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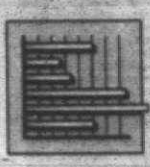
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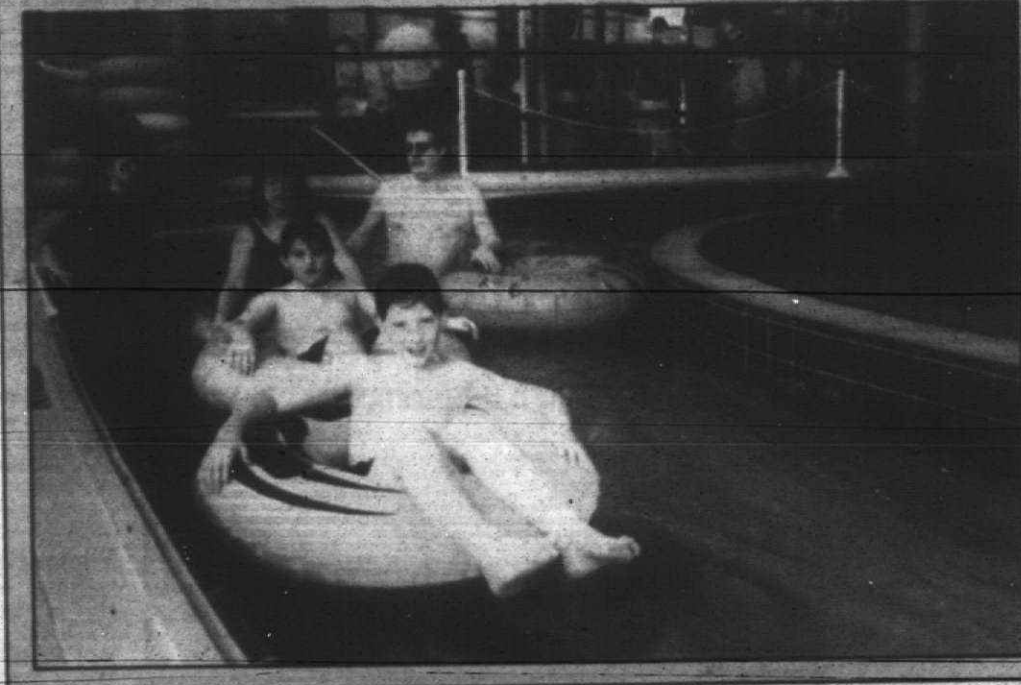
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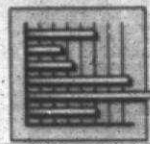
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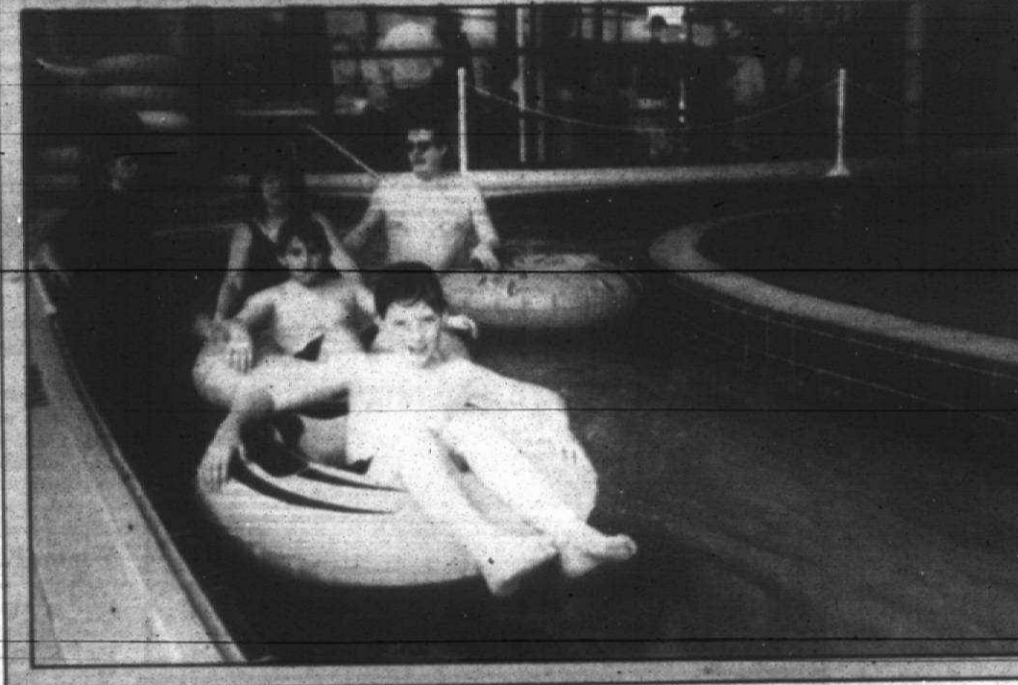
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Bob Heft, who designed the 50-star U.S. flag in 1969, told the Canton Chamber of Commerce Wednesday that he owes his notoriety to a high school teacher who issued a poor grade.

The American history teacher, Stanley Pratt, gave Heft a B-minus for a 50-star flag he designed for a class project. When Heft complained, Pratt issued "the challenge that changed my life," Heft said. "He said, 'If you don't like the grade, get (the flag) accepted in Washington, then come back and talk to me and I might consider changing the grade.'"

Heft designed the 50-star flag before Hawaii was admitted as the 50th state. He had a bunch, he said, that a 50th state would be added.

So Heft, who lived in Lancaster, Ohio, sent his flag to the governor of Ohio, who returned it. Then Heft sent it to his congressman, Walter Moeller, asking him to submit it for consideration when a 50th state was admitted.

Hawaii entered the union in August 1959, meaning that a new 50-star flag would have to be chosen by President Dwight Eisenhower by July 4, 1960.

In June 1960, Heft graduated from high school and hired on as a draftsman with Diamond Power Electronics. He was told one day that the White House was calling for him.

"I started walking up to the front," he said. "My knees were like Hershey bars."

Eisenhower came on the line and said, "Is this Robert G. Heft?" To which Heft replied, "Yes sir, but you can just call me Bob. And he sort of chuckled before he realized he was talking to a 17-year-old kid."

Heft said his boss was horrified when he put the president on hold to ask if he could take time off in July to attend the flag dedication ceremony in Washington, D.C. Chief draftsman Carl Schultz said, "Tell him you'll be there!" Heft said.

So Heft pushed a button on the phone and said, "Dwight, are you still there? His comeback was, 'Yes, Bob, I'm still here.'"

At the July 4 dedication ceremony, Heft said, he sat between his congressman and Eisenhower. "The congressman said, 'You shouldn't sit with your back to

the president. You should talk to him.' So I turned to Dwight Eisenhower, and I said, 'How do you like your job?'"

Despite the acclaim, Heft was still not satisfied. All he could think about was the hateful B-minus Pratt had given him.

Driving all night, he arrived home at 4:30 a.m. July 5, yet insisted that his mother wake him at 6:30 so he could visit the high school to have his grade changed.

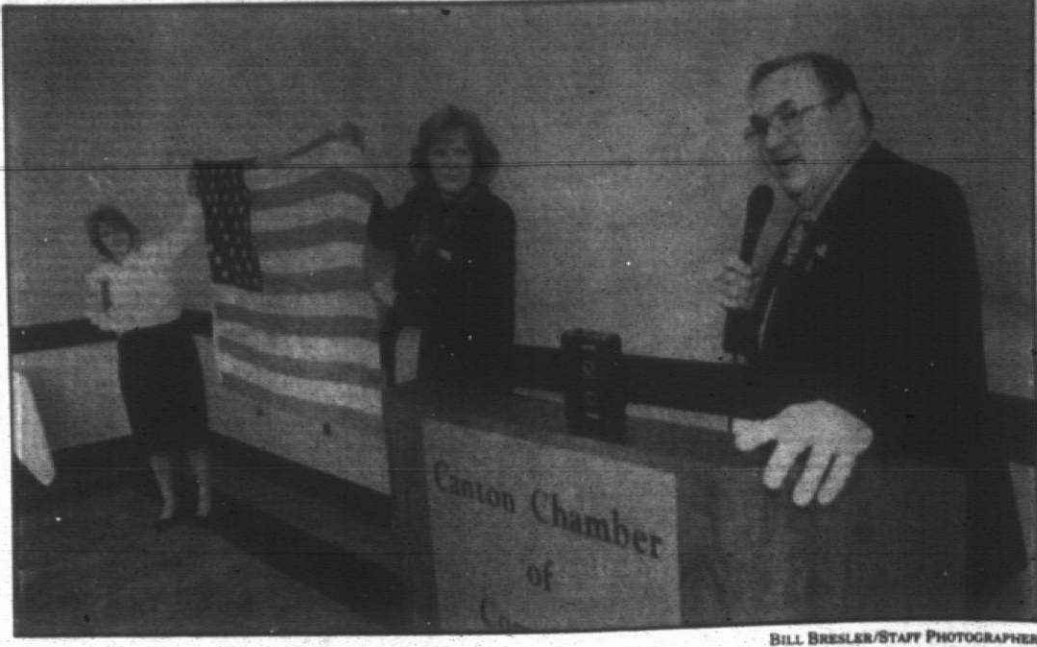
Crews from the three television networks arrived outside the Heft household while Heft slept, so he paused for interviews and explained the situation. "Now I'm on my way to the high school to get the grade changed," he told the reporters. "And they followed me clear across town."

He waited until the cameras were set up in school, then marched in to see Pratt, who changed the grade. Heft received the grade book as a souvenir. Pratt had written, "I guess if it was good enough for Washington, it's good enough for me," Heft said. "So officially the flag of our country has the grade of an A on it."

Heft still owns the original flag, which he has been offered \$350,000 for, but refuses to sell. The flag was displayed to chamber members and folded by Army veteran John Spencer of Canton, who was delighted. "I got to touch it," he said.

Chamber members laughed often during the speech and left with miniature flags given by Heft. "I thought he was great," said Canton Historical Society President Joan Palmer. "I love history, and he was talking history. That's wonderful."

