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Standoff is over

By DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER delem@oe.homecomm.net

A Westland man tried to run over his wife with his pickup truck and then held their two children hostage inside a house during a two-hour standoff that ended Wednesday morning when police officers forced their way in and arrested the suspect, Chief Emery Price said.

The 39-year-old man's wife suffered cuts on her leg from a knife or razor, and Price said the suspect also "mutilated himself." The chief dismissed rumors the incident involved guns.

The domestic dispute started about 4:30 a.m. at 32131 Glen, near Kettering Elementary, and neighbors called police when the family terror spilled outside about 9:15 a.m.

The suspect then held his two elementary school-age children hostage for two hours in a basement. "Obviously, they were emotionally upset," Price said.

The children - a boy and a girl escaped harm, but the wife was treated for cuts and the suspect has been placed in a hospital psychiatric ward.

The incident came two weeks after the suspect threatened his wife with a loaded gun, but Lt. Marc Stobbe said the woman had since removed

firearms from the house. The suspect left home following that incident but returned at 4:30 a.m. Wednesday, and a domestic dispute escalated until he cut her and eventually chased her from the house

about 9:15 a.m., police officials said. It is believed she wants a divorce. Stobbe said.

"She ran out of the house, and he chased after her in his pickup truck trying to run her over," Stobbe said.

Police arrived to find that the suspect had taken the two children hostage. The man is believed to have been drinking, Price said.

"He said he had a gun, but we found no evidence of a firearm," Price said.

A police Tactical Response Unit tried to end the hostage situation, and Price tried to talk the suspect

into giving up. "He refused to open the door," Stobbe said, "and the mother was worried that he was in the basement with the kids. He wouldn't answer the

phone or respond to a builhorn." Fearing for the children's safety, officers burst into the house about 11:15 a.m. and arrested the suspect.

Also helping out was the Westland Fire Department's Tactical Emergency Medical Support team.

The incident occurred near Ketter-

"We did a lockdown at Kettering and canceled (afternoon) kindergarten so the children wouldn't be walking through the neighborhood," Wayne-Westland Assistant Superintendent Charlotte Sherman said.

The suspect faces criminal charges.

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Nice going: School board winner Cindy Schofield gets congratulated by Superintendent Greg Baracy after winning the election. At left is Cindy's husband, David Schofield.

Schofield, Eisiminger win

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER
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Newly elected Wayne-Westland school board trustees Cindy Schofield and Richard Eisiminger say they want to boost the image of a district that suffered a budget crisis and massive program cuts in the last

"I'd like to see us work on marketing the district, said Schoneid, the top vote-getter in Monday's school board election.

"We need to change the image that's out there in the general public," said Disiminger, appointed incumbent and second-place finisher.

But the two winners and their five board colleagues will face new money problems as the district's budget surplus plummets from \$10.9 million to

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\$5.4 million during the next year. "We'll be in deficit after that," Superintendent Greg Baracy said. "Some kind of legislative relief from Lansing is absolutely necessary for us to be even partially whole in the future."

With that gloomy outlook, Schofield, 41, and Eisiminger, 40, won handily in Monday's four-way school board race, claiming victory in their first election bids and defeating third-time candidate Marshall Wright and newcomer LeeAnna

The victors will receive four-year

Schofield garnered 901 votes com-

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Richard Elsiminger and wife Keri

Trial set in school case

Former Adams Middle School Principal Celestine Sanders faces trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on criminal charges related to embezzling.

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

A Livonia judge Tuesday ordered former Adams Middle School Principal Celestine Sanders to stand trial on 15 criminal charges stemming from accusations that she embezzled thousands of dollars of school money.

District Judge Kathleen McCann ruled that Sanders, 52, should face trial in Wayne County Circuit Court amid allegations that the popular principal stole money from student fundraisers and other internal school accounts.

McCann's decision came after Sanders, accompanied in court by family members and friends, waived a preliminary hearing and averted pretrial testimony on accusations she embezzled money between Jan. 8, 1998, and early last month.

Sanders also stood mute Tuesday as McCann reinstated two earlier-dismissed charges involving allegations that Sanders improperly used school money to pay for flowers for personal use and for tickets to a YMCA banquet.

In all, Sanders faces trial on 12 felony counts of embezziement over \$50 by a public official; two felony charges

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Black driver exonerated following traffic stop

By DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER dclem@oc.homecomm.net

Texas resident Willie Slater, who accused Westland police of stopping him in his 1994 BMW because he is black, was cleared Tuesday of all traffic offens-

Slater also was refunded his \$500 bail and half of the money, or \$45, that he spent to get his car from the city towing yard, court and police officials said.

His losses: \$45 for a June 3 traffic stop that he attributed to racial profiling and racism by two Westland police officers who, he said, stopped him for having an air freshener hanging from his rearview mir-

Slater received a warning for the air freshener and for an improper turn, but he was arrested and jailed for two hours for an unpaid, suspended-license ticket

from 1999 that he proved Tuesday has been dismissed in Hamtramck.

Slater also showed other documents, such as proof of insurance and registration, that cleared him of all local tickets, Westland District Court Administrator David Wincek said.

Slater's case was resolved Tuesday - 10 days after police officers stopped him at 8:10 p.m. at Wildwood

Slater, a former Detroit resident who works for Exxon-Mobil Corp. near Houston, was arrested while his passenger, Lynn Thomas, was left to walk home.

Slater and Thomas had been visiting Thomas' brother in Wayne and were going to buy a telephone at Best Buy in Westland when the traffic stop occurred. Slater was vacationing in the area.

Slater accused police of stopping him because he is a black man who was driving a \$40,000 car, and he

said they asked him stereotypical questions such as whether he was a drug dealer or had any guns.

Police Chief Emery Price has denied that his department engages in racial profiling.

Slater had claimed all along that he wasn't in Hamtramck when the 1999 ticket was issued in his name - and that someone else used his identity. Until his recent vacation, he said he hadn't been in Michigan since 1996.

Price said he is glad that the case appears to be

"We don't want those hard feelings and those perceptions (of racism) out there," he said. "We want everybody to feel welcome coming into this communi-

However, he added that police officers need to be allowed to stop motorists for traffic infractions.

"The guys have a job to do," he said.

Court groundbreaking generates miles of smiles

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WEITER

It's been several years in coming, but the smiles at the 18th District Court Monday afternoon showed the wait was worth it.

"We're excited about it," Judge C. Bokos renovation/expansion at the Westland court. The groundbreaking was held

Court officials have been working with the mayor, city council and others on the effort for about four years, said Bokos, chief judge. A jury assembly room will be included, along with a

substantial increase in the clerk's area. The new probation department will have a waiting area, and there'll be a spot for paying those ever-popular tick-

"It'll reduce traffic in the hallways," said Bokos, beaming with pride. He estimated the work will be done in 11

No courtrooms will be added; there are currently two for the judges plus a magistrate's. Square footage for the new facility will include an expanded 10,500 feet, bringing the total to about

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Bokos was quick to note the construction will be paid for through court revenue. Current estimated cost is \$3.3

"It's a very important endeavor for this court," he told those gathered at the court Monday. A safe, comfortable environment is needed for staff and court visitors.

Bokos thanked city officials, the council, architects and others for their cooperation. "I think you are really going to be proud of this expansion

The court staff, including David Wiacek, administrator, Karen Jones, deputy administrator, and Donald Vandersloot, magistrate, has also helped a great deal, he said.

Colleague Judge Gail McKnight noted the current building, which will remain in use, was dedicated in 1978. She was a city councilwoman then, Bokes city attorney.

"This place seemed so big and it was so big." The workload has expanded. McKnight noted Victims, lawyers, defendants, staff and others all need safe facilities, she said.



STAFF PROTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Dig in! The 18th District Court groundbreaking was a team effort. this past Monday. Work is expected to take 11 months.



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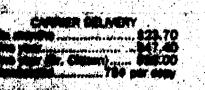
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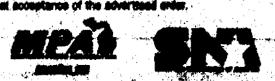
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OBITUARIES

KATELIN MARIAH GLASEL

A service for Katelin Mariah Glasel, 2 years, 7 months, is 2 p.m. today, June 15, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. The Rev. John Shinn and the Rev. Roland DeRenzo are officiating. Burial is at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

Katelin Mariah was born Nov. 7, 1997, in Detroit and died June 12 in Westland. She had lived in Westland.

Survivors are parents David and Linda Glasel of Westland and grandparents Jack and Carole Glasel of Canton and Mary Mallinger. Grandfather Joseph Mallinger preceded her in death.

Local funeral arrangements were handled by McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel,

DORSEY O. PERKINS

A memorial service for Dorsey Perkins, 74, of Westland will be 2 p.m. Saturday, June 17, in Faith Baptist Church of Garden City, 30268 Marquette, Garden City, with burial at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery, Riverside, Ky. Officiating is the Rev. Luther Stanley.

Mrs. Perkins was born Nov. 9, 1925, in Riverside, Ky., and died June 5 in Garden City. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her sons, Bobbie (Kay) Perkins and Shelby (Kelly) Perkins, daughters. Patricia (Neel) Kibe, and Jearline Duffer; brother, Wesley Ray Morgan; 25 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Perkins was preceded in death by her

husband, Wesley "Bob" and daughter, Brenda (Howard) Kilmartin of Garden City.

ARTHUR M. FRUSHER

Services for Arthur Frusher, 80, of Wayne were June 6 in First United Methodist Church with burial at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Fred. Cooley.

Mr. Frusher was born Feb. 7, 1920, and died June 1 at his home. He was a senior specification writer.

Surviving are his sons, Edward (Janet) Frusher, Carlton Frusher and Kevin (Nancy) Frusher; daughters, Pamela Ann (John) Failer and Alicia Pulley of Westland; and seven grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hos-

Arrangements were made by Uht Funeral Home.

ADA A. MARSHALL

Services for Ada Marshall, 82, of Westland were June 13 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home. Burial was private committal.

Mrs. Marshall was born March 12, 1918. in Morris, Okla., and died June 12 in Livonia. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Russell; sons, William (Anita) Higgins, James (Nancy) Higgins and Kenneth (Debra) Higgins; daughters, Gloria (Richard) Anthony and Betty (Samuel) Stein.

OPAL A. TANNER

Services for Opal Tanner, 98, of Wayne were June 12 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Dan

Mrs. Tanner was born Nov. 7, 1901, and died June 8. She was a homemaker. She was a clerk and buyer for Mulholland's Dry Goods for 42 years.

Surviving are her daughters, Dorothy Morris and Mary (Woodrow) Jones; 14 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and one greatgreat-grandchild. Several of the grandchildren live in Livonia and Westland.

Mrs. Tanner was preceded in death by her son, Robert Tanner.

DARRELL D. REDICK

Services for Darrell Redick, 68, of Westland were June 14 in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home with burial at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Dale A. Redick from Cornerstone Baptist Church.

Mr. Redick was born July 25, 1931, in Faulkner, Ark., and died June 10 in Wayne. He was a truck driver.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce; sons, Darrell Jr. (Susan) Redick and Dale (Mimi) Redick; brothers. Clarence, Cecil and Harrell Redick (his twin); sisters, Minnie O'Quinn, Mamie Allen, Emma Gilbert and Martha Walters: and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Karmanos

Cancer Research.

Westland man charged following police chase last Sunday

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER hneedham@oe.homecomm.net

A 21-year-old Westland man was arraigned on three charges stemming from a chase with Canton police that extended into Romulus and Westland and involved officers from three police agencies.

Daman Lavern Palmer was arraigned Monday, June 12, at 35th District Court in Plymouth on two counts of fleeing and eluding police and three counts of malicious destruction to police vehicles, all felonies. Bond was set at \$5,000 or 10 percent. He liminary examination was set for 9 a.m. Monday, June 19.

Canton Police Capt. Laura Golles said Palmer couldn't have been caught without the cooperation of the three departments.

Palmer "went everywhere," Trooper Todd Etue of the Michigan State Police post in Taylor said.

The incident began around 1:20 a.m. Sunday, June 11, when Canton police responded to a call from Palmer's ex-girlfriend in the 1500 block of Manton, near Ford and Sheldon. She told police that Palmer had threat-

pleaded not guilty. Palmer's pre- ened to kill himself at her residence.

> Shortly after police arrived, they spotted Palmer's 1992 Chevy and attempted to make a traffic stop. Instead of stopping. however, Palmer reportedly accelerated rapidly and fled onto southbound I-275. The chase was halted as Palmer approached Eureka Road in

> Romulus. Canton police returned to the Manton residence to finish the report when Palmer's vehicle was spotted again, prompting another police pursuit, which was terminated then restarted

as Canton officers assisted Michigan State Police. That chase extended into Westland via Ford Road.

Palmer reportedly called Westland police on his cellular phone. He asked that the Westland police cars back off in exchange for his turning himself in. He then turned himself in.

During this pursuit, Palmer allegedly ran a Canton patrol car off the road, struck another patrol car at Gordon and Morrison and struck an MSP vehicle in the Westland Police Department parking lot. No officers were injured.



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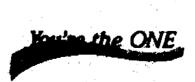
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Thanks! Graduate
Danielle Johnson of Westland gets help from husband Michael with her gown at commencement.
Commencement was held Friday, June 9, at the Norman O. Stockmeyer Auditorium at Wayne Memorial High School in Wayne.

Grads savor their success

dult/Community Education graduates for Wayne-Westland are: April Atkinson, Jonathon M. Blanton, Ron Boggess, Robert A. Brincat, Charles Matthew Burkhard, Raquel Anntoinette Calhoun, Craig A. Command, Candace J. Conrad, Krystal Coon, Ediola Dushku, Lindsay Ellis, Michelle Margaret Eminger, Danny Alan Grudzinskas, Pennylee B. Habicht, Jeffery D. Howton, Nicholas T. Meier, Jason Michael Merchant, Maxie D. Mitchell, Cassie Anastacia Monroe, Kenneth Scott Mosier, Jacob Michael Moss, Michael P. Nadolski, Eric James Ostrander, Chris

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Graduates from other schools are: Dan Ryan Denomme, Lewis E. Mamari and Victoria Ann Pringle, John Glenn High School; Brandon Charles Jamieson, Shatina Marie Lavender, Ronnie James Slaughter II, Lindsey Star Roberts and Christopher Michael Saylors, Wayne Memorial; Bekim Gocaj, Robert James Kelly, Catherine Anne Mijal, Jennifer A. Nykanen. Jennifer Lynn Potter. Lucas James Roberts, James N. Thomas and Darren Michael Young, Tinkham Alternative.

GED recipients are Scott Edward Ackman, Sherrie Ann Bacheller, Larry Fernando Bazan, Geoffrey Michael Beckerleg, Nicole Marie Bialo, Trinidy Keith Blackburn, Erin Michella Blair, Kenneth Ray Boyd, Ane Bozinovich, Tiffany Verneika Bryant, Anthony Robert Bullock, Jeffrey Lloyd Burden, Brandi Lynn Burklow, Gregory Vincent Carr, Brian Ashley Carter, Angela Marr Caufield, Christina Mae Coak, Douglas Daniel Coleman, Lisa Marie Colter, Gerri N. Cook, Nathan A. Corrado, Miranda Jean Cronenwett, Nicole Lynn Crum, Ronald Lee Culp, Theresa Mary Daly, Joshua Anthony Day, Marian Louise Dimitrievski, Deana Marie Dingman, Rebecca Elaine Dinse, Jeremy Michael Duncan.

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STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLE

I did it! It's all smiles for graduate Edith Powers of Westland. The 80-year-old quit school back in 1937, two credits hours short of graduating. "Kind of thrilling," she said after earning her GED and graduating at the Wayne-Westland Community Schools commencement exercise for adult/community education. Her enthusiasm was shared by classmates and their loved ones.

John Paul Hooper, Toni Marie Huber, Eric D. Irwin, Marisa Clare Jacques, William L. Jarvis, Danielle Lynn Johnson, Kimberly M. Johnson, Timothy Lee Johnson, Eric Albert Jones, Kevin Lee Jones, Martin John Kalbarczyk, Bill Kircos, Melissa Lynn Kirkpatrick, Jessica Ray Kjellin, Jennifer Kate Kondratowicz, Rebecca Lynn Kowalsky.

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Scholarship recipients for 2000 are: Timothy Lee Johnson and Justin Marc Petty, Adult/Community Education; Regina Tyree Poellnitz, Wayne-Westland Education Association; Marcia Elizabeth Turner, Wayne Kiwanis Club P.D. Graham Memorial Scholarship; Catherine Anne Mijal, Wayne-Westland Central Office Administrator's Associa-

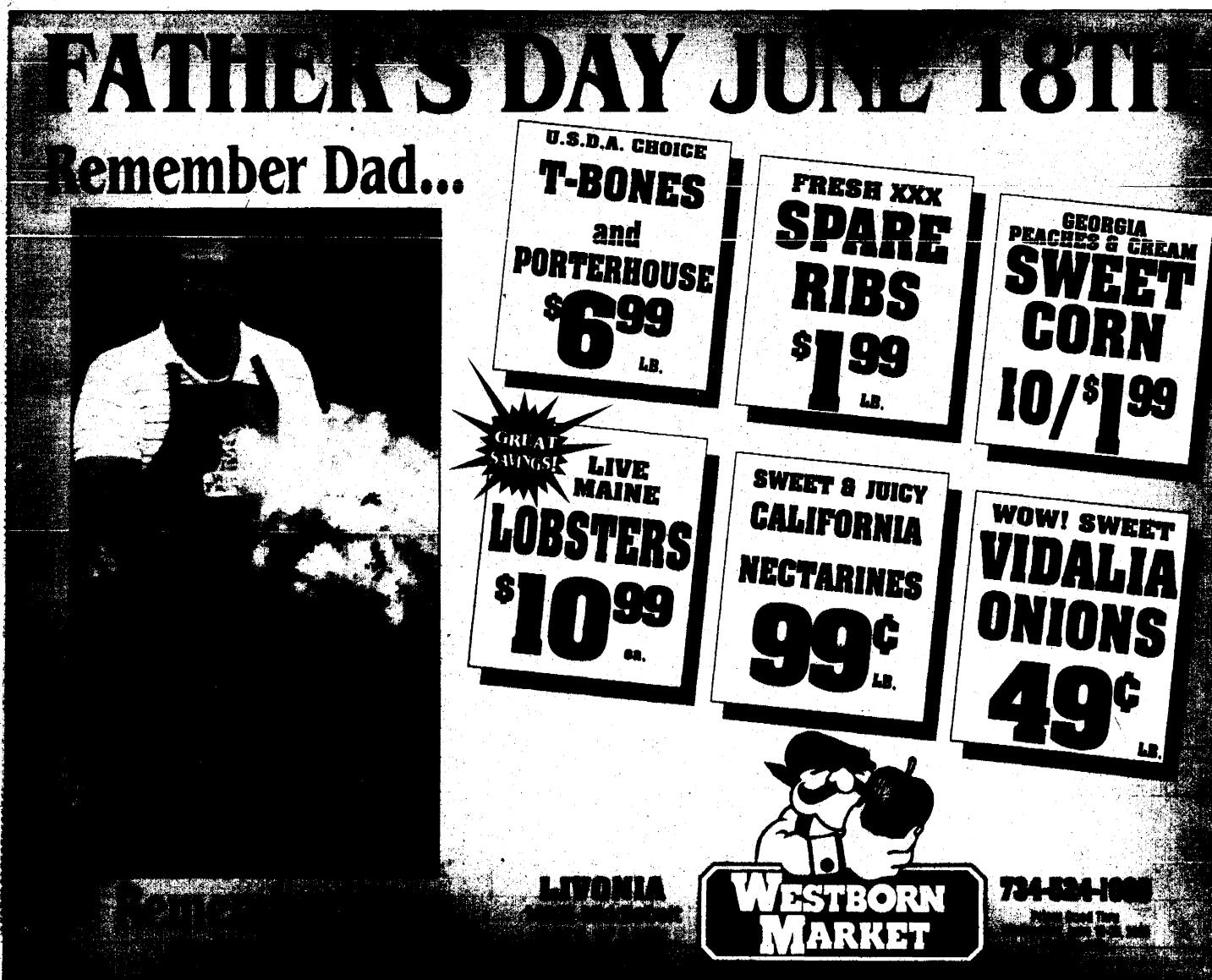
tion, Tiffany Danielle Love, Adult Education Staff.



Good example: Austin Blair, 2¹2, walks with his mother, Erin Blair of Westland, prior to commencement.



Here we come: Brandi Burklow (left) and Jessica **K**jellin, both of Westland, walk to line up for commencement.



Win

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pared with Eisiminger's 751, Wright's 487 and Deniston's 272. Just 1,351 of the district's 70,000 registered voters bothered to cast ballots in one of the quietest Wayne-Westland school board races in memory, according to election officials.

That's a 1.9-percent turnout. "I had hoped for a better turnout," Eisiminger said.

Schofield, a Wayne resident and office manager for a familyrun property management business, attributed her first-place finish to support from parents the support the community has who identified with her pro-edu-

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of embezzlement over \$1,000 by an agent or trustee; and one misdemeanor charge of embezzlement over \$200 by an agent or trustee. She could face 10 years in prison if convicted.

The latest development came three weeks after Sanders resigned her \$88,000-a-year job and agreed to repay \$8,000.

Defense attorney Elbert Hatchett has described Sanders as innocent of criminal charges that shocked pupils, parents and educators at a school that far surpassed three other Wayne-Westland middle schools on new student scores on Michigan Educational Assessment Program, or MEAP, tests.

Sanders has declined to comment under advice from her attorney, but one local NAACP activist came to her defense Tuesday during a telephone call to the Observer.

Jim Netter commended Sanders for devoting her time and money to help him in 1997 when he chaired the first Freedom Fund Dinner for the Western Wayne County Branch of the NAACP.

Netter said Sanders sold event tickets and also used her own money to buy flowers for certain dignitaries, although she was later repaid.

"She handled money for me, and all I can say is she did it as good as a banker," Netter said. "She was excellent."

Netter also praised Sanders for leading innovative programs at Adams, a 900-student school.

"I don't know anything about her except that she's a fine human being," he said. "As a principal, she has helped save the lives of young children of all colors - most of them white."

Referring to criminal charges against Sanders, Netter said. "I'm sure it's just a misunderstanding."

Sanders, a 30-year district employee and seven-year principal, remains free on a \$5,000 personal bond. A not-guilty plea has been placed in her court file.

Police Chief Emery Price has said the investigation spanned hundreds of hours and delved into embezzling allegations as far back as 18 months. The police file submitted to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office was about 200 pages thick.

Sanders was a highly decorated principal and has appeared on a city of Westland cable television program, "People Worth Watching," that features some of the community's most respected citizens.

Police and school officials have declined to cite a possible motive for the alleged embezzling activity. Price has said he doesn't want to try the case in the press.





cation activities.

She has served on numerous district committees, including a citizen panel that supported a voter-approved, \$108.3 million bond issue in 1998 that led to long-delayed school building improvements.

"I think I have a good handle on what's going on in the district," Schofield said Monday, amid a small group of people awaiting election results at school district offices on Marquette.

Schofield, who has three children in Wayne-Westland schools, cited curriculum improvements and marketing the district's strengths as her top priorities.

"I'm excited, and I appreciate shown for me," she said. "I hope

the decisions I make justify that support.

Eisiminger, a Westland resident and real estate associate broker, won the election 11. months after he was chosen as a school board appointee. He replaced former President David Cox, who stepped down and accepted a Westland City Council appointment.

Eisiminger, who also has three children in local schools, celebrated Monday with about 50 supporters at Fire Academy Brewery & Grill on Wayne Road. He attributed his win to "a lot of friends and family and people that truly know me."

Eisiminger said his top priority will be to continue improving the Wayne-Westland district's image.

Schofield carried 13 of the district's 17 voting precincts and tied with Eisiminger in one. Eisiminger captured the most votes in two precincts. Wright in one. One precinct, Jefferson-Barns Elementary School, had

only nine voters all day. Schofield led in votes cast by absentee ballot.

District election officials had predicted that 1,700-1,800 voters would cast ballots in Monday's school board race, but unofficial totals showed that just 1,351 people voted.

Absentee ballots accounted for 303 voters, meaning that just 1,048 of the district's 70,000 registered voters actually went to the polls.

Some of those voters included Michigan Education Association-

affiliated employees who favored union-endorsed Schofield and Eisiminger.

Robert Kowalczyk, executive director of the Wayne-Westland Education Association, said Schofield's involvement in the school bond construction committee made her a standout candidate.

Kowalczyk commended the job Eisiminger has done as a board appointee.

"He has shown he's willing to listen to the teachers and the other union employees," Kowalczyk said.

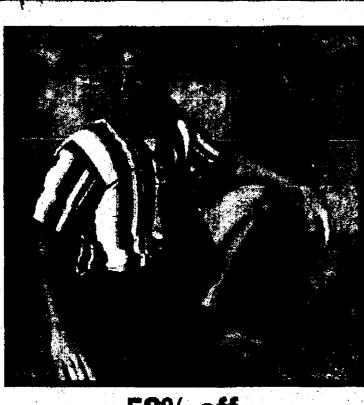
Schofield and Eisiminger will join board holdovers Mathew McCusker, Lorne "Skip" Monit. Martha Pitsenbarger, Teresa Robbins and Ed Turner, Each board member earns little more than \$1,800 a year. Board President Robin Moore

didn't seek re-election and will step down June 30.

Baracy, the superintendent, said the board will face money problems that could result in a budget deficit within two years.

The district's new \$105.7 million spending plan, approved Tuesday, trims the budget surplus from \$10.9 million to \$5.4 million. A similar trend the following year could leave the district with no money.

Baracy blamed budget woes on money that he said the district has lost since voters passed 1994's tax-slashing Proposal A. Baracy said Wavne-Westland has lost \$70 million in revenue since 1994.



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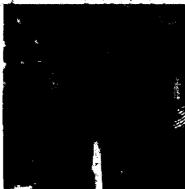
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Gas prices making area officials nervous

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER rpeari@os.homecomm.net

Frustrated about the price of petrol these days? You're not

The rapid rise in gasoline prices is making government officials across Wayne County nervous, too.

While some tax exemptions keep government fleets from paying quite as much for unleaded gas as do average consumers, they are still affected by the increases.

On Tuesday, one called the price run-up "frightening."

Brian Wilson, assistant superintendent for public services for the city of Livonia, said if the city had purchased fuel the day before, "our price would have increased 88 percent since last month.

"It's frightening, really," he said of the seemingly unending run-up, which AAA Michigan said Monday broke two records one for the largest weekly jump (27.1 cents) since 1973, when AAA began tracking prices, and the other for highest statewide gas average: \$2.011 for self-serve unleaded.

None of the public officials contacted by the Observer anticipate any immediate cutbacks in services, but they were concerned about the financial impact.

Livonia has \$120,000 budgeted for fuel for public services such as maintenance of facilities, streets and traffic signs; grasscutting at golf courses and parks and forestry service, as well as for the water and sewer department, said Wilson.

At the pump: Gasprices

soared up to \$2.19 a gallon at some stations in western Wayne County by mid-week.



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ways of fueling (equipment),

such as natural gas, propane'

long before the present situation.

dates that a certain amount of a

city's fleet be alternative fuel

vehicles," he explained. Todd

acknowledged continued price

increases could push the city to

Cameron "Kim" Priebe, Wayne

County public services director,

said road work plans aren't

"If necessary, we'll have to eat

into our fund balance" to get it

done, he said. "All the work we

do is relatively seasonal, so we

want to continue and get it done.

And there's plenty of work to be

respective departments are

telling staffers to cut back on

"We're telling people not to let engines idle," said Redford's

Snage. "If you're not using it,

fuel usage wherever possible.

All those contacted said their

review the budget.

being changed.

done."

turn it off."

"The federal government man-

through the Tri-County Public Purchasing Cooperative, which includes Southfield, West Bloomfield, Novi. Troy and Sterling Heights, he said. It has to fill its two 10,000-gallon underground tanks every three weeks, but has had no problem with deliveries and doesn't foresee any.

But "If we have sustained (higher) prices" for unleaded

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fuel, said Wilson, "we may have to look into moving some money and scramble around a bit."

Leo Snage, director of public services for Redford Township, said, "We're hoping and praying that the prices go back down.

"But if they don't go back down, we may have to deal with the finance department for a budget adjustment," he said.

Garden City Fire Chief Mike Todd said the current price increase won't affect emergency services. The city has a contract with a private vendor. .

However, he said, Garden City The city purchases fuel started looking at "alternative

Engler: We'll not seek emission waiver

By Richard Pearl STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

There's a way Gov. John Engler could ease the gas-price run-up, but he's not going to, a spokesman said Tuesday.

Not so much because the fuel that could be sold would increase pollution in the short run, but because it would significantly hurt economic development in the long run, said John Truscott, Engler's communications direc-

Engler could petition the federal Environmental Protection Agency for a waiver permitting Michigan service stations to sell higher-emissions unleaded gas, the spokesman said.

But the EPA will use the resulting higher emissions data when it considers approving new projects such as the proposed General Motors plant for Lansing and the rebuilding of the Ford Rouge facility, Truscott

"We can request a waiver. However, it would be held against the state," he said.

"If our emissions are too high (in total), we can't expand."

The EPA "looks at all the emissions in the air and (considers) how much emissions a plant is likely to produce. And if it we're over the limit, we don't get new plants," Truscott said.

"Ironically," he said, Ford plans to make the huge Rouge plant "environmentally friendly.

But they could be restricted" by the EPA.

Among fuel-oil distributors talking to Engler is Sam Simon, owner of Atlas Oil Co. of Taylor, southeast Michigan's largest distributor of petroleum products.

Simon, whose customers include the City of Garden City, the Taylor school district and the Meijer and Costco discount stores, said he told Engler the problem is a shortage of the specific fuel mandated by the EPA to control ozone emissions.

He said the gas required during the June 1 to Sept. 15 summer ozone season carries a Reid Vapor Pressure rating of 7.8 pounds, but that "The refineries didn't do a good enough job" of producing it.

However, there's plenty of gas rated at 9.4 pounds - which would produce more fumes, he said, but not as much as the 13pound RVP-rated gas sold the rest of the year. It also would be a lot cheaper.

Since the refineries can't come back and produce more 7.8 gas. said Simon, they are putting their dealers on allocation, limit-

ing monthly quantities. To keep from running out of gas and having no business, said Simon, dealers are raising prices

to reduce demand. When the pipeline near Jackson burst, things got worse.

"This (situation) is going to

stay for a little bit," Simon said. Truscott said the EPA slowed the pipeline repair by mandating the state check each of the stopple valves like the one that

These have never failed before," Truscott said, "so it's not like it has a history of failure."

failed.

State Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, has joined fellow Democratic Sens. Burton Leland and Ray Murphy, both Detroit; Dianne Byrum, Onondaga, and Don Koivisto, Ironwood, on a partisan task force to investigate the price increases.

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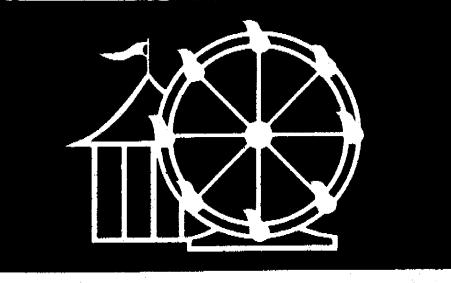
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State colleges highly rated, but voters worry about cost

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

Michigan residents are happy with their state universities but concerned about increasing tuition costs. They would like the state to increase its support in relation to tuition.

These are the findings of a survey conducted by Rossman Martin & Associates for the Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan. The poll of 600 Michigan voters was conducted April 24 to May 1 of this year.

"We're please to see that our universities are viewed positively by the public, more than 90 percent saying so for value and quality of education," said Dr. Glenn R. Stevens, executive director of the Presidents Council, during a wide-ranging conversation with Observer editors Friday. "And it's also important for the other things universities are doing that there is an awareness and appreciation that universities do research and that has an impact on quality of life issues."

The survey finds that 92.1 percent of voters rate Michigan's 15 public universities as good or better, 44.5 percent rating them very good. University research was rated as important by 25.3 percent.

The survey also found that 30.7 percent of those polled

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Costly: Most surveyed feel Michigan colleges are getting too expensive.

believe the state's storied sports programs are probably the best known feature of state schools nationwide, but medicine and academic research also rated highly. The state's negative image as a place of drinking and party schools was only cited by 3.1 percent.

But residents are clearly concerned about rising costs, with 85.3 percent saying they agree or strongly agree that Michigan public universities are too expensive. The majority of those polled, 76.5 percent, believe students should pay some of their education costs, but 85.4 percent say the state should increase funding to state universities.

The Presidents Council says that, nationally, states pay for about two-thirds of public college funding, while in Michigan, the state pays only about a half.

While emphasizing that state funding has improved in recent

years and that relations are good between the universities, Gov. John Engler and the Legislature, Stevens said the organization wants to promote consistency in state funding.

"We are challenged by the uncertainty about what the state would provide," Stevens said. "We need to increase state support and have continued restraint on tuition."

Stevens outlined three challenges faced by the state university system, which is the sixth largest public university system in the nation with about 260,000 students. First is tuition restraint. Second is attracting "the best possible faculty to compete in the national market-place." Third is working with the private sector in economic development of the state."

Stevens said he is happy with the relationship the universities have built with the state's Economic Development Corporation. He said partnerships with industry have helped them with research and development while drawing their support for the universities and attracting federal research money.

He said research is important but it is also important not to burden students with the cost of the research.

"The question is how do you do these things objectively and independently. This is also an important issue for corporations," Stevens said.

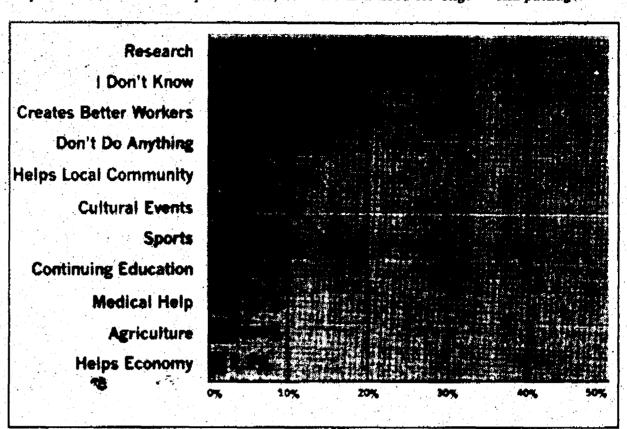
Ed Bagale, vice chancellor for government relations for the University of Michigan-Dearborn, said it was important to provide continuing education in a number of disciplines, including engineering and education, strong majors at his school.

"In our school of engineering, when we graduate a student what they learned at the beginning of their studies becomes obsolete by the time they graduate, so there is a need for ongo-

ing education."

