy, a former stripper, is now uneasy about her lack of taste and breeding and enlists an art dealer named David (Hugh Grant) to give the couple a crash course in "the finer

things in life."

As usual, Grant plays himself - suave and upper-crust but wishy-washy and bland, so he doesn't lend much to the film.

That wealth wreaks havoc on the Winklers' lives, the couple's ensuing marital problems and Frenchy's individual struggles are predictable.

The moral of the story - money doesn't buy happiness and often gets in the way of genuine human relationships - is just as predictable.

While there's plenty to laugh about, as Ray and company blunder through their bank robbery plan and Frenchy clumsily climbs the social ladder, audiences have come to expect a more sophisticated brand of humor and wit from Woody Allen than what's present in *Small Time Crooks*.

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Electronic underground uncovered

BY KEN VANSTENKISTE
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Depending on what demographic slot New York's Madison Avenue marketing mavens would place you in, you might not know that electronic music exists, let alone what it sounds like.

And if you're over, say, 50 years of age, chances are you wouldn't even classify a lot of the sounds that will be emanating from Detroit's Hart Plaza this weekend as "music."

But, like other technological marvels at the forefront of our national psyche (the Internet is a prime example), electronic music has been simmering within the collective unconscious of its own subculture for more than five decades.

And Detroit has been a worldwide Mecca for aficionados of this art form, a capital of exploration and innovation within its confines. But more on that in a moment...

Like many technologies, those of electronic music had relatively rudimentary beginnings, but

have grown at an explosive pace. In the fifty years or so since its inception, electronic music has become the most popular dish in the pop culture smorgasbord of many European countries, although it has yet to experience a domestic renaissance.

To understand this form of music as expression, one must be acquainted with the material aspects of electronic culture. Or, to put it simply, how the music is made.

It should be obvious that, as a general rule, electronic musicians don't strum guitars. Or blow horns. But, in the arts, rules are made to be broken.

The sage of modern electronic music is the DJ. Far from the Rock and Roll radio jocks of yesterday (yes, yesterday) the modern DJ doesn't just play songs. Instead, the DJ uses records as her paint, and the speakers are the canvases upon which sonic strokes are made.

Rather, the songs (or tracks, as they are more commonly referred to) are played at the same time, creating a unique sculpture of living sound that is rarely duplicated.

To the uninitiated, this may seem likely to produce nothing more than a disorganized junkheap of noise. But that is not the case. Most electronic music is produced by using a computer or similar piece of machinery to sequence musical events - notes and drumbeats. Because the music is sequentially "perfect" in its timing, bars can be layered on top of one another, and the two (or more) pieces used to create an entirely new body of music, with unique melodies and rhythms.

All this is achieved by playing two records simultaneously and adjusting the pitch of each until they match and stay in sync - a far more difficult endeavor than you might imagine.

While the DJ plays the tracks live to his audience, someone somewhere has to manufacture

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Detroit Electronic Music Festival will be a world party

Forget Woodstock in all its incarnations. The year 2000 in Detroit has given rise to a musical event of unparalleled magnitude — and the revolution will be electronic.

The Detroit Electronic Music Festival celebrates both a city on the rise and the underground musical genre rooted within it. Long overdue in the city that originated electronic dance music, the festival is expected to draw one million dance music devotees from across the world.

The festival plugs in noon to midnight Saturday-Monday, May 27-29 at Detroit's Hart Plaza. Presented by the Detroit Recreation Department and Pop Culture Media, the first event of its kind will grace the international waterfront bringing attention to a vibrant city subculture. All proceeds from the festival will be donated to the city's recreation department and its "Be A Partner" children's programs.

It all began a few years back with an idea and shared passion for electronic music. Carl Craig, a world-renowned electronic

musician and CEO of Planet E Records, and Carol A. Marvin, owner of Pop Culture Media, entered uncharted territory, aiming to create a festival dedicated to what has been called the most popular music genre worldwide. According to Marvin, a Livonia native and Plymouth resident, the time was finally right.

"Everyone that's working on this is the very best at what they do," she said. Marvin started her own company in 1993 with The Michigan State Fair as her first client. One year later she became a director of the Montreux Jazz Festival, a background that gave her the experience necessary to get a brand new project off the ground. "I love electronic music," said the festival's executive director. "I really believe it's the creative people who will move Detroit forward."

