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Mission Health to change Jan. 1

Mission Health will reorganize effective Jan. 1, but will maintain operation of new facilities in Canton, Livonia, Farmington Hills and Novi. Officials say community commmitments will remain.

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY
STAFF WRITER

Mission Health officials are emphasizing that their decision to abandon the integration of programs at four hospitals will not stop construction of the new 60,000-square-foot medical facility at Canton Center Road and Summit Parkway in Canton Township.

Furthermore, it will not affect the patients seen at the Livonia and Farmington Hills medical centers.

Mission Health will continue to own and operate the new centers in Canton, Farmington Hills and Livonia and a newly planned facility in Novi, but other facilities with the Mission Health name will revert to their previous hospital affiliation, officials said.

"We just made a management structure change," stressed Peter Karadjoff, administrative director for the Mission Health Medical Center, Livonia, at Seven Mile and Newburgh roads. "This is not going to affect the community."

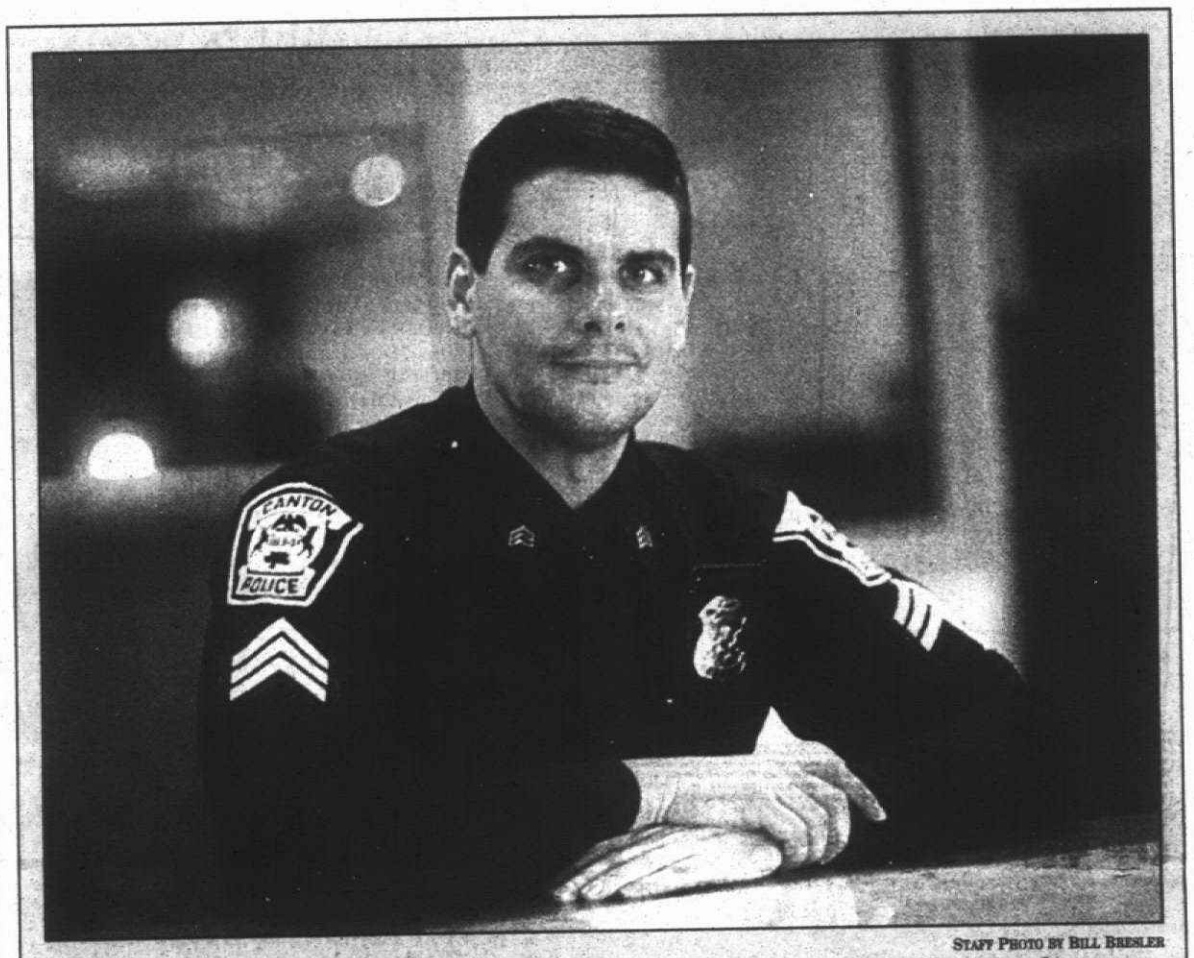
Patients will be able to retain their current physicians, he said.

Mission Health was created in 1994 by the Daughters of Charity National Health System and Mercy Health Services. Its purpose was threefold:

- to position Providence Hospital in Southfield, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, McPherson Hospital in Howell and Saline Community Hospital in Saline as premier health care facilities;
- to instill a sense of Catholic collaboration between the four hospitals and their communities; and
- to accomplish cost savings through clinical integration.

Integration involved putting programs together between the hospitals, doctors sharing the most successful methods to yield a desired result, and embracing a system whereby single leaders, or the top-

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Native son: *Canton police Sgt. Joe Bippus will soon leave his post in Canton to become police chief in Three Rivers — a city in southwest Michigan where he grew up.*

Young sergeant heads west as hometown chief of police

BY VALERIE OLANDER
STAFF WRITER

Canton police Sgt. Joe Bippus will be returning to his hometown of Three Rivers to serve as chief of police – a position fellow officers knew he would achieve.

"He always said he was going to go back to Three Rivers and be chief. He reached his goal ... and I can't think of anyone nicer," said Canton police Sgt. Ed Tanner.

Bippus's duties begin Jan. 6 in the blue collar community of three square miles and population of 3,500. Three Rivers recently annexed 53 acres to build a new high school and shopping center. His parents, two sisters and a brother live in Three Rivers. Another sister lives in a nearby town.

"It's the complete opposite of Canton," Bippus quipped.

However, some similarities do exist: the community is getting a new Kmart and plans are in the works to build a Carnegie Center for the Arts.

The 31-year-old began working as a patrol officer for Canton police in 1988 and moved to the rank of sergeant three years later. He oversees the Reserve Unit, sits on the Explorer Board and is team leader for one of four Community Policing Teams.

Bippus's last day on the job in Canton will be Dec. 27.

In Three Rivers he will administrate police services for 14 sworn officers, 15 reserves, three secretaries and one animal control officer.

Bippus worked as a reserve officer and dispatcher in Three Rivers while attending Ferris State University. He obtained a bachelor of science in degree in criminal justice. At the time, he worked under the direction of then-Lt. Ken Baker, who is now the retiring police chief.

"Everything Canton has been training me for is an exact fit for Three Rivers. It's one of things that made me come home. I want Three Rivers police department to be like Canton and grow beyond the basic services," he said.

Three Rivers has one officer assigned to community policing. Bippus believes the city's configuration of a small geographic area with a busy downtown and community park at its center naturally lends itself to the concept of community policing.

"I think the bicycle program would be good in a community that size," he added.

Bippus said he also hopes to become the type of police chief that Public Safety Director John Santomauro has been to him.

"Santomauro has been a mentor to me. He's been an excellent help (in achieving the position of police chief) ... He wants all his officers to be the best that they can be and he's ready to stand behind you."

He has received two Certificate of Merit Awards while a Canton police officer. He received one award for disarming a suicidal subject during a police standoff and another for apprehending an armed robbery suspect after a 5-mile foot pursuit. He also received a Department Citation and Distinguished Service Medal.

Bippus is married to Cheryl, who is a part-time church administrator.

Yack's salary to top chief's

BY VALERIE OLANDER
STAFF WRITER

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack will earn $1,000 more than his top paid department head as of Jan. 1, according to a new policy adopted by officials.

Yack's raise could add up to 8 percent next year.

Public Safety Director John Santomauro is currently earning $2,600 more than his boss. Yack earns $72,100 while Santomauro grosses $74,700. In 1997, Yack will start the year out earning $75,700 – a hike of about 5 percent over last year.

Yack also will receive another percentage increase of between 2.5 and 3 percent when Santomauro and other non-union employees receive an annual merit hike. The township board is scheduled to consider this proposed increase at its Jan. 14 meeting.

"If (Santomauro) gets a 3 percent increase, Tom Yack's salary goes up too ... The feeling was the township supervisor as the highest elected official should also be the highest paid official," said Administrative Services Director Dan Durack.

Durack sat on a committee that recommended the hikes to the township board on Dec. 10. Other members of the Elected Officials' Compensation Commission were township Clerk Terry Bennett and trustees John Burdziak and Bob Shefferly.

The township board unanimously approved the increases this month.

In other communities, the top public safety administrators are typically the highest paid.

- In West Bloomfield Township, the police chief and fire chief each will earn $75,468 in 1997 while the township supervisor will earn $71,136.
- In Redford Township, the public safety director earned $68,908 this year while the township supervisor earned $56,224.
- In neighboring Plymouth Township, the police chief earned $68,200 this year while the township supervisor earned $64,000.

"The person who is township supervisor is the driving force in our community. We attempted to bring that in parity with the pay scale of our directors," said Clerk Terry Ben-

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Charity hockey event to benefit local children

Tickets are available for a charity hockey game between the Red Wings Alumni Team featuring hockey great Gordie Howe and Canton firefighters and police officers. The event is set for 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7 at the Compuware Arena in Plymouth.

Tickets can be purchased for $8 at Canton's two fire stations (Cherry Hill and Canton Center Road and Warren, west of Haggerty), Johnson's Family Restaurant, 42400 Ford Road, and at the Whaler's home games.

Proceeds for the event will benefit the Child Life Program at Mott Childrens Hospital and the Canton Firefighters #2289 Charity Foundation.

There will be two raffles at the charity hockey game. Two original Olympia Stadium seats autographed by Howe and Alex Delveccio will be raffled off. Another raffle will feature a number of prizes, including trips and an autographed hockey jersey.

Firefighters and police have raised almost $50,000 for the charity foundation in two years by organizing three charity hockey games and a softball game.

In 1995 $22,000 was raised for Greg Unger, a Canton teen who needed a double lung transplant. In 1996 $12,000 was raised for the University of Michigan Trauma Burn Unit and $4,000 was given to the Special Olympics. Another $5,000 was put in the foundation account.

Other contributions from the foundation include; the Children Leukemia Foundation, $400; Muscular Dystrophy Association's Kid for Camp program, $400; Project Sharing, $400; and Educational Excellence $200.



Tedd Schneider



Joanne Maliszewski

Staff changes announced

Tedd Schneider has been named editor of the Canton Observer beginning Monday, Jan. 6.

He replaces Joanne Maliszewski, who has been named editor of the Plymouth Observer.

In other staff changes, former Wayne County reporter Beth Sundrla Jachman has been named special projects editor of the Observer Group. Ken Abramczyk is the new Wayne County reporter concentrating coverage on county government and other multi-community organizations in western Wayne County.

"The staff changes are in preparation for the Observer's new Sunday edition that will debut in February," said Susan Rosiek, managing editor of the Observer Newspapers. "Staff members are excited about their new beats and look forward to continuing our award-winning delivery of community news to the Canton community."

Schneider is looking forward to his new assignment. "Covering an active, still-growing community like Canton will

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New buses

Plymouth-Canton looks to upgrade service

BY M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Santa Claus will be feeding his reindeer extra Wheaties and dusting off his king-sized sleigh to deliver the Christmas gifts Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has in mind for its students – new buses.

John Birchler, the district's executive director for business, told the board that 11 rusted, worn-out and damaged buses need to be taken out of service and replaced. The cost is expected to exceed half a million dollars.

Maintenance on the vehicles – built in 1982, 1984 and 1985 – have cost a total of $20,430 since July 1, 1996. One bus was totaled about a month ago when it was struck by a semi-tractor trailer that ran a red light.

"Bus purchases totaling $537,322 are being recommended from the remaining 1991 bond funds," said Birchler. "The recommendation includes purchases of two 14-passenger special education buses; two flexible (special/general education) 48-passenger buses; two flexible (special/general education) 78-passenger buses; and four 78-passenger buses from Hoekstra Truck Equipment Company."

The purchases "would give us flexibility in our fleet that we don't have right now," he said. "We are trying to buy vehicles that can be used for special ed, as well as provide more for general education and field trips.

"As we have growth, we need to be able to put more students on buses. We added two routes because of enrollment, and now have two less spares than we had before."

Hoekstra was among the companies convicted of price-fixing several years ago, a fact that came to light after Plymouth-Canton previously purchased buses from the Michigan company, resident Ted Bohlen reminded the board.

Birchler said that while many vendors were contacted, including companies in Ohio and Indiana, few responded. A Transportation Department goal is to "standardize the fleet, so that we have the parts we need on hand, and so that mechanics have the knowledge they have to have," he said.

Mike Maloney, board treasurer, asked, "What is the process you have used to recommend buying 11 buses? I'm not clear on why you're picking those 11. It seems like we need a schedule, including specifications.

"Given the money we are spending, I want to make sure the criteria are clear for the board and community."