Stevens and Bagale said the question of who should profit from patents developed at a university is important but that few universities, outside of Michigan and Michigan State, will be involved in the kind of research that will result in large profits.

Stevens said the universities are still trying to determine how the MEAP Merit Awards will fit into funding and how they will count toward a student's financial package.



Details: Anyone who could name three state universities was also asked what else the institutions did that benefited the people of Michigan. Research was the number one answer.

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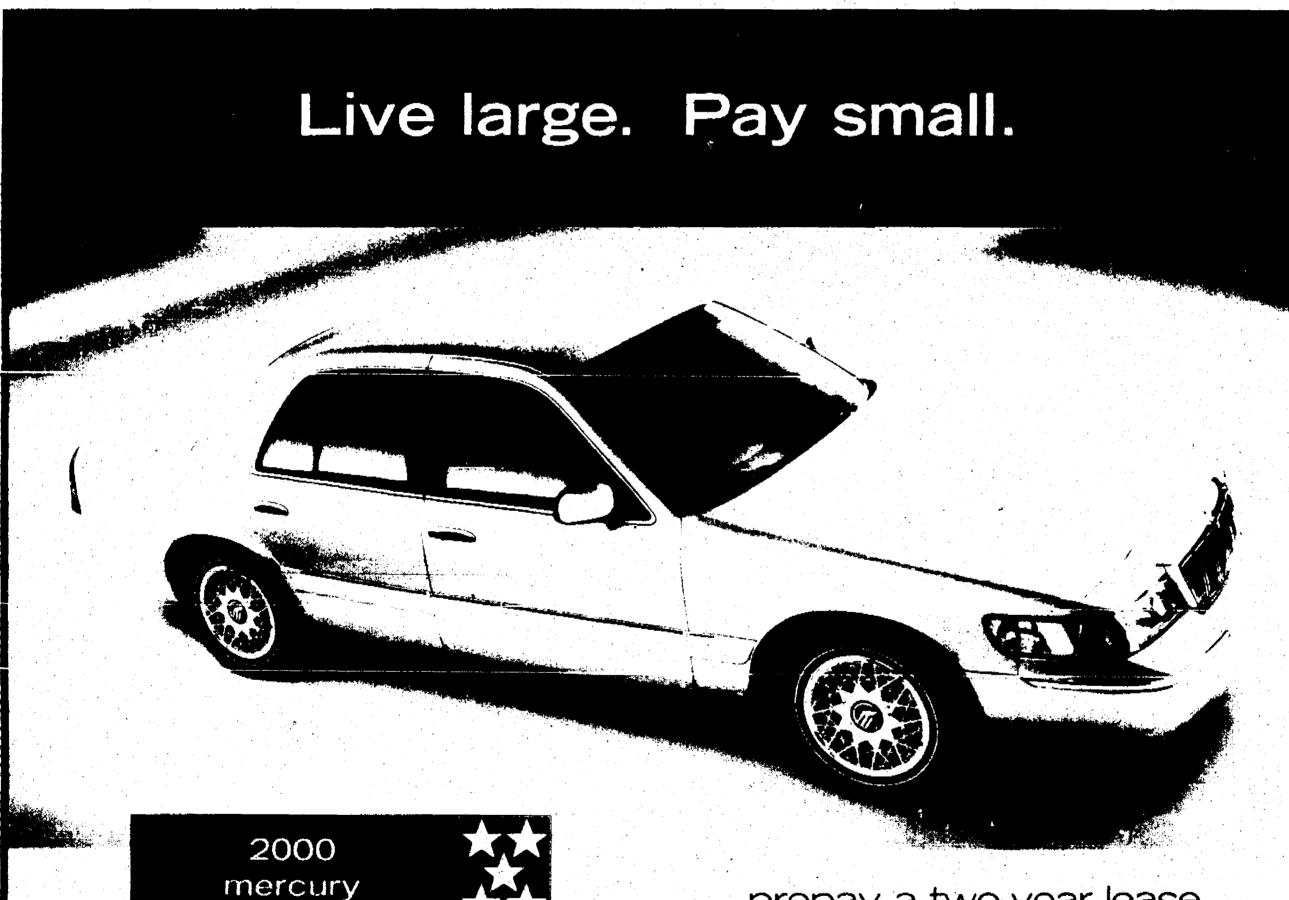
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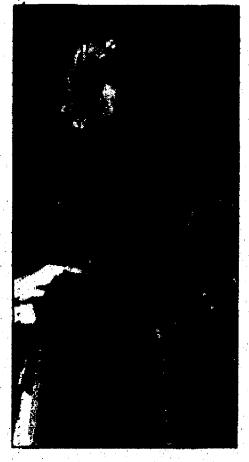
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We know: Lifeguard Kristen Stone asks the kindergartners if they know what a life jacket is. The answer? Yes.



Listen up: Bailey Center pool lifeguard Kristen Stone of Westland talks to kindergartners from Kettering Elementary School about water safety as part of their field

Rules of the pool get a kiddie review

day at the pool.

Joungsters from Kettering Elementary School got lessons in water safety during a recent visit to the Bailey Center pool in

Lifeguard Kristen Stone talked about the buddy system, look before you leap, pool and lake safety, life jackets, when it is safe to go into the water and general rules at the pool. The 38 kindergartners were from teacher Glenna Erickson Horvath's classroom.

"It's been a great program," said Debbie Lindquist, pool supervisor. Lifeguards look forward to it.

"It's a fun day for them," Lindquist said. Kids learn a lot.

The water safety program is through the Red Cross and called Longfellow Whale's Tales. It's for children in kindergarten through sixth grade. "We teach them backyard water safety," Lindquist said. Children

learn basic first aid. The program is offered at the end of each school year and is popu-

lar. "We're booked every day. The kids love it." Children swim as part of the field trip and go to the nearby park.

They usually bring a bag lunch. She agreed it's important for youngsters, especially in lake-filled Michigan, to learn water safety. Some children come back to the pool

during the summer and mention their water safety program. For all swimmers, the extended hours start Saturday at the pool: noon to 3:30 p.m. and 4:30-7:30 p.m. daily. Teen Night is 7-9:30 p.m.



Carefree: Kindergartners from Kettering Elementary enjoy a morning field trip at the Bailey Center pool in Westland recently. The children also listened to a water safety program before swimming.

Debbie Lindquist -pool supervisor

Naser, Whitehead win in Livonia

BY LARRY O'CONNOR STAFF WRITER

A second helping of electoral politics proved fulfilling for Larry Naser and Kevin White-

Naser and Whitehead, who ran unsuccessfully last year, rebounded to take two open seats on the Livonia school board in Monday's annual school elec-

Naser, 40, took first overall with 3,124 votes. Whitehead collected 2,820 ballots.

Alicia Douglas finished third with 2,151 votes in her first campaign. Retired teacher Clifford Thompson - who also unsuccessfully sought a board seat in 1993 - ran a distant fourth with 649

As expected, few voters took part. Just 4,923 - or 6 percent of 80,050 registered votes cast ballots.

The crowd at Naser's victory party doubled that number in enthusiasm. More than 200 people worked on his highly visible campaign, which included 45 of those people phoning voters during the weekend.

"What can I say? I'm overwhelmed and I'm humbled," said Naser, who finished third in last year's election.

At St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, a woman greeted a visitor by thrusting her index finger indicating Naser's firstplace finish. The Rev. George Shalhoub and others snapped photos of the celebrants.

His being the first Arab-American elected to office in Livonia wasn't lost on those at the church, many of whose members are Palestinian-American.

"They have always been supportive of me." Naser said. "They said 'just run. You won't have to pay a penny to run your campaign.

His support extended beyond the St. Mary's Church community. Several Livonia elected officials joined Naser near the podi-

State Rep. Laura Toy, R-Livonia: Councilman Joe Laura; and school board members Frank Kokenakes, Patrick Nalley and Dianne Nay flanked the victorious candidate.

"I love these people," said Naser, who was also joined by his wife, Carmen, and his parents. "They never attached any strings on what they did for me."

Whitehead was buoyed by similar support from the school community. Former Trustee Pat Tancill and Carol Strom were among those who worked on his campaign.

In June 1999, Whitehead finished last in a five-candidate field.

"Last year, we had three or four folks trying to do the whole thing," said Whitehead as his post-election reception at his Minton Street home was winding down around 10:30 p.m. "This year, we had a committee."

Whitehead, 39, plans to visit schools and learn more about board procedures. Naser and Whitehead will be sworn in Monday, July 10.

"We want to make decisions for the right reasons." Whitehead said. "It's really neat to go onto a board that has worked well together and has already done some positive things for the

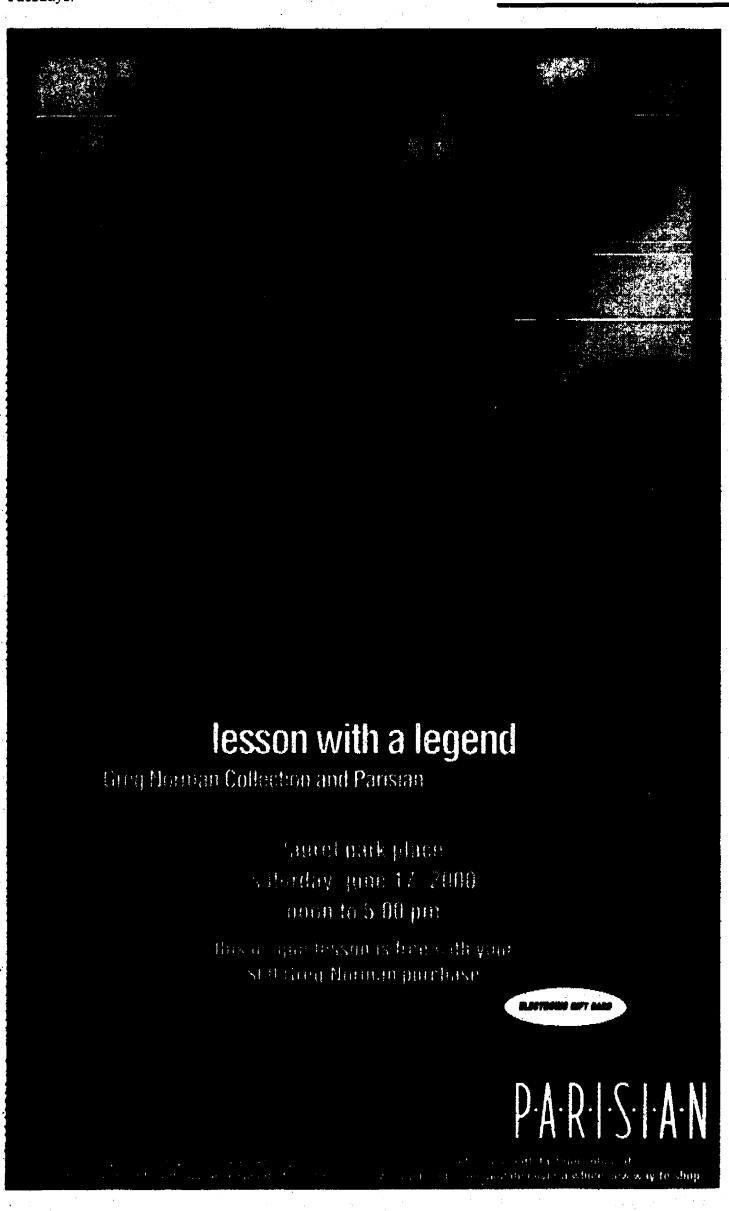
district." Douglas, 31, who finished 669 votes behind Whitehead, was encouraged by her showing. She was the first candidate to file in January and mounted a vigorous grassroots campaign.

Douglas plans to run next

"I knew it would be close," said Douglas. "I thought people would want to keep an overall balance on the board with three women (Kirsten Galka and Joanne Morgan remain. Dianne Nay didn't seek re-election).

"Now there's not - there's two women and five men."

Thompson's 649 votes is 200 more than he received in 1995. He ran on a plea for teaching the um as he thanked those who fundamentals and more technol-





Airport 'very near' to turning over financial records

By Richard Prari STAFF WRITER

A Wayne County airports official said the county's executive branch was "very near to completing discussions" with the county commission's attorney about turning over Detroit Metropolitan Airport records on the APCOA parking lot operations when "this subcommittee thing popped up."

Michael Conway, airports pub-

lic information officer, spoke in response to a Detroit daily newspaper's story Wednesday that the commission's ways and means committee had voted Tuesday to subpoena County Executive Edward H. McNamara to provide the records.

The story said McNamara's staff and airport officials have refused to provide the information to the commission, which is looking into airport operations, as is a state Senate committee.

But Conway said the county

"executive branch was in discussion with" commission counsel Ben Washburn, "negotiating a manner in which to deliver these documents that doesn't damage the county's position in pending lawsuits."

The county is suing APCOA to recover about \$1 million in alleged overcharges for leased vehicles used to take passengers to parking lots, based on a 1998 parking audit by commission Auditor General Brendan Dun-

Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, a member of the ways and means committee, disputed that any subpoena came out of the committee meeting.

"We were in closed session a couple of hours and there was no strong consensus as to" whether to subpoena McNamara, she said.

"I don't think there was a majority to subpoena, but" Ricardo Solomon, chair of both ways and means and the county commission, "was going ahead as if

Furthermore, she said, the power-outage Tuesday in downtown Detroit made it unlikely any formal notification to McNamara would be ready by today (Thursday), when the story said Solomon would deliver it.

And, she said, "Some people (on the committee) are tired of appearing to be feuding with" McNamara.

June West, McNamara's spokeswoman, noted the motion was not passed by the entire commission, which meets this morning. West thought it was "very unlikely" the full commission would take such an action. . .

In explaining the negotiations with Washburn, Conway said: "It's a long-standing county policy to very carefully manage documents that could turn out to be discovery in pending lawsuits, so that they couldn't be disseminated to other parties to the litigation and therefore damage the county's case.

"We were in the process of doing this and very near to completing the discussions" when. the subpoena vote was taken. "and there was nobody there. from the county executive branch" to explain the situation, Conway said.

He also took exception to claims that many high-ranking county airports department employees lack previous experience in airport operations.

Conway cited Hassen Makled, assistant division director of operations, whom he said has been with airport 26 years, working his way through different duties and responsibilities to get to his present position.

Conway said Barbara Hogan, appointed as Conway's deputy last year and who handles his division's budget, has more than a high school diploma: "She has some college. She studied marketing and communications at Madonna" in Livonia.

Conway said his staff tallied up the years of experience of the 18 Metro Airport managers and got 193 total years.

Besides, he said, "Anybody older than 40 is not going to have aviation management degrees" because the degrees are relatively new.

Conway himself had outside public relations experience before coming to the airports department and now serves as a vice-chair of a committee with the Airports Council International, a lobbying group for North American airports.

You don't get to that position by being a nitwit," he said.

Van pool avoids gas crunch

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

Car- or van-pooling and telecommunicating are getting new looks these days as ways of saving money and fuel.

"It's hard to get people to pay attention" to such transportation alternatives "when (gasoline is) 99 cents a gallon, but now it's getting into people's pocketbooks," said Paul Tait, executive director of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

"Given the inadequate funding for mass transit that we have, this (gas price spiraling) should be a wake-up call for us," he

At 20 miles per gallon per vehicle, traveling 8,000 miles per year to and from work, a person pooling or telecommunicating can save an estimated \$1,200 per year at today's \$2-a-gallon prices, Tait said.

By telecommunicating - using computers, faxes and telephones to work from home a person can perhaps avoid driving a couple days a week, he said.

SEMCOG already has its (313) 963-RIDE program in place. It matches - free of charge - riders with drivers of automobiles (door-to-door transportation) or vans, which pick up and drop off people at collection points.

Anita Blasius, SEMCOG outreach program manager, said the agency has 2,500 poolers in its seven-county database. The main restriction is that riders work within the region.

While carpools involve personal vehicle use and sharing of either fuel costs or driving duties, the vans, which hold seven to 15 people, are leased by SEMCOG and require a monthly commitment by passengers, who pay a fee.

"If you carpool, you automatically cut the cost of commuting by 50 percent," said Blasius, who did it for three years:

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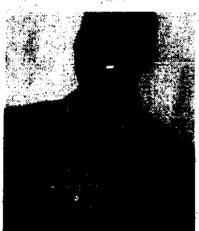


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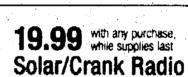


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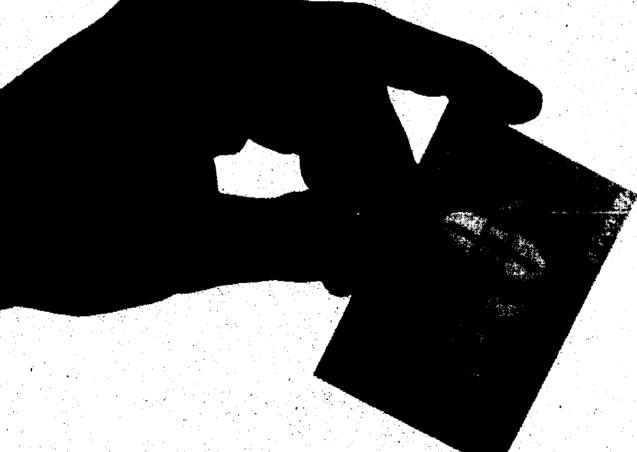
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Sewer overflows topic of regional meeting June 21

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

Sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) - a hot topic, considering the recent \$3.25-million judgment against Dearborn Heights for flooded basements resulting from one - will be examined at this month's Rouge Remedial Action Plan Advisory Council (RRAC) meeting.

The meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, at the Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, about a half-block south of Goddard Road.

Scheduled to participate are state Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights; Tom Rohrer, chief of water quality enforcement for the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality; and possibly state Sen. Shirley Johnson,

consist of presentations followed by questions and answers.

Sanitary sewer overflows recently garnered more public attention when federal Judge John Feikens proposed that MDEQ permit SSOs into the Rouge River during extreme weather conditions - a move which would ease sanctions SSOs occur.

When an SSO occurs, raw sewage may be released into basements, city streets, properties, rivers and streams. They are illegal and often threaten the environment and public health.

The MDEQ aims to identify the separate sanitary sewer overflow discharges in the state and take appropriate regulatory actions to eliminate them.

College offers workshop for English teachers

Madonna University in Livonia is offering an English workshop in June. "Approaches to Toni Morrison's The Bluest Eye," a workshop for teachers, will be held on Friday, June 23, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday, June 24, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Students will read, discuss and

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write about Morrison's first novel, The Bluest Eye. The book will be placed in its socio-historical context and in the canon of African-American literature. Ways to teach the book will be explored.

Spring/summer registration is in progress. Call (734) 432-5339.

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Wetlands effort wins national honor

(PRNewswire) - The U.S. Department of Transportation recently announced that Wayne County's Crosswinds Marsh Wetland Interpretive Preserve was honored with a Merit Award as part of the Design for Trans-

The awards, distributed every five years, recognize those facilities that have made an outstanding contribution to the nation's transportation systems and the people they serve. This is the third national award won by Crosswinds Marsh.

"We are deeply honored to receive this national recognition," said Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara.

One of the largest built wetlands in the country, the 950acre preserve was designed and constructed to compensate for unavoidable wetlands impacts resulting from expansion of the Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

"In a process that took over a year, drains were redirected, enormous basins were excavat-

urban planning, civil engineering and environmental services firm, led a multidisciplinary team of environmental specialLandscape Architects and an Environmental Achievement Award from Airports Council International-North America in



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Former police chief: Watch neighborhood

BY SUR MASON STAPP WEITER masor@oe.homecomm.net

His impersonations of Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter weren't the best, but Isaiah McKinnon's message to members of the Garden City and Westland chambers of commerce was.

"You can make a difference," said McKinnon. "Some of us have to show we're concerned. As police chief, each and every time a child was killed or injured, I would go and talk to the family. It was important to be there to show concern and that I cared."

The retired Detroit police chief

teaching at the University of Detroit Mercy, doing his Emmy Award-winning "Stay Safe with Ike" series for WDIV-TV and traveling around the country talking to people.

has spent his "golden years".

And for his June 6 speech in Westland, he talked about the 35 vears of education he received as a Detroit police officer and what needs to be done to thwart crime and keep young people out of

McKinnon peppered his speech anecdotes about meeting five U.S. presidents - Dwight Eisenhower, Reagan, George Bush,

Carter and Bill Clinton - and with reasons why people need to become the "nosy neighbor."

"I was most impressed with Ronald Reagan; he was everybody's grandfather," he said. "We talked for five minutes and he talked about police work."

McKinnon referred back to his upbringing - he was raised on the lower east side of Detroit "where many young men didn't make it" - and to his late father who sat on his porch and became the consummate nosy neighbor to show what can be done.

After his father retired, he took to sitting on his front porch and became the neighbor who knew the residents, knew the kids and knew what was going

According to McKinnon, that kind of person sends a message to the criminal element.

"Crooks know there's those who don't care, but they should know that there are those people out there who do care," he said. "I'm concerned because in 35 years as a police officer I saw a lack of concern. We have to think about taking on some responsibility to become that neighbor."

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mobilized to stop, he questioned why "we can't we get 30,000 people to work with young people."

"We have so many people who, regardless of their ethnic background, don't have leadership," he said. "We can continue to build prisons and let them become hotels for our young people, but the young person going to prison only comes out a better crook."

McKinnon also expressed concern about his audience, especially their elderly parents. becoming victims of crime. He encouraged them to talk to seniors because there are people out there who will take advantage of them," pointing to the home improvement scams that crop up in the spring and summer months.

"Come this time of year, these people come up from Georgia and South Carolina," said McKinnon. "I know one woman they took for \$30,000. If one goes away, another will take his place.

McKinnon recalled one of his episodes of "Stay Safe" in which a staffer went to a house and claimed to be a utility repairman. The homeowner didn't recall calling for repairs, but invited the man inside anyway.

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Researchers slwavs include checking the Vertical File for information as: well as books and electronic information. Make sure you check out Westland's Vertical File on your next visit. If you need help, ask at the Reference Desk.

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Below are more of the great Web sites taken from *50 Great Web Sites for Kids and Parents" from the American Library Association. They are recommended for preschool-elementary-age children and their parents by librarians who work with children and the Web every day...

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The Parent's Guide to the Information Superhighway, Rules and tools for families online from the Children's Partnership, Comprehensive look at the Information Superhighway and what parents should know to help their children use it safely and wisely.

www.KiDiddles.com/

Lullables and Songs for Children, Find the words to "Polly Wolly Doodle" and other songs collected by a mom in

III PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS American Red Cross Blood Drive

2-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27 The library hosts the American Red Cross Blood Drive for the summer. Give the gift of life. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are being taken. No fee. For an appointment, call Joe Burchill, (734) 326-6123.

Internet 201: Advanced Search Tools

7 p.m. Wednesday, June 28 The class teaches more advanced use of search tools. Learn how to make your Internet searches more effective. Onehour class. Computers are reserved for student practice for one hour following the class. No fee: No registration required, but class size is limited.

Adult Reading Club

p.m. Tuesday, July 18 "Having Out Say: The Delaney Sisters' First 100 Years" by Sarah Louise and Annie Elizabeth Delaney Sadie and Bessie Delaney (101 and 103 years old. respectively) recount their lives as

daughters of a slave who became America's first elected Black Episcopel bishop and as among the first African American professional women in New York City. Available in paperback, hardcover and audioback. Call today to reserve your copy! These are informal, open forum discussions on noteworthy books. All are invited to participate. No fee. No registration.

III CHILDIEN'S ACTIVITIES

Register for the Children's or Young Adult Program at the Children's Service Desk. Creative Writing and Poetry Contests Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Monday, June 26 Children through fifth grade will participate in a Creative Writing Contest. Young adults in sixth grade and up will try their hand at Poetry Writing. This contest sponsored by the Friends of the Library helps to keep the creative luices flowing while providing the young people of Westland with a chance to express their artistic side through prose and poetry. Friends will judge all entries and prizes will be awarded. No fee. Registration information available at the Children's Service

Monday, June 26 (shows at 1, 2 and 3 p.m.) This fun and informative live animai show returns to the library for three performances. See, touch and learn about the amazing animals who will visit the library. No fee. Registration required, seating is limited. Register at the Children's Service

Family Time Storytime

7 p.m. Monday, June 26 Everyone is invited to come to this fun-filled story hour. No fee. No registration required. Bunior Book Club 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 27 Children in grades three-five will meet and talk about books by chosen authors. What did you like? What did you not like? No fee. Registration required. Register at the Children's Service Desk.

Summertime Storytime

10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 28 Stories and fun for all ages. No fee, No. registration required.

Virginia Balley Parker

7 p.m. Wednesday, June 28 Young adults are invited to a petrifying performance as Virginia Bailey Parker tells her tales of terror. Ghost stories, spooky tales and more to excite and delight. No fee. Registration required. Register at the Children's Service

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan;

Case #1769A, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Addition to Wayne Amvets Post 171, 1217 Merriman, Parcel #070-01-0010-001, East Side of Merriman, North of Palmer, SW-23, Robert Cook,

Case #2036, Proposed Split of Lots #21-#23, Carver Subdivision, Parcels #-083-02-0021-000, -0022-00 and -0023-000, south Side of Annapolis, East of Middlebelt, SW-36, Sam L. Brown Case #2037, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Addition to the Police

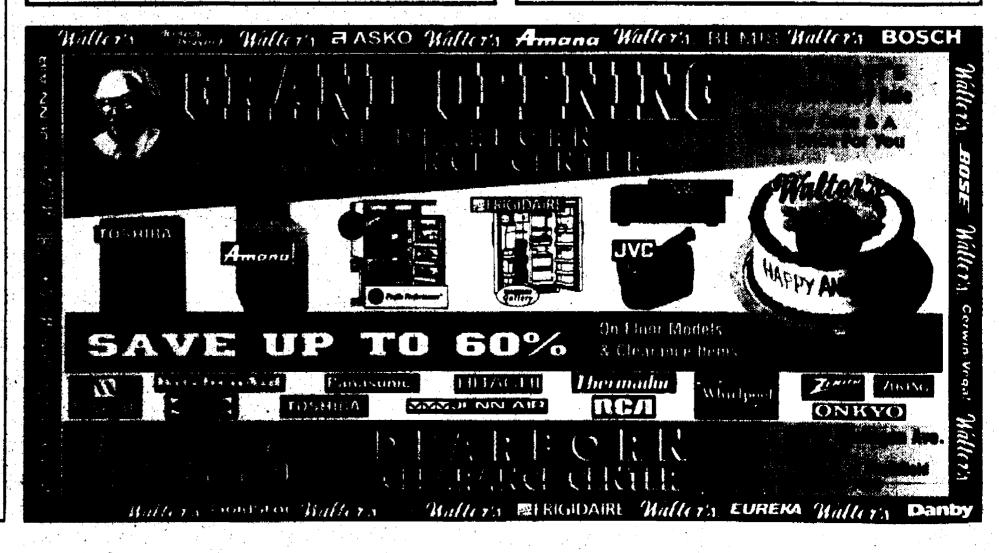
Department, 36701 Ford Road, Parcel #046-01-0001-001, South Side of Ford Road, West of Carlson, NW-17, Scott Sherman (Mayor Robert J. Thomas)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held in the City Hill, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 5, 2000.

Written comments may be sent to the Westland Planning Department 37095 Marquette Avenue, Westland, Michigan 48185.

Fubhah: June 15, 2000

ROBERT C. BOWERS, Chairman Westland Planning Commission



Wine debate bubbles over in Senate

By MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalo4t@homecqmm.net

Legislation intended to keep alcohol out of the hands of minors, who might otherwise be able to order such beverages over the Internet, is sparking controversy because it will also keep some brands of alcohol out of the hands of adults.

"Not all the population, you know, is under 21 years old; there's a few of us who are over 21, and we do have a right or two and don't particularly like to have that taken away," said Sen. George McManus, R-Traverse City.

McManus, along with Sens. Arthur Miller, D-Warren, and John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, argued that the bill will block adults too from being able to order fine wines from small, out-of-state wineries.

They also contend it will have an affect on the sales of Michigan's 24 small wineries.

"Well, wine is not CDs or books; rather, it's a substance with which we need to be very careful," Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland, argued. "The problem with the status quo is that language was drafted 20 years ago before the freshness and newness of the Internet, and by maintaining the status quo, we have a potential problem and, frankly, a real problem, bypassing the three-tier system, and we have flooded the gates with wines from out of state that, frankly, could hurt Michigan wines."

House Bill 4752, sponsored by Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, would block Internet sales of alcohol to minors. It requires sellers to label packages of alcohol and requires shippers, such as Federal Express and United Parcel Service, to check the identification and age of

Pro: Kids shouldn't be able to buy wine over the internet; the state needs the sales tax revenue.

the recipient.

But the bill also funnels such shipments through Michigan's existing distribution system for alcohol, known as the "three-tier" system

And that's the problem. Wine consumers say many small, out-of-state wineries can't afford to get licensed in Michigan. And wholesalers aren't likely to be interested in carrying small amounts of product from those vintners.

If out-of-state wineries can't ship here, they point out, Michigan wineries won't be able to ship to other states either, because such arrangements are set up on a reciprocal basis.

Already passed in the House, the bill was amended by Schuette in committee to allow for the "personal importation" of up to a case of wine at a time. But that would require the person to transport the wine himself and would not extend to Internet sales for adults.

Cassis said the Schuette amendment was an improvement, although she doubted it would make all fans of fine wines in the state happy.

"The health, safety and welfare of our children must be the overriding consideration as the Internet continues to rapidly change our way of life," she said. "The anonymity of the Web leaves open the possibility of abuse regarding alcohol sales. We can protect our children by creating stop-gaps in the delivery process."

Con: Adults, small winerles are unfairly restrained by bill; precedent could lead to blocking sales of other items.

Some senators were not convinced.

"We're cutting people of the state of Michigan out of being able to participate, in this case, for one commodity only, but certainly, others will follow in the commerce system that we're going to have in the 21st Century," Schwarz said. "When you go home this summer and bump into your constituents who wanted to buy that case of wine or wanted to buy a bottle of wine, and you said this year they could do it, but starting next year when this bill takes effect they cannot do it, I hope you respond and tell them that you wanted to make sure that you protected the three-tier system," Miller said.

"I regret that we did not today give Michigan consumers the right to purchase a bottle of wine, and I hope that everyone here makes it to that wine celebration in northwest Michigan this weekend because it's going to be your last opportunity to buy a bottle or a case of wine from a Michigan winery without going to Meijer next year."

Opponents of the bill argue it is an attempt by beer and wine wholesalers to maintain their control over the state's distribution system.

Opponents also argue wholesalers fear a loss of business if out-of-state wincries are allowed to bypass the three-tier system.

The bill is expected to return to the House June 20 to face a vote on concurrence with the Senate-added amendments.

Feds give snow removal agency \$4.8 million for high-tech project

The partners in the South-eastern Michigan Snow and Ice Management (SEMSIM) project, a first-of-its-kind partnership of the four largest road agencies in southeast Michigan, learned recently the Federal Highway Administration has approved the final \$4.8 million in federal aid needed to complete the project over the next several years.

The SEMSIM partners are the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), the Wayne County Department of Public Services, the city of Detroit Department of Public Works and the Road Commission of Macomb County.

The partnership was formed to improve winter road maintenance in southeast Michigan by uniting the four agencies in the introduction of state-of-the-art automated vehicle location (AVL) and global positioning system (GPS) technology to the agencies' fleets.

These technologies will improve the efficiency of winter

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road maintenance in the region and allow the partner agencies to best respond to adverse winter weather.

The Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) is also a partner in SEMSIM and provides the modern radio system that will transfer data between vehicles and base stations.

The Federal Highway Administration, on April 28, approved spending \$4.8 million in federal Congestion and Air Quality Mitigation (CMAQ) money for the SEMSIM project. This approval followed the Feb. 25 approval of the spending by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Executive Committee. This money, coupled with \$5.3 million in previously designated federal funds plus \$2.5 million in local match provided by the partners, pro-

vides the \$12.6 million budget for the project.

Phase 1 of SEMSIM, which involves 10 vehicles from each of the four road agencies and focuses on the area around Dequindre Road and Eight Mile (where the four road agency jurisdictions meet) was implemented this past winter.

Full implementation will include all of the four agencies' 500 winter maintenance vehicles

We appreciate the action taken by the FHWA and SEM-COG Executive Committee," said RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair. "Clearly, both recognizes the regional value and importance of this project and the long-term benefits SEMSIM will have for motorists across southeast Michigan."

Bair added that SEMSIM is the first multi-jurisdictional effort of its kind in the nation and is being monitored by road agencies nationwide.

CLARIFICATIONS Schoolcraft story

The story in last Thursday's (June 8) newspaper on Ameritech Corp. matching employee contributions to Schoolcraft College Founda-

tion endowments contained an error.
The college's Business and Industry Training Center

addition to Waterman center-

will cost \$20 million, not \$320

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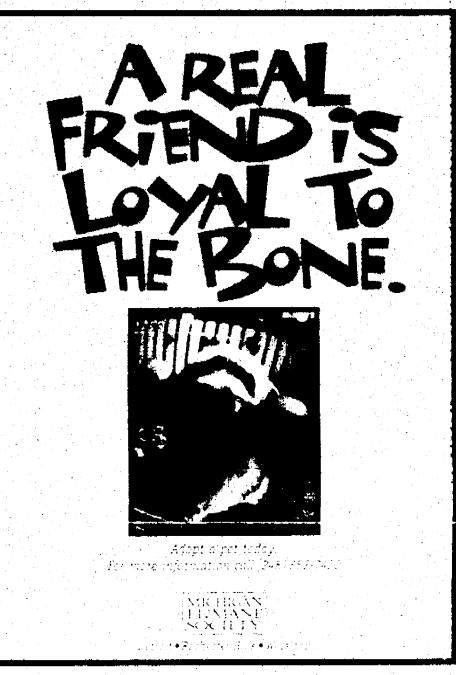
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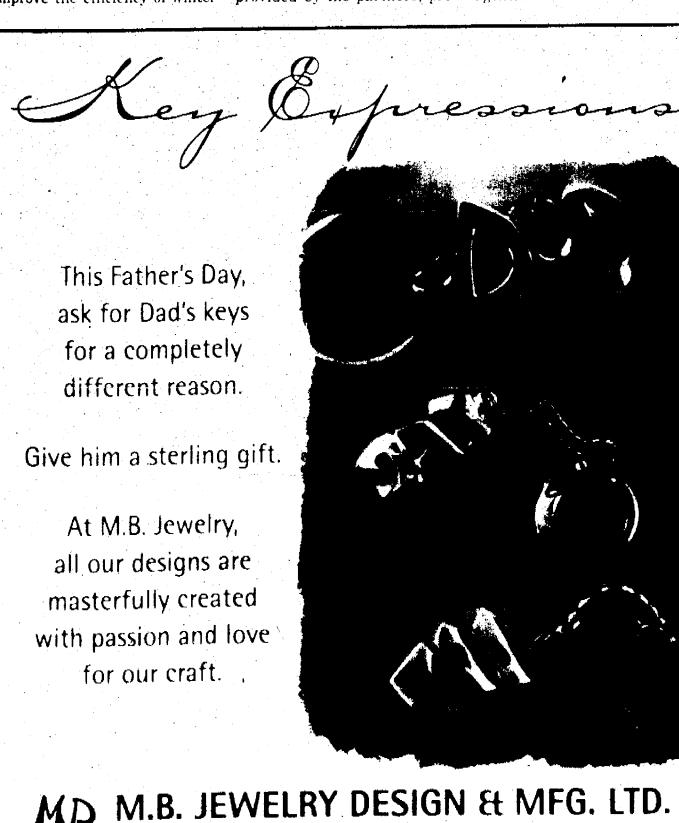
A story published in this newspaper regarding a move by state lawmakers to slash funding for the University of Michigan by 10 percent unless it gave up plans to offer a course entitled "How to be Gay" incorrectly listed the vote of State Rep. Judith Scranton, R-Brighton.