One of those creative people, Carl Craig, traces his electronic origins back to growing up amid the industrial sphere of the Motor City. "It made us see technology as our friend," said Craig, from the spacious downtown loft that serves as Planet E's headquarters. Influenced by the recession the city suffered in the '70s and the way mass media visualized the future with films like *Blade Runner*, Craig said, "We gravitated toward making



Richie Hawtin

music with machines." At the same time, synthesizers seeped into popular music and bands like Kraftwerk and Duran Duran helped integrate technology as a mainstay in music.

"It's the greatest export we have," said Marvin of electronic music. "It's never really been celebrated in America, let alone Detroit."

But when more than 63 carefully-chosen performers fall upon one of four stages Memorial weekend, that will all change. This music that has the ability to cross social boundaries — age, race, sex — will be at the forefront of a celebration to remember. Headlining acts will not compete, but rather their music will be heard throughout Hart Plaza allowing the entire crowd

to dance to one beat.

As a headliner and integral part of the electronic scene for almost 15 years, Richie Hawtin said: "We've waited a long time for something like this to happen. The music is now gaining popularity in North America."

With that popularity has come a certain stigmatism against the all night dance parties or raves associated with electronic music. Hawtin said this event, open to all and held during daylight hours, is just what the scene needs to gain credibility among those who don't truly understand what the electronic evolution is all about. "This is the opportunity we need," said Hawtin, who calls the festival a "big stamp of approval."

As a Windsor resident, Hawtin holds a different view of the Detroit scene, but it all comes down to this unifying music. "We make music that is quite futuristic, but we're not out to alienate people," he said.

He's not the only one awaiting the festival. "I'm really pleased, really excited," said Hannah, a DJ signed to Planet E Records and performer at the festival. Originally from London, England, Hannah now resides in Detroit. She's spent time preparing for the festival by flying and spreading the word. "I hope the sun shines," she said.

Marvin believes the festival became a reality thanks to the efforts of Ernest W. Burkeen Jr., director of the city's recreation department and city officials who helped make this dream come true. "It takes courage to create something new," said Marvin.

At the center of it all will be Detroit artists performing Detroit's music for an international audience of listeners. Perhaps that's been the most difficult task for Craig, as artistic director. "I'm an artist putting together an artist list." It was Craig's responsibility to choose the acts that represent electronic music in Detroit, the world and exemplify the future of this



Carl Craig

music. When asked what the future of electronic music will be, Craig claims he can't predict the unknown. "It always morphs. The future of music is only going to be created by events like this." For Craig and artists like him, the festival offers artistic and spiritual satisfaction. "It will possibly further the development of Detroit," he said.

"It's gonna make history," added Marvin. Don't miss the free Detroit Electronic Music Festival. Check www.electronicmusicfest.com for details. To volunteer, call (313) 961-9200.

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his raw musical material. These producers are often DJ's themselves, although not all of the most popular DJ's are producers.

The first electronic producers didn't live within this DJ-oriented universe, a relatively new phenomenon in the electronic world. These first producers were the Henry Fords of their craft, creating Model-Ts that, while later revered, were nevertheless replaced by fuel-injected Lexus Suva.

German composer Karlheinz Stockhausen created some of the most seminal music of the genre. It was Stockhausen who in 1953 composed the first piece of music using synthesized tones, *Studie I*, and has since become the leading figure of European new music.

Stockhausen's earliest work was produced by looping segments of pre-recorded sounds on audiotape. But he later graduated to the use of synthesizers, which dominate the modern electronic landscape along with the tape loops orphan child, a prolific device known simply as a "sampler."

The sampler is a digital recorder, using microchips to store and play back sound instead of magnetic audiotape. Tape loops were a primitive way of sequencing pre-recorded musical data to create a performance. With the advent of transistor and, later, microchip technology, it became possible to sequence the data in a much more efficient and qualitatively different manner. The music formerly recorded on tape, was digitized — and played back by samplers precisely when programmed to by the producer.

Think of the old the player pianos of the Old West. Punched holes in sheets of music would "tell" the machine when to play a note. In the same way, programs entered into sequencers tell the machines — synthesizers and samplers — when to play back sounds.

By the 70s, synthesizers had become consumer electronics, available to the general public. Electronics were lending a space age feel to art-rock acts like Yes, Rush and Tangerine Dream.

In stark contrast was the clinical precision of Germany's

Kraftwerk, one of the first acts to glorify electronic production as an end in itself. Kraftwerk would later become one of the prime influences for a group of Detroit musicians that would create the sound that has come to be associated with the entire gamut of electronic music: Techno.

