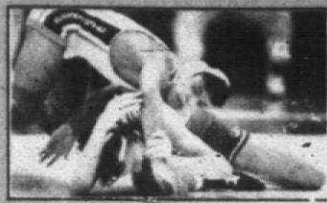


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## Officials fret over schools-of-choice plan

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By M.B. Dillon  
staff writer

Plymouth-Canton school officials say Gov. John Engler's plan to allow students to attend the public school of their choice, even across district lines, is fraught with problems.

Engler's proposal, one of many in the legislative hopper, would require districts to participate, making available 1 percent of their space for incoming students. Openings would be assigned by a lottery. Schools would be given state money for each out-of-district student accepted.

Children living within the district would receive first choice in selecting their school.

**SUPERINTENDENT JOHN HOBEN** said he suspects that eventually, a joint House-Senate plan will evolve, permitting choice within a district but not outside districts.

"We don't have enough room at the high school, and we don't have room at the elementaries, so I don't know how it's going to work. There are some

very difficult issues that are going to have to be looked at," Hoben said.

"They will have to review cross-district busing and who is going to pay for it.

"The whole issue of collective bargaining is interwoven. With people moving around from school to school, how are you going to control it?"

The superintendent said he isn't opposed to the plan, but doesn't think it will improve schools.

"I'm not opposed to schools of choice, but I don't think it will accomplish what they want. The betters are going to get better, and the worse will get worse."

**IN MINNESOTA**, where a school-of-choice plan was implemented three years ago, little change has been noticed, aside from the recruitment of athletes, Hoben said.

"It hasn't made that much difference. Only 6,000 kids in the whole state have taken advantage of it," he said.

"I haven't seen any empirical evidence that it's a better way to go or will improve schools."

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools leases a middle school from Livonia. The high schools house 4,600 students, 400 over capacity. Projections show enrollment rising to 5,000 to 5,200 by the mid-1990s.

**LOSS OF local control** is another concern.

"Intermediate districts would be responsible for coming up with a program that would be approved by the state board and would be implemented upon local districts," Hoben said of one proposal.

"This would take away local control and make it very difficult. I don't have any fears for our district. I feel we have a good district and people would probably opt into it."

**THE DISTRICT'S** teachers haven't yet taken an official position on the issue, said Chuck Portelli, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association.

Unofficially, "we are opposed to cross-district and in-district busing. We're not offering any opposition to in-district busing, and we're not supporting either."

"I don't think people know enough yet," he said. "I'm sure it will be a hot issue before this year is out. Then we will have to officially take a position."

**CROSS-DISTRICT BUSING** "led to all kinds of problems in the early 1970s," said board president Dean Swartzwelder.

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## Educators see threat to sports

Educators fear that because schools of choice would make athletic recruiting possible, the same types of abuses tainting collegiate athletics would taint high school sports.

Dean Swartzwelder, Plymouth-Canton school board president, predicted schools of choice would give rise to all kinds of problems associated with athletic recruiting.

"When good athletes come out of the eighth grade, they're probably going to be wined and dined more than you can ever imagine. There

are no rules covering it, and coaches could start taking parents and athletes out to dinner and pro games," said Swartzwelder.

"You would get athletes coming from all across Wayne County and Oakland County to play at Farmington Harrison. As far as I'm concerned, local school districts don't have any extra money for busing students outside their district."

ATHLETIC Director Paul

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## County tosses out petitions for recall

By Kevin Brown and Diane Gale  
staff writers

The Wayne County Elections Commission on Tuesday rejected recall petitions against five Plymouth city commissioners, ruling that the wording wasn't clear.

But petitions with revised language will be submitted "probably within a week, I'm sure," said Paul Nastoff, of the citizens group seeking the recall.

The decision stalls for now a recall drive mounted by Plymouth Concerned Citizens against Mayor Dennis Bila, Mayor Pro-Tem Ralph (Jack) Kenyon, and commissioners John Vos, James Jabara and Ron Loissele.

A move by the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township to begin efforts to buy Mettetal Airport in Canton and operate it jointly sparked the drive.

"I'm elated the elections commission threw out the recall petition," Vos said Tuesday.

"The ruling takes the cloud away from the airport purchase," said Maurice Breen, Plymouth Township supervisor. "We can now move forward."

**BREEN SAID** the next step is to raise locally about \$300,000 toward the purchase. The cost of the airport is about \$4 million.

After the money is raised, federal and state money to pay for the airport will be sought, he said.

The elections commission rejected this language, submitted by the citizens' group on the recall petitions:

- "Failure to faithfully represent the majority of citizens of the city of Plymouth by voting to acquire Mettetal Airport on Jan. 21, 1991.

- "Failure to provide information regarding taxes, liability insurance and the future expansion of Mettetal Airport.

- "Failure to make voters aware that their money was being pledged under the Michigan Constitution — Headlee Amendment in support of Mettetal Airport.

- "Failure to permit a citizen-wide vote on the commitment of taxes and revenue bonding regarding the support of Mettetal Airport."

James Killeen, county clerk and member of the elections commission, said each of the four points cited by recall backers were incorrect.

On the first point, he said, "They (commissioners) did not vote to ac-

quire Mettetal Airport."

On the second point, he said, "The commission is not in a position to provide all that information," as the information is yet unknown.

On the third point, he said the word pledged "has no legal substance. You either commit the money or you don't. There isn't any commitment of money at this point."

On the fourth point, Killeen said establishment of a citizen-wide vote on the matter is not up to the commission. "The ballot has to be a citizen referendum," he said.

A **SIDE** issue in the recall drive was the naming of Breen as a recall target. The Breen petition was submitted to the elections commission but was later withdrawn.

County officials said that the name of Warren Dusibier appeared on the petition naming Breen, but following the filing, Dusibier contacted the county to say the filing wasn't valid.

County officials identified Plymouth attorney and Plymouth Township trustee John Stewart as the person who filed the petitions against the city commission members and against Breen.

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

## Kids take health to heart

Fourth-grader Brigitte Helmke of Fiegel Elementary takes part in the school's Jump Rope for Heart. The event was sponsored by the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance to benefit the American Heart Association. More than

300 students jumped rope for two hours Feb. 11-14, raising pledges to support research and educational programs to fight cardiovascular disease, our nation's number one killer.

## Woman brings welcome to homes

By Diane Gale  
staff writer

When Arlene Caron delivers Welcome Wagon baskets, she's not only a representative for the international corporation, but an ambassador for Canton.

Caron, who has been delivering the baskets for one year, makes between 35 and 40 calls monthly and attributes a busy work schedule to a high turnover rate in Canton housing. She takes along a basket full of freebies for hair styling, pizza, medical consultations and the like.

"I'm usually very well received," she said. "I never ask anything of them. I just have something to give them."

Some people even ask for a visit. She finds others through real estate agencies and various sources.

CARON TAKES her job a step

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Arlene Caron takes her baskets of gifts to between 30 and 40 Canton residents monthly.

## Schools approve pay for reservists

By M.B. Dillon  
staff writer

Should any employee from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools be sent to the Persian Gulf by the military, it won't mean a financial loss for his or her family, at least for the first six months of duty.

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education is revising its military leave policy, something teachers Don Glass and Stu Raben are happy to hear. The reservists could be on their way to the Gulf war in the weeks or months ahead.

Intended for employees on short-term National Guard duty, district policy has entitled employees to a salary for 10 days which — when combined with military pay — would equal the staffer's regular salary.

Approved for first posting Monday was a resolution extending the leave entitlement to six months, with extensions to be made at the board's discretion.

"This was a potential problem out there," said Errol Goldman, executive director of employee relations and personnel. "We thought we'd try and be pro-active and try to take care of it before we were faced with it."

Don Glass, a French teacher at Central Middle School, is a company

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commander with the National Guard and Army Reserves.

"Basically, I have to be ready for possibly being called up within a couple days," said Glass, whose unit is based in Livonia.

"It may be longer, and it may not happen. Right now I'm sort of wondering when. I've packed up a number of things and taken a few trips to my parents' and brother's and left some things with them."

Reservist Stu Raben, a fifth grade teacher at Field School, is an intelligence specialist with the Navy.

"I was really concerned that the only support I'd have would be the coffee can in the teachers' lounge. So I'm grateful that's not the case," said Raben, who is married with a son and daughter.

"It's nothing to look forward to, but knowing my family isn't going to be left in financial hard times makes it easier."

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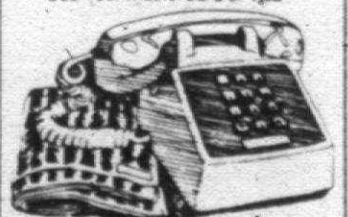
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# Woman brings welcome to homes

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Further by giving newcomers information about Canton. She includes maps, a letter from Canton Supervisor Tom Yack and 9-1-1 stickers, as well as background on recycling in the township, the renowned Canton Library, recreation offerings and other programs.

The people who have questions are often most interested in the Plymouth-Canton schools, Caron said. She's interested in the local schools, Caron said, because she has a 14-year-old son, Bob, who attends

## people

school at the Centennial Education Park. Some visits take about 20 minutes and others take up to an hour, depending on the questions that are generated.

WHEN SHE'S NOT visiting residents, Caron solicits business who pay Welcome Wagon for advertise-

ments, from which she earns a commission. "There's a lot of running around. I like it. I like people. And Canton is a good place, because there's a lot of people moving in."

She doesn't know if a trend is started, Caron said, but last week three of the homes she visited were people who moved from Canada. She finds, too, that quite often residents are moving from one neighborhood to another within Canton.

THE 13-YEAR Canton resident not only visits people who are new to a neighborhood, but also meets with

engaged women, couples who adopted a child or who have a newborn; new U.S. citizens and anyone who is celebrating a special occasion.

"Basically, we call on people with a change in lifestyle." However, when she knocks on a door, Caron said, she doesn't know who will be on the other side. Sometimes "woman's intuition" tells her not to go inside a house, she said.

A longtime volunteer in church and other organizations, Caron also served as past president of the Canton Newcomers.

"I thought, gee I would like to get paid for this."

# Schools approve pay for reservists

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Raben's specialty rating requires him to be contacted individually by the Navy. "Several people who work for me have been called and are gone, but actually I haven't been contacted. We were told to keep our ssa bag packed and our hair short," said Raben, whose unit is headquartered at Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

"I'm really pleased that Chuck Portelli (president of the teachers'

union) and Mr. Goldman were able to really get working on it right away," he added. "What they came up with was language very typical to other districts supporting reservists in the National Guard."

The six-month provision is similar to what the Big Three and area utilities are offering employees serving in the military.

Superintendent John Hoben said most school districts haven't gone beyond the 10 days. "I think it would be fitting if our neighboring districts

would do something similar."

"This ranks us among the very best companies in the area," said Trustee Carl Battistilli.

Raben said his class at Field has been writing to soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

"They're very much up to date on what's going on. But very few are aware I'm a reservist. Maybe some day they'll be writing to me."

"If anything could be said about people writing letters... they're so

important to the people over there," he said.

"We just wrote to one young man from California and sent a letter in mail today. We sent copies of the letters to his parents to let them know the support here is really on the side of people over there working."

"Those of us who aren't involved really aren't doing enough. We should be doing more. It takes 10 minutes to sit down and write a letter, and I have a stack of addresses on my desk."

# Commission kills recall petitions

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Stewart said he didn't file the petitions. "I was a messenger, I dropped them off," he said. "Legally it constitutes nothing."

"I was in my office that morning and was going downtown to court. One of the people behind the petition drive asked me to drop them off," he said. "I didn't even hand them to anybody, I just set them on the counter."

He said that during a preliminary inspection of the petitions by Ed Carey, county director of elections, Carey noticed that Breen was identified on them as a city of Plymouth commissioner.

"Carey noticed it," Stewart said, "so my secretary went behind the counter, whited out the title and typed in the correct one."

"I never even gave them my name," he said. "My secretary said she was filling them."

HE CHARACTERIZED the incident as a mixup.

Meanwhile, Vos said he will contact the State Bar Grievance Committee to investigate Stewart's conduct.

Last week, Breen's attorney John Nora asked Richard Padzieski, chief of operations for the



John Stewart

county prosecutor's office, to investigate the petition filing.

Padzieski said he has yet to decide if there is criminal involvement, adding the name of one filing the petition doesn't have to appear on that petition.

Carey said Stewart filed the petitions against the commission and the "fraudulent" one against Breen. Vos said he was "shocked and concerned" that Stewart was involved in filing the recall petition against the city commission.

# Retirement on cocket for fiery circuit judge

By Diane Gale staff writer

He thought he would return to his law firm after a five-year stint as Wayne Circuit Court judge and almost three decades later, Judge Thomas J. Foley, plans to retire April 1 from the job he grew to love.

Foley is returning to the other side of the bench in an advisory capacity for the firm, Kitch, Saubier, Drutchas, Wagner & Kenney, where his son, Thomas J. Foley, is a partner.

"This is the time," said Foley, whose 70th birthday is in July.

"I've got my health," he said. "I feel good. I get around and do a lot of things. So many people wait to retire until they're sick and they can't do anything."

Explaining that he was only intending to serve as judge for five years before he returned to his law practice, Foley said, "Here I am 25 years, plus, later," he said.

The dynamics of a judge's schedule engulfed him.

"There's always something pending — future opinions and cases."

The Plymouth resident for almost 40 years has seen a lot of changes in the community. Adjusting his long thin body in his chair he recalls looking out his window and seeing acres of open space and driving on Sheldon Road, which was dirt at the time. The courtroom has gone through as much of a metamorphosis, he said, in what he refers to as a litigation happy society.

AMONG THE most memorable of his cases, Foley said, was the Charles Fisher murder trial, the microbiologist and Canton resident, was found guilty of first-degree murder in the strangulation death of his wife.

Another that's burned into his memory, Foley said, was a Downer river murder case. Two men held up a jewelry store and vowed not to leave any witnesses. A group of people in the shop were ordered to lay down in the back room. "They systematically put a bullet in each of their heads," Foley said shaking his head in disgust.

The murderers, Foley added, "are where they should be, with Mr. Fisher."

When asked if he has second thoughts about people he sentenced to life in prison, he said: "I didn't do the dastardly deed and society has to be protected. Sometimes you find cases where you don't think the person is inherently bad. You never find someone more remorseful than at the time of sentencing. But the first minute before and after they're a totally different person."

It's that adamant tone and conviction that has given him the reputation of being a tough judge with a strict play by the rules attitude.

Like the time he drew national attention by citing the striking Detroit Teachers Association with contempt of court charges in the 1970s. And papers across the country picked up the story when the former judge from Detroit ordered padlocks on the doors of pornographic outlets.

"Nothing I've done on the bench I would have done differently," Foley said.

Sitting on the State Judicial Tenure Commission for the past 10 years, a commission he also chaired, Foley has seen the law enforcers become lawbreakers.

The most recent case was City of Detroit 36th District Court Judge Leon Jenkins who was removed from the bench by the tenure commission.

"It's unfortunate when someone with all that education, who has the position of authority, trust and importance in a community abuses it to an extent that we have to remove them from the bench," Foley said. "It's a tragedy when you think about it."

Foley graduated from Southeastern High School in 1941 and went to undergraduate school at the University of Detroit where he played football. His studies were interrupted when he served in the Naval Air Corps in the Pacific from 1942 through 1946 and was awarded the Bronze Star. He returned to finish his undergraduate studies and continued at the U of D law school.

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wrote the final report.

"We found that there was some wrongdoing," Foley said. "There were three definite cases that we thought should go further."

No other judges were involved, Foley said the committee concluded, "but there were attorneys dealing with Bronson." The Michigan Supreme Court has taken over the controversial case.

A judge or lawyer on the take isn't something you expect, said Foley adding however, that it's nothing new, either. He recalled being in charge of a citizens grand jury in the early 1970s, which indicted a group of prominent attorneys for wrongdoing.

Over the years, Foley said, he has noticed that attorneys don't seem to have the depth that they once had. "There's a few bad attorneys, he said, who give a bad name to every lawyer in the profession. In general, Foley added, "they do an excellent job."

However, many of the cases really "border on non-cases. Society itself is really much more litigation minded," he said adding that one motivation could be that attorneys have financial responsibilities — office rent, support staff and the like and they're forced to drum up business.

The trend toward pursuing iffy cases, he said, is slacking off and new legislation will help limit liability cases.

LAW HAS always been a part of Foley's life. Even as a child growing up on the east side of Detroit, the only son born to Scottish and Irish parents, he said he knew he wanted to be an attorney.

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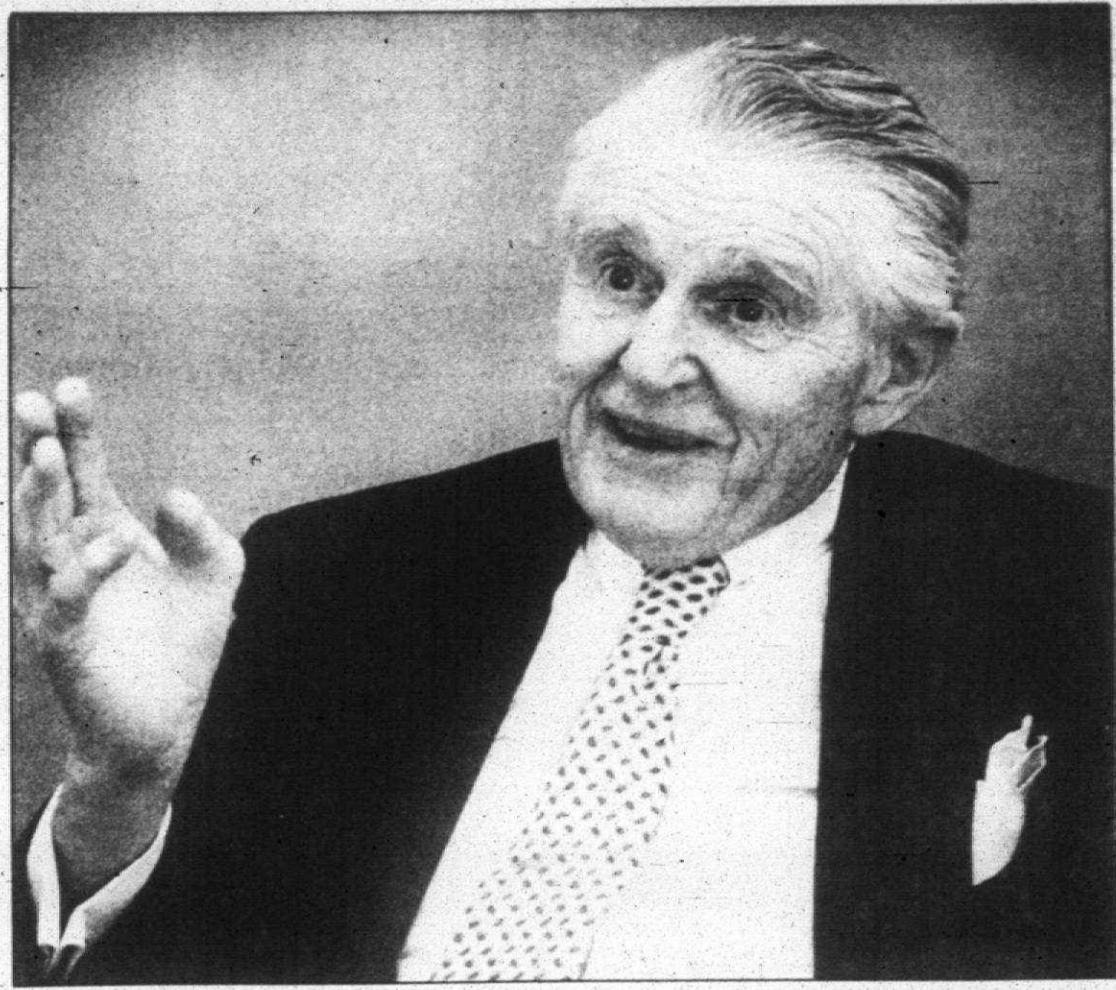
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# School hopefuls line up

By M.B. Dillon staff writer

Plymouth-Canton school board members Dean Swartzwelder and Roland Thomas are expected to announce their bids for re-election this month. William Joyner of Plymouth also has taken out nominating petitions.

Swartzwelder, board president, has called a press conference for 1 p.m. tomorrow at the Palermo Pizzeria and Restaurant on Ford Road in Canton. He has returned his petitions and has been certified.

Thomas, who took petitions out but has not yet returned them, will make an announcement Feb. 25.

The school election is June 10. Nominating petitions are available at the board office, 454 S. Harvey, for any registered voter and resident of the district interested in running.

Candidates have until April 8 to file nominating petitions. April 11 is the last day candidates may withdraw from the race.

The much talked-about bond issue — which would finance two new elementary schools, a "Phase Four" building at Centennial Educational Park and technological and other improvements — is not expected to appear on the June ballot.

The bond issue, which would seek a minimum of \$50 million, tentatively is scheduled to be decided by voters in a Sept. 24 election.

Up for renewal are 21.74 mills, including 4 mills approved by voters two years ago. It's anticipated that voters will be asked to renew 17.74 mills.

"When we asked for that millage (the two-year, 4-mill levy) we said it would be for two years. The people were nice enough to approve it. We will weather the storm," said Swartzwelder.

Thomas agreed. "We made a commitment to the people almost two years ago, saying we need this to get us through this period of going out of formula, and that we'd reassess where we are."

"I'm in a re-assessment mode, but

I feel a commitment not to renew the four if at all possible. But I want to see what the voters are going to do. We probably won't know at the ballot language."

"In our preliminary discussions, we've talked about only the 17.74 mills and not renewing the four additional mills," said Diane Barnes, finance director. "Preliminarily, that's what we're recommending."

SWARTZWELDER, A financial manager for Ford Motor Co. who has served on the board since 1984, said he didn't want to discuss his re-election bid until Feb. 15.

Thomas said he's keeping his options open, but that he's leaning toward running.

"There are some things we are doing in the district that I think need some consistent follow through on. Most of it revolves around this whole concept of building a strong team of people who are willing to spend time and effort to work with kids. The more team effort and the more employee involvement we have, the better off we are," said Thomas.

"It's very important to me that this community progress and move forward. The other thing I want to follow through on is the whole idea of what's going on with the 2010 Committee." The committee was appointed by the board to study the district's needs and is expected to recommend a bond issue.

Thomas, planning and analysis manager for Ford Motor's Pre-delivery Service Corporation, was appointed to the board in 1982, elected in 1983 and re-elected. This is his ninth year on the board.

JOYNER, A FORMER Wayne County commissioner who's lived in Plymouth for 13 years, said he hasn't decided whether he'll run.

"I have the petitions and I am genuinely looking at filing them. I will be circulating them and I will wait right up until the end to determine whether I am going to run," he said.

"I want a candidate that runs for the school board to take some real strong positions on issues such as

schools of choice (which I do not favor).

"I think Dean Swartzwelder is the finest school board member we've had in years and years and years. I've not yet decided if I'm running for the second spot."

Joyner, who operates a Canton-based public relations firm, founded the Canton Economic Club and co-founded the Canton Community Foundation.

Citizens for Better Education — a local, conservative Christian group that helped elect Trustee Barbara Graham — plans to back a candidate in 1991, according to CBE founder Diane Daskalakis.

"It's gotten to the point where I enjoy it more. I certainly hope that there is a candidate. I'd be surprised if there weren't," said Daskalakis.

"We still care as deeply as we did in the beginning, and I think we've made some progress in getting 13-rated movies, witchcraft and occult-type materials out of the classroom. That's a real victory."

Daskalakis would like to see Bob Anderson of Canton, CBE's top vote-getter in the last election, run again.

"He's a real good candidate and an outstanding individual," she said.

Bob Anderson said he's not sure whether he'll run.

"At this point, I really couldn't say. It's much too early for me to be thinking about that. But it's not out of the question. What would motivate me to run would be the decline we are witnessing in just about all areas of education except athletics and entertainment. There's a decline in reading and math skills, science, geography and the moral climate. I've run three times, and each time I was willing to serve. The question in my mind is whether this community wants this type of leadership. And I am not going to shove it down anyone's throat."

Anderson said he may have arrived on the scene "too late."

"The district is already over-run and entrenched in its philosophy as far as what education means and what it consists of."

# Winter break classes look at science

The Living Science Foundation and Plymouth/Canton Community Education will present Winter Break Classes for ages 5-12 years, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting Monday at Canton High School, 8415 Canton Center Road.

The price is \$40 per day. To register, call Plymouth/Canton Community Education at 451-6660.

On Monday, "Winter Survival Day" includes "Opie" Opossum and "Chilly" Chinchilla teaching winter survival. Children will learn to build

a survival shelter.

Tuesday, Feb. 19, is "Backbone Biology Day."

How would you describe the body covering of "Dill" the Argentine Horned Frog? How was "Urechin" the Hedgehog born?

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20, is "Winter Astronomy Day."

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Thursday, Feb. 21, is "Life on Earth Day." Meet extinct saber-toothed cats, trilobites and live descendants of the dinosaurs.

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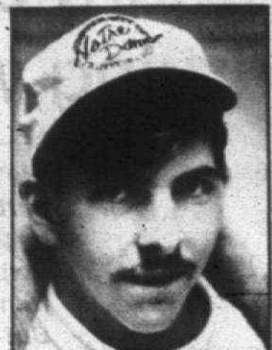
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### Community Corner

This week's question:

If the schools-of-choice plan becomes a reality in Michigan, what school would you like to attend?

We asked this question at Plymouth Salem High School in Canton.



Lansing Eastern. I like that school. It's great. My grandma lives near there. —Dave Krupin, Salem High School



Westland John Glenn. I have a lot of friends there. —Don Woodruff, Salem High School



I'm not sure what high school I'd choose. It might be this one, since I'm already here. Maybe Novl. —Linda Ragan, Salem High School



I'd continue to go here. I'm getting pretty good grades. —Rich Starr, Salem High School



I would go outside the district for sports, to Trenton High School. I love this school, but they have a better softball team. —Eileen Lyons, Salem High School



I would go to Westland John Glenn. They have a better football program. I like the school better. These schools are overpopulated. —Ken Bowling, Salem High School

## Officials worry about proposed schools-of-choice plan

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The best way I can describe cross-district busing is a can of worms. Big worms.

It seems to me the cross-district busing now would raise a lot of those same issues.

Plymouth-Canton schools are at the peak of our capacity," he said. "We have no extra space, which is a major problem."

STUDENTS EXPRESS a variety of opinions.

"I think it's a good idea," said Canton freshman Jamey Kay. "People pay taxes and can't go to the school they want to."

Kay said her sister's boyfriend lives near the school district boundary and has to go to Belleville schools where students are scared.

"He has a lot of friends there, but kids want to beat him up. He dropped out and now he's going to night school."

The schools-of-choice plan is a bad idea, said Erika Swegies, a Canton sophomore.

"We are already overcrowded with the freshmen (new to the park this year). I think our whole school district is good, so it'd be even more overcrowded."

The plan "sounds like a good idea," said Brian Barna, a Canton senior.

"We have too many students here to begin with. Probably other schools don't have as many kids. With so many people, it's real hectic here trying to get to your classes on time. I think schools would improve."

Barna has noticed improvement since the last millage passed, he said.

"They reinstated the attendance office. Before that, people were allowed to skip. No one went to class. It was real bad."

### Threat to sports seen

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Cummins said schools of choice would make a mess of high school athletics.

"I think we'd be creating problems that we haven't had to deal with in the past," he said.

"Recruiting middle and high school athletes is not what education is all about. It's tough enough on high school seniors. I'm sure there a lot of sleepless nights before athletes make a decision about what college or university they go to," added Cummings, who oversees athletes on 49 varsity teams at Centennial Educational Park.

"I don't feel it's educationally sound, myself. You don't just pick a school to play basketball. You pick a school for your future."

"I don't know if that's the right direction to go. Minnesota has been doing it for only three years, and there are no real solid states to go on."

"My question is, what educational benefits do we gain by this? We're getting into not only athletics, but

segregation and integration problems that would start all over again. At this point, I think this is something we should be looking at instead of jumping into."

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## GOP rep questions gov on tax cut, school choice

By Pat Murphy staff writer

State Rep. Lyn Banks of Livonia is a rarity. She's one of the few Republicans who voiced concerns about the content of Gov. John Engler's State of the State message delivered Tuesday in Lansing.

Like her GOP colleagues, Banks applauded frequently and robustly during Engler's 25-minute speech. She described it as "upbeat, terrific."

But Banks, a member of the House Education Committee, said she is concerned about two Engler proposals — property tax reduction and schools of choice on a state-wide basis.

Democrats, in contrast, generally greeted Engler's address with silence or weak applause. "It was very deceptive," said State Rep. Maxine Berman of Southfield.

"He tried to portray anyone who doesn't agree with him as being bad for Michigan or anti-jobs," she said. "He tried to shove his opponents (mostly Democrats) into a corner."

"BUT IN POLITICS, when you shove, people shove back... only harder," said Berman, recently appointed to the powerful House Appropriations Committee.

Prior to the address, his first since he became governor by defeating incumbent James Blanchard in November, Engler said it was not meant as a blueprint for the coming year.

Honigman said he is "very encour-

Rather, he said, it was meant as a broad statement of policy, with details for specific proposals — like education — to come later.

State Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington, said the new governor made clear his intentions of delivering on campaign promises. "He said he was going to downsize government," Dolan said. "And that's what he's going to do."

Dolan said she is particularly encouraged by what she interpreted as a promise by Engler to make government more accountable.

"Programs will be evaluated to see if they are achieving their goals," said Dolan. "If they aren't working, they should be changed or eliminated."

Like Banks, Dolan also expressed concerns about Engler's call for a 20 percent cut in property taxes.

SHE BELIEVES Engler is concerned about education. "But I worry about how Farmington and other out-of-formula (affluent) school districts are going to make up the loss."

An answer to both their concerns may be provided by State Sen. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, who Tuesday said he is preparing to introduce legislation calling for the 20 percent cut in property taxes.

"I'll introduce it this week," said Honigman. "It definitely includes provisions for state revenues to make up for any loss of school funds."

Honigman said he is "very encour-

### Irish music is featured

The 11th annual St. Patrick's Parade fund-raiser will be 1-9 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, in Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall, 18801 Farmington, north of Seven Mile Road.

The theme of the 33rd annual parade is "A Downtown Irish-American Family Affair." The fund-raiser is a celebration of music. A dozen groups of Detroit's best Irish musicians will play non-stop for the benefit of parade supporters.

Returning to perform this year are Murphy's Men from the Tipperary Pub, The Wake's and Wedding Band, Birmingham Celtic Pipe and Drum Band and Strathmore.

There also will be traditional Irish music played in the lounge.

The United Irish Societies, the parade's sponsor, truly appreciates our fine musicians donating their services for the day in order to help defray the mounting costs of staging the parade," said Sharon Berry, chairwoman.

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State Rep. Lyn Banks, R-Livonia, described the governor's State of the State address as "upbeat, terrific" but said she was concerned about property tax reduction and schools of choice on a statewide basis.

Rep. Michael Bouchard praised Engler's address for changing the focus of government. "It's no longer a question of 'if we make cuts, but where'."

The Birmingham Republican endorses the property tax cut. "As I understand it, we're going to be cutting."

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## McNamara counts on working with gov

By Wayne Paal staff writer

Gov. John Engler's first State of the State address is drawing heavy criticism from Michigan Democrats but Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara has yet to join the chorus.

"If anything, McNamara expressed a degree of sympathy for the new governor."

"Poor John Engler," he joked. "Here's a guy whose talking about rearranging the philosophy of state government and, first the war knocks him off the front page, then the indictments against (Detroit Police) Chief William Hart and Ken Weiner knock him off the front page."

While fellow Democrats were lining up to take pot shots at the new governor's tax- and budget-cutting message, McNamara was more guarded in his response.

"He's talking about cutting property taxes by 20 percent and, as a taxpayer in Livonia, I think it's wonderful," McNamara said. "But I hope it doesn't mean the county is going to be hurt."

Already, the executive said, the county expects to lose an estimated \$1 million in federal revenue sharing as a result of the cuts and \$1 million in additional revenue because of its shrinking population.

But McNamara, who will give his annual State of the County address Friday, is apparently giving his faith in his ability to work with Engler to overcoming budget cuts.

The two have met at least three times since Engler's election, McNamara said, including a 90-minute session last month.

WHILE ENGLER has talked about downsizing state government, McNamara said there are two programs he'd like to take off the governor's hands.

Greater county control over welfare and child welfare programs are two of McNamara's key goals for the coming year.

"I think the first person who'll tell you general assistance (welfare) is screwed up is John Engler," said McNamara.

More should be done to find work for the estimated 55,000 indigent county residents, McNamara said.

"Our feeling is don't put people on the dole, put them into programs," McNamara said.

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# Board OKs massive cuts if tax hike is rejected

By Darrell Clem staff writer

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and said if they are implemented, "we might as well close our doors."

Board member Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek cast the lone dissenting vote on the seven-member board and suggested that officials explore budget-slashing alternatives, such as the temporary consolidation of small-enrollment schools and the sale of district-owned properties.

• Cutting out all sports, the marching band program and other non-academic student activities currently offered on a pay-to-play basis.

• Further cutting the district's administrators.

• Trimming the custodial staff by closing all school buildings at 6 p.m.

# Teachers ratify new pact with raises

By Darrell Clem staff writer

Wayne-Westland teachers voted overwhelmingly Monday to ratify a new contract that also won school board approval hours later, signaling an end to rocky negotiations that earlier had threatened a strike.

less we have quality teachers, and we can't have quality teachers, whether you like it or not, without paying them quality wages," Posey said.

Though she voted in favor of the contract, board member Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek said she remained concerned that the teacher raises came at a time when many school district residents, reeling from an economic downturn, received no pay increases.