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Fairness

Show all motorists courtesy

olice officers don't have the luxury of doing much of their work with an abundance of time. They don't, for instance, get the same amount of time an editorial writer does to write when it comes to, say, deciding to pull over a motorist.

In recent months, there have been complaints from black motorists that they are being stopped by police in Westland simply for being black. The latest case - involving a young man pulled over initially for having a hanging air freshener in the window, and for a turn - follows one earlier this year. That latest motorist has been cleared of citations.

The local branch of the NAACP said Westland is particularly bad among suburban communities when it comes to harassing black drivers. Westland Police Chief Emery Price vigorously denies that, saying the traffic stops, left to officers' individual judgment, are part of legitimate law enforcement.

The fact is that minorities are few and far between on Westland's police force. Perhaps training to sensitize officers to the needs of the black community is in order, along with

■ Black motorists, while they must obey the same traffic laws as other drivers, shouldn't feel afraid to come to Westland to shop, work or live.

some hiring of qualified minorities.

Black motorists, while they must obey the same traffic laws as other drivers, shouldn't feel afraid to come to Westland to shop, work or live. They are entitled to the same common courtesy any other motorist would receive just as they must obey the same laws.

Let's find that balance that allows legitimate and fair enforcement of traffic laws. Another consideration is the installation of video cameras in police cars, recently advocated by city police with Price estimating the cost at \$160,000.

The cameras would record police interactions with the public, and cut down on the questions of what exactly happened and who said what to whom. It's a good idea, and one we advocate.

Wine measure restricts trade

"No Tax or Duty shall be laid on Articles exported from any State. No Preference shall be given by any Regulation of Commerce or Revenue to the Ports of one State over those of another: nor shall Vessels bound to, or from, one State, be obliged to enter, clear, or pay Duties in another ..."

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ver notice that when lawmakers conspire to take away one of your constitutional rights they always have some really noble cause in mind?

So it is with House Bill 4752. It's intended to crack down on the sale of alcohol over the Internet to youngsters. A noble cause indeed.

Unfortunately, it will also have the effect of making it difficult, if not impossible, for Michigan consumers to get access to more than a thousand small wineries across the country.

These aren't foreign wines. They aren't being imported from exotic locales. They're

Not your issue? You don't drink fine wines

from out of state, so you don't care? OK. But when lawmakers find some noble cause for restricting access to a product you do use from out of state – electronics, lumber, clothing, movies, software, computers, furniture, etc. - perhaps you will realize it started

HB 4752, sponsored by Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, and approved last week by the state Senate, not only blocks sales to minors but funnels purchases of out-of-state wines through the state's current "three-tier" system of wholesalers and retailers. In doing so, it gives preference to the largest producers, the ones which make enough product to keep

wholesalers interested in stocking supplies. The bill was amended by Sen. Bill Schuette, **# HB 4752, sponsored by Rep.** Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, and approved last week by the state Senate, not only blocks sales to minors but funnels purchases of out-of-state wines through the state's current 'three-tier' system of wholesalers and retailers. In doing so, it gives preference to the largest producers, the ones which make enough product to keep wholesalers interested in stocking supplies.

R-Midland, last week to allow for personal importation of those wines for personal use, but in order to do that, consumers will have to travel out of state to make the purchases.

It's supposed to be an improvement, but it's not: Imagine if you had to fly to various states to buy each product you wanted - electronics, lumber, clothing - in order to ship it or carry it home.

Simply put, the effect of the bill, however noble the cause of restricting sales to minors, is an attempt by wholesalers to retain their monopoly in Michigan over the distribution of

The bill goes back before the House June 20 for a concurrence vote.

We would urge the proponents of this bill to reconsider whether they really want to violate the Constitution by enacting a restraint of

And we would arge others in the House of

CLARIFICATION

An editorial urging donors to check out charities and their spending records before turning over their money incorrectly referred to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan as spending most of its income soliciting donations. Actually, a 1998 income tax form shows the organization spent about 75 percent of its income on program services, which means granting wishes. We regret any inconvenience caused by the error.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

What does the court project mean to you?

We asked this at Monday's 18th District Court groundbreaking for renovation/ex-



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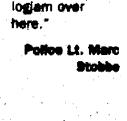
"It's the road map where we do our job. It's kind of the parameter in which we live and do our job."

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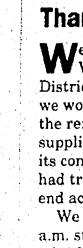
"This is long overdue. This court has a tremendous caseload."

Councilwomen Sandra Cicirotti.



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means less of a



alcoholic beverages here.

And the state is happy to do it in order to insure the collection of taxes on those sales.

Representatives to withdraw their support for this flawed legislation.

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LETTERS

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Thank you

We came to Franklin Middle School in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools District on Tuesday, May 30, wondering how we would make it through the day, much less the remainder of the week. The person who supplied Franklin with its energy, its soul and its compassion, our secretary, Debbie Bachus, had tragically died in a Memorial Day weekend accident.

We sat numb and disbelieving at a 7:30 a.m. staff meeting. The school district and our school emergency crisis team had already put a plan in motion, supplying us with a host of psychologists, social workers and counselors for both students and staff alike. The plan flexed to meet our needs as the long week passed and events, news and plans for Debbie's funeral were made.

Once we were informed that the funeral would be Friday afternoon, an enormous question had to be answered. We all wanted to go to the funeral, but how would we continue to conduct Friday afternoon classes?

The answer came and was in place on Thursday. From throughout the district, volunteers offered their services to come to Franklin for the afternoon.

Administration and Employee Services worked with our co-acting principal, Marcia Brown, to facilitate this monumental task. Dr. Greg Baracy, our district superintendent, on one of his busiest days of the year, found time to supervise our lunchroom and was seen kindly lending a dime to a student who had lost his milk money.

Also, Assistant Superintendent Char Sherman took charge of the students and guests in our building and even stayed to make sure the students got on the buses safely. Other assistant superintendents, teachers from other buildings, several special education staff and secretaries came to help. Even retired administrators Don and Bev Brooks left their retirement nest to come and give support so that students and staff could say goodbye to Debbie Bachus and begin to heal.

In a day when MEAP scores continue to get top billing, it is gratifying to recognize that there are other wonderful things of value that are being learned. It made us proud at Franklin Middle School to see over 100 students sitting respectfully at the funeral and looking so grown up. It was wonderful to see how administration, staff, students and par-

ents could come together during our moment of crisis -

helping

each other with great

care and concern. One thing Debbie Bachus taught us is that we are a family at Franklin Middle School and these past few days we have also been reminded that we are part of an eyen larger family the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

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A special thank you must go to Marcia Brown, our co-acting principal along with Mike Shelton during the absence of Darlene Scott, our principal currently out on a medical leave. Marcia took on the challenge of the Friday afternoon staffing and didn't quit until it was resolved.

Thank you to all who helped us through this most difficult of times. Your caring and compassion and support have been a great source of strength to us all. Our school district community has been diminished by Debbie's passing, but strengthened by your thoughtful-

> John Morin and the Franklin Middle School staff

In error

n Thursday's edition of the Observer, my husband issued a statement about the school board elections. Originally, he and I were voting for Mrs. (Cindy) Schofield, but were told by a very reliable source that she was an employee of Mrs. (Kathy) Makino. I have spent time talking with Mrs. Schofield, and indeed she is not, nor ever has been her employee. I find her refreshing, bright, and I believe would be a wonderful asset to the Wayne-Westland school board. We will be supporting Marshall Wright and Cynthia Schofield ... Some would use it just to be part of a bigger picture, a council seat. Mrs. Schofield has assured me that she doesn't have any such goals, she wants to work for the children of this community! Thank you.

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-- Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Vacation provides chance to recharge batteries

hen you read this, I will be on my way home from vacation.

There are some people who resist going on vacation. In this hurry-up, get-it done-yesterday, fast-fast-fast world, vacations are seen as subversive.

Some people think they are so indispensable to their company that if they go on vacation, the whole house of cards will collapse. They are certain that if they slip away for just a day, they'll return to find the company has gone under and they'll be to blame.

I felt that way at one time and gave up several weeks of vacation. Then I noticed when I did take a vacation, the company got along without me just fine (well, for a little while any-

There are others who feel that if they take a vacation, someone else will take their job. Of course, this does happen. Disc jockeys are especially susceptible to losing out when their sub is found more attractive to teenage girls. But, for most of us, this isn't even a remote possibility. Is it?

You need a vacation. You need time away, time to regroup. Most of the time there are a dozen voices in your ear all the time demanding, and probably deserving, your attention. There is no time to listen to that singular voice, your own. There is no time for quiet reflection, no time for self-evaluation, no time to get a handle on where you are.

Vacations take a variety of forms, but the essential thing is to be away from what you regularly do, to forget for awhile your work obligations and deal with your other obligations to yourself and your family.

This vacation is a cultural journey to Canada for some theater. It's a working vacation of sorts as I will be covering Ontario's two world-class theater festivals, Stratford and Shaw, for these papers, but it's still time away.

It's also time in two small towns that have capitalized on their settings. We can learn a lot about devel-



HUGH GALLAGHER

oping a downtown, creating restorative park settings and drawing on our cultural heritage from Stratford and Niagara-on-the-Lake. These towns seem almost pristine in comparison to American towns of similar size and location. Similarly, a bike ride along the Niagara River to the Falls, is another reminder of how much more sensitively Canada has treated this magnificent natural wonder than the anything-goes, for-a-profit American approach on the other side.

Vacations give you a chance to think about these things and wonder how we ever got so far off the track.

LETTERS

Later this summer, we'll be taking a different kind of trip, up to the Upper Peninsula. This annual trek "Up North" is a Michigan ritual that is peculiar and unique to this state. New York City residents go Up State, but Up State includes several big cities mingled with more natural areas. In Michigan, there has long been this divide north and south of the Pentwater line. South is cities, factories, working farms – work. North is fishing, hunting, boating, swimming, hiking, biking, relaxing – fun.

For years, Up North was the Sleeping Bear and the clear waters of Glen Lake and Lake Leland. But recently developers have started to move in - condo subdivisions, gaudy casinos, towns that vaguely resemble the towns people are trying to escape. Traverse City is a never-ending traffic jam. Yes, it's still a beautiful area and it will take at least another 20 years before developers totally destroy it, but it's not what it used to be.

The UP is rawer, less amenable to

development. It has too many flies in early summer. You can't swim in Lake Superior. The winters are too long, too cold and too snowy. But it is strikingly beautiful, with miles and miles of trails through rich forests and miles and miles of sandy beach and rocky shores on a lake that takes the breath away. There are also fine, twisty rivers and dozens of water falls. It'll take developers at least 100 years to destroy it. I figure I'll be gone by then.

As you see by the way this column has been rambling, I'm already in vacation mode. A co-worker always asks anyone about to go on vacation if they're already "winding down." And, yes, I'm winding down and ready to recharge a sputtering battery.

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Her plight

What I, The Fab Four Lady, would like to discuss is the plight of Lettie Thomas, who was recently stranded on Wayne Road by the police.

When Lettie's protégé, Willie Slater, was arrested, taken to jail, and the car was towed off with Lettie's purse in it, she was reported to have been told by the police to "Have a nice day."

Now, The Fab Four Lady wasn't there at the scene, to either confirm or deny what really happened, but I will say this: I have suffered the same plight as Lettie more than once in my lifetime ... as have many others, as well. And, it is a horrible thing for

anyone, especially a woman, to be left standing on a dark street, in a totally strange neighborhood, all alone, with no money — not even knowing in which direction to turn. Total disorientation.

This situation made Lettie as a sheep in a den of wolves – a vulnerable target for any sort of predator who might have seen her. A mugger, a butcher, a sadist, a rapist, anyone. And, those who turned her into a target should be doing some very serious thinking about how much more severe the situation could have been.

You know, once, when I resided in Hollywood, there was a police officer who helped me by asking me to sit in the front seat of his car, while he called in a "public assistance" call, followed by a ride to a safer location. So, we all know that the police could have helped Lettie – even if this isn't California. And, if the police are here to "protect and serve," then why was Lettie forced to be left un-protected and not served with public assistance in any way? No lift, no purse, no phone call. Where was the compassion and love that she so desperately needed?

Not only was she made into a target, she was humiliated, degraded, debased and reduced into begging for change from a total stranger to make that one phone call to sanity ... to her brother for a ride. To force someone—against their will—to become a target is bad enough, but to also force them into panhandling is beyond compre-

hension.

When I listened to Lettie on the televised council meeting of Monday, June 5, and saw the tears rolling down her cheeks, I just wanted to reach out and give her a hug – and take away her hurt. I was so glad to see that others felt the same way.

This is not an anti-police article because I do realize that the police have a job to do. But, I do suggest that, in these situations where someone is left stranded, that, since the police were the ones who were responsible, that they should have resolved the situation by at least offering someone a lift or making a call, etc. I don't think the taxpayers would object too much to a pay phone call under these circumstances. I wouldn't.

And, Lettie, The Fab Four Lady still wishes to take away some of your hurt with a hug. And, I hope that Willie is OK, too.

> The Fab Four Lady, Angela Frances Todd

Useful information

Thank you for interviewing and publishing the comments made in the school board interview. I now might vote in the Wayne-Westland school board election, as this seems to be a stepping stone to other appointments and elections.

Janet Marcaccini Westland

Technology fuels changes in our society and politics

ou no longer have to be a Republican to be pro-business. You no longer have to a Democrat to be pro-worker," state Attorney General Jennifer Granholm said recently on Mackinac Island. It was part of a speech given in a fund-raising reception for herself and Secretary of State Candice Miller during the Detroit Regional Chamber's Leadership Policy Conference.

The gist of the talk was that the interests of the two political parties are coming together. Workers don't do well when business is bad. Businesses don't do well when it's hard to find employees.

It's a bit of an oversimplification. Chamber President Richard Blouse would argue that his organization has been supporting Democratic candidates all along, but Granholm's comments served to point out some of the trends that have emerged in the conference. Changes in the social and scape are also changing politics. And the driving factor is often technology.

Among the biggest changes is Michigan's low unemployment rate. That's produced a worker shortage. Michigan is already an estimated 20,000 workers short in engineering and other high-tech fields. Attracting employees has become such a major issue that government officials at the state and county level have begun. recruitment efforts to bring new employees to the state. Finding and attracting new employees, in fact, was the subject of the session on the island. Obviously that leads to better pay and benefits for employees.

Another issue affected by this change is the environment. A subject that used to pit businesses against activists has seen new interest from both sides. As Bill Rustem of Public Sector Consultants pointed out, it's a quality of life issue. Employees won't come to this state if they find it to be a polluted, dirty place to live. And that may count for the renewed level of interest on the part of businesses for addressing the environment and urban sprawl.

Those social changes also create a whole new set of issues, although the resulting divisions occur, not necessarily between the political parties, but sometimes in places rather unexpected. A case in point may be the issue of taxation on the Internet. Republicans at the state level want to begin applying sales taxes to items purchased across the Internet. They maintain the law has been on the books for years to tax out of state sales. Residents saw the first attempt to collect on tax forms this past April.

But the feds want to put a moratorium on



MIKE MALOTT

new taxes on the Internet. In fact, they just extended their old three-year moratorium to a new five-year moratorium. The reason, according to U.S. Rep. Sander Levin, D-Southfield, is that state and local governments collect such a wide variety of sales taxes, and some at different rates, that collecting it would be difficult at best. In the session on Mackinac regarding ecommerce, he urged states to use the time to consolidate and coordinate the way they collect sales tax.

Another new issue is where to get all those high-tech workers so much in demand. That, of course, is the issue that has U.S. Sen. Spence Abraham embroiled in controversy with his challenger, U.S. Rep. Debbie Stabenow. He's proposed granting more visas to foreign workers who have high-tech skills. His critics argue that steals jobs away from Michigan workers. But Abraham maintains that if we tried to train that many workers from among our own population it would put the state behind in technological development.

It turns out there are several "digital divides," not just one, a contention supported by the work of Katherine Willis, president of Cyberstate.org. There is the divide between haves and have-nots, of course. But there is also a huge division between young and old. Interestingly, there are regional variations in access to computers and technology. Detroit and the Thumb lag behind the rest of the state.

How and what, if anything, the state should be doing about these discrepancies are issues that have Republicans and Democrats alike scratching their heads and searching for solutions. And it's no longer easy to predict where they may land.

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State's fastest growing county gets daily paper

Michigan's fastest growing county will have its first daily newspaper — and the nation's first new daily since 1997 — when The Livingston County Daily Press & Argus hits news stands Sept. 6.

The new daily, published by HomeTown Newspapers, will merge the Livingston County Press and Brighton Argus, two of the oldest and most respected twice-weekly newspapers in the state.

The County Press, based in Howell, is 155 years old. Ten miles to the southeast is Brighton, where the Argus is 120 years old. Both papers currently are published twice weekly – on Wednesdays and Sundays. They will be combined into a single newspaper that will be published in the afternoon Monday through Friday. A weekend edition will be delivered Sunday mornings.

The Livingston County Daily Press & Argus will maintain both editorial staffs as well as their offices. The company anticipates the creation of several new positions. Phil Jerome will retain his position as executive editor.

The dynamic growth of Livingston County has created the need for a daily newspaper, according to Rich Perlberg, vice president and general manager of HomeTown Newspapers. "This is an exciting announcement for both the company and the people of Livingston County," he said. "This newspaper will play an important role in unifying the county."

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The county currently has the highest median household income (\$58,349) in the state. During a formal announcement to employees on June 8, company officials promised that the new daily would be guided by traditional HomeTown values.

"Our objective has always been to be the sole unsubstitutable source of information to people in this county," said Perlberg. "We will continue to provide the essential tools for living the good life in Livingston County. Those are the values that have brought us this far and they will drive us in the future."

The County Press was named the best weekly newspaper in the United States last year by the National Newspaper Association. The Argus has been named the best community weekly newspaper in the state

by the Michigan Press Association for the past two years.

The new paper is expected to debut with a paid circulation of more than 20,000. That would make its circulation larger than the combined circulation of all other newspapers in Livingston County. It would also make it one of the 20 largest of the state's 50 daily newspa-

Press & Argus readers will continue to find the extensive local coverage they've come to expect in their HomeTown weekly newspapers. In addition, the new daily will carry state, national and world news as well as a complete sports line-up, nationally recognized syndicated columnists, stock reports and all the other features commonly associated with daily newspapers.

HomeTown Newspapers is a subsidiary of the Livonia-based HomeTown Communications Network, which publishes 70 weekly and twice-weekly newspapers in Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky, including all Observer & Eccentric editions.

This will be the corporation's first daily newspaper. Home-Town Communications also publishes phone directories, specialty publications and the Insider Business Journal of Livingston, West Oakland and Washtenaw counties.

Last month, the corporation announced the formation of HomeTownDigital.com, which will develop Internet solutions for local merchants and manage all Web activity for HomeTown Communications Network (www.home townnewspapers.net)

Read Arts and Entertainment coverage every Sunday and Thursday

State environment agency launches Web site

The Department of Environmental Quality is launching its environmental education Internet Web site, which provides science-based information for all levels of interest, Director Russell Harding said.

The DEQ has offices throughout the state including one on Seven Mile in Livonia.

The Web site at www. deq. state, mi. us/ enved was devel-

oped by the DEQ's Office of Communications and Education with assistance from throughout the agency. It has information suited for casual and sophisticated users. The site features separate sections for students, educators and the general public. It also includes a Kids' Corner, which links to games and activities that will appeal to younger viewTopics are listed under four main subject areas in each section: air, land, waste and water. In addition, the site offers sections on special events and dates, access to environmental publications, links to other environmental sites and initiatives, and ways that people can care for the environment.

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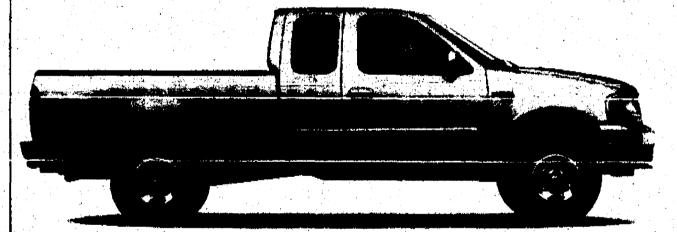
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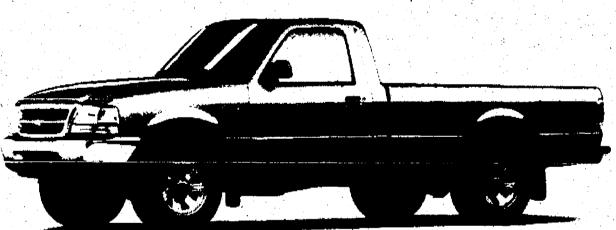
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Honor kids on dad's day

other's Day gets most of the attention. And this year a million moms (well, maybe 750,000) decided to celebrate by marching on Washington to demand more gun control laws. They were doing it "for the children."

When police departments use underage "decoys" to try to purchase. tobacco products from party stores and service stations, they're doing it "for the children."

And when schools enact and enforce "zero tolerance" policies, they are, of course, doing it "for the children."

Yet there is no day set aside to honor children in the same way that Mother's Day honors mothers or Father's Day honors fathers. And with all of these groups intent on protecting children from themselves, the question arises: What are we doing to the children in the process?

As fathers, let's turn things around and use this Father's Day to honor some of the children who have become victims of mindless policies allegedly designed to "protect" them. Let's

remember (and perhaps apologize to): ■ The 17-year-old Eagle Scout honors student and leader of a Christian youth group in Savannah, Ga., who was given a long-term suspension and transferred to an "alternative school" after school officials searched his locked car and found a broken ax in the trunk and a Boy Scout pocket knife and cell phone in the glove compartment. He had used the ax the previous night in a demonstration at a Scout meeting. The knife and cell phone were gifts from his father. But possession of the items violated the school's code of conduct and he was ousted.

■ The North Carolina high school student who was suspended for a full year and transferred to an "alternative school" after police, conducting a random search for drugs on school property, found a hunting rifle in its case inside his locked car. He had gone hunting before school that day and in his rush to get to school on time had left the rifle in the car. No charges were filed, no police action taken, the superintendent admitted the student had no ulterior motive. But rules are rules and he was out.

■ Also in that same North Carolina district, the fifth-grader who brought knife, the friend told a teacher and, as the principal explained, "we followed proper procedure by calling the police." Since, according to the principal, the knife was not considered to be a weapon, and it was not a firearm situation, he was suspended for three days."

The 9-year-old New Jersey student who said he was going to "shoot" a female classmate with a paper wad propelled from a rubber band. The girl told her par-

Jersey kindergartners who were suspended for three days after pointing their fingers at each other and saying "Bang! Bang!" during a game of cope and robbers on the school playground. "We have to be extra careful in today's world," the principal explained. "It may be just a game or something said in jest, but it can be

The Seattle sixth-grader who was expelled when a squirt gun fell out of his backpack in the school lunchroom. Three weeks later the expulsion was reduced to a suspension and he was allowed back in school - after his par-

kindergartner in Pitteburgh who was suspended for one day after the school principal had a "serious problem' with the child's Hallowsen costume. The costume, which the kid's mother had bought, was a firefighter's outfit: a yellow plastic jacket, a red helmet and - the problem - a five-inch plastic firefighter's ax!

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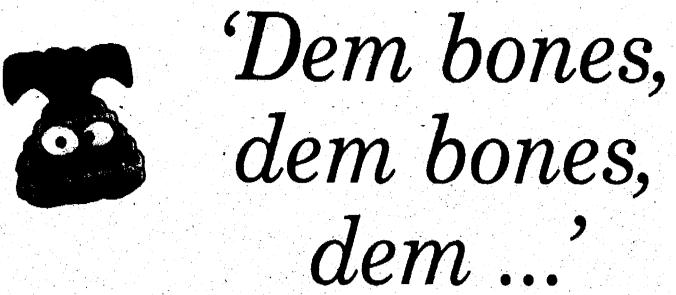
a decorative pocket knife to school for show-and-tell. He never got that far. After telling a friend that he had the

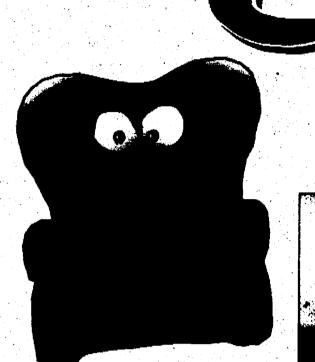
ents about it that night, they called school officials, the officials called police and after midnight two uniformed police officers showed up at the kid's home, rousted him out of bed and questioned him. The cops decided it wasn't a police matter. When the boy's parents met with school officials the next day, the officials said their son could return to class - but only after he had been "evaluated" by an outside psychologist.

The Sayreville Four," four New taken differently by other children."

ents hired a lawyer. Last, but not least, the 5-year-old

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ids who play with Crazy Bones aren't aware of the guerrilla marketing approach" the company credits to its growing success, they only know they like playing with. trading and collecting the plastic figures because - they're cool.

"Crazy Bones are a really cool thing at school," said Alex Turchan, 9, of Livonia who has been trading and playing with Crazy Bones for the past year.

Based on ancient Greco-Roman games known as tabas and astragal, children 2,000 years ago painted faces on clean, dried sheep knuckle bones and would throw them on the ground similar to the clear, metallic and brightly colored plastic figures of today. Each Crazy Bone is a unique character played to classic games like marbles, tidily winks, jacks and bowling.

How to

Playing the game "traditionally" calls for each player to take turns throwing Crazy Bones in the air at

> the same time. Your score depends on how your Crazy Bones land. Standing up five points; on their side two points; face up one point; and face down zero points.

Maybe that's what makes the game itself so popular - the simplicity of play. But when it comes to collecting and trading the plastic figures it's the names, faces and attitudes of the characters that really draw Crazy Bones fans.

"My favorites are Jaws, James Bone and Melon Head," said Alex, who attends Adams Elementary School in Livonia.

The third grader said Crazy Bones are now banned from being brought or played at his school because kids were having them stolen away. That hasn't slowed the playing of the game any at

home, according to Maria Turchan, mother of Alex, 9, Jacob, 7, and Tyler, 4. "Now that the weather is nicer they're a little more busy with soccer and baseball but they love playing and collecting," said Maria. "I think they're cute ... all the faces and funny names. I never let them get

into the Pokemon thing. All they could do was look at those. They can play games with Crazy

Currently there are eight character series (Series I/GoGo's, Series Il/Things, Aliens, Buddies, Sports Bones, Glowies, Toy Story 2), the newest being Dragonball Z based on good and bad guys from FUNimation's "Dragon Ball Z," an animated television show on the Cartoon Network. Among the character series there are approximately 280 Crazy Bones personalities and countless games that can be played with the one-inch figurines, including Crasy Score, On the Line, Airbone,



Tressure: Jacob Liepshutz, 7, of West Bloomfield looks for: a bone to trade.



Concentration: Kirsten Wood, 9, of Livonia shoots a Crazy Bone playing battle at the Gags & Gifts Crazy Bones Extravaganza in Livonia. Below, Alex Turchan (from left), Jonathon Holmes, Nicholas Najduk, Jacob Turchan, Richard Holmes (behind right) and - throwing a crazy bone -Tyler Turchan, all from Livonia, play bomber box.

> Bowling, Battle, Bomber, Bone Roll and Buseball.

Eight-year-old Richard Holmes of Livonia says bowling is his favorite game to play with some of the more than 80 characters he has in his collection.

"I like playing the game Keeps, too," said Richard. "If you win, you get to keep the other person's Crazy Bone. Sometimes it's easy.'

Humble beginnings

Illustrations discovered in a city called Resnia helped revive the ancient game of tabas. Drawings painted on marble showed children playing with the. bone-like gamepieces dating back more than 2,000

Realistically though, the Crazy Bones company knew kids in the 21st century wouldn't go for a game marketed on the fact that it was once played with the knuckle bones of animals, and with a less than plentiful advertising budget, marketing gurus initiated a region-by-region, grassroots marketing approach.

According to Dolly Hiller, Toy Craze public relations spokesperson, product samples were handed out and demonstrations performed in shopping centers, on street corners, at scouting meetings and YMCAs with the "pass it on" philosophy. Toy maker Jose Maria Bella created the injection-

molded plastic figures after a museum visit several years ago, Magic Box International introduced Crazy Bones in Europe in 1996 under the name GoGo's. Sales in the first 2 years reached \$300 million. On U.S. soil, David Gantner, a 30-year-old busi-

nessman and his brother, Peter, purchased the rights to sell Crazy Bones from Magic Box International in 1997. Gantner started the exhaustive "guerrilla marketing" approach that has generated significant enthusiasm throughout the country.

Toy Craze President Bill Flaherty said the "labor intensive" approach to product distribution is paying

"The key is getting them into the hands of kids." said Flaherty, a Washington, D.C., native who in

December 1997 became president of the Ohio-based toy company that licenses and distributes Crazy "The game doesn't really come across on television.

You have to hold them and play with them and then you're hooked. That's why the different strategies we have initiated to get the product on the market have been suc-

cessful." Jacob Turchan, 7, and his friend Jonathan Holmes, 6. both say getting a new Crazy Bones either by winning, trading or buying is the best thing about the toys.

Both first graders have favorites - Jacob's being Fly Boy and Jonathon's E.T. - but it's Nitro they're in hot pursuit of.

"I haven't been able to get him yet," said Jacob. "but he's the one I really want."

On the horizon

Flaherty said the company is looking forward to offering monster sized Crazy Bones this fall in

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Mondays at Manny's

A recipe for genuine fatherhood, strong family bond

STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA omecomm.net

Time: 6 p.m. any Monday Place: Manny's house, Livonia

Manny Pollack finishes cooking the data and sauce, his attention set firmly the task at hand while family and Mands swarm around him setting sities and chattering. The smell of garbread wafts from the kitchen and **Midren run past the table.**

the number of cars lining the curb mear the Pollack house, it looks like a party. But the routine is the same every Monday; it's spaghetti night. Not one of his seven children, their spouses, or 11 grandchildren can quite remember when the tradition began. "It started way back," said Manny. "It goes back at feast 15 years."

But every week the 70-year-old father and grandfather cooks as his family mathers to share stories and pasta in the Livonia home where they grew up. It's a symbol of the closeness the family sbares.

"We moved here in 1958," said Poltack of his neighborhood. "We moved

into this house in 1965. It was actually ffordable at that ime. The school system was always won-

When his wife died of breast cancer at age 38, Pollack was left to raise all seven children, who then ranged in age from 3 to 17. "We all man-

aged," he said. "We had to run with it. Back then we didn't have chemotherapy. I didn't know what I was going to

While working for 40 years as a truck driver for a rental service, he managed to become the full-time father all his

children still admire and adore.

"I never thought of my family as being unusually close," said Pollack. "I thought all families were this

Working together

Growing up in the Pollack household meant working together. "We had hard-and-fast rules," said Manny. "There was always one way to do things, that was the right way. We always ate dinner together. They all had a chance to speak their peace."

Pollack stressed the importance of education. He doesn't smoke. When the kids were growing up no phone calls were allowed after 9:30 p.m.

David Pollack, the oldest of the children, shared responsibilities as a head figure in the family. Affectionately called the "Uncle Charlie" of the family - as in the My Three Sons character - David was the one who made lunches for his siblings and was in charge of going to the store every week to buy milk.

Next in line by age is Debbie Mulder, who claims she was the "mom" in

the family while her siblings were growing up. "Even now, people still come to me and say, 'Can I ask your opinion?"

Calling on Dad

Despite her takecharge role, Mulder insists there exists a bond in the family like no other. She shares a

special closeness with her father. "I just have the greatest admiration for him. I lost my husband when I was 30. I just had one child (to raise)."

Sue Thomas of Livonia said love and closeness make up the bond her family



Family: Sandy Luck (from left, front), Dave Pollack, father Manny Pollack, Debbie Mulder-Wietecha, Kenny Pollack, Sue Thomas and (behind left) Scott Pollack and Gary Pollack gather for spaghetti every Monday evening. Below, granddaughter Anne Marie Pollack gets a bite of spaghetti from "PaPa" Pollack.

shares. "My dad is everything to me. I can talk to him about absolutely everything."

"There isn't a day that goes by, if anything goes wrong, I call on my dad," added sister Sandy Luck of Manchester.

Making time

Gary Pollack, a Plymouth Township resident, admits he's probably most like his father. From a love of sports to their twice-annual trips to Las Vegas, he and his father share several interests. But what has impressed him most about his father is the way Manny Pollack has always been there when his children needed him.

"As busy as he was, he always had time for us," said Gary. "He coached three of us in Little League baseball. He was involved in Scouts."

His wife Annette is proud to be a member of the family as well. "He's a wonderful man and every one of his kids takes after him," she said. "He does not play favorites."

That's a big deal in a big family, and it's probably the reason sibling rivalry is absent, even at family functions like Monday's at Manny's.

Taking care of business

But taking care of people has always been his business. And it's known

throughout the neighborhood. Linda Lawing, mother of Kelly Pollack (who's married to the youngest Pollack - Kenny) and a Livonia resident, calls Manny the "Mayor of Livonia."

Always on top of any situation, she said he's the watchdog of the neighborhood and the first to call Detroit Edison when the power goes out. He's the resident most likely to keep abreast of the news in his town, and the surrounding areas where his children live, and he won't hesitate to take action when he discovers something wrong in the community.

When Manny sees something on sale he thinks of his kids. If he gets a good deal on a dozen eggs, he'll give them to Annette because she likes to bake. If he finds a sale on children's clothes, the grandkids will find gifts when it isn't even their birthdays.