One of the many regional permutations electronic music has evolved into over the years (see accompanying sidebar), Techno draws on seventies funk influences such as George Clinton's Parliament Funkadelic, marrying it with the unlikely spouse found in Kraftwerk's cold precision.

In fact, one popular electronic music journal described Tech as "George Clinton and Kraftwerk stuck in an elevator with only a sequencer to keep themselves busy."

Created by three fledgling musicians in the mid to late 1980's, Techno revolutionized the way the most of the world listened to music. Detroiters Juan Atkins, Kevin Saunderson and Derrick May became international icons for recording some of the first Techno tracks, yet

remain anonymous in the city that inspired them.

To a large degree, techno and other forms of electronic music have not become as commercially viable in the United States as they have abroad.

Explanations for this vary, some of the more popular of which site the fact that techno artists are relatively faceless, their music often lacking lyrics, and when lyrics are present they're usually samples of someone else.

Another possible reason is the lack of a flashy stage show. Techno has been relegated to night clubs where DJs lurk in dark booths behind walls of equipment — a far cry from the arena-style rock and roll shows that Americans have relished for decades.

In the end, perhaps no one can say for sure why electronic music hasn't taken on the cultural significance here that it has abroad. But, if they have their way, the organizers and musicians of the Detroit Electronic Music change that.

The official glossary of electronic music

House: TechNet predecessor. House emerged in the dance clubs of Chicago and New York in the early 80's. House features the same kick/snare drum repetition in 4/4 time as Techno, but with more organic sounds and real (usually sampled) vocals.

Techno: A more abstract form of dance music than house, Techno's characteristic repetitive sampled drum sounds and synthesizer melodies make it a soundtrack for introspection, not to mention great for dancing. Bass-heavy and often lacking vocals, there are many sub-genres of techno with varying degrees of palpability for the uninitiated masses. Some seek to be as hard and abrasive as possible, while others lean more toward the organic house sounds that occasionally make their way to the fringes of commercial radio. Created in Detroit in the early to mid 80's.

Jungle: Fast, intense, fast paced and dark even for many of today's troubled, Ritalin-hungry teenagers. Jungle featured sampled drumbeats, called "breaks" played back at breakneck speeds often exceeding 170 beats per minute (more than twice the pace of an average rock and roll ballad). Jungle marries these rapid-fire snare and cymbal breaks with impossibly low synthesized bass lines that are felt as much as heard. Created in London in the early 90's.

Hip-Hop: Jungle's very distant domestic cousin. Hip-Hop, also known as Rap, emerged first in the streets of New York's more salty boroughs in the very early 80's. It is similar to Jungle in that both are based on sampled, looped drum beats — although hip-hop is played at a far slower tempo and is more oriented toward melody and lyrics. Perhaps the most popular form of electronic music, at least domestically.