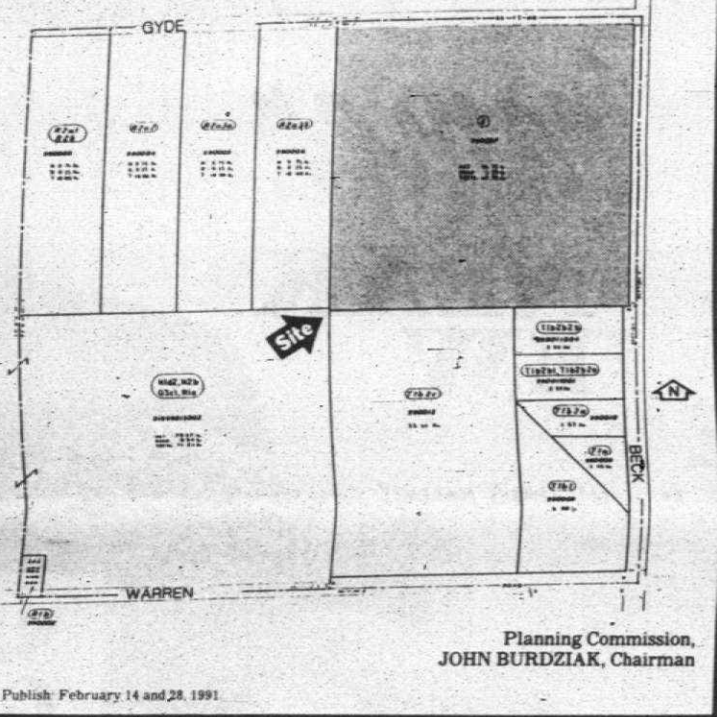
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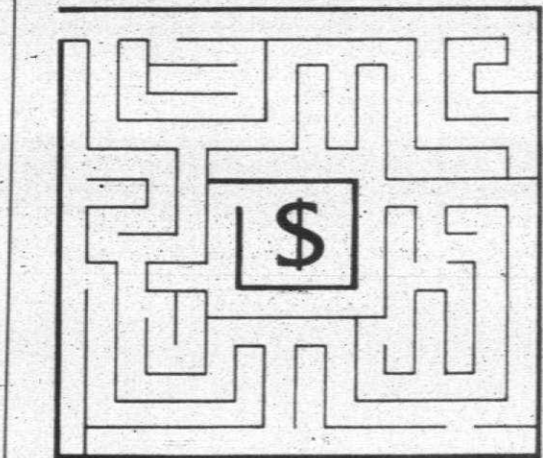
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# McNamara holds off in criticizing gov

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The executive said the county is proposing education and job training programs for welfare recipients with a general assistance check contingent upon their participation.

Sending a young offender to a state training school costs the county an estimated \$60,000 annually, McNamara said.

Child welfare - rehabilitation of young criminals - could cause a major county financial crisis, McNamara said.

Enough is enough," he said.

# Engler drawing fire

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review \$500 million in personal service government contracts carried over from the Blanchard era.

REFERRING TO the contracts as an "incubator for abuse," Engler ordered administrators to justify the agreements or cancel them.

State Sen. Mat J. Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, said he is particularly pleased that Gov. Engler pledged to

review 500 million in personal service government contracts carried over from the Blanchard era.

# Weight loss program offered

Think Trim, a program promoting responsible eating, will be held at Schoolcraft College, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16.

Think Trim aims to change the way people think about food, as well as help them set realistic weight-loss goals.

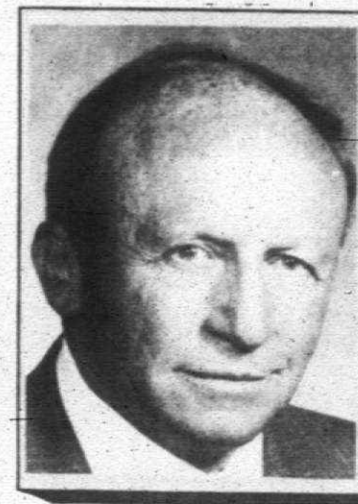
# Agency seeking foster homes

Vista Maria is looking for adults willing to provide nurturing homes for teenage girls.

A series of four pre-training sessions will begin Tuesday, March 5, on the Vista Maria campus on Warren Avenue, Dearborn Heights.

# Stemming flow McNamara tries to halt population loss

By Wayne Peal staff writer



**'It's a cliché, but we have a throw away society. And that's spread into 'throw away' cities.'**  
— Edward McNamara  
Wayne County Executive

Ending suburban sprawl will be Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara's chief message during his annual State of the County address Friday.

At that time, McNamara is expected to unveil plans to help other Wayne County communities retain businesses and population.

Smarting from census losses - and potential loss of as many as two U.S. Congressional seats - McNamara said the county would step up efforts to stem the flow of people and jobs.

Over the past 30 years, McNamara said, the county has lost roughly 500,000 residents yet seen 75 percent of its open land disappear.

"It's sprawl," McNamara said. McNamara said the county has lost roughly 500,000 residents yet seen 75 percent of its open land disappear.

Economic development staff would help devise a business-retention strategy, public service workers would provide assistance in building and retaining an infrastructure while the alternative work force - minor criminals sentenced to community service - would help rebuild neighborhoods.

"It includes (county economic development director) Dewey Henry's people, (public service director) Russ Gronewelt's people and members of the county's alternative work force," McNamara said.

THE PROGRAM is currently under way in Ecorse, with Highland Park also scheduled to receive county services.

Keeping the Detroit Tigers in Detroit is another key goal, McNamara said.

The anti-violence program, announced but not yet implemented, would approach violence as a disease similar to alcoholism and work with families to find cures.

New emphasis is also expected to be given the county's infant mortality task force. A new director is sought to replace former county Commissioner Bernard Kilpatrick, who resigned from the board to become county public health director.

In other news, McNamara said the county's homeless shelter announced last year - is tentatively scheduled for opening in the spring.

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Wednesday, Feb. 27 - Canton Seniors will enjoy an "Afternoon of Art" at the Detroit Institute of Arts...

obituaries

CARL P. McLAUGHLIN
Services for Carl P. McLaughlin, 72, of Jackson were Thursday, Feb. 7, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.
Mr. McLaughlin was born May 5, 1918, in Houlton, Maine. He died Monday, Feb. 4, in Ann Arbor. He was a steel fabricator for Michigan Fabricating. He retired eight years ago. He was in the infantry in World War II...

ART HISTORY LECTURE
Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1-3 p.m. - A slide illustrated lecture will examine the paintings and careers of the Wyeth family. Professor Michael Farrell will return for the conclusion of this three week art history series at St. John's Episcopal Church on Sheldon Road in Plymouth. Coffee will be available at 12:45 p.m. Price is \$10 for a single lecture. Call 455-0782 or 459-1875.
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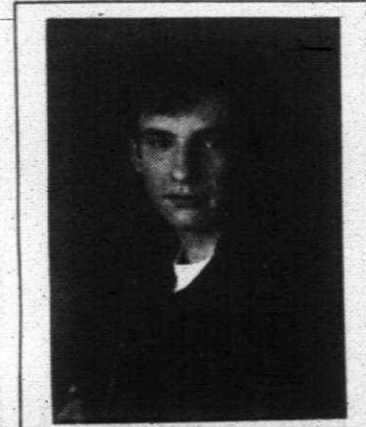
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10 area residents vie for seat on SC board

Three former Schoolcraft College trustee candidates are among the 10 people who have applied for the board seat being vacated by trustee Jack Kirksey.
Ronaee Bowman, Andrea Taylor and Jeffrey Theodore, all of Livonia, were among the applicants seeking appointment to the board. All three ran for the Schoolcraft board in 1989.
Newcomers applying for the seat included: Willis Brauer, Livonia; Paulette Cebulski, Plymouth; Yvonne Conostas, Livonia; Robert Gordon, Plymouth; Stephen Ragan, Plymouth; Subramanian Ramamurthy, Canton; and Patricia Watson, Northville.
THE APPLICATION deadline was 4 p.m. Monday. Bowman is a trainer at the Michigan Training and Resource Center, Westland. Taylor, a graduate of Schoolcraft's culinary arts program, operates a catering business. Theodore is an assistant Wayne County prosecuting attorney. Brauer is a principal at Coolidge Elementary School in Livonia. Cebulski is an assistant director with the University of Michigan Hospital Department of Physical and Medical Rehabilitation. Conostas is a social worker in private practice. Gordon is a doctor, with a family practice in Plymouth. Ragan is an administrative assistant in the Wayne County Division of Airports. Ramamurthy is president of Optimum Management Inc., an engineering and management consulting firm based in Plymouth. Watson is a clinical supervisor with Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital and is also a mental health professional in private practice. Kirksey, director of community education for the Livonia Schools, resigned from the board in an apparent dispute over selection of the college's new legal representative. He is expected to leave the board next month. Board members will decide at the Wednesday, Feb. 27, meeting whether to interview all applicants or screen them beforehand, according to college spokeswoman Sandra Florek. Kirksey was elected to a six-year board term in 1989; however, his appointed replacement will only serve from April 24 through June 30. The seat will ultimately be to be decided in next year's election. In addition to Kirksey's former seat, seats held by Michael Burley and Jeanne Stempjen will also be up for election. THE ELECTION is scheduled for Monday, June 10. Schoolcraft, a two-year community college serves a number of western Wayne County communities. Eligible applicants for any Schoolcraft seat must live within the Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville or Plymouth/Canton public school districts. Trustees oversee the college budget and curriculum and are also responsible for hiring the college president. In addition, trustees oversee activities at the main campus and at Schoolcraft College-Rosedale in Garden City. They also oversee college contracts, including those governing development of Seven Mile Crossing - a Livonia office complex built on college-owned land. Trustees serve without pay.

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# Report says residents, hospitals are sickly

## Unpaid bills: Major problem for area hospitals

Michigan residents — and the hospitals that serve them — are less healthy than the national average, according to a new report.

The Southeast Michigan Hospital Council report stated that Michigan residents exceed national averages for chronic disease at a time when many Michigan hospitals are struggling financially.

The annual report is designed to present a picture of Michigan hospitals and the kinds of patients they serve, said Donald Potter, president of the Southeast Michigan Hospital Council.

"Some people will be more healthy, some will be less healthy," Potter said. "The same is true of hospitals."

The state's higher-than-average death rate from stroke, heart disease, cancer, diabetes and other diseases, reported by the Centers for Disease Control, has already been widely noted.

LESS NOTED was a report from Moody's Investment Services showing that one-third of Michigan hospitals had low financial ratings, more than twice the national average.

The Moody's report showed that 34 percent of Michigan hospitals had bonds rated Baa and Ba1 — among the company's lowest ratings — while only 16 percent of all hospitals nationally shared those below-average ratings.

According to Moody's, however, most struggling hospitals are in Detroit or outstate. Most hospitals serving Oakland and suburban Wayne County residents are on firm financial footing, according to the financial service.

University of Michigan Hospitals was upgraded during the spring 1990 report, while another, Sinai of Detroit, has subsequently been downgraded.

U-M Hospitals rose from A1 to the Aa rating, which it now shares with two of the region's other giants — Henry Ford Health Care Corp. and William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak and Troy.

Among other hospitals, Detroit Medical Center received the A rating. DMC, new name for the former Harper Grace and Huron Valley Hospitals, leads the region in annual admissions with more than 79,000. While Moody's praised the unit's "strong utilization," concerns about restructuring led to a slightly lower rating from the A1 held by the company in 1989.

Crittenton, Rochester also received the A rating.

Crittenton was praised for its "strong historical financial performance," but Moody's noted concerns about the hospital's highly competitive service area. The hospital also received the A rating during its last evaluation in 1989.

Sinai bonds had been rated A one year ago, but were dropped to Baa this year.

Moody's noted its decrease in pa-

tient volume due to "increased pressure from competitors."

The Mercy Health system, with 10 statewide hospitals, also received the A rating. Mercy's area affiliates includes the Sisters of Mercy Health Corp., Farmington Hills, Catherine McAuley, Health system, Ann Arbor and Mount Carmel Mercy and Samaritan hospitals, Detroit.

The region's lowest rated hospital bonds belong to Pontiac General. The city-owned hospital received the Baa rating. Moody's, however, said figures have leveled since then, southeastern Michigan hospitals provided \$225 million in uncompensated services in 1989, the last year for which figures were available.

While most of that is linked to indigent care, hospital council chairman Ralph LaGro said seniors and many working people also have trouble paying their bills.

"You have to take into account elderly people without Medicaid" (private, extended coverage for Medicaid recipients)," he said.

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# Look for a full moon on Feb. 28

New Moon is 12:32 p.m. on the 14th. The moon is located between the earth and the sun and is not visible. (If the moon were aligned exactly between the earth and the sun, we would see an eclipse of the sun.)

Look for the waxing (growing) crescent moon in the west on the evening of the 15th. The bright "star" 11 degrees above and to the south (left) of the moon is Venus. On the following night, the moon is six degrees above and to the west (right) of Venus. On the 17th the moon is 14 degrees directly above Venus.

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Mars, Aldebaran, and the Pleiades form a large triangle, high in the south, on the evening of the 19th. Mars is eight degrees above Aldebaran. Watch as the moon joins this group in two days.

First Quarter moon is at 5:58 p.m. on Feb. 21. It has completed the first quarter of its orbit around the earth. The moon will be located between Mars and the Pleiades later in the evening. By the 22nd the moon has moved past Mars.

WATCH THE MOON move through the constellations of Gemini, Cancer, and Leo starting on the 24th. The moon forms a triangle with the stars Castor and Pollux in the constellation of Gemini. Castor is the star above Pollux. Each star repre-

**Heintz named**

Wayne County Commission Vice Chairwoman Susan Heintz, R-Northville Township, has been appointed to a four-year term on the Detroit Board of Water Commissioners. Heintz will provide suburban representation on the water board, Heintz' county commission district includes Livonia, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

# Report says hospitals are struggling financially

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tals have kept emergency rooms open, officials said, avoiding the kind of emergency care crisis that has erupted in Chicago and Miami.

While Michigan residents appear highly susceptible to many diseases, AIDS isn't the problem here it is in other large metropolitan areas.

Drug abuse, however, remains a major problem, with the Detroit area exceeding New York, Chicago and Philadelphia in emergency room visits related to cocaine or heroin abuse.

The problem is not limited to the city.

Potter said he heard a report 30 percent of applicants for one group of entry level jobs posted at a suburban supermarket failed drug screening tests.

In other news, the current recession might not be felt by the hospital industry for several years, La Gro said.

"Because Big 3 (automaker) contracts run for three years, we probably won't feel the recession for a while," LaGro said.

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Troop rally New thinking from Gulf War

FOR US, Larry Reed, a Canton Vietnam veteran, best summed up the importance of a rally held for the troops in the Gulf...

which seems to want a new Vietnam War where they can show clashes on the street on the evening news, and blood thirsty generals, with details at 11. It makes for good television drama.

To us, Reed summed up a new way of looking at military involvement. Separate the politics of making war from the human factor; make it OK to be against the Gulf War, but at the same time show your concern for your fellow countrymen and women in the service.

Barometer Jaeger has stormy forecast

THE POSSIBLE departure of Gordon Jaeger from his job as Plymouth's city manager should serve as an early warning to residents there are problems to be faced by the city.

much time dealing with past matters pertaining to former city manager Henry Graper. Graper struck the city with the tab for a number of lunches. He's agreed to pay the city back. That should settle it. Jaeger is saying get on with it.

Jaeger was an attractive candidate because of his experience with merging services in the Battle Creek area. We think that should be a priority in Plymouth.

The city is too small to survive on its own without looking to sharing services with Plymouth Township.

There has been some talk, although not seriously, of sharing police services with Canton. We hope the commission and public listen to Jaeger and watch what he's doing. It's a valuable service and a look at what could happen in Plymouth.

Not real School choice offers no hope

SCHOOLS OF CHOICE could improve public education — if the concept was based somewhere in reality.

But it's not and taxpayers should be wary of politicians bearing the gift which they claim schools of choice to be.

Unfortunately, too many schools of choice supporters believe that the strength of the concept is based on the competitive model.

Erasing public school attendance boundaries, they say, will allow parents to choose "good" schools for their youngsters, while forcing "bad" ones to make changes.

While that sounds good on its face, the reality is that the so-called "bad" schools have no way to make a comeback, no way to raise the funds necessary to operate in a classical American competitive marketplace.

"Bad" schools would simply fail and the "good" schools would soon be overcrowded. Reality also dictates that the temptation for some high school coaches would be just too much to resist. Recruiting students for their athletic prowess could become an epidemic which would be difficult to eradicate.

PRACTICE ALSO suggests that parents will make choices on factors other than quality, putting perfectly fine facilities at risk of being withdrawn from the educational loop.

A preliminary study from Minnesota — a leader among schools of choice states — indicates choice is based more on convenience than academics. The study indicated many parents based their choice more on nearness to their workplace — or babysitter — than on school programs.

Nonetheless, there's nothing sacred about attendance boundaries. There's also no reason why area school districts can't work together — as well as with nearby colleges and universities — to offer challenging new educational programs.

Instead of creating new schools, we'd much prefer programs that make better use of resources already at hand.

Fresh look Legislators must earn raises

WERE GLAD Michigan's legislators listened to the people who put them in Lansing and overwhelmingly rejected their proposed pay raises.

That's one less conflict to interest the public at a time when the state's budget seemingly is in an irreversible tailspin.

When the raises first were proposed, we suggested here that members of the state Senate and House can have them, provided they earn them — performance equals percentage increase. Legislators now have a year before their merit reviews.

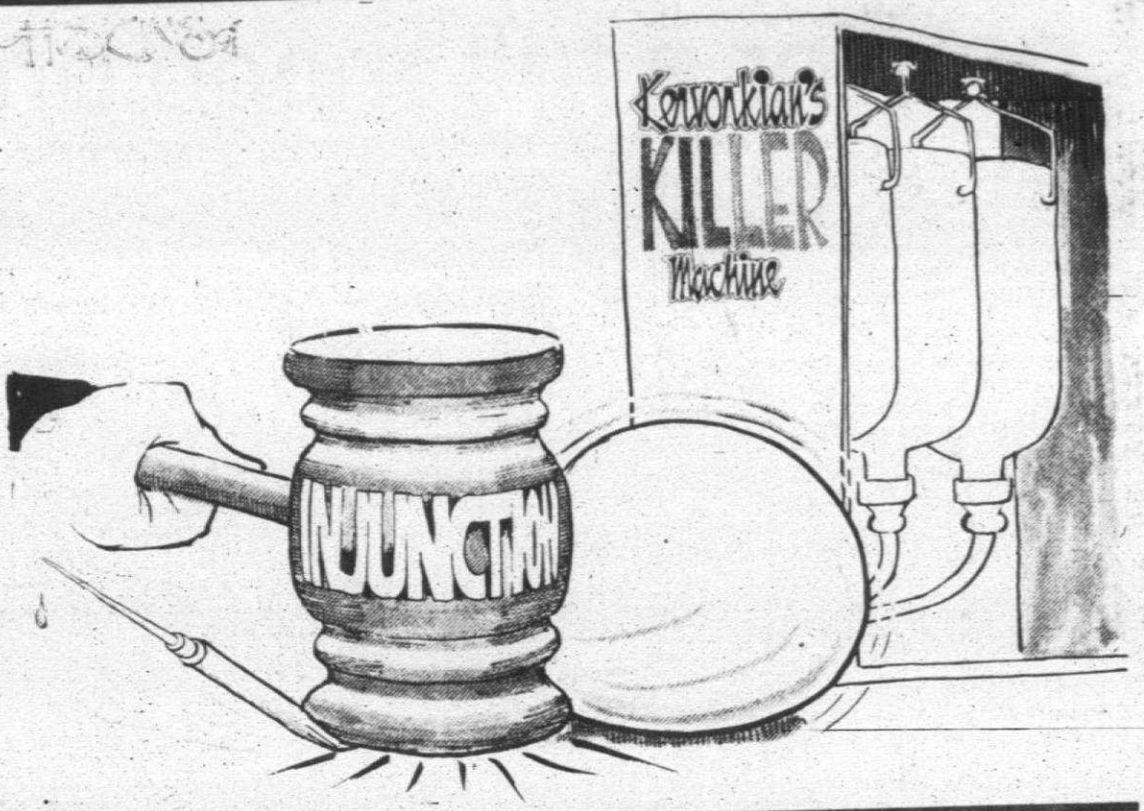
Unlike others, who have poured over the remnants of Jim Blanchard's administration looking for clues on how to proceed, we think it's better to go into this with a fresh approach. Engler is in his overall mandate is lower property taxes without further sully an already pathetic problem throughout the state's school districts.

SPECIFICALLY, ENGLER'S CURRENT proposals gut the state's welfare system with a planned 17 percent decrease, beginning Feb. 23. Day care licensing also is within Engler's rifle scope, which would adversely affect almost a quarter million children.

And how many prisons are enough? Who will staff them? Is the National Guard really going to pace the catwalks in the place of out-of-work prison guards?

If Engler is really serious about saving, let him closely examine the millions wasted on a bloated state police bureaucracy and a National Guard system which is simply a waste of money.

These are not easy problems, nor is this list all-inclusive. But doing a good job fixing any of the above would give legislators something to point to next time raises roll around. Perhaps if concrete fixes are made, and legislators propose raises more closely aligned with the cost of living instead of wishful thinking, they'll earn an increase.



Educators must think of all our kids' needs

WITHIN THE LAST two weeks, we have witnessed defeated attempts to hike school taxes in two of our communities which traditionally support their schools' requests for money.

West Bloomfield schools lost in an unusual tie vote. (A recount showed malfunctioning of voting machines in two precincts, so those voters are being re-polled.) Two proposals by Farmington schools lost resoundingly.

Both saw organized opposition spring from unlikely sources as they attempted to make up revenues lost when the state reallocated funds to needier districts.

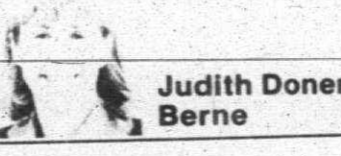
Those school districts with the biggest tax payers, waded an all-out campaign against both tax hikes. It is unfortunate to see one political body come out against another. It is also unfortunate to see one wealthy businessman have more clout than one vote in an election.

BUT IT IS also true that to some degree, educators who preside over wealthy schools have defeat coming. Their view of education extends only to the borders of their district. In a field that should be rampant with ideas, they confine their vision.

Now that they too are hurting, perhaps they will see that many children in this state have never had the programs they say they are forced to cut.

What happens if the college-bound student at Livonia Stevens High School doesn't get that computer class? Well, guess what, he takes it in college. What happens when that non-college student at Redford Union (which by the way just passed a millage renewal) doesn't get the computer class he needs? He may just miss out on a way to earn a living.

But these days, schools aren't only in the business of teaching. With the breakdown of the family, they are also into counseling — for substance abuse, parental neglect, teen pregnancy. Probably all school counselors have a heavy load these days. But poorer districts, which may have a higher percentage of problems, have fewer human resources too.



Judith Doner Berne

THE CRY of the wealthier districts has been — raise the level of state aid for the poorer districts, just don't take away from us. That just doesn't make it any more.

It is not only a question of dollars, but it is also a question of new approaches.

One example of a creative solution is the proposal for an Oakland County high school for math and science. It would draw students from districts across the county — a la Cass Tech in Detroit or Bronx Science in New York.

But Bloomfield Hills Superintendent W. Robert Docking, whose opinion I normally respect, said: "I don't think it will offer things our kids can't get now."

"Our kids." It's time to consider all of our kids.

Judith Doner Berne is assistant managing editor for the Oakland County editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

from our readers

Is Mettetal worth it?

To the editor: One citizen's thoughts about some of the issues in the newsletter recently mailed to Canton residents about township government, the Community Foundation, and other matters (and which states it was paid for by the Tom Yaack Campaign Fund).

body. There are, certainly, qualified potential candidates in all the communities served by the court, including Canton. But judges, above all, should be impartial. A candidate's "hometown" is simply not relevant.

The principal criteria for selecting a judge should be his or her character, judgment and temperament. Other factors include the nature and extent of previous relevant legal experience, and other attorneys' regard for the candidate. Undue emphasis should not be placed on geography or gender, nor on previous political activities, affiliations or positions held.

Richard D. Thomas Canton

Vorva called a 'blowhard'

To the editor: When Jerry Vorva, "The Great Grandstander," sticks his foot in his mouth, it's always refreshing to see his attorney, Carol Levitt, come to the rescue. Does she part his hair, too? It's about time someone caught on to his "act" and I'm glad The Observer nailed him for it. In the Plymouth City Commission meetings he's always "kissing up" to the audience and I, for one, think he's a "blowhard." Maybe he should think first before speaking, or that's probably too much to ask.

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Carol Herrick, Canton

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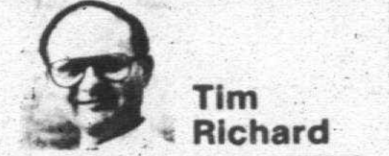
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points of view Engler grabs hold of bureaucracy

NANCY MARSHALL sank into a chair and sighed. "It's great to have weekends again."



Tim Richard

She does appropriations subcommittee work for state Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville, but he loaned her services to Gov. John Engler during the transition from the outgoing Blanchard administration.

"We put in 15-hour days, seven days a week," Marshall said of the transition. Anne Mervenne, a former aide to state Sen. Doug Cruce, R-Troy, now works for Engler and provided the numbers. Engler had 1,000 jobs to fill, several hundred of them posts that James Blanchard didn't fill in his final year in office.

USUALLY IT takes a couple of years to get hold of the bureaucracy because seats on boards have staggered terms. Engler has been able to put his stamp on state government more in a month than most governors can do in a couple of years.

One reason is that Blanchard was typically slow to fill vacancies. And in 1990 Blanchard let a lot of the

work slide because Engler, in control of the Senate, would have been able to make political mince meat at will. Blanchard wanted to wait until he was re-elected to a third term to make the appointments.

"I'm grateful for the opportunities he left for me," Engler said, chuckling in an understatement. "In the future, all boards will be named on a timely basis."

BLANCHARD'S AGRICULTURE director bailed out when Engler nearly replaced that body. The new commission picked former congressman Bill Schuette, the 1990 U.S. Senate candidate. Ditto at Natural Resources. Engler made four new appointments of six seats on the Transporta-

tion Commission. The governor, rather than the panel, appoints the department director, but it would have made no difference. Engler's choice, Patrick Nowak, is in.

That was why the Marshalls, the Mervennes and Engler's inner circle were working 100-hour weeks.

ENGLER HIMSELF personally knows more MICHIGANIANS than any human being I've met.

The former farm boy, despite some middle-aged pudginess, has a nearly inexhaustible supply of energy. He was the only prominent Republican to show up at Bill Lucas' 1983 inaugural as Wayne County executive, he spent part of a holiday in Mother Waddles' soup kitchen, he would call Democratic Wayne County officials from his car phone and inquire about their problems.

After consulting hundreds of GOP leaders, Engler virtually dictated the 1990 ticket, and did it so skillfully that there wasn't a mutter of protest at the state convention. So filling 1,000 jobs in two months became do-able.

ENGLER DEPARTED from three decades of practice in appointing regional university boards. Governors try to pick alumni of the university. I asked him why.

"I suppose I was conscious of it by not being conscious of it," Engler replied. "I chose to go for the best talent available. I thought the condition of many university boards was such that there be prompt appointments of superbly qualified individuals. Many are people I've known or been aware of over the years."

So Engler tapped University of Detroit graduate L. Brooks Patterson for the Oakland University board; IBM vice president Robin Sternbergh of Bloomfield Hills, a graduate of Pomona College and the Harvard business school, for the Eastern Michigan board; developer Bob DeMattia of Northville, another U-D alum, for Eastern; and so on.

Whether you care for his budget priorities or not, this guy Engler is a workhorse.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional news.

Engler sold out mentally ill people

By Dolores Howell guest columnist

The Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Michigan-Oakland County, who hosted Gov. John Engler during his campaign, and provided him a forum to express his policy on mental health, now has second thoughts.

In August 1990, then Senator Engler spoke about the "troubled mental health system." He was critical of the Department of Mental Health for "treating ordinary stresses, anxiety, marital difficulties, and the worried well, instead of focusing on the primary job of treating the seriously mentally ill." He was also concerned that there is no rational formula for distributing funds to the counties, which are simply based on what they got the previous year and not on their actual needs.

We distributed his speech to our state membership of several thousand, simply because we felt he was sensitive to the plight of the mentally ill.

NOW WE ARE confronted with budget cuts out of the Department of Mental Health, which appear to be a

We urge a moratorium on budget cuts until a rational plan and formula for reallocation and redistribution of mental health funds can be worked out.

tence to place the seriously mentally ill, who according to the mental health code, are a priority. This policy is especially true of Oakland County, where our Community Mental Health Board has not accepted the responsibility of providing these services.

The cuts in social services, such as General Assistance (which will be eliminated), will be devastating for the thousands of those who suffer mental illness and are disabled. Even for those who might be able to hold part-time jobs, there is no transportation to job sites. We need job programs!

In 1988, our Alliance chapter filed a class action lawsuit because of our frustration with the Oakland County Community Mental Health Board, the Department of Mental Health, and Clinton Valley Center. The reason for that lawsuit still exists and will now be exacerbated.

Dolores Howell is president of the Oakland County chapter of the Alliance for Mentally Ill.

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Jack Gladden

It could be, that is, if what seems to be the latest trend catches on. Then again, maybe it will just be one of the strangest ones. Who knows?

In the first place, February is National Heart Month (that has nothing to do with the hearts and flowers — Feb. 14). So if you really care for your lover, you won't give her (or him) chocolates. Bad for the cholesterol level, which is bad for the heart.

That information comes from a news release sent out by the Shaklee Corporation, the vitamin people, who are pushing something called Heart Plan, a fruit-flavored drink that the company claims contains five grams of soluble fiber per serving, the same amount you'd get by eating six apples or 3 1/2 bowls of oatmeal.

If you're concerned about your valentine's health, forget the chocolates. Give her a glass of fruit-flavored fiber.

AND WHILE we're on the subject of press releases, the folks at Fanny Farmer sent one out reminding us that chocolate is still the gift of choice on V day and that that company gets started in the middle of November to produce more than 100 tons of chocolates (which contain 70,000 pounds of sugar and 25,000 pounds of nut meats) to meet the demand.

Speaking of sweets, the chairman of the American Sugar Alliance joined the press-release corps to say that Valentine's Day is a fitting time to give thanks to the farmers who produce all that sugar.

She points out that, thanks to the sugar-producers who generate a total of \$1.5 billion in wages and revenues annually, the average American pays less for a pound of sugar than does his counterpart in 14 other leading world capitals. And that, according to the release, is "the Valentine gift our farmers give us."

That message is a bit saccharin for my taste.

I'm more intrigued with the activities of some people who are trying

to keep this holiday for lovers safe in another way.

"Down in New Orleans they were passing out the traditional purple, green and gold Mardi Gras beads with a little something extra attached — a condom."

"People laugh when you give them beads with a condom on them," one of the distributors said. "But at some point you have to take those beads off and when you do, you have a condom right there if you need it."

NEW ORLEANSIANS aren't the only ones pushing this kind of safety. A Bloomfield Hills company is distributing something called "Safe Sox" — a pair of socks in your choice of colors — white, black or white with pink trim — with a brightly colored latex condom stuffed into a Velcro-locked pocket in each sock. They go on sale today through the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project.

And another group is marketing earrings that look like those little chocolate coins wrapped in gold foil. Only instead of chocolate, each foil-wrapped earring contains a condom — always there if you need it.

And down in Springfield, Ohio, the West Central Ohio chapter of Planned Parenthood is selling combination packages of heart-shaped chocolates and foil-wrapped condoms in a campaign to link Valentine's Day with National Condom Week, which began Sunday.

I have to admit, with the critical and still unsolved problem of AIDS all around us, I think it's a pretty good idea.

Still, imagine the feeling if, in a dimly lit room with Montovani playing on the stereo, that special someone opens the gift you've just offered, reaches in for a cherry cordial and comes up with ... you & the idea.

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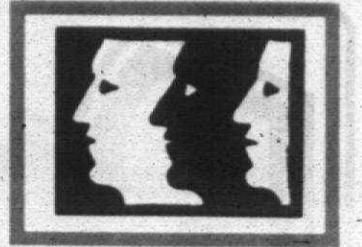
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Marge Hoeft asks her fellow bowlers "What happened?"

## Awards given in recognition of commitment

By Julie Brown  
staff writer

In his work, Richard Myers, Plymouth's police chief, sees many people with drug and alcohol abuse problems. He also meets some people who don't believe substance abuse affects the Plymouth-Canton community.

"We do suffer from what I call the ostrich syndrome," Myers said. "We have a social problem that needs to be addressed, substance abuse."

Myers knows that sources of help are available close to home. When he hears from parents of children who are having trouble at home and in school, he asks, "Have you called Growth Works?"

The agency has been providing help for Plymouth-Canton families for a number of years. Its third annual recognition/awards dinner was the evening of Thursday, Feb. 7, at the Plymouth Manor.

**MYERS WAS** among the honorees. He received the Eugene Stermer Memorial Award for Community Service.

"Basically all I'm doing is what the city is paying me to do," Myers told those at the dinner.

He knew the late Clarence DuCharme, who received the award last year for his community involvement. Myers said his own contributions don't come close to DuCharme's or to those of the late Rev. Kenneth McKinnon, the first recipient.

Duke Morrow, a Growth Works board member, presented the award to Myers. He praised the police chief for his work as chairman of the Plymouth-Canton Substance Abuse Task Force and other efforts to fight drug abuse.

"He's been enthusiastic and involved," Morrow said.

**SEVERAL OTHER** awards were given. Five Growth Works volunteers, who together have contributed more than 31 years of service, were

among the honorees.

Volunteers work as mentors in the agency's Youth Assistance program, an intervention program for first-time juvenile offenders. Brenda Fisher, Ralph Richardson, Judi Hinton, Roger Reisdorf and Chris Falco were honored for their contributions.

Deb Trapp, who runs the in-school aftercare program for Plymouth-Canton students, was honored for her work. That program is based at Plymouth Salem High School.

"Its strength really is due to the person who's been so instrumental to its success," said Stephen Harper, Growth Works board president. "Her activism, her commitment cannot be found in a job description."

**TRAPP HAS HELPED** get many young people into treatment for substance abuse, Harper said.

David Gill Logan, consulting psychiatrist for chemical dependency programs at Growth Works, was honored that evening. Logan has also been instrumental in starting a lot of families on the path to recovery, said Scott Levely, the agency's director of chemical dependency programs.

"We are truly fortunate to have David who is such an ally and friend," Levely said.

A slide show was included on the evening's agenda. Guests were able to see how the agency has changed with the times.

Growth Works serves adolescents and their families, providing chemical dependency treatment, counseling, employment assistance and other programs. It receives money from the Plymouth Community United Way, the United Way of Southeastern Michigan and others in the community.

**THE AGENCY** began in the early 1970s as Plymouth Youth Inc.

"Some of you know us recently, but don't know how we began," said Dale Yagiela, Growth Works director, who was the agency's first employee.