Scott Pollack, a Northville resident, calls his father a "giver." "He walks probably six miles a day. He runs errands for us. He always baby-sits the kids."

For Kenny Pollack, the youngest sibling, life without his mother was all he knew. "I was 3 when my mom died. I have no memory of her. He made time for everyone." Now he and wife Kelly - a neighbor he met at age 10 - are raising three girls of their own.

Living only two streets away from where they grew up, Kenny said he wouldn't miss spaghetti night. "I'm here every week. It's something I look forward to: It's just a sign we are so close."

When the tribe leaves around 8:30 p.m., Manny sits back in his chair and says "phew." "I've told people God gave me seven children, but took the most precious thing away from me." Still he feels fortunate to have such a loving family and he insists "grandchildren are the joy in my life."

To all the Mannys out there, we wish you a very Happy Father's Day.

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McDonald's Happy Meals.

Points of purchase

dle Kidoodle of Northville and Gags and Gifts of Livonia sell Crazy Bones and related merchandise to both boys and girls ranging in age from approximately 5 to 12 years old. Kim Conrad, assistant manager of

Gags and Gifts, said they've had exchanges." Crazy Bones in stock for a couple The assistant store manager cases," added Conrad. "We have of years but have seen an said Crazy Bones packets, which it all." increase in popularity with some local demonstrations and a "Crazy Bones Extravaganza". they held in April.

"Every Friday night from 7 to 8 p.m. we're going to have a trading night here," said Conrad, "where kids can do one-on-one

contain three and four figures

coffins, starter kits and metal of foot traffic from Crazy Bones Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum

Kierstyn Oldenburt, assistant and stickers per foil pack, retail store manager of Noodle Kidoo as stock permits. for \$1.99. "We also sell Crazy dle, said Crazy Bones are "huge"

free" sale runs through July 25

cages, bags, wallets, magnets, retailer said her store sees a lot 2-3-4" traveling exhibit at the boncs.com

enthusiasts and she expects to (220 E. Ann Street, Ann Arbor) see more as a buy one - get one from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, July 11. Call the museum at (734) 995. 5439. If you would like to know The Crazy Bones team will more about Crazy Bones visit the Bones merchandise such as in this area. The Northville make an appearance at the "Fun official Web site at www.crazy-

CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185-2298, on or before June 20, 2000, at 11:00 a.m. (no exceptions) for the installation, removal & replacement of asphalt sidewalks, driveways and pavement. Bids will be powed publicly and read aloud.

Contract Documents may be examined at the City of Westland Engineering Division, 37095 Marquette, Westland, Michigan 48185, (734) 467-3246. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Contract documents may be obtained after 9:00 a.m. on June 12, 2000, at the City of Westland's Engineering Division. A non-refundable charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25) will be made for each set of Contract Documents.

Bach proposal shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked with the name of bidder and shall be plainly marked on the lower front, left-hand corner. Proposal - Installation, Removal and Replacement of Asphalt Sidewalks, Driveways and Pavement." Proposals must be addressed to the Purchasing Agent's Office located at 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before the time specified above.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid and be payable without condition to the City of Westland as security for acceptance of the Contract.

No bill may be withdrawn for at least thirty (30) days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids.

Bid From No: 463-062000

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JILL B. THOMAS **Purchasing Agent**

CITY OF WESTLAND

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Tuesday, June 20, 2000, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct Public Austiens of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The first auction will be in premptly at 19:00 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:

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***SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION** Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road May 15, 2000

*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of May 15, 2000; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Timmons convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia Present: Kirsten Galka, Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons, Absent: None.

Carli Scholarship Recipients: The James P. Carli Scholarships (\$1,000) were awarded to the following seniors: Danielle Renee Zucchet, Churchill; Lisette Trudell, Franklin, and Stephanie Harris, Stevenson.

Recess: President Timmons recessed the meeting at 7:18 p.m. to congratulate the Carli recipients and reconvened the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Audience Communications: Margie Roney, 28940 Morlock, Franklin parent, discussed the attendance policy letter and the appropriate MEAP breakfast for students. Jim Flatley, 14621 Riverside, addressed the Board regarding procedures for Section 504 and when the district was going to comply.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the Board approve the following consent agenda items as recommended by the superintendent: IV.A Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of April 17, 2000. IV.B Minutes of the Closed Session of May 8, 2000. VI.A Move that general fund check nos. 335090 through 335941, in the amount of \$6,058,062.41 be approved for payment. Also move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$7,105,570.70 be approved. VI.B Move that general fund check nos. 335942 through 336711 in the amount of \$794,939.08 be approved for payment. Also move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$396,660.91 be approved. VI.C Move that the Board adopt a resolution appointing election inspectors for the regular school election on Monday, June 12, 2000. VLD Move that the Board acknowledge receipt of the results of the canvass of the April 10, 2000, special school election for Livonia Public Schools, which was certified unanimously by the Board of Canvassers at a meeting on April 14, 2000. VI.E Move that the Board approve the low bid of \$17,560 from Turner Brooks to replace the locker room ceiling a Churchill High School. VLF Move that the Board approve the low bid of \$23,877 from The Tom Company for the replacement of lavatory partitions at Lowell Middle School. VI.G Move that the Board approve the purchase of 8 Power Macintosh G4 computers with internal zip drives, 8 monitors, and 4 iMation Super Disk USB drives from Apple Computer, Inc., the sole supplier for a total purchase price of \$16,652. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Gift-Adams PTA: Motion by Morgan and Nalley that the Board accept the generous gift of \$4,347 from the Adams Elementary School PTA for 4 Lifeline Amplification Systems and for the purchase of needed materials for the Early Literacy Volunteers (ELVs) program. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Gift-Grant PTA: Motion by Galka and Lessard that the Board accept the generous gift of \$1,670 from the Grant Elementary School PTA to buy six 8foot galvanised steel inground benches. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakee, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Nays: None.

Gift-Nankin Miller Motion by Nay and Morgan that the Board accept the generous gift of \$5,125 from the Nankin Mills Elementary School PTA for the purchase of 15 microscopes and 3 ELMO magnification unit. Ayes: Galka, Rokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Gift-Webster PTA: Motion by Morgan and Galka that the Board accept the generous gift of \$1,400 from the Webster Elementary School PTA for the purchase of 83 standing oscillating fans to be used throughout the building. Ayes: Galks, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays:

Gift-TRW Donation: Motion by Lessard and Gulka that the Board accept the donation of \$5,000 from TRW. This donation will be used to enhance the Title I summer reading program (\$4,000), provide information on developmental assets researched by the Search Institute to parents, stuff, and students (\$600), and to provide a series of lesson plans (Analyse and Apply) to propare middle school students for life success (\$400). Ayes: Galka, Rokenskes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Nays: None.

Tonobaru for Approval: Motion by Nay and Onika that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 2000-01 school year to the following: Christopher Bohn, Adam Bos. . David Mitchall Klisch th Kob Skymanski: Ayus: Galks, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Tingmans, Nays: Nose,

Authorization to Accept Resignations: Motion by Kokenakes and Morgan that the Board authorize the superintendent or the designee to accept employee resignations on its behalf for the 2000-01 school year. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Appointment of Director of Research & Child Accounting: Motion by Lessard and Nay that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and appoint Terrence Davidson to the position of director of research and child accounting beginning July 1, 2000. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Nays: None. Appointment of Elementary Principals: Motion by Galka and Lessard

that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and employ

Kay DePerro, Melissa Meister, and Charlotte Worthen as elementary principals beginning August 14, 2000. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons: Nays: None. Appointment of High School Assistant Principals: Motion by Nay and Morgan that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and employ Cynthia DeMan, Louis Fox, and James Gibbons as high school

Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Nays: None. Appointment of Coordinator of Assessment & Evaluation: Motion by Lessard and Nay that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and employ Robert West as coordinator of assessment and evaluation beginning August 7, 2000. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard,

assistant principals beginning August 14, 2000. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes,

Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Navs: None. Leaves: Motion by Morgan and Galka that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and approve the requests for leaves of absence for: Janice Filiatraut, child care leave; Susan McCoy, personal leave; Julie Pappas, child care leave, effective 8/24/2000; and Shelley Stockwell, extension of personal leave, elective 8/14/2000. Ayes: Galka,

Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Nays: None. Retirements The board unanimously adopted a resolution of appreciation for the services rendered by Joan Handloser.

Resignation: The Board accepted a resignation for James Pardo, effective

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Watson congratulated the Churchill AFJROTC for receiving an "Outstanding" rating for Academic Year 1999-2000; acknowledged receipt of a memo from Principal John Markiewicz that Frost received an Honorable Mention from Michigan Education Association for their participation in the STEPS OF SUCCESS program; received a letter from parents of Sue Berrelez's first grade class at Johnson school bestowing outstanding remarks for MS. Sherrie Schuck who has been i long-term sub during Mrs. Berrelez's maternity leave; was in receipt of another letter bringing attention to Kristen Peterson, SACC teacher at Rardolph, whose work is that of an unsung heroine; announced that the following schools received accreditation for the 1959-2000 school year from the North Central Association: Hoover, Randolph, Churchill, Franklin, Stevenson, the Livonia Career/Technical Center, and Washington was accepted into membership this year; anhounced that Mayor Kirksey is conducting a Town Hall meeting at the Civic Center Library on Monday, May 15 at 7 p.m. to talk about what is happening in the city, in local homes. businesses, schools, and the courts to promote a drug-free community. received a note from William Petrere, teacher at Frost, announcing that Megan McLeod, junior at Stevenson, is a national champion in girls' ice. hockey; and introduced a video presentation of the Stevenson High School Percussion Ensemble performing a number that represents the four years of high school. The number, entitled "Retrospect", is performed by seniors Katie Russom, Jenny Soiak, Jason Caminsky, Rob Coran, Aaron Cushieri, and Mike List.

Hearing from Board Members: The Board congratulated the new administrative appointees and the new teachers and wished them well in their new positions; thanked TRW for their generous gift; gave a brief synopsis of the career of Dr. Dale Coller whose contract will and this school year; thanked the LEA and Dr Watson for the dinner celebration at Laurel Manor honoring all the teachers who are retiring this school year; attended the MASB Awards Ceremony in Lincoln Park where the Board was honored along with individual Board members from our district and spoke of a young man from Northville School District that was receiving an award who spoke of people who make a difference in your life and that person was his high school principal. Dr. Kenneth Watson; introduced Mr. Larry Naser who is running for school board and a strong advocate for special needs children. spoke about the difference that Dr. Watson makes for the district; spoke of the three exceptional recipients of the Carli Scholarship and how every student in this district has the opportunity to be the best they can be; and thanked Karen Zyczynski who hosted the LEA Retirement dinner at Laurel Manor.

Adjournment: Motion by Kokenakes and Lessard that the regular meeting of May 15, 2000 be adjourned. Ayes: Galks, Kokenskes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Titsmons, Nays: None

President Timmons adjourned the meeting at 8.44 p.m. Publish: June 14, 2000

ANNIVERSARY

Pinard

Ronald and Rachel (Mecteau) Pinard celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May.

The couple wed on May 15, 1950 in Quebec, Canada and they have lived in Michigan since 1971. The Pinards have seven children, Diane, Jacques, Johanne, Mario, Marielle, Carol



who live Michigan. The couple also has 13 grandchildren.

and David,

Ronald retired in 1989 from A.M. Gen-

eral as a sheet metal supervisor and now spends his time in his wood shop, gardening and fish-



ing. His wife Rachel is a homemaker and also enjoys playing cards and bingo.

After renewing their vows for their anniversary, the Pinards enjoyed a family dinner and party at the Doherty Hotel in. Clare.

NEW ARRIVALS

■ Bill and Teri Evans of Centerline, formerly of Westland announce the birth of their daughter Rachel Nicole born Dec. 27 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. She joins twin brothers Joshua and Zachary, 4. Grandparents are John and Diane Macik of Plymouth Township and Bill and Sandy Evans of Brighton, formerly of Redford.

■ Derek and Michel Brewer of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter Marissa Leigh born April 29 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Darrell and Lynn Wolfrum of Brighton and Chuck and Pam Clinton of Westland.

Mr. and Mrs. Andre' Spears of Westland announce the birth of their daughter Ciare Cherish born April 6 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Siblings are Ronal, 6; Trevan, 4; and Julius, 2. Grandparents are Guy-mil and Somalia Sanders of Detroit and the Hall family.

■ Stephanie and Jason Riling of Garden City announce the birth of their son Drake Andrew born April 7 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Cindy Jacka, John Riling, Vickie Schmidt, and John Fultz.

■ Steven and Rhonda Ferguson of Redford announce the birth of Nathanael Jacob born April 8 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Paul and Sharon Shaw of Dearborn and George and Bon-

nie Ferguson of Ypsilanti. ■ Todd Nabozny and Michelle Noll of Garden City announce the birth of their son Trevor Jay Nabozny born April 10 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Katherine Nabozny of Garden City and Patrick and Joanne

Noll of Garden City. ■ Laina Burgan and Mark Sanderson of Westland announce the birth of their son Anthony James Allen Burgan born April 17 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Toni Burgan of Westland and Robin Ashford of Westland. Great-grandmother is Marjorie Painter of Westland.

Elliott Thorn and Lanise Farmer Thorn of Wayne announce the birth of their daughter Kaleeya Chantay Joelle Thorn born April 17 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Darnell and Corrine of Detroit.

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Burnham-Bakowski

Pat Burnham and the late Kenneth W. Burnham Sr. of Minden, Louisiana announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lisa Lynn, to Adam John Bakowski of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Minden High School in Louisiana and a 1997 graduate of the University of Arizona in Tucson, where she earned a degree in psychology. She is currently employed as a veterinary receptionist and assistant at VCA Woodland Animal Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé, son of Robert and Irene Bakowski of Canton, is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and 1998 graduate of Michigan State University where he earned a degree in zoology. He is currently employed as an animal care supervisor at the Lab Animal Medicine Unit of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Berger-Belcher

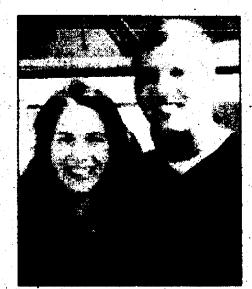
Stuart and Sheila Berger of Villanova, Penn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle to Matthew Steven Belcher of Los Angeles, formerly of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is an elementary teacher in Los Angeles, Calif. She received her bachelor's degree from Pennsylvania State College and her master's degree in education from St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia.

Her fiancé, son of Jeanne Belcher of Milford and Walter Belcher of Waterford, is a graduate of Clarenceville High School. He received his bachelor's degree from Albion College and attended Thomas Cooley Law School and Georgetown Law School in Washington D.C. He is a mem-



A June wedding is planned in Nassau, Bahamas, A reception will be held in Shreveport, Louisiana in June and in Dearborn in July to honor the couple.



ber of the Michigan Bar Association and is employed as an attorney for KPMG in Los Angeles, specializing in tax law.

A June wedding is planned in

Villanova.

ONLINE ANNOUNCEMENT FORMS

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ENGAGEMENTS

Dick-Berres

Pam and John Janson of Walled Lake and Chris Dick of Milford announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Teresa Lynn to Scott Berres of White Lake.

The bride-to-be earned a business management degree from Oakland Community College.

Her fiance, son of Donna DeGennaro of Sterling Heights and Ray and Pat Berres of Berkley, graduated from North Farmington High School. He is currently working as a facilities and machine technician at Cardell/Molex.

A June wedding is planned at St. Anne's Episcopal Church in Walled Lake.

Robertson-Valik

Wally and Lauri Robertson of Chelsea announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Lynn, to Ryan Karl Valik of Hartland.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 Plymouth-Salem High School graduate and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in medical technology. She works for Parke-Davis in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé, son of Tommi Latoff of Frederic, Mich., and Tony Valik of Corunna, is a 1993 graduate of Hartland High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University, where he obtained a bachelor's degree in crop and soil science.



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A June wedding is planned in Ann Arbor.

CRAFTS CALENDAR

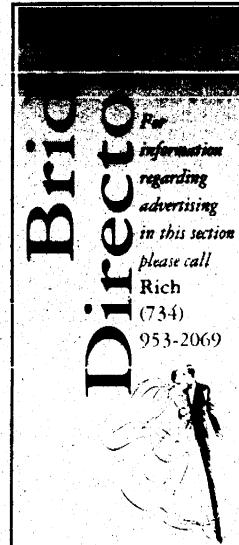
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Crafters are needed for the Saturday, June 24 "Craft Fayre and Ice Cream Social" at the Wayne Tower Senior Citizens Apartment Building. The event will run from noon to 3 p.m. at 35200 Sims. Wayne. For information or to participate as a crafter call Constance or leave a message at (734) 721-9254 -- Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. All donations from the ice cream social will be donated to

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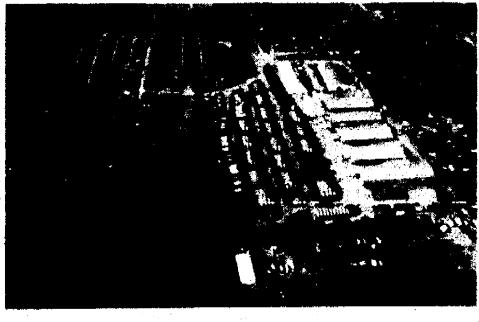
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AT THE LIBRARY

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY The Friends of 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

RECREATION

library.

BAILEY POOL The Bailey Center pool is open 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

Marquette House assisted living facility, 36000 Campus Drive in Westland. seeks volunteers to spend time with residents to provide an activity or a oneon-one visit. Call Peggy in the activities department, (734) 326-6537.

ALTERRA HELP

Volunteers are needed at Alterra Sterling House and Alterra Clare Bridge Cottage of Westland. The assisted living residences are 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 preemie booties, hats and afghans for area hospitals. Items can be crocheted or knitted. For more information, call Lisa at (734) 326-7759.

VETERAN'S HAVEN

Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate donation program. Donations are taxdeductible. For information, call (734) 728-0527. Food and clothing distribution is available. The center is 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) 862-6424. 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-era veterane from Wayne County who need. ongoing counseling may contact one of the centers operated by the Department of Veteran Amairs, Lincoln Park, at (313) 381-1370 (Chet McLeod) or Detroit at (313) 831-6509

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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 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-

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for preschool programs at Stottlemyer 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: Sparkey Preschool. Registration takes place 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 595-

LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

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

CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-yearolds 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 at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. Call (734) 728-3559.

CARDEN CITY CO-OF 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. NEEL 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 (318) 274-6270.



Gala: Four Chaptains Nursing Care Center recently celebrated Nursing Home Week, with a theme of "Cruise Week." Ports of call included Australia, Italy, Greece and Hawaii. The Hawaiian day featured a luau and entertainment by Fran Price and her Polynesian dancers. Above, resident Helen Pennington and husband John enjoy the fun.

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 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 Coop Preschool is enrolling in programs for 3- and 4-yearolds. For more 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.

CARFIELD CO-OP

Garfield Cooperative Preschool offers programs for children 18 months to 5 years of age. It is 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-yearolds. A pre-kindergarten

readiness class for 5-yearolds 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. MCKINLEY

McKinley Cooperative

Preschool, housed in Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne and Hunter roads in Westland, is holding open registration for 2000-01. Youngsters 2-4 are welcome. The school has a certified teacher. Morning and afternoon classes are offered. For information, call (734) 729-7222.

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 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, 45:30 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.

An adult literacy program is being offered free Wednesdays at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, Voluntéers 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 coop, 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 affected 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 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 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, June 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.

FOR SENIORS

Everyone is welcome.

TIGER GAMES

The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) will sponsor several trips to Detroit Tigers. baseball games this season. Dates are 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.

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 pro-

gram 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. There is an \$8. membership fee for Westland residents. For more information, call (734) 722-

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, 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 will host a 15-day guided tour of four Hawaiian 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 wel-

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, Yosilanti. For more information, call Paula at (734) **995-411**0.

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 is a nonprofit, parentbased, volunteer organization whose aim is 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. M153 meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at OptimEyes, Westland Super Vision Center, 35184 Central City Parkway, Westland. Call (734) 427-5200. Leader, Michele, (734) 422-1726; secretary, Karen. (734) 729-6368.

PUBLIC SPEAKING The Westland Easy Talk-

ers 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 West: land 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 734-591-7278. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

Date and Time:

Additional info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

FUND-RAISING & BENEFITS

Listings for the Funds & Benefits should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131 or e-mail kmortson@ oe. homecomm, net

NEW COOKBOOK ON SALE

The Counsellor's Youth Chorale of Plymouth, CYC, is pleased to announce the sale of their new cookbook "Sing for your Supper." This first edition of a collection of family favorites includes savory recipes from current members of the children's music ministry of Our Lady of good Counsel Church and neighboring communities, as well as alumni and local celebrities. Proceeds from the sale of the cookbooks will benefit the CYC European Tour of the International Children's Choir Festival in London and Parish this summer. Cookbooks are \$15 each and can be reserved by calling (734) 453-0326.

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.

DAR AUCTION

The Daughters of the American Revolution (Sarah Ann Cochrane Plymouth-Northville Chapter) will host an auction/fund-raiser at their June 19 meeting. Please bring school supplies and arts/crafts items to donate as well as books and toiletries for the veterans. Meet at Sandy Rakoczy's home (2862 Woodmont, Canton). For information, directions call Doris Richard (734) 453-4425.

CHICKEN BARBECUE DINNER

Newburgh United Methodist Church will be selling chicken dinners on June 29 to help fund their building project. Telephone orders will be taken through the

church by calling (734) 422-0149 on Wednesday, June 21 and Thursday, June 22 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Do not leave any orders on the answering machine, fax or email. They will be ignored. Call in orders only. Pick up time is Thursday, June 29 from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$7 for adult (1/2 chicken) and \$4 for children (1/4 chicken). You do not need to be a child to order a child's meal. In addition a baked potato, biscuit, cole slaw and dessert will be included. Payment made at the time of order. Checks can be made payable to Newburg UMC.

QOLF CLASSIC

The fifth annual St. Mary Hospital Golf Class 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 fleamarket to be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 8 at Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland, (Next to Big Boy Restaurant on Wayne Road). Space available. Cost is \$20 per spot. Applications are available by calling Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

RELIGION CALENDAR

NORTHYILLE CHRISTIAN

The Northville Christian Assembly, 41355 Six Mile Road in Northville, presents Family Outings, a three-act play about relationships, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 14 and Friday, June 16. Complimentary tickets available, call (248) 348-9030.

TUBBS FAMILY CONCERT

The Jim Tubbs Family will perform in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 18 at Plymouth Church of the Nazarene (45801 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth).

FATHER'S DAY SERVICE Unity of Livonia (28660 Five Mile Road) will hold identical service at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, June 18 honoring fathers. Guest speaker Lucille Sorensen's talk will be titled "The Father Within and Without." The services will be followed by a blueberry pancake breakfast. Fathers eat free while adults are \$3 and children, \$1.50.

UUCF SUNDAY SERVICE The Sunday June 18 service of Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington will include guest speaker Sean Kosofsky, Triangle Foundation's Director of Policy and Victim Services, presenting "Families: Past, Present, and Future" discussing family issues involving gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered individuals and couples. UUCF is a welcoming congregation. Summer services at 10 a.m. only, no Sunday School. UUCF is located at 25301 Halsted Rd. (north of Grand River) Call (248) 478-7272 or visit www. wwnet. conv- uucf/

ST. JOHN'S VBS St. John's Lutheran Church of Redford (13542 Mercedes) is accepting registrations for Vacation Bible School June 19-23. A light supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. each day. Classes for children entering kindergarten in the fall. through adult will be from 6-8:30 p.m. The theme is based on Noah's Ark. Activities include drama, crafts, music and Bible stories. Call (313) 538-2660 to register.

MT. VERNON VBS

Vacation Bible School for Mt. Vernon Baptist Church will be held June 19-23 (8828 Wormer, Redford). The theme is Good News - Ocean Odyssey for children ages 3-12. The session runs from 9:30 a.m. to noon

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Call (313) 537-7480.

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

Join us at the SonZone Discovery Center, the Vacation Bible School at Berean Baptist Church (38303 Eight Mile Road). Son Zone is a very special place — a fantastic inventor's museum designed just for kids. Heré children will join Professor Mega-noggin in her search for God's awesome plan. They'll explore the wonders of God's universe through lively songs, humorous skits and *science-with-a-twist" based crafts and games.

The SonZone Discover Center Vacation Bible School is June 19-23 from 8:45 a.m. to noon. All children who have completed grades 1-6 are welcome.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

St. James Presbyterian Church. 25350 W. Six Mile Road in Redford, will hold Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon June 19-23. Children age 3 through grade six are welcome to attend. The cost is \$5 per child. For more information, call the church office at (313) 534-7730.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Westland Church of the Nazarene, 38600 Palmer Road in Westland, will hold Vacation Bible School 6:30-8 p.m. June 19-23. For more information, call (734) 721-5545.

YACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church (14175 Farmington Road) of 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 19th 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.

YAU BARBECUE

On Saturday, June 24 the Young Adults of Unity will be having a barbecue at Bell Creek Park Picnic Area B at 4 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass and your choice of meats. Drinks and desserts provided. YAU is for singles, couples, high school graduates, collage students and all young adults ages 18-35 who seek fun and fellowship. Bell Creek Park is located on Five Mile Road between Inkster and Beech Daly in Livonia.

ST. RICHARD ANNIVERSARY

St. Richard Parish of Westland will celebrate their 40th anniversary. The even will start with a parish picnic on the parish grounds on Sunday, June 25 from 1-5 mm. Former parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you wish to attend call the rectory (734) 729-2240 and let them know how many will be attend-

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

St. James Presbyterian Church will host a Strawberry Festival after the Sunday, June 25 service at 10 a.m. The church is located at 25350 W. Six Mile Road in Redford Township, Call (313) 534-7730.

SPIRITBOUND APPEARING The vocal group Spiritbound

will appear at 11 a.m. June 25 at Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy road between lilley and Main) in Canton. Call 455-0022 for information.

VBS OUTBACK EXPEDITION

St. Paul's Lutheran Church (201 Elm, Northville) will host Vacation Bible School *Outback Expedition" from 9 a.m. to noon June 26-30 for preschoolers through fifth grade. Register on first day. Call (248) 349-3140.

JULY VES

Explore, experiment, examine! Plymouth First united Methodist church will host Vacation Bible School July 17-21 for grades preschool through sixth. Call (734) 453-5280.

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/ wwme

ST. MATTHEW VES

St. Matthew Lutheran Church and School (5885 Venoy Road) of Westland will host Vacation Bible School June 26-30 from 7-9 p.m. at Holy Word Studios, A light meal will be served from 6:15-7 p.m. with free will offering. The lesson and craft will follow from 7-9 p.m. In addition, adult confirmation class and adult bible class will be offered simultaneously. For information call (734) 425-0260.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile Road in Livonia, will take place 9:30 a.m. to noon June 26-29. Register by June 19 at Fellowship Hall or obtain forms in the church office. For children ages four through the sixth grade Adult adult volunteers are needed. Fee is \$6 per child or \$18 per family. Call 432-0164.

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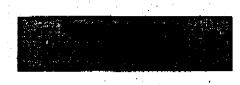
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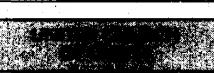
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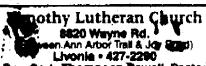


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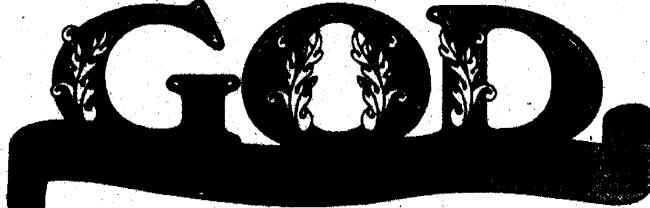
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Son looks inside himself for answers to relationship

As another annual Father's Day approaches, one may wonder, for what purpose? Another Hallmark holiday? Is there any benefit to setting aside time to honor fathering?

Most of us would agree that a good father can greatly benefit the human race, and desire that kind of relationship. But what if we have a father who doesn't seem to deserve honoring? A cold, critical, harsh or unloving father? What then? Father's Day might seem a cruel hoax.

My relationship with my own father from an early age was fraught with anger, resentment and hurt. I saw him as intolerant, emotionally abusive, and unloving. I sought to distance myself from him. I vowed to be nothing like him: By the time I prepared to leave home for college, ugly verbal exchanges were common.

Then in my early twenties a new view of the Bible's teachings showed me I am actually the son of an all loving Father-God, a Father who can do nothing but love me because He is love itself. This true Father knows nothing of an unloved, unlovable son. I learned to know myself as God's image and likeness. And this image and likeness is not the victim of imperfect fathering.

But my spiritual understanding was initially limited. While I had begun to accept my own identity as a son of God, I was not so quick to accept it for others. A particular family function comes to mind. I approached my father with the haughty arrogance of moral superiority. I had decided it was my Christian duty to tolerate him. A predictable nasty exchange followed.

Later in prayer as I attempted to make sense of the situation it dawned on me. While I had been willing to see myself as being loved, I had not been willing to include my father in this same truth: I continued to see him as flawed.

As I continued in prayer I remembered the commandment, "Honor thy father" and the Lord's Prayer Jesus taught us, "forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." Mary Baker Eddy, the discoverer and founder of Christian Science, spiritually interprets this in her textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, as "And Love is reflected in

As I had accepted God's love for me, even so I needed to reflect this love toward my dad. I began to see my father as God sees him, as God meant me to see him. I was able to appreciate his strengths of character. His steadfast commitment to the well-being of his family in good times and bad. His willingness to work excruciatingly long hours to see that we never did without. His unvielding stance in the face of whatever he thought threatened my education and opportunity. His impationce with character weakness.

I realized how much I really did love him and how much more he had given me than I had ever before stopped to appreciate. My own false sense of victimhood had blinded me to this love. And he had continued to love even in the face of this ingratitude.

Our relationship changed. It became characterized by friendly banter, humor, approbation, and solicitous concern - by love. I am now a father to two sons of my own. I am quite amused to hear them tell me that I am a lot like their grandfather. I take this as a compliment. As I came to honor my heavenly Father, so I was able to honor my human

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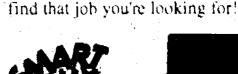
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New arrivals from page B3

Courtney Erdman and Ryun St. John of Westland announce the birth of their son Kyle Sebastian St. John born April 23 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Carole and Kerry Erdman of Redford, Marilyn Parker of Westland and Ron Brady of Dearborn Heights,

■ David and Melissa Oberstaedt of Dearborn Heights announce the birth of their son Nicholas David born April 24 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Nicholas joins sister Kara, 2. Grandparents are Carolyn and Richard Oberstaedt, Dennis and Susan Derouin of Livonia, William Oberstaedt of Garden City and Jackie Komperda of Shelby Township.

■ Michael and Roxanne Dowd of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter Marina Jean born April 25 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Marina joins siblings Travis, 8; Michael, 6; and Drew, 4. Grandparents are Ron and Gail Truesdell of Livonia and Michael and Marjorie Dowd of Livonia.

Andrea and Jeff Larmee of Westland announce the birth of their daughter Jordan Elizabeth born April 27 at Garden. City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Clarita and Robert Beslack of Livonia and Lynne and Larry Lärmee of Livo-

Kevin and Amy O'Beirne of Westland announce the birth of their daughter Emma Rose born April 27 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City, Emma joins brother Maxwell, 2 1/2. Grandparents are Bill and Sharon Neubecker of Plymouth.

Larry and Regina Bazan of Westland announce the birth of their son Austin Lorenzo born April 28 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Austin joins siblings Frank, 10; and Kayle, 4. Grandparents are Gary Borders of Westland, Shelby Borders of Westland, Frank Bazan of Westland and Mary Cobarrubia of Las Cruces, New Mexico.

■ Craig and Susan Cross of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter Sarah Nicole born April 29 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Sarah joins siblings Amanda, 11; Heather, 9; and Jeremiah Herrington, 6. Grandparents are Carol Napier of Garden City, Milford Wilson of New Tazwell, Garden City announce the birth Tenn, and Craig and Patti Cross

■ Jennifer Haines and Brad Knight of Westland announce the birth of their daughter Kaleigh Marie born May 2 at Garden City Hospital in Garden Grandparents: are Lawrence R. Haines, Jr. and Florida and Linda Knight of

■ Stephanie Kidd and Kirk Pruden of Westland announce the birth of their son Shane Michael Pruden born May 5 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Shane joins brother Kyle Mark Pruden, 2 1/2. Grandparents are Al and Debra Denomme of Westland and Kevin and

Sandy Pruden of Inkster. Sheila and Jeffrey Lowrey of Flat Rock announce the birth of their daughter Michelea Cathleen born May 8 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Michelea joins brother Robbie, 4 1/2. Grandparents are Allen and Michele Benson of Garden City and Dean and Cathleen Lowrey of Taylor.

■ June Beer of Garden City announces the birth of her son Jordan Scott Beer born May 8 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Jordan joins siblings Janet, 17; and Jennifer, 15. Grandmother is Janet Dixon of Garden City.

of their daughter Allison Rose born May 11 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Allison joins brother Patrick Todd, 2. Grandparents are Pat and Joan Naughton of Westland and Beverly Tonna of Westland.

■ Lalia Nashash of Canton Township announces the birth of Sandra Haines of Orange Park, her-daughter Angel May Nashash born May 12 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City.

Grandparents are Maysoun and Elias Nashash of Canton Township.

Christopher and Jennifer Johnston of Redford announce the birth of their daughter Mackenzie Alicyn born May 15 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Mackenzie joins brother Justin, 22-months-old. Grandparents are Emily and Tom Jobin of Kalamazoo and James and Sue Johnston of Plymouth.

■ Tim Moore and Jonelle Crosby of Westland announce the birth of their son Cody Charles born May 15 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Mark and Laura Crosby of Westland and Chuck and Judy Moore of West-

■ Robert and Darlene Cawood of Garden City announce the birth of their son James Robert born May 16 at Garden City Hospital in Garden ■ Eric and Renee Selix of City. James joins sister Anna, 32. Grandparents are Byal and Shirley Cawood of Garden Gity and Jim and Carol Moore of Westland.

> ■ Dawn Doolin and Daniel Saenz of Milford announce the birth of their daughter Selena Marie Saenz born May 17 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Kim and Rodger Doolin of Westland and Barbara and Paul Saenz of Las Vegas, Nevada,

SINGLES MINGLE

Listings for the Singles Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131 or e mail kmortson@ oc. homecomm. net

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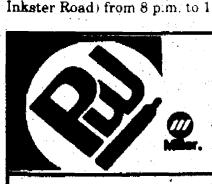
DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

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June 27, Legal aspects of divorce. Learn about the legal proceeds of divorce, including information on property settlement, custody, child support, visitation, alimony and more from Attorney at Law, Laura Reyes

July 11. group discussion. Facilitated by Cynthia Koppin. July 25, no meeting.