Maloney also asked what process is used "to make sure we are paying a fair price for used buses. We need to start developing specs for buses." Rather than quoting one bus at a time, perhaps the district could get a better price by offering to "buy in bulk," he added.

Director of Transportation LuAnn Grech said, "We felt they were very fair prices, given the mileage and condition of the buses."

Bohlen, a retired General Motors attorney, said there's a vendor in Wisconsin that services Michigan. Board President Mark Horvath directed administration to "see if there is Wisconsin vendor and get back to us. Let's lay out all the assumptions on the table so we can go forward with a formal bid process."

Said Birchler: "It's not that we don't have specs; this is an unusual situation. The expectation wasn't there until a few months ago."

"We do need these vehicles to keep our fleet going," said Superintendent Charles Little. "We need a good plan to replace buses," he added.

Board approves rezoning

BY VALERIE OLANDER
STAFF WRITER

The train has left the station.

Those were the departing words of Canton resident Dan McCausland following the township board's unanimous approval of a rezoning at Cherry Hill between Haggerty and I-275.

The approval last week overturned a planning commission recommendation. Commissioners had voted Nov. 6 to recommend denial of a multiple housing zoning from its current zoning of single family residential, or R-4.

Singh Development plans to buy several parcels of property that will equal 20 acres on the north side of Cherry Hill for condominiums. Two homes have been bought and will be demolished to give the development access to Haggerty Road, which has been a sore spot with residents.

"If it hadn't been for those people there wouldn't be a development," said resident Glenn Brothers.

Supervisor Tom Yack said it was unusual for the township board to stray from the planning commission recommendation. However, the rezoning would be in sync with the township's master land use map, he said.

"We just can't get over that hurdle of that master land use plan. Does anyone make a mistake? Maybe the master land use plan is wrong," McCausland said.

Trustee Melissa McLaughlin was questioned by residents regarding her vote as a member of the planning commission. McLaughlin originally voted in favor of the rezoning, but when the vote failed, 3-2, McLaughlin changed her vote to recommend denial.

McLaughlin said she voted with her three other colleagues on the planning commission in a conservative move to be unanimous. "I should have voted my conscience and I didn't. Tonight I will vote my conscience," she told the residents.

She said multiple housing would have less impact on residents because the setback from the resident's lot line is 60 feet. Single family residential zoning has a lesser required setback of 35 feet.

"I can't get out of my driveway as it is for three hours of the day. Now, we're going to allow a higher density ... I wish them the best of luck," said longtime resident Glenn Brothers.

Residents also questioned if the land was developable due to wetland laws. Municipal Services Director Aaron Machnik said the property has "unique issues" that won't allow all 20 acres to be developed.

Brothers commented after the township board approval, "They better build them awfully high."

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be both challenging and rewarding," he said. "Our goal is to inform readers about local news and events that affect their lives on a daily basis.

"Canton people, places and views will be a prominent part of our coverage," he added.

Schneider will be based in downtown Plymouth at 794 S. Main. He can be reached at 459-2700 beginning Jan. 6.

Schneider has been community editor of the Redford Observer since September 1995. During that time, the newspaper has won Michigan Press Association awards for editorial writing and design, and was awarded third place for its circulation group in the general excellence competition sponsored by the national Suburban Newspaper Association.

He has participated in community programs, including the first-ever Operation Cleanup Redford and "Buckle Up Livonia," a 1992 seat belt campaign.

Prior to his appointment as community editor, Schneider, 38, worked as a general assignment reporter in Garden City, Westland and Livonia. He joined the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers in January 1986.

Before coming to the O&E, Schneider worked for 6 1/2 years at the Detroit Jewish News in Southfield.

He attended Wayne State University.

Schneider lives in Farmington Hills with his wife, Lori, an employee at Star Cutter Co., a Farmington Hills-based manufacturer of gear-cutting tools. They have a 2 1/2-year old daughter, Sarah, and an overfriendly golden retriever, Brandi.

Sundrla Jachman, 35, has worked at the O&E for eight years. During that time, she has worked on the copy desk and as Wayne County and business reporter.

She previously worked as a reporter, copy editor and copy desk chief at The Beaufort Gazette in Beaufort, S.C.

She has a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of South Carolina. She lives in Livonia with her husband Matt Jachman, Livonia Observer reporter, and their two cats, Sport and Sam.

She recently received awards in the Suburban Newspapers of America competition for election coverage and environmental reporting. She was part of a team of staff members who took first place for Best Environmental Coverage for "Changing Current," a special section published last May detailing areawide efforts to improve the Rouge River.

As special projects editor, Sundrla Jachman will be in charge of all Observer Group special sections and designated investigative reports on selected local topics.

She is based in the Livonia office and can be reached at 953-2122.



Sundrla Jachman



Ken Abramczyk

Abramczyk, 38, covers Wayne County government, Schoolcraft College and other regional issues for the Observer Newspapers.

Abramczyk was hired by the Eccentric Newspapers in January as a copy editor for the north Oakland County editions of the Eccentric Newspapers in Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford, Rochester and Troy. He worked as a reporter this summer in Clarkston covering Springfield Township and in Lake Orion.

A Dearborn Heights native, Abramczyk previously worked at the Press & Guide Newspapers in Dearborn for 10 years, as a managing editor for the former Dearborn Heights Leader and a staff writer for the Dearborn Heights edition of the Press & Guide.

During that time, Abramczyk served on the board of directors for the Dearborn Heights Chamber of Commerce, where he helped establish an annual business expo. He also chaired annual Christmas Club drives to collect money, toys and clothes in conjunction with the Dearborn Heights Goodfellows to help needy families.

Prior to that, he worked briefly as a staff writer for the former Mellus Newspapers in Lincoln Park and as an associate editor and staff writer with the Dearborn Times-Herald.

Abramczyk graduated from Wayne State University in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in mass communications. He graduated from Bishop Borgess High School in 1976.

He lives in White Lake Township.

Abramczyk is based in the Livonia office. He can be reached at 953-2112.

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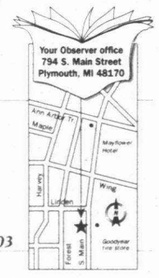
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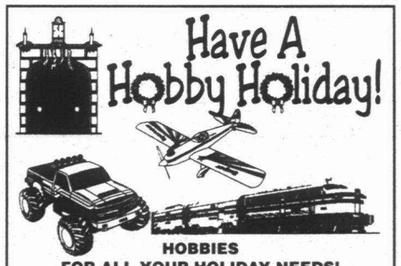
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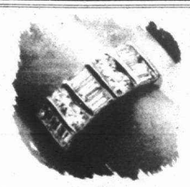
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Successful shift: *Bell ringer Kelly Baker, 10, watches as Gloria Underwood and her children Kayla, 4 and David, 3, put money into the kettle. Gloria said that the kids really enjoy doing this.*



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

A family affair: *The Millers are Dan, father; Diane, mother; Kenny and Katy; and Buffy, the family dog.*



PHOTO BY RON PONKEY

Young donor: *Samantha Brock, nearly 3, of Garden City, helps ring the Salvation Army bell for Donna Dalton at the Farmer Jack Supermarket on Ford and Wildwood.*

Salvation Army rings bell with volunteers

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY
STAFF WRITER

Come rain, sleet and snow, they stand their ground in the name of volunteerism.

The Salvation Army's red kettle campaign would be nothing without the masses who donate their time to stand behind the kettles, ringing the bell to attract people's attention. Some local volunteers however, use that time as quality family time.

John Baker stood outside Target on Ford Road in Canton Township for two hours with children Kelly, 10, and Andy, 16, Monday night. For the elder Baker and his son, it was their third year out.

"We did this for Boy Scouts," John explained. Now, Andy is getting credit toward his community activism requirement at Catholic Central High School. Yet, even without the school requirement, Andy would still be out there.

"I think it's a good cause," he said, "and I think more people should do it."

The Canton trio feel so strongly about the cause that they have donated 14 hours of time over six days.

"We just wanted to do something, especially at this time of the year, to help people out," said John. "And we wanted to do something as a family."

Although Kelly has not been involved as long as her dad and brother, she is just as committed.

"I think it's fun to come out here and raise money for people in need," she said, adding that she will do it again next year.

Everyone's involved

Dan Miller and his children, Kenny and Katy, have been ringing the bell for years. This year, however, they got Mom to join the team outside the Little Professor on Main Street in Plymouth.

"My wife (Diane, 35) and Katy (9) are going to ring this Saturday from 10-12 p.m.," said Dan, 37, "until Kenny (11) and I get back from basketball. We will ring from 12-2 p.m."

This Plymouth Township family was introduced to bell ringing at the request of Kenny, then 8 years old. The question came after the family had passed a bell ringer while Christmas shopping.

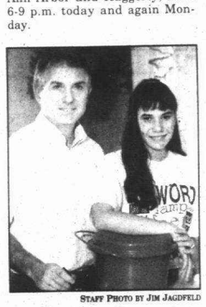
"I just wanted to get involved and see what it was about," said Kenny, a student at Bird Elementary School in Plymouth Township. He explained why he continues to brave the cold year after year. "It just feels good to please little kids and the needy. I plan to do this for at least five more years."

Katy, also a Bird student, started ringing two years ago.

"He (my dad) asked me if I wanted to try, and I said 'Sure.'," she said. That commitment has brought her out ringing two times already this year, with three more shifts already scheduled.

"There are a lot of needy people out there, and if we can help, even one family, then it's well worth it," said Dan, when asked why he felt it was important to volunteer. "I also feel very strongly about the Salvation Army."

The Millers will also ring at the Plymouth Township Kmart, Ann Arbor and Haggerty, from 6-9 p.m. today and again Monday.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Father-daughter team: *George and Sarah Empey will ring the bell this year.*

New recruits

This will be the first year for bell ringers and Livonia residents George Empey, 50, and daughter Sarah, 14.

Why the Salvation Army?

"The Salvation Army itself has always impressed me," said George. "I can't think of any two things that I haven't heard bad things about, whether they are true or not. But the Salvation Army has never had anything bad said about them; and they also have a high standard. It's a Christian standard, and they stick with it."

Empey has financially supported the Salvation Army for years, but his first bell ringing experience will come at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, outside the Target store in Farmington Hills, on Grand River. They will repeat the six-hour shift at 10 a.m. Dec. 23.

Sarah expressed her happiness with the opportunity to support the Salvation Army saying she was introduced to the idea through her father, but added "I like doing that stuff also." In fact, this is not the first time the father and daughter have teamed up to do something for others.

"We have looked for areas to contribute (for years,)" said Empey. "And I don't know who thought of it, but Sarah and I were going to make cookies and take them up to the bell ringers." As it turned out, the cookies were made, but the pair ran out of time before delivering them. "So, we had to eat them," he said.

Yet Sarah got another opportunity to donate her cookies. A student at Franklin Road Christian School in Southfield, Sarah joined her classmates in making cookies for ares nursing homes.

"I think it's important that instead of just taking from society, people give back," George said, and offered these words to anyone considering volunteer work. "Everyone is so pinched for time, and I'm just as pinched as anybody being both mom and dad, but when we take time to stop and think about how fortunate we are...God has blessed us so much. How many ways can you show God that you are pleased with all the blessings you have. I consider this an honor."

When asked about her friends and whether Sarah's volunteerism may encourage others to act, she responded, "I know a lot of people that are already volunteering."

The Empeys are looking forward to their two days spent together, and George Empey is looking forward to many years of the same.

"I hope this is just one of the many (volunteer) things we do," he said.

Dedicated volunteers

Anna Stidham had no hesitation about being a Salvation Army bell ringer to help the social service agency raise money at major retail sites.

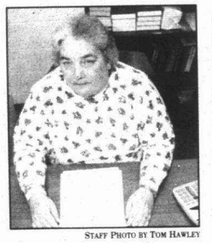
"The Salvation Army helped me and my family before when it paid my heating bill," explained Stidham, 41, of Wayne.

"They didn't ask me for money, but they did say I could 'give back' to them by helping out as a bell ringer."

Stidham told of the connection with the Westland-Wayne Salvation Army Corps while standing near the entrance of the Westland Target store on Warren Road west of Wayne Road in a light rain.

In her first year as a bell ringer, Stidham said that "business has been pretty good," with the typical day's donations being about $200.

Turned employee



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Faithful volunteer: *Karen Dorony at her desk at the Salvation Army office.*

Karen Dorony and husband Ed, Redford Township residents for 24 years, have volunteered for the Salvation Army for 6 years. Also working for 6 years has been their daughter, Julie, a junior at University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Karen was hired in October part-time as the Christmas/Fall Program coordinator. In that capacity, she will interview the clients for people seeking Christmas wishes and during the fall, oversees the heat and warmth program.

Yet she will continue to do volunteer work in her free time.

"Yes," she said without hesitation when asked the question about continued volunteerism. "The Salvation Army is a good place to work and to volunteer."

Volunteerism for her husband can mean anything. "He does everything they ask him to," said Karen. "He wraps presents, runs errands..."

About her daughter, "she works with the children, works in the food pantry, was a counselor for the day camp, and she cleans up around here when they ask her to."

Karen was introduced to Salvation Army by her grandparents, who "were officers of the corps." She decided to start volunteering when someone in her church membership asked if she could help with one program.