The agency opened its doors at 271 S. Main in Plymouth in 1971. The building housed a couple of old pool tables and minimal furniture.

The primary focus at that time was on operating a drop-in recreational facility for local teenagers, Yagiela said. As time went on, the focus changed.

In the late 1970s, an alternative school program began. That Learning Options program continued through the late 1980s and helped young people with problems return to a regular school environment and find success there.

Yagiela discussed the growing pains and successes the agency has experienced through the years. He praised those who have taken the time to support Growth Works, including board members, volunteers and others.

"At times, it has been quite difficult and quite painful, but it's also been a joyous time," Yagiela said. "I don't think that Growth Works could exist in any other community."

## Day rolls right along

By Julie Brown  
staff writer

Staff photos  
by Bill Bresler

**SOME BOWLERS** may have more enthusiasm than ability, but they weren't discouraged in the least Saturday at Plaza Lanes.

A "Bowlathon for Charity" was held at Plaza Lanes in Plymouth Township. The event was sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post No. 6695, Veterans of Foreign Wars, with the help of post members.

"You can bowl 90, you can bowl 60, you can bowl 200," said Alice Fisher, chairwoman for the fundraising event. Many excellent bowlers sign up each year, but those whose averages are a bit below average also participate with pride.

Proceeds from the Saturday event will support Special Olympics and the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Special Olympics provides people who are mentally retarded with opportunities for athletic achievement and participation. The Make-A-Wish Foundation works to grant the wishes of terminally ill children.

**VFW AUXILIARY** and post members do a great deal to help veterans, but they also like to help others.

"I think that we want to give back to the community some of the things they give to us," said Fisher, a Westland resident who lived in Plymouth for many years. "We al-

ways do it around Valentine's Day. It's a good time to show you have a heart."

Last year, organizers raised some \$3,600 for cancer research and patient support. Other groups have received money from the event in the past, and organizers have increased the amount they've been able to raise through the years.

"So we've done well, I think." Organizers raised money to help the homeless one year, and Fisher would like to do that again.

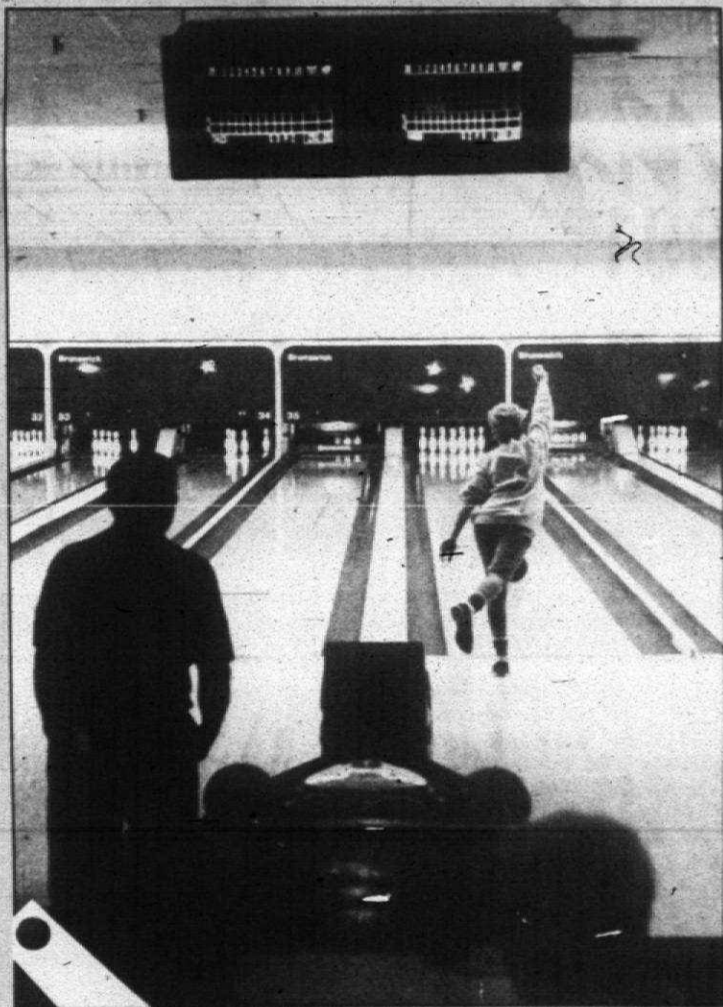
Saturday, about 35 bowlers came to Plaza Lanes to do their best for the cause. The bowlers had worked in advance to find sponsors.

The Plaza Lanes owner has donated the cost of using the lanes for a number of years, and that's a tremendous help, Fisher said. She's bowled during the "Bowlathon for Charity" in previous years, but wasn't able to do so Saturday. She fell and broke her wrist and is still recovering.

**NOT ALL** participants belong to

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Proceeds from Saturday's event will support Special Olympics and the Make-A-Wish Foundation.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

## Valentine

### Party offers fun for Canton youngsters

Some Canton youngsters missed their favorite Saturday morning cartoons this past weekend, but they didn't mind a bit.

About 75 children ages 3-12 came to the Canton Recreation Center Saturday for the annual Valentine party, sponsored by Canton Parks and Recreation.

"The kids really enjoy it," said Bob Dates, recreation supervisor for Canton Township. "It's something different. It gets them out of the house. They're not sitting in front of the television."

Jason Lenahan took home this party favor from the get-together at the Canton Recreation Center.

Many parents came along for the fun Saturday.

"They really like bringing their children to these parties." Parks and recreation staffers, including college students who work part time, also find that the time spent at the get-togethers is fun.

**CANTON PARKS** and Recreation sponsors parties for kids at Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Two parties are scheduled for each Christmas and Halloween, to accommodate all those who are interested. Parties are offered free of charge.

"It's been very successful," said Dates, a Canton resident. "They're kind of unique. Not too many communities have these holiday parties." The parties have been held for a

number of years, and Dates hears from older students who still remember the fun they had at the gatherings. The Christmas celebrations, which include a visit by Santa Claus, are among the most popular.

Saturday morning's Valentine party featured a fun-filled magic show presented by Ding-Dong the Clown. It was his first time performing at one of the parties.

"He came very highly recommended," Dates said. Some of the youngsters helped Ding-Dong with his magic tricks, earning rounds of applause from the audience for their efforts.

The Valentine party included games and drawings for door prizes. Children and their parents watched a short Disney film and had a snack

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— Bob Dates  
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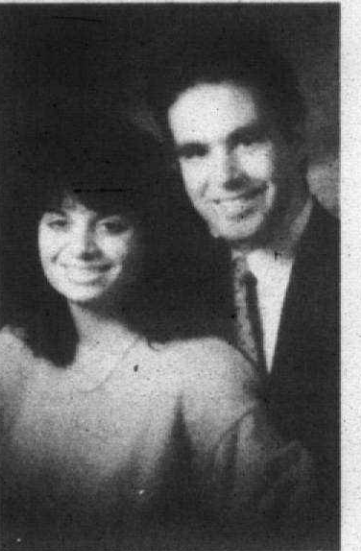
before heading home. "It's a nice way to spend a Saturday morning before a holiday," Dates said.

Canton Parks and Recreation also sponsors an annual Easter egg hunt for children from Canton. This year's event will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, March 30, at Griffin Park in Canton.

engagements

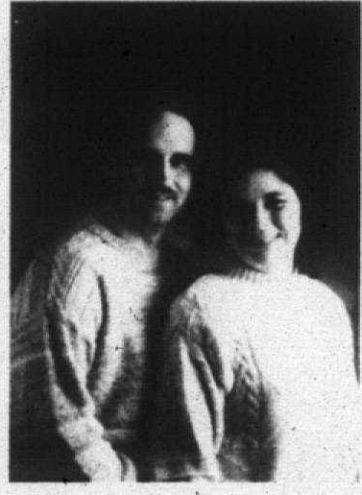
Egan-Hominga

John and Alice Egan of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Marie, to Thomas Joseph Hominga of Livonia, son of Thomas and Bernadette Hominga of Livonia.



Dowling-Gerou

Dennis and Madge Dowling of Wayne announce the engagement of their daughter, Jane Maria Dowling of Belleville, to Michael Joseph Gerou of Plymouth, son of Miles and Jean Gerou of Plymouth.



Drake-Brushaber

David and Cheryl Drake of Peoria, Ill., formerly of Canton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Beth Drake of Livonia, to Mark Dennis Brushaber of Novi.



Pence-Brudzinski

Natalie M. Pence of Canton announces the engagement of her daughter, Karen Ann, to James Leonard Brudzinski of Canton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brudzinski of Canton.



Walker-White

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Walker of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Toni Lyn Walker, to Patrick Gerard White of Novi.



WONDERFUL WICKER advertisement for Charles Furniture Warehouse, featuring wicker furniture and contact information.

Local arts group sponsors Follies, yule card contests

Carol Levitte has been chosen as the winner of the Plymouth Community Arts Council's "Name the Follies" contest.

The PCAC also is sponsoring its annual Christmas card contest. Artists are encouraged to submit a 5-by-7 inch original sketch, photograph, watercolor, etc.

Christmas card. The artist whose work is selected will receive \$100 and have his or her name printed on the back of the card.

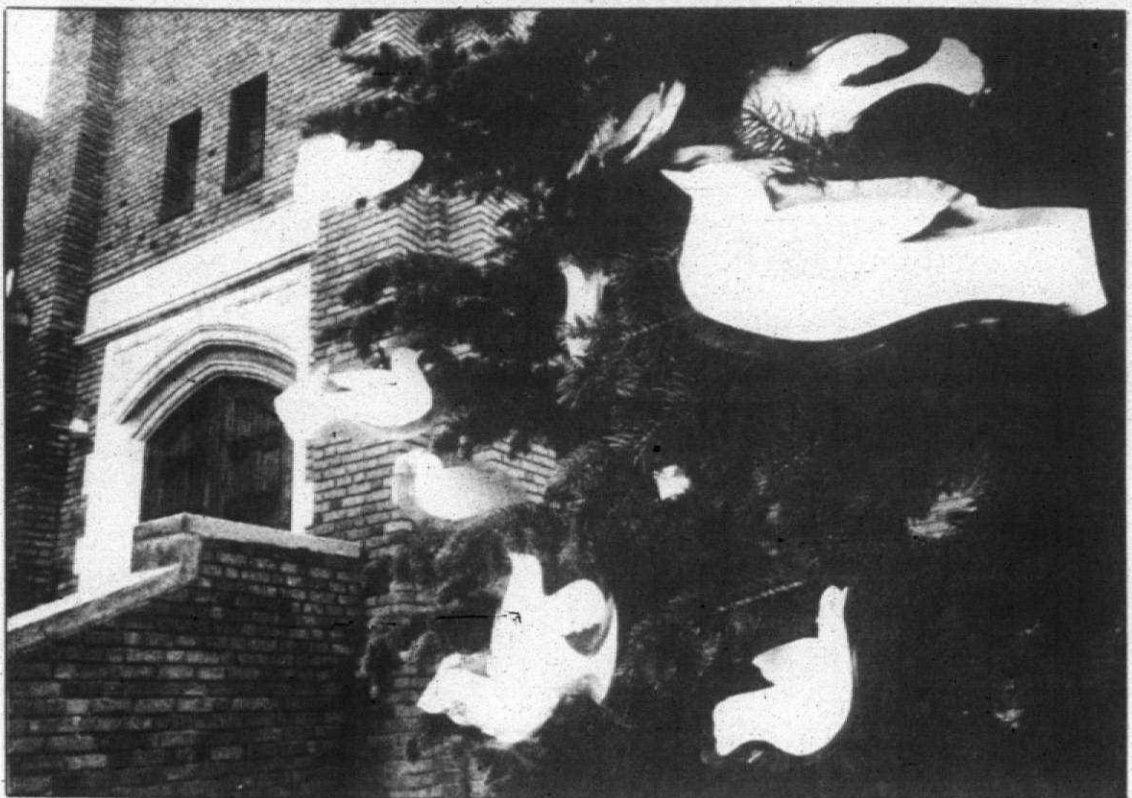
Observer & Eccentric Classified Advertising advertisement with contact details for 844-1270 and 852-3222.

SPRING FASHION advertisement featuring a woman in a patterned dress and text about a fashion show on Thursday, March 28, 1991.

Peace Tree sends a message of hope, caring

By Julie Brown staff writer

MEMBERS OF the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth have put some work into their peace tree. Even so, they wouldn't mind a bit if the time came to take down its decorations.



The peace tree is outside the main sanctuary doors at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

The living peace tree is a spruce outside the main sanctuary doors. It's adorned with dove designs. "Each dove represents a wish for peace," said the Rev. Leland Seese, associate pastor.

The tree provides worshippers with a chance to realize they have a special way to contribute to the peace process. That really does make a difference.

The doves — just over 200 so far — went up Saturday, Feb. 2. Plans are to keep the doves on the tree until peace becomes a reality in the Persian Gulf.

The idea started with the Saturday Morning Brunch Bunch, a Presbyterian Women group at the church. Members wanted to show their concern about the outbreak of war.

They considered putting up yellow ribbons, but didn't in part because others in the community have done so.

Those girls, kindergarten Daisy Scouts up through sixth grade Junior Scouts, were also busy Feb. 2. Members of several troops put up some 400 ribbons throughout the downtown Plymouth area.

Church members decided to do something a bit different. Outreach Committee members suggested putting doves on the tree outside the sanctuary.

PAPER DOVES were distributed and prayers were written on them. Dove designs were laminated so that they can withstand the elements.

In addition to adults at the church, Sunday school students and high school choir members wrote individual prayers and attached them to the doves.

Some doves include the name of a serviceman or woman in the Persian Gulf. Some church members have friends or family members in the service and wanted to offer prayers for their safe return, he said.

Those who don't worship at the First Presbyterian Church are well come to add doves to the tree. Paper doves are available at the church.

The half-day conference is sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools/Gender Equity in Mathematics and Science Committee, the Plymouth branch of the American Association of University Women, and a grant from the Educational Excellence Foundation.

The "Expanding Your Horizons" conference is designed to show girls and their parents some of the careers options available in math and science. Girls will be encouraged to continue their studies in math and science through high school and beyond.

GIRLS IN seventh and eighth grades who are students in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools or Plymouth-Canton area non-public schools may attend. Each girl must be accompanied by a parent or an adult family member.

Registration price is \$5 per family. The conference will begin with 8:45 a.m. registration and refreshments, followed by the keynote address, to be given by Dr. Cinda-Sue Davis, a biochemist and director of the Women in Science program at the University of Michigan.

Parents will then have a choice of four sessions dealing with career options and planning, while their daughters will choose two of seven hands-on activity sessions in math and science.

Parents and daughters will then come back together for a panel discussion featuring women in non-traditional careers. The conference will end 12:45 p.m.

Registration forms are available from middle school counselors and from seventh and eighth grade math and science teachers. Enrollment is limited, so registration forms should be promptly returned to the teacher or counselor.

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Math and science seminar will focus on equity

A mathematics and science conference for girls in seventh and eighth grades and their parents will be held Saturday, March 16. The conference will be at Plymouth Canton High School, on Canton Center, south of Joy in Canton.

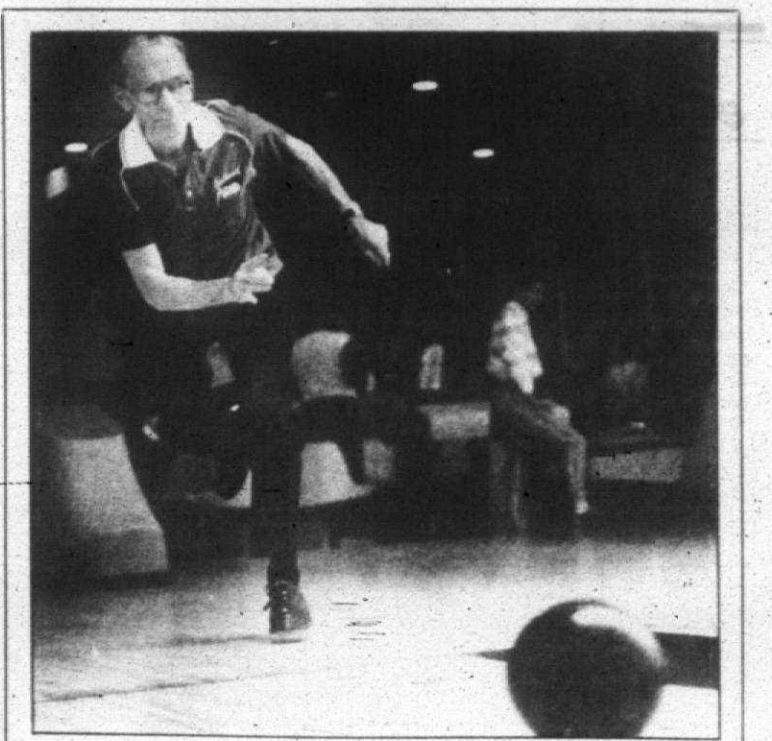
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FORCED LIQUIDATION OF FINE CANADIAN FURRIER & MANUFACTURER advertisement for D&K FURRIERS INTERNATIONAL LTD., offering 50% off marked prices.

THE ABSOLUTE FINAL MARKDOWNS 50% OFF AND MORE advertisement for Robys Shoes, featuring a selection of brands like Rockport, Bellini, and Sporto.



Richard Shomo concentrates on his game during the "Bowlation for Charity" at Plaza Lanes.

Day just rolls along at this fund-raising event

Continued from Page 1. "We're doing everything we can to support it," said Fisher, who also is Americanism chairman for the auxiliary. Her husband served in the military during World War II and her son was in Vietnam.

new voices

Eugene and Julie Melnik of Canton announce the birth of a son, Peter Eugene, Dec. 3 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Welcoming new neighbors is the least we can do... advertisement for Getting to Know You, a new homeowner service.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU WELCOMING NEWCOMERS NATIONWIDE advertisement with contact information for 800-645-6376.

Storewide Clearance! TRADITIONAL SOFA advertisement for Star Furniture Galleries, offering 1/2 off on elegant upholstery.

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**BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE**  
29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia  
525-3664 or 261-9276

YOUTH AWANA CLUBS

Sunday School 10:00 A.M.  
Morning Worship 8:00 P.M.  
Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.  
Wed. Family Hour 7:30 P.M.

February 17th  
11:00 A.M. "The Promise of Christ"  
6:00 P.M. "The Miracles of the Bible"

February 20-24th Mission Conference  
"A Church That's Concerned About People"

H.L. Petty  
Pastor

**Redford Baptist Church**  
7 Mile Road and Grand River  
Redford, Michigan  
333-2300

ABC/USA  
9:30 A.M. Worship  
February 17th  
"The Perspective of Grace"

Pastor Nelson  
10:45 A.M. Church School for all ages  
Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Mid-Week Service  
High School Children & Youth Programs  
Pastor Nelson  
Rev. Mark Fiedler  
Associate Pastor  
Director of Music

**First Baptist Church**  
4500 NORTH TERRITORIAL ROAD  
PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN 48170  
455-2300

9:40 A.M. Sunday School  
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
6:30 P.M. "Does God Care?"  
Pastor Ernest Ferguson

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Welcomes You!  
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425-6215 or 425-1116

SUNDAY SCHOOL: SUN. 10:00 A.M.  
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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: WED. 7:00 P.M.

KENNETH D. GRIFF  
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28440 LYNDON, LIVONIA, MI

**NON-DENOMINATIONAL**

**UNITY of LIVONIA**  
214 Algonquin  
425-2200

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Evening Worship 7:00 P.M.  
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Nursery Provided  
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**Livonia Baptist Church**  
32441 Schoolcraft • Livonia  
SBC  
Bible Study for all ages 9:45 A.M. Sundays  
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Plymouth Canton High  
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454-9587

Worship Services 9:30 A.M.  
Sunday School 10:15 A.M.  
Wednesday Evening Program 6:00 P.M.

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Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
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Wed. Family Night: 7:00 P.M.

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13669 Hubbard Road  
Livonia, Michigan 48154  
421-8451

Mon.-Fri. 9:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist  
Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Dinner & Classes  
Saturday 5:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist

Sunday 7:45 & 10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist  
9:00 A.M. Christian Education for all ages  
Sunday Morning - Nursery Care Available

The Rev. Robert Clapp, Rector  
Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.  
Phil. 2:11

**EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**  
9083 Newburgh Road  
Livonia • 591-0211

The Rev. Emery F. Gravelle, Vicar

**Services**  
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
9:30 a.m. Adult Christian Education  
10:30 a.m. Family Eucharist & Sunday School

A Barrier Free Facility for the Handicapped

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL**  
1160 Perinman Ave.  
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Masses: Mon.-Fri. 9:00 A.M., Sat. 5:00 P.M.  
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14175 Farmington Rd. (Just N. of Jeffries X-Way)  
Livonia Phone: 522-6830

LUTHER A. WERTH, PASTOR  
Sunday Worship 8:00, 10:15 & 11:30 A.M.  
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:00 A.M.  
Week Day School, Pre-School, Kindergarten  
Sharing the Love of Christ

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High & Elm Streets, Northville  
T. Luback, Pastor  
Kinne, Associate Pastor  
Church 248-3146 • School 349-3146  
Sunday Worship 8 & 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Saturday Vespers: 6:00 P.M.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD**  
25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DALY  
REDFORD TWP.  
532-2285

Worship Service  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
Nursery Provided

Rev. Victor F. Halboth, Pastor  
Rev. Timothy Halboth, Assoc. Pastor

**HOSANNA TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
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WORSHIP WITH US  
Sundays 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
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Sundays 8:30 & 10:45 A.M.  
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Sundays 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
Sundays 9:15 A.M.  
Jerry Yarnell, Sr. Pastor  
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**UNITED METHODIST**

**ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
30900 Six Mile Rd. (Between Meridian & Middlebelt)  
Church School, Pastor • Kenney Kirby, Assoc.  
10:00 A.M. Worship & Church School  
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes  
Nursery Provided • 422-6038

**NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
29887 West Eleven Mile Road  
Just West of Middlebelt  
476-8860  
Farmingville Hills  
Worship & Church School  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

**FEBRUARY 17th "More Green"**  
Dr. William Ritter preaching

**CHERRY HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Randy Whitcomb  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
9:30 A.M.

321 Ridge Road  
Just South of Cherry Hill in Canton

**First United Methodist Church/Plymouth**  
46300 N. Terminal Rd.  
453-0380

Worship 9:00 & 11:15 A.M.  
Adult & Youth Church School 10:15 A.M.

Ministers:  
John N. Goetzl, Jr. • Dr. Francis C. Vothring • David K. Stevan • S.

In Faith We Grow

**NEWBURGH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
36500 Ann Arbor Trail  
Livonia • 422-0149

Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Sunday Worship: 11:00 A.M. & 6:30 P.M.  
Sun. Ladies' Bible Study: 9:30 A.M.  
Wed. Family Night: 7:00 P.M.

**Lenten Services**  
You Are What You Believe  
"Does God Matter?"  
Rev. David E. Church preaching  
Ministers:  
Dr. David E. Church,  
Rev. Roy Forsyth

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10000 BEECH DALY ROAD  
Between Plymouth and West Chicago  
Redford, MI 48229 937-3170

Worship Services: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School for all Ages 9:45 A.M.

**February 17th "Repent"**  
Nursery Available  
Pastors M. Clement Parr and  
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SUNDAY SERVICE BROADCAST  
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SUNDAY, February 17, 1991  
WORLD OUTREACH CONFERENCE WEEK  
8:00, 9:15, 10:45 A.M. and 12:05 P.M.  
Worship and Sunday School  
Message by Greg Livingstone

8:00, 9:15, 10:45 A.M. and 12:05 P.M.  
"NOW IS GOD'S HOUR FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD"  
Greg Livingstone

7:00 p.m.  
"GOLIATH IS BACK, WHERE'S DAVID?"  
Message by Greg Livingstone

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
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Song Services - Last Sunday  
of Month 7:00 P.M.

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth  
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Worship Services  
8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES  
9:30 A.M.

Dr. Wm. C. Moore, Pastor  
Rev. Wm. Branham, Associate Pastor  
Nursery Provided  
Phone 459-9550

**PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)**

**Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.)**  
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**"The Boys In The Boiler Room"**  
Worship, Church School 10:30 A.M.  
Nursery Care Available

**ST. PAUL'S Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
27475 FIVE MILE RD., LIVONIA, MI  
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Phone: 422-1470  
"The Desert of Temptation"  
Rev. Robert C. Orr  
Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
CHURCH SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 9:45 A.M.  
Nursery Provided - Barrier Free  
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Worship & Nursery  
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at 11:00 A.M.  
Elevator Available • Gareth D. Baker, Pastor

**VILLAGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
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Redford • 534-7730  
Paul S. Bousquette, Pastor  
Worship - Sunday - 10:00 A.M.  
Nursery Provided • Wheelchair Accessible

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Livonia • 464-8844

Church School & Nursery 11:00 A.M.  
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Janet Noble, Pastor  
A Creative Christ-Centered Congregation  
Nursery Provided • Barrier Free

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(Just North of Kmart)  
459-0017  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
Worship & Sunday School  
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**MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
35475 Five Mile Rd. 464-6722  
MARK MCGILVER, Minister  
Steve Allen  
Youth Minister

**BIBLE SCHOOL** (All ages) 9:30 A.M. to 9:45 A.M. Service • Morning Worship 10:45 A.M.  
Evening Worship & Youth Meeting 8:30 P.M.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Salem United Church of Christ  
32424 Oakland Ave. • Farmington 48335  
(313) 474-6880  
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Church School for all ages - 9:30 A.M.  
Divine Worship, Worship Schedule Education - 10:45 A.M.  
Barrier-free Sanctuary - Nursery Provided

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**CHRISTADELPHIANS**

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36516 Parkdale, Livonia • 425-7610

Sunday School 10:00 A.M.  
Wednesday Night Bible Class 8:00 P.M.  
February 24th 2:15 P.M.  
One Bible, Many Churches, Why?  
36516 Parkdale, Livonia • 425-7610

## Service highlights unity of Christians

By Julie Brown staff writer

The Rev. William Myers has some visitors at his church this past Sunday, and he thought that was just fine.

Canton's ecumenical worship service was Sunday, Feb. 10, at Faith Community Moravian Church.

"My sense is that we are called to be one," said Myers, pastor of the church in Canton. "It's easy for people to be diverse and be separate. The biblical call is to be one."

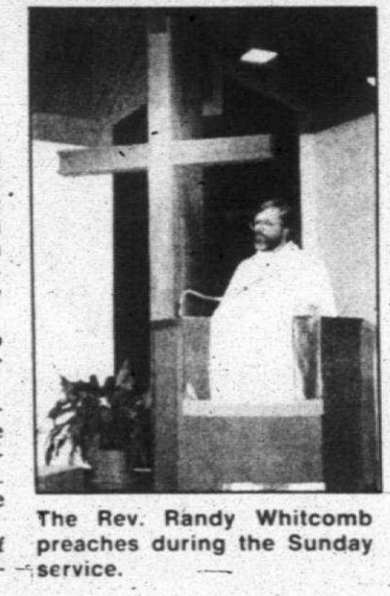
Canton churches have been holding an ecumenical worship service each year for the past six years.

Pastors in the Canton Clergy Association decided a few years ago that it would be a good idea to have such a service, Myers said.

THIS YEAR'S participants included Faith Community Moravian Church; St. John Neumann Catholic Church; Resurrection Catholic Church; St. Michael Lutheran Church; Geneva Presbyterian Church; Cherry Hill United Methodist Church; and Christ Community Church.

"The purpose of this service is to emphasize our similarities rather than our differences," Myers said. "Pastors from the different congregations had leadership roles in the service. Instrumentalists and a combined choir performed that evening. An offering was taken to support the Salvation Army's work."

Communion hadn't been a part of the ecumenical service, due to cer-



The Rev. Randy Whitcomb preaches during the Sunday service.

tain differences in beliefs and practices related to communion, Myers said.

THE TRADITION has been for one pastor to preach each year and then to host the gathering at his or her church the following year. The Rev. Randy Whitcomb, pastor of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, preached at Sunday's service.

"I feel we have more to gain by coming together," Whitcomb said. "I think it's very important."

That's true not only of Christians but also of those from other faiths.

He doesn't view his role as a pastor or as a Christian as saying "I'm right and you're wrong."

"Understanding our differences is important," Whitcomb said. "Unity in diversity is what I believe."

DURING HIS "Walking in Love" sermon Sunday, Whitcomb talked about what Christians have in common and how all are called by God for some kind of vocation.

"Each one of us has answered the call," Whitcomb told the worshippers.

Laypeople and pastors alike have been called to share their faith with others.

"We have been called to love one another," Whitcomb said. "We need to pray for each other."

Christians need to pray for peace and for God's guidance in determining their response to the war in the Persian Gulf, he said.

IN SHARING his faith, Whitcomb doesn't seek to convert others.



Members of the combined choir sing "Joyful, worship service at Faith Community Moravian Church. We Adore Thee" during the ecumenical Church.

Rather, he tries to present Christ as he understands Christ.

"I'm converted to a deeper understanding of what it is I truly do believe," he said.

Whitcomb talked about divisions within the church, and the need to break down barriers that separate Christians.

"The church is made up of people and as we are people are not perfect," he told the worshippers. "We need to risk being open and honest with each other. We need to be honest as Christ is honest."

Christians are called to be different, he said.

"What makes us different is the love of Christ living in us," Whitcomb said.

During the service, the response of the Canton community to the Dell'Orco family fire was mentioned.

"We have an example of how we came together," Whitcomb said. "Church members and others from throughout the community provided help for the survivors of that December tragedy in which seven people died."

MYERS ALSO has seen different churches unite to meet a common goal.

At his first parish right out of the seminary, several denominations came together to form a non-profit corporation and build a much-needed nursing home outside Green Bay, Wis.

"You do sow some seeds of trust. Some interesting things happen when churches get together like this."

Myers has a dream, he'd like to see area churches unite behind a project, perhaps something for the community's young people. Churches work together to a certain extent in supporting the Salvation Army's efforts, but he'd like to see even more done.

Pastors from Canton meet on a regular basis, but it's less common for them to gather, he said.

"I think it gives them an opportunity to go into another church. Worshippers are able to learn about the beliefs and traditions of others, Myers said.

## Playing the blame game hardens our hearts

War will forever produce its mourners.

Already, even while we listen to the briefings, watch the meetings of Scuds and Patriots, and debate the morality of it all, burials are taking place. Medical personnel are called to practice their craft and the tears of loved ones are mixed with the cries of the wounded.

But not all of the casualties of war are to be found in surgical suites or cemeteries. Not all of the wounded can be numbered among the wounded, the dying or the dead. Not all of the victims are to be found on the desert sands of the Middle East. Even those who watch from afar are at risk and whose people are at risk.

Perhaps our limbs may well be at risk. But our hearts may well be

It is terribly difficult in times such as these not to be pulled into the blame game. We argue about who is right and who is wrong. Such a game has no winners. All who play it are at risk of having their hearts hardened in judgment or perhaps frozen in fear.

WHEN THE atom was first split, Albert Einstein offered a wise and challenging statement. He warned that unless we learned to think in an entirely different way, the human species and indeed the planet that supports life could not survive.

Old thinking insists that there always be a good guy and a bad guy. The futility of such thinking has been proven in schoolyard spats,

gangland bloodbaths and international conflict resolution studies continue to show that the good guy, bad guy approach simply does not work.

Win/lose scenarios have a way of moving into lose/lose situations. History would seem to indicate that hardy a war has been fought that did not sow the seeds for the next one. But the old thinking continues and children continue to die in wars

that were spawned by the ones in which their great-grandfathers fought — as a way of ending all war.

The old way of thinking asks all the wrong questions, or at least the useless ones. In debating who is right and who is wrong, we leave neither the time nor the energy to ask the right questions, the kind of questions that will make violent response to conflict obsolete for everyone involved.

WE SPEAK of a new world order. As we look out our window — to the Middle East, to Central America, to South Africa, to Northern Ireland, to the homeless in front of us, the need for a new world order is more than apparent. But is it realistic to hope for a new world order without a new world kind of thinking?

Despite the debates and the confusion we do all have something in common. We all hurt in one way or another.

Those of us who have loved ones in the Persian Gulf will like nothing better than to put our arms around them and do it right now. Those of us who are raising young children see the fear and confusion

in their faces and our own hearts drop another notch.

LONG BEFORE Einstein uttered his wisdom concerning new thinking, Jesus suggested that new wine would not do well in old wineskins. Perhaps if we wanted a new world order we need to fashion a new world way of thinking — a thinking that is willing to let go of blame long enough that together we can ask the kind of questions and do the kind of mutual reflecting that will make peace more than a dream.

The only alternative is that we all become casualties in one way or another.

The Rev. Robert Schaden is with the Newman Center campus ministries at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

## church bulletin

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- WISE MOTHERS - Judy Cox of Wise Mothers Inc. will discuss parenting 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14, at Village Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. The program is open to the public at no charge. Baby-sitting will be provided. For information, call 534-7730.
- STUDY - Timothy Lutheran Church, 8620

Wayne Road, Livonia is offering a six-session study entitled, "Shadows and Sunrises" 10 a.m. to noon Thursdays. Methods of handling personal crises will be examined. For information, call 427-2290.

- DEDICATION - St. Christine Church, 22338 Fenkell, Detroit will have a dedication of the newly-renovated church at 9 a.m. Mass Sunday, Feb. 17. Bishop Moses Anderson will do the honors. A reception will follow in the Bishop Melczek Hall. All former students and parishioners can attend. For information, call 535-7272.