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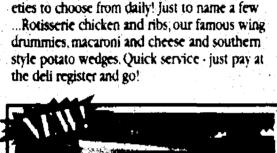


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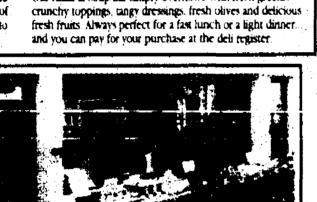
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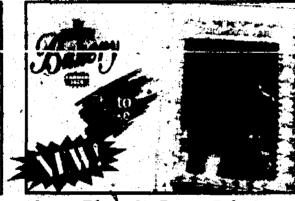
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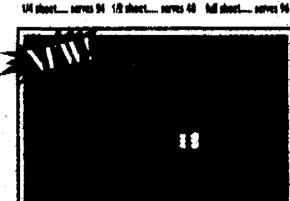


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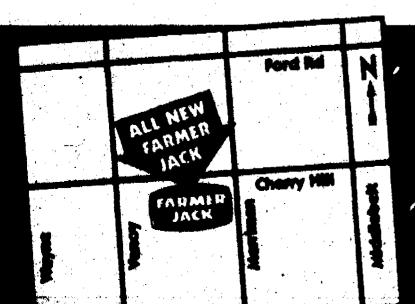


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Ocelots' Colley signs

Schoolcraft College's 6-foot-7 center Chris Colley (Hazel Park) recently signed a letter-of-intent to play basketball at Minnesota State University-Moorhead, an NCAA Division II school.

Colley, a two-year player at Schoolcraft, scored a total of 369 points in two seasons and helped the Ocelots to a 50-12 record.

He averaged 6.9 points and 2.3 rebounds last season, while shooting 54.7 percent (75 of 137) from the field as Schoolcraft finished 24-7 and captured the Eastern Conference championship in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

As a freshman at Schoolcraft, Colley averaged 5.5 points and 2.4 rebounds, while shooting 60 percent from the floor and 73 percent from the free throw line.

Moorhead, coached by Mike Olson, finished 9-17 last year and 7-11 in the 10-team Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (seventh place).

Colley becomes the fourth SC player to sign a letter-of-intent. Guards Gilbert Mitchell and Brian Williams (Wayne Memorial), are headed to Western Illinois, while 6-4 forward Robert Brown recently signed with the University of Buffalo.

St. Michael's track 6-0

The Livonia St. Michael's girls took first, while the boys team finished runner-up in the 20-school Metro Division Catholic Youth Organization meet for grades 7-8 held on June 6 at Grosse Pointe South.

Top girls finishers include Kathy Carey, who took a second in the 100meter dash and Amber Willoughby, who finished fifth in the 100.

The St. Michael's girls also took fourth in the 400 relay and sixth in the 800 relay.

Top boys finishers included Tom Burger, second, long jump, and third, 800; Andrew Hinkle, second, shot put, and fifth, 400; Jim Grau, second, 1,600; David Herberholz, third, high jump; Gig Geodlew, third, 200; Rob. Lawrance, fourth, 50; Michael Hoener, sixth, 800.

The St. Michael's boys took runnerup finishes in both the 400 and 1,600

During the regular season, St. Michael's combined girls and boys track teams finished 6-0 in the Metro Division of the CYO.

Highlights included firsts in the West Side Invitational Relay meet (boys) and dual meet wins over University of Detroit, Our Lady of Good Counsel, St. Mary's of Redford, Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Robert Bellarmine and Dearborn Divine Child.

Eleven boys school records were broken during the season, while Carey set three new girls marks.

The St. Michael's coaching staff includes Dennis Murray, Jim Grau, Mike Vecchioni, Tim Muldowney and Dennis Burklow.

Power Bilt champion

Livonia Stevenson High freshman Kristen Polanski captured the first Power Bilt event of the season when she carded a 10-over 84 to win the Girls 14-15 age division by eight strokes Saturday at Duck Lake Coun-

The win enables Polanski to compete in the Power Bilt Tournament of Champions Aug. 11-12 in East Lans-

WaZa places 1st

The WaZa Futbol Club recently took first place in the Lakes Area Youth Soccer League.

Members of the team, coached by Dave Cervenak, include: Pat Beier, Jay Beier, Josh Clark, Blake Dimond, Ryan Dinco, Ryan Dolan, Jesse Forrester, Brent Gornall, Nathan Miller, Chris Pepper and Shane Whitehead.

Meteors finish 8-1-1

The Livonia Meteors, an under-14 boys team coached by Nick Augustine, recently finished 8-1-1 in Little

Caesars Premier Soccer League play. Team members include: Travis Augustine, Jared Averbach, Kyle Brierley, Dan Curmi, Greg Ekmeian, Ed Gallagher, Jerry Hall, Jason Kliman, Phil Kozlowski, Brian Kutnick, Ryan Mack, Eric Meguiar, Jason Rose, Brandon Ross, Brandon Sieg

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Red-hot Shamrocks scorch Novi

Defending champ reaches semifinal 3rd straight year

PREP BASEBALL

BY PAUL BEAUDRY STAFF WRITER pbeaudry@oe.homecomm.net

After winning Saturday's Division I regional, Catholic Central baseball coach John Salter laughed and shook his head when asked if he thought his defending state champs could repeat this year.

After beating third-ranked Novi, 12-1, and earning a trip to the semifinals for the third-straight year, Salter is beginning to laugh a little less and believe a lot more.

The Shamrocks didn't just beat the Wildcats (30-5), they shut them down, using a well-tested combination of pitching, hitting and defense.

"Pitching and defense gave us the chances we needed," said Salter after his team improved to 23-11 and earned a date in Friday's 5:30 p.m. semifinal against Hartland. "And we hit the ball pretty well, too."

The Shamrocks did everything the Wildcats didn't do.

Charlie Haeger, who's pitched more in the last week than he had all season, shut down Novi on a one-hitter.

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STAFF PROTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Home plate gathering: Redford Catholic Central's Mike Wadowski (No. 21) is congratulated by teammates after hitting a homer in Tuesday's 12-1 quarterfinal victory over Novi.

Kid runner thrills area track fans

Don't be mistaken. Dathan Ritzenhein looks more like your local paperboy than somebody trying to make the Olympic Trials cut in the 5.000 mater min.

And make no mistake about it, the Rockford High junior tried to steal the show Saturday at

Plymouth Canton High School in the Michigan International, a track and field meet, which piqued enough curiosity to bring out over 1,000 spectators on a warm and gusty night.

The headliners were Canadian miler Kevin Sullivan, and Cadillac native Paul McMullen, the man who

represented the U.S. in the 1,500 at kid, just ask Karl Malone, who once the Atlanta Olympic Games.

But Ritzenhein, a scrawny lad try ing to go where very few high school runners have dared to go, had the crowd buzzing with anticipation. And he didn't disappoint the fans.

Ritsenhein, the Foot Locker national cross country champion, the state record holder in the 1,600 and the national indoor record holder in the 3,200, pressed the envelope against a field of well-seasoned men.

On the second lap, Ritzenhein heard some chirping from one of the older competitors.

"That guy told me, 'If you're so good, why not take the lead,' " Ritzenhein recalled. "He was kind of mocking me."

Nobody likes to be shown up by a

got irritated in an NBA All-Star game by an up-and-coming Kobe Bryant.

Ritzenhein didn't win Saturday night, that honor went to former Michigan State standout Jim Jurcevich, a 24-year-old who has already in the 5,000.

But Ritzenhein certainly gained a lot of respect, collapsing at the finish line in 14:13.8.

Jurcevish, who rallied to win the race on the final two laps after Ritzenhein had pulled along the field, won the event in 14:07.83.

"He's certainly one of the up-andcomers, that's for sure," said Jurcevich of his young sidekick. "I'm sure he's going to step up to the 10K some

Ritzenhein may give his dream of going to the Trials, which starts July 15 in Sacramento, Calif., one more crack at the Foot Locker outdoor meet later this month in Raleigh, N.C.

But he didn't go away empty-footed. His times at 3,000 (8:18.5) and 8,200 (8:52.5) are both state achoolimy bests. His 5,000 finish time ranks him among the top 10 ever run nationally by a prep.

And by his senior year, the legend of Ritzenhein should grow even more. And just for your information, no

high schooler in this country has qualified for any track and field event in the Olympics since 1976. "I felt good going in tonight, but

during the race I was wobbly, queasy and the wind was pushing me

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Game winner: Livonia Ladywood's Dawn Rini delivered a two-run single in the bottom of the eighth inning to beat Farmington Hills Harrison in the Division Il regional semifical at Seaholm.

Brandon ousts Blazers

BY DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITER

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Ortonville-Brandon's softball uniforms feature the appropriate colors: black and blue. That's how opposing teams must feel after getting in the way of its efficient machine.

The Eagles showed how it works Saturday when they derailed Livonia Ladywood's tournament run in the final game of the Division 2 regional at Birmingham Seaholm, 6-1.

There was no late-inning rally for the Blazers, who overcame a 5-1 deficit earlier that day to defeat Farmington Harrison in eight innings, 7-6, and reach the championship round.

Brandon executes the bunt-and-run game to near perfection and can attack a defense any way it chooses.

"That's our trademark," Brandon coach Don Peters said. "We call it run and gun. We're fast. We get on base and force other teams to make a mistake or put us in position to score."

Ladywood found itself at a disadvantage right away when Brandon's Toni Salo started the game with bunt that resulted in an overthrow at first base.

The ball got past the right fielder for another error, allowing Salo to circle the bases and give the Eagles a quick, 1-0 lead. "My catcher hurt her hand in the first

game, and the hand had swollen up," Ladywood coach Bob Lulek said. "But she wanted to play; she's a gamer. "Brandon is very good, too. We knew we

had to play a perfect game. Brandon is the best slapping and bunting team in high school ball. They put it right where you That scenario repeated itself when Salo

came to but in the second inning, enabling Brandon's Jessica McCullough to score a second run. Jennifer Little, who was 3-for-4 and scored

two runs, hit a leadoff double in the third inning and scored on Candace Fenton's single. The score remained 3-0 until the sixth. "We have some girls who can drive the

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ball, too," Peters said. "(Salo and No. 2 hitter Stephanie Dura) are our table-setters. They set the table for the line-drive hitters."

Ladywood's Shelly Moros pitched the first four innings and took the loss, allowing six hits and one walk, but the Blazers (14-22) kept the score close until the seventh as Shawn Fallon followed with two scoreless

"I could see Livonia was a battler," Peters said. "I have a lot of respect for them after seeing that first game.

"I told the girls to put their hearts on the line and play hard. 'Ladywood isn't out of it until it's over." Brandon added to its lead with three runs

off reliever Pam Smart in the seventh. Dura and Little started the inning with bunt singles. A fielder's choice/error scored one run, and Rachel Carey hit a two-run sin-

The Blazers got their run in the seventh on a leadoff walk to Carrie Friel, a groundout, a wild pitch and an error. Those were

the only mistakes the Eagles (23-13) made in an otherwise perfect game. Brandon sophomore Sarah Gallow pitched a complete game, allowing just three hits. She struck out two and walked three (none

until the fifth inning). "She throws a few different pitches and has more composure (this year)." Petake

said. "The maturing process is happening." Despite the season ending loss, Lulek already is looking forward to next year.

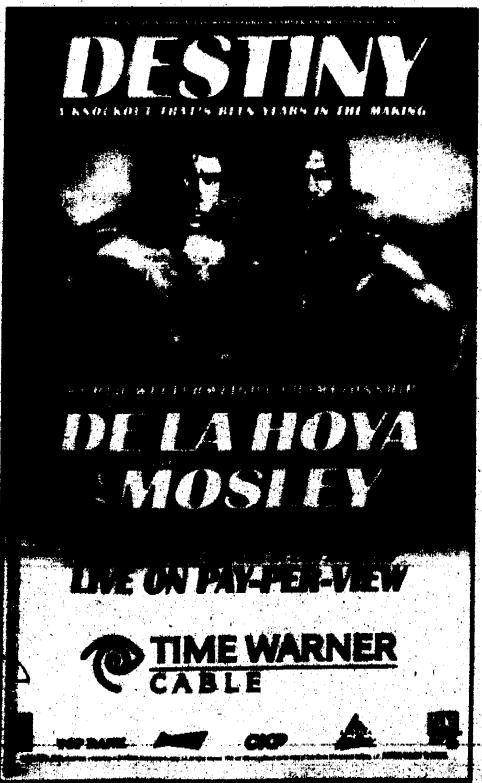
"I'll have my whole team back, and we'll be real good," he said. "I'll have all my pitchers. catchers and infielders back. I'm losing my outfielders, my seniors.

"The Harrison game was a great game. We beat each other up, and we knew (the final) would be a tough game. It took a little wind

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Truman's late run nips Chargers, 1-0

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER

This is one that got away.

Actually, Livonia Churchill had more chances to advance in the Division I girls softball regional Saturday at Monroe.

But the Chargers bowed out in the semifinals against Taylor Truman, 1-0, as the Cougars scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the sixth inning after sophomore pitcher Meghan Misiak had held them hitless through the first five.

With one-out in the sixth, shortstop Erin Parrish broke up Misiak's no-hitter with sharp hit to center field.

Parrish wound up on second base when the ball eluded a Churchill outfielder, who accidentally slipped when she got her feet tangled up in the wet grass trying to stop the line drive.

The next batter, catcher Shawn Clevenger. then smacked a single to score Parrish with the eventual game-winning run.

Churchill, which out-hit Truman 4-2, got a single from Christine Fones to start the top of the seventh, but Cougars' pitcher Jessica Sobie retired the next three in order to earn a spot in the regional finals.

Host Monroe went on to win the regional title with an 11-0 win over Detroit Redford in the semifinals followed by a 2-0 victory over Truman in the championship game.

"They played tough all year and they played tough today," said Churchill coach Dana Hardwidge of her team, who bowed out with a 20-9 record. "This year we won a lot of close, extra-inning games. We hung in there. Today Fones got a hit in the seventh inning, but we couldn't advance her.

"We ran ourselves out of an inning a few



STAPP PHOTO BY TON HAWLEY

Hung up: Churchill runner Sallie Kuratko gets tagged out going from second to third base in the opening inning against Taylor Truman.

times with runners in the scoring position and we didn't get the hit when we needed it."

Second baseman Sallie Kuratko had two of Churchill's four hits, while first baseman Sarah Hennessey had the other. Hennessey led off the fifth with a single and advanced to third, but was left stranded.

Meanwhile, Misiak struck out 10 and did not walk a batter.

"We had only two hits and they happened to be back-to-back," said Truman coach Lisa Schillinger, whose team bowed out at 23-14 after the loss to Monroe. "We were able to hang in there and make something happen.

"Early in the game we were swinging at her (Misiak's) high pitch, which was her outpitch. We had to get our hands out quicker on the ball. To their credit, their pitcher pitched a great game."

Truman also got a strong performance on the mound from Sobie. The right-hander fanned just one, but had the Chargers popping out and beating the ball into the dirt.

"Our graduation was today and we had some kids in different positions," said Schillinger, whose team finished fourth in the Mega Conference's Red Division. "It was a great ballgame. In the state tourney you need some breaks and we got them today."

Hardwidge has a lot of look forward to nextseason as six of nine starters return. However, steady infielders Hennessey (first

base), Kelly Stahley (third base) and Fones (shortstop) all graduate.

"Our infield was pretty much intact from; last year and you could tell the way they played this year," Hardwidge said. "We'll have to juggle our lineup next year.

"I've never had a team that enjoyed so much together and supported each other.

"We had good team chemistry."

Lutheran North beats C'ville for 3rd time

Macomb Lutheran North earned its first-ever trip to the state quarterfinals in girls softball by winning the Division III regional Saturday at Lake Fenton with victories over Livonia



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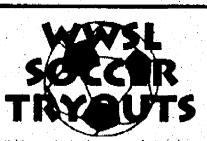
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DIVISION III

Clarenceville (12-2) and Byron (3-2).

Clarenceville ended the season with an 11-11 record, while North, 23-12 overall, moved on to Tuesday's quarterfinal at Davison against 32-2 Unionville-Sebewaing.

"Errors killed us and we just



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didn't hit the ball like we needed," Clarenceville coach Kristen Hynek said. North, which had beaten

Metro Conference rival Clarenceville 3-2 and 8-0 during the regular season, scored four times in the sixth inning to halt the game under the 10-run mercy rule: Ginina Russo, Allison Rzeppa,

Shannon Russo and freshman Katie Anger each had two hits for the victorious Mustangs. Winning pitcher Emily David-

son had eight strikeouts and walked four.

Clarenceville starter Amy Schiffman, a junior, took the

Senior Rachael Koernke, moved to third base, led the Trojans with two hits, one RBI and one run scored.

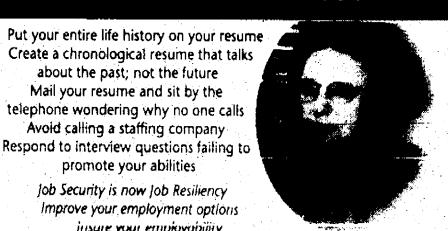
Clarenceville junior left fielder. Jenny Swider made first-team All-Metro, while Koernke and Schiffman made the secondteam. Junior third baseman Melanie Rudd and senior second baseman Meghan Schiffman took third-team All-Metro hon-

All-District picks included Koernke, Amy and Meghan Schiffman, sophomore first baseman Nicole Martin and three outfielders - juniors Jessica and Jenny Kennedy, along with



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Livonia woman brings home 1st-place finish in marathon

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

Patricia Bagley doesn't play football for Notre Dame, but the 29-year-old Livonia middle school English teacher felt like she scored a touchdown on Saturday.

Bagley, a Stevenson High graduate, captured the Sunburst Marathon in South Bend, Ind. Her time, clocked under warm, sunny and humid conditions, was a respectable 3 hours, 5 minutes and 42 seconds.

"Given the conditions, I'm very happy," said Bagley, who also reaped the \$1,000 first-place check in the women's division.

The 26.2-mile race started at the College Football Hall of Fame and ended at the 50-yard line inside Notre Dame Stadium.

"It was pretty hot, a lot of turns, but there was a lot of support on the course," Bagley said. "We went off at 6 a.m. (Indiana time) and it was about 70 degrees with a breeze. We went through a lot of subdivisions, there was a lot of shade at six, seven and eight miles."

Bagley took the lead at the outset and maintained an even pace throughout the race.

She struggled a bit late in the race, but got a boost from her fiance, University of Detroit Mercy track and cross country coach Guy Murray, who ran in the Olympic Men's Marathon Trials just last month in Pittsburgh.

"About 22 miles into the race, I started feeling really bad," said Bagley, who ran at Eastern Michigan University. "Lucky for me, Guy was there and he helped me through it. He picked me up when I really needed it."

In 1997, Bagley was runner-up in the San Francisco Marathon. In June of 1999, she ran a personal best 2:53:30 in the Grandma's Marathon held in Duluth, Minn.

Murray, who hails from Niles Brandywine High (just outside South Bend) and now resides in Farmington Hills, will marry Bagley next

The couple plan to spend their honeymoon in Lake Tahoe before heading to the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials in Sacramento, Calif.

Ritzenhein from page C1

around," said Ritzenhein, who later was able to greet fans and talk to reporters. "I was dying the

"I have not been training enough because I've been training for the mile. I knew today I couldn't hit that time. It's a lot different running a 5,000 on a track than on a cross country course."

Chalk one up for experience, but also chalk one up for gaining respect.

McMullen, a local icon in his sport to a certain degree, had seen Ritzenhein race before and came away even more impressed.

"He's got a lot of courage and I'm proud of him because tonight he stepped out of his comfort zone," said the former Eastern Michigan University standout and high school footballer. "There were the winds and it was warm, but tonight was very exciting for the state of Michigan.

"Now, I've got to show him how to play to the

McMullen, nursing a sore achilles tendon, made a cameo appearance in the 800. The much anticipated mile matchup between Sullivan, who has already qualified for the Canadian Trials, and McMullen, will have to wait another day.

But Sullivan did not disappoint the crowd, putting an exclamation point on an amazing night of track and field for the curious locals in the meet's featured and final event.

Helped by former U-M teammate Jay Cantin, acting as a first-lap rabbit, Sullivan blistered the mile course in 3:55.87, a Michigan all-comers record. Loyola of Chicago's Tom O'Hara set the mark back in 1963 with a time of 3:58.8.

"Until I read it in the newspaper the yesterday (Friday), I had no idea about the record," said the Brantford, Ontario native. "I just wanted to break four minutes. I would have been happy with a 3:59.9."

Sullivan takes his mind off his race by watching the other races.

The Ritzenhein-Jurcevich duel certainly put him in the proper frame of mind.

"A couple of weeks ago I ran in a meet at Ferry Field in Ann Arbor and they had a turnout of about 1,000," Sullivan said. "But this was better than that. I've never seen people get so excited about track meet. It was great to get that support."

With meet director/announcer John Goodridge spurring on the crowd, the European-style rhythmic clapping reached a crescendo as the men's 5,000 and mile fields burned through the final laps.

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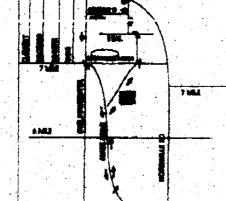
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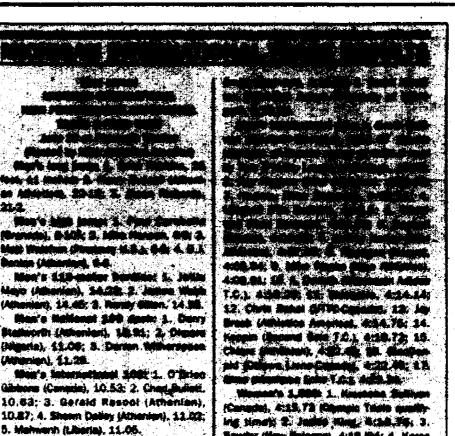
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Macek lifts Rams past Adray, 14-3

E SANDLOT BASEBALL

Redford Union's Mike Macek went 4-for 5 with two homers, two singles, six RBI and scored three runs to pace the Michigan-Lake Area Rams past Adray Appliance, 14-3, in an Adray Collegiate Baseball League game on Friday at Livenia's Ford Field.

Mike Hayes (Redford Union) was 3-for-5 with three RBI and two runs scored, while Peter Varon and Chris Mitchell also had two hits and two runs scored apiece.

Sean O'Connor (Redford Union) took the win, giving up just one hit and two runs, with three walks and four strikeouts.

In the Little Caesars 14-andunder Elite Division action, the Rams held off a seventh inning rally and wound up beating the Michigan Wolves, 6-3, on Monday in a battle for first place.

The Rams got out of a basesloaded jam in the fourth inning, then held off a two-run rally in the seventh by the Wolves to preserve the win.

Chris Rigley (Redford) was 2for-4, scored twice, stole two bases and homered, while earning the win on the mound with? five strikeouts. Mike Monteray (Farmington) also homered and had two RBI, while Mike Krause (Garden City) was 2-for-4 and scored two runs. The Rame improved to 9-3 overall and 5-0 in the league, a game ahead of the Wolves at 4-1.





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Trio repeat on All-Observer

With the best team in Observerland, Farmington Hills Mercy leads the 2000 All-Area Girls Golf Team with three firstteam players.

.Half of the eight-person squad - Mercy's Erin Borowiec and Lindsey Densmore, Farmington Unified's Cassie Jemison and Livonia Churchill's Heidi Aittama — consists of repeat selections.

Borowiec won her second straight Catholic League title. and Jemison is a two-time Western Lakes Activities Association tournament champion.

Borowiec, Densmore and Katie Dinsmore helped the Marlins to their ninth consecutive league championship, a Division 1 regional title and a third-place finish in the state tournament.

Jemison led the Farmington Unified team to its first WLAA tournament championship, and Aittama led the Chargers to a fourth-place showing in the Division 1 state finals.

Also representing WLAA runner-up Churchill is Ashley Johnson. Livonia Stevenson also has two first-team players — Katie Carlson and Kristen Polanski.

Introducing the 2000 All-Observer Girls Golf Team.

ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

Erin Borowiec, Junior, Mercy: Borowiec finished fourth at the state final with a two-day score of 160. She was second at the regional with 77.

Borowiec won seven tournament this season, including the Traverse City Invitational, where she shot a 153. She also won the Catholic League championship. again.

Her average score for tournaments was 78, and her overall nine-hole average was 39.2.

"Erin continues to excel on and off the course," Mercy coach Vicky Kowalski said. "She is an excellent student and golfer. Coaches often comment on her beautiful swing. Erin is one of the top prow, shooting a 79. golfers in the state. I look forward to hersenior year."

Lindsey Densmore, senior, Mercy: Densmore shot a 162 to finish sixth at state. The Mercy team captain received the Catholic League Scholar-Athlete Golf Award. She carded a tournament average of 91 and averaged 46 strokes overall for nine holes.

"Lindsey saved the best for last," coach Vicky Kowalski said. 'Her 82 the first day of state finals was her best high school round, and she followed with an even better 80 on the second day. Lindsey has true team spirit and leadership."...

Densmore, a finalist for the Michigan High School Athletic Association Scholar-Athlete Award, will continue her golf career at Albion College.

Katle Dinsmore, Junior, Mercy: Dinsmore finished third at the Catholic League tournament with an 86. She won ; and 88 for 18. She was named to the the Petoskey Invitational by carding an 88. She averaged 92 at tournaments and 46.5 overáli.

"Katie's game has improved greatly from her sophomore to her junior year," coach Vicky Kowalski said. She has performed well in dual meets and tour-

"Katie is a delight to have on the team and works hard to continue her golf game. She is very coachable and will provide team leadership in her senior season."

Cassle Jemison, senior, Farmington Unified: Jemison was the medalist in the Western Lakes Activities Association tournament for the second year in a

She was runner-up at the Oakland County Division I Tournament and finished sixth at the Division 1 regional at Carrington. She averaged 41.7 per nine

An all-conference golfer, Jemison Southern University.

"With the maturity she has shown this year in her game, we know she is ready for the next level," Farmington Unified coach Ann Marie Sopha sald. "She shows all the qualities of a true

competitor. She is a true team player who has impacted the play of her teammatés. Heidi Alttama, sophomore, Churchill;

als by firing an 82, but she lost a tiebreaker on the first hole. She shot 173 to finish 13th in the state tournament. Aittama averaged 43 for nine holes

Aittama tied for first place at the region-

WLAA all division team after shooting an 89 at the conference tournament. "Heidi is one of a kind," Churchill

coach Sharon Laskowski said. "She is full of energy and drive to succeed in something she truly loves to do, and, that is to play golf at another level. She is very knowledgeable about the gameand the steps needed to make her a better golfer in the future.

She has an excellent work ethic and practices year round. She will continue to be competitive in coming years and, hopefully, an inspiration to the younger team members."

Kristen Polanski, freshman, Stevenson: Polanski qualified for the state final as an individual; she shot an 86 on the first day but did not advance. She earned all conference honors by finish-

ing fourth at the WLAA tournament. Polanski won the Stevenson Invitational and earned medals at the Traverse City and Monroe Jefferson invitaearned a full ride golf scholarship to. tionals. She tied for first in duals against Walled Lake Central and Dearborn..

"Kristen is a skillful, focused competitor with a work ethic that will benefit her team for three more seasons." Stevenson coach John Wagner said. 'She enjoys tough competition and has the work ethic it takes to continue to improve.

*Beyond her value to her team as a superior golfer, Kristen is an outstanding student, a sensitive team member, and she always displays a positive atti-

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son earned all-conference honors after finishing second at the WLAA tournament. She won duals against Franklin, Churchill, John Glenn and Canton.

Carlson tied for first against Walled. Lake Central and Dearborn. She finished third at the Stevenson Invitational and Monroe Jefferson Invitational.

"Katie was a consistent contributor to our team's success throughout the season," coach John Wagner said, "She has a superior work ethic and has made tremendous improvement in the ability to score and manage her game. "We will continue to be competitive

next season, as we were this season, because of Katie's skill, drive and leadership. Ashley Johnson, senior, Churchill:

Katle Carlson, Junior, Stevenson: Carl- Johnson finished 16th in the state after

shooting 174 at the state final. She fired an 88 at the regional to finish sixth and was an all-conference player by carding an 88 at the WLAA tournament.

Johnson averaged 46.9 for nine holes

and 89 for 18 holes. - Ashley has been a real joy to coach for the past four years," coach Sharon

Laskowski sald. "Her leadership -three years as captain --- speaks for "She has a great work ethic, team spirit and sportsmanship that is respect-

difficult to replace in the lineup and will be sorely missed. "She has truly been a role model for

'ed by all the team members. She will be

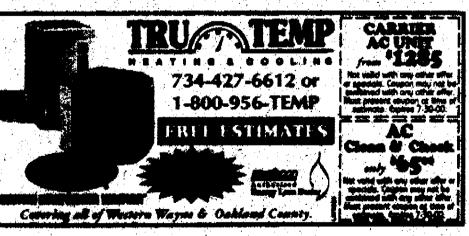
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Wadowski's bat lifts CC to regional crown BY PAUL BEAUDRY have a good chance." **DIVISION I BASEBALL** In all, the Shamrocks banged out 12 hits.

STAFF WRITER pbeaudry@oe.homecomm.net

Mike Wadowski sat down in the dugout, wiped the sweat off his shaved head, stopped putting his equipment in his bag, sighed. then tried to sum up the kind of day he and his Redford Catholic Central baseball team had on Saturday.

The condensed version was a pretty good

The Shamrocks, defending champions in Division I, rallied past seventh ranked Southgate Anderson in the opener, 3-2, then disposed of Garden City in the regional final, 14-4. The Cougars advanced to the final with a 8-6 win.

"To tell you the truth, we had the same mindset for both games," said Wadowski. "We were confident because we knew what we had to do. I just tried to smooth out my swing and shorten up my stroke."

Just smoothing out his swing and shorten ing up his stroke paid off for Wadowski. The junior was 2-for-3 against Southgate, with a homer in the second inning to tie the score and a single in the sixth inning to take the lead. Against GC, Wadowski was 3-for-4 with four RBI, a two-run homer, two runs score and came on in relief to pitch 2' innings of one-hit ball.

"Wadowski had a great day," said CC coach John Salter. "His homer in the first game allowed us to tie and his homer in the second game gave us a comfortable margin. And he came in and closed to give us another arm with playoff experience.

It was a tough way for the Cougars (23-5)

"We hadn't won a district in 16 years and

to end their outstanding season.

had never been to a regional final," said a disappointed coach Steve Herman. "You learn by inches. Last year, we went to the district final; this year, we went to the

regional final. You have to take things step-

by-step.'

After Wadowski's RBI single scored Dave Tovey in the second inning of the championship game, CC went to town in the third inning, sending 12 batters to the plate in an eight-run, five hit frame. Starting pitcher Robbie Hudson (6-4), who got the win in relief of Justin Ockerman in the first game, took the loss in the second game - giving up five runs on five hits, with three walks and two strikeouts. Ryan Krol came on in relief and didn't fair much better, giving up six runs on four hits and three walks in 1

"We gave them too many opportunities to score and they took advantage of them," said Herman: "I thought when we pulled to within five runs, we could have had a chance. Then when they got it back to eight runs, it took the wind out of our sails."

The Cougars did fight back in the fourth with four runs, keyed by a two-run homer by designated hitter Brent Pelz - his second dinger of the day - to chase Shamrocks' starter Kevin Entsminger. But CC came. right back in the bottom of the inning, manufacturing three more runs on just two hits and an error.

"The biggest thing was that we made sure we swung at strikes," Salter said. "I thought if we were disciplined at the plate, we would

John Hill was 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles and three RBI, Brian Williams was 3-for-5 with an RBI and a run scored, Ryan Rogowski was 2-for-4 with two runs scored, Dave Tovey was 0-1, but walked three times, was hit by a pitch and scored three runs, Adam Kline was 2-for-3 with an RBI and two runs scored and Matt Loridas and Charlie Haeger had and RBI.

Pelz paced Garden City by adding a single to his homer, while Jeff Fletemier, Mike Sparks, and Matt Gordon all singled, while Gordon added an RBL

. REDFORD CC. 3, SOUTHGATE 2: Pitching kept South gate off stride, even though the Titans took a 2 1 sead of the top of the sixth inning. TWe had the lead late and couldn't hold it," salo Titans'

Loads Scott Ferranite said as his team ended the season at 24.6. "Not hitting caught up to us and we've done a lot of that lately." Southgate took a 2-1 lead in the top of the sixth when Bobby Garza scored on a throwing error. After Joe Goins

Haeger (20), who came in and set down the side - streing out two. Then, CC came back strong in the bottom of the inning as Haeger led off with a walk, stole second, went to third

doubled to put sunners at second and third with none out.

Salter pulled Kline on the mound and replaced him with

on a ground out by Kline and scored when Wadowski sie Waddwski then went to second on a wild pitch by Ross Wintersko (11-1) and was lifted for pinch runner Mike

Greis. Tovey then singled to left scoring Greis with the win-Southgate opened the scoring when Tommy Garza, who reached when he was hit by a pitch, wound up scoring on a passed ball. Wadowski then evened the score when he took a 1-01pitch over the fence in right-center field. Winlemko took the loss; despite giving up just four

hits, one walk, two hit batters and 10 strikeouts. Haeger

struck, dut four in two innings to get the win; while kind

gave up four hits, two runs, a walk and five strikeouts

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Meanwhile, the Shamrocks banged out 11 hits against five different pitchers.

■ CC made two meaningless errors and caught virtually everything hit their way. Novi stumbled to four errors and made at least that many defensive mistakes, allowing balls to drop for hits.

There was one other thing that swung the Shamrocks' way momentum. While CC had Novi on the ropes early, thanks to a 3-O lead helped by three errors, Brian Williams delivered the knockout punch with a defensive gem that turned the tide.

CC held the lend going into the third inning, but Haeger served up a lead-off homer to Jon Cervi - the only hit Haeger would allow in six tunings -- and then hit Brendan Hadley with a pitch. Designated hitter Aaron Rowe who was a 48th-round pick of the Milwaukee Brewers in last field.

Williams went back to the

fence, put a hand up on the fence to brace himself, leaped and turned what would have been the tying run into just another

"If that had gone out it would have been 3-3 and anything could have happened," said Williams. "I went back, felt the fence and got it. I was kind of surprised. So was Novi.

"That was the turning point of the game," agreed Novi coach Rich Green. "At that point, we'd started to rally a little bit. But that was the breaking point.".