"I was very impressed," said Sam's Club spokeswoman Lynda Willis. "I thought it was wonderful. I like that he went back to his



Flag man—Canton Chamber of Commerce president Janet Volante (at left) and executive director Linda Shapona hold Heft's flag as Heft speaks. He said his mother refused to help him create the 50-star flag. "I don't want anything to do with it. I can't believe you're desecrating the flag," he quoted her.

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Republican Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson already has his legislative agenda in mind for the new year.

"I can't imagine this year will be as intense as last year," said Patterson, counting off a host of 1996 issues, such as regional transportation (SMART), reorganization of the county commission, Willow Creek sludge pond and Willow Run expansion and tradeport plans.

On Patterson's agenda are ethics and fund-raising — both applying to elected and appointed county officials. The existing ethics ordinance says county officials can't spend more than \$50 on a vendor, such as for lunches or dinners. "But that doesn't ad-

dress the real issue of fund-raising downtown," Patterson said. He wants to establish a percentage limit that county officials can raise from vendors who do business with the county. "It's my belief that fundraising should mean you are giving people a chance to embrace a candidate," Patterson said, not necessarily as a means for vendors to buy influence.

For example, if the limit is 30 percent from vendors and a candidate raises a total \$10,000, only \$3,000 of it can be from vendors; with the remaining \$7,000 from voters.

"That way you're not selling your soul to someone outside Wayne County," Patterson said. In addition, Patterson thinks that the existing oversight body

that reviews whether business is being conducted properly, should be comprised of independent members, not members of the county administration as it is now.

Patterson also wants to check into the Incompatible Public Offices Act and how it can apply to county administrators. The state act prohibits certain high-level officials from serving on local boards or commissions that they might affect in their regular work.

"Right now, the invisible layer of government, the county, doesn't get the scrutiny," Patterson said.

He added that he is thinking about seeking re-election. "The

Agency now offers an office in Canton

Suburban West Community Center, a nonprofit, community mental health agency, announces the grand opening of its Canton office in the Professional Plaza, 8580 N. Canton Center Road, just south of Joy Road.

The location is expected to increase accessibility to community mental health services for residents in the cities and townships of Canton, Plymouth and Northville. Previously, the agency offered services only in Redford Township.

The grand opening on Tuesday, Jan. 9, will feature a program including guest speaker Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, and a ribbon-cutting ceremony sponsored by the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

Refreshments and a tour begin at 4 p.m. with the program starting at 4:30 p.m. For more information, call the center at 459-5590 or 981-2655.

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For more information or to make reservations, call the foundation, 981-3002.

Scholarships available

A special concert featuring former students of the Plymouth-Canton music program is scheduled for Feb. 11. The event will help address the need for the development of a scholarship fund for music students.

The concert, "The John Blackwell Ford First Annual Mid Winter Night Blues Recital," presented by the PCEP Marching Band Boosters, will feature former students such as Rob Myers, former drum major and trombone player, as well as Jason Berkley on saxophone and Susie Bozell on violin.

Graduates of the Plymouth-Canton schools join other University of Michigan student musicians for the two-hour blues and jazz concert.

Tickets are \$10 each and are available by calling Sandy Keady, boosters president, 397-8903, or Sharon Sherman, project chairwoman, 455-9112.

Also on Feb. 11, 15 \$100 scholarships will be presented to students selected during the January application period.

Rob Myers will also select one student to receive a \$500 scholarship, and one \$250 scholarship will be presented to the Plymouth Community Arts Council for its use and selection of a student.

Applications for the scholarships will be made available through the music department at Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem high schools beginning Jan. 8. The deadline for application submission is Feb. 1.

Newborn has local ties

Sarah Elaine Lovelady made an early appearance last Monday to become the first baby born at Garden City Hospital in 1996.

Sharon and Peter Downing of Canton, as well as the late Jerry Lovelady, and Sarah and Donald Varney of Tennessee.

"She was nine days early. At about 20 minutes to midnight, I guess she was ready," said mom Anita Lovelady, an assembler at American Yankel in Canton. "My water broke and that was that."

Dr. Sheryl Parks delivered Sarah by Cesarean section at 9:26 a.m. Weighing in at 8 pounds 4 ounces, Sarah is the second child for Lovelady and her husband, David. The Ypsilanti couple have an 18-month-old son named Jacob.

"The limousine ride is exciting. I expect to go home Thursday (today). I have to get home to my other baby. He's with his grandmother," said Lovelady. "I wasn't expecting anything like this. Maybe a complimentary dinner."

Other gifts include a case of formula, half a case of diapers, a bottle of champagne from the Liquor Garden, an engraved commemorative plaque from Great Lakes Trophies, a gift certificate for picture framing from Frances Galore, and a free weekend rental from Clean Master Equipment.

Sarah's grandparents are



Lobby: Tour guide Ginnie Hauck (in white) leads her group through the Summit's lobby, which is just below the tower that can be seen from outside the building.



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Only one person interviewed was the least bit critical. "We were thinking the track would be bigger," said Patrick Slawski.

The \$13 million, 85,000-square-foot Summit officially opened for business today after two days of tours. To date, about 1,200 annual passes have been sold, said Summit Manager Debra Bilbrey-Honsowetz, and residents may still buy family passes at the "early bird" discount rate of \$300 a year until Jan. 18. Thereafter the price will be \$350.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony Saturday featured paper cutout people that were "dressed" by 3,000 area school children. The 10 cutouts judged best of the lot adorned the ribbon, which was cut by Nicholas Pesant, who attends St. Michael School. Nicholas' cutout was dressed as a senior citizen and judged best of the lot.

The rest of the top 10 artists were Kurtis Lynett and Evin McGuire of Hoben, Angela DeNacola, Alicia Sundquist and Leann Sundquist of Ibsister, Erin Dillenbeck and Shelley Catalan of Fiegle, Amy Caves and Justyna Kargol of Miller.

Volunteer tour guides showed off the facility to residents from



Kids area: Tyler Schwaegler, 2½, plays on the swan as father Jim watches.

1:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. "I'm proud to be a volunteer," said Henry Orenica. "This is a place we can be proud of."

Tour stops included the aquatics center, gymnasium, banquet halls, crafts rooms, dance studio, classrooms, childcare area and senior citizens

In step: Ballet teacher June Dryja (foreground) leads a class in the Summit's dance studio.

A display by the Summit food services firm, Summit Cuisine, was set up to show formal banquet settings. Displays and information areas were manned by Schoolcraft College and Mission Health personnel.

Demonstrations in the gym and fitness area were put on by the Canton High School boys basketball team, the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball League, local high school girls volleyball teams and the Canton Parks and Recreation racquetball league.

The fitness area, said Supervisor Tom Yack, "is too small," but could be expanded if demand warrants it.

The dance studio rooms, Yack said, are booked from 4:30 to 10 p.m. five days a week. Dancers who have been training in the township hall basement "will think they've gone to heaven when they come here," Yack said.

At the outset, the Summit will be staffed by about 50 part-time employees and eight full-time employees. The aquatics center alone will have 10 lifeguards on duty when all five pools are in use.

Police seeking warrant for man who confessed to theft

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

Canton Township Police are seeking a warrant for the arrest of a janitor who has confessed to stealing \$1,000 cash and \$10,125 in checks from township hall the night of Jan. 3-4.

Police spokesman Lew Stevens said the money's absence was noted at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4. Detective Bill Keppen interviewed several individuals, including the janitor who signed a written confession, Stevens said. The janitor is not a township employee.

The checks (made out to "Canton Township") and cash originated in the Parks and Recreation Division and were put into

an envelope to drop in a night deposit box at township hall, Stevens said.

But the envelope didn't fit in the slot, so the building monitor said it under the locked door of Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter's vault room, Stevens said.

The 25-year-old janitor opened the treasurer's office for the building monitor, Stevens said, and probably saw where the envelope was put.

In his confession, the janitor said he found the key to the vault room, opened the door and took the envelope, Stevens said.

The cash was recovered, but the checks were destroyed by the janitor before he confessed, Stevens said. Residents who have recently written checks to the township

are asked not to call to see if their checks are among those stolen. Township personnel will contact them.

The janitor works for Midwest Maintenance Services, a company the township hires to clean its buildings. A Midwest Maintenance Services spokeswoman said Friday that she has just learned of the crime, and doesn't know if the janitor has been disciplined.

Kirchgatter said Friday that treasurer's department personnel are not at fault for leaving the money in the wrong place. "That envelope was not touched by anyone from our department," she said. "That was an unauthorized deposit. We never touched that money."

Canton resident, 27, arrested after police learn of his threats

Listed below are some of the Canton police and emergency incidents reported recently.

KNIFE INCIDENT

Police arrested a Canton Commons resident early Jan. 4 after two individuals said he threatened them with a knife.

A 34-year-old woman and her 37-year-old ex-husband told police that a 27-year-old man, whom the woman had been dating, threatened them with a knife and said to the woman, "I'm going to cut you," according to the police report.

The man ran into a residence at 41219 Canton Court after threatening the couple, according to the police report.

Police were called at 12:30 a.m. and responded through the rear door. Officers were let inside the residence the man had entered. Officers were told that the man had thrown a knife into the kitchen, then ran upstairs.

Police found a butter knife on the kitchen floor and the man upstairs hiding in a closet, according to the police report.

The man was arrested at gunpoint, according to the police report, and locked up in a Canton holding cell. Officers had to take

the man to Annapolis Hospital at about 1:43 a.m. after he rammed his head into the cell door several times, leaving blood on the door. He also tried to hit his head on the walls while taken out of the police headquarters, according to the police report.

BREAK-IN

The manager of Club Canton on Michigan Avenue told police that someone broke into the bar between 8 a.m. Jan. 1 and 10:30 a.m. Jan. 2, pried the door off the safe and stole at least \$10,000.

Police found the door to the safe leaning up against a wall, the office a mess and a trail of coins leading to the back door, according to the police report.