Staff writer Leonard Poger contributed to this story.

Volunteer bell ringers are still needed

George Empey of Livonia called two or three Salvation Army branches before finding one that needed additional help. Imagine his surprise when told about a group in his own backyard that was having difficulty attracting bell ringers.

Participation for the Wayne-Westland branch is so low that they had to hire bell ringers to generate any money for the Salvation Army's cause.

"We could use more volunteer bell ringers," said Capt. Sue Welsh, when asked about participation. "We never have enough of those."

For $6 an hour, more than 100 people applied to staff the 15 spots throughout Wayne and Westland. Yet, Welsh is finding that even money may not provide enough incentive to keep people out there in the cold and rainy weather.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer bell ringer should contact Welsh at (313) 722-3660. Volunteers are needed until Christmas Eve.

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TAG program meeting scheduled

Screening for admission to Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Talented and Gifted Program for the 1997-98 school year is scheduled for January.

Parents of second-graders, and fourth- through seventh-graders need to contact their school office for a nomination form now available. They should be returned to building principals as soon as possible. The TAG Department screens all district third-graders when they take the Cognitive Abilities Test in late January.

Parents of third-graders eligible for further TAG screening after the Cognitive Abilities Test will be contacted by mail.

Nomination forms for second-graders are due no later than Jan. 17.

Nominated second-graders will take the Cognitive Abilities Test at their school at the same time the test is given to third-graders. For fourth- through seventh-graders, the TAG Department will look at previous testing scores.

An informational meeting on the TAG program is set for 7 p.m., Jan. 8 at the Miller Elementary School gym. Miller is at 43721 Hanford Road in Canton.

Placement in the TAG Program is determined by test scores and available space.

Middle school placement also is limited by space.

For more information, call the TAG office at Miller at (313) 416-4867.

COP CALLS

Breaking and entering

A burglar climbed through a bathroom window to break in a home on the 1000 block of Rustic Ridge in the Palmer and Lilley area sometime between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday. Police found a lawn chair near the window, with a window screen laying on the ground next to it. The burglar stole a VCR, cash and two men's suits, totaling approximately $1,750. The culprit left through a doorwall.

In another incident, a thief was unable to steal a furnace despite disassembling it at a home under construction on Millbrook in the Palmer and Lotz area. The incident occurred sometime between 8 - 9:15 p.m. Saturday.

Malicious destruction

Red paint was used to vandalize a 1995 Toyota parked in front of a home on the 45000 block of Morningside in the Palmer and Lotz area. The incident occurred sometime between 10 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Sunday. Approximately $1,000 in damage was reported.

■ The passenger side windows and windshield of a 1977 Oldsmobile were smashed out while it was parked on the 46000 block of Michigan Avenue between 1:30-8:45 a.m. Saturday. A small dagger was found on the ground by the driver's side door. The passenger side of the car was also dented. Approximately $400 in damage was reported.

■ A vandal broke out a basement window of a home on the 41000 block of Canton Ct. and extended three running garden hoses inside. Water damage was estimated at over $100, police reported. The hoses were held in place by a cinderblock. The incident occurred sometime between 7-9:30 p.m. last Thursday.

Felonious assault

A Canton man was arrested at a trailer park on Michigan Avenue after he allegedly attacked another tenant of a trailer park on Michigan Avenue with numbchucks. The victim armed himself with a hammer in self defense and called police. The incident occurred about 8:20 p.m. Friday. Only minor injuries were reported.

Freshmen students grade district

Counselors at P-CEP met in groups with their ninth-grade students in October to discuss information about testing opportunities, graduation requirements, extra-curricular activities, class status, tutoring, study skills, second semester schedules, four year plans and to share information from a pamphlet, "How to Make Your High Schools Years Work For You."

Freshmen were also asked to complete a questionnaire which asked students to rate how their experiences have been so far at P-CEP and to list three or more positive/negative comments on their experiences up to this point.

Overall rating in high school was reported by 611 students in 1995-96 and 938 students in 1996-97.

1. Positive to exceptionally positive 72.0 in 1995-96 to 78.0 percent in 1996-97

2. "So-So" 27.8 in 1995-96 to 21.9 in 1996-97 percent

3. Negative to exceptionally negative .2 percent 1995-96 to .1 percent 1996-97

The most often listed positive comments from students included that: they liked their teachers, school gave them a chance to meet new people, it has a friendly environment, P-CEP is culturally diversified and they received support from the staff.

The most often listed negative comments were that they had too much homework, it is hard going between buildings to classes, classes are harder than expected and too often classes were too crowded.

Student offered suggestions for improvement included that they felt students should stay in one building, keep the Library and Career Center open after school, provide longer lunch hours, enforce more discipline and improve school spirit.

Responses to classes, teachers, support staff, schedules, school atmosphere and extra-curricular activities indicated the following:

■ Schedules and atmosphere got the most positive to exceptionally positive responses.

■ Class selection go the most "So-So" responses.

■ Overcrowding and announcements received the most negative to exceptionally negative responses.

Students received this questionnaire after being at the P-CEP for more than six weeks.

Ice festival design contest begins

BY M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Middle school students in the Plymouth-Canton community have a chance to relish a few of their 15 minutes of fame with the arrival of the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular Middle School Design Contest.

There's also a chance to win a U.S. savings bond.

Students from the area's 11 local public and non-public schools who are in sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grades are encouraged to sketch or draw a design they'd like to see carved into an ice sculpture during the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, set for Jan. 15-20, 1997 in downtown Plymouth.

"This is an experience that usually only comes once in a lifetime for these children," said Sandra Watts, of Watts-UP, inc., organizer of the ice festival. "How many times do you get to dream up an ice carving and actually see it created before your eyes?"

Art teachers from each of the schools will select 10 finalists and submit their sketches to a panel of judges to include Sandra Watts, her husband Mike Watts, co-coordinator of the festival, and Plymouth's Richard Teeple, who is a certified culinary arts instructor, executive chef and certified ice carving judge.

One drawing will be chosen from each school. A U.S. savings bond from the Observer Newspapers, co-sponsor of the contest, will be awarded to the designer of each selected drawing.

Students needn't feel it's necessary to be a pro with oils and pastels.

"They don't have to be artists," said Watts. "If they have the idea and can put it on paper, no matter how crudely, the ice carver can work miracles. Between the imagination of the ice carver and the imagination of the child, the two kind of melt together and are formed into a beautiful piece of art.

"We encourage everyone to enter. It doesn't have to be this beautiful drawing," she added. "It's the idea behind the picture, not how well it's drawn. Some of the most beautiful drawings can't be reproduced in ice."

Drawings must be on standard 8 1/2 x 11-inch white paper. For clarity, sketches must be black lines (no color), said Watts. "Teachers are asked to select the 10 best entries and mount them on 12 x 15-inch black construction paper," she said.

Entries must be received between Jan. 6-10, and delivered to the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main St., Plymouth.

Presentations, interviews, and photographs of the winning students with their sculptures are scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 20. Photos and a story will appear afterward in the Observer.

For more information, call Watts-UP, inc. at (313)459-6969.

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nett.

She added, "It's more than a 9 to 5 job and more than five days a week. It takes a lot of time, energy and effort. I think it's well deserved."

Durack said comparative studies were not part of the committee's investigation this year, although the studies have been done in previous years to ensure the township is competitive in its pay scales.

Other directors' salaries include: Municipal Services Director Aaron Machnik, $71,500; Durack, $69,400; and Finance and Budget Director Tony Minghine, $67,000.

All four directors earn more than Bennett and Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter, who will each earn $58,800 next year – a 3 percent increase over last year's $57,000. The rate is the midpoint of township employees' Grade 18A.

The clerk and treasurer's salary in other communities are $67,694 in West Bloomfield, $50,602 in Redford and $48,000 in Plymouth.

Township trustees will receive a percentage increase that will be the same as the non-union employees. Trustees currently earn $8,500. A 3 percent increase would amount to an extra $263 annually.

■ Administrative and Community Services Director Dan Durack said comparative studies were not part of the committee's investigation this year, although the studies have been done in previous years to ensure the township is competitive in its pay scales.

Comparatively, West Bloomfield trustees earn $85 per meeting, Redford trustees earn $8,676 annually and Plymouth, $3,504 annually.

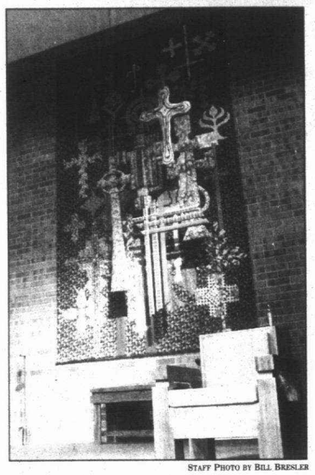
Meeting pay for members of the following boards and commission will increase as follows:

■ The Building Authority and Election Board of Canvassers will receive $50 per meeting instead of $40.

■ Building/Fire Board of Appeals and Electrical Board will receive an increase from $25 to $50 per meeting.

■ Property Tax Board of Review increases from $9.25 an hour to $9.50 per hour.

■ Economic Development Corporation increases from $25 per meeting ($35 for officers) to $40 per meeting ($50 for officers).



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Local talent: *St. John Neumann's art committee designed this tapestry in the fall commemorating the month of all souls. In the Catholic community, November is a time to "remember the people who have lived before us and remember the gifts they have passed on," said Gene Kijek, pastoral associate at St. John Neumann. "Each of the crosses represents the individual ways to express the Christian faith. The uniqueness of each cross represents the uniqueness of each individual's response to faith."*

Health *from page A1*

notch doctor in each field, would roam between the various hospitals to tend to patients.

But you "can't integrate hospitals that are 40 miles apart," said Karadjoff.

"It wasn't practical," agreed Mike Slubowski, chief executive officer of Providence Hospital. "As we looked at the amount of energy spent, because of the geographic boundaries, it made more sense to focus on the communities" with hospital care for the poor and ambulatory services, also known as walk-in medical centers.

Beginning Jan. 1, when the structural changes take affect, that is just what the individual hospitals and medical centers will do. Each facility will continue to contribute care for the poor in addition to sponsoring community programs. Additionally, the Livonia and Farmington Hills Medical Centers will focus more attention on their Physician Hospital Organization (PHO), a program that allows physicians to share the risk as well as the profits with the medical centers.

"PHOs are not a new creation," said Karadjoff. "There are just some things we can do better together."

The 1,800-physician group will share in the profits when the centers make money, but if the centers lose money, so will the physicians. Despite the new partnership however, Karadjoff does not expect insurance rates to rise for the physicians.

"It's important that people recognize facilities in the community will not change," Karadjoff emphasized. "Mission Health is still going to be around."

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Peter Karadjoff
Mission Health administrator

The only people who will be affected by the change according to Karadjoff, are 75 internal people.

"These associates will have employment opportunities within the hospital units," Karadjoff said with assurance. "There will be no layoffs."

In addition to the Canton facility, and already-operating Livonia, 90,000-square-foot, and Farmington Hills, 60,000-square-foot, centers, Mission Health officials are moving forward with plans to build a cancer center at Providence Park in Novi.

In addition to the new health facility in Canton, Mission Health has committed to the township to pay for infrastructure additions necessary to accommodate a performing arts theater near the Summit on the Park community center, just down the street. There is also an ongoing relationship between Mission Health and the Summit in offering health-oriented community programs.

Karadjoff stressed that any commitments made by Mission Health would continue to be honored, and that the only change

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Officials: Prop A hurts area schools

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Proposal A rescued outstate school districts financially, but suburban officials say their fiscal picture deteriorates each year.

Reason: Revenues have been rising 2.7 percent a year, said Randy Liepa, assistant superintendent for business of Livonia public schools, but costs are rising faster and at a compound rate.

"If you don't think you have a problem in school financing, then you have two problems," said one school official in the audience of leaders from 10 school districts in western Wayne County.

"We're all moving toward that brick wall. We'll all hit that brick wall at different times," concluded Michael Wilmot, Garden City school superintendent and president of MAISL, the Metropolitan Association for Improved School Legislation. It met Dec. 11 in Westland.

That wall, said Liepa, consists of these annual cost increases:

■ Retirement – rising at 5.3 percent. The state has shifted the employer's share to local districts.

■ Special education – rising at 6 percent.

■ Health care – rising at 4.6 percent.

Meanwhile, teacher "step" increases plus contract increases will run another 4 percent a year.

MAISL's 10 members include Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Redford Union and Wayne-Westland, plus Dearborn, Inkster, Romulus, Taylor and Westwood.

They put together a budget for a typical school district and projected what would happen over seven years, based on their experience. The hypothetical district's $71 million revenues rose to nearly 86 million, but its costs rose to $94 million and its accumulated fund balance to $18 million.

Net result: a negative fund balance of more than $26 million, "because revenues are capped," said Liepa. Without a fix from Lansing, suburban schools will have no option but to cut budgets, beginning with buses and teacher salaries.

"You as board members didn't get elected to hack up the program, but that's the reality," said Joel Carr, assistant superintendent in Romulus.

How did it happen?

Proposal A sought to smooth out the disparities in school funding, which ranged from less than $4,000 to more than $10,000 per pupil.