If there was any doubt, it was erased in the top of the fourth. Phil Marrone led off with a single, Williams then grounded to third, but was safe when second baseman Matt Gorman dropped the high throw and Ryan Rogowski singled to chase starter Brendan Watson (4-3). Josh Sabol came in and gave up week's amateur draft — then hit an RBI single to John Hill, a saca rocket to straightaway center rifice fly RBI to Haeger and got out. Dave Tovey to fly out.

against Pinckney on Saturday and is the ace of Novi's staff, came into pitch against Mike Wadowski. Rowe's first pitch was a ball. The second was a three-run homer - Wadowski's third home run in as many games - that gave CC an 8-1 lead. "That helped us a lot and

Brian came up big all day as well," said Haeger, who was counted on at the beginning of the year to be the acc of the staff, but shoulder problems kept him off the mound, for the most part, until Saturday's regional against Southgate.

"Brian's catch was crucial I didn't think (Rowe) hit it well, but it carried far. Then Mike slammed his homer.

In his six innings, Haeger gave up Cervi's homer as the only hit. while walking just one, hitting one batter and striking out four Kevin Entsminger pitched the last inning, recording one strike

Rowe, who earned the win and inning, after loading the pens that way."

bases in the first. Marrone singled, then scored on a Williams single and a Novi error that put Williams at second. Rogowski doubled to score Williams. It was 3-0 in the third as Wadowski was hit by a pitch and scored on a double by Adam Kline.

The Shamrocks added two more in the sixth as Wadowski's single scored courtesy runner Anthony Coratti and Entaminger scored on a ground out by Kline. CC grabbed two more in the seventh as Andy Smith, Sean Mahoney and Hill all walked. with Smith scoring on a wild pitch and Mahoney scoring on a sacrifice fly by Entsminger.

"We had a lot of things go our way," said Salter, "If Brian had n't caught the homer, they would have tied it and it would have numped them up.

"Then, we got momentum back with five runs, (Novi) hit halls hard, but we caught them and CC took s 2.0 lead in the sec- ours fell in Sometimes it hap

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The Mold, featuring players from Livonia,

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Motor City Mold takes 5 straight, earns tournament championship

Motor City Mold of Livonia captured five straight games last weekend to win the National Softball Association Super D World Series National Invitational Tournament in Hartland.

Mold posted wins over Great Lakes Electric (16-6), Thumb Softball (29-13), Burkett Excavating (20-6) and Hallmark Tool & Gauge (20-13 and 15-10).

The slow-pitch team now receives entry into the Super D World Series Tournament Oct. 14-15 in Rock Hill, S.C. Motor City, owned by Ron Vaaganes and managed by Pete Chonacas, is currently ranked first in the region, first in the state and fourth nationally, but is expected to meye up the rankings this week.

Members of the Moid, now 15-3 on the year,

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

Ed Shepler is no stranger to Livonia hockey, and that is why he is returning to his roots.

The former two-time All-Stater from Livonia Churchill High School has been selected to take the reins at rival Stevenson High.

Shepler, who coached Southfield Travel Midget AA the past four years, replaces Mike Harris, who resigned shortly after last season.

Harris posted an impressive 96-34-9 record, including a 76-6-5 league mark, winning four Suburban High School Hockey League crowns and one Lakes Division crown in the first year (1999-2000) of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Incoming Stevenson athletic director Lori Hyman, who is replacing the retiring Roger Frayer on Aug. 1, interviewed Shepler for the job along with incoming Stevenson principal Steve Archibald.

"Ed has a tremendous background and was an excellent candidate," Hyman said. "At his first meeting about 40 (players) showed up and it went really well.

"He has coached at various levels. He'll bring tremendous team unity and discipline, but he'll also be a disciplinarian in a fair and flexible way."

Shepler, a 1986 Churchill grad, was a prolific goal scorer during his sophomore and junior years. As a junior, he helped the Chargers win their firstever regional championship in a thrilling 4-3 fourovertime victory over Ann Arbor Huron.

Shepler then played for the Junior A Hennessey Engineers during his senior year at Churchill before going to Kent State University on a hockey

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scholarship. The winger played one season with the Golden Flashes and then tried his hand at the professional ranks, receiving a tryout with the Pittsburgh Penguins of the National Hockey

Shepler selected coach

for Livonia Stevenson

"I played high school hockey and I want to give back what I've learned from that experience," Shepler said. "I get to go back and coach in the city I love best, and there's nothing like Livonia hock-

Shepler owns Complete Assembly Technology: located in Livonia. He resides in Livonia with his wife Sandy and five daughters. 1

He has also coached the AAA Nationals, the Junior A Dearborn Magic and the Junior B Metro

"I'm very familiar with the Livonia kids, the ones who play for teams like the Knights and Spawn, and out of the Arctic Pond," Shepler said. "My expectations are to make sure they take pride in the Stevenson jersey and play not for just themselves, but for the whole team."

Shepler would also like to take a run some day at a state title.

"It's just not worrying about beating the Livonia teams, even though the rivalry is important, or even winning the league," the new coach said. " A Livonia school has never won a state title and my goal is to reach the level of the Trentons, Catholic Centrals and Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"Stevenson has one of the strongest programs in the state, but they haven't got over that next hur-



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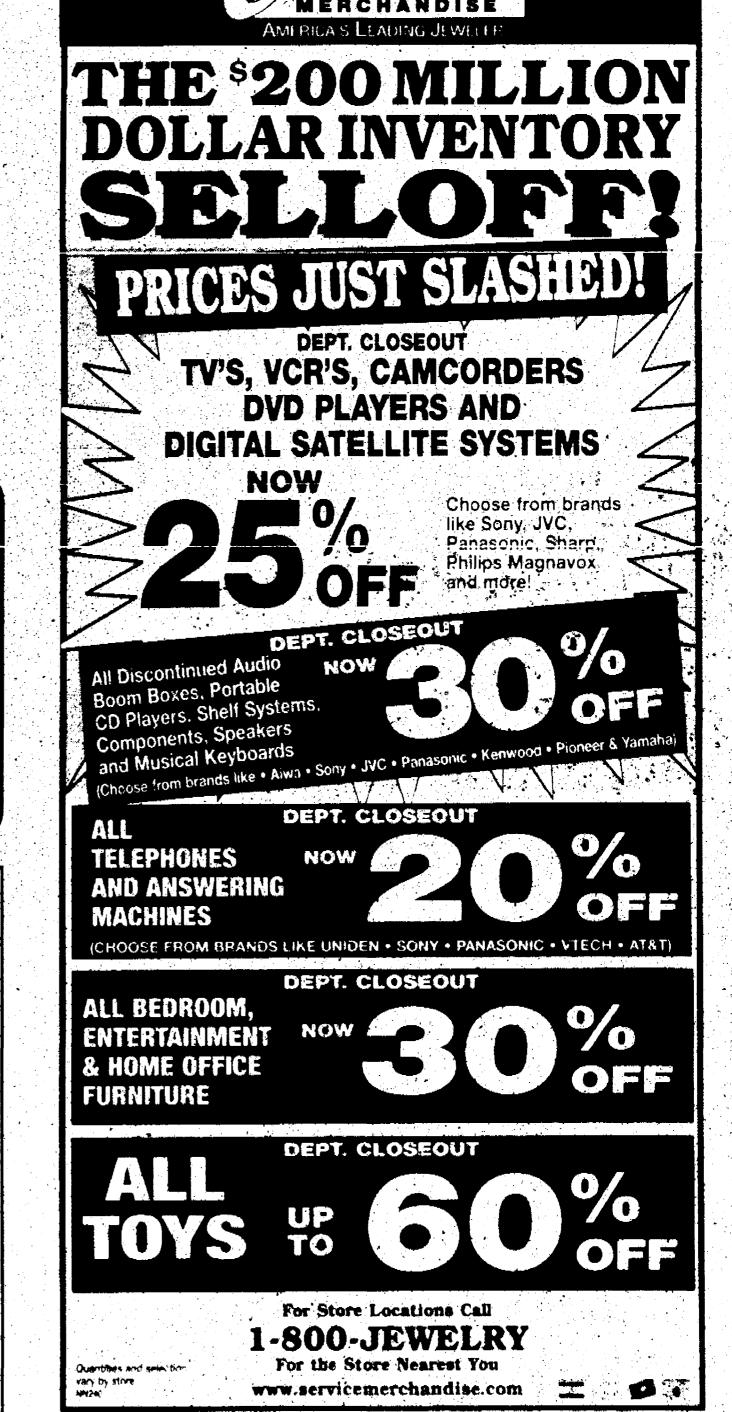
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CZECH BORN 42 yr old, single mother, red hair and haze! eyes, 25 in spirit and a good 30 in looks. ambitious. independent. enious travel and boating. Seeking someone to grow old with. Great life, love and friends to long term relationship. Absolutely monoga-

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FOR COMPANIONSHIP Widowed, white female, 5'1". 125 lbs. blonde with hazel eyes, active, enjoys traveling, dining out and bike riding. Looking for an honest, fun loving, white mate, 65 to 72, for friendship and companionship. 80X 32043

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BASIC INFORMATION Single white mother of two, 30, 5'5", 125 lbs. brown hair and eyes, smoker, enjoys reading, camping, the beach and more. Looking for a single male with similar interests, for riendship and possibly moss BOX 13275

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COLLEGE EDUCATED ... 36 yr old, 5'7", single mother of one with light brown hair and hazel eyes. Seeking a college educated, single, white male who's honest and has a sense of humor. BOX 13164

FIT THE BILL? Widow white female, 55, financially secure, non-smoker or drinker, who enjoys camping, dancing, travel, and much more. Seeking single white male, with similar interests, and more to share, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 16874

NEW BEGINNINGS Divorced white female, red hair, blue eyes, weight proportionate to size, Seeking a single male, 40 to 55, who enjoys movies, dining, and having fun, for a possible long term relationship, BOX 33656

CLASSIC ROMANCE 50 yr old, single female, 5', believes in romance, likes music, dancing, classic cars, country life and simple pleasures. Seeking a kind, sincere. single or divorced male, 42 to 60, non-smoker with similar interests for a long term monogamous relationship. Down River area. BOX 14471

THINKING OF YOU Single female, who's honest, positive and motivated. Looking for a single honest, caring male, who's college educated, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 16892

HARD TO FIND 60 yr old, white widowed female, 53°, brown hair and non-smoker, noneyes, drinker, enjoys music, long walks, bike riding, movies, bingo, going to church and much more. Looking for a single, white male, 55 to 62 who enjoys life. Must be honest and caring with similar interoots. In Down River area. BOX 31909

TRUE LOVE WAITS 21 yr old, single mather of one, attractive, easy going seeking single white male, 21 to 30, who enjoys dining out, movies, football, and other sports, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 16469

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DREAMER Single white female, 45, 5'8", smoker, social drinker, enjoys theater, movies, concerts, romantic evenings and more. Seeking a single temale with similar interests, for a possible relationship, BOX 15953

SEEKING COMMITMENT 35 yr divorced white female, mother of one, 5'3", blande hair, bhie eyes, about size 18 Been told I am pretty and have a good personality. Smoker, non-drinker, no druge. Enjoy movies, camping. Seeking a merriage minded man that doesn't drink or do druge. Down River area. BOX 31940

SPONTANEOUS White indowed female, 51. 5'3", average and proportionate, enjoys bilding, walking. dining, movies, good books. also an animal lover. Looking for a white male, 48 to 55, for friendship, maybe long term. BOX 36123

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MAKE ME SMILE

Divorced white Christian mother of two, 37, 54*, 145 ibs, employed, enjoys theatre, museums, reading, nature walks, community events and children. Seeking an honest, goal oriented, intelligent, emotionally fit male, non-smoker non-drinker with a healthy attitude and good sense of humor, BOX 32040

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I am outgoing, friendly, retired professional, white widowed female, 62, 120 lbs with brown hair. Looking for friendship with a single male to enjoy fun things together. BOX 36127 ATTRACTIVE & CLASSY Edectic, slender brunette,

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GOOD TIMES HERE Single white male, 27, 5111, 230 lbs, brown hair, hazel eyes, smoker, enjoys sports. the outdoors, movies, long walks and more. Seeking a single white female, 21 to 29, with similar interests, for possible relationship, BOX 13305

JUST YOU AND I Single white male, 34, attractive, 6', 160 lbs, muscular, employed, confident, easy going, good personality and sense of humor, enjoys a variety of things. Seeking a single attractive, white female, 25 to 30, height and weight proportionate, independent, honest with good sense of humor, BOX 13373

BASIC INFORMATION Divorced father of two, 39, enjoys camping, fishing and bowling. Looking for a single female, 35 to 39, for friendship and possibly more. 80X 13383

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GIVE ME A CALL Single male, 54, non-smoker, enjoys good conversations. movies, music, sports, travel. walking, dancing and more. Seeking a single female, 46 to 63, with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 16886

ROMANCE IS THE KEY Single white male, 54, 58, 175 lbs, brown hair, green eyes, easy going, honest with a good heart, enjoys boating. movies, dining, dancing, reading, gardening and just being around water. Looking for a single female, height and weight proportionate with similar interests. BOX 16901

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FRIENDS FIRST Single father of two, enjoys sports, music and more. Looking for a single female to be friends, hang out and just kick it with. BOX 17006

WAITING 4 YOLL Divorced white male, 31, 613 208 lbs, height and weight proportionate, enjoys sports and the outdoors. Looking for a single female with similar interests, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 20762 LOW KEYED GUY .

Attractive, large, built white Christian type male likes fishing, weight lifting, quiet dinners, walks and having a good time. I am low key, considerate and a nice guy, I am look ing for a white female 20 to , average build, attractive, old fashion and down to earth. BOX 36211 GOOD HEARTED MAN

24 yr old, single white male, 6'3", 260 lbs, athletic build, with brown hair and eyes, clean cut, who enjoys movies, concerts, travel, plays, the outdoors, and sports. Seeking single white female, 21 to 40, with lots of interests, for friendship, good times, and much more, BOX 20775 SINGLE DAD

45 yr old, divorced white father of one, 5'10" with brown hair, blue eyes, who enjoys the outdoors, dining out, good times, and much more. Seeking single white female, 30 to 46, with lots of interests; for friendship, possible relationship, BOX 13408

TAKE A CHANCE Single white professional Catholic male, 44, no dependents, communicative, humorous, preserving, flexible, 5'8", fit. Seeking single professional white female, emotionally available, 28 to 42, for a happy, healthy relationship. BOX 32062

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NO CLEVER AD White divorced male 50's. with many interests. Seeks kind hearted lady for monogarelationship answer all. BOX 35972

A CALL AWAY 25 yr; old, single Hispanic father of one, seeking single for friendship, dating, good times, possibly more, BOX

OPEN MINDED 28 yr old, divorced, white male, 5'11", 185 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys bowling, pool and roller blading Looking for a female, 21 to 35, with similar interests for fun times. BOX 32065

ARE YOU LONELY? Single white male, 56, 5'11", 180 lb. Seeking a single white female, 30 to 45, who enjoys dancing, movies, short trips, and quiet evenings at home I'm a non-smoker, and social drinker, BOX 35974

MONOGAMOUS 48 vr old, single white male. 180 lbs, who enjoys life. romance, the outdoors, quiet times, and jots more. Seeking single white female, with simi lar interests, for monogamous relationship. BOX 13447 STARTING OVER

Divorced white male, 38, 5.7" 110 lbs, brown hair and eyes. believes in honesty, faithful ness, communicating and no games. Enjoys pool, darts. golf, reading and movies. Family oriented, smoker and social drinker. Seeking single lemale with same beliefs interests, 30 to 40, height and weight proportionate. BOX CALL ME

yr old, single white mate 5'8', 175 lbs, fun loving, with a good sense of Seeking single white female fun loving, for friendship, pos s/bly more. BOX 17012

FARY GOING Divorced white male, 49, 6'1" 205 lbs. good looking, sin cere, down to sainth. Enjoy cycling, long walks, physical movies, theater Looking for 5'6" plus, attractive, fit, brunette or auburn heired Christian lady with aimilar qualities, for friendship and maybe more: BOX 32066

NEW ADS!

LOVE FOREVER

Caring, affectionate, loving, hard working, divorced white male, 53, 57°, silver fox hair, 176 lb, loves ocean, beaches, spending quality time together. Seeking friendship for monogamous relationship, 40 to 50. BOX 35978

PRECIOUS JEWEL

41 vr old, never married white male, 5 11", 170 lbs, brown hair and eyes, considered nice and attractive, non-smoker, non-drinker, very faithful Churchgoer, Hoping to meet someone, non-smoker, nondrinker, brunette, for friendship and more. Down river area. BOX 32061 SUPER HONEST LOYAL

Handsome, single, white professional male, 38, 5'9", 160 lbs, very fit, half Italian, Catholic. Seeks honest, lovng, caring single white female, under 38, slim, no dependent, for fine dining, walks, good conversation, weekend getaways, for one on one long term relationship. **BOX 36099** BLACK OF HISPANIC

40 yr old, looks 30, divorced white male, 5'9", 175 (bs. brown hair and eyes, attractive, intelligent, physically fit, home owner, with a good job, Seeking a single or divorced. black or Hispanic female, 25 to 35, attractive, intellinent, physically fit with a big hear and great smile. BOX 33653

LET'S HOOK UP High intensity, mindful, single white male, seeks self Indulgent, single white female, 30's relationship dimensional. experience, BOX 36131 WANTED:ONE GOOD LADY Divorced white father, 42, fit. slim and very good looking.

Enloys flea markets, swimbarbecues. Seeking a single white female, 28 to 43, slim to medium build, for a long term relationship. BOX 31905 SUMMER TIME FUN

Good looking, 38, 5 11", trim, loves the outdoors, would appreciate a sweet, slim, gal, to spend summer time fun at my cottage and island. Someone who likes the great outdoors. I can promise you a rose garden. Let's have a garden party. Kids okay. BOX

WOMAN WANTED Single white male, 54, 5'10" 175 lbs., not bad looking, good condition, employed homeowner, non-smoker, no dependents, seeks slim, attractive white woman, 40 to 50, in the Westland area, 80X

LIGHT HEARTED Honest, pentle, attractive widowed male, 65, 5'8", 175 lbs, auburn hair, blue eyes, bood physical condition, active, financially secure, enjoys camping, long walks and good conversation. Seeking honest, słim or semi slim, attractive, single white female, 50 to 60, light hearted, for companionship first and possible rela-

tionship, BOX 31889 LOOKING AHEAD Divorced white male 5'11' financially secure, professionat 61, who likes exercise fine dining, theater and travel Seeks intelligent, attractive single or divorced white lemale: 40 to 58, who would be good company in all kinds of situations BOX 36093

SERIOUS REPLIES ONLY Single black non-smoking male, 33, 6'2", 220 lbs, brown hair, eyes and mustache Enjoys dining out, movies. dancing, music, games and the outdoors. Seeking a single black female, 21 to 37, 110 to 160 lbs. with similar interests. for possible relationship. BOX SEEKING SOULMATE

Single white male, 36, never

married, 6'4", brown hair

hazel eyes, non-drinker, nonsmoker, enjoys all outdoor activities. Seeking & single white female, under 45, with no dependents, height and weight proportionate, for long term relationship. BOX 32046 SEEKS COMPANIONSHIP Bright, decent, desirable, educated, single men, lete 60's with many interests. Seeking a decent, desirable woman 58 to 68, BOX 36125

MARMAGE IN MIND? Single white professional male, 611, 195 lbs, athletic build, seeking single white female, who's caring, honest, with a good sense of humor, for friendship, possible for term retefioriship 80X 13295

CALL ME

41 yr old, single white male, seeking single white female, 40 to 50, for friendship, possible long term relationship. BOX 16827

MEET ME HALF WAY 32 yr old, single male, 5'8', polite with a good sense of humor who likes watching sports, taking walks in the park and going for bike rides. Looking for someone who enjoys music and social drinks. ing for friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 32044

LOVE TO MEET 48 vr old, 5'11", 215 lb single white male seeking secure lady companion for friendship and possible long term rela-tionship. Looking for petite white or Asian lady, 45 to 50, who enjoys golf, romantic walks, movies, travel and fun times. BOX 36129

STILL AVAILABLE 48 yr old, single white male, enjoys movies, dining out, and quiet times. Seeking single white female, slim to medium build, non-smoker, under 47, who's stable, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX

SEEKING SUBSTANCE ingle white male, 45, 5'8", fit with no dependents nonsmoker wants to share music, art, nature, spirituality, humor and love with a single, white female, 29 to 43, who wants a quality_relationship_Downrive area, BOX 32048 LOOK NO FURTHER

33 yr old, single white male, 280 lb, 61, with blonde hair, blue eyes, attractive, with lot's humor white female, 27 to 37, chi dren okay, with similar interests, for friendship, possible long term relationship. BOX

PLEASE READ THIS If you are 48 to 58, slim ing for a non-violent, loving happy go lucky, non-drinking guy, I am 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, widowed and lonesome. looking for a lifetime relation ship. I'll answer your call Downriver area. No games.

BOX 32049 CALL ME! Divorced white dad, 41, 5'9" brown hair, hazel eyes, custodial parent, homeowner, loves camping, barbecuing Cedar Point, carnations, motorcycles and just about everything Seeking divorced white mom with same interests, for a monogamous relationship. Prefers Novi area BOX

36103 LOOK NO FURTHER Sinole white male, 39, 5'6".: enjoys the outdoors and more. Seeking a single female, 35 to 45, with similar interests, for possible long



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PERSONAL SCENE

MAGER SPHIERS BUILDINGS-UP

The Madonna University Junior Crusaders 15-and-under girls volleyball team finished second in the Michigan Junior Volleyball Association state tournament in Grand Rapids last weekend.

The Junior Crusaders defeated Frankenmuth, 25-15, 25-12; Grand Rapids Juniors, 25-19, 25-14; 4u2Fear (Lansing), 25-10, 25-19; Maple City 25-14, 25-13; Grosse Pointe, 25-16, 22-25, 27-26; and the Dead Frogs, 25-11, 25-16.

The Junior Crusaders lost in the finals to Inside Out (Muskegon) 25-15, 25-19,

The team won four of the five tournaments it played in this

Coached by Debby Karabees. Betts, team members are Anne Roosevelt (Farmington Mercy) Erica Alemdar (Madison Heights Bishop Foley), Sarah Bergmooser and Caitline O'Hara (Monroe St. Mary's), Kathleen Knutson and Kari McLeod (Westland John Glenn), Kristin Kummer, Katie McDonald and Amy Szymanski (Redford St. Robert's), Gina Seefeld and Christine Jury (Livonia Ladywood), and Jordan Falcusan (Plymouth Salem).

The Junior Crusaders will travel this weekend to the Nationals in Chicago.

VOLLEYBALL BRONZE MEDALISTS The Motor City Volleyball

Club's 17 Elite team brought home the bronze medal this weekend in the Open Level Gold Division at the State AAU Toufnament in Grand Rapids.

Motor City team, coached by Karen Chase and Anne Poglits, lost in a close three-game match to Inside Out Volleyball of Muskegon in its final match. Motor City will complete its season next weekend at the National AAU tournament in Chicago.

Team members of the Livoniabased club are from all over suburban Detroit and include: Erin Bartee (Livonia), Leslie Dzingle (Dearborn), Brittany Henson (Brighton), Lyndsay Howard (Farmington), Meghan Mitchell (Dearborn), Dayna Niemi (Canton). Jamie Pikus (Troy) and Becky Thoreau (Troy).

LAMBERT CARDS ACE

Playing in the R.M. Golf League, Mark Lambert, 36, of Wixom recorded an ace on the 135-yard, par-3 June 8 at Idyl Wyld Golf Course in Livonia. He used a pitching wedge.

WAYNE BASKETBALL CAMP

The Summer Challenge Basketball Camp, conducted by coach Chuck Henry, will be from 1-3 p.m. Monday, June 19 through Friday, June 23 at the Wayne Memorial High School Alumni Arena.

The camp, limited to the first 48 registrants, is for boys and girls entering grades 5-10 tas of September).

The \$50 cost includes instruction, skill development, competition trophies, shirt and threecolor basketball to the first 36 paid campers in each session.

For more information, call (734) 398-5975.

LIVONIA DRIVER 6TH

Livonian Tom Adis finished a career-best sixth in the Paperbacks 'N Things Legends Series. 30-lap Great Lakes National race June 10 in Springport.

Adis' previous best finishes were a pair of 11ths.

He now ranks in the top 10 in the overall point standings.

He will travel Saturday to Auburn for a race at Tri-Cities Speedy and run again Sunday in, *Mason at Spartan Speedway.

METEOR BOYS SOCCER TRYOUTS

Corrected boys tryouts for the Livonia Y Meteors will be at Bicentennial Park, located on Seven Mile between Farmington and Newburgh roads (field nos. 3-6 in the back of the park! for the following age groups:

•Under-9 — 6-8 p.m. Friday. June 16 and Tuesday, June 20: call David Burton at (248) 476-

•Under-12 -- 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 15 and Monday, June 19; call David Burton at (248) 476-4720;

•Under-13 -- 6-8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 15/16: call Steve Barnas at (734) 762 7091.

All players should register 30 minutes prior to tryouts. Players. should bring water and a soccer-

METEORS GIRLS SOCCER TRYOUTS

Corrected girls tryouts for the Livonia Y Meteors will be at Bicentennial Park, located on Seven Mile between Farmington and Newburgh roads (field nos. 3-6 in the back of the park! for the following age group:

•Under-14 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17; and 6.8 p.m. Sunday, June 18 and Wednesday, June 21; call either Frank **SPORTS ROUNDUP**

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WAZA SOCCER TRYOUTS

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FALL BASERALL 2000

Total Baseball, located at Tryouts for WaZa FC's under-30990 Wixom Road, Wixom, will 11 boys team will be from noon-2 be sponsoring a fall baseball p.m. Saturday, June 17 and 24; league from Aug. 12 through also 3-5 p.m. Sunday, June 18 at Oct. 15 for the follow age divi-Schoolcraft Community College, sions: 11-2, 13-14, junior varsity located on Haggerty between Six and varsity.

The registration deadline is Saturday, Aug. 5.

Games will be played on week-

ends and all high school rosters will be made available to Michigan colleges and pro teams.

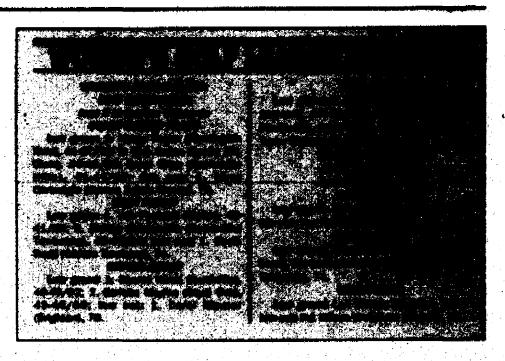
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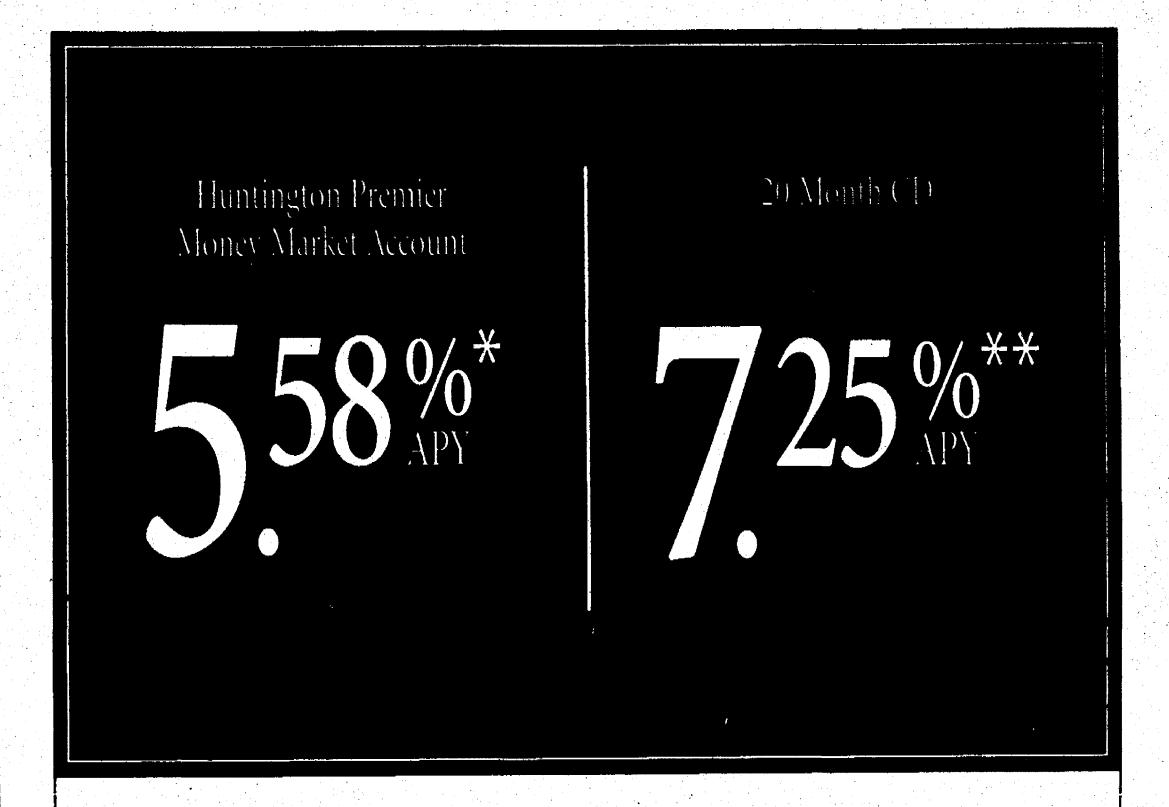
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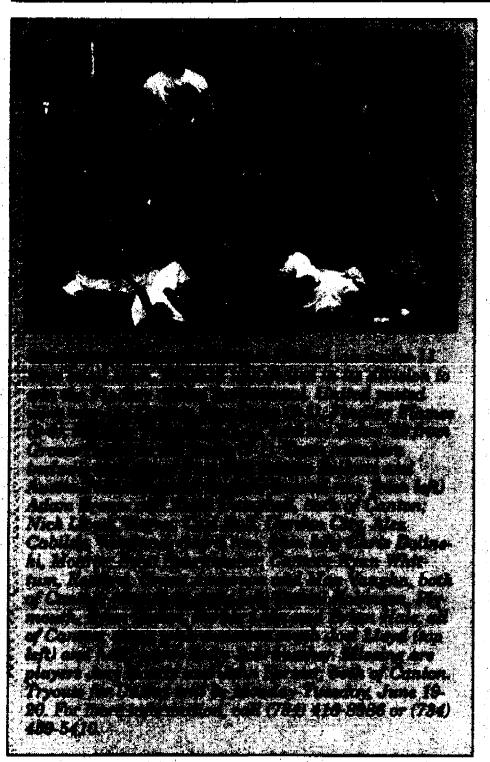
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Salem Hills plays host to Public Links qualifier

By Monica Pugno

A lot of changes are expected for this year's National Public Links Qualifying Tournament, scheduled for today and Friday at the Salem Hills Golf Club.

In past years, more than 200 amateur golfers competed in the tournament. This year, there are 109 entries.

Pete Owens, a representative of the United States Golf Association who is in charge of the two-day tournament, said one of the reasons for the lower turnout is because the U.S.G.A. no longer pays for those who win the tournament to fly to the national championships in Portland.

"Last year, we had 220 entries," Owens said. "The U.S.G.A. changed the rules this year. It used to be the only U.S.G.A. tournament where we would pay for the winners to play at the national champi-

onship. They stopped doing that this year."

Owens said another reason less people signed up for the tournament is because the U.S.G.A. lowered the handicap requirement.

"It used to be wide open," he said. "They used to let people who had a 20 handicap play. They lowered it to 8.4 this year."

The tournament still draws some of the best amateurs from around the world. The top four finishers will qualify for the national championships in Portland. The winner of the event in Portland qualifies for the Masters

The tournament began at 6:30 this morning. The top 51 golfers will play again on Friday from 7 a.m. to noon.

The cost to enter the tournament is \$30. For more information, call the Salem Hills Golf Club at 248-437-2152.





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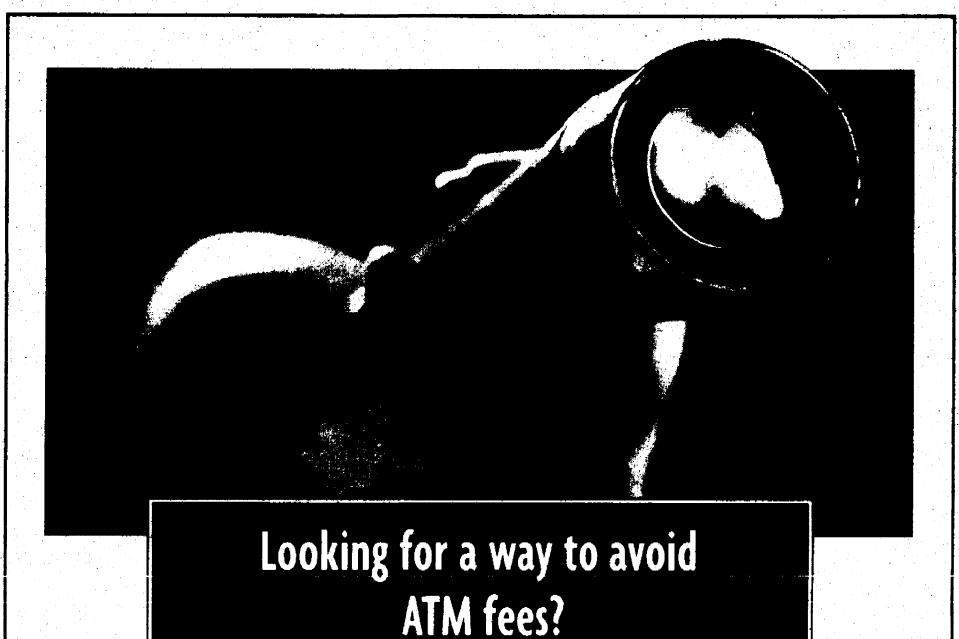
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Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia, 36071 Plymouth Road, presents Billy Ray Bauer 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Tickets \$10 per person, dinner/show package \$24.50 per person, call (734) 261-0555.