The thief or thieves are believed to have entered through the front door. Fry marks were found on the damaged door, according to the police report.

Damage to the safe was estimated to be \$1,000.

AIRBAGS TAKEN

Three residents of Village Square apartments at Ford and Lata told police that two airbags were stolen from each of their cars

the night of Jan. 2-3.

The airbags were taken from a 1994 Ford Taurus, a 1996 Mazda 626 and a 1996 Dodge Neon, according to the police report.

Damage to each car was estimated to be at least \$300. The value of the airbags was set at \$1,000.

COP CRASH

While arriving at an accident scene 1:44 p.m. Jan. 4 a police officer said his patrol car on the ice and struck one of the vehicles involved in the accident.

No one was injured. The patrol car sustained \$255 in damage to the front end, according to the police report.

The officer reports that he was traveling at less than 10 miles per hour on southbound Morton Taylor south of Ford when he braked, according to the police report.

"I just kept sliding. I could not turn," he wrote in the report. Another officer wrote, "Morton Taylor was nothing but a sheet of ice."

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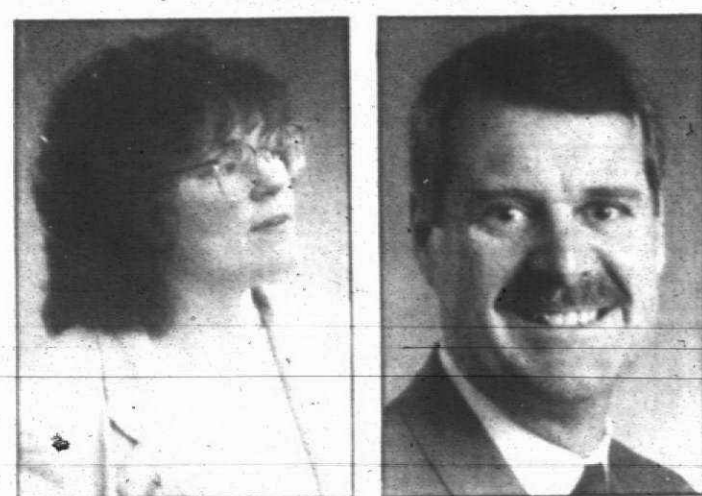
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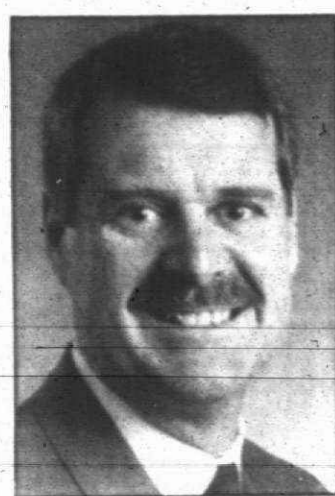
State legislators make their predictions for 1996

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI AND RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITERS
Court reform looms on the horizon as a major issue facing state legislators when they return to work later this month.
"There's a massive number of bills," said Republican state Sen.



Deborah Whyman: State representative

Loren Bennett of Canton. Republican state Rep. Deborah Whyman of Canton says that efforts to reform the court system will include attempts to create a family court, abolishing Detroit Recorder's Court and improving how Friend of the Court does business.



Loren Bennett: State senator

State Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, who supports Whyman's bill to merge Recorder's Court with Wayne County Circuit Court, said she received 187 constituent letters supporting her position. Recorder's Court judges too often reduce bonds on people who commit serious crimes in suburbs, said DeHart, who also represents the part of Canton east of I-75, south of Joy and north of Cherry Hill.

Friend of the Court is an important issue for Bennett. He said the system is in need of streamlining, and being made accessible to its clients.

"We want to make it more user-friendly. The number one goal is to make it accurate," Bennett said of Friend of the Court. "The system is so broken. We have people who are paying child support and getting arrested. And we have people who aren't paying child support who aren't getting arrested."

Prisons packed
Prisons are a big issue for Bennett in the new year. In 1995, the prisons in Michigan were within 100 or so beds of being totally full.

Bennett said he is confident that 1996 will bring the creation of what is called a punk prison to southeast Michigan.

A punk prison would be for individuals who are of legal adult age, but who should not be mixed with the adult prison population, yet are too violent to be placed in a youth home, said Bennett, who is sponsoring an effort to privatize such a prison.

"The governor has stated publicly that one will open in 1996," Bennett added.

DeHart said the House will likely take up workers compensation reform in 1996. The idea would be making workers compensation more palatable for employers. "I think they're going to try to make it happen," she said.

However, state Reps. David Jaye, R-Mt. Clemens, and Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills, must be swayed for this to happen. "Unless they can get David Jaye and Greg Kaza to step in line with them, it's not going to happen," DeHart said.

She isn't sure if the state gov-

ernment will do anything about increasing the money spent on roadwork, but she doesn't believe a tax increase is necessary to do so. "I think we can find money to repair the roads without raising taxes," she said.

Utility discounts

On other fronts, Whyman said she expects more work on the single business tax as well as rate regulation of utilities. In February, testimony will be taken from business in particular. The idea is to provide a discount for large users of electricity who also recycle products. One such Canton company Whyman has in mind is the Metaltec foundry on Joy Road.

"The idea is to keep them (companies) here. The utility would like to offer flexibility to offer reduced rates," said Whyman, who will seek re-election to her third two-year term in the House.

On Bennett's personal list for 1996, he would like a new look at solid waste management. Each of the 83 Michigan counties has its own solid waste plan, which can preclude haulers from disposing in different counties even if a site

in the original county is leaking or has other troubles.

Free market

Bennett said he would like to move solid waste management into the free market system. "Through big contracts, we have a new government industry in regulating solid waste. It's become a big government business. It's a new growth industry for government to watch these companies."

Yes, the solid waste companies need regulating for property safety, but Bennett said the current system allows for corruption.

Also on his personal roster is Bennett's desire to work on private property rights, which he believes can be read on when up against environmental issues.

"I want to make sure we have a clean environment. But I won't be part of confiscating property for that. There has to be a balance struck," Bennett said, adding he has a number of recent examples where property owners were about to lose use of their property. "The issue is regulations versus condemnation."

Late budget changes spark commission debate

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Western Wayne County commissioners were upset by amendments needed to adjust the 1994-95 fiscal year budget presented at Thursday's commission meeting.

The amendments adjust the budget to include \$6.2 million in additional general fund revenues and the transfer of that money and nearly \$4 million from other places in the budget to cover expenses over budget and other costs.

The \$6.2 million includes revenue increases in interest earnings, in state revenue sharing, in state jury fee reimbursement, and in the airport parking tax and in miscellaneous, according to the amendment.

The major areas over budget are in jail medical bills, the juvenile detention facility, the library

fund, the alternative work force and debt service.

Local commissioner Michelle Plawewski, D-Dearborn Heights, who also represents Redford and part of Livonia, and Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, who also represents Garden City, voted in favor of all 21 of the changes.

Commissioners Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, and Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, who also represents Plymouth and Plymouth Township, voted against several amendments. Patterson voted against six, while McCotter voted against three.

Patterson presented a resolution which criticized the department that ended with a deficit and praised those that ended with a surplus.

The resolution, which Patterson had proposed as an amendment to the budget changes, was



Kay Beard: wants information referred to the Ways and Means Committee for consideration.

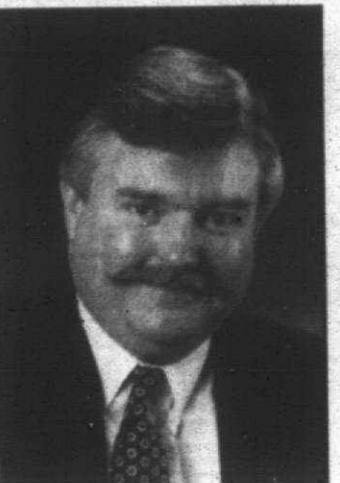
"I think there has to be some accountability to those charged with spending taxes," Patterson said. "If there isn't accountability, those who run a deficit will con-



Michelle Plawewski: votes in favor

tinued to "thumb their noses" at the commission's Committee on Ways and Means, the Wayne County Board of Commissioners, and the appropriations process, according to Patterson's proposed resolution.

The proposed resolution also



Bruce Patterson: proposes resolution

calls for the public censure and reprimand of department heads, managers and above whose departments ended the fiscal year in a deficit "for such failure and neglect" and public applause and commendation for those who ended with a surplus.

"I think it is indeed highly inflammatory language," Beard said. "Some of his (Patterson's) points surely are valid points, but we need to know why some de-



Thaddeus McCotter: has concerns

partments went over budget." A budget is a living document, she said. "It never should be something that is cast in stone."

But she called the resolution "using a hammer to penalize department heads who don't have complete control."

Beard said in any job she has worked, at the end of the budget

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is difficult because we're not sure where we need to go," Kirchgatter said. "As we've grown, it's become more and more confusing with the division (of financial duties) the way it is to get things done," Bennett said. Spencer, who was finance department director before the 1990

reorganization, said some people don't know who to call because they seldom have reason to call. "Those who do things more frequently know who to call," he said. Before the 1990 reorganization, Spencer said, the workload was increasing, but officials wouldn't hire additional staff. So there was

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personalize books throughout the evening. The books are available for purchase at both fire stations: No. 1 on the corner of Cherry Hill and Canton Center, and No. 2 on Warren Road, between Haggerty and Lilley.

The books are available for preorder as well and may be picked up before the game at the cultural center where the Howes will personalize the books. "If they don't want to wait in line, we have autographed books here," Davison said.

The event also will feature the firefighters' popular raffle, with tickets at \$1 each. "You can buy as many as you want," Caruso said. One of the prizes is seven days in a Florida condo — donated by Greg Unger's dad, Bill. From April 26 through May 3. The prize includes airfare.

Other prizes will include dinner certificates and sports memorabilia. "We'll have at least 20 items to raffle," Caruso said. "We've got

Service personnel appreciate mail

The U.S. Navy has made arrangements to receive and distribute mail to sailors and Marines aboard ships off the coast of Bosnia.