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- AFRICAN MISSIONARY - Dr. Horace Sprague and his wife, Marva, will speak at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. services Sunday, Feb. 17, at Prairie Chapel Church of God, 585 N. Mill in Plymouth's Old Village. The Sprague's are superintendents of northern-central Africa for the International Church of God, with headquarters in Cleveland, Tenn. They will discuss their upcoming missions trip to Zaire, in which Prairie Chapel will send delegates to build three churches. For information, call 455-1070.
- PRESCCHOOL OUTING - The MAT-PAC preschool group from Antioch Lutheran Church will visit the Farmington Hills Public Library and then have lunch at Hardee's Monday, Feb. 25. The children will tour the library at 10:30 a.m. and have a storytime. For information, call 828-7906.
- RELIGIOUS ARTS - The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn, 600 N. Brady, Dearborn, will present its second "Religious Arts Festival" Friday-Sunday, Feb. 15-17. There will be an exhibition of religious art featuring prominent local artists. A performance of the Beethoven Mass in C is scheduled for 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17. Admission is free. For information, call 274-1313.
- ORGAN RECITAL - An organ recital will be held 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. Organist Mark Brampton Smith will be taken to support the music program at the church. Smith is the organist at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. For information, call 663-0518.
- MISSION WORK - Members from St. Matthew United Methodist Church recently served in Jamaica as a mission work team. The team stayed in St. Ann Bay on the north coast at the Central Methodist Centre.
- FISH FRY - St. Sabina Activities Hall, 8147 Arnold, Dearborn Heights, will have a fish fry 4-7 p.m. Fridays, beginning Feb. 15, during Lent. Admission price is \$4.50 for adults, \$4 for seniors age 62 and older, \$2.50 for children under 12.
- WORLD OUTREACH - The 1991 World Outreach Conference at Ward Presbyterian Church will discuss overseas ministry to Muslims. He will speak at 8, 9:15, 10:45 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. services.
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### CONCERT

The Williamsons will perform in concert 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. A freewill offering will be taken. A nursery will be provided. For information call 455-0022.

### LENTEEN FILMS

Church of the Savior-Livonia, on Five Mile west of Newburgh, will offer a four-part Lenten film series, "Blessings Out of Brokenness" with Joni Eareckson Tade, 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24 through March 17. Child care will be provided. For information, call 464-1062.

### LENTEEN PROGRAMS

Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Hills, will have a variety of Lenten services 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through March 20. All services will include communion. For information, call 626-7906.

### FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills, will have "Friendship Sunday" 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 24. For information, call 474-0675.

### COUPLES TO MEET

A gathering for couples will be held 7-9 p.m. Friday, March 1, in the annex meeting room upstairs at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, 1062 Church in Plymouth. The get-together will begin with a Lenten meatless potluck. There will be a speaker after dinner, and an opportunity to use the Refocus relationship assessment tool. Advance registration is required. There is a \$10 materials charge for those using Refocus. Reservations should be made by Monday, Feb. 25. For information, call Dorothy Lyons, pastoral associate, 453-0326.

### PRAYER VIGIL

The sanctuary of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, will be open 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays to anyone who wishes to pray for peace in the Middle East. Those who have family or friends in the Persian Gulf area, or who are concerned about those people, are being encouraged to stop in for a few moments of prayer.

### A.C.T.I.O.N.

A.C.T.I.O.N. Ministry provides

support and practical help for people who are unemployed or changing careers. Meetings take place 7 p.m. in the Lighthouse of Ward Presbyterian Church the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Upcoming speakers and topics include: Feb. 25, James Danielski, "Pulling It All Together"; March 11, Lou and Barbara Ellman, "Four Steps to Career Development - Step One: Self-Assessment"; and March 25, Aniceto Muniz Jr., "Free Employment Training." A.C.T.I.O.N. Ministry is a support program sponsored by the Congregational Care Ministry of Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia. For information, call 422-1826.

### FILM SERIES

World Wide Pictures, the audiovisual ministry of Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, will present a film series, "Hope," 6 p.m. Sundays, through Feb. 10, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. The film schedule includes: Feb. 10, "Hope for Commitment." For information, call 455-0022.

### YOUNG MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia, will offer a "Young Mom's Class" 10:15-11:15 a.m. Mondays. Low-cost child care will be provided. For information, call 522-6830.

### BUDDHISM

The Detroit Area Karma Kagyu Study Group offers meditation and discussion of the Buddha's teaching. Free meditation instruction can be arranged by appointment. Weekly meditation and discussion takes place Thursdays in Redford. For information, call 538-1559.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings is a non-denominational fellowship group for substance abusers, their families and friends. The group meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For information, call 728-2302 or 464-0035.

### WOMEN OF THE WORD

Women of the Word, a women's Bible study group, will meet 9:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21255 Haggerty, off I-275 and north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.



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This scene from "Crimes of the Heart" includes actors Michelle Mihail and Fuad Kandah.



Eileen Giffels (left) and Michelle Mihail play two of the Mississippi sisters in the Plymouth Theatre Guild production.

## Play to close this weekend

Final performances of the Plymouth Theatre Guild production of Beth Henley's "Crimes of the Heart" will be this weekend.

Curtain time will be 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 15-16, in the Water Tower Theatre, on the campus of Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville roads in Northville Township.

The play, directed by Carla Lenhoff, tells the story of three Mississippi sisters who must deal with a family crisis. Ticket prices are \$6, \$5 for seniors and students. Tickets will be sold at the door.

The next PTG production will be "Once Upon a Mattress," a musical comedy to be presented in May. Auditions are scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 27-28, at the Water Tower Theatre.

Those who plan to audition should have a prepared song and sheet music in the appropriate key

(no tapes or a cappella singing). An accompanist will be provided. There are a few non-singing roles. For more information, call 349-7974.



This scene includes Eileen Giffels and Patricia Ebbitt (background).

## Cast, crew plan reunion

A Saturday, March 16, reunion will be held for cast and crew members of previous productions of "Fiddler on the Roof" done by the Plymouth Park Players.

Students from Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High Schools will present "Fiddler on the Roof" as their spring musical this year. The tradition isn't a new one, however. In 1971 and in 1981, the Plymouth Park Players also presented the play.

For more information on the 20-year reunion, call Gloria Logan at Plymouth Salem High School, 459-3518.



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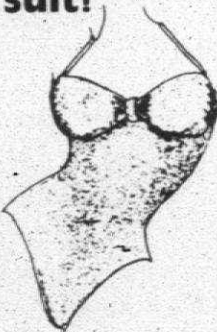
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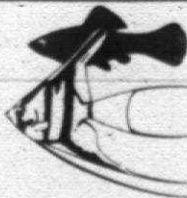
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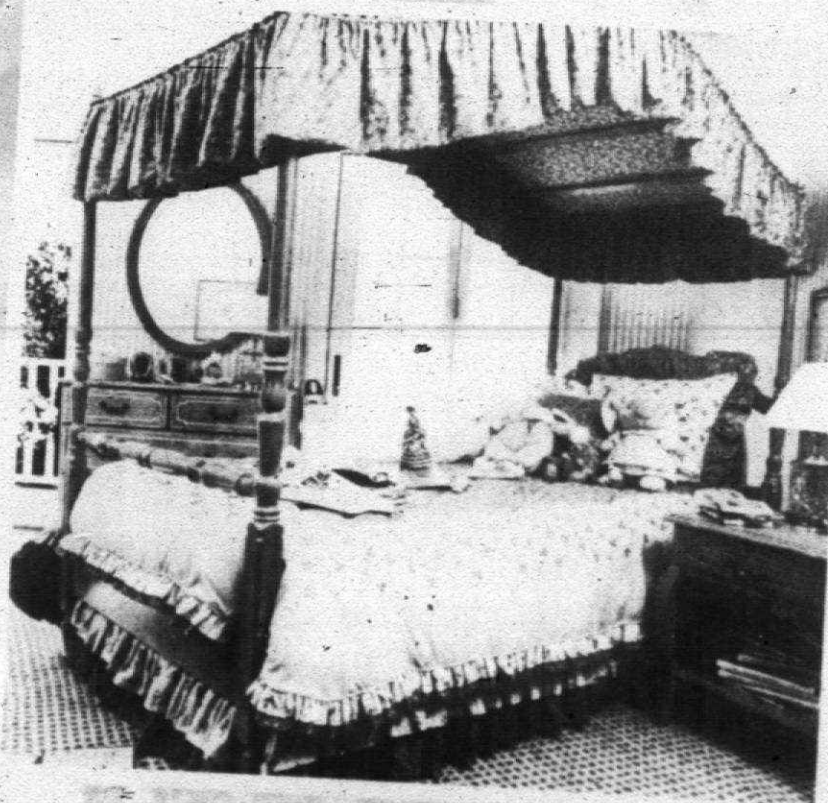
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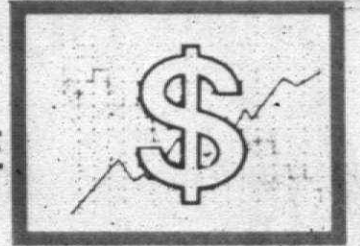
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## Attention to customers, not flash or gimmicks, counts, sales whiz says

By Doug Funke  
staff writer

Harold Shepherd knows Audis — or at least how to sell them.

Shepherd, who works at Bill Cook Imported Cars in Farmington Hills, moved more new Audis — 108 — last model year than any other salesman in the United States.

When you toss in the Volkswagens, Porsches and Lotus, his sales number jumped to 166. That averages to more than one sale every other workday in a highly competitive field.

"Sales people are driven by competition and ego," Shepherd said. "I feel good for my own personal accolades and good for the dealership."

Shepherd has worked in the auto retail business 28 years: He started out dusting bins in a parts department and variously has served as a parts manager, sales manager and general manager. He's found a niche the past seven years as a salesman at Cook.

"The only pressure I have I put on myself," Shepherd said. "When you're in management, no matter how things are going for you, pressure is always on you to get others to perform."

"I think peace of mind, and the fact I control my own destiny is most stimulating about sales. And the opportunity to meet people on a one-on-one basis and different people every day."

REPEAT BUSINESS and referrals are the bread and butter of new car sales, Shepherd said. He also volunteered that sales people, himself included, don't operate in a vacuum but are part of a team.

"Last year, 43 percent of my business was repeat customers," he said. "As much as I like to give myself credit, I think you have to give credit to the service and parts departments for that. You do what it takes to preserve the customer. There's a lot of dynamics to that."

Taking the time to do a good selling job with anyone who walks through the door is Shepherd's standard

method of operation.

"It's important for me to realize this isn't an every-day experience. I have to make it pleasant, informative, fulfilling without being dull or disinterested in his interest."

"I DO 110 percent with people I talk to," Shepherd said. "The nature of the business is people tend to shortcut. I never do that. I never try to qualify if a guy is or isn't a buyer. I always keep selling."

"I give the customer as much information and time to buy the car as he will allow me to do. One of the biggest problems in this business is the customer doesn't give you enough time. He's in a hurry."

"The difference in sales people a lot of times is persuasive ability to slow the customer down and get the opportunity to make a proper presentation. When you can do that and are willing to do that, you can make a sale," he said.

Audi buyers tend to be upscale and inner-directed, Shepherd observed. They probably own a domestic model or recently owned one but have developed higher expectations about the entire car experience from performance to dealing with a dealership, he said.

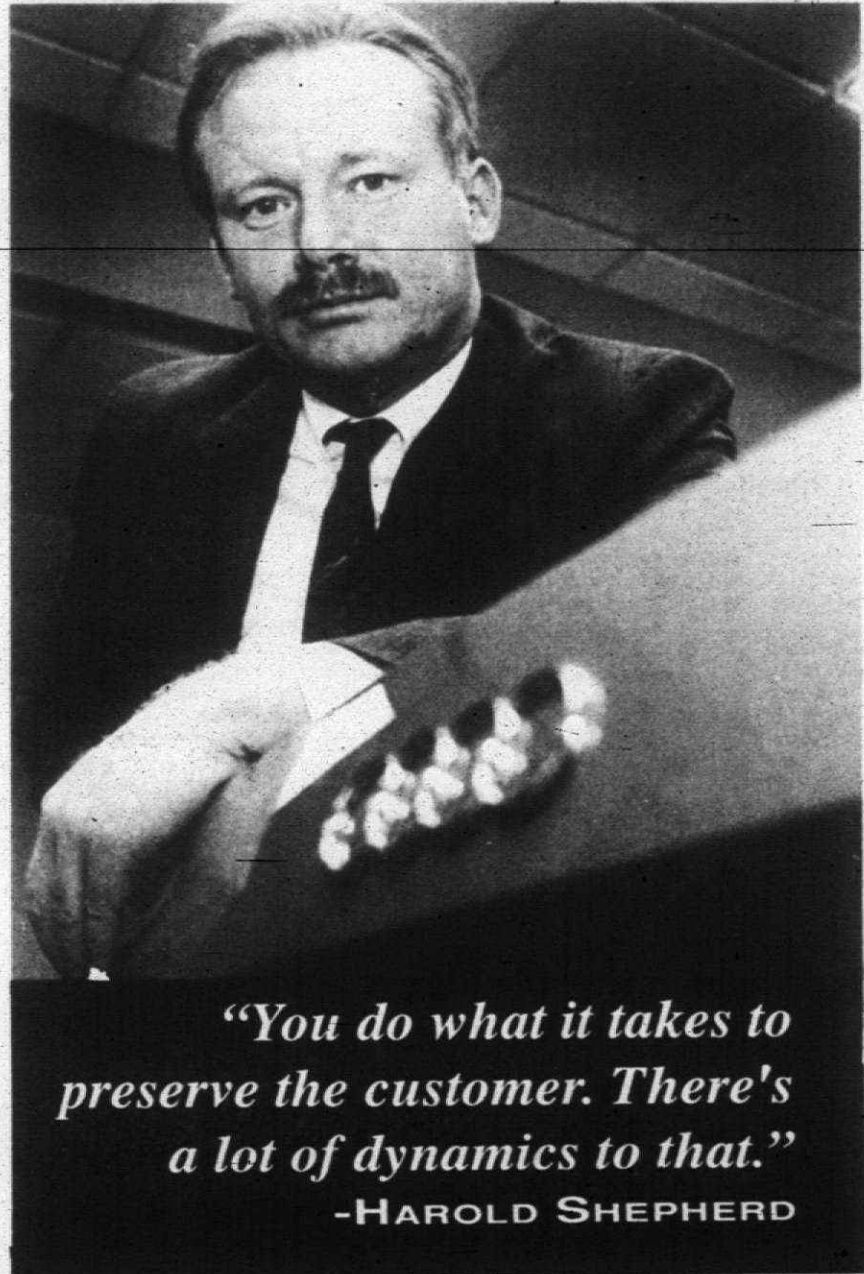
SELLING AN Audi customer is no different than any other, Shepherd said. But his mettle was tested a couple of years ago when allegations surfaced of unintended acceleration problems.

"You just kept doing the best you could," Shepherd said. "Fortunately, we had a lot of loyal Audi customers who figured (media) accounts were incorrect. The car was totally vindicated by the government."

Tenacity apparently pays off. Shepherd said he generally works 50-55 hours per week, 50 weeks a year. He doesn't go to lunch or dinner.

"I think you have to have a certain degree of mental sharpness and be ready to work every day," he said. "I might not always be here at 9 every morning, but when I do get here, I'm ready to work."

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Harold Shepherd sold more Audis last model year than any other salesperson in the country. Shepherd attributed the accomplishment to attention to detail on his part and similar efforts of colleagues in the service and parts departments at Bill Cook Imported Cars in Farmington Hills.

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-HAROLD SHEPHERD

## Indiscriminate cuts can cripple in long run during streamlining

By David F. Stein  
special writer

Streamlining, rebuilding, resizing, right-sizing, demassing, downsizing.

During recent years, American business has applied many names to reorganizations in the face of global competitive pressures. But the reality of lost jobs continues, especially for white-collar workers and managers belonging to unwieldy and unproductive corporate structures.

Now, besides continuing to cushion the blow for those let go, companies are looking to the welfare of "survivors" and the lessons learned in downsizing — expected to be a permanent fixture in the business scene.

Professor Kim S. Cameron of the University of Michigan has gleaned some of these lessons from a three-year study of 30 auto industry downsizings, an initial cost-cutting strategy for many manufacturers.

Cameron sees downsizing as positive in the long run.

"Many organizations, maybe even most, are fat and a little sloppier than they ought to be, with too many managers at too many levels," said Cameron. He is a professor of organizational behavior and human resource management.

But the initial downsizing rounds have not all been successful, Cameron said. "The way most companies downsize, it generally hurts them," Cameron said. "Every single firm in

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— Kim S. Cameron  
U-M professor

my study did: an across-the-board, quick-fix strategy of getting rid of people."

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DOWNSIZING PLANS often make the assumption that people are a cost, not an asset, Cameron said, leaving many organizations without enough people resources to survive. Even more surprising to him is the speed with which most downsizings have taken place.

"In another survey of 100 Midwest firms, 94 percent planned and implemented downsizing within 60 days," Cameron said.

"The biggest mistake, however, is pursuing downsizing as a program or target or a one-time thing, rather than a business way of life. Not only do you hurt people who leave the organization, but when done wrong, it hurts the survivors."

Many companies that reduce headcounts, don't redesign work, he said. As a result, survivors may lack necessary skills, or experience, or knowledge to get the job done.

In addition, survivors often experience an odd mixture of envy and guilt. While initially guilty for keeping their jobs, survivors often become envious of the buyout or severance as well as retraining or placement programs given those let go. Extra work and salary freezes may add to the envy, Cameron said.

But perhaps most important is that companies often lose their best employees.

"Those marketable take the chunk of money, then find employment elsewhere or form a new business," Cameron said. With subsequent downsizings, "it is easy to hurt the organization. The scar tissue is greater; leadership anemia may result."

SOME ADVICE from Cameron: Downsizing must be a human resources issue, not simply the management of financial ratios.

"Companies have to redesign work as well as downsize," Cameron said. "Every employee needs to be put in charge of downsizing. How to cut costs and increase productivity becomes a problem for every single employee."

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## Tax effect impacts investments

If you think you're paying Uncle Sam too much of what you make on your investments, you may want to take a closer look at tax-free and tax-deferred investments. Just remember that tax treatment is only one factor to consider when developing an investment strategy, according to the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants.

Municipal bonds offer investors a way to earn tax-free interest income. Issued by state and local governments, municipal bonds help raise money to build schools, roads and other projects. In the last few years, the municipal bond market has become a more complicated place for investors. In the past, all municipal bonds were exempt from federal tax, but changes in the tax law created three different tax treatments of municipal bonds. The interest you earn on the traditional



obligations of state and local governments remains tax free.

And in most states, if the bonds are from your home state, you generally escape state and local taxes too. But certain bonds issued for private purposes, such as industrial development, now generate interest that can be subject to the alternative minimum tax. Still other bonds, including those issued to finance sports stadiums and convention fa-

cilities, no longer qualify for any federal tax exemption.

To determine if municipal bonds are the right type of investment for you, compare the return you can collect from a tax-exempt investment to the return you would get from a taxed investment. You should also weigh the security and term of the bond under consideration. Keep in mind that if you need to sell a municipal bond before its maturity, you must report your capital gain or loss on your tax return. What's more, you cannot deduct investment expenses associated with tax-exempt investments.

Treasury bills: By transferring money from an investment that accrues interest daily to one that pays interest at maturity, such as Treasury bills, you can defer the taxes due

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# 'Pottie people' push Chrysler into facing problem

A friend of mine used to require two subscriptions to Time magazine, since he could only read about half-way through an issue before he came on an article that made him so angry that he would tear the magazine into pieces. Then he needed the second copy to finish the issue.

He had nothing on Chairman Lee, who reacted in like manner to a recent article in Consumer Reports that called the most popular automatic transmission installed in the Chrysler minivan a "lemon" and warned readers to stay away from it.

To his credit, the primary reaction to the offensive criticism was to launch a comprehensive program to go back to the million or so customers who bought Chrysler products with the new transmission, starting in 1989, and offer to inspect, repair,



auto talk  
**Dan McCosh**

replace and reimburse those who have had problems.

The transmission in question is one of those low-profile, but innovative designs that caused some ripples in engineering circles when it was introduced in the 1989 model year for several lines of Chrysler products. Called the A604 transaxle, it uses electronics to replace several expensive mechanical hydraulic systems common in most automatics.

Unfortunately, the early production runs were plagued with a defect that began to show up shortly after it hit the market. Chrysler's decision at the time, which is pretty much what most domestic auto companies do as a matter of course, was to plod ahead with a so-called "running change" in the design, while attempting through its warranty system

to smooth complaints about those early sold.

It's worth noting that a brand-new automatic transmission design is one of the trickier things to pull off in the multimillion-unit volumes demanded by the auto industry. Volkswagen, and particularly GM, are among the companies that have had their hands full for years with problems stemming from a transaxle launch. In the case of VW, much of this was in Europe, where U.S. customers didn't see it, but GM owes a

good deal of its lingering reputation for poor quality, only beginning to turn around today, to problems with transaxles it suffered in the early 1980s.

The point being that, contrary to Chrysler President Bob Lutz's statement that "this thing is being blown all out of proportion," the mechanical problems faced with the A604 transaxle launch were in all likelihood the most extensive and most costly mechanical problem Chrysler has ever faced.

But all that is in the past, not affecting current models, according to Chrysler officials who never really acknowledged the extent of the problem to begin with. Meanwhile, Consumer Reports finally got around to compiling its complaints about the transmission and discovered that, indeed, there were quite a few.

Lacocca's immediate reaction was to call Consumer Reports the magazine of the "pottie people and showerhead people," as a way of attacking the credibility of a magazine that has been one of the strongest editorial supporters of the minivan and some other Chrysler products for years.

Curiously, he also sent around copies of two so-called "buff magazines" to dealers, to show what the "experts" are saying, without noting

that one of the magazines he likes is proud to do no instrumental testing, while the other compiles no regular data about consumer complaints. See no evil and hear no evil.

Frankly, I think Chrysler blew the chance to do a self-initiated Japanese-style recall that would have created a whole new image of concern for the company, bailing at least something positive out of an expensive warranty problem.

In fact, it appears that is what Chrysler is finally doing now. But it also appears that it wasn't a decision initiated by top management. We have the showerhead and pottie people at Consumer Reports to thank for that.

Dan McCosh is automotive editor of Popular Science Magazine.

# Help customer, salesman says

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Shepherd said he doesn't do much cold-call prospecting or resort to gimmicks.

"With the exception of times like this, I stay busy enough with referrals, previous customers and new customers coming in," he said. "Frankly, if you handle that situation correctly, you'll stay busy enough."

AWARENESS OF ebbs and flows through so many years in the business plus a healthy dose of confidence carry Shepherd through the "slow times."

"I've been through this cyclical business before," he said. "I come from the school of thought that you can't force the marketplace."

"We've been impacted by what obviously is a recession. I think consumers are somewhat paralyzed by world events and somewhat reluctant to make decisions about major purchases."

"What that means is a lot of pent-up demand when they do feel comfortable with world events. They will eventually have to buy another car. I want to be sure I'm here to take advantage."

"I could sell five or six Audis in the next five days, and I could just as well sell zero," Shepherd said. "I know I will seek my level. What you can't do is change your tactics."

Bill Cook, owner of the dealership, appreciates Shepherd's efforts.

"I THINK Harold is just an outstanding professional," Cook said. "He understands the product, what's necessary in order to financially structure the purchase of a high-line car, and he delivers a high level of service."

"He does an outstanding job taking care of customers, follows up with them and is more than happy to deal with their service needs," Cook said.

# Indiscriminate cuts can cripple company

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Cameron found that the most effective companies had an information system for both those who lost their jobs and the survivors. Successful firms also committed to "trimming the fat" as a clear objective aimed at improving productivity and enhancing competitiveness — a combination of short-term and long-term approaches.

No clear-cut solution exists to preventing the loss of the best employees during downsizing, especially as most companies are still opting for

the apparently "painless" approach of buyouts and early retirements. But there may be a bright side to the economy as a whole.

"Many of these people will own businesses and add vigor to the economy," said William E. Bauerwink, who has worked on local downsizing at Deloitte and Touche. "The smaller, entrepreneurial companies are quicker in their feet."

FOR THE LAST year and a half, ITT in Auburn Hills, producers of steel and plastic tubular products for fuel and brake systems, has consolidated and streamlined administration and research and development for High Manufacturing and Baylock Manufacturing companies.

The new unit has seen sales increase 15 percent in the past two years to \$153 million annual sales, said ITT High Baylock president Ralph A. Iorio.

While decreasing accounting and personnel administration staff, ITT High Baylock increased its engineering force from five people four to five years ago to 29 today. The number of quality control personnel doubled. Accounting tasks were redesigned, not eliminated, at the

# Taxes can affect your investments

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Retirement plans: Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), Keoghs and other retirement plans continue to offer liberal tax benefits. These plans represent another way you can defer some of your taxable income. With an IRA or Keogh, not only do you defer paying taxes on the money you invest, but the interest you receive on your investment is also deferred until the money is withdrawn. In addition, some investors can still claim a deduction for the amount contributed to an IRA. Restrictions on deductions are based on your income and whether you are covered by a retirement plan at work. With a Keogh, deposits are deductible regardless of your income, and money in the plan is allowed to grow and compound tax-free until withdrawn.

To be a successful investor, you need to know how to use the tax rules to your advantage. Use proper tax planning can be an effective way to minimize current taxes while accumulating greater wealth.

banks, brokerage firms and other financial institutions offer CDs. The interest earned on CDs is subject to federal, state and local taxes. But because earnings on CDs are taxed in the year you receive them, you can use CDs as a means of deferring interest income. When you buy a CD that matures next year, the interest earned is not taxable until then.

But you should keep in mind that early withdrawals from a CD are generally subject to an interest penalty. If you have to make an early withdrawal, remember that this penalty is deductible even if you do not itemize your deductions.

# Ask about retirement

Special writer

Most Americans envision their retirement years as a panorama of pink sunsets, pink sand, pineapple groves, pleasant environment, and pina colodas. The problem is that many folks are far off the mark about what it will take to make that dream come true.

More often than not, they haven't invested enough money, their goals are too ambitious and their investment strategy is just plain distorted. And there may not be anyone whom they can trust to put their financial house in order.

For them, the advice is clear: Don't simply retire from something, have something to retire to.

**Why think about retirement now?**

For some of us, the truth only hits home when, one morning, we get up and look in the mirror and startling back at us are the first telltale signs — a few straggly gray hairs or those little crow's feet around the eyes. For others, it is watching children sprout like beanstalks or seeing parents grow old.

Whatever the trigger, we all will reach an age when retirement will become imminent. Because it is our future, it's never too early — or too late — to begin planning for retirement.

**How much will you need for retirement?**

If all depends on the standard of living you want to maintain; that is, on your retirement goals. But what kinds of expenses can you expect in retirement?

Here are the major expenses you should consider: 1. housing, 2. necessities, 3. health care, 4. leisure, 5. major purchases, 6. charitable contributions, and 7. special family needs, such as, taking care of aging

# Start out small with business from home

Special writer

Successfully running a home-based business can represent the best of both worlds for those who are interested in earning extra income while raising a family. According to Cheri Fuller, author of "Ways for Moms to Make Money at Home," a veteran home workers share a common awareness of the steps involved to convert a business vision into reality.

Beyond identifying and learning as much as possible about the type of business being considered, Fuller points out that it's important to be realistic about the financial ramifications of starting and managing a home business. Contrary to popular assumption, it is possible to begin almost any business without overextending yourself financially.

The key is to start small and allow each small success to be used in building up the business over time. For example, if your long-term goal is to offer specialty baked goods for sale and distribution, that doesn't mean you should buy a new double oven and immediately begin producing everything that there is to bake.

The same principle holds true when attempting to let people know about a new venture. Rather than spending large sums on paid advertising, remember that word of mouth advertising is free and can be

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- TAX HELP**  
Thursday, Feb. 14 — Free group self-help tax preparation 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. No registration required. Information: 421-7338 Ext. 633. Sponsor: IRS.
- LAND SURVEYORS**  
Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 19-21 — Michigan Society of Registered Land Surveyors 50th anniversary annual meeting at Radisson Hotel, Plymouth. The group will meet in Plymouth rather than Flint. Information: 517-484-2413.
- WOMEN IN COMPUTING**  
Wednesday, Feb. 28 — Association of Women in Computing meets at 6 p.m. at the Windjammer, 11791 Farmington Road, Livonia. Non-member fee: \$15.75. Information: Terraine, 427-6144.
- INSTRUCTIONAL SOCIETY**  
Thursday, Feb. 21 — Michigan Society of Instructional Technology presents past president of National Society of Performance and Instruction discussing "Performance Management: Success for You and Your Clients" at 6 p.m. at AAA, Laurel Park Place (Six Mile east of I-75), 7380 Laurel Park Drive North, Livonia. Non-member fee: \$15. Information: Carol Yost, 474-8855.

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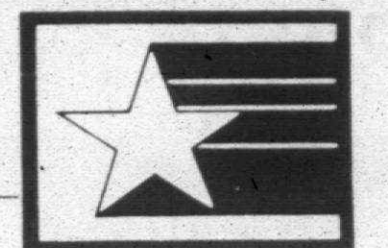
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# 'Nunsense' is just heavenly

Barbara Michals

Performances of the Birmingham Theatre production of "Nunsense" continue through Sunday, March 10. For ticket information, call the box office at 644-3533.

By Barbara Michals special writer

As one of its songs proclaims, "Nunsense" is indeed habit forming, for it is every bit as joyously funny the third time I viewed it as the previous times. The current production at the Birmingham Theatre is still a happy mix of outrageous puns, spirited tunes and appealing performances that add up to divine fun.

Alvaeta Guess is delightful as the impertinent Sister Mary Hubert, the trainer of novitiates and "number two" nun who always tries harder to usurp Mother Superior's authority. With her mischievous eyes and saucy delivery, Guess is a guaranteed scene-stealer, not an easy feat among this talented company. Her powerful voice adds lustre to "The Biggest Ain't the Best." "Just a Couple of Sisters" and the hand-clapping gospel "Ho-lier Than Thou."

Lin Tucci is very funny as Sister Robert Anne, the street-wise nun from Brooklyn with an expressive face and tough demeanor. Her frustrated theatrical ambitions are powerfully rendered in "Playing Second Fiddle" and "I Just Want to Be a Star," and then her voice surprisingly softens for the ballad "Growing up Catholic."

Barbara Michals teaches high school English in Southfield. A theater critic for the last 16 years, she is an inveterate playgoer who regularly catches up all the "New York productions."

BECAUSE THE role was literally written for her by author Goggin, Marilyn Faxon is the consummate Sister Mary Cordelia, the

# Israeli singer's music draws global attention

Aleynu/Aish HaTorah will host the Detroit-area appearance of Israeli singer Jo Amar in concert, 25th anniversary tour, at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, at Groves High School Auditorium in Birmingham. For ticket information call the Aleynu/Aish HaTorah office at 948-6900, or any Ticketmaster location. Tickets are \$30 (including an afterglow with Amar), \$20 and \$15.

By Stewart Francke special writer

JO AMAR HAS PERFORMED for nearly 40 years in the Middle East, Europe and America, and today his music has a revived relevance.

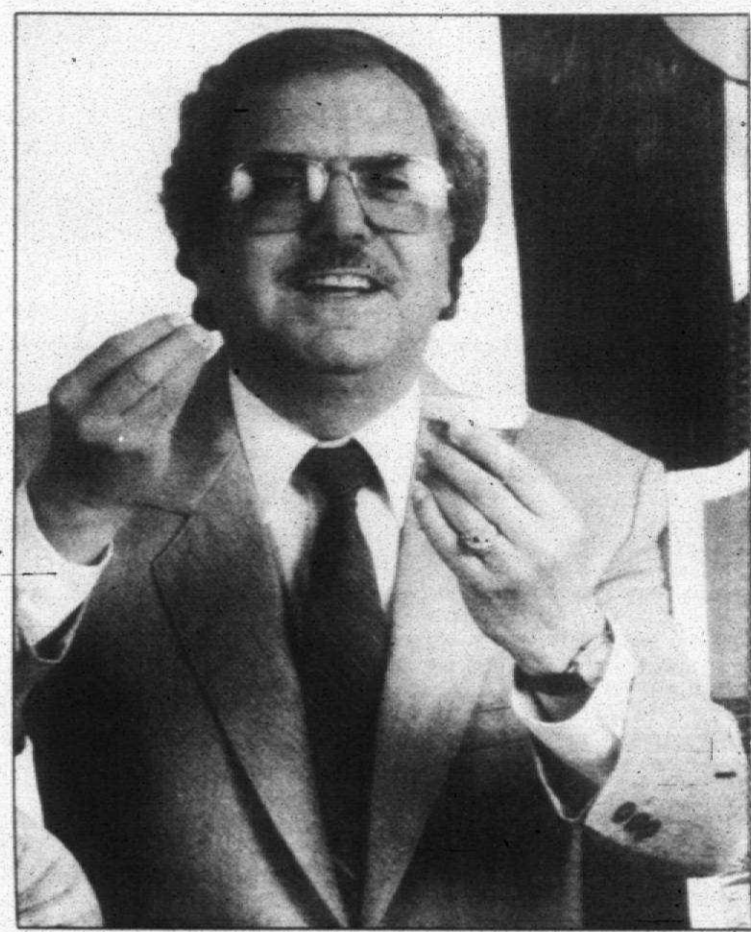
Given the current global fascination with the region Amar comes from — he is a native of Morocco and a part-time resident of Israel — the 60-year-old singer represents more than being the world's seminal performer of Sephardic music and traditional Levantine liturgical songs.

Amar has made more than 50 recordings, with many of his songs becoming standards in the continuum of Middle Eastern music.

"To tell you the truth," Amar told the Observer & Eccentric from his United States residence in Brooklyn, "if you can hold your level of popularity, which I have for 30 years, people will listen to anything you can say. I just came home for a concert in San Francisco. When they asked me to talk about Israel, I just looked at the people listening, really listening. It wasn't just another singer bringing his songs."

BORN IN Seta, North Morocco, Amar was one of 10 children raised in a traditional Oriental Sephardic home. He began singing in cantorial competitions at 14, yet never considered music to be a career.

He spent several years as a religious instructor in small Moroccan towns before moving his family to



Singer Jo Amar is known for Israeli and Sephardic hits

Amar spends much of his time in the U.S. both to perform and to visit his four children and six grandchildren.

THOUGH THE melodies of folk songs and the liturgy have been known and sung for centuries, Amarg has popularized Sephardic music the world over. Yet his purpose remains one of immediacy.

"I like to make people laugh and sing with me," he says. "When I finish and see so many people feeling good, that's all."