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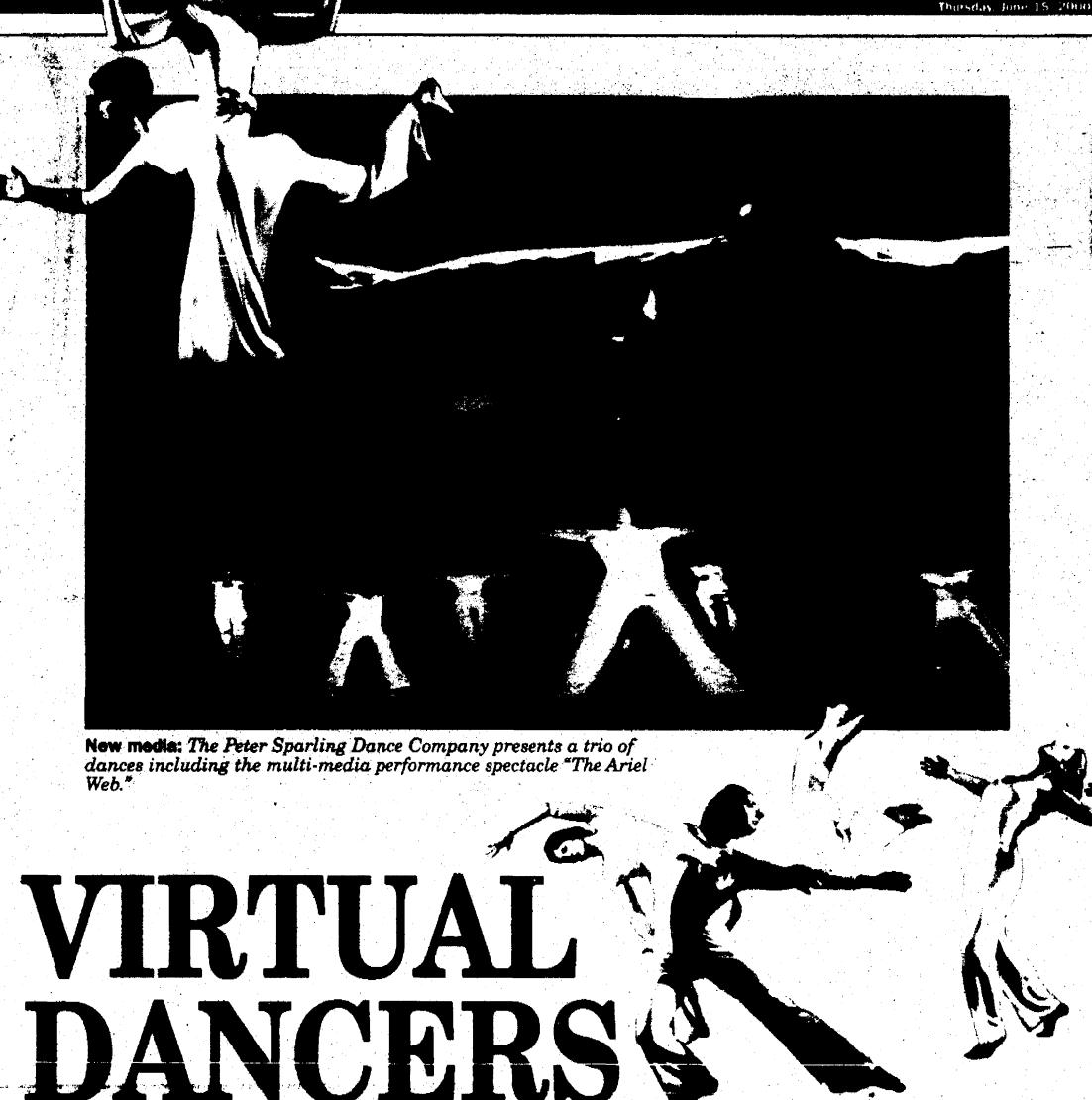
The Swedish Club presents its annual Midsummer Festival at the club, 22398 Ruth Street at Freedom Road in Farmington Hills. The event begins 9:30 a.m. with a pancake breakfast. Maypole raising at noon followed by Scandia (pictured) and Arpi Chorus performances, folk dancing and children's games. Baked goods and Swedish imports offered for sale. Dinner served 1:30 p.m. Call (248) 646-4073 for information.

SUNDAY



Over 120 artists, including Katherine Wickersham, will gather 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in downtown Northville for "Art in the Sun." The juried fine art show also offers live entertainment. For more information, call (248) 349-7640.





Sparling Company ventures into new arena

hrough all the years of dancing with Martha Graham's company, Peter Sparling partnered with dozens of lithe and lovely females. Technology changes that when Sparling steps onto the stage of the Power Center Friday, June 30.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

STAFF WESTER

In an adventure in new media, Sparling whirls across the boards in a duet with cameraman Jonathan Tyman. The Ariel Web is one of a trio of dances the Peter Sparling Dance Company will perform during the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, which opens Friday, June 16.

A collaboration with Sparling's colleagues at the University of Michigan, the performance spectacle layers poetry, music and dance in a celebration and exploration of arts and technology. Sparling, Richard Tillinghast, Jim Cogswell, Andrew Mead and Fred Bookstein, assisted by the technical wizardry of Tom Bray, first produced the work in March at Rackham Auditorium.

"You've got to see it to believe it." said Sparling who danced with Martha Graham from 1973 to 1980 before founding his own company in New York in the early 80s. "It pushes the boundaries. Each time we do it, the meanings shift between the text. visual and movement. It's like a series of overlaid metaphors that take on meaning as they align themselves."

Sparling, who spent his teen years in Plymouth, choreographed the work on two separate stages. As Sparling takes the angular movements across the Power Center stage, his company will dance at the Media Union across campus. The virtual dancers' video projected sequences will appear all together on the Power Center stage.

"It's going to be fun to do and tricky," said Tim Smola, a Canton resident and one of the company members dancing in the remote location. There will be 20-foot video monitors allowing

Adventures in **New Media** What: The Peter

Sparling Dance Company presents a trio of modern dances during the Ann Arbor Summer Festival.

When: 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, An informal performance preview begins at 7:30 p.m. in the lobby

Where: Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street, Ann Arbor

Tickets: \$26, \$20, \$14, call (734) 764-2538 See Ann Arbor Summer Festival

schedule inside

all of us to appear simultaneously on stage. A van will be waiting to speed us to the Power Center to complete the dance."

World premiere

The second work on the program, Possible Dances, returns to reality with a vignette of recollections written by Sparling. Set to a score by New York composer Paul Epstein who uses electronic music and Sparling's recorded voice to create a soundscape, the six poems run the gamut of emotions from mourning the loss of a friend to the wonder of being alive. In the choreographer's own words, it "explores relationship of movement imagery with text imagery, how words signal images in our mind and how movement imagery can create words."

"It's very surreal," said Smola. "It Please see DANCERS, E2

COMMUNITY THEATER

Vengeful ghost haunts audiences at Trinity House Theatre

By Linda Ann Chomin STAFF WRITER chomin@os.homecomm.net

P.W. Henry warns theatergoers to step sprightly to their cars after seeing The Woman in Black. The ghost in the Parlour Theatre production could be lurking in the graveyard behind Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.

The Women in Black When 8 p.m. Friday-Seturday, June 16-17 Where Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, west of I-275, Livenia

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"She's not a friendly ghost," said Henry, a Westland resident who plays one of the two roles in this British story. "The graveyard out back adds to the ceriepess and mystery and they'll probably most with British want to do a double accents and one take."

play, The Woman in lenge to remem-(Henry) haunted by . Even if Henry broke character it said Ed Meade, who founded Parlour

a vengeful ghost. Fearing he's going mad, the character.turns to an actor for Arthur Kipps believes if he can just get his story told, the curse will be reversed.

"He wants to exorcise this vision," said Henry, "We put on this play -where I'm dojng the part of five or six characters. with a Scottish A play within a accent. It's a chal. Black.

Black is a thriller ber which character is next and which "Our theater group usually does com-... edv but we were fascinated with it." man tone im using.



British thriller: P.W. Henry (left) and Brian Catton try to rid themselves of a vengeful ghost in "The Woman in

Theatre Productions with his wife Jeannine. The couple lived for many. would go years in Livonia, Plymouth and Farmunnoticed. The audiington Hills before moving to ence will be Northville. "We saw it in London three times. It's a good story. It's not entirely taken gothic. It takes place in post Victorian with the sounds of times with horses and buggies running alongside autómobiles in the streets. howling The sound effects create the mood. As winds, crythe story evolves it becomes an integral ing children and fog rising

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Jeannine will reveal little about the ghost she plays. Dressed in a floorlength black cape, her actions tell the

"I have no lines so it's pretty easy," said-Jeannine.

But as everyone knows, actions speak louder than words

"Her movements really are quite terrifying especially when they're seenthrough all the fog coming up from the ground," said Brian Catton who plave

Ghost from page E1

The Actor. Catton's experience in the film Vampire's Kiss was good training for The Woman in Black. So were the years he spent off Broadway in plays such as Fool for Love, Out of the Frying Pan and Song for Singapore. "It's like we're out in the moors."

Traveling troupe

The Woman in Black is one of six shows that Parlour rotates at dinner theaters, retirement centers, and bus tours which stop at hotels in resorts such as Frankenmuth.

"We're really on the road a lot," said Meade, who taught voice and theater at public and parochial schools in Dearborn Heights and Dearborn until retiring nine years ago. "We pack up all of the scenery, costumes and props. It's a little bit of work but it's fun."

"We take theater to people who

III 'We take theater to people who might not otherwise be able to see it. It's a traveling troupe. That's why Ed called it Parlour Theztre. We bring it to your parior.

Jeannine Meade

Actress

might not otherwise be able to see it," added Jeannine. "It's a traveling troupe. That's why Ed called it Parlour Theatre. We bring it to your parlor."

If you miss "The Woman in Black" at Trinity House Theatre, they'll play it again Sunday, July 23, at The Ark in Ann Arbor, call (734) 763-TKTS.



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Dancers from page E1

takes you to another place. The composer did a neat job. That's what makes the dance really exciting. They're very human. just real people. We're asked to be real people in real life not fairies. It's about human experience. The only exception is in the piece about bees on a country road where I dance as the windshield wipers."

Whitley Setrakian concludes

the program with choreography inspired by the real life drama of Polish sculptor Magdalena Abakanowicz. Setrakian created the compelling work after seeing Abakanowicz's installation at the University of Michigan Museum of Art where she is public relations director. This Flock was originally performed as part of a program Setrakian coordinated to bring new insight to Abakanowicz's installation at the

Ann Arbor museum in March 1999. Set to a score by English composer Geoff Smith, the work recalls a scarring memory in the sculptor's childhood. During World War II, Nazi's burst into the Abakanowicz home on the outskirts of Warsaw. Their guns blazing they shot off the arm of her mother. Setrakian, who's teaching dance this summer at Michigan State University, never forgot the story after viewing the

installation. She revived the work earlier this year on the East Lansing campus of Michigan State.

"I loved her piece very much," said Setrakian, a dance instructor at the Milligan School of Ballet in Dearborn Heights. "It was very compelling. It has enormous power with 30 some standing figures without heads. It speaks to individuality and conformity."

ANN ARBOR SUMMER FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

The 17th annual Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Friday, June 16, to Sunday, July 9, features an eclectic mix of events that showcase nationally-acclaimed artists and companies in dance, theater, music and comedy and outstanding local groups.

Activities are presented inside at the Power Center, 121 Fletcher Street, and outside at Top of the Park, the top level of a parking structure next to the Power Center.

There is no charge for Top of the Park events. Tickets for Power Center events are \$26, \$20, and \$14, with the exception of Michael Feinstein and Jose Feliciano's performance, for which tickets are \$30, \$25, and **\$20**.

Tickets are available at the Power Center Box Office and Ticketmater outlets. For more information, call (734) 764-2538 or (800) 221-1229. For information online, visit www.mlive. com/aasf

At the Power Center

Saturday, June 17 - 8 p.m. Michael Feinstein sings The Classic American Songbook

Sunday, June 18 - 8 p.m. David Grisman, John Hartford and Mike Seeger

Tuesday, June 20 - 8 p.m. Streb in ActionHeroes

Wednesday, June 21 - 8 p.m. Nicholas Payton and Ensemble A Louis Armstrong Centennial Cel-

Thursday, June 22 - 8 p.m. Natalie MacMaster and Mark

Friday, June 23 - 8 p.m. Spalding Gray in Morning, Noon and Night

O'Connor

Saturday, June 24 - 8 p.m. Jazz Tap Ensemble

Sunday, June 25 - 8 p.m. Trinity Academy Irish Dancers

Tuesday, June 27 - 8 p.m. Kate Clinton in Y2K8.comedy

Wednesday, June 28 – 8 p.m. The Reduced Shakespeare Company in The Complete Millennium Musical

Thursday, June 29 - 8 p.m. Rockapella

Friday, June 30 – 8 p.m. Peter Sparling Dance Company

Saturday, July 1 - 8 p.m. The Ahn Trio Tuesday, July 4 - 8 p.m. The

Capitol Steps

Wednesday, July 5 - 8 p.m. Jose Feliciano in Concert

Thursday, July 6 - 8 p.m. Linda Tillery and the Cultural Heritage Choir and The Paris Children's Choir

Friday, July 7 - 8 p.m. Peter Schickele Meets P.D.Q. Bach with The Ypsilanti Symphony Orches-

Saturday, July 8 - 8 p.m. Anthony Zerbe & Roscoe Lee Browne in Behind the Broken Words

Top of the Park

Friday, June 16 - 7-8:30 p.m. Folkin' in A-Squared - Ann Arbor-based folk artists Chris Buhalis, Lisa Hunter, Kevin Meisel, Jim Roll, Jo Serrapere and Rollie Tussing III; 8:45 p.m. Cadillac Cowboys - country, rock Saturday, June 17 - 7-8:30

p.m. RFD Boys - Ann Arbor Bluegrass Favorites; 9-11 p.m. release party; 10 p.m. movie: The Ambassadors - Classic 1940s big-band/swing

Sunday, June 18 - 7-7:45 p.m. Binn Na Mara - Traditional Irish jigs, reels, and polkas; 7:45

- 9:45 p.m. Al Hill & The Love Butlers; 10 p.m. movie: Toy Story

Monday, June 19 - 7-7:45 p.m. Ann Arbor School for the Performing Arts Jazz Combos: 8-10 p.m. Bird of Paradise Orchestra; 10 p.m. movie: Little Shop of Horrors

Tuesday, June 20 - 7-7:45 p.m. Brain Mute; 8-10 p.m. Corndaddy; 10 p.m. movie: Beetlejuice

Wednesday, June 21 - 7-7:45 p.m. Saline Fiddlers' Philharmonic; 8-10 p.m. The Raisin Pickers; 10 p.m. movie: The Marx Brothers in A Night at the Opera

Thursday, June 22, Elvis Night! - 7-7:45 p.m. Musical Moments A Cappella Quartet; 8-10 p.m. Starlight Drifters; 10

p.m. movie: Jaithouse Rock Friday, June 23 - 7-8:30 p.m. "Tap" of the Park - Tap Dance Extravaganza; 8:45-11 p.m. Los

Saturday, June 24 - 7-8:30 p.m. Rollie Tussing III- Delta Blues Slide Guitar; 9-11 p.m. Madcat & Kane

Sunday, June 25 - 7-7:45 p.m. The Trinkets with Whit Hill, K.C. Groves, and Sue Gillis, 8-9:30 North- Acoustic Folk Rock; 10 p.m. movie: Superman

Monday, June 26 - 7:30-10 p.m. Geno Delafose & French Rockin' Boogie- Louisiana Zydeco; 10 p.m. movie: The Nutty Professor.

Tuesday, June 27 - 7-9:30 p.m. Mid Life Crisis Blues Band -Rockin' blues, and debut CD Selena

Wednesday, June 28 - 7-9:30 p.m. Witch Doctors; 10 p.m. movie: A League of Their Own

Thursday, June $29 - 7 \cdot 7 \cdot 45$

p.m. Ann Arbor School for the Performing Arts Jazz Combos; 8-9:45 p.m. Brian Lillie and the Squirrel Mountain Orchestra; 10 p.m. movie: The Bride of

Frankenstein Friday, June 30 - 7-8:30 p.m. Coup de Grass - Straight Ahead Bluegrass; 9-11 p.m. Wild Sheep Riders (aka Steve Newhouse & The Nuke-A-Billies)

Saturday, July 1 - 7-8:30 p.m. Repercussions - percussion ensemble; 8:45-11 p.m. The Couriers - big-band

Sunday, July 2 - 7-7:45 p.m. Old #7 - Folk from America and British Isles; 8-9:45 p.m. Cave Catt Sammy; 10 p.m. movie: Stuart Little

Monday, July 3 - 7 - 7 : 45 p.m. Ann Arbor School for the Performance Arts Jazz Combos: 8-9:45 p.m. Charged Particles; 10 p.m. movie: The Addams Family

Tuesday, July 4 - 7:30-9:45p.m. The Red Elvises; 10 p.m. movie Little Mermaid

Wednesday, July 5 - 7-9:45 p.m. Jim Cummings Band; 10 p.m. movie: October Sky Thursday, July 6 Teen Night -

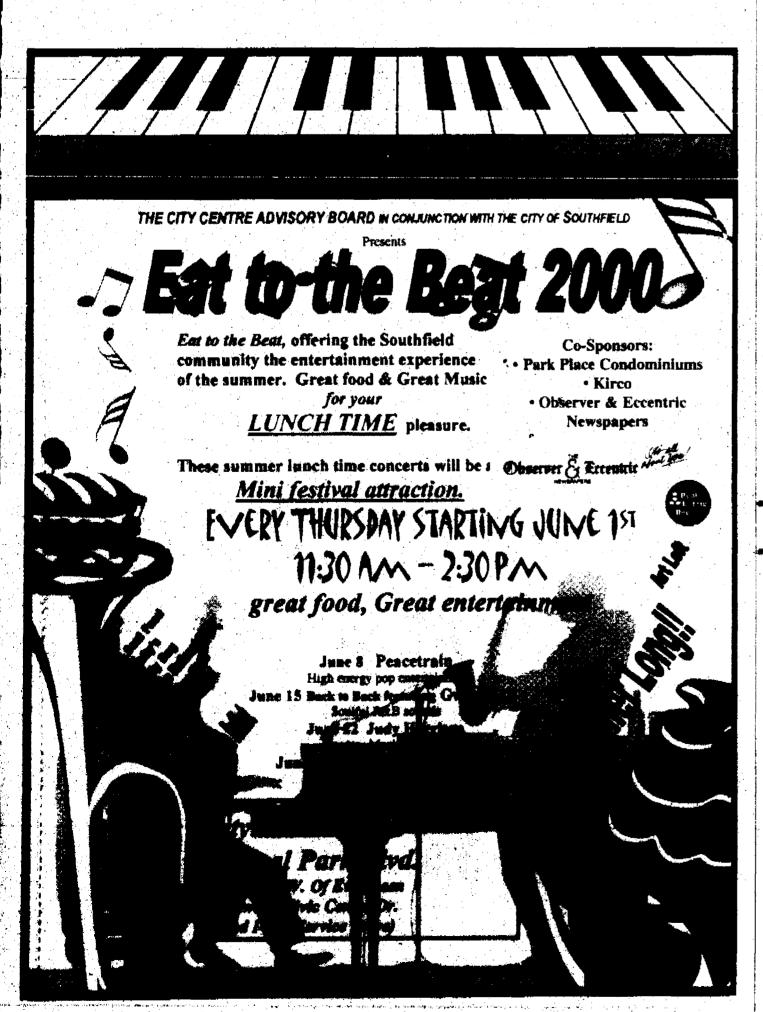
7-9:45 p.m. Showcase of Teen Bands from Ann Arbor; 10 p.m. movie: 3.D! It Came From Outer Space Friday, July 7 - 7.7.45 p.m.

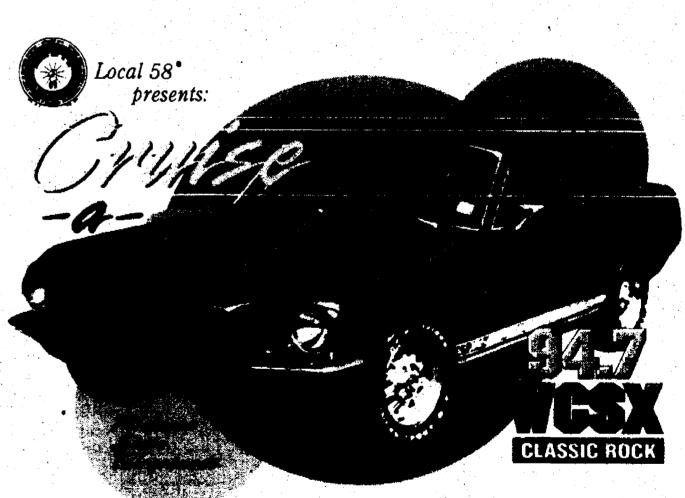
The Original Brothers and Sisters of Love; 8-9:45 p.m. Cigar Store Indians; 10 p.m. movie: Happy Gilmore

Saturday, July 8 - 7- 8:30 p.m. Blue Dahlia; 8:45- 11 p.m. Nite Flight - calypso, reggae

Sunday, July 9 - 7-9:30 p.m. George Bedard & the Kingpins -Rock-A-Billy Hepcats; 10 p.m. movie: Galaxy Quest

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Over 120 artists from Michigan and nearby states will be participating in Art in the Sun, Saturday-Sunday, June 17-18, in downtown Northville.

Now in its 12th year, this fair has become a Father's Day tradition. During the weekend, the streets of Northville will be closed to traffic but open to a brilliant display of fine art.

Stores and restaurants will be open, and there will be entertainment in the vintage bandshell.

Sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, the juried fine art show will feature a number of local artists, including Becky Buxton of Farmington Hills; Tom LeGault of Plymouth; Russell Cobane of Clarkston; Debra Metler and Kathy Boltz of West Bloomfield: Susanne Lawrence of Waterford; Gail Hiller of Beverly Hills, and Susan Fowler of Bloomfield Hills.

Fair hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 17-18. Here's the entertainment schedule:

Saturday-Sunday - 12:30-2 p.m. Straw Hat Band; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Russell Dannellon (Main & Center); 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Roy Scoutz (Center & Dunlap).

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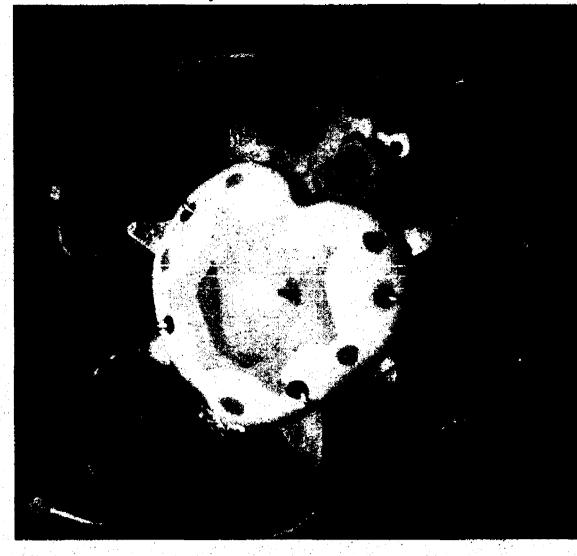
Local artists will showcase their works 10a .m.: to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 24 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 25 during Canton Liberty Fest Fine Arts and Fine Craft Show at Heritage Park, Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill in Canton.

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Ann Arbor Art Fair

The Ann Arbor Art Fair - Wednesday, July 19 through Saturday, July 22The Ann Arbor Art Fairs combine the talents of the artists with a host of merchant displays lining the streets, food galore, art demonstrations, an array of music, street performances, children's activity centers, and much more!

Fair hours are 10 a.m.-9 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday. For information, please call the Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau at 800-888-9487 or visit their website at www.annarbor.org.



Featured artist: Marjorie Rawson-Johnson of Chelsea will be showing her work at Art in the Sun in downtown Northville.

Chamber Music Festival features William Bolcom

The Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival continues this week with a program that features the music of Bach, Chopin and Brahms and works by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer-in-residence, William Bolcom.



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Concert Schedule

- 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 15-16 - Bolcom's Sonata No. 2 for violin and piano, Bach's Sonata No. 2 for solo violin in A minor, Bolcom's Donald Hall Songs, Brahms' Trio in C minor for violin, cello and piano. St. Hugo's Chapel, Opdyke Road and Hickory Grove.
- 8 p.m. Friday, June 16 -Mozart's Sonata in B-flat Major for violin and piano. Webern's 5 Movements for String Quartet, Stravinsky's 3 Pieces for String Quartet, Brahms' Trio in C Major for violin, cello and piano.

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- 8 p.m. Saturday, June 17 -Conversation with William Bolcom, performance by the Gotham String Quartet, Schumann's Variations for 2 pianos, 2 cellos and horn, Webern's 5 Movements for String Quartet, Stravinsky's 3 pieces for String Quartet. Detroit Country Day School, 13 Mile and Lahser Road.
- 11:30 a.m. Sunday, June 18 - Brunch with Bach. Detroit Institute of Arts.
- 3 & 4:30 p.m. Sunday, June 18 - Plog's Aesop's Fables, Prokofiey's Peter and the Wolf. Detroit Zoo.

- 8 p.m. Tuesday & Wednesday, June 20 & 21 - Persichetti's Serenade No. 6 for viola: cello and trombone, Schubert's song cycle for voice and piano from "Winterreise;" Dvorak's Trio in F minor for violin; cello and piano. Temple Beth El at Telegraph and 14 Mile Road.
- 8 p.m. Thursday, June 22 -Barber's Dover Beach for bari-

tone and string quartet, Cop- for piano and strings. Kirk in the land's Sextet for clarinet, piano and strings, Schubert's Trio in Bflat Major for violin, cello and piano. Kirk in the Hills Refectory.

■ 8 p.m. Friday, June 23 -Mozart's Piano Trio in B-flat Major for violin, piano and cello, Saint-Saens' Sonata No. 1 in D minor for violin and piano, Schumann's Quintet in E-flat Major

Hills Refectory.

■ 7 p.m. Sunday, June 24 -Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 in F Major, Poulenc's Le bal masqué for baritone and chamber ensemble, Gershwin's An American in Paris. Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf for narrator and orchestra. Temple Beth Et Sanctuary.

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Success, part inspiration, luck



happen the way they do? Well, in the performing and visual arts - as in life positive

things happen because of inspiration, dedication, and a variety of circumstances, such as luck, generosity and personality.

Why did RCA recording artist Dave Matthews, along with his business manager, tour manager, and a band associate, recently launch an independent label? The idea was fueled by Matthews' desire to get more exposure for some of his favorite artists.

The first signing by the new label, According to Our (ATO) Records, was Welsh-raised singer David Grav, and an enhanced-CD version of Gray's most recent album, White Ladder; released in

example of someone who is so Why do things phenomenal and beautiful - but someone who has been more or less overlooked in the U.S.," Matthews told Billboard maga-

> The consolidation of major labels also is enough of a concern to Matthews to make "indies" necessary. "There are a lot of interesting artists who won't get a chance to get heard because of the often-blindness of an industry that ignores something that's maybe not in fashion or doesn't seem viable."

> Many of the performers who have appeared over the years on Detroit Public TV's BACK-STAGE PASS have also found it difficult to obtain the exposure that they have earned. Mergers by media companies tend to work to the advantage of established artists or those fortunate, but few emerging artists that have a look, sound, or style that adapts well to the broadest audience and marketing strategies.

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work is worthy of a broader audience. That's why there's a place for a distinctive folk/rock talent like David Gray, who performs in the studio on an edition that airs 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June

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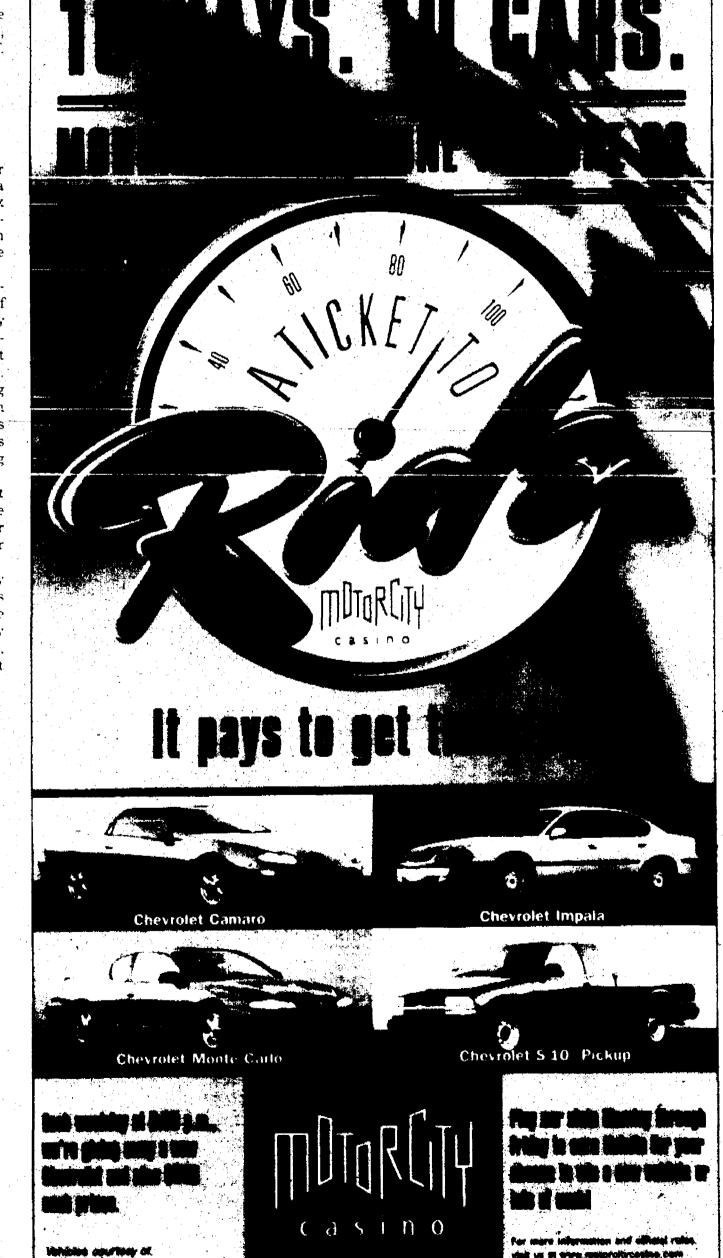
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"Always...Patsy Cline" continues to Aug. 27, at the theater, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800/(248) 645-6666 DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE:

"Nocturne for a Southern Lady," continues through Sunday, June 25, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater. \$15. (313) 868-1347

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, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Aaron DeRoy Theater at the Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield. \$15-\$25. (248) 788-2000

PLANET ANT THEATRE: "Shame on Me," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 16-17 and 23-24, at the theater, Hamtramck. \$10. (313) 365-4948 PLOWSHARES 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

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY

COLLEGE: One-act plays, "Cats and Dogs" and excerpts from "Commedia Americana," contains adult material, you must be 18 to enter, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 15-17 and 22-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 18 and 15, at the Adray Auditorium in the Mackenzie Fine Arts Building, Dearborn. \$4. (313) 845-9817

COMMUNITY THEATER

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN
ASSEMBLY: "Family Outings," a
play about relationships, 7 p.m.
Friday, June 16, at Northville
Christian. (248) 348-9030
TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: Presents
the Parlour Theatre Production,
"The Woman in Black," a British
ghost story, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday,
June 16-17, at the theater, Livonia.
\$10. (734) 464-6302/(248) 449

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(248) 960-9440

WEST END PRODUCTIONS: "Canker Sores & Go-Go Juice," a collection of skits, comedy, song and dance, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, inrough June 24, Wunderground Theatre, Royal Oak, June 9 show sold out. \$12.50. (248) 541-1763

LYONIA-REDFORD THEATRE GUILD: "One Acts-Travaganza" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 16-17, June 23-24 and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 25 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly in Redford across from the police station. \$10 for adults and \$8 for

DINNER THEATER

students and seniors, (313) 531-

MICHIGAN STAR CLIPPER DINNER
TRAIN: "Angelina's and Bo's
Comedy Wedding," presented by
Theatre Arta Productions, 5 p.m.,
Sundays. Tickets \$69.50 per person, includes 3 hour train ride, five
course dinner, and entertainment.

SPECIAL EVENTS

p.m. Thursday, June 15-Sept. 14, in Depot Town, Ypsilanti. (734) 483-4444

June 22-25, a festival for the entire family, pie eating contest, fine art and fine crafts show, kids art workshops, fireworks, K-9 demonstrations, classic car show, entertainment, paddle boat rides, "Taste of Canton," in Heritage Park, Canton. (734) 397-5110

SWIDISM CLIM'S NIDSUMMER
FESTIVAL: 9:30 s.m. Saturday, June
17; pencake breakfast, noon
Maypole raising followed by chorus
singing, folk dencing and children's
games, 1:30 p.m. dinner, at the
club, Farmington Hills. Breakfast
\$5 for adults; \$2.50 for children
under age 12; dinner \$8 adults; \$4
for children under age 12, (248)
646-4073/(248) 478-2563



HENRY FORD MUSEUM & GREENFILD VILLAG

Rev your engines: Take the top down this summer and join Motor Muster at Greenfield Village in Dearborn, Saturday-Sunday, June 17-18. The village is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Motor Muster events begin at 10 a.m. Watch the Grand Parade of vintage cars, trucks, motorcycles and bicycles each day at 10 a.m., or a Special Convertible Parade at noon. Costumed presenters will show you how to hula hoop, pogo stick, and play games such as "kick the can," and "red light/green light" on both days. Greenfield Village is located at Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, just west of the Southfield Freeway. Admission is \$13.50 adults, \$12.50 seniors age 62 and over; \$8.50 ages 5-12; under 5 and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

DETROIT ZOO: 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, at the zoo, Royal Oak. Free with zoo admission (248) 541-5835

IN THE PARK: Birmingham
Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra
with Charles Greenwell conducting,
7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15; Band
Jam 3 featuring rock bands from
Birmingham high schools, 7:30
p.m. Friday, June 16; Birmingham
Concert Band and Straw Hat Band
7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22, in
Shain Park, Birmingham.
KIDS KALEDOSCOPE SERIES:

KIDS KALEIDOSCOPE SERIES:
Gratitude Steel Band presents a fun show for kids that includes the limbo, steel drums and the congaline, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, at Bell Creek Park, Redford.

MUSIC IN THE AIR: 7 p.m. Friday, June Kellog Park, on Main Street north of Ann Arbor Trail.