People may address letters to "Any sailor/marine," USS America (CV66), PPO AE 09531-2790. Mail will be given to personnel aboard America and other ships

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all sending our troops" to Bosnia. "That's a religious war over them and you're not going to get them straightened out. It's going to be sad for (U.S. soldiers). They won't be back in a year. We're always helping somebody out and never taking care of our own country."

Harry Anderson, a World War II Navy corpsman, fears Bosnia will "wind up another Vietnam. If they start shooting and we shoot back it's just going to continue. And it's nothing strategic to us. We're just pushing our noses in somebody else's business. I don't believe in it from the word go."

"I think it stinks," said Gene Daley, who served three years on convoy duty aboard the destroyer USS Decatur during World War II. "There's no reason to send (U.S. soldiers) over there. Those people have been fighting for years. We've got no interest over there. I feel sorry for (U.S. soldiers). Both sides are going to take potshots at them and blame it on each other."

Bill Loughran, who was in the Army during the Korean War, suspects President Bill Clinton is only trying to boost his popularity by sending soldiers to Bosnia. "We can't be peacemakers for the whole world," he said. "I'm not sure we're going to solve the problem."

Mike Zeleni, who served in the Army artillery and Army Air Force during World War II, blames Clinton. "If I was a GI today, I'd write a letter to Slick Willie and say, 'I'm not going. If you didn't go, I'm not going.' We should never have sent anybody over there. Let them fight their own battles. I'm strictly against it."



Opposed: Jim Bradbury sits with Joey, his pet Bowler. Bradbury is one of nine Canton veterans interviewed who oppose sending soldiers to Bosnia.

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Interpreter aids carvers

By M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

It meant having to share a drafty, decrepit house with roaches and a bunch of cranky old guys, but the two months Eastern Michigan University student Jason Brake spent in Lansing were well worth it.

Brake completed an intensive Japanese course at Lansing Community College, and was among those chosen to travel to Japan last year with a cultural exchange program.

Now fluent in Japanese, the Westland resident was recommended to Mike Watts by EMU last year, when the organizer of the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular called looking for a translator. Interpreters are needed at the Ice Spectacular to assist the professional carvers who travel here from the Far East to compete.

"Jason is a wonderful young man," said Watts. "It was quite ironic. I called Eastern because I knew they had a program tied into Japanese and Japanese business. They referred me to Jason. He came out and was very nice.

"We went out to the airport to

Bilingual: Livonia Franklin High School graduate Jason Brake will translate for the Japanese professional ice carvers competing in the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular this week.

pick up the carvers, and they all smiled at each other. It turned out they'd met in Japan. Talk about a stroke of luck. It worked out very well. Jason is very competent. He was a tremendous help in getting this together. He turned out to be a real godsend."

Brake met the carvers while working on a floating restaurant reminiscent of a Mississippi steamboat on Japan's largest lake.

"There was an expensive restaurant on the first floor, a medium-priced restaurant on the second floor, and on the third floor was a snack bar and dance floor. Bands came from Florida and other places in the U.S.," said Brake. "They did cover songs and Beatles tunes, and things the Japanese would like. We served popcorn, french fries and greasy chicken. It was disgusting. It was mostly for tourists who wanted to see American kids and eat American food."

Brake said a glaring difference between the U.S. and Japan involves the way customers are treated. There is a separate language in Japanese used specifically to speak with honor and respect to customers," he said. "I learned so much in terms of customer relations, that I try to use it now at my job with Northwest Airlines."

Brake assists Japanese passengers at the airport, and greatly enjoys it. "I love seeing their faces light up when I can show them the right way down the hall, or explain where to pick up their bags," he said.

Interpreting for the carvers last year was fun, added Brake, who receives a small stipend for his services. "Driving down I-94, they

said the expressway was the most beautiful thing they'd ever seen. I told them it was barren highway; that it wasn't anything.

"They were very polite. They liked Plymouth; they liked the quiet little atmosphere.

"They really liked Knart, because it was so 'yasui' (cheap). They were buying tacky, fake gold earrings for their wives; it was really funny."

Brake appreciates many aspects of Japanese culture.

On the way back from Japan, Brake and his fellow students stopped in Hawaii "to get us acquainted with American things again. The thing that hit me was the attitudes, hostility and racist complaints. I miss the peacefulness of Japan."

Brake thought a moment and said, "Another thing I really missed, besides my girlfriend, was Meijer Thrifty Acres, because I am a huge eater. I exercise and eat a lot. In Japanese grocery stores, everything comes in little quantities. And it's very expensive on top of that. It was nice to get back home and have all these selections of food."

Brake will graduate in December from EMU with a degree in language and international trade.

"Hopefully, I will go back to Japan in 1997 for another year with the Japanese Exchange Teachers program to work in the capacity of an international relations assistant," he said.

"I know a lot of companies recruit graduates of the JET program every year. I hope to work for a company, traveling to Japan and using my language as much as possible. It's working with people that I enjoy the most."

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Church in Plymouth plans series of events

The United Assembly of God is inviting the public to attend its "Rebuilding the Walls of Jericho" with a week of events Jan. 14-19.

The church, 46500 N. Territorial Road in Plymouth, offers the following events:

- Sunday, Jan. 14: 11 a.m. All Dressed Up and Nowhere to Go
- Sunday, Jan. 14: 7 p.m. Truth and Power
- Monday, Jan. 15: 7 p.m. Removing the Rubbish, an illustrated sermon.
- Tuesday, Jan. 16: 7 p.m. The Night with Rick Pasquale, state youth director, and Anthony Clark, said to be the world's strongest man. The evening will feature a bench-press exhibition.
- Wednesday, Jan. 17: 7 p.m. The Trial, an illustrated sermon.
- Thursday, Jan. 18: 7 p.m. Evangelism Night with Tim Dile-

na, pastor of Revival Tabernacle.

Friday, Jan. 19: 7 p.m. Youth Night with Rick Pasquale, state youth director, and Anthony Clark, said to be the world's strongest man. The evening will feature a bench-press exhibition.

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year transfers need to be made. "There is no way we would get to the end of a budget year and not have to make changes," she said.

"I want to see department heads come in to Ways and Means and give detailed information on what has happened," she said.

One commissioner criticized the failure to recognize the need for changes by Nov. 30.

"This is an area we want to improve and adjust in a more timely manner," Theresa Lisowski, assistant budget director for the county, said.

"We're recognizing additional revenue after the budget is closed," said Commissioner Bill O'Neil, D-Allen Park, adding the commission is "out of the loop"

and should be addressing these changes in October, not January.

In defense of the changes, Commissioner George Cushingberry Jr. said, "The budget is always before us. It would be different if it were \$60 million, instead of \$6 million on a \$1.6 billion budget."

During the discussion commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon called on commissioners to get busy with a debt policy and capital improvement plan. "We don't have a debt policy. We need to have a debt policy and pass it in the first quarter of this year," he said.

"We need to deal with our capital improvement plan. We don't have one," he said. "The buck does stop with us," he said. "Let's make that a top priority."

County pay raises

Local commissioners split along party lines

By BETH SUNDELA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners recently approved pay raises for non-union commission employees.

At the Dec. 21 meeting, Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon presented a plan for a 3.5-percent raise for fiscal year 1994-95 and another 3.5-percent raise for fiscal year 1995-96, retroactive to Dec. 1, 1994, for the commission staff of about 25 people, but some commissioners balked at that. The plan was amended by Commissioner William O'Neil, making the raises retroactive to Dec. 1, 1995, at the commission's

Commissioners Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, voted no. Commissioner Michelle Plawcecki, D-Dearborn Heights, and Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, voted yes.

year-end meeting. The commission voted 8-5 in favor of the raises, which Solomon said were based on evaluations of employees and researched salary ranges, and are really just cost-of-living increases. Local commissioners split in the vote. Commissioners Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, voted no. Commissioner Michelle Plawcecki, D-Dearborn Heights, and Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, voted yes.

The staff salaries range from about \$25,000 a year for legislative staff assistants to about \$97,000 for the auditor general. The commission reorganized its staff and eliminated positions as part of a budget-cutting process in late 1994, Solomon said.

The four department heads have since been asked to evaluate every employee and recommend whether salary increases were in

order, he said. In previous years the commission employees weren't evaluated, but now will be evaluated every six months, he said.

"I want to applaud your efforts and the approach you've taken," O'Neil said. But it was "never discussed that this is retroactive," he said. "This thing, to receive my vote, would have to be amended," he said.

Patterson also praised Solomon for developing a process for evaluating the duties and responsibilities of the positions.

Solomon said the commission's salary ranges were comparable to those in other places around the nation and lower than the salaries of County Executive Edward McNamara's staff.

Patterson questioned how raises could be retroactive for a budget year that is already over. "If in fact we have a surplus I would like to see it established in a

rainy-day fund and build on that," he said.

McCotter, although he voted against the increases, said he could see that the raises would be a logical second step after the reorganization because the staff that remained now have more responsibility.

Board agreed. "It was difficult to see some of our staff get an automatic raise of 3 percent and others not," Beard said of union employees receiving negotiated raises.

"There has been some discussion this morning on whether or not people deserve raises. This raise is more keeping up with the cost of living."

Merit raises need to be looked at, she said, but she favored the cost of living raises. "It's extremely fair to make it retroactive for last year," she said.

"The staff does a hard job. There's a tremendous amount of activity going on around here," she said. "Let's treat our staff fairly..." she said.

"I do believe our employees ought to get retroactive raises when we consider that Wayne County (employees) got theirs," said Commissioner Edna Bell. "I'll acquiesce this time."