"Districts below $5,000 per pupil are getting double the increases of others," said Fred Hailer, a partner in the accounting firm of Plante & Moran, which audits 84 public school districts.

"Districts that were between $5,000 and $6,500 are just barely keeping up, or not. If their enrollment declines, it's a double whammy," Hailer said.

And districts that spent more than $6,500 per pupil find "their percentage revenue increases are small. They are spending their fund balances (working capital) or making cuts *now*," Hailer said.

Proposal A, approved by state voters in March of 1994, slashed local property taxes and capped assessment increases at 5 percent or the rate of consumer price inflation.

It effectively blocked individual districts from asking local voters to sweeten the property tax pot beyond six mills for homes and 24 mills for non-homestead property.

Proposal A raised the sales-use taxes from 4 percent to 6 and substituted a virtual state takeover of school funding. The combined effect was a windfall for non-industrial districts in mid-Michigan.

Among the losers: Ann Arbor's 2.2 percent; Romulus' and Dearborn's 2.5 percent.

Among big winners: Gwinn's first year revenues rose 13.7 percent; Onaway's, 28.1 percent.

"It's put us all in the borrowing business," said Steve Ezikian, Redford Union's director of business and finance.

Gerald Dunn, MAISL's executive director, noted that Gov. John Engler boasts of cutting state taxes, "but those 21 tax cuts took away $3.5 billion from the state's base."

The situation is worsened by growing numbers of "special education" pupils, who require $24,000 a year to educate versus $5,000 for others.

"Children who in the past wouldn't have lived, or would have been in institutions, are now in special education," said Patricia Brand, Wayne-Westland assistant superintendent.

It has worsened still more as former private schools, now doing business as "public school academies" with state money, compete for general students and shirk those in special education, Dunn said.

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20 years of learning celebrated at Field

BY M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Field Elementary School commemorated its 20th anniversary in a big way Dec. 12.

More than 500 former and current students, parents, teachers, support staff and administrators visited the Canton school for a day of festivities. A 2:30 p.m. assembly in the school gym kicked off the fun. A 20-year dedication ceremony took place at 6 p.m., followed by a PTO bake sale and open house.

Field Principal David Farquharson, who taught at the school during its first 10 years, said the celebration couldn't have gone better.

Many traveled considerable distances to attend.

"We invited back former students, parents and staff members to help us rededicate our commitment to kids," said Farquharson. Among those who came were Larry Miller, principal at Field for 18 years, and former administrators Sam Barresi, now assistant superintendent in Harper Woods schools, and Jim Burt, currently Allen Elementary principal.

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David Farquharson
—Field Elementary Principal

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Among those original students was Dawn Cummings, now a teacher at Field. Coincidentally, Farquharson taught her in a fourth-fifth-grade split; which is Cummings' assignment this year.

"It's funny how history repeats itself," said Farquharson. "This is Dawn's first year in our district, and we're proud to have her as a staff member."

Cummings spoke at the assembly, reminiscing about her days as a Field student.

"It's kind of exciting to be back," she said. "When I attended here, the whole sub came to Field. It was very family-oriented back then. Coming back, I still feel that way. The staff, parents and students work together. There still is a family atmosphere."

Cummings in her talk recalled how unusual she thought it was, coming from a more traditional school, "that Field had such a unique design with open classrooms. It was basically one school with different cabinets, and a big 'cube' built into the center. As a kid, seeing something like that was really neat."

Cummings, who was Farquharson's student helper at Field, said it's gratifying to see that "Field still has Crazy Hat Day at the end of the year, and the Golden Boot baseball game between fifth-graders and teachers. It's neat they still do a lot of the things we did when I was a student," she said.

"The PTO presented a new Field flag in honor of starting our 21st year," said Farquharson. "It was really neat to see people reminisce about the good things they remember about Field School."

Farquharson closed the assemblies with a musical slide show he put together.

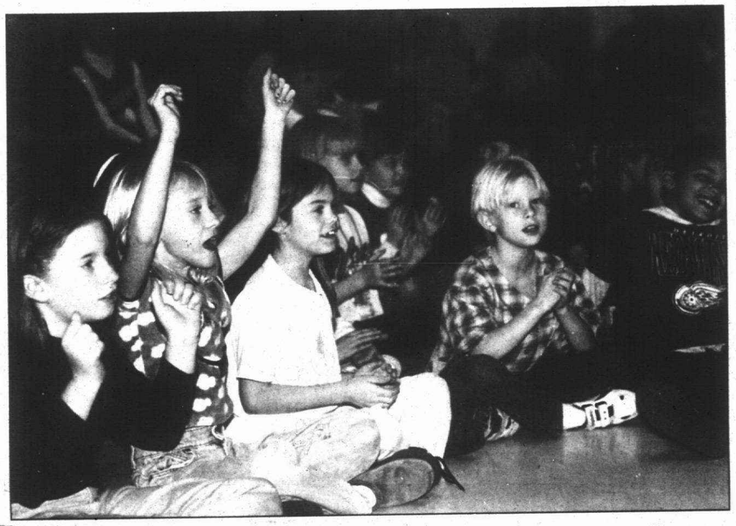
"I took 20 years' worth of slides and pared them down to 12 minutes," he said. "I taught here for the first 10 years the school was open, and took pictures every year during that time. Some of my colleagues continued the tradition, so there was quite a bit to choose from.

"The dilemma was (deciding) which ones to use."



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Flag unveiling: *Sue Leadford, PTO mom, and Dave Farquharson, Field principal, display the new Field School flag donated by the PTO.*



Singalong: *Field School students sing their school song during the 20th anniversary assembly.*



Artwork: *Larry Miller, Field Elementary's first principal and Dave Farquharson, Field's current principal, display Miller's collection of student art.*

Deputies to reward courteous drivers

BY ZACHARY GORCHOW
STAFF WRITER

If an officer from the Wayne County Sheriff's Department pulls you over during the next week, you may receive an unexpected holiday gift instead of a ticket.

The department has brought back its "Courteous Driver Program," which rewards motorists who show extra respect for others on the road.

Here's how the program, which began in 1988, works: If an officer sees an especially courteous driver while on his or her regular patrol, then the officer pulls the motorist over like a usual traffic stop.

After obtaining the driver's license and registration, the officer goes back to the patrol car and returns with either a pair of tickets to a Detroit Vipers' hockey game or a $10 gift certificate to Meijer.

Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano said the department started the program to reach out to the community and show drivers that their encounters with officers won't always be negative.

"Especially during the holiday season, we want to make sure people stay focused," he said. "There's a lot more drivers on the road."

Wayne County Officer Harold Stockton said he rewards drivers who have their children wearing safety belts, use their traffic signal when it may not be necessary or show any form of extra respect for others.

"We try to give them to people who deserve it," he said. "Sometimes a person needs to know they're appreciated," said Stockton.

The program has helped boost relations between the department and the community, he said.

"These are the kind of tickets I like to give out," Stockton said.

During a patrol, Stockton noticed a driver who had signaled well and was driving the speed limit — so he flipped on his lights and pulled him over.

Stockton approached the vehicle, asked for the man's license and returned to his car.

"He still doesn't know why I pulled him over," Stockton said, laughing.

Stockton returned to the confused driver, explained why he pulled him over, handed him and a passenger two Vipers' tickets and exchanged a handshake with each man.

Tom Cunningham, the driver and a Trenton resident, said he thinks the program is a good idea, although he was at first puzzled why Stockton pulled him over.

"It's quite a surprise," he said. "We were trying to figure out what we did wrong and were coming up empty."

Workshop tells how to apply for Habitat housing program

The Western Wayne County affiliate of Habitat for Humanity continues its effort to eliminate poverty housing by sponsoring a workshop for individuals interested in applying for Habitat housing.

This workshop will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8 in the Dozier Recreation Center, 2025 Middlebelt Road, in Inkster. All residents of western Wayne County interested in becoming a partnership owner are welcome.

For more information contact Renee Schultz at (313) 432-7700.

Christmas program on 'gift of love' scheduled in Plymouth on Sunday



Carol Dee Lewis

First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Plymouth, is inviting the community to experience a message of peace and love at a lecture titled, "Christmas: The Gift of Love that Heals," to be held at 4 p.m. this Sunday, Dec. 22.

This lecture is a free gift to the community which will share the inspiring and spiritual meaning of the Christmas season that can heal every day.

The lecturer is Carol Dee Lewis, C.S., of Evergreen, Colo., who is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship and is a full-time Christian Science practitioner.

Christmas music performed on flute and harp will precede the lecture at 3:30 p.m. The church is located at 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail, two blocks west of Main Street.

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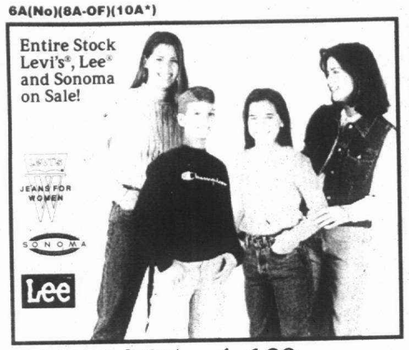
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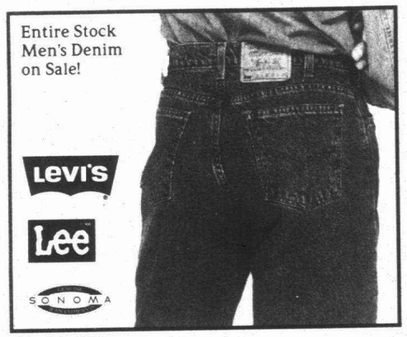
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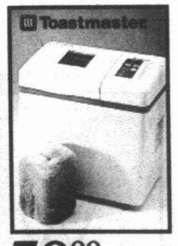
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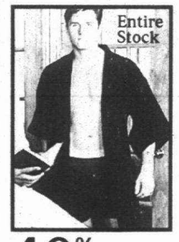
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Residents to serve on county EDC

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Two Northville residents were selected to the Wayne County Economic Development Corporation to help oversee the development of a county-owned 926-acre site in Northville Township.

On Dec. 5, Wayne County commissioners approved William James and George Zeleznik to the EDC to serve only with respect to that project's development.

The land will be transferred to the EDC for sale to developers. The site once housed the Wayne County Child Development Center and the Plymouth State Training School.

County commissioners also approved the boundaries of the project plan on Dec. 5 after a public hearing at which no one commented on the plan. The land is bounded by Five Mile Road, Six Mile Road, Beck Road and Hines Park.

James is the president of Bill James Plumbing and Heating of Madison Heights, a plumbing and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contracting company, with experience in institutional projects, construction, maintenance and repairs.

Zeleznik is a real estate specialist with Axiom Real Estate Management. He supervised the real estate department of a multi-billion dollar corporation, which included negotiation, acquisition, construction, leasing, maintenance and property disposition.

Zeleznik also managed a large real estate portfolio that included industrial and commercial property, and office and retail.

Today nearly 60 buildings sit empty at the site. The county solicited proposals this month to demolish the vacant buildings.

The commission's action followed the Northville Township Board of trustees conditional approval of Wayne County's Planned Unit Development (PUD) to house new development.

A PUD is a zoning classification that gives land owners/developers greater flexibility in terms of land use while providing the township a detailed role in the planning process. The land was zoned single-family residential.

The plans call for 308 acres of single-family detached residential development; 26 acres devoted to an adult-lifestyle community; 110 acres for Optical Imaging Systems, Inc., including the firm's existing 30-acre facility; 40 acres for apartments; 14 acres for commercial; 13 acres for senior housing; and 206 acres for a golf course. In addition, 45 acres will be devoted to recreation and open space for the township.

The land is the largest parcel of undeveloped property under single ownership in the county.

Northville attached several conditions to its approval. They are:

- The PUD must be consistent with the conceptual plan submitted by Wayne County, a PUD subcommittee report and a memo regarding sewage capacity.
- The proposal must be consistent with what the township board considers what is "mutually beneficial" for township and county residents.
- Wayne County will transfer ownership to the county's Economic Development Corporation except for property currently occupied by Optical Imaging Systems. Northville Township's attorney and corporation counsel must be satisfied with the transfer to EDC, according to the resolution. If the transfer is unsatisfactory, the township can abandon it.
- 45 acres of land will be conveyed to the township.
- the county also will return property tax revenue currently received by the township for property transferred to the EDC.

The county expects to use $20 million in proceeds from the land sale for the new Lions Stadium downtown after deducting "net of any out-of-pocket costs of the county and payments made to the state," according to a recent memo of understanding approved by the commission's committee on economic development.

Proceeds are also earmarked for the county's 21st Century Fund, which is devoted to revitalizing communities.

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Three of the program courses are being offered in the winter 1997 term. Classes begin the week of Jan. 6.

Promotional Mix: Professional Selling will be offered on Thursdays from 7 to 10 p.m. from Jan. 9 through March 20. Promotional Mix: Theory and Practice of Teleselling, also on Thursdays from 7 to 10 p.m., will begin on April 3 and continue through Ap.il 24. Principles of Marketing will be offered on Mondays from 7 to 10 p.m. and also as a telecourse on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. beginning the week of Jan. 6.

Students may register in-person at Madonna University through Friday, Jan. 3. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and until 7 p.m. on Monday and Thursdays, with the exception of Dec. 16, 19 and 23 when the office closes at 5 p.m. All offices will be closed for the holidays from Dec. 24 through Jan. 1.