# upcoming things to do

- MUSEUM THEATER**  
A beautiful young witch who has her heart set on romance and revenge sets the stage for enchantment in the classic comedy "Bell, Book, and Candle," playing at Henri Ford Museum Theater at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Performances are at 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday through March 16, with one matinee at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 3. Tickets are \$8 each for reserved seats, available daily at the Information Desk in the entrance to Greenfield Village, at the Museum Theater box office one hour before each performance, or by calling the Reservations Center at 271-1620. A combination dinner and theater package, at \$25 per person, also is available.
- PATRIOTIC GALA**  
Detroit-Oakland Chapter of Barbershop Harmony Society presents "America: My Home" and champion quartets. Blue Grass Student Union and Power Play at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 15-16, at Livonia's Schmidt Auditorium. Tickets are \$10. For details call Bob Rock at 562-1989.

ject film and video productions from around the world. Besides teaching media production at the Ford Voc-

Tech Center in Westland, Blootner spends much of his time making artistic statements on film. His latest film "Divine Departure" is a 15-min. Please turn to Page 4

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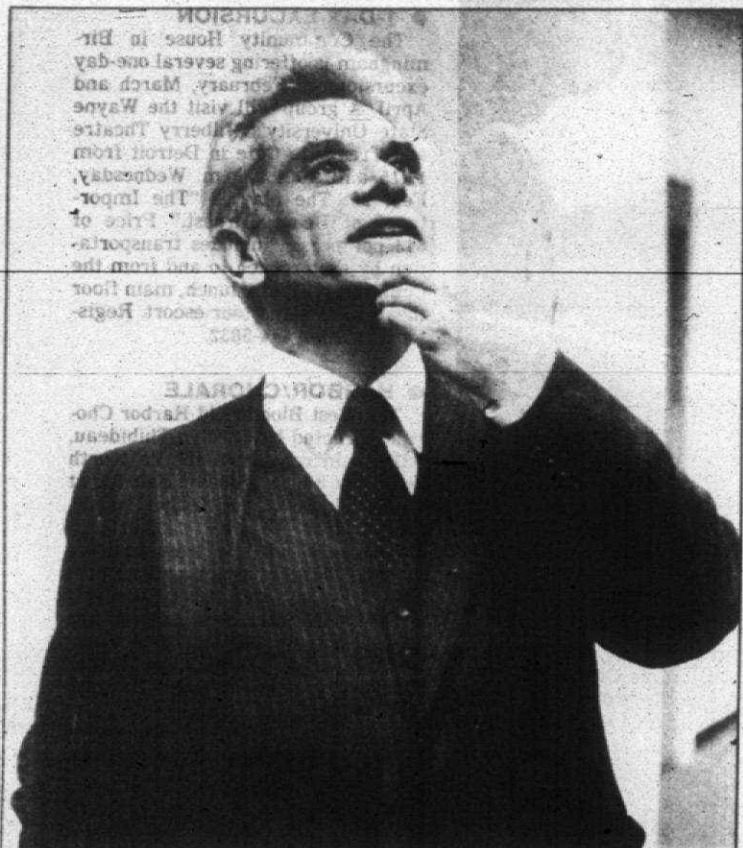
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# 'Bitter Friends' is fascinating

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Robert Grossman is Rabbi Arthur Schaefer in "Bitter Friends."

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stunned by all the questions it raises. Gordon Rayfield's play is a fictional work loosely based on the 1987 Jonathan Jay Pollard spy case. Pollard was a United States naval intelligence analyst sentenced to life imprisonment for giving Israel classified information on Iraq's chemical weapons buildup.

In "Bitter Friends," the real protagonist is the activist rabbi Arthur Schaefer (Robert Grossman), who seeks to untangle the truth about accused spy David Klein (Allan Fox). Is the young Klein just a misguided idealist, trying to be a hero, or is he a pawn of the convoluted political maneuverings of the U.S. and Israeli governments? Was Klein himself to blame or was he recruited and then shamefully abandoned by the Israelis? Why did American Jews turn their backs on him, offering no protest to his harsh sentence?

Such somber political issues are presented here without undue talkiness or polemics. The author claims to give a fair representation to all sides without attempting to resolve the issues. However, in actuality the Israeli government comes off looking even more heartless than the anti-Semitic State Department.

AS RABBI SCHAEFER, Grossman is excellent as a man who so values truth that he is willing to concede that many of the basic ten-

ets of his life may have been mistaken. His face conveys the intensity of the questions tearing at him, yet the actor is equally effective delivering sardonic one-liners like a would-be Jackie Mason.

Fox is well-cast as the enigmatic, passionate Klein, quite willing to sacrifice himself for his ideals. William Premis is very convincing as the Israeli ambassador, seemingly gentle and sincere but quite used to the wary cat-and-mouse games of international politics.

Charles McGraw is perfect as the Justice Department's very WASPish Wingate Whitney, more annoyed at being disturbed at his private club than at the hapless Fox's difficult plight. Andrew Dunn is also very believable as Congressman Frank Fitzgerald, a liberal with sharp insight into political realities.

Henrietta Hermelin is icily patronizing as Klein's widowed mother, resentful that all she holds dear has been sacrificed for the good of Israel.

As Rachel, Klein's devoted wife, Stacie Passon borders on melodramatic in her confrontations with her mother-in-law but does much better trying to be the voice of reason to her recalcitrant husband.

Director Randall Forte does a fine job of sustaining the dramatic impact throughout. T. Andrew Aston's lighting and scenic design also contribute, the latter a map of the Middle East that sprawls across the walls and floor of the stage as a stunning reminder of the show's interrelationship with the current Mideast war.

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## upcoming things to do

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- WILDE COMEDY**  
Oscar Wilde's comedy masterpiece "The Importance of Being Earnest" opens Saturday, Feb. 16, following a preview Friday, Feb. 15, at the Hilberry Theatre at Wayne State University in Detroit. It runs in repertory with "Peer Gynt" through Saturday, April 13. Tickets for "The Importance of Being Earnest" can be obtained by calling the Hilberry Theatre box office at 577-2972.
  - PUBS, CLUBS**  
The site of one of Detroit's oldest industries — fur trading — will be the site of the Detroit Historical Society's Pubs and Clubs Tour on Wednesday, Feb. 20. Tour participants will have an opportunity to learn more about the early days of the historic landmark, Trapper's Alley, completing the evening with dinner at Pegasus Taverna. The tour will leave from the museum's parking lot, 5401 Woodward at Kirby. Fee is \$33 for DHS members and \$38 for non-members. For further information or to make reservations, contact Joan Belanger at 833-7934.
  - SKATING SPECTACLE**  
The Simpsons television family, has embarked on its first North American tour, starring in the new edition of Ice Capades, "On Top of the World." The 51st anniversary edition of the skating spectacle will appear Tuesday-Sunday, March 12-17 for 10 performances at Joe Louis' Hilberry Theatre box office at 577-2972.
  - 1-MAN SHOW**  
The return engagement of Brian Bedford in his one-man show, "The Lunatic, the Lover and the Poet," opens with a special performance hosted by the Understudies, the Hilberry Theatre's community fundraising arm, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, on the Wayne State University campus in Detroit. The evening will benefit the theater's Renovation Fund. Additional performances are at 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 27-28. Tickets for the Feb. 26 benefit performance are \$75. Benefactor, and include a pre-party, the performance and an afterglow, \$50. Patron, and include the performance and afterglow. Tickets for Feb. 27-28 are \$25. To make reservations call the Hilberry Theatre box office at 577-2972.



Robert Wagner and Stephanie Powers, onetime TV co-stars, are paired again in the play "Love Letters."

## Heart-to-heart, a strong drama

"Love Letters" by A. R. Gurney continues through Sunday, Feb. 17, at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. To order tickets by phone, call 645-6666, or call 872-1000 for more information.

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own, through their movie and television roles and as costars of TV's "Hart to Hart" sophisticated comedy-mystery series.

Wagner still retains his boyish charm and "cool." Powers her particularly feminine manner and womanly warmth. These characteristics, along with their good looks, serve them well in their portrayals of the two friends who seek happiness in their private lives and careers.

POWERS HAS perhaps the most challenging role, appearing as a vibrant female, daughter of wealthy parents but neglected. She struggles to find her way, and fails. Two broken marriages, drinking and mental problems plague her but she maintains a bold, mischievous style.

The entire play is presented with the actors reading the exchange of letters they send, mostly to each other, through the years.

While Powers as Melissa Gardner goes from antic to antie, Wagner as Andrew Makepeace Ladd III attends Yale, serves with the Navy and then becomes a United States Senator. They have a love affair, which he ends to preserve his marriage and political career. Wagner handles all aspects of this characterization — the humor, the seriousness — with finesse.

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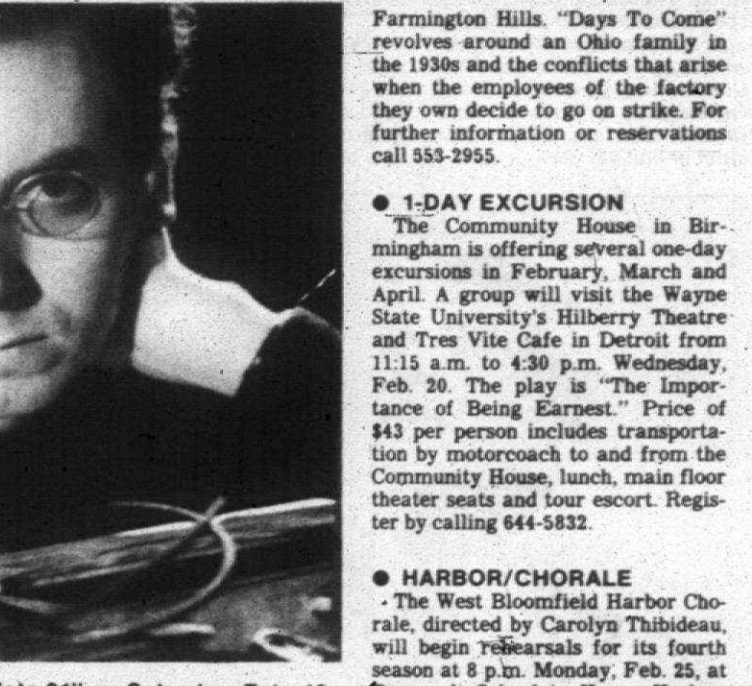
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Hosted by the Charlie Daniels Band, new stars in country music including Travis Tritt, David Lynn



Jeff Bloomer is a speaker at "Update 91" on Saturday, Feb. 16, at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills.

- 1-DAY EXCURSION**  
The Community House in Birmingham is offering several one-day excursions in February, March and April. A group will visit the Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre and Tres Vite Cafe in Detroit from 11:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20. The play is "The Importance of Being Earnest." Price of \$43 per person includes transportation by motorcoach to and from the Community House, lunch, main floor theater seats and tour escort. Register by calling 644-5832.
- HARBOR/CHORALE**  
The West Bloomfield Harbor Chorale, directed by Carolyn Thibodeau, will begin rehearsals for its fourth season at 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 25, at Roosevelt School in Keego Harbor. Music of great American songwriters will be prepared for Cabaret Concert which will be presented Friday, May 10, at Roosevelt School. All interested singers are being invited to participate. A nominal fee will be charged. For further information contact Carol Harvath at 626-0106.
- EAST STREET**  
In Paris and In Love will be presented at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14, at the Smith Theatre at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. Price for the show is \$8; students, seniors and OCC staff, \$4. For reservations or more information contact the 24-hour hotline at 471-7700.
- ON STAGE**  
The Farmington Players' production of the play "Days To Come" will be performed Friday-Sunday, Feb. 15-17 and Tuesday, Feb. 28; Thursday-Saturday, March 1-3, and Thursday-Saturday, March 7-9, at the Farmington Players Barn in Farmington Hills. "Days To Come" revolves around an Ohio family in the 1930s and the conflicts that arise when the employees of the factory they own decide to go on strike. For further information or reservations call 553-2955.
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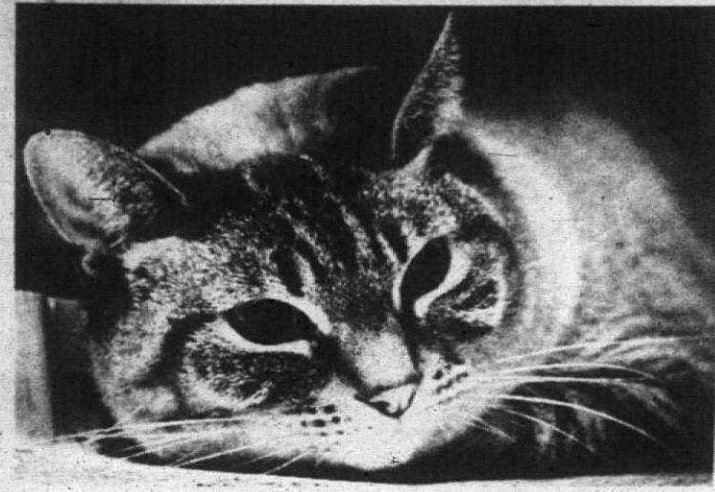
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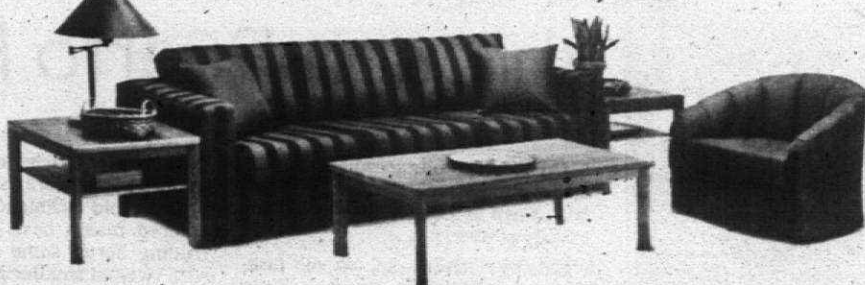
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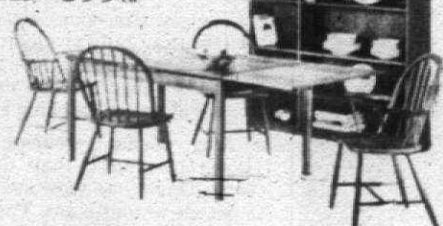
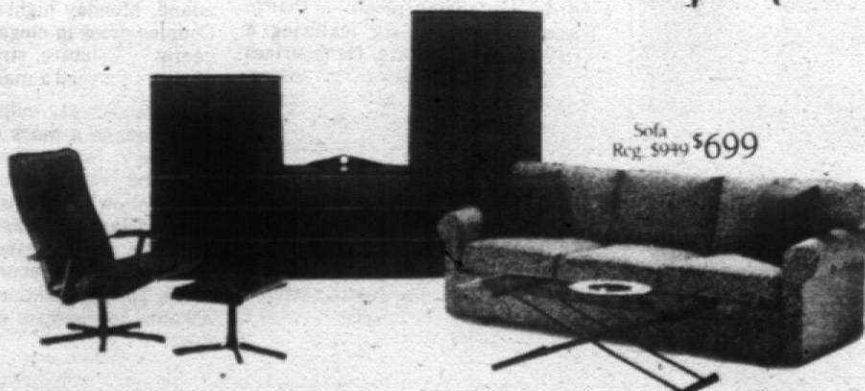


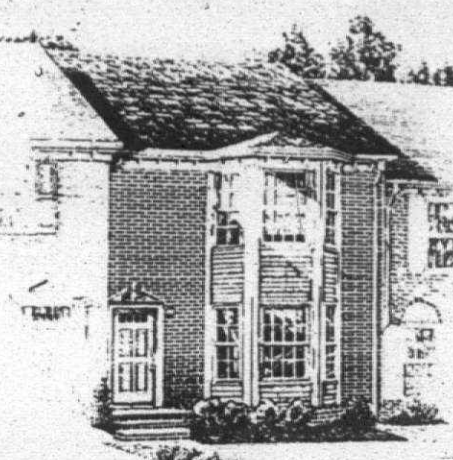
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# Travel Scene

Thursday, February 14, 1991 O&E

## Garland — a wooded wonderland

By Nicki Chodoff and Harold Chodoff special writers

You barely know it's there. Woods and fields open just enough to accept Garland Resort's rustic main lodge and surrounding buildings. The 3,500-acre resort fits into the woods near Gaylord like a hand fits into a glove.

Rustic is only half the story. The other half is elegance. The main lodge, said to be the largest log lodge east of the Mississippi, has hand-crafted stained-glass windows, soaring pine ceilings, Italian marble floors and massive cut-stone fireplace.

All this grandeur didn't just happen, it evolved. It started with Detroit businessman Herman Otto, who in 1951 wanted a retreat for friends, family and employees of his company, Garland Manufacturing. The first step was a nine-hole golf course.

In the early 60s, Garland opened to the public. As word spread and more golfers came, more golf holes were added with the total now at 63.

A gas explosion in 1985 resulted in an inferno that destroyed the original clubhouse. Otto's son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Joan, saw the destruction as an opportunity to create a luxurious all-season resort and corporate retreat. The Ottos were well-traveled and wanted to incorporate the five-star touches they enjoyed at world-class hotels.

The resort is rated as one of America's 10 best cross-country ski areas by "Cross Country Skier" magazine. Garland's 50 kilometers of groomed and woodland trails offer a terrain for every skill level from never-tried novice to strong snowplow skier.

The 1 1/2 kilometer easy-rated "Carrousel" trail is lit until 9 p.m. weeknights and 10 p.m. weekends. Trails wind through wooded rolling hills, past strategically-placed wildlife feeding stations. On site are a lighted outdoor ice rink, ice fishing, sleigh rides, parlor games and movies. Garland guests also have on-site privileges at Lewiston Curling Club, one of three curling rinks in Michigan.

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With 3,500 acres on the premises at Garland Resort near Gaylord, there's plenty of elbow room for cross-country skiers. Also available are sleigh rides, a gourmet lunch ski tour, ice fishing, ice skating, sunrise activities, movie night, northern lights night, skiing tours and curling.

## Area secretaries send bosses to resort

Some secretaries would like to send their bosses to the moon, but I talked to several secretaries who sent them to Garland Resort instead, as part of a promotion by WJR Radio.

Joe Attard of Livonia, building official for the city of Northville, didn't have the faintest idea what his staff was doing when his name went into the pot.

Ed Carlson of Troy was also com-

pletely in the dark. He was at work when he heard that he and his wife had won a weekend at the 3,500-acre resort near Gaylord.

Part of the deal was that the secretary of the winner would get a day off. Ed offered his secretary Christmas Day, but she wouldn't buy that one. She's waiting for summer.

Don Maybee of Maybee Associates Inc. in Brighton was completely in the dark until the call came saying he had won.



The excitement started at Maybee Associates when secretary Donna Funk of Brighton heard the promo-

tion on the radio. Send your boss name in and if we pick that name in our lottery we'll give your boss and his or her spouse a weekend trip and you will get a day off.

"We decided that Don and Jill Maybee needed a break," Donna said. "Sue and Larry Banas joined in the conspiracy, and we each sent in three or four cards."

frantically around town to find him.

"The weekend was a tremendous gift," Don Maybee said. "We took a sleigh ride, pulled by two horses. We saw deer. We went cross-country skiing on the trails."

"The facilities are first class. The buildings are a log-cabin design. The main lodge has guest rooms and conference rooms. There are single-bedroom villas in the pine trees, with ice Please turn to Page 8

## Crystal Lake hotels specialize in couples

By Iris Sanderson Jones special writer

Valentine's Day always makes me think about hotels at either end of Crystal Lake, and of two Plymouth families: Lorenz and Powell. It's probably the couples rooms that do it.

Kirk Lorenz, of the Mayflower Hotel Lorenzes, and Pam Powell, who once worked at the Mayflower, have been happily ensconced, as owners and direction-finders at the Brookside Inn for several years now.

The Brookside is at one end of Crystal Lake in the town of Beulah, just southwest of Traverse City. Pam's brother, Scott Powell, manages the Hotel Frankfort at the other end of Crystal Lake in the town of Frankfort. Both hotels specialize in couples rooms, each one individually designed and decorated and containing a Polynesian spa.

The Hotel Frankfort is a two-story Victorian place with pointed rooms and balcony. It's been in the middle of town for a long time. The Brookside is a roadside motel, built on the site of an ice cream parlor that the Lorenz family visited regularly when Kirk was a child. Kirk and Pam have added rooms — up, out and back — so it keeps getting bigger.

They are both romantics at heart. They toured the world looking at hotels for the right ideas. They honeymooned in the Pacific. They decided that every hotel room should have a hot wet place for guests to sit and soak together, and that no hotel guest should be forced to wrap an ink-dinky towel around a wet middle.

The result is couples rooms. Each room is different but they all have big comfortable beds, a large hot pool and a variety of funky decorating themes ranging from stuffed bears to medieval knights.

Couples rooms are sold on a bed-and-meals basis to discourage couples from stopping for a brief overnight and moving on. Kirk and

Each room is different but they all have big comfortable beds, a large hot pool and a variety of funky decorating themes ranging from stuffed bears to medieval knights.

Pam believe that couples should have time to get to know one another, to sit over dinner and breakfast. So their rates, starting at \$170 a night per couple, cover accommodations, dinner and breakfast.

For information, contact your travel agent or Kirk and Pam Lorenz at the Brookside Inn, (616) 882-7271. That's 268 miles from Detroit in northwest Michigan.

Other places that you might consider for getaways:

**BIG BAY LIGHTHOUSE**, in the upper peninsula on Lake Superior, is about 474 miles from Detroit. It's said to be one of only two working lighthouse bed-and-breakfast inns in the nation. Call Buck and Marilyn Gotschall in Big Bay for room rates, (906) 345-9957.

**NORDEN HEM**, in Gaylord, is about 225 miles from Detroit. Cross-country skiing available at nearby Sylvan and Garland resorts. Call Mike Husby, (517) 732-6794. **BRISSETTE-WHEELER HOUSE**, an Eastlake mansion in Three Rivers, is about 140 miles from Detroit. Holiday packages available at nearby Sylvan and Garland resorts. Call Bobbi Greenwood, (616) 278-8147. **KIMBERLY COUNTRY ESTATE**, in Harbor Springs, is one of Michigan's newer bed-and-breakfast inns, about 276 miles from Detroit. Downhill and cross-country skiing available at nearby Nubs Nob and Boyne Mountain resorts. Call Ron or Billie Kimberly, (616) 526-7646.



All the Hotel Frankfort's couples rooms have themes. This one is decorated out in stuffed animals and cushions. Don't take the animals home. They do not come with the room.

**CHICAGO PIKE INN**, in Coldwater, is a renovated, turn-of-the-century colonial mansion decorated with Victorian-era antiques, about 109 miles from Detroit. Call Rebecca Schultz, (517) 279-8744.

**GARFIELD INN**, in Port Austin at the tip of Michigan's thumb, is a state and national historic site due to the connection with former president James A. Garfield. Built in 1830, the inn has been restored to its original state with oak pub and other

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## King Momo marches through Puerto Rico

(AP) — The picturesque Plaza las Delicias, heart of the quaint Caribbean town of Ponce, Puerto Rico, is usually placid.

Elderly citizens sit on old-fashioned wrought iron benches while children scamper around nearby groomed shrubbery and romantic young couples stroll beneath stately shade trees.

But in mid-February each year, the square sizzles with excitement as crowds gather to celebrate Ponce's Carnival.

It's late afternoon. After hours of waiting, a child's gleeful cry of "Here they come" signals a resounding cheer that all but drowns the sounds of an approaching band.

King Momo, wearing a huge monarch's mask that dwarfs his body, dances into view at the head of a parade of musicians. They're playing the tantalizing plena — Puerto Rican folkloric music featuring a lively blend of guitars, tambourines and guiros (gourd percussion instruments). The music and the instruments represent the island's three cultural influences — Spanish, African and Taino Indian.

The rhythms seduce spectators to join the dance. The parade swells, overflowing the plaza into the side streets of Isabel, Reina, Pabellones and Lolita Tírol, lined with restored turn-of-the-century houses.

The annual event, beginning on a Thursday and lasting for six days before the start of Lent (this year it's Feb. 14-19), is Puerto Rico's answer to Rio's Carnival or New Orleans' Mardi Gras. Ponce's version is particularly popular with tourists because it seems less frenetic than the others and because it has special, very attractive features.

Primary is the appearance of devil-like creatures dancing in the streets, as celebrants don extravagan-

gant papier-mache monster masks made by Ponce craftsmen using generations-old techniques. The brightly colored masks have dozens of protruding horns, some four feet long, with twisted smaller horns sprouting from them.

These creatures are called "vejigantes" because they carry "vejigas," dried and inflated pig's bladders, with which they playfully threaten to bop spectators on the head. The vejigantes are popular with children, who enjoy taunting them and evading their mock attacks.

Carnival's schedule also includes breaking a giant Mexican-style piñata, and there are more parades. Friday night's procession honors the carnival queen. Saturday's honors the junior queen and on Sunday, there is a long parade of colorful floats from other towns around the island. Monday night is "la danza." Couples dress in elegant turn-of-the-century costumes; stroll around the plaza and attend a masked ball.

As Carnival culminates, celebrants stage a mock funeral march to "bury the sardine." Costumed men and women shedding crocodile tears follow a huge fish-shaped piñata into Plaza las Delicias. As they attack the piñata, candies and coins scatter and everyone dashes after them. The sardine thus "buried," celebrants concentrate on religious aspects of Lent.

Ponce is on Puerto Rico's southern coast, a 90-minute drive across the island from the capital city of San Juan. Known as "the Pearl of the South," the town is Spanish colonial in style. Ponce, traditionally a center for culture and the arts, boasts a superb museum, fine theater and an excellent university.

Contact Puerto Rico's Office of Tourism at (809) 223-4530 or (212) 599-6262 for further information.

travel notes

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The Maumee Bay Lodge, Ohio's newest state park, has begun taking room and cabin reservations.

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The Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train, based in Paw Paw, has opened its first new show of the 1991 winter season.

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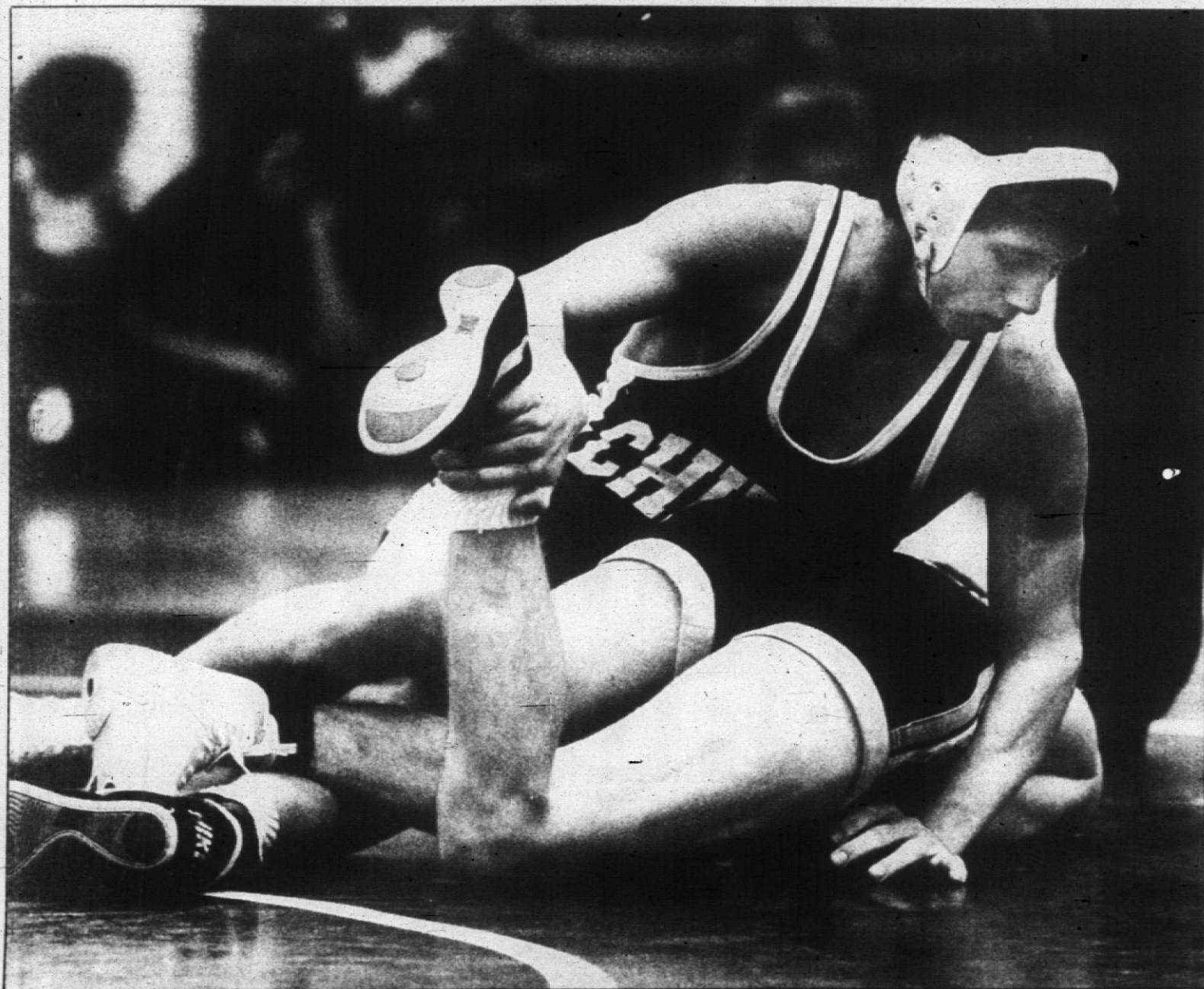
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## CEP teams produce 3 district champs



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Liam Rentz of Plymouth Canton captured the 145-pound championship Saturday in the Class A individual district wrestling tournament at Walled Lake Western. The senior wrestler takes a

22-2 record into the regional Saturday at Plymouth Salem. Canton teammate George Young will join Rentz in the regional field.

## Salem qualifies 5 for regional

By Dan O'Meara  
staff writer

### wrestling

Competing in a district tournament dominated by Western Lakes Activities Association wrestling teams, it was no surprise Plymouth Salem had the most success.

The Rocks, who won their third straight league title Feb. 2, got five individuals through the first round of post-season competition Saturday at Walled Lake Western.

All of the 11 Class A schools in the WLAA competed in the same district, which included Brighton, Garden City, Howell, Pinckney, Novi, South Lyon and West Bloomfield.

Livonia Franklin, Western, Livonia Stevenson, Farmington and Westland John Glenn qualified three wrestlers each for the individual regional Saturday at Salem.

Walled Lake Central, Livonia Churchill and Plymouth Canton will have two apiece in the regional and North Farmington one. Garden City had no qualifiers. The top four in each weight class advance to the regional, which begins at 10 a.m. Admission is \$4.

SALEM HAD two district winners: 112-pound junior Scott Martin and 119-pound junior Dan Bonnett. Both were WLAA champions at those weights.

Bonnett (35-3) was seeded No. 1 and defeated No. 2 Nick Wahl of Howell in the final. Martin (37-9) was the second seed but got first place when No. 1 Brian Paquette of Novi withdrew because of an injury.

"Bonnett had a real tough match in the final," Salem coach Ron Krueger said. "That's what Bonnett needs to be doing, getting real tough, because his old buddy, Mike Scully, is coming up this week."

Scully of Romulus was runner-up in the Ann Arbor Huron district. Temperance Bedford's Fred Schumacher, another Bonnett rival, won that tournament and will compete at Salem this week, too.

"Martin doesn't get any luck," Krueger said. "He wins the district and has to wrestle (Ian) Santiago (of Lincoln Park), who was sixth in the state last year. That shows how tough the regional is going to be."

Santiago (34-9) was fourth in the Huron district, which had Louie Tibai of Bedford (47-1) as its 112-pound winner.

SALEM'S REGIONAL contingent includes sophomore John Moran (103), senior Chad Wilson (125) and Jeff Shumate (135). All three finished fourth and will have to wrestle the Huron district winners in their first bouts.

Shumate was the WLAA champ, but Northville's Brandon Mardosian, whom he beat in the finals of the league tournament, won the district. Shumate also defeated Churchill's Chris Brown, the district runner-up, in the WLAA meet. Krueger hopes he can turn it around Saturday.

"In defense of him, he was winning 8-0 (against Brian Link of Farmington in the consolation final) and got his leg pinned underneath him and couldn't get it out," Krueger said.

The roll of district champs included Western's duo of sophomore Andy

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## Salem routs Pats to clinch top seed

By Neal Zipser  
staff writer

Plymouth Salem made only three jumpers Tuesday night, but Rocks coach Bob Brodie didn't mind.

"That's what I like to see," he said.

What Brodie appreciated was the 30 layups his team converted in routing host Livonia Franklin 86-68 in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover matchup.

"I know three-pointers have expanded the game, but I like to get the ball inside and with the horses we have you get those high-percentage shots," Brodie said.

The victory, coupled with Farmington Hills Harrison's 69-67 loss to Livonia Stevenson, clinched the top seed for Salem in next week's WLAA playoffs. The Rocks improved to 14-2 overall and 10-1 in the WLAA, while Franklin fell to 10-6 and 6-4.

Franklin's sloppy ball handling and passing mixed with Salem's pressure defense, keyed a big first quarter for the Rocks. The Patriots committed nine turnovers resulting in 14 Salem points.

"I THINK our defensive pressure rattled them," Brodie said. "It's not easy to throw over a 6-foot-7 or -8 person."

After Franklin took a 4-2 lead, seniors John Hoffmeyer and K.C. Kirkpatrick converted missed Salem shots into easy layups to give the Rocks a lead they never gave up. Salem scored all its first-quarter points on layups or free throws.

The Rocks scored 18 of the game's next 24 points and held a commanding, 25-12 lead at the end of the first quarter. The run was highlighted by a steal and dunk by senior forward Jake Baker, who poured in a team-high 21 points.

Their transition game was the factor," Patriots coach Rod Hanna said. "They ran the floor well and got the ball inside. It (turnovers) was a combination of their defense and bad decisions on our part."

While Salem was battling under the basket, the Patriots' Keith Rob-

### basketball

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— Bob Brodie  
Salem basketball coach

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erts was leading his own air attack. The junior guard scored 14 points in the first half en route to a 26-point night.

"Keith is a good player and a winner," Hanna said. "He will give you 100 percent effort every night."

THE PATRIOTS received a break at the beginning of the second quarter when the official placed the ball at half court while the teams were still huddling. Salem's Mike Mulder grabbed the ball but was whistled for a technical foul because it was Franklin's possession.

The call ignited a 10-2 Patriot run and sliced Salem's lead to 27-22. However, the Rocks kept beating the slower Franklin team down the floor for easy layups and took a 39-26 lead.

Salem received its break when Franklin was nailed with a technical foul for having six players on the floor. Baker converted the two free throws and canned a triple — Salem's first jumper — with 2:08 remaining before halftime. The Rocks built a 50-30 halftime lead.