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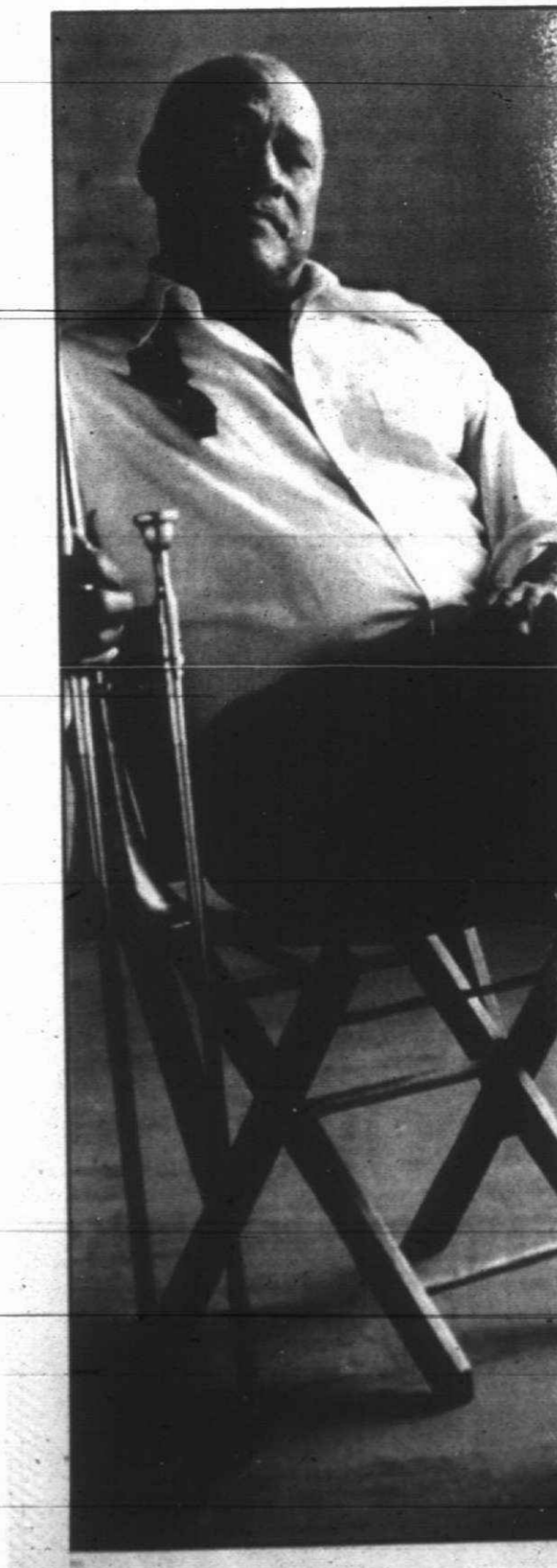
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MOVIES

Friends are forever in 'Waiting to Exhale'

By Patricia Bibby AP News Features

In "Waiting to Exhale," now playing at Metro Detroit movie theaters, we are served up the lives of four incredibly attractive and vicious women as they stumble through a legion of love affairs, most of which end in heartbreak and disappointment.

Whitaker keeps the story briskly paced and it flutters lightly along, even when he's getting laughs at terribly bitter-sweet moments. But for all this deft surface sentiment, there's something hollow at the core.

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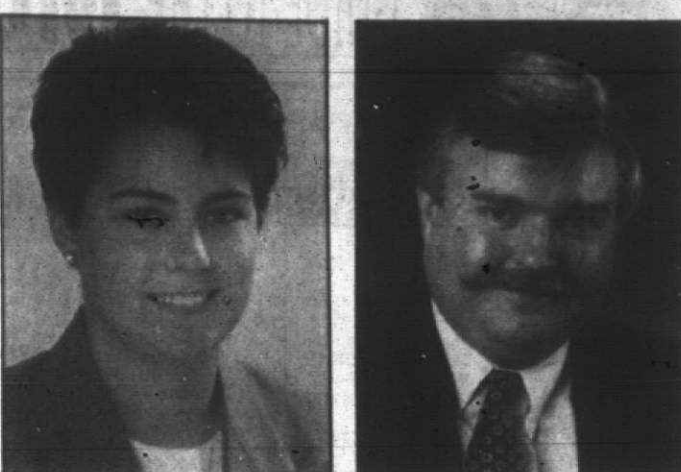
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Washtenaw eyes Willow Run Airport

By Beth Sundra Jachman Staff Writer

Washtenaw County's interest in buying or privatizing the Willow Run Airport has landed western Wayne County's attention.

In talks about making improvements in economic development around Willow Run, the idea of buying or privatizing the airport was raised, according to Washtenaw County administrator Robert Guenzel.



'I think it's premature for anyone to be negotiating.'



'It now seems to be an attempt to do an end run around Canton Township.'

"For the right price... you know, we'd have to take a look at it," he said. But some Wayne County commissioners are upset about the talks.

Michelle Plawecki commissioner

Bruce Patterson commissioner

proved because it is outdated, she said. Duggan said the taxi way, water lines and road system need to be improved there.

Guenzel said officials in Washtenaw County are concerned that Willow Run is taking a back seat to Detroit Metro Airport.

Parks to hold fitness walks at area malls

The Wayne County Park System will resume its "Walk Michigan" events at Wonderland Mall in Livonia and Westland Mall in Westland beginning this month.

"Walk Michigan" is a year-round fitness program sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Blue Care Network and Michigan Recreation and Park Association.

The walks are 1 to 2 miles long. Walkers can go at their own pace. To register for an event, attend the event and fill out a registration card.

The scheduled walks are: Thursday, Jan. 11, 8:30 a.m., Westland Mall; Thursday, Jan. 25, 8:30 a.m., Wonderland Mall; Saturday, Jan. 27, 8:30 a.m., Westland Mall; Thursday, Feb. 1, 8:30 a.m., Westland Mall; Thursday, Feb. 8, 8:30 a.m., Wonderland Mall; Saturday, Feb. 24, 8:30 a.m., Westland Mall; Thursday, March 7, 8:30 a.m., Westland Mall; Saturday, March 16, 11 a.m., Holiday Nature Preserve; Thursday, March 21, 8:30 a.m., Wonderland Mall; Saturday, March 23, 8:30 a.m., Wonderland Mall.

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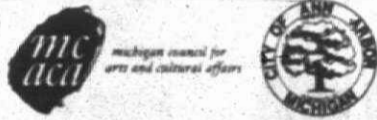
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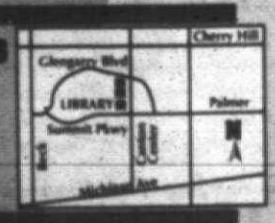
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I'm hungry for simple good old-fashioned food

Here I sit, eyeing new non-stick, non-skid, guaranteed flat bottom pans and spatulas especially formulated for them. The pans cost a beggar's ransom. The utensils, if they were plastic, would be worth about 99 cents each but because they're "specially made for the cookware" the cost is around \$8. That's for each utensil! Remember when you could buy a complete set of cooking utensils for \$4.99?

It's not that I'm against progress, but as I sit here wondering how my momma existed without Silverstone, bread makers and Chef's Choice knife sharpeners, I'm wondering about the high price we've paid for convenience.

Of course, I would never choose to give up my refrigerator, dishwasher or self-cleaning oven. I couldn't fathom abandoning my food processor, microwave or the computer on which I write.

I was in a trendy new restaurant the other day and paid \$14.95 for eggs and bacon, a few home fries and muffin. That's the meal I used to get at our neighborhood Cunningham-Kinsel's lunch counter for 89 cents. Nowadays, the bacon is imported from pigs stuffed with truffles; the eggs are free range, antibiotically challenged, from artificially inseminated Moroccan chickens. The muffins are made from a sourdough starter that dates back to Betsy Ross and the coffee hails from the highest southern exposed hills from an uncharted mountain somewhere in Ethiopia. When will enough be enough?

Memorable meals

I miss all those places I used to go to for a simple meal. Remember the giant ice cream cones from Emily's downtown? How about the club sandwich from Hudson's 10th floor dining room? Are there any "Clock" restaurants left? My neighborhood has become so chic there are no more blue plate special greasy spoons. The soda fountain has become a dress store and I long for a real hot fudge sundae from an eternally simmering pot at the end of a marble counter emitting tuna fish and egg salad sandwiches the way Sander's used to do it.

When I go to an unknown city, I have to ask where to eat. There is no more slipping down to a lunch counter for chicken salad, an iced tea and a piece of fluffy coconut layer cake.

There used to be trains with real dining cars, good soup, starched white linens, great coffee and equally good service. Going by car nowadays, one looks in vain for diners that used to serve fried green tomatoes and real french fries. Even the Howard Johnson's of old were better than the fast food we're now used to.

Great basics

I miss what used to be American staples — hash, french fries, mashed potatoes, hot beef sandwiches, lemon meringue pie and BLT's. Chefs nowadays must tinker with the basics to prove that they have earned their keep. Some things, like a good, gooey grilled cheese simply cannot be improved by innovation.

Give me hash browns off a griddle that were not rehydrated. Whatever happened to waffles with warm syrup?

Can anyone explain what happened to the grilled beef patty and cottage cheese plate? It's been replaced by low-fat this or that and comes with a \$5.95 price tag.

I want hot chocolate made with real milk and chocolate, not one made from a pre-sweetened mix.

I understand rising rents and labor costs, but for the record, I miss having a shoemaker on the corner and a butcher I can talk to and learn from.

Let's be careful to cherish the simple places that remain with us before they disappear. Long live club sandwiches with iceberg lettuce and homemade Russian dressing!

See Larry Janes' family-tested recipes inside. Chef Larry is a free-lance writer for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave a voice mail message for him dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then mailbox number 1886.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week.

Wines from Columbia Crest in Washington State.

Taste Buds column: Now is the time for Crock-Pot cookery.



TAMMIE GRAY/STAFF ARTIST

Garlic

Small bulb gains big popularity

BY CORINNE ABATT • SPECIAL WRITER

Remember the line from an old song parody about feeding the baby garlic to find it in the dark?

Garlic took its share of lumps in the past, but now it's enjoying a popularity bordering on awe. East Side Mario's, with restaurants in Livonia and Rochester hills, is currently paying homage to it with a garlic festival that continues through Sunday, Jan. 21.

While such a celebration is new to the metro Detroit area, it's a tradition in New York's Little Italy, and Gilroy, Calif.