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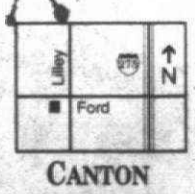
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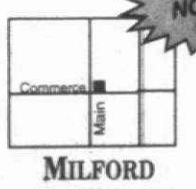
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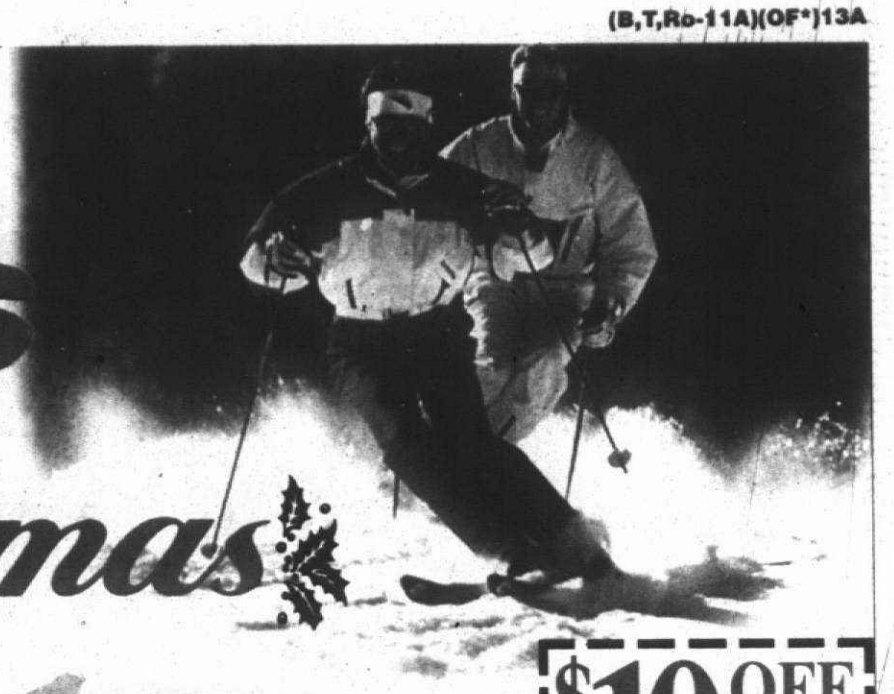
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Scott Signature Poles $44.00
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Scott Signature Poles $44.00
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Sale $549

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Salomon Quadrax 700 Bindings..$185.00
Scott Signature Poles $44.00
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OLIN NORDICA

Olin USA DTSL Super SL Skis. $500.00
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Scott Signature Poles $44.00
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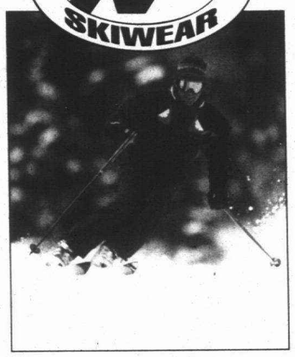
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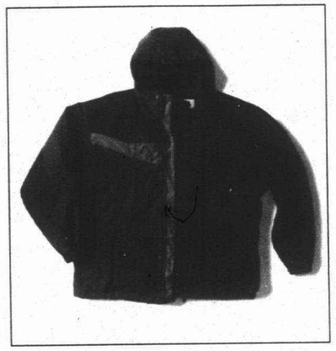
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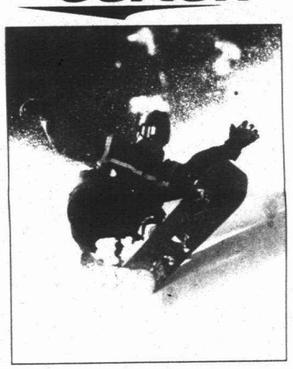
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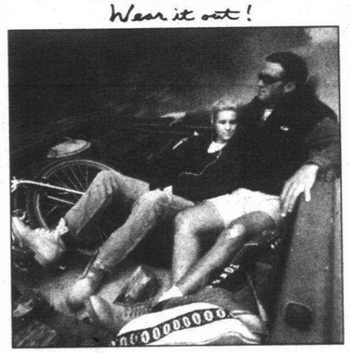
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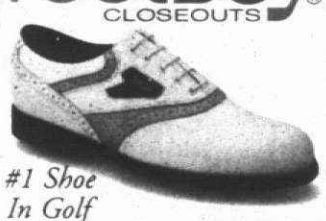


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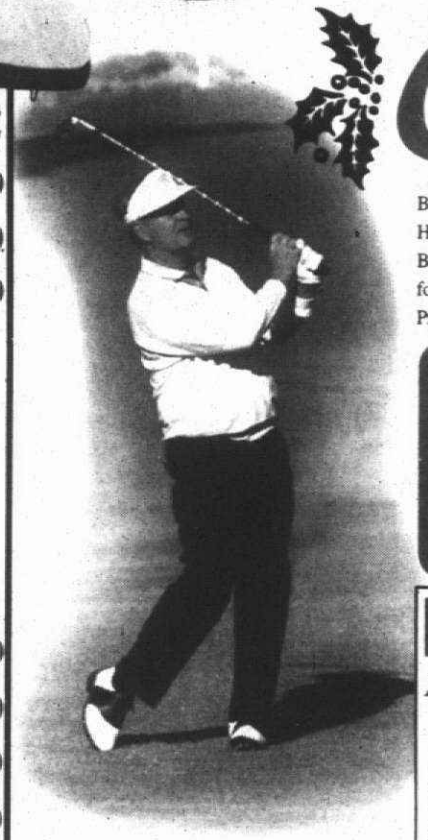


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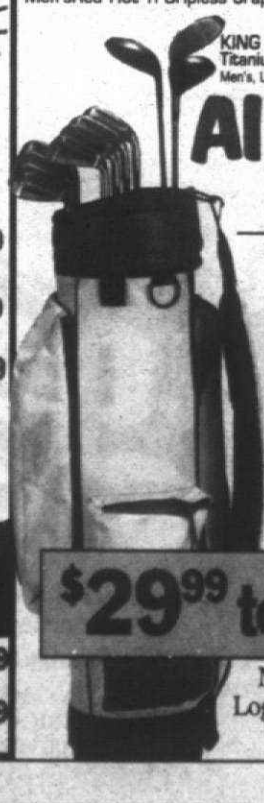
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Looking good

Improvements funded for Metroparks

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

■ Target opening date is May of 1999, said controller David L. Wahl.

Nine million visitors will see big capital improvements at some of the newer Huron-Clinton Metroparks in 1997.

The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority board gave 7-0 approval Dec. 12 to a $42 million budget – same as the current year.

It will put a hefty $10.9 million into capital, up 6 percent to 26 percent of the total.

Biggest project: The family aquatic center at Indian Springs Metropark in White Lake and Springfield townships in northwestern Oakland County. The multi-year, $10 million project will consume $3.2 million in 1997 alone.

Target opening date is May of 1999, said controller David L. Wahl. Work in 1998 will consist of completing the pool deck, shade structures, rock work, landscaping, irrigation, fencing, bridge work, and paving the road and parking lot.

"Once this project is under construction, the capital improvement area should return to a more normal level over the next few years," said Wahl's budget message.

Other 1997 capital projects:

• Lake Erie Metropark, at the mouth of the Huron River in southern Wayne County – $500,000 for a shoreline trail and $550,000 for marina dock utility renovations. The marina is proving one of the most popular facilities in the metropark system, said spokesman Dave Moilanen.

• Metro Beach on Lake St. Clair – $1 million for a west boat launch. Environmental groups have fought the project, saying it will harm marshlands. Final approval is up to the Department of Natural Resources.

• Huron Meadows south of Brighton in Livingston County – $200,000 for a share of Maltby Lake Road costs.

• Kensington, oldest and most popular of the 13 metroparks on I-96 west of Milford – $46,000 for a pesticide loading and storage building.

• Stony Creek, north of Rochester – $36,000 for a salt storage building.

Prices same

Vehicle admissions will remain unchanged in 1997: $15 regular for the season, $8 for seniors (62 or older), $3 on weekends and holidays, $2 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, free on Wednesdays.

Boat launching fees also will be unchanged: $18 regular for the season, $9 for seniors, $4 on weekends and holidays, $3 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, free on Wednesdays.

Corporate discounts of 20 percent are available for purchasing 50 or more. Passes for 1997 went on sale Dec. 1.

Most popular of the 13 parks, judging from anticipated operating revenue, are Kensington, $2.2 million; Metro Beach, $1.7 million; and Lake Erie, $1.5 million.

They are followed by the three small parks northeast of Ann Arbor – Dexter, Delhi and Hudson Mills, at $950,000; Willow and Oakwoods on the lower Huron River, $932,500; Stony Creek, $930,000.

Huron Meadows, with its golf course, will bring in $864,000, followed by Indian Springs at $816,000; Lower Huron, $328,000; and Wolcott Mill in northern Macomb County, $68,100.

A new director will take over Jan. 11 when William P. Sherman retires after 40 years with the system. Frank L. Sudek was promoted from deputy director.

Budget, jobs flat

Wahl said the 1997 operating budget will be almost identical to 1996's. Some $21.2 million, about half the general fund budget, will come from a property tax rate of 0.2236 mills – about $11 on a house worth $102,000 on the market. Voters approved 0.25 mills in 1940, but it has been pared down by the state tax limitation amendment.

Property tax revenues will be up 5 percent – 2.8 percent due to inflation in assessments, 2.2 percent due to new construction, much of it in Livingston County.

Vehicle admissions and other operating revenues produce about one-fourth of all operating funds: $10.3 million, up 3.5 percent.

Wahl said admission estimates are affected by weather and, in the case of Metro Beach, by 1994's pollution spills.

"Metro Beach should experience a 5 percent ($70,000) growth in revenue as we move further away from 1994," he said. Lake Erie golf revenues grew at a solid 8 percent, but pool revenues there declined 6 percent in 1996.

Not shown in the general fund budget are about $2 million from oil and gas royalties from Kensington Metropark. Segregated into a separate budget, they will be used for supplemental major maintenance items, notably Metro Beach's water system.

Employment will remain virtually flat: 187 full-time and 743 part-time or seasonal workers. Major operating cost hikes will be an expected 10 percent rate increase in health care and 12 percent more for pensions, Wahl said.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 10, 1996

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held on Tuesday, December 10, 1996 at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:
Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Durack, Machnik, Fox, Voyles, Zevalkink

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
General Calendar Item number, Authorization to Pay Bills Through the End of 1996, was added to the agenda.
Consent Calendar Item number five (5), Second Reading of Ordinance No. 116(A) was moved to be read after Item number six (6), Second Reading of Ordinance No. 115(A).
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 26, 1996 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 3, 1996 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by LaJoy, to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Recap

General Fund	101	$1,041,021.57
Fire Fund	206	120,925.61
Police Fund	207	268,872.94
Community Center	208	31,440.99
Cable TV Fund	230	104,410.26
Public Improvement	245	320,910.25
Twp. Improvement Fund	246	18,147.76
Auto Theft Forfeiture	267	154.95
CDBG	274	15,537.84
Auto Theft Grant Fund	289	87,359.29
Haggerty Storm Drain	302	208,022.92
Haggerty Paving	311	372,592.42
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Road Paving Fund	403	3,275.69
Pheasant Run Golf Crse	469	30,277.74
Water & Sewer Fund	592	2,144,185.32
Haggerty Paving	862	90,225.77
Total-all Funds		4,964,187.73

CONSENT CALENDAR:
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to reappoint Jeffrey Smith to the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council for a two-year term beginning January 1, 1997, term to expire on December 31, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to reappoint Wally Baker and Mike Gulkewicz to serve three-year terms on the Recreation Advisory Committee beginning January 1, 1997, terms to expire on December 31, 1999. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the following budget amendment in the Building Authority Construction Fund to adjust the budget for the Fire Headquarters and Police Building additions contract.

Increase Revenues:		
Proceeds from Bond Sale	#469-000-695-0000	$475,700
Increase Appropriations:		
Site Improvements	#469-900-971-0000	56,300
Construction-Fire Headquarters	#469-900-975-2060	212,700
Construction-Police Bldg	#469-900-975-2070	206,700
Total		$475,700

This budget amendment increases the Building Authority Construction Fund from $3,078,151 to $3,803,151.
Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the following amendment to the Pheasant Run Budget

Increase (Decrease) Appropriations	
#211-756-977-0000 Capital Outlay Equipment	$ 12,000
#211-756-932-0000 Maint & RPR Equipment	12,000

Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to remove from table and approve for publication the resolution approving amendments to the Boundaries of the Downtown Development Authority and the second reading of Ordinance No. 115(A) Downtown Development Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION
Approving Amendments to the Boundaries Downtown Development Authority

WHEREAS, on July 24, 1984, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton (the "Township") adopted Ordinance No. 115 establishing the Downtown Authority of the Charter Township of Canton (the "Authority"); and,

WHEREAS, the Township Board has decided to expand the boundaries of the Downtown District of the Authority (the "Downtown District"); and,

WHEREAS, on October 8, 1996, the Township Board held a public hearing on the expansion of the boundaries of the Downtown District pursuant to Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, 1975, as amended (the "Act"); and,

WHEREAS, more than 60 days have elapsed since the public hearing, and after consideration the Township Board has determined to approve the expanded boundaries of the Downtown District.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

1. Determination of Necessity. The Township Board hereby determines that it is necessary for the best interests of the Township to amend the boundaries of the Downtown District in order to halt property value deterioration, to increase property tax valuation, to eliminate the causes of the deterioration in property values, and to promote economic growth in the proposed Downtown District.