Salem took 23-point leads twice in the third quarter but couldn't shut

the door on the Patriots, who scored the quarter's final six points and cut Salem's lead to 63-46 entering the final quarter.

The lead was shortened to 15, but Baker found senior forward Cliff Lee open under the basket for an easy layup. Lee came off the bench to score 16 points on 7-for-8 shooting and was the recipient of several fine passes from his teammates. Salem players had 16 assists.

"IT WAS A combination of Cliff moving without the ball and our players getting the ball to him," Brodie said.

"My teammates were finding me," Lee said. "The team played real hard tonight, and we never lost control of the game."

A Roberts' triple and three Franklin foul shots cut the lead to 69-56. However, Salem's Chris Tebben stole the ball and fed Baker who laid it in and was fouled. Baker scored 11 points in the fourth quarter, and his three-point play gave the Rocks a 16-point lead.

Franklin rallied again to cut the lead to 75-64 with 3:30 left, but Baker nailed a three-pointer to finish off the Patriots for good.

"I told them at halftime that we have to stop their fast break," Hanna said. "We were playing 5-on-4 or 3-on-2. I'm proud of the way the team came back by cutting the lead to 11. That's a positive sign. It's just unfortunate we put ourselves in a hole."

Senior center Steve McCool scored 11 points for Franklin before fouling out, and senior Steve Stasevich added nine points off the bench. Hoffmeyer and Kirkpatrick tallied 13 and 12 points for the Rocks, respectively.

"Franklin played hard and give them credit for coming back in the second half," Brodie said. "I tell the players that teams will make runs. But we came out ready to play tonight, and we know we can't take anything for granted. We have to be ready for the tournament, which is just one week away. We still have some things to work on."

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SC blasts St. Clair

Schoolcraft College owned the glass Saturday en route to a 92-76 Eastern Conference men's basketball win over host St. Clair CC.

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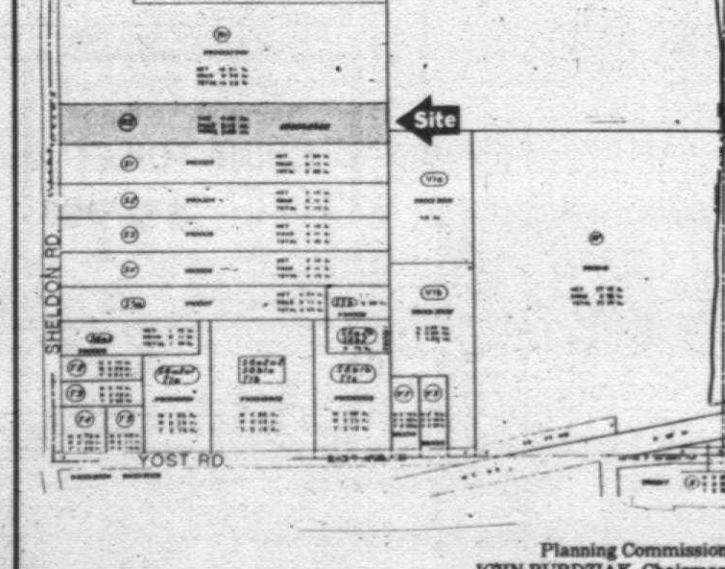
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 4, 1991, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

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# Canton puts 2 in regional

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Fritz (103) and senior Todd Hoffmeyer (160). Fritz (39-3) was the No. 1 seed, and T. Hoffmeyer (42-2) put top-seeded John Spilak of Pinckney 6-2 in the final.

The Warriors also are sending sophomore Travis Ilaqua (40-4) to the regional. He was the top district seed but placed fourth after being upset by Glenn's Shane Hall, who had a three-period pin, in the semifinals.

Farmington's trio of qualifiers includes district champ Chris Kresl (152). He was seeded third but upset No. 2 Mike Reeves of Glenn, the WLA champion, 4-3 in the semis and No. 1 Jason Seitz of Brighton 5-4 in the final. Kresl is a senior and has a 35-8 record. Reeves is a sophomore and is 28-4-1. Seitz suffered his first loss and is 36-1.

"ALL OF HIS matches were close, and he was able to score points when he needed them," said Farmington coach Al Beyer of Kresl. "He's starting to come on here at the end when it's important. He seems to be more poised in his matches."

Farmington's other qualifiers are Link (32-15), who won the consolation title at 135, and Steve Walter (31-12), who was fourth at 160.

The remaining 9th-overseed champion is Canton senior Liam Rentz (22-2), who captured the 145 title. Rentz was the consolation winner in the WLA meet but rebounded with a decision over Hall in the district final.

Canton junior George Young (28-3) won the WLA crown at 171 but was seeded third and placed there in the district behind No. 2 Jason Steinhacker of Howell and No. 1 Kelley Shaw of Brighton.

"Rentz certainly wrestled as well as he has wrestled all year," Canton assistant coach Jim Eddy said. "He and George are peaking at the right time. The regional is going to be tough and both are going to have to wrestle well, but both are equally capable of qualifying for state."

Franklin qualifiers are seniors Bob Johnson (33-4), Derek Rowland (29-10) and Brian Whetstone (27-12). Johnson and Rowland were runners-up at heavyweight and 103, respectively. Whetstone was fourth at 189.

# Chargers win SC tourney

By Brad Emons staff writer

Livonia Churchill entered Saturday's 16th annual Schoolcraft Volleyball Invitational undefeated, but untested.

After an exhausting 13-hour day, the Chargers were still undefeated and getting A-places for their performance. They eliminated Wayne Memorial in an all-overseed final, 15-5, 15-17, 15-5.

Churchill ran its record to 30-0 by winning all eight matches at the 29-school event. The Chargers went unbeaten in pool play and whipped through four elimination rounds, including an impressive 15-1, 15-4 semifinal win over state-ranked Livonia Ladywood. Following a 15-5, 15-1 victory over defending Schoolcraft champ East Kentwood. See statistical summary.

"You can't be ranked until you beat teams that are ranked," Churchill coach Mike Hughes said. "They've talked about being ranked, but they understand why they weren't."

Hughes admitted the Chargers had played a suspect schedule, despite winning tournaments at Howell and Wayne State.

BUT AFTER SATURDAY'S impressive showing, the Chargers earned their just reward, cracking the top 10 in the Class A coaches poll on Monday. "We knew we had good athletes, but the question was whether we could play at another level," Hughes said. "The kids played well all day long."

The Chargers' demolition of Ladywood earned notice that Churchill meant business. "We were a broken finger, but we were still a broken finger," said Churchill's second, Wayne junior Dana Walls. "We were a broken finger, but we were still a broken finger."

Ladywood, behind the setting of Mary Jo Kelly and the serving of Kelli Haenge, had just won off a stirring 7-15, 15-6, 15-10 quarterfinal win over Livonia Stevenson. "But in the next round the Blazers encountered a buzzaw in Churchill," said Livonia coach Tom Teeters said. "Consistency is the key for Churchill."

"This was a stepping stone, I thought," Kohnits said. "I think we learned that we can play with more than the teams we see in the Wolverine A (League)."

"RENTZ ISN'T a lot of luck involved in volleyball, but at that time the momentum had turned against us," Hughes said. "But we had some lucky things happen to us earlier in the season, too. It all balances out. We were just glad to have a chance at another game."

Churchill left little doubt about the final outcome in the decisive third game. Garry, a 5-8 senior who hits a heavy ball, registered one block and five kills that went for points. Baron served four points, including an ace, as Churchill captured its first Schoolcraft title ever.

"What we do well is play defense because we're not very big," Hughes said. "We block well for kids our size. That's just comes from desire."

"And we have six senior athletes that are just outstanding. They have experience and that's why they're able to play well. Four were varsity kids as sophomores. They've been excellent. They've played well all season and they're awfully good people. They're good students and that makes a difference."

Wayne coach Ann Kohnits, whose team is 27-5-1, was impressed with the way Churchill played.

# volleyball

"They're all consistent players and they have a bit of power offensively. If you don't match up with them, they'll wear you out."

Senior middle hitters Alyssa Belaire and Christina Garry provided a strong one-two punch for the Chargers.

But equally effective in their roles were Stephanie Spen, Janine Spital, Keri Hawkins and setter Amy Baron. The Chargers also got lifts off the bench from Julie Campau, Kristi Szymanski and Eileen Lesage.

BELAIRE, who at 5 feet 7 inches plays an all-around game, served nine points to beat Wayne in the opening game of the championship, 15-5. Hawkins added four service points.

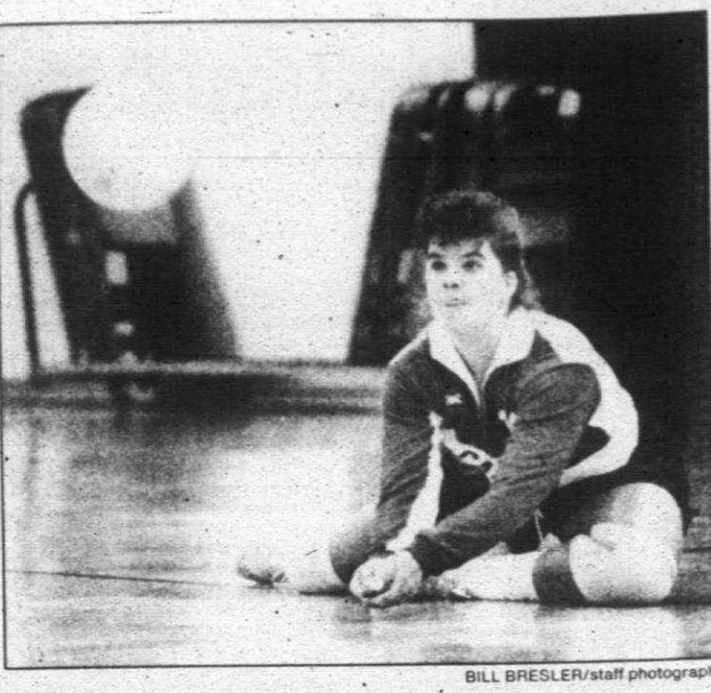
The Zebras, also out to prove they were for real, came storming back in the second game behind the hitting of Brandy Cainross, the 6-foot senior bound for Ferris State.

Playing with two pins in her right pinky resulting from a broken finger, Cainross was given clearance by her doctor to suit up for Saturday after missing the last couple of matches.

As behind the serving of Kathryn Corwin and Gerra Ruffing, along with defensive play Denise Walsh, Wayne was able to win the second game, 17-15.

With the score deflated to 15-15 and Churchill winning, Wayne junior Dana Walls made the play of the game, saving a ball well behind the back row and turning it into a point when ball grazing the net.

Vicki Rohoff then served the final two points to pull Wayne even in games at 1-1.



Renee Dory of Canton digs up an opposing spike in tournament play.

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# swimming rankings

The following listing is the sixth installment of the area's best swim times which will appear each Thursday. Plymouth Salem coach Chuck Olson completes the list each week. Schools in the Observational coverage area...

Table with columns for school names and swimmer names. Includes 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY, 200 FREESTYLE, 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY, 50 FREESTYLE, 100 BUTTERFLY, 100 BACKSTROKE, 100 BREASTSTROKE, 400 FREESTYLE RELAY, and 100 FREESTYLE.

# CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan on Thursday, February 21, 1991, at 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the first floor meeting room of the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

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# hockey standings

Table showing hockey standings for various leagues including Suburban High School Hockey League Standings and Top League Scorers.

# soccer

Table showing Great Lakes Men's Soccer League Indoor Standings and Top League Scorers.

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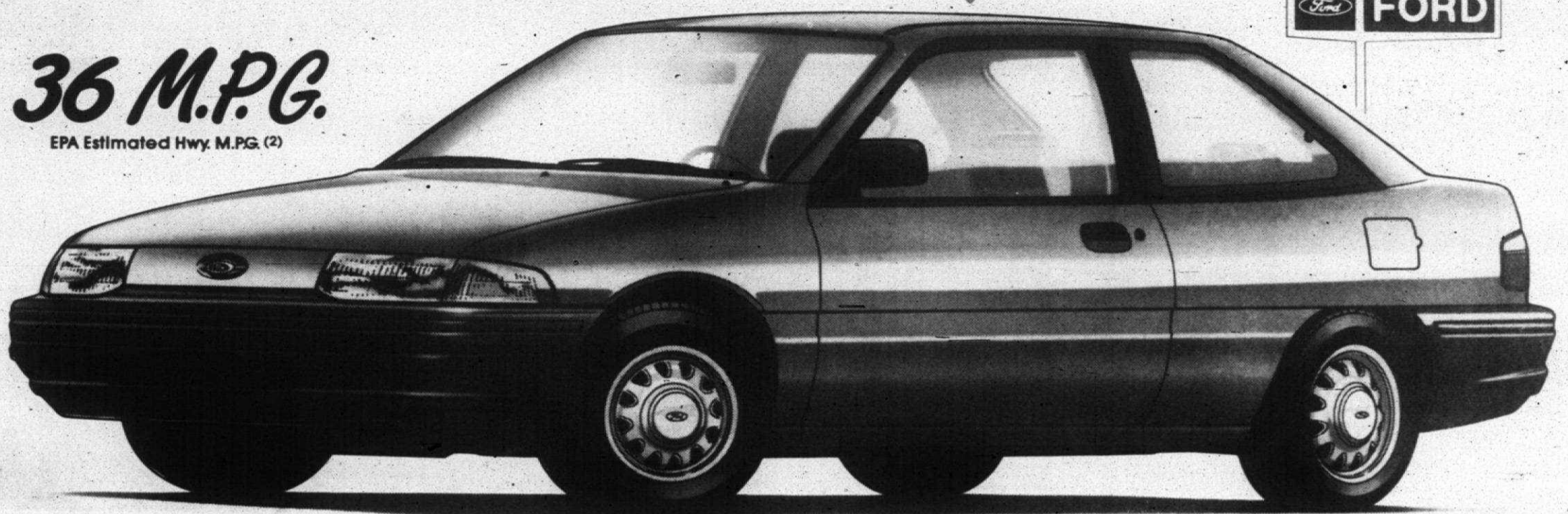
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## Renowned pianist to play with LSO

By Linda Ann Chomin special writer

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Raise up the red, white and blue along with your spirits Friday, Feb. 16, with an evening of "Mostly American" music performed by the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Francesco Di Blasi.

Guest artist will be internationally renowned concert pianist David Syme. The West Bloomfield resident will perform Sergei Rachmaninoff's

piano Concert No. 2 in C minor (op. 18, 1901).

"Rachmaninoff speaks directly to the heart," Syme said during a telephone interview while recording a new album in Arizona.

"Although usually considered a modern composer, Rachmaninoff is a throwback to the romantic period in music."

Concert time is 8 p.m. in the James P. Carli Auditorium, Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh in Livonia.

INITIALLY, SYME performed the second concerto by Rachmaninoff with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at age 18. Since then, he has

appeared an additional eight times with the DSO.

"That piece is extremely extroverted, very sensual, very emotional and passionate."

"Rachmaninoff communicates directly to the audience with the second concert. It is an emotional and passionate work. The audience can get very involved in it."

Syme, a graduate of the bachelor and master programs at the Juilliard School in New York City, completed his initial studies with Mischa Kottler.

HE SPENDS 100 days a year on the concert circuit.

Besides the United States, Syme

and his piano performances have entertained audiences in England, France, Italy, Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands, Spain, Scotland, Russia, Yugoslavia, Mexico and Canada.

His classical records total seven. On three of them, he performs with London's Royal Philharmonic.

HIS FIRST solo album, "Play it Again, Syme," was released Aug. 1, 1990, on Syme's label, JB Records.

Since then, radio shows from Dallas to Washington regularly include the musically diverse recording in their programming schedules.

From the "complete 'Rhapsody in Blue'" by George Gershwin to Bee-

thoven's "Für Elise," the album seeks to please a variety of music lovers.

"The album is a mixture of classical and popular. If I can play things accessible to more people, then I at least stand a chance of reaching them with the classical music."

Syme's second solo album, "Pumping Ivory," currently being recorded, mirrors the philosophy of "Play It Again, Syme." It is scheduled for release "in about two months."

Syme spends as much time on the radio talk shows as he does on the concert circuit, he said.

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Art fair goers call Arlene Schultz "The Sunglass Lady" for her decorative line of ceramic sunglasses, featuring painted cactus and palm trees.

## Potter's wheel fashions contemporary clayworks

By Janice Tigar-Kramer special writer

IT'S NOT unusual for potter Arlene Schultz to pick bits of dried clay from the kitchen phone before making a call. Between chauffeuring her two boys to hockey practice and running up and down basement stairs to work in her ceramics workshop, the Farmington Hills artist has little time to bother with the whereabouts of a little excess clay and plaster dust.

Schultz, who started doing ceramics just five years ago, often works a full seven- or eight-hour day at home, creating a contemporary and somewhat whimsical line of decorative and functional pottery.

Often called "The Sunglass Lady," Schultz is becoming well known among art fair goers for her unusual line of ornamental, pastel-colored sunglasses, which are decorated with palm trees and cactus.

Schultz also molds an affable and colorful snake with a pair of

*'I learned there's a big difference between being artistic and just throwing a pot.'*

— Arlene Schultz potter

black sunglasses resting on its erect head.

"The sunglasses and the snake are cute and just unusual enough to be popular. People always comment on them," Schultz said.

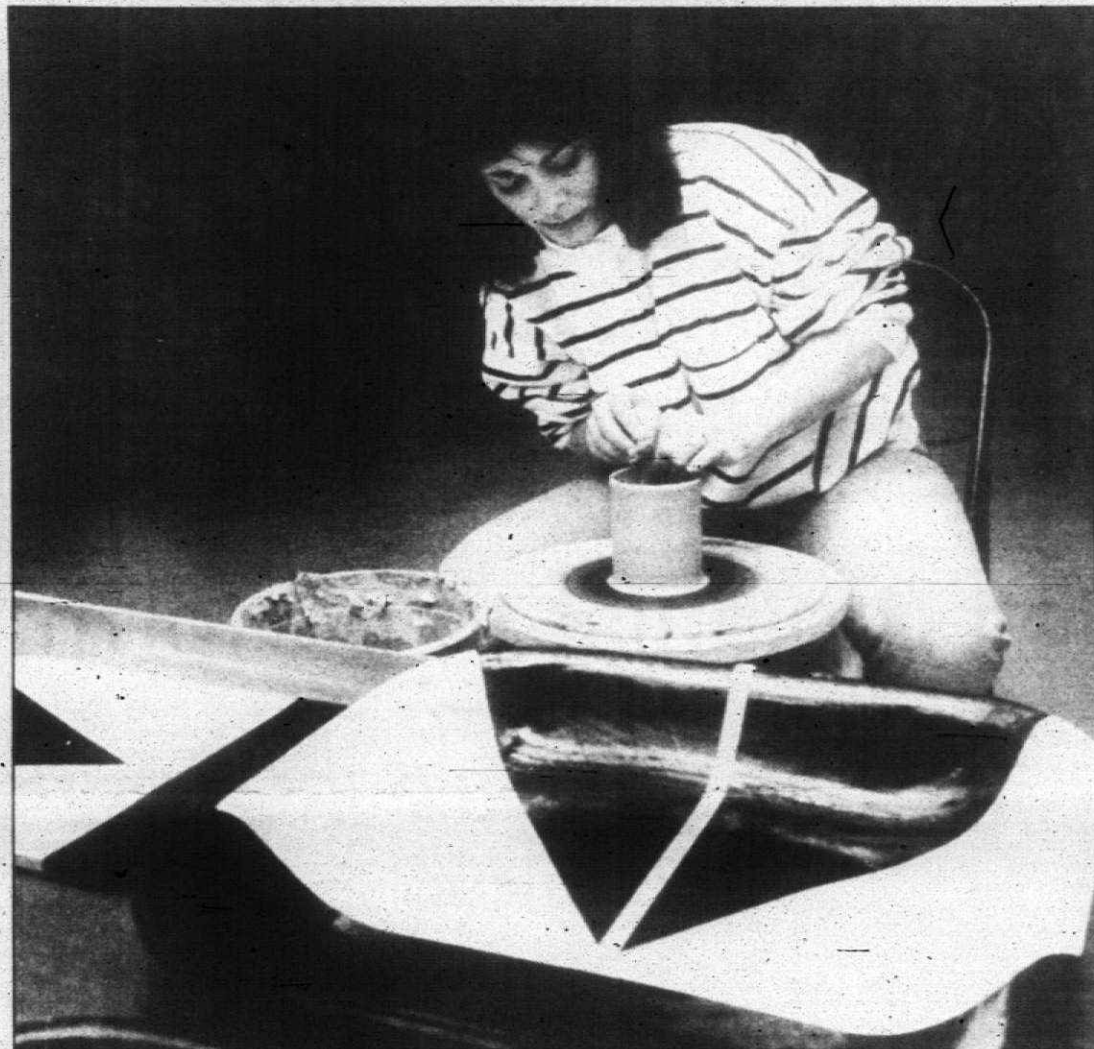
BESIDES THE fun, decorative items, the artist also makes a functional and attractive line of bowls, cheese trays, tea and toast sets and vases. Her colorful mugs and baskets, often used as desk accessories, feature a raised palm tree or cactus.

The tea and toast set, which includes a matching plate and mug, come in a black and white geometric design, rose and black

check, or a series of triangles, dots and slashes of black, rose and white. Each glazed piece also is finished on the bottom for greater durability. Schultz's work, sold by the name Contemporary Clayworks, is priced at \$15 to \$120.

The potter appears in about eight juried art shows throughout the area every year. She also sells her work to shops and galleries in Florida, California and Massachusetts and to Escapades in West Bloomfield and Route 10 Gallery in Farmington Hills.

Schultz, who also does acrylic painting and calligraphy, always has been adept with her hands. She signed up for a beginning ceramics



Arlene Schultz, who began doing ceramics five years ago, shapes the walls of a mug on a potter's wheel in her Farmington Hills home.

class at Oakland Community College's Royal Oak campus about four years ago simply because it looked like fun.

"A good friend of mine is a potter and it just looked like something I wanted to do," Schultz said. "Besides, it's one of the few things you can do where it's OK to be messy."

SCHULTZ QUICKLY learned that pottery making is harder than it looks.

To master her Wheel Throwing I class, the artist showed up at school every day until the walls of the cylinders she was required to produce were perfectly shaped. In fact, she finished all of the required work for the course in the first two weeks of school.

"I was determined to learn the technique. I never go into anything halfway," she said.

Schultz went on to take at least a dozen other ceramics classes and even repeated some to refine her wheel throwing technique or to work on special projects.

"I learned there's a big difference between being artistic and just throwing a pot," she said.

She participated in the college's Potters' Market, the annual show of students' work. And she remembers working leave the sale with her ceramics in hand.

"I was in the customer service booth when I noticed someone carrying out my work. What a thrill to have a sale," Schultz said.

ANOTHER THRILL came just last year when the potter was invited to sell her work at Ann Arbor's annual State Street Art Fair. There, Schultz met buyers from the East Coast who since have placed two and three orders from her line of about 20 pieces.

Though, admittedly, wholesaling is something new to Schultz, she had quickly learned to pack, ship, meet deadlines and invoice her customers.

"The artist next to me in Ann Arbor gave me a lot of advice and encouragement when I was approached by out of state buyers.

I thought, why not give it a try?" she said.

Hoping to expand her market, Schultz recently loaded her van with enough samples to show wholesale buyers at Beckman's Gift Show at Chicago's Merchandise Mart.

The artist's home workshop, with a potter's wheel, slab roller and kiln, includes everything she needs for a day's work. And since firing in the kiln takes up to seven hours, she has plenty of time to do paperwork, shipping or carpooling for 15-year-old David and 12-year-old Jeff. The boys and her husband, Jack, even help her set up at shows and stay at the weekend events to help out.

Schultz knows she has found a creative field with no limitations and she is grateful for her rapid success. But she believes everyone can find his or her niche.

"When I hear people say they envy artists, I always say, 'But I can't play the piano.' I think everybody has something to offer."

## Help find award-worthy artists; Blue House on track

NOTABLE NOTES from the creative calendar:

• Honored artistry — It's a distinctive award. But I'd still like to see more classical musicians nominated for the Farmington Area Arts Commission's Artist In Residence.

The award, carrying a cash prize and public display of the winner's work, is the Farmington area's top arts honor.

Past winners range from legendary photographer Joe Clark in 1976 to accomplished painter Lena Masara in 1990.

"I couldn't believe it could happen to me," says 1988 winner Gwen Tomkow, a nationally known watercolorist and vice chair of the Farmington Artists Club Foundation. "I'm

thrilled to death I won it. Three years later, people still call me Artist In Residence."

Adds Tomkow, who in 1977 shaped her skills under Edee Joppich, herself a former Artist In Residence: "When you achieve a consistency in your work, it gives you such a good feeling when other people perceive artistic value in it."

To nominate someone, call arts commissioner Debra Grant: 478-2566.

• Historic blueprint — The people of Livonia are a bit closer to giving the Alexander Blue House a new lease on life as a historic setting for parties and meetings.

Four years ago, the 141-year-old, Italianate-style house was moved from the American House Retirement Residence site on Middlebelt to



Bob Sklar

Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village, at Eight Mile and Newburgh.

Today, the former home of Alexander Blue — once a county auditor, township supervisor and justice of the peace — sports fresh paint and a graded lot.

Roof and chimney repairs, thanks to \$35,000 in funding from the city, continue. The Friends of Greenmead chipped in \$8,000 for the basement floor and furnace.

The Livonia Historical Society will cover the \$8,000 cost for architectural restoration drawings.

Society members hope to see the two-story, 11-room house used as a reception hall for nearby Newburgh Church at Greenmead. Period furnishings will reflect 1880s Livonia Township.

No timetable has been set for the \$250,000 phased restoration plan. So far, about \$100,000 has been raised, including major contributions from the city and Livonia's 16th District Court.

"A Michigan Equity Grant doesn't look like an option any longer, given the way state government is going," said Sue Daniel, who chairs the Blue House restoration committee.

One idea, she said, is to invite the Junior League of Detroit to host an

interior design showcase at the Blue House.

Furniture stores would each adopt a room and furnish it. The public then would be invited to tour the dressed-up house for a toul donation.

• Canton's roots — Today, it's the Canton Historical Society Museum.

But the little red-brick building is fondly remembered as a one-room rural schoolhouse. Canton Center School was built in 1884 by Hargreave Sittlington.

The building's arches and raised brickwork may have been modeled after the nearby Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, built in 1882.

"Both buildings are typical of rural schoolhouses of that period," reads a state historic marker outside the museum, on Canton Center Road,

south of Cherry Hill.

The schoolhouse ceased as a grammar school in 1954. In 1977, the Plymouth-Canton School District donated the building to the Canton Historical Society, which renovated it. It opened as a museum in 1982.

The adjacent Bart Berg Memorial Building displays large historical artifacts as cemetery stones, cornerstones and farm implements. The open-air structure went up in 1984.

The same year, the historical society dedicated a time capsule on the museum's front lawn.

In commemoration of Canton's 150th birthday, the time capsule "was dedicated to the future citizens of this community." It's not to be opened until 2034.

Bob Sklar is assistant managing editor for special projects.

# OCC to host 'A Musical Adventure'

**By Linda Ann Chomin**  
special writer

Spending an evening on "A Musical Adventure" with the Music of the Masters Friday, Feb. 22, when Musica Viva Concerts-Buick International Series 1990-91 presents the third program of five at the Smith Theater of Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

Show time is 8 p.m.

The program features the international concert violinist Hamao Fujiwara; pianist Katsurako Mikami; and flutist Ginka Gerova-Ortega.

Selections on the evening program include compositions from Bartok's "Rhapsody for Violin No. 1" and Brahms's "Sonata for Violin and Piano in D Minor."

"The performance is a very important part of my life," said Hamao Fujiwara during an interview from his Ann Arbor home.

FUJIWARA THRIVES on performing. His recital career has taken him to Western Europe, Japan, India and across the States from New York to Alaska, as recently as 10 days ago, he performed in Washington with the Theater Chamber

Players of Kennedy Center. "We played some Mozart in D minor," Fujiwara said. "I really had fun."

Fujiwara said he has been playing violin "almost 40 years."

Since fall 1988, Fujiwara has been a professor of violin at the University of Michigan School of Music in Ann Arbor. Before that time, he taught at the Juilliard School and the Manhattan School of Music.

A dedicated violin instructor, Fujiwara said he "commuted between New York City and Ann Arbor for one year" to fulfill teaching obligations.

FUJIWARA SAID that Bela Bartok is the only 20th century composer on the program.

Born in Hungary in 1881, Bartok fled his beloved country in 1940 at the urging of friends who feared for his safety because of his strong moral stances.

He protested the performances of his music on Berlin radio and took a stand against fascism whenever possible. On the eve of World War II, he came to the States and settled in New York City.

Bartok was positive what the



**Hamao Fujiwara** violinist  
**Katsurako Mikami** pianist  
**Ginka Gerova-Ortega** flutist

and the Juilliard School in New York City. Mikami records for Columbia and Musica Magna Records.

BULGARIAN FLUTIST Ginka Gerova-Ortega, from Bloomfield Hills, will perform along with Fujiwara and Mikami.

Gerova-Ortega debuted as a flutist at Carnegie Hall Concert in 1983. She is the artistic director of the "Musica Viva" concerts.

The 1990-91 series of "Musica Viva" concerts are sponsored by Buick, Oakland Community College, Michigan Duo for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts.

Tickets for "A Musical Adventure" are \$15 (students and seniors, \$10). Tickets include a free afterglow. Call 471-7700.

## Student musicians cited

Four area student musicians, including one from Livonia, are winners in the fourth annual Michigan Young Musicians Competition at the Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit.

Anthony Bonomici, Livonia, 15, pianist, and Tanya Eli, Okemos, 12, cellist, shared the first prize. Second prize winner was Alana Starr, Southfield, 13, pianist. Third went to Raymond Chi, Okemos, 16, cellist.

The competition for students in grades 7-12, was held Feb. 3. It was open to violinists, cellists and pianists. The prizes included \$2,000 in

cash and appearance in the Winners Concert at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 15. The concert is free and the public is invited.

The competition is sponsored by the Charles H. Gerstenson Music Fund at the Center. It is held to encourage young, talented musicians of varied cultural backgrounds from all over Michigan.

Annette Chajes is the competition coordinator. The judges were Nina Lechuk, professor of piano at University of Michigan; Flavio Varani, piano professor at Oakland University; and Nina deVertich, cellist.

## Noted pianist to perform

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WCAR-AM to attract afternoon drive-time audiences in the Detroit area.

A HIGHLIGHT of the "Mostly American" evening is "Grand Canyon Suite" by Ferde Grofe.

It includes a treat for the eyes as well as the ear, with an accompanying slide show of one of the natural wonders of the world.

An interesting aside: Grofe was jazz musician Paul Whiteman's arranger.

Grofe produced the orchestral arrangement for the first performance in 1924 of the Whiteman-commissioned "Rhapsody in Blue," written by George Gershwin.

Other selections for the program are American composer Samuel Barber's "Essay No. 2 for Orchestra," and favorite musical selections of Victor Herbert.

A TRULY heartfelt selection on the "Mostly American" program is Leonard Bernstein's "Overture to

## African-American composers forum set

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall's Unisys African-American Composers Forum and Classical Roots subscription concerts, honoring African-American composers, will be Feb. 16-23 at Orchestra Hall, Detroit.

Events in the Composers Forum include a rehearsal/reading session in which the works of the six composers selected for this year's forum will be read by the symphony. The session will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Orchestra Hall.

Immediately following this session, one of the works will be selected to be performed with the orchestra's Classical Roots subscription concerts later that week.

A symposium with the panelists and composers will be at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20 in Room 101 of the Schaver Music Department, Wayne State University.

DSO associate conductor Leslie B. Dunner will lead the orchestra in the Classical Roots subscription concerts at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, and 8:30 p.m. Feb. 23. The program will

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# MOT slates Dance Days in Livonia

Michigan Opera Theatre will host Dance Days on Saturday in Livonia to highlight the March presentation of Cleveland San Jose Ballet's "Coppelia" in Detroit.

The free pre-performance event will be noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, in the Grand Court at Laurel Park Place, Newburgh and Six Mile.

Storytellers will regale young audiences with the amusing tale of the doll Coppelia and her creator, the eccentric toymaker Dr. Coppelius.

Face painters will transform children into the dolls of the world that populate the toymaker's workshop.

Murie's Doll House in Plymouth will create a doll display. Children

will have the chance to win a doll.

Selections from the classical ballet will be performed by Dearborn Ballet Theatre.

Everyone will have a chance to enter a drawing for free tickets to the performances of "Coppelia" at Detroit's Masonic Temple.

MOT will present the family-oriented ballet in four performances at the Masonic Temple: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 8-9, and 2 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 10.

THE FAIRY tale tells the story of the irascible toymaker Dr. Coppelius and his life-like mechanical creation Coppelia in a small European village. It blends comedy, color and magical surprises.

When the peasant boy Franz becomes infatuated with Coppelia, the toymaker's favorite doll, his jealous and mischievous fiancée Swanilda pretends to be Coppelia and wins him back.

Cleveland San Jose artistic director and Detroit native Dennis Nahat created the lively, original choreography for his "Coppelia," incorporating the flavor of many European customs and traditions. Costumes and sets reflect the charm of traditional Europe.

MOT will host a free pre-performance party 12:30-1:45 p.m. March 10.

A student/senior matinee is scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, March 7. All seats are \$7.50 and available for groups of 10 or more. Call Kathleen Bordo-Crombie, group sales manager, 874-7878.

Target Stores has provided \$5,000 to allow underprivileged children and their families to the matinee at 2 p.m. March 10. Call Sandi Macdonald, MOT marketing director, 874-7850.

MOT will host the third in its series of pre-performance luncheon lectures at noon Sunday, March 10, in the Crystal Ballroom before the 2 p.m. curtain of "Coppelia." A member of Cleveland San Jose Ballet's artistic staff will speak.