"There's been a lot of focus on garlic since people became aware of its medicinal benefits," said Ray Vance, vice president of East Side Mario's. "And if you cook it right, it can do incredible things to food."

Saying this is a perfect time for a garlic festival, Vance continued, "in January we go into the blahs, this gets you out to have some fun." In addition to the regular menu, diners are given a special garlic menu.

What mainstreamed garlic into the American diet is the discovery (or rediscovery) that it has more than meets the nose. Claims for its medicinal benefits run from lowering serum cholesterol triglycerides and blood pressure to being an anticoagulant, a germicide, a cancer reducer and a preventive for premature aging. In other words, many regard it as something akin to an edible wonderworker.

Ruth Woods, manager of Kitchen Glamor in Orchard Lake Mall, West Bloomfield, remembered her Russian-born grandfather as she commented on the garlic boom.

"He made garlic soup once a week in the winter — 'to stay healthy,' he said. We never went near him — the smell was overpowering." A smile crossed her face as she continued, "he told us we were being silly. Anyway, he lived to be 100 and died of old age, not disease, just old age."

Woods said she likes to cook with garlic as do many of her customers. "They can't get enough of it. But, what's interesting is they don't want to touch it."

That may be one reason for the popularity of utensils such as the garlic peeler, the self-cleaning garlic press, garlic grater, garlic slicer, garlic baker, ceramic garlic keeper, and a pint-size garlic cellar. Woods said the two hottest sellers are the terra cotta garlic baker and peeler. On the same shelf are four cookbooks devoted exclusively to garlic.

Rub your hands with salt or lemon juice to get rid of the smell on your hands after preparing garlic recommends Lois Thieleke of Birmingham, a home economist for the Michigan State University Extension — Oakland County. Her answer for garlic breath is to chew a sprig of parsley. She mentioned that the longer garlic is cooked, the milder it becomes and conversely the smaller the pieces you cut, the more pungent the flavor. That's why timid cooks who haven't used garlic may choose to start out with a gentle, but elegant use of garlic. Rub the bowl with a peeled clove of garlic before making a tossed salad or insert slivers of garlic into a beef or pork roast before cooking.

For a nice faint touch, rub a peeled clove on a warm platter before dishing up chicken or fish.

• See recipes inside.

Buying and storing garlic

Fresh garlic is available year-round. Most of what we buy at the store is grown in California, although red garlic as well as white is grown and shipped from Mexico.

■ "Pick plump, firm, crisp heads," said Lois Thieleke, a home economist for the Michigan State University Extension — Oakland County. "Buy the heads loose, not in a package, so you can see they are free of soft spots."

■ Store garlic in a dark, cool, well-ventilated spot. Keep it out of the refrigerator.

■ Refrigeration makes garlic sprout. "Toss it, if you discover soft spots, green sprouts or yellowing," said Thieleke.

■ Garlic can be hung (not by the kitchen window), stored in a basket or in one of several types of ceramic or metal garlic keepers available in many stores.

■ Don't peel garlic until ready to use.

■ Garlic can be frozen indefinitely. "But," Thieleke warned, "store it in a freezer bag or container, otherwise your ice cream will taste like garlic."

Chef shares memorable moments, recipes

Nick Stellino invites readers into his kitchen, and shares unforgettable memories in "Cucina Amore," Easy-to-prepare Italian Recipes, (Doubleday, \$24.95).

"Cucina Amore" is more than just a title," said Stellino. "Kitchen and love are irrevocably linked in my mind. Whether it was Mamma's strawberry dessert or the neighbor who lived upstairs in our apartment building who made me pasta with clam sauce, food was always prepared and eaten in a way that joined family and friends in unforgettable moments."

In "Cucina Amore" Stellino showcases traditional family recipes he enjoyed as a child in Palermo, Italy. "This is a dream come true for me," he said. "I call it the Renaissance of Italian cooking, because it's my chance to share the authentic family cooking that I think is one of the most powerful charms in the world."

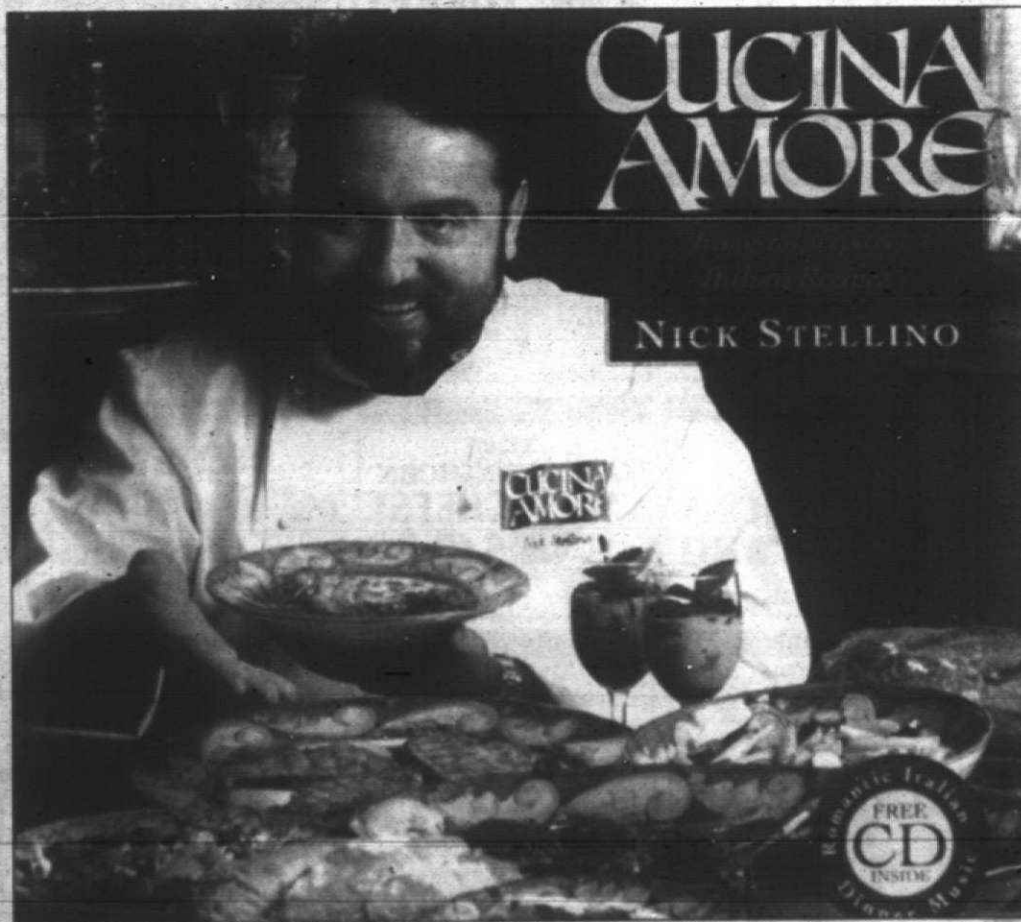
Reading Stellino's book is like looking at someone's cherished family album. In addition to easy-to-prepare recipes, made with readily available ingredients, are black and white snapshots of family members, and little vignettes about them. Every recipe has a story behind it.

"Cucina Amore" also contains a CD of charming Italian dinner music to inspire the cook's creativity and enhance the diner's pleasure. Among the more familiar songs on the CD are "That's Amore" by Dean Martin, and Perry Como's "Anema E Core."

Stellino, 36, came to America to attend college and stayed on to work for seven years as a stockbroker with a Wall Street Corp. In 1991, he realized he would never be happy until he followed his heart, so he pursued his dream to work in a restaurant.

His first job was dishwasher. The lessons he learned from his family of cooks helped him rise from dishwasher to prep cook, to salad maker, to saucier, all the way to executive chef. During the next few years he worked with many of the country's most successful Italian chefs.

A series of professional internships followed where he learned the art of cooking at some of the top Italian restaurants in Los Angeles: Sports Club, Cafe Largo, Rosie's, Farfalla, and La Terrazza.



In the fall of 1992, while working as head chef at La Terrazza, Stellino was "discovered" by an agency talent scout and eventually selected as the TV spokesman for Ragu Tomato Sauces. From that came nationwide exposure and recognition, and eventually a contract with West 175 Enterprises and KCTS/Seattle for a series on public television named "Cucina Amore." The program

airs locally 2:30 p.m. Saturdays on WTVS-Detroit Channel 56.

"This is a dream come true for me," said Stellino. "It's my chance to tell people what Italian food means to me, to show them the recipes that were the basis for many unforgettable moments in my life."

• See recipes inside.

Doctor what ails you with garlic-inspired dishes

See related Garlic story on Taste front.

WALNUT AND GARLIC LINGUINE
4-5 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 cup chopped walnuts
1/4 cup chopped parsley

3 tablespoons olive oil
12 ounces linguine
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup chopped fresh basil or 1 teaspoon dried

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1/4 cup lemon juice
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

Chef shares easy Italian recipes

POTATO AND ONION SOUP
2 pounds onions, finely diced
2 pounds white potatoes, finely diced
5 cups chicken stock
1/2 cup dry Marsala wine
1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

Help us tackle 'Super Bowl' Sunday

Football fans — send us your favorite "Super Bowl" party recipes and strategies. We're looking for recipes to feature in a story that will be published on Jan. 22.

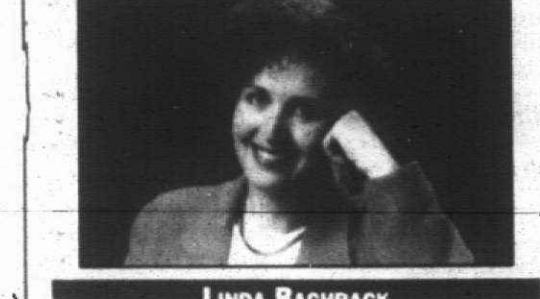
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MALLS & MAINSTREETS

Local malls end the year on an up note



LINDA BACHRATH

SHOPPING CENTERED
Citing Michigan's record low unemployment, stability in the midwest economy, and a confident year for the auto industry, area mall report holiday business was better than last year.