2. Designation of Boundaries of Downtown District. The boundaries of the Downtown District in which the Authority shall exercise its powers as provided in the Act shall consist of the territory of the Township described in Exhibit B attached hereto and made a part hereof, subject to such changes as may hereinafter be made pursuant to this Ordinance and the Act.

3. Amendment of Ordinance No.115; Conflict and Severability. Ordinance No.115 is hereby amended to incorporate the amended boundaries of the Downtown District as stated above and is otherwise ratified and confirmed as being in full force and effect. All other ordinances, resolutions and orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed, and each section of the Ordinance and each subdivision of any section thereof is hereby declared to be independent, and the finding or holding of any section or subdivision thereof to be invalid or void shall not be deemed or held to affect the validity of any other section or subdivision of the Ordinance.

4. Paragraph Headings. The paragraph headings in this Ordinance are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be a part of the Ordinance.

5. Publication and Recordation. This Ordinance shall be published in full promptly after its adoption in the Canton Observer and Eccentric, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township, qualified under State law to publish legal notices, and shall be recorded in the Ordinance Book of the Township, which recording shall be authenticated by the signature of the Township Clerk.

6. Effective Date. This Ordinance is hereby determined by the Township Board to be immediately necessary for the interests of the Township and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Passed and adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, on December 10, 1996, and approved by the Supervisor on December 10, 1996
Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Absent: None
Nays: None
ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Township Clerk

SECOND READING
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 115A

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PURSUANT TO ACT 197, PUBLIC ACTS OF MICHIGAN, 1975; TO DETERMINE THE NECESSITY THEREOF; TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF THE AUTHORITY; TO DEFINE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE AUTHORITY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THE ORDINANCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE NOTICE AND EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

104.751 Section 1 TITLE OF ORDINANCE.
The ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Downtown Development Authority Ordinance." (Ord. no. 115, eff July 24,1984)

104.752 Section 2 DEFINITIONS.
The terms used in the ordinance shall have the same meaning as given to them in Act 197 or hereinafter in this section provided unless the context clearly indicates to the contrary. As used in this ordinance:
"Act 197" means Act No. 197 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1975, as now in effect or hereinafter amended.
"Authority" means the Downtown Development Authority of Township of Canton created by this ordinance.
"BOARD" or "BOARD of Directors" means the BOARD of Directors of the Authority, the governing body of the Authority.
"Chief Executive Officer" means the supervisor of the Township.
"Downtown District" means the downtown district designated by this ordinance as now existing or hereafter amended.
"Township" means the Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan.
"Township BOARD" means the Township BOARD of the Township of Canton.
(Ord. no. 115 eff. July 24, 1984)

104.753 Section 3 DETERMINATION OF NECESSITY.
The Township Board hereby determines that it is necessary for the best interests of the Township to amend the boundaries of the Downtown District in order to halt property value deterioration and increase property tax valuation where possible in the business district of the Township, to eliminate the causes of the deterioration and to promote economic growth by establishing a downtown development authority pursuant to Act 197. (Ord. no. 115 eff. July 24, 1984; amend.eff. Dec. 19, 1996)

104.754 Section 4 CREATION OF AUTHORITY.
There is hereby created pursuant to Act 197 a downtown development authority for the Township. The Authority shall be a public body corporate and shall be known and exercise its powers under the title of "Downtown Development Authority of the Township of Canton." The Authority may adopt a seal, may sue and be sued in any court of this state and shall possess all of the powers necessary to carry out the purpose of its incorporation as provided by this ordinance and Act 197. The enumeration of a power in this ordinance or in Act 197 shall not be construed as a limitation upon the general powers of the Authority. (Ord. no. 115 eff. July 24, 1984)

104.755 Section 5 DESCRIPTION OF DOWNTOWN DISTRICT.
The Downtown District in which the Authority shall exercise its powers as provided by Act 197 shall consist of the described territory in the Township, subject to this ordinance and Act 197, as set forth in Exhibit B, attached hereto and made a part hereof. (Ord. no. 115 eff. July 24, 1984; amend.eff. Dec 19, 1996)

104.756 Section 6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
The authority shall be under the supervision and control of the BOARD of Directors consisting of the chief executive of the Township and not less than eight or more than twelve members as the Township Board shall determine. The members shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the township, subject to the approval by the Township BOARD. Not less than a majority of the members shall be persons having interest in property located in the downtown district. Not less than one of the members shall be a resident of the downtown district, if the downtown district has 100 or more persons residing within it. Of the members first appointed, an equal number, as near as is practical, shall be appointed for one year, two years, three years and four years. Members shall hold office until the members' successor is appointed. Thereafter, each member shall serve for a term of four years. An appointment to fill vacancy shall be made by the chief executive officer of the township for the unexpired term only. Members of the BOARD shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses. (Ord. no. 115 eff. July 24, 1984)

104.757 Section 7 POWERS OF AUTHORITY
The authority shall have all powers enumerated or implied by law in Act 197. (Ord. no. 115 eff. July 24, 1984)

104.758 Section 8 FISCAL YEAR; ADOPTION OF BUDGET
A) The fiscal year of the Authority shall begin on January 1 of each year and end on December 31 of that same year, or such other fiscal year as may hereafter be adopted by the Township.
B) The BOARD shall annually prepare a budget and shall submit it to the Township BOARD on the same date that the proposed budget for the Township is required by law to be submitted to the Township BOARD. The BOARD shall not finally adopt a budget for any fiscal year until the budget has been approved by the Township BOARD. The BOARD may, however, temporarily adopt a budget in connection with the operation of any improvements which have been financed by revenue bonds where required to do so by the ordinance authorizing the revenue bonds.
C) The Authority shall submit financial reports to the Township BOARD at the same time and on the same basis as departments of the Township are required to submit reports.
The Authority shall be audited annually by the same independent auditors auditing the Township and copies of the audit report shall be filed with the Township BOARD. (Ord.no. 115, eff. July 24, 1984)

104.759 Section 9 SECTION HEADINGS; SEVERABILITY; REPEALER
Section headings in this Ordinance are furnished for convenience only and shall not be considered to be part of this ordinance. (Ord.no. 115, eff. July 24, 1984; amend.eff. Dec. 19, 1996)
Ordinance No. 115 is hereby amended to incorporate the amended boundaries of the Downtown District as stated above and is otherwise ratified and confirmed as being in full force and effect. All other ordinances, resolutions and orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed, and each section of the Ordinance and each subdivision of any section thereof is hereby declared to be independent, and the finding or holding of any section of subdivision thereof to be invalid or void shall not be deemed or held to affect the validity of any other section or subdivision. (Ord.no. 115, eff. July 24, 1984; amend.eff. Dec. 19, 1996)

104.760 Section 10 PUBLICATION, RECORDING, AND EFFECTIVE DATE
This Ordinance shall be published once in full promptly after its adoption in the Canton Observer and Eccentric, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township, qualified under State Law to publish legal notices, and shall be recorded in the Ordinance Book of the Township, which recording shall be authenticated by the signature of the Township Clerk.
This Ordinance is hereby determined by the Township Board to be immediately necessary for the interests of the Township and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law. (Ord.no. 115, eff. July 24, 1984; amend.eff. Dec. 19, 1996)
Introduced and tabled: November 26, 1996
First publication: December 9, 1996
Second Reading: December 10, 1996
Effective/Publication: December 19, 1996
Certified copy will be sent to Candice Miller, Michigan Secretary of State following the final publication.
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance No. 115A adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, Michigan at a regular meeting held on December 10, 1996, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public acts of Michigan 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Township Clerk

***Copies of the complete text of Exhibit B referred to in this Ordinance are available during regular business hours at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton located at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188.**
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to remove from table and approve for publication the resolution amending Ordinance 116 and the second reading of Ordinance No. 116(A) Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION
Amendment to the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan Ordinance No. 116

WHEREAS, on December 12, 1984, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton (the "Township") adopted Ordinance No. 115 establishing the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan of the Charter Township of Canton (the "Authority"); and,

WHEREAS, the Township Board has decided to expand the boundaries of the Downtown District of the Authority (the "Downtown District); and,

WHEREAS, on October 8, 1996, the Township Board held a public hearing on the expansion of the boundaries of the Downtown District pursuant to Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, 1975, as amended (the "Act"); and,

WHEREAS, more than 60 days have elapsed since the public hearing, and after consideration the Township Board has determined to approve the expanded boundaries of the Downtown District.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: The amendment to the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan to include the expanded boundaries referenced in Exhibit B.

1. Definitions. "Development Area" shall mean the area with the amended boundaries of the Canton Downtown Development Authority District, as described in Exhibit B of the Downtown Development Authority Ordinance, Ordinance No. 115(A) as amended and as illustrated in the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000.
"Downtown Development Authority" means the Charter Township of Canton Downtown Development Authority as established by Ordinance No. 115 (A) as amended.

SECOND READING
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX
INCREMENT FINANCE PLAN
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN
ORD. NO 116(A) EFF. DEC. 22, 1984

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND A TAX INCREMENT FINANCE PLAN PERTAINING TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DISTRICT PROJECT PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 197, PUBLIC ACTS OF MICHIGAN OF 1975, AND TO PROVIDE FOR MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON HEREBY ORDAINS:

104.801 Section 1 DEFINITIONS
The terms used in this ordinance shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
"Act 197" means the Downtown Development Authority Act, Act No. 197 of Public Acts of Michigan of 1975.
"Captured Assessed Value" means the amount in any one year by which the current assessed value as finally equalized of all taxable property in the Development Area exceeds the Initial Assessed Value, as more fully described in the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan.
"Development Area" shall mean the area within the boundaries of the Canton Downtown Development Authority District, as described in Exhibit B of the Downtown Development Authority Ordinance, Ordinance No. 115(A) as amended, and as illustrated in the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000. (Ord.no 116, Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000. (Ord.no 116, eff.Dec. 22, 1984; amend.eff Dec. 19, 1996)
"Development Plan" means the Development Plan for the Downtown Development Authority District, illustrated in the Downtown Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000.
"Initial Assessed Value" means the most recently assessed value, as finally equalized by the State Board of Equalization, of all taxable property within the boundaries of the Downtown Development Authority at the time of adoption of this ordinance, as more fully described in the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000.
"Tax Increment" shall be that portion of the tax levy of all Taxing Jurisdictions paid each year on real and personal property in the Downtown Development Authority district on the Captured Assessed Value, as more fully described in the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000.
"Downtown Development Authority" means the Charter Township of Canton Downtown Development Authority as established by Ordinance No. 115(A) as amended. (Ord.no 116, eff. Dec. 22, 1984; amend.eff Dec. 19, 1996)
"Tax Increment Finance Plan" means the Tax Increment Finance Plan for the Canton Downtown Development Authority District, including the Development Plan, as transmitted to the Canton Township Board of Trustees Development Plan, as transmitted to the Canton Township Board of Trustees by the Downtown Development Authority for public hearing, and as confirmed by the Downtown Development Authority, and as finally approved by this Ordinance, copies of which are on file in the office of the Township Clerk.
"Taxing Jurisdiction" shall mean each unit of government levying an ad valorem property tax on property in the Downtown Development Authority District.
All other undefined terms, unless the context of this Ordinance specifically requires otherwise, shall have the meanings attributed to them by current usage. (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec. 22, 1984)

104.802 Section 2 APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCE PLAN, 1984/2000
Pursuant to Section 19(1) Act 197, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton hereby finds and determines as follows:
a) That the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan constitutes and embodies a public purpose of the Charter Township of Canton;
b) That the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan meets the requirements set forth in Section 17(2) of Act 197;
c) That the proposed method of financing the development activities described in the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan is feasible, and that the Downtown Development Authority has the ability to arrange the financing;
d) That the development activities described in the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of Act 197;
e) That the land to be acquired within the Downtown Development Authority District is reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes of the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan and the purposes of Act 197;
f) That the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan is in reasonable accord with the approved Master Plan of the Charter Township of Canton;
g) That public services, such as fire and police protection and utilities are, or will be, adequate to service the Downtown Development Authority District; and
h) That such changes in zoning, street levels, intersections and utilities as are contemplated by the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan are reasonably necessary for the Project and for the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the foregoing considerations, the Downtown Development Authority Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan, 1984/2000 and all respective amendments thereto shall be maintained on file in the Township Clerk's office and cross-indexed to this Ordinance. (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec. 22, 1984)

104.803 Section 3 BOUNDARIES OF DEVELOPMENT AREA
The boundaries of the development Area are hereby adopted and confirmed. (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec.22, 1984)