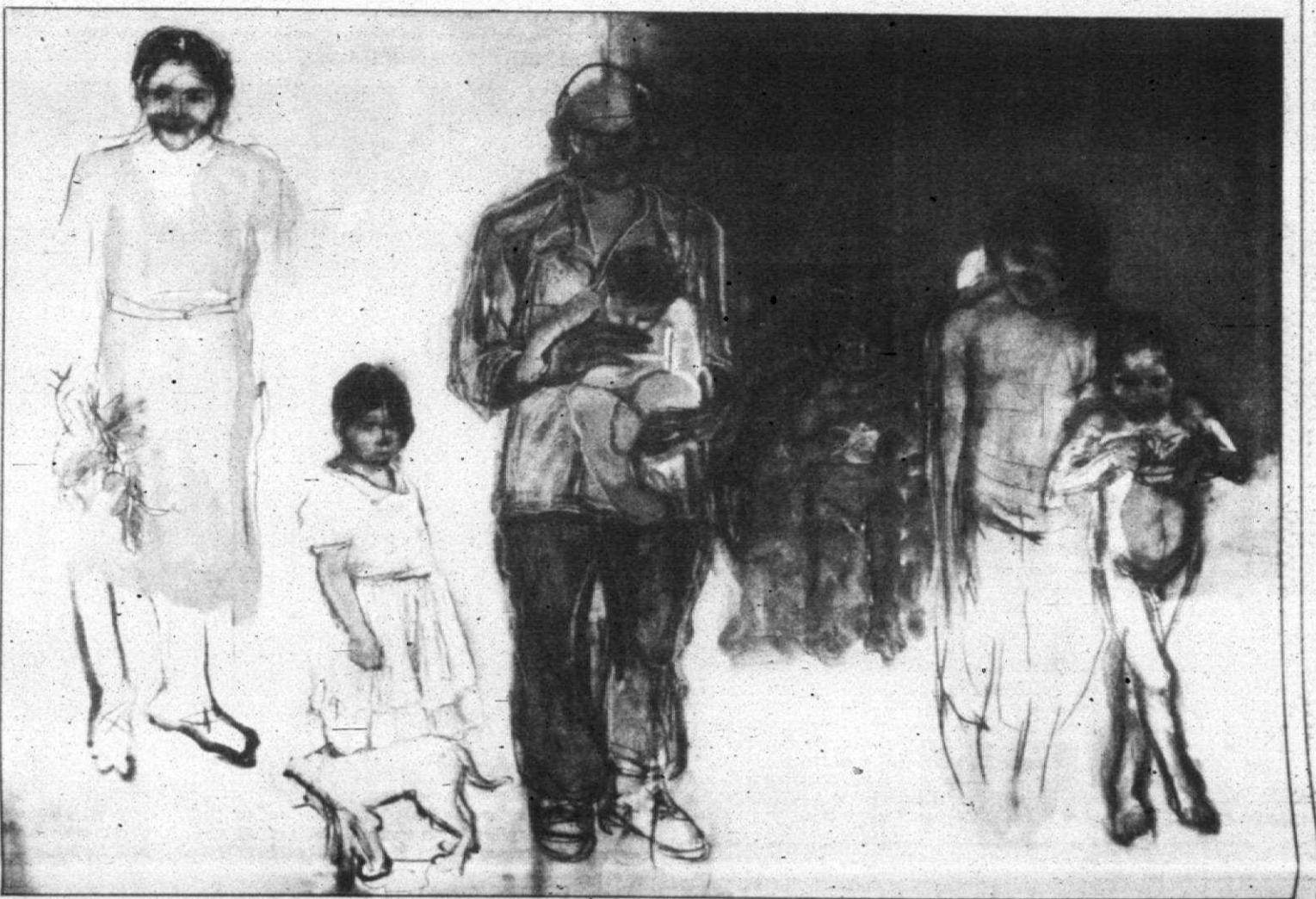
Cost is \$20 per person. Call the MOT lecture line: 874-7835.

ALL DETROIT performances of "Coppelia" are dedicated to the memory of flight attendant Heidi Marlene Joost, a victim of the December airline accident at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

The Dearborn resident was a lifelong student of dance and had studied at the Ricardeau Studio, which provided training for Nahat.

Her parents, Cleveland residents, have established a scholarship in her name for students at the School of Cleveland Ballet.

## Artist's theme: 'In the Spirit of Protest'



"In the Spirit of Protest," an exhibition of paintings by Henrietta Mantooth, continues at Meadow Brook Art Gallery on the Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills, through March 17. Her paintings and drawings show the influence of this artist/journalist's more than two decades of living and traveling in Venezuela and Brazil. This award-winning artist depicts life as she sees it with a sympathetic view toward the oppressed. Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday; 2-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday; and 7-8:30 p.m. when there is a Meadow Brook Theatre performance.

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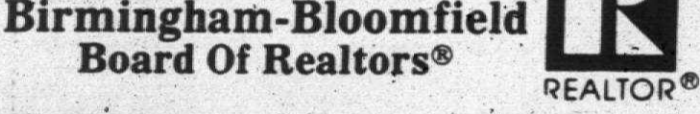
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Soprano Janet Williams performs on Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall's Michigan Artists Recital Series at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17 at Orchestra Hall. Assisting will be pianist Stanley Waldon and harpist Patricia Terry-Ross. The program includes works by Handel, Schubert, Ravel, Schoenberg, Stravinsky and spirituals.

For tickets, call: 833-3700.

### DANCE TROUPE

ISO & The Bobs, a dance troupe and vocal quartet, will perform at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17, at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor.

ISO is a modern dance troupe in the Pilobolus/Momix tradition. It blurs the line between modern dance, acrobatic spectacle and vaudeville.

The Bobs is a San Francisco-based vocal quartet that draws on doo-wop, scat singing, performance art and rock.

The show will alternate dance, vocal sets and the combined efforts of both ensembles.

For tickets, call 668-8397.

### HOLLYWOOD COSTUMES

Costumes, such as the one worn by Marlene Dietrich in "The Devil is a Woman" in 1935, are the subject of Sandy Schreier's program at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17 at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

In this free program, "The Costuming of Hollywood," Schreier will tell why costumes became the major asset of the silver screen and how these designs influenced our lifestyle and the clothes we wore.

Schreier, a Southfield resident, gives many programs on this topic nationwide. Dietrich's photographer was William Walling Jr.

### DSO OVERTURES

The next musical chat hosted by Overtures, a group of young professionals dedicated to generating more interest in the Detroit Symphony Orchestra among young people, will be 7-9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18 at Kyla's in Royal Oak.

Guest speaker will be Mark Volpe, new DSO executive director. His talk on the DSO's future will follow an hour of appetizer creations by Kyla's chef Brian Gallagher.

Ticket price for the chat and appetizers is \$15. Call the DSO box office: 833-3700.

### ARCHITECTURE LECTURES

A series of monthly lectures on Detroit-area architecture, given by noted architecture and history professionals, will begin Sunday, Feb. 17, at the Scarab Club in the New Center area in Detroit.

The first lecture will be "From Peacocks to Sunflowers: the Queen Anne Aesthetic Style." It will be given by Dorothy Kostuch, associate professor of art history at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit.

Registration for each program begins at 3 p.m., with lectures starting at 3:15.

Sponsored by Preservation Wayne, the Scarab Club and the Center for Creative Studies, the series will cover both residential and commercial structures and interior and exterior ornamentation, with local noteworthy examples.

Cost for each lecture is \$5 for members of Pres-

ervation Wayne, Scarab Club and the Detroit Area Art Deco Society and for students and faculty of the Center for Creative Studies. General admission is \$7.

Call 577-3559.

### YOUTH SYMPHONY

The Metropolitan Youth Symphony, consisting of 250 young people in three orchestras led by prominent music educators, will present its winter concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit.

The hardworking musicians, ranging from fifth through 12th grades, come from 50 communities.

The string orchestra will be conducted by Jacqueline Coleman, Detroit Country Day School middle school music program department head and director.

Her group will perform selections from Hopak by Moussorgsky/Alshin, Hungarian Dance No. 5 by Brahms/Isaac, Send in the Clowns from A Little Night Music by Sondheim/Forsblad and Allegro in C Major from Quartet No. 4 by Mozart/Isaac.

Richard Plippo, concert orchestra conductor, is a cellist and teacher/conductor at Wayne State University. His musicians will play Symphony No. 8 in G Major, opus 88 by Dvorak from the original score.

Alan McNair is concertmaster and assistant conductor of the Rochester Symphony and orchestra director at Troy High. His symphony orchestra, selected as this year's Orchestra of the Year for the Michigan Youth Arts Festival, will play Symphony No. 5 in E minor by Tchaikovsky.

For tickets, call 644-8105.

This volunteer youth symphony raises money for facilities rental and other expenses.

### SILENT AUCTION

The Detroit Area Art Deco Society, a Michigan nonprofit group, in cooperation with Detroit's Historic Scarab Club, will host its first silent auction at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 25, at the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth.

Tickets are available in advance at Duke Gallery, Birmingham, and Deco Doug's, Royal Oak, or at the door. Vintage attire is encouraged. There will be a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres.

The auction will feature an array of art deco objects, collectibles and gift certificates ranging in value from \$25 to \$500.

"The art deco society uses these funds to promote and preserve the buildings and art of the early 20th century," said committee chair Tom Rusinow.

"Detroit was one of the truly great cities of the world in the 1920s and '30s and preserving and educating people of its beauty is a big job. We use this once-a-year event to help cover the equipment and expenses that we incur in all of the programs that we sponsor throughout the year."

### MISSION FURNITURE

Bruce Szpoc of Birmingham will discuss the origin, concepts and people involved in "Mission Furniture: The Arts and Crafts Movement in America," 7-10 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, at Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. Call 271-1620 to register.

Discussion will focus on young Frank Lloyd Wright, William Morris and Gustav Stickley. Through slides and examples, special attention will be given to identifying makers, understanding the market and finding pieces of your own.

### CRAFT SHOW

Five Observerland residents will take part in the Craft Gallery, Spring Show Sunday, March 3, at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill, between Merriman and Venoy.

• Livonia — Rose Stebbins, country dried flo-

wers, Victorian silk floral arrangements.

• Westland — Marci Zyck, children's clothing; Jeanne Schmidt, soft sculpture.

• Garden City — Barbara Gentile, clay miniatures.

• Plymouth — Val Davis, Debbie Jorday, country painted wood and cloth dolls.

Sixty displays will feature country folk art, Victorian crafts and early Americana.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2; children younger than 12, free. Lunches and re-

freshments will be available. No strollers are allowed.

### STUDENT EXHIBIT

Visual arts students at the Creative and Performing Arts in Livonia will display their paintings, drawings and prints March 14-23 on the second floor of Jacobson's at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. Store hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday and 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday. Call 523-8841.



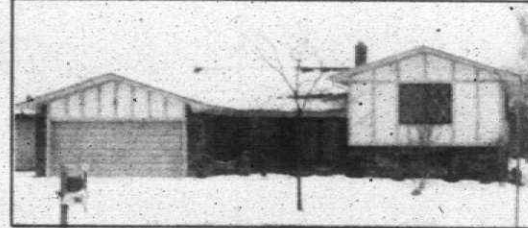
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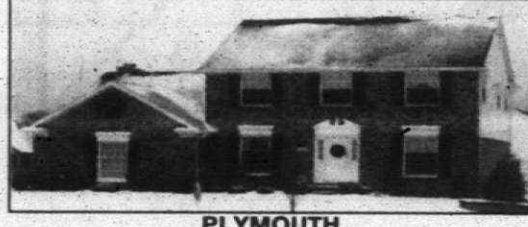
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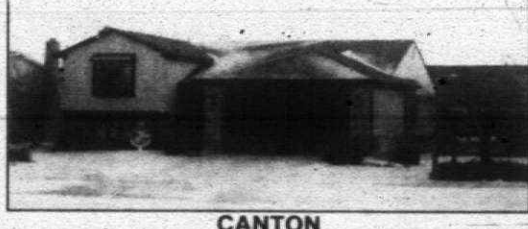
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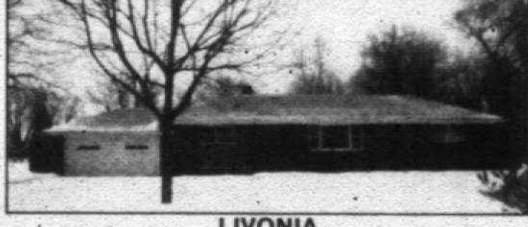
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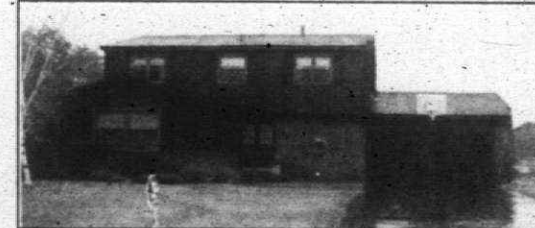
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# Garden plans

## It's time to plant seeds indoors

Time to plan and dream about our gardens for the coming season.

I like the poem by Rebecca McCann: "I do not guide my life with firm and brain restricted hand. And now and then in my wonderings, I reach the shoes of Fairyland."

Perhaps if we let a bit of imagination and magic come into our garden, it will grow into a Fairyland!

Planning a new garden? A good way to begin is to assess the area and consider the views from the windows of your home, the background and other things such as fences, trees and other buildings that will frame the garden.

LOOK AT the lay of the land. Does it slope? It is perfectly flat? What is already there? Buildings, trees, sidewalks, faucets, utility poles and lines? Is the spot readily accessible from your door? When will you be working in it, morning or evening? How much sun does the space receive?

Although vegetables and flowering plants require six to eight hours of sun a day, many others prefer partial sun. Some tolerate shade or need a shady spot. Soil requirements differ for plants, too.

A good book from your library will give you this information. A little homework done in these winter months will save a possible disappointment when the garden is being established.

ONE WAY to check the position of the sun is to make a drawing. At different times of the day (and year), indicate on the drawing the sunny and shady areas.

After you have selected your site, decide if you want the garden to be formal or informal. Since this will have some bearing on the type of material you will use for paths, placing of the plants (and selection) and garden accents.

As soon as you can dig in the ground this spring, have the pH level tested. Certain plants prefer acidic soils, while others need an alkaline one. Your county extension center will give you directions and provide you with a container for the soil, then for a small fee will analyze it.

After you have removed the grass from the proposed site, outline the area with a garden hose or clothesline.

TO CHECK the texture of the soil, take a handful and squeeze. If it feels gritty and falls apart, it



down to earth  
**Marty Figley**

is sandy. If it is dry and powdery when dry and sticky and muddy when wet, it is clay.

Peat, sand and/or compost can be added to improve the texture. Also, fertilizers (follow manufacturer's directions) can be added. Wait several days before planting if you use a fertilizer.

Dig the soil at least one spade deep. Break up the chunks with a hoe, then rake the surface smooth.

Many plants can be started from seed, and this is the month to plant them indoors. Established plants can be bought either from local nurseries or mail-order catalogs.

Some seeds can be sown directly into the ground when it is time. Sowing and planting instructions are included on the packages and containers.

A FLOWER gardening conference Saturday, Feb. 23, promises to be of help. The garden and landscape design firm Perennial Favorites of Waterford has organized "Planning Now for Flowers Later."

Topics and speakers are: "Groundwork," David Michener, Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Marge Alpern, gardener, writer; "Designing the Garden," Elsa Bakalar, the Hilltop Gardener; "Selecting Plants," Steven Still, author, "Herbaceous Ornamental Plants" and "Productive Puttering," Marge Thele, gardener, Ray Wiegand's Nursery.

Nine area garden centers and designers are presenting the program and will be exhibiting. It will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Days Hotel in Southfield.

The \$75 fee includes lunch and refreshments. To register, call 681-7850, or send check or money order to: Perennial Favorites, 120 Lorberta, Waterford 48328, by Feb. 12.

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**624-9445**  
 Open Monday - Friday, 10-6 Weekends, 11-5  
 EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

**Be Up To Your Neck In Something Besides Snow This Winter...**  
 Like the warm waters of our indoor heated pool! We're the only apartment community in Westland to have one, plus these exciting features:  
 • Private Health Club & Tennis Courts  
 • 1 & 2 Bedroom High-Rise Apartments With Exceptional Balcony Views  
 • Vertical Mini-Blinds  
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**INDOOR BLINDS**  
**721-2500**  
 Models Open Daily.  
**WESTLAND TOWERS**  
 Located On Black West of Warren Road, Between Ford and Warren Road, (Corner of I-275 & I-96)  
 Rent \$100 Security

**Quiet Distinction IN THE MIDST OF PLYMOUTH**  
 Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. A community setting near downtown Plymouth. Heat included. Full appliances.  
 Quiet intimate setting. Large 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Close to central Plymouth. Separate entrances, pool and other amenities.  
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 RENT SPECIAL SAVE OVER \$1000!  
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 PLYMOUTH MANOR APARTMENTS 455-3880  
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**AFFORDABLE HAMPTON COURT APARTMENTS**  
 "The Place To Live" in Westland  
 Spacious 1 & 2 Bedrooms  
 Balconies - Carports  
 Swimming Pool & Park Areas  
 Storage in Your Apartment  
**FROM \$395**  
**729-4020**  
 Ford Rd. 1 blk. E. of Wayne  
 Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 pm,  
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 Evening Apartments Available

**Country Living ...at its Best!**  
 Starting at \$605  
 • Spacious 1 & 2 Bedroom Units  
 • Private Entrance  
 • Washer/Dryer  
 • Hook-ups  
 • Lighted Tennis Courts  
 • Jacuzzi, Clubhouse  
 • Patio or Balcony  
 • European-Style Cabinetry  
 • Appliances Package  
 • Swimming Pool  
 • Sprinkler System  
 • Stove & Refrigerator  
 • Dishwasher  
 • Carpet  
 • Newly Installed Windows  
 • Sprinkler System  
 • FROM \$450  
 75 and 14 Mile  
 Next to Old Algonquin  
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 Washers & Dryers (in certain apartments)  
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 1991 Special (Limited Time)  
**\$75 OFF\***  
 2 Bedroom Apartment  
 Was \$540 NOW \$465\*  
 Bright, Airy, Extra-large Rooms  
 Heat & Vertical Blinds Included  
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 FURNISHED ON DISPLAY  
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**Now Leasing Phase III Lakefront Units**  
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 No Security Deposit Starting at \$610  
**Park Place OF NORTHVILLE**  
 LAVISH 1 and 2 BEDROOM APARTMENT HOMES  
 • 16 Contemporary floor plans  
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 • Cathedral ceilings  
 • Individual washer and dryer  
 • Microwave ovens  
 • In unit storage  
 • Private covered parking  
 • Fully equipped clubhouse work-out room  
 • Aerobic classes  
 • Walking/jogging trail  
 • Saunas & jacuzzi  
 • Pool with lap markers  
 • Tennis courts  
 • Volleyball pit  
 Directly accessible to I-275, I-96, M-14  
 EXPERIENCE THE ELEGANCE OF...  
 An exquisitely panoramic 108 acre community perched on the shores of Lake Success, nestled into scenic timbered views. Park Place of Northville establishes a tradition of unsurpassed excellence in apartment home living.  
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**IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY**

**Stone Ridge**  
 New "on the Water"!  
 1 and 2 Bedroom Apartments from \$375  
 "Less than 5 minutes from Novi & Farmington Hills"  
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 • Cable TV Available  
 • Dishwasher  
 • Pool  
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 • Variety of Floor Plans Available  
 • Air Conditioning  
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 It's everything you ever dreamed.  
 Beautiful 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom plus den, and 2 bedroom apartments.  
 • Self-cleaning oven, frost free refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, pool  
 Heat included  
 Come Visit Us Today!  
 On Merriman Road (Orchard Lake Road) 1 Block South of 8 Mile Road  
**Merriman Park APARTMENTS**  
 Open Daily 10-6 p.m. Sunday Noon 5-7p.  
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 '99 SECURITY DEPOSIT  
 On Haggerty Rd. Between 13 & 14 Mile  
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**FRANKLIN SQUARE APARTMENTS**  
 UNBELIEVABLE!  
 A quaint & quiet apartment community in Livonia, close to great shopping, restaurants, I-96 access & Metro Airport.  
**Reduced Security Deposit!**  
 Attractive 1 and 2 Bedroom Apartments from \$505 \$430\*  
 HEAT AND VERTICAL BLINDS INCLUDED  
 Located on 5 Mile Rd. Just East of Middlebelt in Livonia.  
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 IS LUXURY WHAT YOU SEEK?  
 Then luxury is what you get. Oversized rooms and balconies, deluxe kitchens, walk-in closets, 2 bedroom has double bath. Close to shopping and expressway.  
 1 Bedroom \$535 2 Bedroom \$595  
 950 Sq. Ft. 1050 Sq. Ft.  
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FARMINGTON HILLS
CALL FOR VALENTINE SPECIAL
New England charm - new 1500 sq. ft. 2 & 3 bedroom townhouses...

400 Apts. For Rent
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Apartments
1 & 2 Bedrooms
Over 1,000 sq. ft. of comfortable sound conditioned living...

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Parkview
Lovely 1 bedroom apartments, starting at \$360. Gas & water included...

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VALENTINE SPECIAL
NO SECURITY DEPOSIT
FROM \$395

400 Apts. For Rent
ROCHESTER
ROCHESTER SQUARE
From \$455
FREE HEAT
MINI BLINDS
MICROWAVES

400 Apts. For Rent
SHELBY TOWNSHIP: 1 & 2 bedrooms
Quiet, clean, newly decorated. Security entrance. Senior citizen discount...

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SOUTHFIELD
Spacious 1 & 2 Bedroom
Apartments
From \$575
Heat Included

400 Apts. For Rent
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Full Size
Washers & Dryers
In Your Apartment

400 Apts. For Rent
Bayberry Place
In the HEART of it All
Conveniently near:
restaurants
shops
theaters

LIVONIA'S FINEST LOCATION
Merriman corner 7 Mile
Limited time offer: 1 month
free rent with 1 year lease...

DELUXE
2 bedroom, 2 bath
\$620
All appliances
Vertical blinds
Pool
Nearby shopping

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when you move in during February
Plymouth Square
Apartments
1 BEDROOM APT
\$455 PLUS UTILITIES

Redford Manor
Southfield
Dearborn Heights/Livonia Area
Deluxe 2 bedroom apartment...

ROYAL OAK
Large 1 bedroom, with basement,
\$450 includes heat. No pets...

FROM \$540
Large 1 & 2 Bedroom
Walk-in closets
Free Heat
Covered Parking

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ONE BEDROOM \$450
FREE HEAT
Walk-in closet
Intrusion Alarm

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1 and 2 bedroom apts.
from \$565
Bayberry Place Apts.
Axtell Road
(1 block E. of Coolidge,
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We offer you the best value
in the area.
Super location
Near 96-296-275

Absolutely
The Best
Apartment in Plymouth comes see
why, hurry! They won't last long

PLYMOUTH
LIVE ON THE PARK
Starting from... \$435
Heat & water included. Senior
Discount. Central air, pool, security...

ROYAL OAK
Luxury 1 & 2 bedroom w/
private entrance. All appliances +
microwave, washer/dryer, 1 month...

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FREE
APARTMENT
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Save Money!
Save Time
Open 7 Days

WEATHERSTONE
TOWNHOUSES
\$350-1296
1 & 2 Bedrooms
Lovely Residential Area

ONLY MINUTES
FROM WHERE
YOU WORK
Ann Arbor
Brighton
Farmington Hills

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SOMERSET AREA
Spacious decorated 1 and 2 bed
room apartments & studios...

VALENTINES SPECIAL
\$100 Security Special
23 spacious floor plans
Heat included

LOOK AT THIS
Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom
apartments and unreal 2
bedroom townhouses...

PLYMOUTH HILLS
Apartments
746 S. Mill St.
Modern 1 and 2 Bedroom
WASHER-DRYER
IN EACH APT.

PLYMOUTH
Mayflower Hotel; \$450
month. Daily room service. 24 hour
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Luxury 1 & 2 bedroom w/
private entrance. All appliances +
microwave, washer/dryer, 1 month...

DELUXE
1 & 2 BEDROOM APTS.
Private entrance for each unit, carport
included, washer, dryer each
apt. Walk-in closets, storage room...

11 Mile & Lahser
PARKCREST
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Please Call for Our Brochure

362-1223
STERLING HEIGHTS, 14 Mile, E. of
Van Dyke, 1000 sq. ft., 2 bedroom,
carpeting, no pets. No cleaning...

FREE
RENT
(1 mo. free rent on selected
units based on a 13 mo. lease)

VILLAGE
GREEN
OF CANTON
\$50 Security
Deposit
Gorgeous, Brand
New 2 Bedroom
Apartments

NOVI RIDGE
On 10 Mile between Novi Rd. &
Meadowbrook.
349-8200
Old Redford Area
Deluxe one bedroom, air, carpet,
private parking. 531-2895

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FREE
APARTMENT
INFO!
Save Money!
Save Time
Open 7 Days

REDFORD AREA
Telegraph-5 Mile. 1 & 2 bedroom,
clean, decorated, quiet, carpet, air
conditioner, blinds, heat included...

ROYAL OAK
Ambassador East 1 bk. South of
13 Mile on Greenfield Rd. Lovely 2
bedroom apartments. New carpeting...

THE MT. VERNON
TOWNS
2 & 3 BEDROOM
TOWNHOUSES
From \$795 - HEAT INCLUDED

12 MILE &
TELEGRAPH
ASK ABOUT
OUR SPECIALS

362-3000
Easy Access to I-75 & Big Beaver
Offices
Fireplaces & Oak Floors
Covered Parking
Pet? Ask!
Heat Included!

SUNNYMEDE
APTS.
561 KIRTS.
(11 blk. S. of Big Beaver,
between Livernois & Crooks)

981-1050
WALLED LAKE: Beautiful, lakefront
view, 1 bedroom, heat/water
included, carport, laundry new carpet
teach. No pets. Eves. 261-2282

499 VALENTINES
ROSES ARE RED OR YELLA
Greg you're my kate. I swear to God
G.M.

499 VALENTINES
BEVERLY
I love you, I love you, I love you
BUSCHA & GZIA
We Love You!

499 VALENTINES
DOUG
Happy Valentine's Day
Love, Kathleen

499 VALENTINES
Grandpa Ray
Roses are red.
Violets are blue.
Who is the best grandpa?

499 VALENTINES
Jody
Today and Forever You'll always be
my Valentine! I Love You Bonnie

499 VALENTINES
KRISTEN
Each moment I'm with you
creates a special warmth that fills
me up inside. It's so wonderful...

499 VALENTINES
MOM
I just want you to know that
I'm very happy to be home. Have a
wonderful Valentine's Day...

499 VALENTINES
TERESA
I can hardly express
My mixed emotions and
My thoughtfulness...

499 VALENTINES
Tiffany
Sugar & Spice &
everything nice. That is what my little
peaches is. Happy Valentines Day!

499 VALENTINES
ADAM W
HEY VANILLA!
Yo, to the Son, Happy Valentines Day!

499 VALENTINES
CLEM
Roses are red - Oscar
is blue. I need you now, miss you
lots, lol. Clemantha

499 VALENTINES
GARY & SANDY
Now and forever
Until the end time
You'll always be my Valentine

499 VALENTINES
HERE'S TO THE Ladies Of Classified
of the job you do you can take great
Pride. I'm a nice girl you couldn't
find, you're one in a million-one of
a kind. I want to thank each one of
you. You're a wonderful bunch &
a wonderful crew. Love, Jack

499 VALENTINES
JOHN
I Love You
Your Chicken Gumbo

499 VALENTINES
LINDA TARAH & AARON, TOO
This Valentine is just for you.
It brings you my love, hugs & kisses.
May you receive all of your wishes...

499 VALENTINES
MARK, A VERY SPECIAL
person, love you with all my heart
& soul. Love Lisa

499 VALENTINES
RON TAIT
Happy Valentine's Birthday
Love, Dean

499 VALENTINES
RON (#43)
You are the best Husband and
Father in the entire world We love
you VERY Much Love, Karen,
Michael and Katelyn

499 VALENTINES
AMY JO CARI
WE LOVE YOU
MIMI & PAPA

499 VALENTINES
DEAREST STELLA
Your earth angel
values and charm have captured my
heart. Please be my Valentine
always. Love, Vern

499 VALENTINES
HOLIDAY
How much does a ton weigh?
It's only love. Love, Saad

499 VALENTINES
JIM (Daddy to be)
Your my angel!
Love, Babble

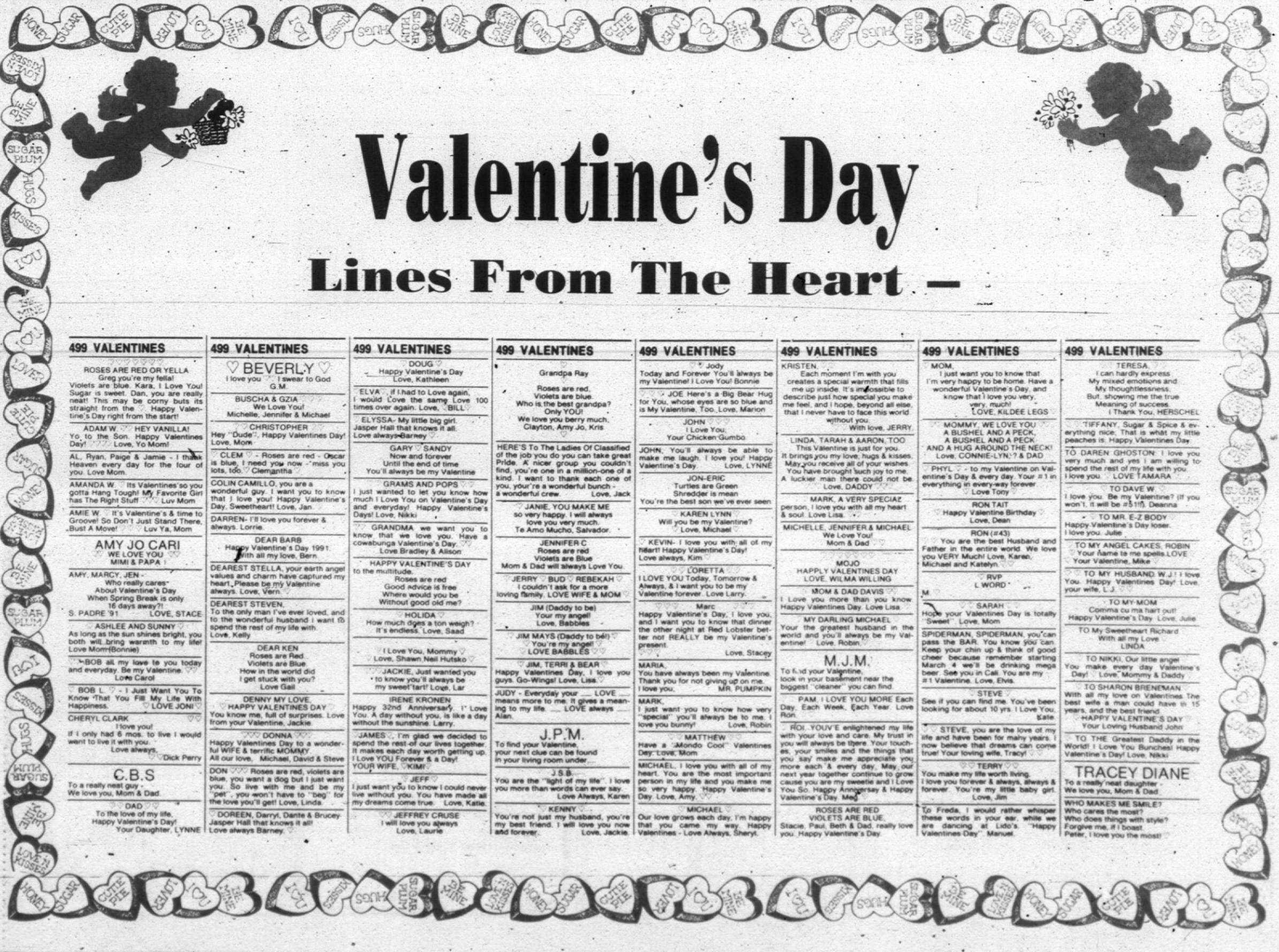
499 VALENTINES
JIM TERRI & BEAR
Happy Valentines Day. I love you
guys. Go-Wings! Love, Lisa

499 VALENTINES
MOM & DAD
I Love you more than you know
Happy Valentines Day. Love Lisa

499 VALENTINES
MY DARLING MICHAEL
You're the greatest husband in
the world and you'll always be my
valentine! Love, Robin

499 VALENTINES
PAM, I LOVE YOU MORE
Each Day, Each Week, Each Year
Love, Robin

499 VALENTINES
ROSES ARE RED
VIOLETS ARE BLUE.
Stacie, Paul Beth & Dad really love
you. Happy Valentines Day



# Valentine's Day Lines From The Heart

# APARTMENTS

**400 Apts. For Rent**  
SOUTHFIELD/13 MILE  
Great location, huge two bedroom apartment. Short term lease available. Call for Two Bedroom Special. 642-2500.

WALLED LAKE AREA  
Hawk Lake Apts. 1 & 2 bedrooms. Lake Privileges, Fishing, Balconies, Central Air, Rec. Room, Exercise Room, Sauna, Tennis Court, Free Storage, Cable TV. 624-5999

WALLED LAKE  
WALNUT RIDGE APTS.  
1 MONTH FREE RENT  
\$200 SECURITY DEPOSIT  
(With approved credit)  
Large 1 & 2 bedrooms  
Includes heat & water  
Near Twelve Oaks Mall  
Sr. Discount.  
669-1960

WARREN  
Hoover Rds. between 11 & 12 Mile  
1 & 2 Bedroom Apts.  
From \$480

REGENCY PARK APARTMENTS  
Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm Sat. 10am-2pm  
573-0180

**400 Apts. For Rent**  
WESTLAND - CAPRI APARTMENTS  
1 bedroom starting at \$420. Heat & water included. Special: \$200 security deposit. 261-5410

WESTLAND - Clean, spacious 2 bedroom. Redecorated kitchen. Private parking entrance. \$420 per month including utilities. 595-0603

WESTLAND/Novakane 2 bedroom. \$375 + 1 month security. ADC welcome. Available immediately. 2112 Emerson. 855-7736

WESTLAND (Venoy-Palmer) Cozy 1 bedroom apartment, stove, refrigerator, carpet. Immediate occupancy. \$350 mo. Low security. 274-6202

HAMPTON COURT APARTMENTS  
1 & 2 Bedroom APTS.  
Starting at \$415  
(1 bedroom apts. 760-940 sq. ft., 2 bedroom apts. over 1000 sq. ft. plus large walk-in storage room)  
Balconies - Carpets

SR. CITIZEN SPECIAL  
Limited time, new residents only. 2 year lease available, discount on rent. Call for details.