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Soccer champs

The Michigan United-Copa, an under-13 boys soccer team, continued its winning ways by collecting first place in its division in the first session of the indoor soccer season at Farmington's Total Soccer.

Copa also won their outdoor season. Among their victims during the indoor season, in which they finished 7-1, were the Livonia Meteors, Livonia Wings and Novi Jaguars.

Team members, who are from Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Westland, Garden City, Wayne and Dearborn Heights, are Brian Balfour, Brian Braun, Brian Collins, Corey Dahn, Chris Derrig, Mark Edwards, Mike Johannes, Peter Karoub, Ugo Okwumabua, Doug Radcliffe, Justin Smoes, James Thornton, Steven Walters, Ryan Zajac, Mike Harkins and Evan Malone.

The team is coached by Dave Radcliffe and Jim Thornton.

The Livonia YMCA '77 Michigan Hawks, an 18-and-under girls team, recently captured the Cocoa Expo Cup in Cocoa Beach, Fla. for the second consecutive year.

Coach Paul Scicluna's team outscored their opponents, 25-5. They defeated Team Dayton in the championship game, 1-0, on a goal by Jennifer Parviainen (Plymouth) from Gina Dawson (Bloomfield Hills) with only two minutes to play.

Other members of the Hawks include: goalkeeper Julie Buczek and Mari Hoff, both of Canton; Jodi Coyle, Plymouth; Mamie Vandenburg, Christine Wilson and Angela Siggia, all of Livonia; Shannon Stevens and Laura Montecillo, Troy; Kim Van Cleef, Detroit; Ann Cieszkowski, Beverly Hills; and Kristah Manteuffel, Redford.

Gary Hoff is the assistant coach. The team managers are Mike and Linda Siggia.

Recreation events

A teen ski trip is planned to Alpine Valley Friday, Jan. 19. The trip is open to those 13 to 18 years-old (no residency requirements).

Cost is \$22 for those with their own equipment and \$29 for those renting equipment. Fees cover bus transportation, lift tickets and all rental equipment (if needed).

The bus leaves the Canton Township Administration Building parking lot at 5 p.m. and returns approximately at midnight. For further information, call 397-5110.

A series of youth floor hockey skills clinics and games will get underway the week of Jan. 29 at several locations throughout the Plymouth-Canton area.

Co-sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services and the Wayne-Westland YMCA, the program is for boys and girls in grades 1-5. There are no residency requirements.

Cost is \$35 per child. Included is six skills clinics with games each Saturday (a total of five) at the new Summit Community Center in Canton.

On Mondays, clinics will be 3:45-4:40 p.m. and 4:45-5:50 p.m. at Hulsing Elementary. On Tuesdays, clinics will be 3:20-4:25 p.m. and 4:35-5:35 p.m. at Eriksson Elementary. On Wednesdays, clinics will be 3:30-4:30 p.m. and 4:35-5:35 p.m. at Miller Elementary.

Emphasis is on participation and fun. Registration deadline is Jan. 25. For further information, call 397-5110.

Soccer registration

The Canton Soccer Club will have open registration on Wednesday, Jan. 10 and Saturday, Jan. 13.

Both will be at the Canton Township Hall. The Jan. 10 registration will be 6-8 p.m.; the Jan. 13 sign-up will be 9 a.m. to noon.

Those interested must bring a copy of their birth certificate and a check made payable to the Canton Soccer Club (amounts differ for different age groups).

For further details, call Kurt Johnston at (313) 455-4703.

Wildcat tryouts

The Western-Wayne Wildcats, an AAU girls basketball club, will have tryouts for their 10-and-under and 11-and-under squads Monday, Jan. 8.

The tryouts will be 6-7:30 p.m. at Pioneer Middle School in Plymouth. For more information, call Fred Thomann at 459-7315 or Bob Blohm at 459-1763.

Cruisers registration

The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers Swim Club will begin its winter season Monday at the Plymouth Salem HS pool. Registration and swimming for ages 10 and younger will be 6-7 p.m.; for those 11-14 years old, it will be 7-8 p.m. Regular practices begin Jan. 9.

Swimmers must be able to swim one length of the pool. Registration fee is \$70 for the first participant, \$60 for the second.

This program is organized through the Plymouth-Canton Community Education Department. For further information, call 459-6074.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Calendar may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 26251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or may fax them to (313) 561-7279.

Rocks recover in 2nd half for a win

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Take a look at what Plymouth Salem's basketball team has done thus far this season, and it's hard to believe that all is proceeding as coach Bob Brodie predicted — if not planned.

"As I said, we're going to be real good and we're going to be real ugly," Brodie said after his team displayed both extremes of its personality in beating Northville 70-56 Friday at Salem.

It was the Rocks' second home game of the season, and they won for the second-straight time. In fact, they're unbeaten at home.

The game matched Salem's season thus far: More ups and downs than any roller coaster. The 3-3 start has featured a surprising opening win on the road at Monroe, followed by three blowouts suffered at Southfield, Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor Huron. The Rocks' first home game was against Riverview just prior to the holiday break, and they got their second win.

Against Northville, it seemed they would rack up their second win in-a-row rather quickly. Some hot first-quarter shooting (9-of-12 from the floor)

helped them stake out a 21-12 lead.

But the second quarter was every bit as bad as those three consecutive road losses earlier this season. The Rocks simply could do nothing right: They committed eight turnovers and, worse, went 0-for-12 at the free throw line.

"And we shoot a ton of free throws in practice," insisted Brodie. "They shoot 50 (apiece) a day."

Those two elements plagued the Rocks throughout the game. They converted just 15-of-37 from the line (40.5 percent) and committed 27 turnovers.

Salem's second-quarter struggles allowed Northville to slip back into it. Trailing 28-14 with 4½ minutes left in the half, the Mustangs — behind Mark Sander's seven points — staged a 16-2 run that knotted the score at 30-all at the half.

Northville continued to dictate terms early in the third quarter, taking a 40-36 lead with 4½ minutes remaining. But the Rocks started to turn things around after that.

A basket by Andres Lopez and two by Mike Korduba in a one-minute span restored the lead to Sa-

lem. It remained a back-and-forth struggle until the final 1:07 of the quarter, when the Rocks outscored Northville 12-1 to take a 56-46 advantage into the final period.

The Mustangs got as close as eight twice in the fourth quarter, the last on two Sander free throws with 4:34 left. But they managed just one more point the rest of the game, compared to Salem's 12.

Sander finished with a game-high 28 for Northville. But next best was Jeff Azenz's nine.

The Rocks had four players in double-figures in scoring, led by Lopez's 16. Korduba and Phil Parker had 11 apiece, and Bhavin Patel chipped in with 10.

"We've got a lot of kids contributing," said Brodie. "We've just got to find who's hot. We've had a different starting lineup every game this year."

Not an easy situation for a coach. Finding which buttons to push on a young, inexperienced, inconsistent team can be frustrating.

So maybe the Rocks' current .500 record is where they'll end up at season's end. But they'll be plenty of surprises — some good, some bad — along the way.

Canton clips Central in OT

The number of weapons available to Plymouth Canton became clear Friday, when the Chiefs opened their WLAA season by playing their top rival, Walled Lake Central, on the road. And, with perhaps their best all-around player lost to injury early in the game, they still managed to collect a victory.

BY BILL PARKER
STAFF WRITER



If there was any doubt the Western Lakes Activities Association boys basketball race would be anything less than thrilling it was erased Friday at Walled Lake Central. League powerhouses Central and Plymouth Canton battled for 48 minutes, then needed overtime before the Chiefs emerged with a hard-fought 71-62 victory.

"It's huge, huge," said Canton coach Dan Young of his team's sixth victory in as many starts. "Anytime you can win on the road in this league against a good team it's a huge win."

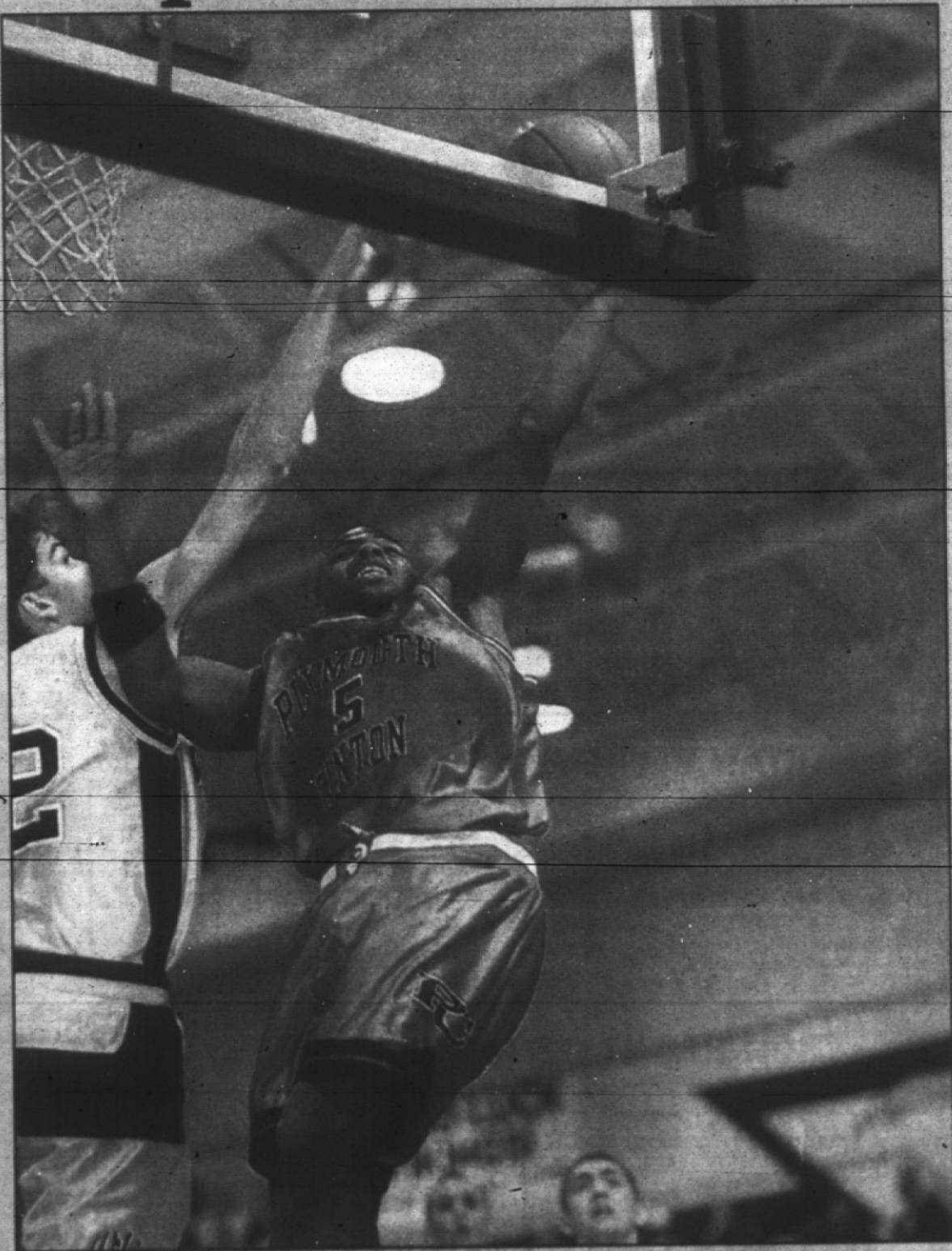
Despite playing without the services of junior forward Rob Johnson — a team leader in scoring, rebounding and defense — Canton erased an 11-point deficit to force overtime, then outscored the host Vikings 16-7 in the extra period to secure the victory. Johnson, an all-league quarterback last fall, injured his right knee midway through the second quarter and never returned to the court. He went for x-rays after the game.