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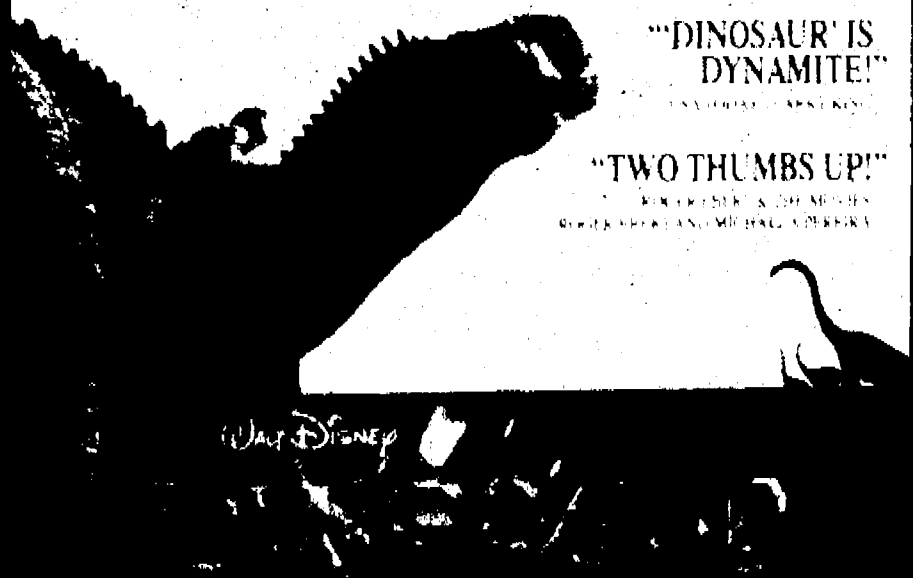
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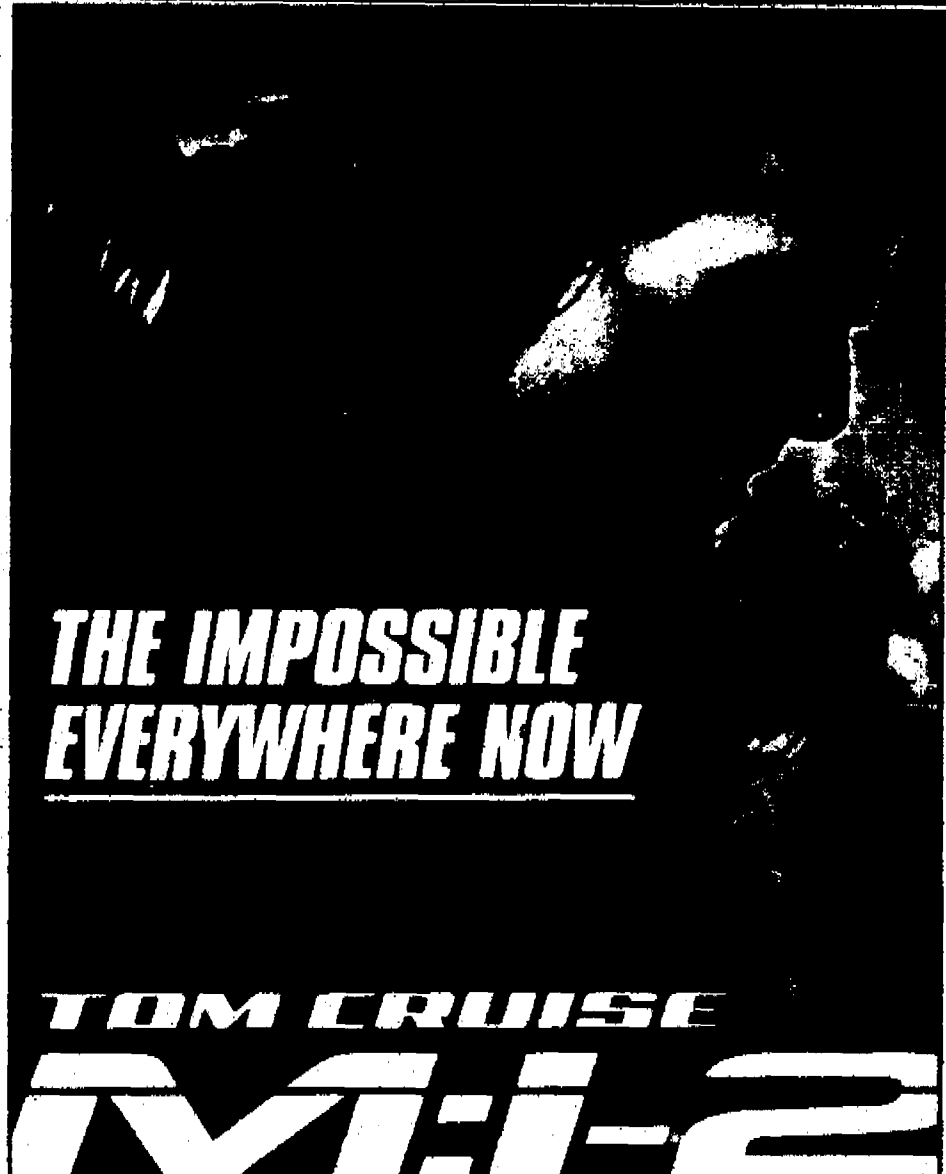
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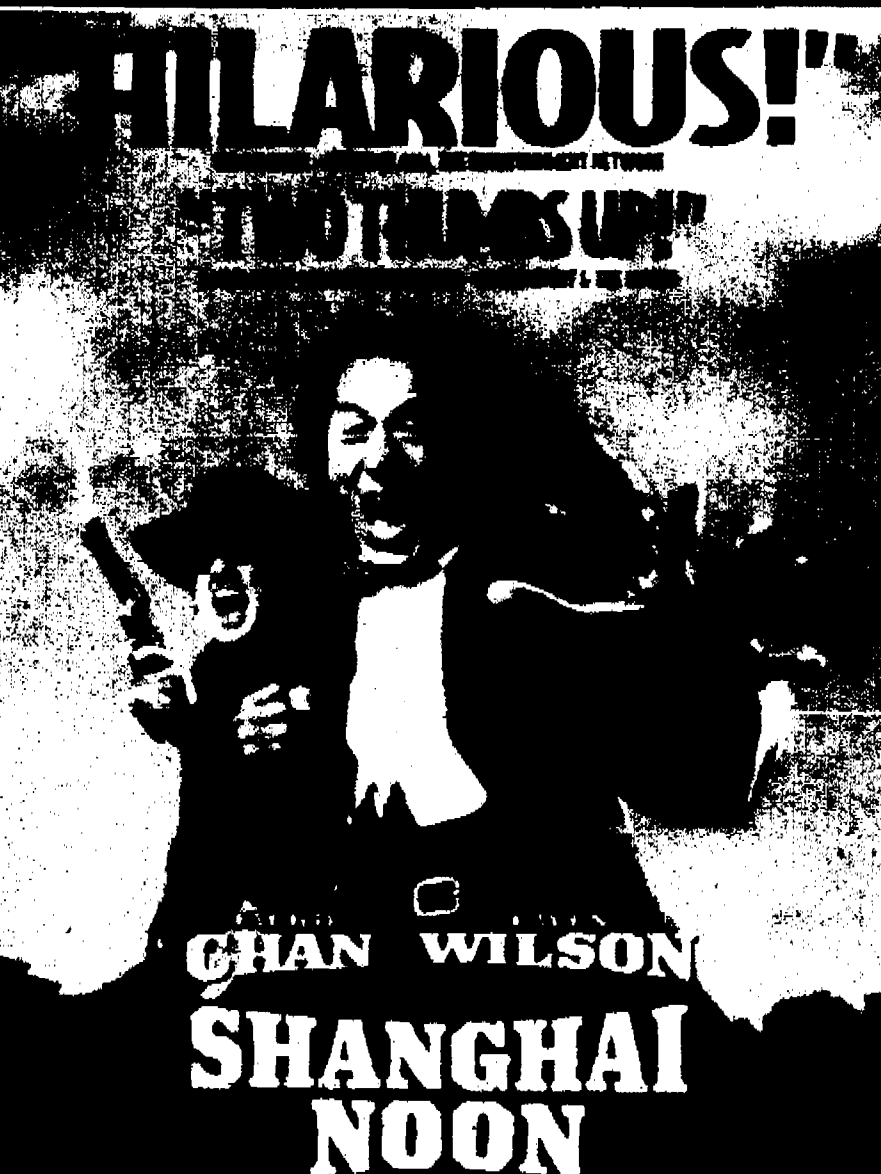
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Discover Vietnamese cuisine at peaceful Annam