Beautifully landscaped with picnic grounds and pool.  
Conveniently located off Ford Rd., 1 block East of Wayne.  
Mon. - Fri. 9-5pm Sat. 9-5pm  
9am-5pm noon-5pm  
729-4020

**400 Apts. For Rent**  
WESTLAND  
BARSUDOR ARMS  
50% off 1st Mo.'s rent  
2 bedroom apt available, close to shopping & schools. Heat & water included \$450. 326-9008

Free Vacation AND \$200 Move In Rebate  
1 WEEK'S STAY IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA  
1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments Heat & Water Paid  
Western Hills Apts. 729-6520  
Cherry Hill & Newburgh

WESTLAND - Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, vertical blinds, carpet, all appliances, pool, immediate occupancy. \$470/month. Glenwood Circ. 729-5050

WESTLAND - (Venoy - N. of Michigan) Remodeled 1 bedroom apt. Stove, refrigerator, carpet, now available \$395 mo. 274-6202

WARRIS FARMS APARTMENTS  
Ask about our "SPECIAL"  
Spacious 2 bedroom units only. Our 2 bedrooms have 2 full or 1 1/2 baths. All units include washer, dryer, verticals, central air and appliances.  
Call for appointment.  
Hours 9am-5pm closed Wed & Sun 421-8200

**400 Apts. For Rent**  
W. Bloomfield  
COME HOME TO Silverbrooke Villa Apts.  
Two & 3 bedroom ranches from 1,250 to 2,040 sq. ft., 3 bedroom townhouses, up to 1,920 sq. ft. All units include garage with opener, modern GE appliances and more storage space than you can fill.  
IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY  
Rents from \$715. 1 & 2 yr. lease available. Ask about our Senior Citizens Discount.  
Located at Maple Rd. between Halsted & Haggerty  
Open for your convenience Monday thru Sunday  
Bring this ad to receive A SPECIAL BONUS 1 ad per apartment New tenants only Not valid after 3/1/91  
For more info, call 624-3388

**400 Apts. For Rent**  
- \$200 DEPOSIT (with approved credit)  
Westland Estates 6843 Wayne (Walk to Hudson St)  
1 bedroom from \$430 2 bedroom from \$505  
INCLUDES HEAT - CARPET - SWIMMING POOL. Cable available.  
No pets. 721-6468

WESTLAND WAYNE/FORD RD. AREA  
Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apts. Amenities include:  
• Carpeting  
• Park-like setting  
• Close to shopping  
• Owner paid heat  
COUNTRY COURT APTS 721-0500

WESTLAND  
2 BEDROOM FROM \$475 \$200 SECURITY DEPOSIT  
2 bedroom, 1 bath with plush carpeting, walk-in master closet & storage. Blinds, dishwasher, security hall doors with intercom, balcony or patio, pool & play areas.  
By Westland Mall, cats allowed  
WOODLAND VILLA 422-5411

**402 Furnished Apts. For Rent**  
BEST W. BLOOMFIELD LOCATION  
Luxurious 1 & 2 bedroom fully furnished garage, from \$1090. As seen in Apt. Guide. 625-1508

BIRMINGHAM central location, completely furnished 2 bedroom, heat, hot water, TV, adult building, no pets. \$625 mo. 647-0715

APARTMENTS MONTHLY LEASES  
21 PRIME LOCATIONS  
Furnished with housewares, linens, color TV & more. Utilities included.  
SPECIAL LOWER RATES  
• MINIMUM 1 MONTH  
• 1, 2 & 3 Bedroom Apts.  
Executive Living Suites  
474-9770 1-800-562-9786

**402 Furnished Apts. For Rent**  
BIRMINGHAM DOWNTOWN  
Prime location, 1 bedroom completely furnished. Linens, dishes, color, micro, air. Short or long term. \$695/mo includes utilities. 644-4454

BIRMINGHAM PUTNEY MEWS  
Completely furnished townhouses. 25 delightful 2 bedroom units. TV, dishes, linens. Extendable 30-day leases. Great location.  
From \$960 689-8482

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Short lease. Elegantly furnished & equipped 1, 2 or 3 bedroom apts. No pets. From \$1150. 626-1714

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Prestigious Northville  
One Mile W. of I-275 off 7 Mile, Northville  
348-9616

1-2 BEDROOM from \$505  
• Verticals - Eat-in Kitchen  
• Walk-in Closets - Carpet  
• Washer/Dryer Available  
Handicapped units available  
Open Daily 9-5 Saturdays 10-4

Pre-Grand Opening Offer  
YOU'LL LOVE IT!  
All Brand New - Scenic - Ideally Located  
Rent from \$525 per month  
2 Bedroom Deluxe Units  
EVERY UNIT INCLUDES:  
• Washer and Dryer  
• Window Treatments  
• Deluxe Cabinets and Appliances  
• Sound Protection  
• Great Floor Plan  
• and much more!  
GREYBERRY APARTMENTS  
Located off Hannan Rd. just north of Michigan only 1/4 mile East of I-275  
Model Open Daily 12-5 except Th. & Sun. 326-1530  
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WAYNE - attractive 1 bedroom townhouse style apartment. Lovely area, parking, all utilities included. \$335 per month. 879-6540

WAYNE/WESTLAND - clean, quiet, attractive 1 bedroom apartment on Newburgh Rd. Rent \$390 security deposit \$200. No pets. 721-6699

WAYNE - 1 & 2 bedroom apts. \$395 per mo. & up. Includes heat, water and appliances. Carpeted. Call 728-1472 or 531-9174

WAYNE - 3 room apartment. Walking distance to stores. You pay electric & phone. 478-6439

FOUNTAIN PARK WESTLAND  
on Newburgh between Warren & Joy Rds.  
• From \$525  
• 1 & 2 bedrooms  
• Larger 2 bedroom, 2 bath  
• Private entrances  
• Walk-in closets  
• Balconies & patios  
• Individual laundry room with washer & dryer.  
459-1711  
Mon.-Fri. 9-6:30, Sat. & Sun. 12-5

MARGO CAPRI - 28408 W. Warren Rd. between Middlebelt & Inkster. 1 bedroom, heat & water included. Westland. 425-9309

WESTLAND - 1 bedroom, carpeted, stove, refrigerator included. \$325/mo. plus \$375 deposit. 326-8300

WESTLAND - 1 bedroom, quiet building. \$390 mo. Security deposit. Heat & water included. Immediate occupancy. 553-4522

WESTLAND 6200 North Wayne Rd. STUDIO - \$395  
1 BEDROOM - \$445  
2 BEDROOM - \$460  
Includes heat & water. Senior Discount. Pool & air. Close to Westland Shopping Center. 722-5155

IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY APARTMENTS BY CONSOLIDATED INVESTMENTS  
2 locations to serve you  
GARDEN CITY PLYMOUTH  
Starting at \$380  
HEAT & WATER INCLUDED  
Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom & studios  
• 24 Hour Maintenance  
• Carpeting - Appliances  
• Laundry & Storage Facilities  
• Cable TV  
Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Sat. 10 a.m.-12 Noon  
Model Hours: Tues.-Fri. 3 p.m.-6 p.m.  
Sat. & Sun. 12 Noon-6 p.m.  
425-0930

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The quickest & easiest way to find an apartment. It's complete with maps, rates, pictures, descriptions & much more.  
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**Westland HUNTINGTON ON THE HILL**  
One Bedroom Special!  
\$100 FIRST MONTH'S RENT  
• Free Central Heat  
• Central Air Conditioning  
• Beautiful Park Setting  
• Storage  
• Cable Available  
• Pool  
• Spacious & Elegant  
• Dishwasher  
• Vertical Blinds  
On Ann Arbor Trail, Just West of Inkster Road  
425-6070  
Mon.-Fri. 9-6 Sat. & Sun. 12-4

**BEST APARTMENT VALUE IN FARMINGTON HILLS**  
Charming 1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments from \$475  
Featuring:  
• 6 mo. & 1 yr. leases available  
• Convenient to freeways, shopping, and business districts  
• Central Air Conditioning  
• Private Balcony/Patio  
• Swimming Pool  
• Carpets Available  
• Beautiful Landscaping  
Located on 12 Mile Road between Middlebelt & Orchard Lake Roads  
Open Mon.-Fri. 1-6, Sat. & Sun. 12-5  
Equal Housing Opportunity 476-1240

\$300 DEPOSIT (with approved credit & this ad)  
WESTLAND PARK APARTMENTS  
Across from City Park (Cherry Hill)  
1 & 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths  
Pool, Vertical Blinds  
Secured Locked Hallways  
FROM \$445  
HEAT INCLUDED  
Monthly or Lease  
729-6636

Ask About Our 2-Bedroom Special  
**WOODCREST VILLA APARTMENTS & ATHLETIC CLUB**  
Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apartments, each with a fireplace, mini-blinds and balcony or patio. Private athletic club featuring year-round indoor-outdoor pool, sauna, steam bath, whirlpool and exercise room. Secluded setting amidst woods and duck ponds. Pets welcome. Senior citizen discount.  
261-8010  
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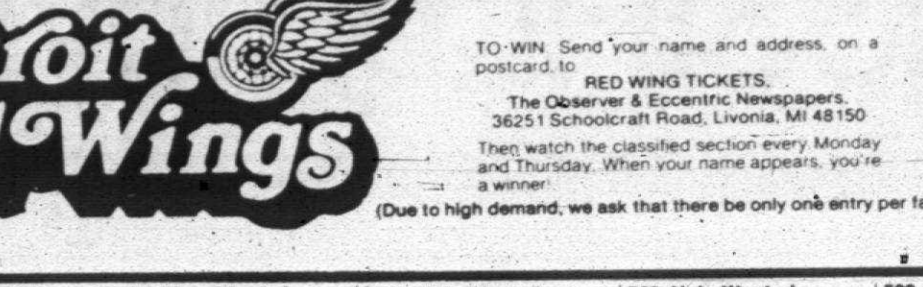
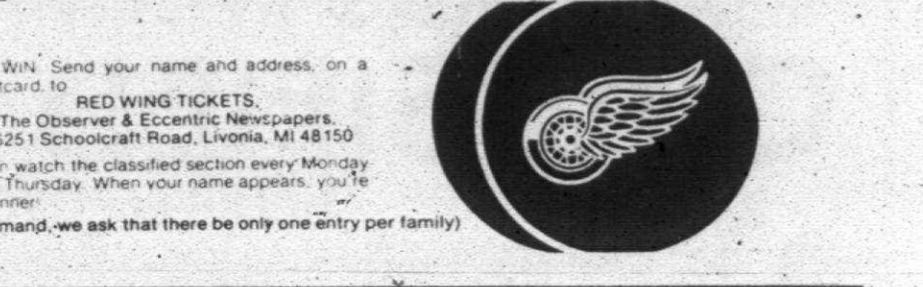
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## Entrance to DIA addition disappointing

By Dale Northup  
special writer

When the Detroit Institute of Arts opened its doors to the public in 1927, a certification of civic status was conferred on the city of Detroit.

The arts commission had previously examined museums in both the United States and Europe and came to the conclusion that the architectural ingredients of the old were more admirable.

They reported that, although care had been taken in developing the efficiency of the modern buildings, the old Italian palaces were far more pleasant to visit and afforded more agreeable backgrounds for the works of art exhibited in them.

Paul Philippe Cret, then professor of architecture at the University of Pennsylvania, was hired as the DIA architect. Cret had been trained at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris.

HE PRESENTED the commission with a modified, one-story Italian Renaissance structure enclosing galleries based on axial symmetry. The grand entry on Woodward Avenue was defined by a flight of marble stairs ascending to three great arches resting on Ionic, classical columns. The association with the Beaux Arts tradition served to define the museum's cultural identity.

In the years following, the museum collection grew considerably, later necessitating two additions — the south (Ford) wing in 1966 and the north wing (Cavanagh) in 1971. The additions were covered with polished, black granite that provided dramatic backdrops for the original museum while providing the much-needed space within. But, as with many additions, the traffic pattern proved to be circuitous and confusing to the museum patron.

Now the museum, which ranks sixth in size among U.S. museums, needs more room and improvements to maintain that status. A \$75-million Phase I of a master plan, under the direction of art commission president Al Taubman of Bloomfield Hills, was unveiled, with Michael Graves chosen as the project architect.



Photo by Tom Bernard

The John R entrance as seen from the proposed Cultural Gardens sponsored by the University Center Cultural Association.

**BUILDINGS DESIGNED** by Graves display a multiplicity of forms, shapes and polychromy that often contradict the canons of modernist doctrine. Among his completed projects are: the Humana Building in Louisville, Walt Disney World's Swan and Dolphin Hotels in

Orlando; the addition to the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York.

As a result, Graves has been placed at the forefront of the current post-modernist architectural movement. Ironically, the proposed addition to the DIA reiterates a more

traditional Beaux Arts accent of formalism and symmetry.

The 122,500-square-foot addition, including the north and south wings, will be covered in a light brown stone complemented by incised joints, blind windows and free-standing columns that tie in with the origi-

nal Cret Building. A new education center and expanded museum-shop is part of the addition that fronts John R.

The total square footage will increase the museum 20 percent; permanent collection space from 115,000 to 161,900 square feet; tem-

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porary exhibition from 12,535 to 27,000 square feet.

The education center, including space for student groups, volunteer and public orientation, will more than double in size, considerably expanding the educational role of the museum. The 20th century galleries will be expanded.

Temporary and special events spaces, restaurants and the museum shop are planned to be independent from the rest of the museum, which will allow for extended hours of the museum.

Although Graves concedes that the Woodward Avenue entrance will continue to function as the formal entry to the museum, the John R entrance is a disappointment.

If one didn't know what was on the other side of the new addition, one could mistake the entrance for a Cultural Center Marriott Hotel. Perhaps all the controversy surrounding Graves' addition to the Whitney museum has softened the architect's disposition with the DIA addition.

**THIS ENTRANCE** warrants equal consideration with Woodward Avenue, particularly since it will front on the proposed cultural gardens proposed by the University Center Cultural Association. It has the distinct position of providing a dramatic focal point.

Further adding to the significance of John R is the fact that the Woodward Avenue entrance was diminished with the addition of a waterfall fountain that cuts off direct access to the entrance.

Conceivably, how the museum functions on the inside is even more

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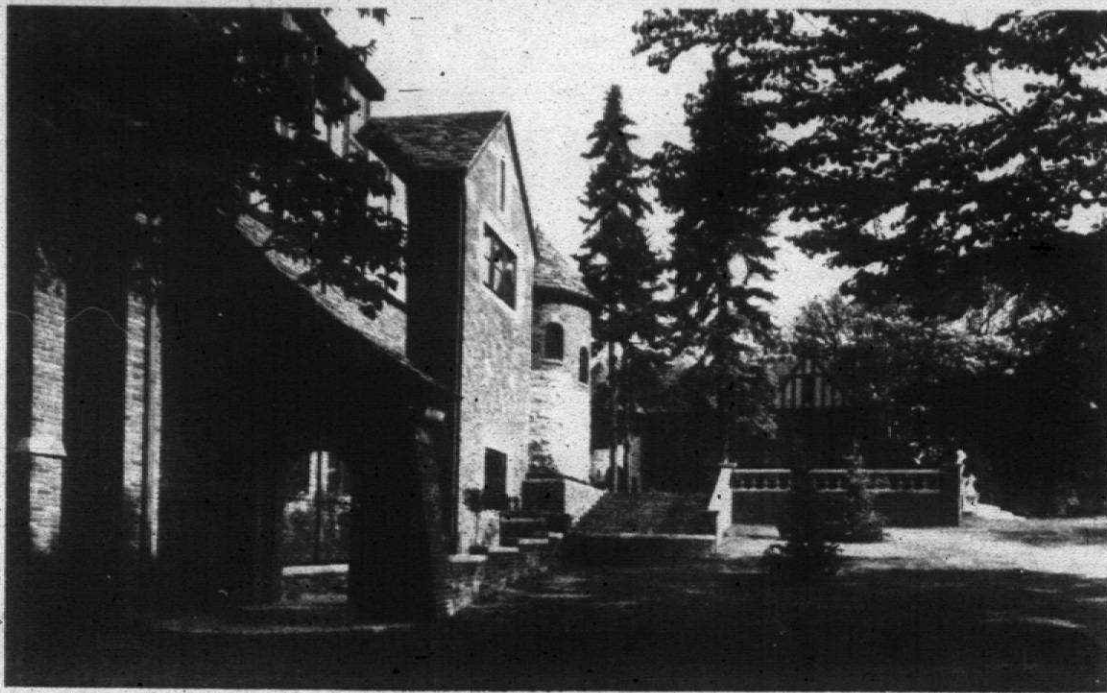


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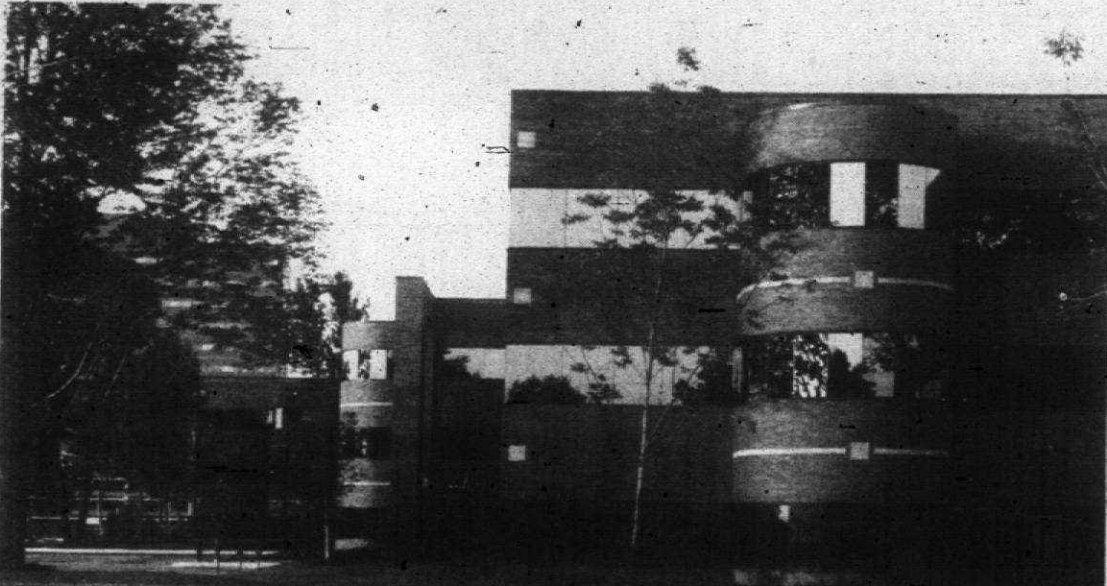


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Architectural firms cited for design excellence include:

• Luchenbach/Ziegelman and Partners, Birmingham, for the Michigan National Corp. Headquarters, Farmington Hills.

Jury comments: "Nice contemporary interpretation of traditional forms. Massing helps scale — but not overpowering. Details, special shapes, 'hand-burned' brick bands give attention to human scale. People friendly — pedestrian use. Interior courtyards exceptionally nice. Discussion of shutters — inappropriate with context of building — takes away from overall design. Why are they there? Nice proportions. Base of arches should be near ground instead of halfway up."

• Neumann/Greager & Associates, Southfield, for the 4,500-square-foot addition to the Bloomfield Hills residence of Mr. & Mrs. John Rakolta Jr.

Jury comments: "Creative use of stone and materials continue and reinforce the vocabulary that previously existed. Looks like it was built at one time. Design of new details was nicely done. Interesting details were added, but were still compatible with existing. Weak area: circulation from existing to new (could have used strong connection)."

• Kenneth Neumann/Joel Smith and Associates, Southfield, for the City Center Office Building, Southfield.

Jury comments: "Good job of

making speculative-type building interesting — works well in site — good restraint. Punctuation marks at critical points. Massing and shapes carry project. Portal elements at entry do good job of identification. Entrance — lack of followthrough between portal and seems relatively unimportant after passing through a grand entrance portal. Well-detailed lobby."

• Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates, Detroit, for the BASF Corp. Coating and Colorants Division Research & Development Center, Southfield.

Jury comments: "Exquisite job of detailing with large facility — great scale — showroom expressed properly with glass between solid 'masses' — creative and new ideas — excellent. Nice integration of louvers into elevation. Nice entrance, arrival point. Applaud client and architect for use of innovative details. Effort appreciated. Integration of bulbous shape at windows and masonry well integrated and conceived. Timeless piece of modern architecture. High-tech expression in brick (a 'traditional' material) handled extremely well. Indirect natural lighting at showroom area works well. Provides

high-tech image quite appropriately without being 'cold'.

• Straub Associates/Architects, Troy, for the St. Paul of Tarsus Catholic Church, Mt. Clemens.

Jury comments: Peeling of rising from earth materials to other forms — uplifting and spiritual like a flame. Appears to be climbing. Penetration is well conceived. Warm tone of brick and color of door framing work well together. Modern interpretation of today's vernacular. Curves generated by structural members expressed well in interior of building. Flexibility of floor and individual seating are in line with current church vernacular."

Winners were selected from 42 entries submitted by members of the Michigan Society of Architects. Judging was by a panel of architects from Memphis, Tenn.

Two masonry institute member contractors that were involved in the projects will be recognized. They are: Monte Costella & Co., Novi, for BASF Corp. research building and City Centre Building; and Robovitsky Construction, Southfield, addition to Rakolta residence.

## Family business probed

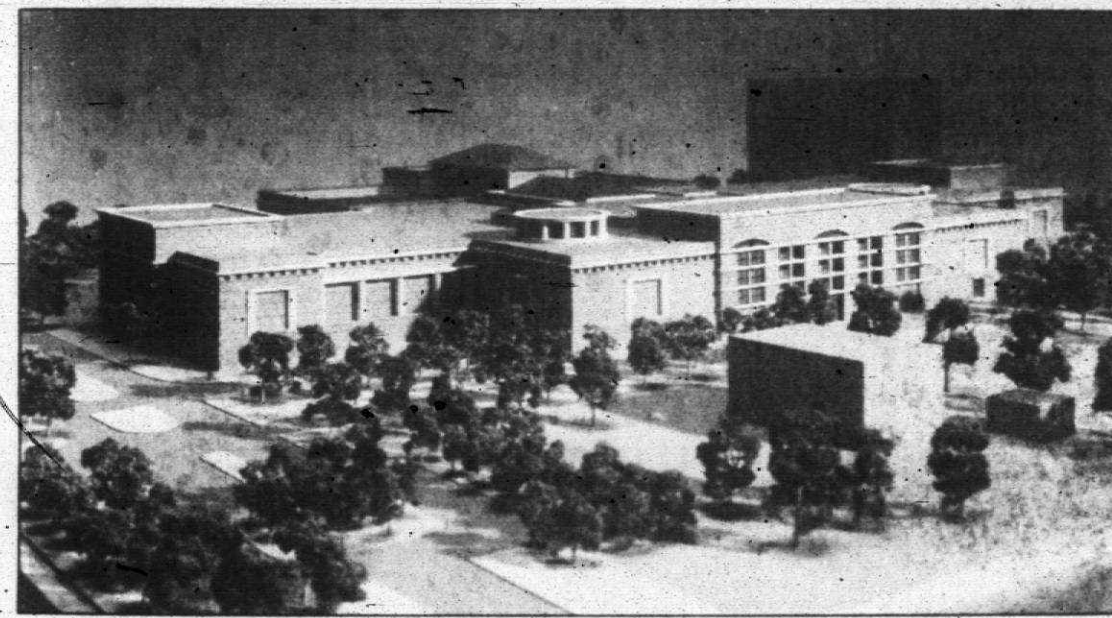
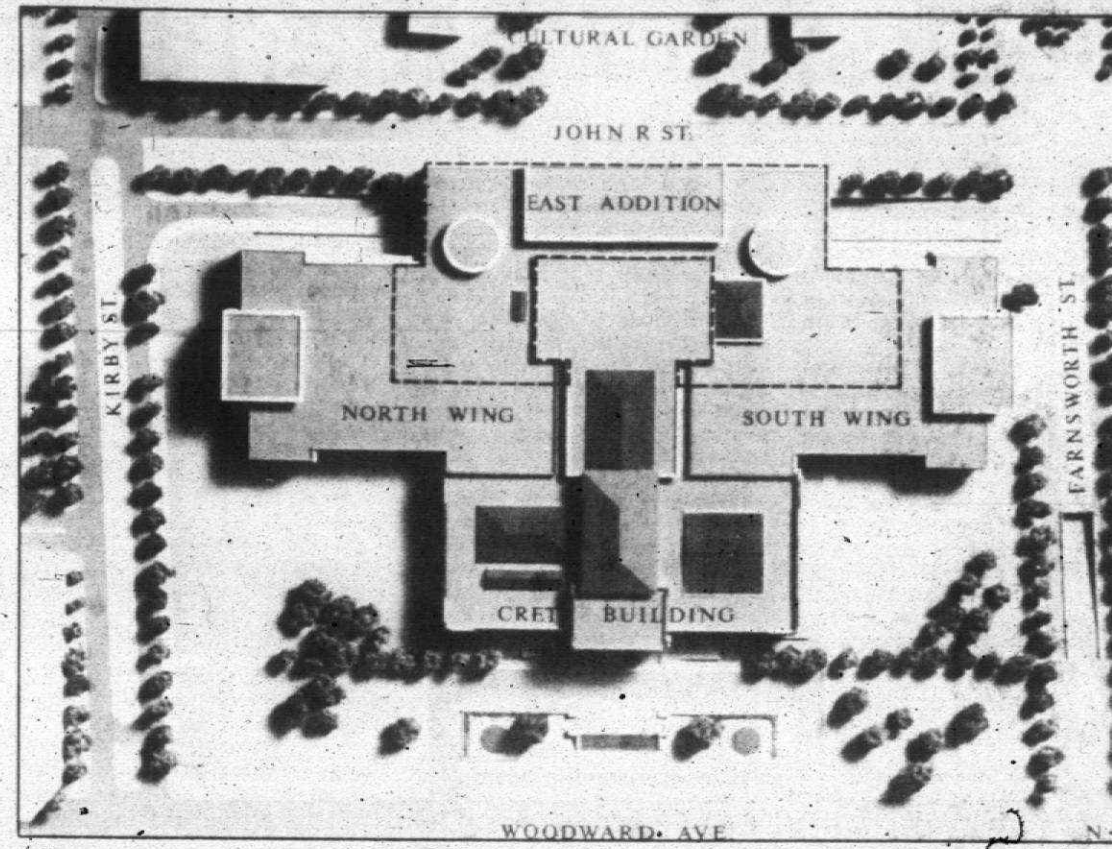
Professionalism in the family-owned building business will be the topic of a Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan seminar 7:15-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Northfield Hilton, 5500 Crooks, Troy.

and Steve Maltzman of Morof, Sheplow, Weinstein & Co. They will discuss strategic planning, balancing family and business concerns and choosing outside professional advisers.

Registration is \$15 for BASM members and \$25 for non-members.

Speakers will be Howard Morof

Overhead view of the Detroit Institute of Arts master plan model shows the expansion as indicated by perforated lines.



The model view from the southeast shows the proposed Cultural Gardens and the east addition to the museum. The block-like structure in the foreground is the Scarab Club with John R Street behind.

# DIA addition disappointing

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critical. Of particular importance is what museum director Samuel Sachs II points out as an environmentally safe "envelope" needed to provide the museum with the best regulated temperature and humidity control to protect the art collection.

THE CLIMATE control and mechanical plant are high priority items. Portions of the original 1927 building also need repair, including restoration of the Great Hall and auditorium.

Consideration is also being given a

clear, legible circulation pattern through the museum along the north-south and east-west axes as well as vertical connections between main and ground floors at critical locations.

With the necessary public support, an expanded facility for the Detroit Institute of Arts will extend the cultural climate of metropolitan Detroit and Michigan into the 21st century. It will perpetuate the international stature of the museum.

Dale Northrup is a college professor and architectural historian.

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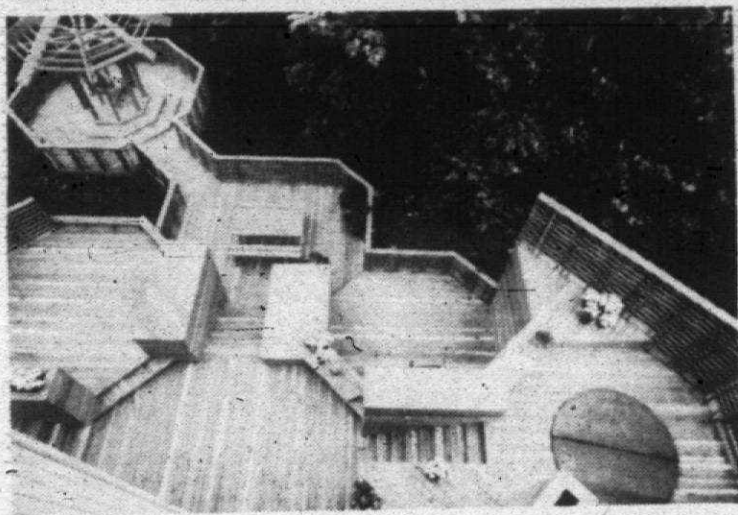
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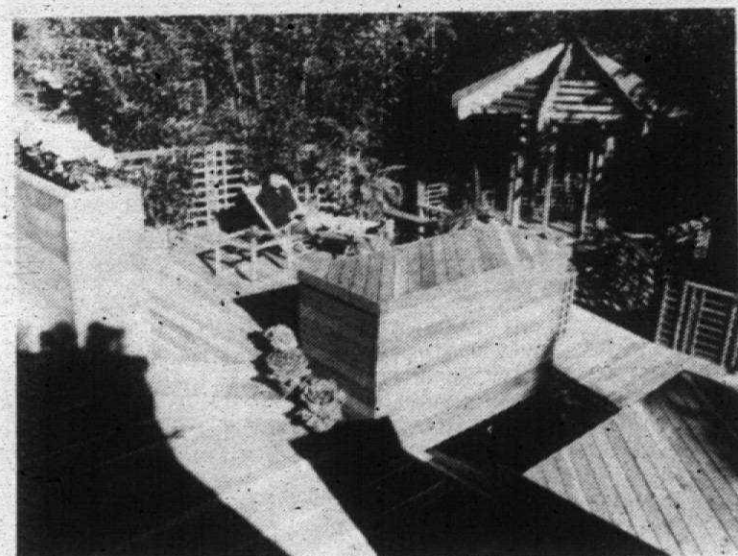
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If claiming the office space as a tax deduction, current regulations require the room be used specifically for business and be a place to meet clients.

More typically, homeowners simply desire a private space to attend to paperwork. If minimal space is needed, consider quiet locations. Look over the floor plan for an idle corner, alcove, end of a hallway or empty stretch of wall space for a desk. Specify enough electrical and phone outlets to hook up special equipment such as computers and phones, as well as to provide for adequate ambient and task lighting.

• If working odd hours when the rest of the family is in bed, think about installing the work center in the guest room rather than a main bedroom.

# Decks: more than add-ons

(AP) — Adding a deck to your home can give it new dimensions — a spot to entertain, an area for children to play or a secluded spot for a spa tub or sunbathing.

The ideal deck addition is designed to look like part of the house, according to House Beautiful magazine, rather than a tacked-on appendage on which you park the lounge chairs and barbecue.

Skimping on size is the most common planning error, say architects and professional deck builders. The loose rule of thumb is two square feet — a 4-by-5-foot space — for each person who uses the deck.

You also will want to factor in lot size, topography and budget.

A minimum of 64 square feet is suggested for a dining table and chairs, with more square footage if you want to include a separate seating area, a built-in grill or spa tub.

Allow for traffic to flow around, not through seating, cooking and play areas, and provide at least three feet of clearance between activities.

If you want leisurely weekend breakfasts in early morning sun, build your deck on the south side of the house. If you long to laze away the afternoon in a shaded hammock, consider the east side of the house. Except in midsummer, the north

side gets little sunshine and is susceptible to mildew.

A DECK MAY expand living and dining spaces when located near the dining room or kitchen, while a second-story deck outside the master suite provides a private treetop retreat.

A deck should be planned for comfort as well as utility. Keller Donovan, a New York City interior designer, recommends your plan include several types and groups of seating — rockers, lounge chairs, benches fitted with comfortable cushions. Built-ins add architectural interest, but fixed benches create an inflexible arrangement and should not be your only seating.

Your design should include a table big enough for a buffet, plus smaller movable side tables.

"Decks tend to be hard-edged," Donovan said. One way to soften the look is by planning a multilevel deck that makes a gradual transition from house to garden.

"But," said Larry Bencze, a Cranbury, N.J., landscape architect, "be careful not to make any level so small as to be nearly useless. The number and size of your deck levels should be determined by the functions you intend them to have."

To enhance the transition from

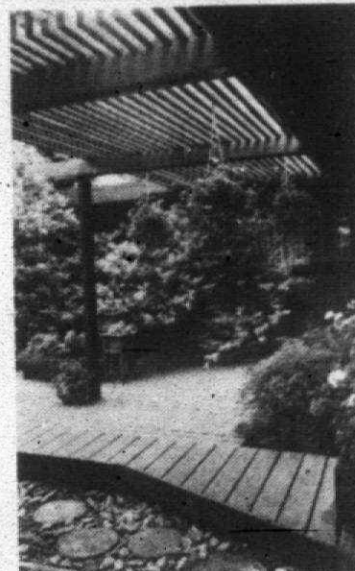
house to garden, provide a place to display hanging plants or cultivate a container garden. If possible, incorporate an existing tree into your design.

PROPER LIGHTING is essential if you use the deck at night. Do not try to recreate the brightness of daylight by hanging a big spotlight off the house and training it on the deck. It will provide an unnatural glaring light and draw insects.

Instead install a spotlight or floodlight in a tree some distance away. Augment it with all-weather reading lamps on the deck, then add the soft glow of hurricane candles or oil lamps.

Here are some further deck do's and don'ts:

- If your deck is large, try to provide more than one approach to it from the garden to avoid bottlenecks.
- If your plans call for dining space, make sure to allow for easy access to the kitchen.
- Steep or angled steps and multilevel decks can be troublesome for youngsters and the infirm.
- Professional deck planners say



a long, narrow deck is less effective than a square or nearly square one.

• Install your barbecue out of the flow of traffic, away from play areas and at a distance from doors and windows so smoke doesn't enter the house.

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