With Johnson out of action, senior forward Ron Hunter stepped to the front and scored a game-high 27 points to spearhead the victory. Hunter scored six of his points in the fourth quarter and added seven more in overtime.

"(Hunter) has been doing that for the two years I've been here," said Young. "He was big, but he's always big for us."

After rallying from 43-32 late in the third, the Chiefs forced overtime when junior Matt Ammons (eight points) hit an inside basket with 23 seconds remaining in regulation to

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DAN DEAN/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Coming through: With Rob Johnson, one of Canton's top players, injured and sidelined, Ron Hunter (above) turned up his game and scored 27 points against Central.

Salem scores high in loss; Canton now 3-0

The return to action after more than three weeks off for the holidays wasn't entirely pleasant for Plymouth Salem's gymnastics team.

But then again, neither was the competition.

Northville, which the Rocks hosted Wednesday, is expected to make a strong run at the Western Lakes Activities Association title and perhaps the state championship, too. On Wednesday, the Mustangs — in their first competition of the season — performed up to their capabilities by beating Salem, 139.75-135.75.

And yet, while it's never fun losing, Salem coach Pam Yockey could hardly be displeased with her team's effort. The Rocks, who were still on their holiday break, were without 11 gymnasts — including Kristan Los

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and Michelle Wallos, the team's third and fourth all-arounders.

So everything considered, scoring over 135 was darn good.

"I was pleasantly surprised," said Yockey, her team now 1-1 in duals. "These are wonderful scores. Northville finished fifth in the state last year. I think with them scoring 139 in their first meet, they're going to do much better this year."

"They're going to be a force to be reckoned with."

So will Salem. Zoe Yockey, a senior co-captain, posted the top all-around score with an impressive 36.15. Next was Northville's Erica Winn at 36.00. Both surpass the qualifying standard

for All-American elite status.

Kristin Kosik, a junior and another of Salem's co-captains, was third in the all-around with a 35.85 score. Six of the seven gymnasts who competed in the all-around bettered the All-American qualifying standard.

Kosik was first in two events: the vault (9.06) and the floor exercise (9.5). Yockey won the uneven parallel bars (9.25) and finished second to Northville's Winn in the balance beam (Winn 9.0, Yockey 8.8).

Yockey finished second in two other events as well — the vault (8.8, tying Northville's Stacey Williamson) and the floor (9.3). Kosik was third in the bars (9.1).

Salem's other top-four scorer was Brooke Kirby, fourth in the beam (8.45).

The Rocks return to action Thursday at Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Plymouth Canton

Solid scoring and the depth Plymouth Canton coach John Cunningham expected led the Chiefs to a 133.15-123.90 victory Thursday at Farmington.

The win improved Canton's record to 3-0. The Falcons are 2-2.

Kim Nowak and Bris Wall tied for top honors in the all-around, each scoring 33.60. Nowak won the floor exercise (9.05) and tied teammate Nicole Vaagens for first in the uneven parallel bars (8.10); she was also third in the balance beam (8.4) and sixth in the vault (8.05).

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tie the game at 55-all. Central's senior center Jason Whalen (14 points) launched a triple with two seconds remaining but his shot missed its mark. A put-back by senior forward Greg Tobias at the buzzer also went awry, sending the teams into the extra period.

Canton's momentum carried into overtime as the Chiefs scored the first five points and never looked back. Central cut it to three, 62-59, on a pair of free throws by Whalen with 2:57 left to play. But the Chiefs responded with another small run. Junior Nick Hurley (14 points) split a pair of free throws with Hunter rebounding the miss and returning it to the net. Ammons split another pair of free throws as Canton pushed it to lead to seven, 66-59.

Senior guard Kevin Lynch (18 points) hit a triple with a minute remaining to keep Central close, 66-62, but Canton closed out the scoring with a three-point play by Ammons and a pair of free throws by Hunter.

"We lost our composure at the end and started playing not to lose," said Emert. "But they're a very good ball club. They're ranked seventh in the state."

"I'm disappointed in the loss, but I think the learning experience we gained from it will help us tremendously the rest of the year."

Central, which slipped to 5-1 on the year, controlled the game early and led 10-7 at the end of the first quarter and 30-25 at halftime.

Central's senior forward Ed Vick helped out with 13 points while Canton was aided by eight points from senior Mark Bray.

CC scores 101 in win

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

The way things were going for the Redford Catholic boys basketball team Friday night, scoring 100 points was like welcoming in a New Year. It was inevitable.

Reserve guard Josh DeCorvo put CC over 100 with two free throws with 10 seconds left, but it was the shooting of junior guard Marc McDonald that had the crowd abuzz during a 101-78 victory over visiting Redford Bishop Borge.

McDonald scored a career-high 38 points on 10-of-13 shooting, including five three-pointers, as the Shamrocks started the New Year and the Catholic League Central Division in style.

McDonald, scoring mostly away the baseline, had 18 points in the third quarter and finished with 25 in the second half when the Shamrocks outscored the Spartans, 64-44.

Check the record books for that total.

"That's the play for me, so I practice it more than the others," McDonald said about his corner shooting. "Flea (senior guard Chris Misaki) and (senior guard) Justin (Hoener) were doing a great job getting me wide open. I've got to hit the wide-open ones."

The Shamrocks, who made 13 three-point shots, are undefeated in six games. Borge, which won the Southgate Aquinas Christmas Tournament, fell to 8-2.

McDonald went to the bench for good with 2:28 remaining and CC ahead 92-69. The way the Shamrocks were scoring, that's plenty of time to reach 100.

The reserves didn't let the home crowd down, scoring eight points in the last minute, including field goals by DeCorvo, Dave Brock and Lenny Polteraitis.

"We were 8-0 (before the holiday break) and we just want to continue to go undefeated as long as we can," said McDonald, who also was a red-hot 13-14 at the free throw line.

Borge scored 23 points in the third quarter and coach Rosie Barnes was still disappointed because the Shamrocks countered with a mind-boggling 37, equaling their first-half output.

CC led 37-34 at halftime and didn't dwell much on the second half runaway in the locker room afterward, which made coach Rick Coratti happy.

"This is a senior group that has been through it last year," Coratti said. "The first thing they said when they came in the locker room after the game was 'We have U-Jesuit next Friday.' That's a good sign."

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Madonna hangs tough to get win

BY C.J. BRASK
STAFF WRITER

Now that had to be satisfying — to win a game against a pretty formidable foe when you're not playing all that well.

That's what Madonna University's women's basketball team did Thursday. Visiting Tri-State University brought with it some size and a decent record (8-4), but the Lady Crusaders met the challenge and fought through their own largess to record a 70-62 victory.

Madonna improved to 12-8 with the win, while Tri-State slipped to 8-7. In addition, the Crusaders proved they are going to be a force in their region.

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Computerized scoring can be frustrating

Sometimes progress brings problems. That's the case with so many bowling centers installing automatic scoring systems. It seems that a good number of the bowlers are unable to operate these systems by themselves and often ask for help.

In most instances, the bowlers have not taken the time to understand how they work. The basic system works great, but for those who are not used to computers, it can be intimidating.

There are several moves which are the most common for scorers. Let's see if we can help understand how they work, so bowlers can use them without calling for assistance.

There are several different types of scorers in use, but the most common in this area is the Brunswick AS-80/90. We will use this unit, since the basics are similar on all.

To make a correction in scoring, whether a bowler went out of turn or the pinfall was not correct, press correction on the key pad. Now select choice by number and enter information as prompted on the screen. The number one is score correction, two is out of turn bowler, three is remove bowler, followed by number four, which is

bowler information change. Five is frame erase and six is team information change (use this for any changes in team handicap). Remember after each entry or selection, press enter. For an absent bowler, press start, enter, start, then select from P (pacer), A (absent), R (regular) or S (substitute).

Select what is needed, then enter the names. After all names are entered, press bowl. When your game is finished, be sure that all the scores have been written down on the scorecard. Press enter, clear, bowl, and you are ready to bowl the next game.

If there is any dispute after bowling is over, or someone's score was forgotten, ask the control desk for a printout of your scores. They can usually retrieve scores from the past 48 hours.

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