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Open just two months, Annam Restaurant Vietnamien on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn already has loyal customers. It's not surprising.

This quaint 48-seat restaurant that serves tantalizing Vietnamese food is simply lovely. The bare wood floor, ecru-colored walls, white linen tablecloths and rattan-backed chairs create an elegantly subdued atmosphere, a quiet Euro-Asian ambience. In fact, Annam literally means "peaceful self" in Vietnamese.

Ahh, then there's the food, a blend of many cultures, including Chinese, Japanese and French. The sampler appetizer platter arrived looking like the equivalent of edible art. And the "Tropical Delice with Shrimp," served in half a fresh pineapple, was almost too pretty to eat.

Infusion cooking

"It's very fresh, very light, a new Asian, or 'infusion,' cooking," said proprietor Andrew Nguyen. "A lot of people say our cuisine resembles French. I guess it's a French-Asian cuisine."

Perhaps the delight of eating at Annam is that the food cannot be defined as typically Asian. It's less spicy than Szechwan, less oily than many Chinese dishes and less foreign than Japanese sushi. Simply put, it's both famil-

A family effort: Proud of their good food are (standing left to right): Vanessa Ly, Tram Nguyen, Chef Hoa Mach and Andrew Nguyen. Seated: Phong Nguyen and Poige Anh Nguyen.



Annam Restaurant Vietnamien
Where: 22053 Michigan Ave., Dearborn (between Mason and Monroe), (313) 565-8744, Fax (313) 565-8798.
Hours: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; dinner, 5-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 5-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday.