104.804 Section 4 PREPARATION OF BASE YEAR ASSESSMENT ROLL
a) Within 60 days of the effective date of this Ordinance, the Township Assessor shall prepare the Base Year Assessment Roll. The Base Year Assessment Roll shall list each Taxing Jurisdiction in which the Downtown Development Authority District is located, the Initial Assessed Value of the Development District on the effective date of this Ordinance and the amount of tax revenue derived by each Taxing Jurisdiction from ad valorem taxes on the property in the Development District.
b) The Township Assessor shall transmit copies of the Base Year Assessment to the Township Treasurer, the County Treasurer, the Downtown Development Authority, and each Taxing Jurisdiction, together with a notice that the assessment roll has been prepared in accordance with this Ordinance and the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan approved by this Ordinance. (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec. 22, 1984)

104.805 Section 5 PREPARATION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
Each year within 15 days following the final equalization of property in the Development District, the Township Assessor shall prepare an updated Annual Assessment Roll. The Annual Assessment Roll shall show the information required in the Base Year Assessment Roll and, in addition, the Captured Assessed Value for that year. Copies of the Annual Assessment Roll shall be transmitted by the Assessor to the same persons as the Base Year Assessment Roll, together with a notice that it has been prepared in accordance with this Ordinance and the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan. (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec. 22, 1984)

104.806 Section 6 IMPLEMENTATION
All Tax Increments shall be transmitted by the Township Treasurer and the Treasurer of Wayne County to the Township Treasurer for the account of the Downtown Development Authority at the earliest practicable date. All Tax Increments, so received by the Downtown Development Authority shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan and the requisitions of the Downtown Development Authority. For the purposes of segregation and transfer of such funds, the Township Treasurer shall maintain a separate fund which shall be kept in a depository bank account or accounts in a bank or banks approved by the Controller of the Township, to be designated Downtown Development Authority Project fund. All amounts payable to the Downtown development Authority shall, subject to the foregoing, be deposited directly in the Downtown Development Authority Project Fund. (Ord. no eff. Dec. 22, 1984)

104.807 Section 7 DURATION OF TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN
The Tax Increment Finance Plan will continue in effect until all purposes of the Development Plan and Tax Increment Finance Plan have been fulfilled. (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec. 22, 1984)

104.808 Section 8 ORDINANCE IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE UPON PUBLICATION
This Ordinance has been deemed necessary to assure the preservation of the general welfare of the Canton Community; therefore, said Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township (Ord. no. 116 eff. Dec. 22, 1984)
Introduced and tabled: November 26, 1996
First publication: December 9, 1996
Second Reading: December 10, 1996
Effective/Publication: December 19, 1996
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance No. 116A adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, Michigan at a regular meeting held on December 10, 1996, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Township Clerk

***Copies of the complete text of Exhibit B referred to in this Ordinance are available during regular business hours at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton located at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188.**
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the resolution to grant final plat approval for Glengarry Woods Subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the resolution to approve the a 12-month extension of the tentative preliminary plat for the proposed Hidden River Estates Subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to re-appoint Victor Gustafson, Thomas Sullivan, Robert Wade and Melissa McLaughlin to the Canton Township Planning Commission, terms to expire December 31, 1999. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to re-appoint Ted Yessayan to the Building/Fire Board of Appeals, terms to expire December 31, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR
Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the request of the petitioner to rezone certain property identified by property tax EDP #051-99-0006-000, 051-99-0007-000, 051-99-0016-000, and 051-99-0018-000 from R-4, Single Family Residential to R-6, Single Family Attached Residential District.
Speaking in opposition to the rezoning request: were Greg Hermanson, Jack York, Dan McCausland, and Glen Brothers.
Discussions regarding the recommendations of Administration and the Planning Commission occurred. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION
Rezoning request of Singh Development

WHEREAS, the petitioner, Tom Jetke, has requested 21.07 acres of land located on the north side of Cherry Hill Road between Haggerty Road and I-275 be rezoned from R-4, Single Family Residential to R-6, Single Family Attached Residential; and
WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
ORDINANCE NO. 96-7

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78, THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ZONING MAP (SECTION 78-27) IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT.

The City of Plymouth ordains:
Section 1. Section 78-27, in Article II Zoning Districts in Chapter 78 "Zoning" in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth is hereby amended by changing the following described parcel from RT-1 Two Family Residential to PUD Planned Unit Development.
Section 2. The parcel is described as follows:
Lot 535
Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 16, of that part of Bradner and Holbrook's subdivision lying in Section 23 and part of the Southwest ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 23, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, City of Plymouth, Wayne Co. Michigan, containing 0.375 acres.
Section 3. The Planned Unit Development is further described as containing six (6) one bedroom apartments, as depicted on the site plan/Final PUD Plan dated October 24, 1996. (NR-96-06)
Section 2. Rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance.
Section 3. Should any section, clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or part thereof other than the part declared invalid.
Section 4. All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.
Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective twenty-one (21) days after adoption hereof and after publication hereof.

RONALD G. LOISELLE, Mayor
LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC, City Clerk

Introduced: December 2, 1996
Enacted: December 16, 1996
Effective: January 8, 1997
Publish: December 19, 1996

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
ORDINANCE NO. 96-8

AN ORDINANCE TO ADD SUB-SECTION (7) AND TO AMEND SUB-SECTION (3)(j) IN SEC. 78-508 "SCHEDULE", IN ARTICLE XX "PARKING, LOADING REQUIREMENTS", IN CHAPTER 78 "ZONING", IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC PARKING OVERLAY DISTRICT.

The City of Plymouth ordains:

Section 1. Sec. 78-508 "Schedule", in Article XX "Parking, Loading Requirements", in Chapter 78 "Zoning", in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth, is hereby amended by adding a new sub-section (7) to read as follows:

78-508(7) ***Public parking system overlay district (B-2 & B-3 only):*** A Public Parking System Overlay District P-2 is hereby established for designation of those blocks or portions of blocks which are zoned B-2 CENTRAL BUSINESS and B-3 GENERAL BUSINESS, and which meet the requirements of this section.

a. Intent:
The intent of this section is to modify the parking regulations for those blocks or portions of blocks designated within the P-2 Public Parking System Overlay District. The P-2 Overlay District has the central shopping district characteristics of the B-2 or B-3 Zoning District, and in addition, it relies primarily on the public parking system rather than privately controlled parking. The PRINCIPAL USES PERMITTED, the PRINCIPAL USES PERMITTED SUBJECT TO SPECIAL CONDITIONS, and the AREA AND BULK REQUIREMENTS are not affected by the P-2 Overlay District, and are controlled by the applicable sections for B-2 or B-3 Districts.

b. Requirements for P-2 districts:
A P-2 Public Parking System Overlay District shall be a block or a portion of a block which is zoned B-2 or B-3, in which at least seventy-five (75) **percent of the parking spaces are owned or** leased or otherwise controlled by the City of Plymouth within its public parking system. The spaces include the street parking spaces immediately adjacent to the P-2 designated block or portion thereof (but not on the opposite sides of those adjacent streets), and all surface lot and parking structure spaces in the public parking system within the P-2 designated block or portion thereof. The percentage of public parking spaces in each block or portion of a block shall be determined individually, and not for the P-2 District as a whole.

c. Parking requirements within the P-2 district:
The parking requirements within the P-2 Public Parking System Overlay District are as follows:

1. No parking shall be required for the basement, first floor or second floor of any building for the following uses:
   a. Generally recognized retail businesses which are permitted by Sec. 78-202(1).
   b. Personal service establishments which are permitted by Sec. 78-202(2).
   c. Restaurants and taverns which are permitted by Sec. 78-202(3).
   d. Offices which are permitted by Sec. 78-202(6), but not including the offices of physicians, surgeons, dentists and similar medical professionals.
   e. **Banks with no drive-through facilities otherwise permitted by Sec. 78-202(7).**
   f. Municipal buildings and governmental offices permitted by Sec. 78-202(8).
   g. Offices and showrooms of plumbers, decorators, watch and shoe repairers and similar trades permitted by Sec. 78-202(9).
   h. Newspaper offices and printing shops permitted by Sec. 78-202(11).
   i. Storage facilities incidental to and physically connected with the above uses and permitted by Sec. 78-202(13).
   j. Parking facilities permitted by Sec. 78-202(14).
   k. Residential uses permitted by Sec. 78-202(16).
   l. Accessory structures permitted by Sec. 78-202(17).
2. For all uses specified in sub-section 1 above, which occupy any building above the second-story level, off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with all other sections of this ordinance.
3. For all uses not specified in sub-section 1 above, off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with all other sections of this ordinance.

Section 2. Sub-section (j) in Sec. 78-508(3) "Schedule", in Article XX "Parking, Loading Requirements", in Chapter 78 "Zoning", in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(j) Establishment for sale and consumption of the premises of beverages, food and refreshments	One (1) for each seventy-five (75) square feet of usable floor area or one (1) for each three (3) persons allowed within the maximum occupancy load as established by local, county or state fire, building or health codes, whichever is the greater.

Section 3. Rights and duties which have matures, penalties which have incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance.

Section 4. Should any section, clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or part thereof other than the part declared invalid.

Section 5. All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

Section 6. This ordinance shall become effective twenty-one (21) days after adoption hereof and after publication hereof.

RONALD G. LOISELLE, Mayor
LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC City Clerk

Introduced: October 2, 1996
Planning Commission hearing: November 13, 1996
Enacted: December 16, 1996
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

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DENIAL and the Wayne County Zoning Coordinating Committee had no objections to the request:
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone certain properties identified by property tax EDP #051-99-0006-000, 051-99-0007-000, 051-99-0016-000, and 051-99-0018-000 from R-4, Single Family Residential to R-6, Single Family Attached Residential District.
Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the lease with Ernest and Rose Costantino for 43 acres of Township-owned property on Sheldon and Michigan Avenue, and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the lease agreement on behalf of the Township. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the installation of a subdivision entranceway ground sign at Stratford and Gyde for the Stratford Park Subdivision, agreeing to maintain the sign when permitted by Wayne County, and designating the Township Clerk and Supervisor as the designated Township officials to sign the permit and the agreement for maintenance. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak, to table recommendation number five (5), regarding Elected Official's Retiree Health Insurance, and to approve the remainder of following recommendations from the Elected Officials' Compensation Committee:

1. Set the salary of the Township Supervisor to $1,000 above the base pay of the top paid Department Director.
2. Set the salary of the Township Clerk and Township Treasurer at the mid-point of Grade 18A.
3. Increase the compensation of the Trustees by the same percentage increase as the non-union employees receive in 1997. All future increases to the Trustees' compensation will be the same percentage increase received by the non-union employee group for that year.
4. Increase the compensation of the following boards and commissions as follows:
   Building Authority - from $40 per meeting to $50 per meeting
   Election Board of Canvassers - from $40 per meeting to $50 per meeting
   Building/Fire Board of Appeals - from $25 per meeting to $50 per meeting
   Property Tax Board of Review - from $9.25 per hour to $9.50 per hour
   Economic Development Corporation - from $25 per meeting ($35 for officers) to $40 per meeting ($50 for officers)
   Electrical Board - from $25 per meeting to $50 per meeting
5. Elected Officials' Retiree Health Insurance - The Township shall pay 100% of the group rate for health insurance for the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer, their spouses and dependent children to age 19, who retire from the Township with a minimum of eight (8) years of service as a full-time elected official of the Township, and provided the official has attained age 55. If the official is eligible for health insurance benefits from any other employer, then the official shall not be eligible for health insurance from the Township. This benefit shall be administered in the same manner and under the same conditions as the non-unit employees' retiree health insurance. **Tabled**
6. All of these changes shall be effective January 1, 1997.

Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the rental of baseball fields from the Canton Softball Center for Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball League 1997 games at the rate of $110.00 per game with the total not to exceed $13,200.00, and to increase the Parks and Recreation 1997 Budget account #101-691-818-0000 (Contractual Services) by $13,200 with funding to come from the General Fund Balance. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve a two-year contract renewal with Alexis, Inc., to administer our workers' compensation program, the contract to run from January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.
Mother by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the recommendation of the Merit Commission to reclassify the position of Accountant and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to Finance and Budget Accounting Director, and to move to a Salary Grade 15A, and further that John Spencer, the former CFO be redlined at his current rate until the midpoint of Salary Grade

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Lawmakers look ahead

Road funding, gas tax to top '97 agenda

BY ZACHARY GORCHOW
STAFF WRITER

After concluding a busy legislative session, two area state senators returned to their districts this week to address issues that will shape the Legislature next year.

Speaking at the William P. Faust Library in Westland, Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, and Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, agreed that the method of funding road improvements will be the top issue facing lawmakers when they return to Lansing Jan. 8.

Bennett represents a district that includes part of Canton Township, Westland and Wayne. Geake's district includes Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Redford and part of Canton Township.

Geake said he believes the Legislature could approve a gas tax hike next year, despite the partisan split resulting from the GOP losing control of the House to Democrats.

"I think (it could pass) because the No. 1 issue for everybody is road improvements," he said.

The roadblock to raising the gas tax last year was a disagreement on how much of the money would go to the state compared to cities and counties, Geake said. Gov. John Engler wanted most of the money to go to the state.

■ 'There are two courses of action: blame the taxpayer for not paying enough money (to maintain roads), or recognizing that the system (of financing road maintenance) has problems.'
Sen. Loren Bennett
R-Canton

Geake said he disagreed with Engler on giving funding priority to the state.