Plymouth. (734) 455-1453

STARS IN THE PARK: Matinee String Quartet 8 p.m. Thursday, June 15, at Heritage Park, on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 473-1816

summer concert series: The 3 of Us, good old rock n' roil, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15, at Heritage Park, on Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill. (734) 397-5110

BENEFITS

AVON PLAYERS: Hosts its annual fund-raising golf outing and auction 8 a.m. Monday, June 26, at the Rochester Golf Club. \$125 (individual golfer, includes 6 p.m. dinner followed by live auction). Proceeds go to theater's building renovation campaign. (248) 608-9077/(248) 852-4800

FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH: The committee of the Michigan Jazz.
Festival holds its annual fund-raiser, a Father's Day Brunch, with the Larry Nozero 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) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454

group performs a benefit concert 3 p.m. Sunday, June 25 at North Congregational Church, 36520 W. 12 MHe, Farmington Hills. Donations accepted at the door for Dekeor, a 28-member close harmony choir from the University of Utrecht, The Netherlands. The group tours America for the first time this July. Dekoor is coming to

the area at the invitation of PRime

after the two performed together in

Holland in 1999. Both perform at the Michigan Jazz Festival Sunday, July 16. (248) 682-6562.

CLASSICAL

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS:
Brunch with bach series features the winners of the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, 11:30 a.m. Sunday, June 18, guest scating begins 20 minutes prior to concert. \$22, \$11 under age 12, \$5 stairwell seating. (313) 833-4005 GREAT LAKES CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL: Continues to Saturday, June 24, at various locations. (248) 362-6171

ORGAN

DAVE WICKERHAM: 7 p.m. Saturday, June 17, at the Senate Theater, Detroit. \$12. (313) 894-4100

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS:
Auditions for "Bus Stop," 2 p.m.
Sunday, June 18 and 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 20 at the theater,
Clarkston. \$5 audition fee for nonmembers. For performances Sept.
8-9, 16-19 and 21-23. (248) 352-

O176/(248) 625-1826
FRANKLIN VILLAGE CONCERT
BAND: Auditions for woodwinds, flutes, saxophones, French horns and percussionists, rehearsals Monday evenings, 8 concects a year. (248) 474-8869

GREAT LAKES LYRIC OPERA:
Auditions for baritone and mezzosoprano roles in the September production of "The Old Man and the
Thief" and future productions
Monday, June 26. For more information and to schedule an audi-

tion, call (248) 547-2027 or e-mail GLLO@mediaone.net JACK-IN-THE-BOX PRODUCTIONS: Auditions for adults, college and high school students, and children (especially boys) ages 6-11 for The Who's "Tommy" continue by appointment through Monday, June 26 at the Alfred Noble Library, Livonia. (734) 797-JACK SECOND CITY: Improv camps for

kids, June 12-22, July 10-20 and Aug. 7-17, at Second City, Detroit. \$150. (313) 471-3453
TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS:
Performing arts classes, four two-week sessions June 26-Aug. 18, at

Masonic Temple, Detroit. (313)

\$35.8962
VILLAGE PLAYERS OF
SIRMINGHAM: Auditions for
"Cole," a musical revue of Cole
Porter, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 18 and
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, at the

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY: In conjunction with The Blue Nile Restaurant is inviting high school

theater, Birmingham, (248) 647-

students to enter a writing contest as part of the educational component of the 18th annual African World Festival, deadline for entry is Sunday, June 25, the theme is the same as the festival: The Souls That Bind Us: A Celebration of our Similarities. Entries can be essays, poems/lyrics or short stories that examine the cultural connections, comparisons, and/or similarities between African-Americans and at least one other society in Africa or the African Diaspora. (248) 584-3715/(313) 494-5853

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

JAZZ

MARK ARSHAK: 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 15, at Edison's,
Birmingham. No cover. (248) 6452150

JOHNNIE BASSETT & THE BLUES INSURGENTS: 9 p.m. Thursday, June 16, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150 GEM JAZZ TRIO: Performs 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit.

(313) 963-9800 AL HILL: 9 p.m. Saturday, June 17, at Edison's, Birmingham, No cover. (248) 645-2150

JOE MANERI QUARTET: 8 p.m.
Thursday, June 22 at the Kerrytown
Concert House, Ann Arbor, \$10-25.
(734) 769 2999

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With trumpeter Johnny Trudell 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, with trumpeter Louis Smith June 28, at Ron's Fireside Inn. Gardén City. (734) 762-7756

URSULA WALKER/BUDDY
BUDSON: With Dan-Kolton, 8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday, at Giovanni's,
Pontiac. (248) 334-5241
ED WELLS: 5:30-7 p.m. Thursdays,
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 RFD BOYS: 8 p.m. Friday, June 16, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$10, (734) 763-TKTS

WORLD MUSIC

TRINIDAD TRIPOLI STEEL BAND: Tuesday nights, at Leopold bros. Ann Arbor. \$3. POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

swords into Plowshares
PEACE CENTER: Poetry reading
by Harold Norris, afterwards
Norris will give copies of his
book, "An American Mural," to
attendees, 7 p.m. Friday, June 23,
at the center, Detroit. (313) 9637575

DANCE

cobblestone FARM DANCERS: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 17, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 426-0241

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING: 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, at Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-5158 SWING DANCE LESSONS: Also Lindy Hop, 5-9 p.m. Saturday, June 17, at Wonderland Mall, Livonia. (734) 522-4100.

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Billy Ray Bauer Wednesday-Saturday, June 14-17, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT

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PAISANO'S: Bill Thomas Friday-Saturday, June 16-17, at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885 MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Mark Boyd, also Seth Buckwald Thursday-Saturday, June 15-17, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-

SECOND CITY: 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 Houe. (248) 645-3149

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

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. daity 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 MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY: "Wrapped in Pride: Ghanaian Kente and African

American Identity," an exhibit

tinues through July 16, at the

and under. (313) 494 5800

exploring the historic, cultural and

political significance of kente, con-

museum, Detroit, \$5, \$3 ages 17

& Leisure," continues through August, 7:30 p.m. at the museum, Plymouth. \$3, \$1 students, \$7 family. (734) 455-8940

ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM:
Spring Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, June 15 (\$8 advance, \$10); "Yally My Ace! Sports Memorabilia from the Past" exhibit continues to July 8, 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum. \$3, \$2 seniors/students, (248) 656-4663

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM:

New exhibit, "American Vacations

SPIRIT OF FORD: "Summer of Racing" continues to Aug. 30, design your own car or build works of art from recycyled car parts, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at the hands on automotive adventure center, Dearborn. \$6, \$5 senior, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 31-SPIRIT

LIVE

THE ADZ: With Trash Brats, The Lanternjack, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 24, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$8. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700.
CHRISTINA AGUILERA: With Destiny's Child, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 24, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$38.50-\$25. (248) 645.

ALLMAN BROTHERS: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18-35: (248) 645-6666. 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. THE ARTICLES: With Aks Mamma, The Recess and Rejects, 6 p.m. Friday, June 16, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages, \$6 advance

JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS: 10 p.m. Thursdays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-6368.

(248) 645-6666.

THE BEACH BOYS: With Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township, \$12.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.

645-6666.

PAT BENATAR: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.
July 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre.
Independence Township. \$12.50\$22.50. (248) 645-6666.

TONY BENNETT: With Diana Krall.

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence lownship. \$15-\$35. (248) 645-

CLINT BLACK: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666.
BLACKJACK: 9:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, U.S. 12/Wayne Brewery.

Wayne. (734) 722-7639.

BLOWTOP: 10 p.m. Sunday, June 18, Cadieux Cafe, Detroit. Free. (313) 882-8560; 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 28, Rochester Mills Beer Company, Rochester. Free. (248) 650-5080; With The Muggs, 10:30 p.m. Friday, June 30. Lili's re, Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555; 10 p.m. Sunday, July 2, Cadieux Cafe, Detroit, Free. (313) 882-8560; 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, Rochester Mills Beer

BLUES MUSIC FESTIVAL: With BB King. Buddy Guy, Susan Tedeschi and more, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$35.50. (248) 645-6666. BRANDED: 7 p.m. Saturday, June 17, Bean Machine, Dearborn, All ages. \$5. (313) 943-2940; 10 p.m. Friday, June 30, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434. RROCA'S ARFA: With Remainder

Company, Rochester, Free. (248)

BROCA'S AREA: With Remainder, 10 p.m. Friday, June 23, Jacoby's. Detroit. \$5, 18 and over, (313) 886-7860.
THE BROTHERS GROOVE:

THE BROTHERS GROOVE;
Mondays, The Music Menu,
Detroit. (313) 964-MENU;
Saturday, June 17, Third Street
Saloon, Detroit. (313) 831-3434;
Wednesday, June 21, Memphis
Smoke, Royal Oak. (248) 543
4300; Friday-Saturday, June 23-24;
Edison's, Birmingham, (248) 645

JOE BROWN: With Twitch, 10 p.n), Saturday, June 17, Jacoby's, Detroit, \$5, 18 and over, (313) 886-7860.

2150.

RICHARD BUCKNER: With Lon Amey, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, The Ark, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-

days a week

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RAY CHARLES: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$25. (248) 645-666C. CHEF CHRIS BLUES BAND: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 455 8450. CHICAGO: With Little River Band. 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence

THE CHIEFTAINS AND LOS LOBOS: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. \$35 pavillon/\$20 .lawn. (248) 645-6666.

Township. \$20,25-\$30.25. (248)

645-6666.

TERRI CLARK: 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester Hills, \$15-\$30, (248) 645-6666.

JOE COCKER: 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, independence Township. **\$15-\$32.50.** (248) 645-6666. HARRY CONNICK JR. AND HIS BIG BAND: Come By Me Tour, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.50-\$45.50. (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.

CREED: With 3 Doors Down, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 18-19, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township, \$25-\$35. CREEDENCE CLEARWATER

REVISITED: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666. MARSHALL CRENSHAW: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 22, Magic Bag, Ferndale, \$17, (248) 544-3030. DAMAGE MANUAL: Featuring members of Ministry and PIL, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 24, St.-Andrews Hall, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT. THORNETTA DAVIS: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450. **DEADLY SNAKES:** With Les

Friday, June 23, Magic Stick, - Detroit. \$8, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700. **DEEP CUT:** Open jam, 9 p.m. Sunday, June 18, U.S. 12/Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639. DEF LEPPARD: 7:30 p.m. Saturday,

Sexareenos, Them Wranch, 9 p.m.

July 29. Pine Knob Music Theatre. Independence Township, \$28.50-**\$38.50.** (248) 645-6666. DIXIE CHICKS: 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$32,50-\$39,50. (248) 645-6666 or

(248) 377-0100. THE DOOBIE BROTHERS: 7:30 p.m, Friday, June 30, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township, \$12,50-\$24,50, (248)

645-6666. DR. DRE, SNOOP DOGG, ICE CUBE, EMINEM AND WARREN G: Up In Smoke Tour, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7. The Palace of Auburn

Hills, \$35-\$50. GEORGE DUKE: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. **\$18**.50-**\$34**.50. (248) 645-6666.

DURAN DURAN: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township, \$15-\$29.50, (248) 645-

BOB DYLAN: With Phil Lesh and Friends: 7 p.m. Sunday, July 16. Pine Knob Music Theatre. Independence Township, \$25-43.50. (248) 645-6666. EELS: Monday, June 19, 7th House,

Pontiac. (248) 645-6666. KURT ELLING QUARTET: 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 7-8. Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734)

662-8310. **ENCORE:** Thursday, June 15; St. Andrews Hall, Detroit.

FOREIGNER: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10. Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. **\$14**,50-**\$24**,50, (248) 645 6666. PETER FRAMPION: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence:

Township, \$12,50/\$24/50 (248) 645-6666 GIVE: With Face, 60 Second Crosh. Six Cups. 8 p.m. Friday, June 16,

Magic Bag, Ferndate \$6, (248) 544 3030. QLENN FREY: 8 p. m., Saturday, July 8, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak \$42,50, (248) 645,6666 KENNY G: 7:30 plm. Thursday, June. 15, Pipe Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township, \$15.54

\$32,50, (248) 645,6006 or (248) 377 0100 QIPSY KINGS: 7,30 p.m. Saturday. Sent, 2, Priss Knob Masic Theatre: Independence Township, \$15-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666. **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.

SCOTT HENDERSON: 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Magic Bag, Ferndale, \$16, (248) 544-3030. CHARLE HUNTER: 8 p.m. Thursday, June 22, Magic Bag, Ferndale, \$15. (248) 544-3030. IMMUNITY: 2 p.m. Saturday, June 17, Motor City Casino, Detroit. (313) 237-7711; 7 p.m. Friday, June 23, Cleary's Pub, Howell.

INDIGO GIRLS: With Kelly Hogan and the Pine Valley Cosmonauts, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 17, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$27.50. (248) 645-

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'Divine Trash' unlocks John Waters' film treasures

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

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One look at director John Waters and you just know there's something brilliantly sinister lurking behind those beady eyes and that pencil-thin black mustache which hovers slightly above his upper lip.

One look at a film like his cult classics Pink Flamingos, Hairspray or the most recent Pecker, and it's easy to see into the freakish world he embraces for the love of making movies.

Steve Yeager's Divine Trash is a documentary that rewinds to Waters' childhood in Baltimore and the making of the film that catapulted the director to the

status of other '70s visionaries' like John Sayles and John Cas-

Since Pink Flamingos, Waters has proven to be the director who isn't afraid to cross the line. His films feature freakish characters as stars and those who can't relate to the topsy-turvy antics as villains. Yeager captured this in his unflinching way beginning with black-and-white televised interview footage of a lanky, long-haired Waters in

"I'm not trying to say anything," says Waters to the reporter. "I'm just trying to make 'em laugh and give 'em a little shock value for their money."

Juxtaposing full-color inter-

view footage of Waters' parents, friends and foes with the most disturbing clips of his films and the films that inspired him, the end result earned a 1998 Sundance Film Festival Award.

And it's not surprising. Yeager traces Waters' childhood back to the 8-millimeter camera his grandmother gave him on his 16th birthday, and early fascination with violence and villains. From Howdy Doody Time to creating his own puppet shows, Waters showed creativity and promise early on. His first films were shown in the basement of a local church. Even the local priest supported his efforts.

Sneaking to a nearby drive-in to watch the latest B-flicks by Russ Meyer or the Kucher Brothers, Waters always veered off the usual path. Divine Trash makes sense of a man who made an overweight transvestite named Divine famous. Waters described Divine as a cross between Clarabell and Jayne Mansfield, who liked to be referred to as a character actor or a "s-him." According to the film: "Glenn (Milstead) liked to dress in drag before America knew what drag was,"

Proving that Waters has always been ahead of his time, actor/director Jim Jarmusch and stars like Steve Buscemi called him an inspiration. "He inspired me to make films my own way," said Jarmusch, who directed Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai in 1999.

While everyone in the quickpaced documentary has his own take on Waters, no one can agree on his style. Some say his films were unscripted, others admit to having to learn them word-forword, and still others recall Waters telling them how to say their lines. Like his films, the filmmaker has an unexpected effect on all those around him.

An almost comedic effect is have my own rating," she said of Multiple Maniacs, "R.T. for real trash."

Divine Trash is anything but trashy. The second half of the film deals mostly with the making of Pink Flamingos, and in turn the making of the man himself. The documentary finally gives credit to a filmmaker who Talking trash: In 1972, John Waters directed the cult hit

gives misfits a voice and audiences a laugh. Tying loose ends with footage from Waters' recent hit Pecker, the documentary proves his career is just as

See "John Waters: Divine Trash" in its Michigan premiere 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, June 14-15, Magic Bag, Ferndale. Tickets cost \$5. Call (248) 544-



of his career, "Pink Flamingoes." In 1998, Steve Yeager released "Divine Trash" documenting Waters' rise to success in underground films. Catch a special showing 9:30 p.m tonight at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

'Gone in 60 Seconds' hardly the hit it was meant to be

By Jon Katz SPECIAL WRITER

In your job and mine, we're only as good as our last project. Not so in Hollywood where, if you're a major player, you get three stinkeroos for every hit. Which means that Nicolas Cage has paid for "Leaving Las Vegas" with "8MM," "Snake Eyes" and "Gone in 60 Seconds"? Perhaps, depending on how many rabid car thief freaks can drag a paying guest along.

The safe bet is that "Gone in 60 Seconds" is not so much a title as a prediction.

As the former, however, it refers to the supposed time it takes to "boost" (steal) a vehicle. Randall "Memphis" Raines (Cage) was the best there was before his mama made him go legit and run a gas station/gocart track in northern California. Memphis did what she told him to do, probably because he was grateful she didn't nickname him

'Chattanooga." When Memphis learns that kid brother Kip (Giovanni Ribisi) is not only following in his felonious footsteps but is also in trouble with Mr. Big, he's sucked back into the business for one last heist. In fact, he must steal 50 luxury cars in one night to save Kip's life.

"Gone in 60 Seconds" comes out of the Jerry Bruckheimer stable, which means there's a wall of noise like the producer's "Armageddon," thrills and spills like "Con Air," and suspenseful action sequences like "The Rock," the last two of which were successful Cage-Bruckheimer collaborations.

Unfortunately, "60 Seconds" rarely gets out of first gear in any of the categories that matter.

Going, going, gone: Angelina Jolie and Nicolas Cage star in the over-hyped "Gone in 60 Seconds" in theaters

In fact, the best part of the movie lasts just about that long, a comedy relief scene with one of Cage's old boosting buddies who's now a driving instructor.

Three Academy Award-winning performers, including Cage, can't rev up the story. Robert Duvall (most recently in "A Civil Action") plays crafty, crusty Otto, the former chop-shop operator who was Memphis' mentor in the old days. And Angelina Jolie (Oscar winner for "Girl, Interrupted") is Cage's onetime gal pal now a mechanic by day and barmaid by night. She wears blond dreadlocks, with the emphasis on dread, and has maybe a half-dozen lines.

The pairing of Memphis' old cronies with Kip's computersavvy mates works to blend the old ways of boosting (bent hangers) with the new (electronic | hit.

code-breakers). But one wonders throughout why so many of the hot wheels they heist are parked right out on the curb. Are there no garages in these ritzy. L.A: hoods?

Meaningful dialog you won't find here: "I'd boost her," Memphis reminisces, "instantly feeling better about being me." And while the final chase scene is a close cousin to the one in "Blues Brothers," which is fine with us, the ultimate steel mill showdown is taken right out of "Terminator 2," which is not.

While Cage and company are busy stealing cars, Delroy Lindo as the police detective in pursuit of the Raines Gang pretty much steals the movie.

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For Small Craft Sighting hearing is believing



Small Craft Sighting don't really aspire for fame or fortune in the rock world - the band hopes to reach beyond all that:

"We want to be the first band A. CASOLA to play on Mars. if that's possi-

ble," quips bassist and frontman Joe Kirkland of Farmington. "We don't want to be signed to a record label, we want to sign to NASA."

The Wayne County-based modern rock trio that also includes drummer Courtney Cahill and guitarist Chris Nagarah, both Livonia residents, obviously share a sci-fi sense of humor about what they do. Make no mistake, the band takes its music seriously. Surrounding a large wooden table at Dick O'Dow's in downtown Birmingham, bandmembers set their sights on the future.

Schoolyard chums

Small Craft Sighting has a long history, despite the fact that the bandmates are all in their early 20s. They met in grade school and have been friends ever since. "We've known each other all our lives," said Cahill. And he means it. He and Nagarah were actually born one day apart at Southfield's Providence Hospital. Instant friends. they met Kirkland while attending second grade at Our Lady of Sorrows School in Farmington.

The friendship wove its way into a shared interest in music by the time the boys entered junior high school. They first performed on stage at a talent



Walting for his ship: SmallCraft Sighting's Joe Kirkland is the voice and words behind this Wayne Countybased band.

breaking into the Detroit scene. Since both Cahill and Nagarah attended Western Michigan University and Kirkland attended Loyola University in Chicago, the band spent the past several years making a name for itself along the western side of the state. "It's been quite a trip," reflected Kirkland, who is now attending law school at University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.

Tim Pak of Woodshed Studio in Oak Park engineered the band's latest CD and said their history shows in the music. "There's a vibe they pick up off each other," he said. "A band like that, you know they had a plan. They're true believers."

The Web to success

Small Craft Sighting (whose moniker comes from a Tennessee. Williams play) has gone from

- sort of. The modern rock trio recently entered an unsigned band competition on the Internet. Of thousands of entries on garageband com, their single 93 has advance into the top 75. This final "virtual battle" will elicit for the a winner a \$250,000 recording contract. Two such contracts have already been granted. Small Craft Sighting is the first Michigan band to make it to the finals on this internationally known site.

The music is ranked based on reviews made by music fans who are listening to songs without knowing what artist or genre it will be. Kirkland was most impressed by the system, which he calls credible and completely based on trust. He remembered when the band's song was first uploaded, he would check on it occasionally. "Our song would be 4.713 and I'd think 'We're up a spot," he recalled. Now included in the prestigious "Final Countdown," bandmembers are thrilled to have a shot at the contract. The song was at number 35 on the chart at press time.

For Small Craft Sighting, a chance to work with industry icons such as The Beatles' famed producer George Martin or former Talking Heads member Jerry Harrison could become a reality when the winner is chosen next week. Harrison helped found the site in 1999.

While hearing the band on the Internet or on CD offers a taste of the melodies that make Small Craft Sighting so appealing, it is very much a live band. Cahill describes what sets the band apart: "When I go to a concert, it's hard to get into a band when you don't know the words. Our hooks are so good, by the second

about one another through this

20-year history of making music

ES: I've learned we temper

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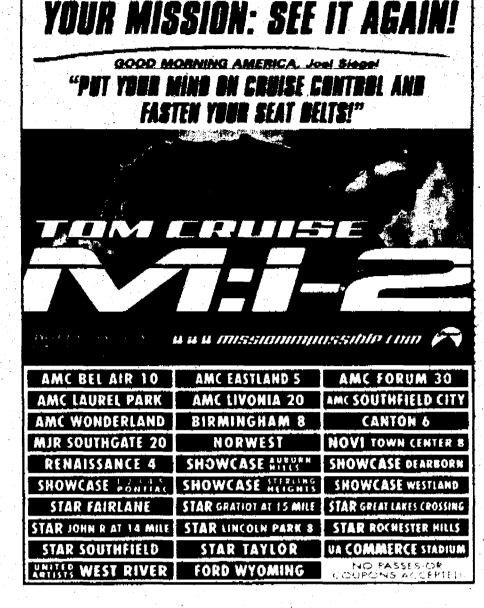
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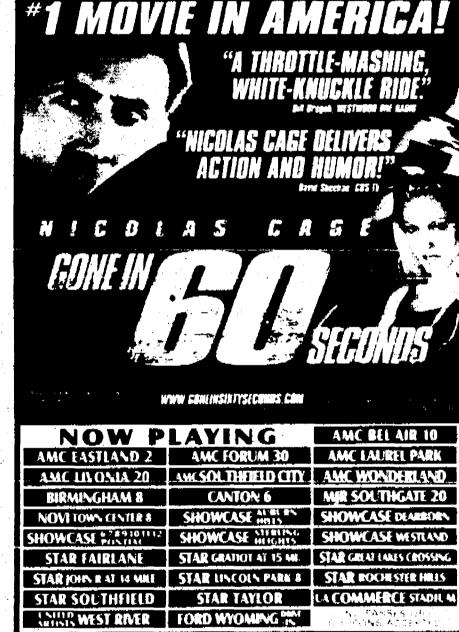
> Nagarah said the band likes to have fun with it's audience. engaging them in the show the whole time. "There's no barrier between the crowd and the

band," he said.

See Small Craft Sighting for yourself, with guests The Recital, Saturday, July 1, at Jacoby's, Detroit. (313) 962-7067.

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Indigo Girls return with Summer Shed Tour

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

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After 20 years of performing together, Emily Saliers and Amy Ray - best known as the folkrock duo the Indigo Girls - prove their still going strong. They've come a long way since the early days of recording in Ray's basement.

In September 1999, the Girls released Come On Now Social to rave reviews. Saliers called Thursday, June 8, from Washingtob, D.C., to talk about their upcoming area show.

Observer & Eccentric: Hi Emily, how is the tour going?

Emily Saliers: "It's going great; we just started the first few shows."

show in February 1990. A decade

later, Small Craft Sighting is

writing and performing personal

songs with an edgy feel. "They

come from the heart," said Kirk-

land, who writes mostly about

relationships. The music plays in

stark contrast with crunching

guitars and fearless drumming.

Naming influences such as

Smashing Pumpkins and The

Who, bandmembers understand

how their tight friendship plays

"We feel really fortunate to

have found each other so young,"

time to earn our stripes."

said Kirkland. "We had a long

Playing bars before they were

legally old enough to get in the

door and headlining shows at St.

Andrews Hall by age 18, the

band has experience surpassing

many of their local counterparts.

But Small Craft Sighting is just

into the music.

O&E: What's new about the Summer Shed Tour?

ES: "There's a backdrop based on a Monet, that's different. On the Summer Shed Tour, a lot of our fans will get a chance to see a new band playing with us. We've added a few more songs to the roster. As always, we'll play earlier songs, we'll mix it up.7

O&E: "What are some earlier songs that still make the Indigo Girls' set list?

ES: "Closer to Fine. We play Galileo every night."

O&E: Tell me about the new album. How long did it take to

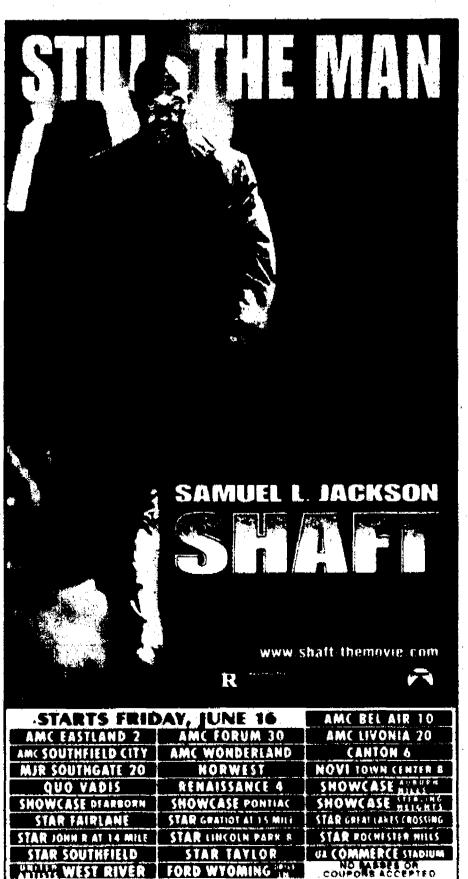
ES: "It took about five months total. (We went) to London and jammed with (producer-drummer) John Reynolds, who we met on Lilith Fair. Thank God for Sinead O'Connor (who introduced the girls to him). We had a lot of great guests on it, Sheryl Crow and Joan Osborne."

O&E: How does the album dif-

ES: "I personally think it has a broader scope. It has a lot more rock songs, punk songs, pop songs and ballads. It's a good mix of organic and produced. A lot of samples were used, but not in a heavy-handed way."

like having two musical lives." O&E: Is there anything you'd like to add? ES: "I'm looking forward to coming back to Pine Knob. I fer from your previous work? remember getting really good crowds (there). It's sort of that

O&E: What have you learned





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Treat dad royally on Father's Day

By RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER relogiund@oe.homecomm.net

ttention, dads. Do you really want to sweat over a hot grill this Father's Day only to hear complaints that hot dogs

are burnt and the hamburgers underdone? Of course not. Let someone else to do the sweating.

The following restaurants serve some of the best chops

The following restaurants serve some of the best chops, seafood and pasta in town, food fit for a king - you! Happy Father's Day.

Laffrey's Steaks on the Hearth - 24201 W. Seven Mile Road (off Telegraph), Detroit (313) 538-4688; open 5-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 5-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 4-9 p.m. Sunday. Atmosphere: Comfortably close quarters, dark, perfect for cocktails and serious dining. Menu: Chops, steaks, seafood. Great appetizers. Price: Entrées \$13.95-\$27.95; appetizers \$7.95-\$9.95. All credit cards accepted

Reservations a must on weekends. There's nothing trendy about Laffrey's, and that's good. It's probably why this family-owned restaurant has endured for 40 years while other restaurants have come and gone.

Laffrey's is a place for people like dear old Dad - who appreci-

Prime time: Chef David Reed presents a preview of a Carvers Father's Day special, a 20ounce slice of prime rib served rare, of course. DonnaNeumann,general manager, says the beet is hand-cut fresh every

he try an order of Laffrey's handcut onion rings. They're big and. beautiful.

"We're world famous for our onion rings," he said. "They're lightly breaded. You can't beat a hand-breaded onion ring."

Carvers - 24275 Sinacola Court, 10 Mile Road and Grand River, Farmington Hills, (810) 476-5333; open 5-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 5-11 p.m. for dinner Friday and Saturday (band plays to midnight); 4-9 p.m. Sunday. Atmosphere: Dark with warm lighting and nice art. Fine dining. Menu: Prime rib, steaks and chops, fish and seafood, chicken and ribs. Prices; Entrées \$17-\$24.50; Appetizers \$7-\$8

Extras: Entertainment on the weekends; cigar smoking in the lounge. All major credit cards accepted; reservations recommended

"It's like this little hidden gem," said general manager Donna Neumann about Carvers. "People think it is new. The lighting is beautiful. It's clean and it sparkles. The dining room is open and there's lots of glass."

Sound inviting? Just wait until you try the food, boasted Neumann. Carvers is place where the steaks are bold and the sauces are robust. The kitchen

In the mood for fish? No problem. Neumann suggests trying the "fabulous" Norwegian salmon, baked with a light crust of mustard and basil, or the parmesan-encrusted whitefish.

If Dad craves a little pasta this Father's Day, he should try the Tenderloin Blue Cheese Pasta, made with tenderloin tips, penne and heavy cream. Maybe not heart-smart but the stomach doesn't care. Besides, Father's Day comes once a year.

"It is so rich. It's just wonderful. It's instantaneous gratification just to see their mouths water," said Neumann.

And if Dad wants to wet his whistle with something stronger than white wine, he can select from the bar's 15 single malt scotches. Mmmm, mmm. Prime rib, a good scotch and a great atmosphere ... is there a better way to celebrate Father's Day?

Cleveland's Gill & Grill, 311
S. Main Street (between Liberty and Williams, across from The Ark), Ann Arbor, (734) 213-2505; open 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday: 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday; 4-11 p.m. Saturday; and 3-9 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$10-\$15. A 20-ounce prime porterhouse will be the Father's Day special. "It's beautiful," said

"Oh, it's really good, highly touted by all," said Cleveland.

Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth, (734) 453-2002; open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. lunch and 5-10 p.m. dinner Monday-Friday; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. lunch and 5-11 p.m. dinner Saturday; noon to 9 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$10.95 lunch and \$15.95 dinner. Father's Day specials include prime rib for \$18.95 and - for the really macho man - a 24-ounce porterhouse steak with Italian herbs and a baked parmesan cheese topping.

Ginopolis, 27815 Middlebelt (at 12 Mile Road), Farmington Hills, (248) 851-8222; open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday; 2-9 p.m. Sunday. Entrees \$15-\$18. Big, friendly restaurant with lots of pasta, seafood, fish, steaks, chicken and ribs. Their Montgomery Inn barbecued ribs are rated No. 1 by the famous and infamous alike.

Rose's, 201 N. Canton Center Road (near Cherry Hill), Canton, (734) 981-9904; open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; noon to 9 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$7.45-\$17.95. Familyowned Italian restaurant where's everything is homemade, including the loaf of bread that arrives at each table in a white paper bag. Steaks, chicken, seafood and plenty of pasta. "Our Alfredo sauce is the best in the world," said Richard of three brother-owners.

Alexander the Great, 34733 Warren, Westland, (734) 326-5410; open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 10 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$7-\$10. Alexander's has been serving their famous rotisserie-cooked barbecued ribs, the house specialty, for 23 years. Menu also includes steaks, seafood and chicken. Cocktails available.

Lone Star Steakhouse & Saloon, 19333 Victor Parkway, Livonia, (734) 432-1700; open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Entrées: \$12.99-\$19.99. Known for their prime rib and Cajun rib-eye atcak, Lone Star has a special seasoning recipe and serves Texas-size portions. Menu also includes chicken, shrimp, salmon.

A royal feast: Executive chef Darin Thompson shows off some of the prime rib, steak and seafood dishes that have made Laffrey's a popular dining destination.

Lone Star also is located at 36600 Ford Road in Westland (734) 721-2200 and 30005 Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills (248) 626-2882.

Damon's Club House, 43750. Ford Road, Canton, (734) 207-7427; open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$12.99 average. Their meaty St. Louis-style babyback ribs are the house specialty. People come to Damon's after they've tried ribs elsewhere, said manager Jennifer Taylor. The menu also includes steak, seafood, chicken and pasta.

Beaver Creek, 1609 Wayne Road, Westland, (734) 462-6442; open 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 2 a.m. Entrées: \$7-\$15. Why not treat Dad to the "Wild Thing," a manly appetizer plate filled with venison, whitefish paté, barbecued buffalo balls, wild boar ravioli and duck tenders? If Dad is on the tame side, menu also includes great steaks, burritos and shepherd's pie. And for dessert, try a plate of homemade

chocolate chip cookies, hot from the oven. Full bar and outside patio dining.

Outback Steak House, 42871 Ford Road, Canton, (734) 981-4144. Hours: 4-10:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 4-11 p.m. Friday; 3-11:30 p.m. Saturday; 2-10:30 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$8-\$14. Dad can have his pick: the 16-ounce prime rib or a "fabulous" porterhouse, rib eye of New York strip. Menu includes lamb, pork and seafood.

Cooker's Bar & Grill, 41980 Ford Road, Canton, (734) 981-6595. Hours: 11 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. Entrées: \$5,95-\$16.95. Want to bring tears to Dad's eyes? How about old-fashioned meatloaf, mashed potatoes, and green beans. Or the Father's Day special: Barbecued babyback ribs and an assortment of draft beers. And if you've never tried Cooker's homemade biscuits, now's the time. Cooker's is also located at: 38703 Seven Mile, Livonia, (7**34) 462-36**50.



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ate well-aged and perfectly grilled steaks and chops. Executive chef Darin Thompson, son of owner Sandy Thompson, credits the char-grill, seasonings and a special meat-aging process with producing great-tasting beef, pork, veal and lamb.

day.

But Laffrey's is not just a vintage steak place. They've developed a reputation for innovative seafood as well, like White Fish Oscar, served with asparagus and king crabmeat with béarnaise sauce. When it comes to fish, Thompson is a fussy chef.

"I buy if from the Seafood Company in Boston and have it flown in by Northwest Airlines overnight," he said.

Thompson has a few specials planned for Father's Day, including a 20-ounce ribeye steak, veal chops, and crab legs. Whatever Dad orders, Thompson suggests

hand-cuts the steaks every day, and the prime rib comes in 10ounce and 20-ounce portions and is served with a homemade horseradish sauce.

"I get no complaints," she said.

owner John Cleveland. "I'm not a red-meat eating guy, but, gosh, it's tasty."

The Key Lime Pie, made from key lime juice shipped from Florida, ain't so bad either, guys.