Edible art: "Goi Dua Tom Thit," tropical delicacy with shrimp, is a popular dish served in half a fresh pineapple.

Atmosphere: Quaint, subdued, sophisticated.
Menu: Uniquely Vietnamese, a blend of many cultures. Appetizers, salads, soups and noodles, vermicelli and rice, and main courses that include chicken, beef, pork and shrimp. Vegetarian friendly.
Prices: Appetizers \$5.50-\$6.50; salads and vegetables \$4-\$10; soups and noodles, \$7.50-\$10, main courses \$10.50-\$15.50.
Seating: 48, all non-smoking
Reservations: Strongly recommended on weekends
Credit cards: All majors accepted



Lunch: Michael Schultz (left) of Livonia and Sally Mrozinski of Dearborn dined at Annam for the first time recently. Schultz enjoyed "Ga Nuong Mat," honey roasted chicken. An Nam style. Mrozinski tried "Bim Xao Cua," crystal vermicelli sautéed with crab meat. They shared a dessert of fried bananas in honey and coconut milk.

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iar and exotic tasting at the same time.
Chef Hoa Mach rolls his plump spring rolls in rice paper and fills them with rice noodles, shrimp, pork, lettuce and fresh mint. And his crispy rolls with tamarind dipping sauce take on a whole new flavor when the second bite is enfolded in a fresh

mint leaf.
Several menu items - such as the "Com Tay Cam," rice cooked with perfumed mushrooms and chicken - are prepared in a clay pot, an essential tool in Vietnamese cooking. A clay pot focuses the heat and retains humidity. The result: No dry rice.
You may be surprised to find out that mint, basil and cilantro are the most commonly used herbs at Annam. Some dishes are flavored with curry, and many are accented with chopped peanuts or a peanut-based sauce. However, the herbs and other spices never dominate the food.
"The spices are used to enhance the taste, not overwhelm it," said Phong Nguyen, Andrew's sister, who manages the restaurant along with her brother's wife, My Anh.

Cooking family
The Nguyens are a cooking family. After leaving Vietnam with their parents in 1976, Phong and Andrew lived in

Paris, where Phong received a culinary pastry degree and worked in a number of restaurants. Their brother, Maurice, opened several traditional Vietnamese restaurants in Belgium. His "Gallery" restaurants have been recommended in Fodor's Benelux travel guides.

It's not surprising then that Andrew, who works as an engineer in Dearborn, eventually opened a restaurant after he and Phong immigrated to the United States. "My whole family enjoys good food and company," he said. "All my relatives kept asking, 'Why don't you start a restaurant. Your food is wonderful.'"

When he found a property for sale (the former Nick-N-E's) on Michigan Avenue a few years ago, Andrew contacted Maurice and asked him to come out. Both brothers were quickly convinced that the central location, large workforce base and ethnic diversity of Dearborn and the surrounding areas would help ensure the restaurant's success.

So far, it has. Reservations are a must on weekends. Michael Schultz of Livonia and Sally Mrozinski of Dearborn shared a dessert called "Choui

Chien Me," fried bananas nestled in coconut milk and topped with a caramelized honey sauce, chopped peanuts and a sprinkling of sesame seeds.

"It's really good. The sesame seeds add to it," said Mrozinski. Schultz had preceded dessert with "Ga Nuong Mat," a honey-roasted chicken dish. "Delicious," he said. "It wasn't as spicy as other Asian foods. Everything was delicious, especially the sauce."

Even if you've tried Vietnamese fare before, Annam requires multiple visits - enough to sample the tiger shrimp in tamarind soup, the crystal vermicelli sautéed with crab meat, the chicken sautéed in An Nam sauce with curry and lemon grass, and the fried bananas for dessert. And when you've gone through the menu once, it's time to start over.

In Vietnam, people eat out all the time, said Phong: breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack, dinner, evening snack, and a before-bedtime snack. "And if you feel like a sweet thing, you can go out for a sweet," she added.

When asked what dish she would recommend to a first-

timer, Phong said, "I wrote the menu. They're all my favorites. They're all coming from the heart."

Although they don't have a liquor license as yet, the Nguyens will gladly uncork and serve any wine that's brought in. They recommend the lighter whites and rosés rather than the sturdier reds, like Merlot.

Andrew, Phong and My Anh love Annam's smallness. It enables them to control the service and the quality. It also allows them to establish more personal relationships with their customers.

"Our customers are pleased with the service and the food, and that's why they keep coming back," said Andrew.

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