"It would be wrong to give it all to the state," he said. "There's been a heavy increase in usage of our roads."

Bennett said he wants to explore every option before raising the gas tax.

"There are two courses of action: blame the taxpayer for not paying enough money (to maintain roads), or recognizing that the system (of financing road maintenance) has problems," he said.

But Rep. Thomas Kelly, D-Wayne, said a third alternative exists. He advocates preventing other state departments from dipping into the Department of Transportation's budget for funds. The Department of State takes the most money of any agency — $86 million.

Kelly said ending this transfer of money would be the equivalent of raising the gas tax by 1.5 cents. He brought the proposal to the full House last week, but House leaders — who opposed the provision — killed it after it became clear that the measure had enough support for it to pass.

"We need to find in state government where money is being taken away (from transportation)," he said.

Kelly said he plans to propose the measure again when the House returns in January. He said its chances of passing will improve.

"It would be appealing to both sides of the aisle because it doesn't raise taxes," he said.

But Bennett said his plan is to examine the current system for inefficiencies to avoid raising the gas tax.

"It has been consistent from my 1994 campaign that I have to be assured that the money that's being collected for roads is actually going to the roads," he said. "Once we've made an assessment of the current situation, then — and only then — can we look at raising the gas tax."

Bennett said he wants to undertake such an assessment in cooperation with Wayne County officials.

"I'm perplexed by Wayne County's reluctance to look at (auditing the system)," he said.

But John Roach, Wayne County Public Services spokesman, said the Department of Transportation and outside firms already perform thorough audits of the county's road expenditures.

"We feel that Sen. Bennett's audit is unnecessary and a duplicative effort," he said.

Roach said past attorney general rulings on audits like the ones recommended by Bennett have shown them to be unconstitutional.

"In 1984, a senator by the name of John Engler requested - in opposition to the audit - the attorney general's opinion in order to block it," he said.

Roach said if the attorney general deems such an audit constitutional, the county would have "no problem with it."

Cow skull is special gift for S'craft prof

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

Most teachers get apples. Schoolcraft College anthropology teacher Josselyn Moore got a "new" cow skull.

Moore regularly passes around a variety of skeletal material in her classroom. She used a cow skull to show the class the teeth of a herbivore, a plant-eating animal.

However, after 15 years, the bovine specimen had seen better days.

"The teeth fell out. It got some wear and tear in the classroom. It's hard to know what to do with a retired cow skull," Moore said.

Trish Green of Livonia, a student in Moore's class, remembered an old cow skull that set on a bench alongside a trail on her mother's 1,000-acre cattle ranch near Orlando, Fla. She decided to give her mother, Kathy Stokes, a call.

"I told her Mrs. Moore would enjoy something like that, especially if it had good teeth."

Stokes assured her daughter the skull's teeth were in excellent condition and took the head to her local Mailboxes Etc., where it was packed in bubble wrap and peanuts.

The mailing clerk asked Green's mother how much insurance the skull needed.

"They thought it was like this primitive artifact worth fortunes," said Green.

The cow skull was on its way to a new home.

"When Trish came to my office with this big box, I asked her if it was her term paper," said Moore.

Moore determined the cow had been quite young when it met its demise, probably between one and two years old. The head shape was small and the teeth were pointed, not flat and ground down from years of chewing its cud.

The cow skull, as yet unnamed, has taken its place alongside Moore's other classroom skulls, which include a pig, cat, dog, even a human. Moore, who said she's been teaching anthropology "since dirt," was delighted with Green's gift.

"It's the nicest thing I ever received from a student. No apples, it's just body parts I want."

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Women who are breast-feeding should not take ZOCOR.

WARNINGS

Liver: About 1% of patients who took ZOCOR in clinical trials developed elevated levels of some liver enzymes. Patients who had these increases usually had no symptoms. Elevated liver enzymes usually returned to normal levels when therapy with ZOCOR was stopped.

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Tell your doctor about any liver disease you may have had in the past and about how much alcohol you consume. ZOCOR should be used with caution in patients who consume large amounts of alcohol.

Muscle: Tell your doctor right away if you experience any muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness at any time during treatment with ZOCOR, particularly if you have a fever or if you are generally not feeling well, so your doctor can decide if ZOCOR should be stopped. Some patients may have muscle pain or weakness while taking ZOCOR. Rarely, this can include muscle breakdown resulting in kidney damage. The risk of muscle breakdown is greater in patients taking certain other drugs along with ZOCOR, such as the lipid-lowering drug Lopid® (gemfibrozil), a fibrate; lipid-lowering doses of nicotinic acid (niacin); the antibiotic erythromycin; antifungal drugs that are azole derivatives, such as itraconazole; or drugs that suppress the immune system (called immunosuppressive drugs, such as Sandimmune®* (cyclosporine)). Therapy with ZOCOR should be temporarily interrupted if you are going to take an azole derivative antifungal medication, such as itraconazole. Patients using ZOCOR along with any of these other drugs should be carefully monitored by their physician. The risk of muscle breakdown is greater in patients with kidney problems or diabetes.

If you have conditions that can increase your risk of muscle breakdown, which in turn can cause kidney damage, your doctor should temporarily withhold or stop ZOCOR. Such conditions include severe infection, low blood pressure, major surgery, trauma, severe metabolic, endocrine and electrolyte disorders, and uncontrolled seizures. Discuss this with your doctor, who can explain these conditions to you.

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PRECAUTIONS

Before starting treatment with ZOCOR, try to lower your cholesterol by other methods such as diet, exercise, and weight loss. Ask your doctor about how best to do this. Any other medical problems that can cause high cholesterol should also be treated.

ZOCOR is less effective in patients with the rare disorder known as homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia.

Drug Interactions: Because of possible serious drug interactions, it is important to tell your doctor what other drugs you are taking, including those obtained without a prescription. ZOCOR (simvastatin) can interact with Lopid, niacin, erythromycin, certain antifungal drugs, and drugs that suppress the immune system (called immunosuppressive drugs, such as Sandimmune). (See WARNINGS, Muscle.)

Some patients taking lipid-lowering agents similar to ZOCOR and coumarin anticoagulants (a type of blood thinner) have experienced bleeding and/or increased blood clotting time. Patients taking these medicines should have their blood tested before starting therapy with ZOCOR and should continue to be monitored.

Endocrine (Hormone) Function: ZOCOR and other drugs in this class may affect the production of certain hormones. Caution should be exercised if a drug used to lower cholesterol levels is administered to patients also receiving other drugs (e.g., ketoconazole, spironolactone, cimetidine) that may decrease the levels of activity of hormones. If you are taking any such drugs, tell your doctor.

Central Nervous System Toxicity; Cancer, Mutations, Impairment of Fertility: Like most prescription drugs, ZOCOR was required to be tested on animals before it was marketed to human use. Often these tests were designed to achieve higher drug concentrations than humans achieve at recommended dosing. In some tests, the animals had damage to the nerves in the central nervous system. In studies of mice with high doses of ZOCOR, the likelihood of certain types of cancerous tumors increased. No evidence of mutations or of damage to genetic material has been seen. In one study with ZOCOR, there was decreased fertility in male rats.

Pregnancy: Pregnant women should not take ZOCOR because it may harm the fetus.

Safety in pregnancy has not been established. There have been no reports of birth defects in the children of patients taking ZOCOR. However, in studies with lipid-lowering agents similar to ZOCOR, there have been rare reports of birth defects of the skeleton and digestive system. Therefore, women of childbearing age should not take ZOCOR unless it is highly unlikely they will become pregnant. If a woman does become pregnant while taking ZOCOR, she should stop taking the drug and talk to her doctor at once. The active ingredient of ZOCOR did not cause birth defects in rats at 6 times the human dose or in rabbits at 4 times the human dose.

Nursing Mothers: Drugs taken by nursing mothers may be present in their breast milk. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants, a woman taking ZOCOR should not breast-feed. (See WHEN ZOCOR SHOULD NOT BE USED.)

Pediatric Use: ZOCOR is not recommended for children or patients under 20 years of age.

SIDE EFFECTS

Most patients tolerate treatment with ZOCOR well; however, like all prescription drugs, ZOCOR can cause side effects, and some of them can be serious. Side effects that do occur are usually mild and short-lived. Only your doctor can weigh the risks versus the benefits of any prescription drug. In clinical studies with ZOCOR, less than 1.5% of patients dropped out of the studies because of side effects. In a large, long-term study, patients taking ZOCOR experienced similar side effects to those patients taking placebo (sugar pills). Some of the side effects that have been reported with ZOCOR or related drugs are listed below. This list is not complete. Be sure to ask your doctor about side effects before taking ZOCOR and to discuss any side effects that occur.

Digestive System: Constipation, diarrhea, upset stomach, gas, heartburn, stomach pain/cramps, anorexia, loss of appetite, nausea, inflammation of the pancreas, hepatitis, jaundice, fatty changes in the liver, cirrhosis, severe liver damage and failure, cirrhosis, and liver cancer.

Muscle, Skeletal: Muscle cramps, aches, pain, and weakness, joint pain, muscle breakdown.

Nervous System: Dizziness, headache, insomnia, tingling, memory loss, damage to nerves causing weakness and/or loss of sensation and/or abnormal sensations, anxiety, depression, tremor, loss of balance, psychic disturbances.

Skin: Rash, itching, hair loss, dryness, nodules, discoloration.

Eye/Senses: Blurred vision, altered taste sensation, progression of cataracts, eye muscle weakness.

Hypersensitivity (Allergic) Reactions: On rare occasions, a wide variety of symptoms have been reported to occur either alone or together in groups (referred to as a syndrome) that appeared to be based on allergic-type reactions, which may rarely be fatal. These have included one or more of the following: a severe generalized reaction that may include shortness of breath, wheezing, digestive symptoms, and low blood pressure and even shock; an allergic reaction with swelling of the face, lips, tongue and/or throat with difficulty swallowing or breathing; symptoms mimicking lupus (a disorder in which a person's immune system may attack parts of his or her own body); severe muscle and blood vessel inflammation, bruises, various disorders of blood cells that could result in anemia, infection, or blood clotting problems; or abnormal blood tests; inflamed or painful joints; hives; fatigue and weakness; sensitivity to sunlight; fever; chills; flushing; difficulty breathing; and severe skin disorders that vary from rash to a serious burn-like shedding of skin all over the body, including mucous membranes such as the lining of the mouth.

Other: Loss of sexual desire, breast enlargement, impotence.

Laboratory Tests: Liver function test abnormalities including elevated alkaline phosphatase and bilirubin; thyroid function abnormalities.

NOTE: This summary provides important information about ZOCOR. If you would like more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist to let you read the professional labeling and then discuss it with them.

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Moving ahead

Schools address growth wisely

A community group in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has come up with a sensible plan to accommodate an increase in the school population due to growth in Canton Township.

Although we are not prepared to endorse any plan this early in the game, we believe school officials are proceeding in a sound and logical manner in addressing the issue of overcrowding and future growth in the district, using this proposed plan as a basis for change.

Several community forums were held this fall to obtain comments from the public, and some preliminary numbers were compiled from which a community-based group made a recommendation to the school board earlier this month.

The plan calls for building a new high school on property near the current high school campus and a new elementary school in southwest Canton Township where growth is booming with new subdivisions. That elementary school could be designed and constructed in a way in which it could be used as a middle school in the future.

At the high school, officials say that advances in technology will assist students – in any high school – to have access to the same programs and opportunities.

The cost of the proposed bond is $79.7 million – an increase in the school millage of slightly under 2 mills. That would cost the owner of a $200,000 home about $175 a year.

Questions have been raised about the soldness of numbers used upon which to base the building plans. They are valid questions, and ones we believe must be answered over the next few months as school officials put forth more information. There are some known factors. For example, student numbers in the district have gone up from 14,800 to 15,800 in the past two years; other, more specific, questions may need to be addressed.

However, the public must keep in mind that any prediction of future student enrollments is an educated guess at best. Those who do future planning for school districts use various methods, including working with local planning and building officials, to attempt to predict future growth. In Canton Township, officials have approved a mid-decade census (to be conducted in 1997) which will include a question about preschool-age children in each household; this information will be used not only by Plymouth-Canton schools, but officials in Wayne-Westland and Van Buren school districts as well, as another planning tool.

Other concerns have been raised about the use of professional services as they relate to any upcoming bond issue. School officials have told the Observer they plan to bid out work for bond attorneys and any services related to the bond issue. We think this is prudent.

The fact is that much of the growth is already here, and school officials are being forced to deal with it. And the district must deal with the growth by looking not only at the fast-growing population of Canton Township, but at the district as a whole and what resources are available throughout the district.

We encourage the district to host more community meetings to provide information about the bond issue, without promoting a "yes" vote which is, of course, not appropriate.

We look forward to the coming months with interest, as questions unfold and answers are provided from the Plymouth-Canton schools.

'Tis the season for miracles

■ So people of faith who can believe in miracles can also believe in future miracles. And just as one woman can step into the waters of the Red Sea before it parts, so can all of us order our actions as if a future miracle will happen.

Anyone who believes in Christmas is a person of faith who believes in miracles.

After all, it takes a tremendous amount of faith to believe that a very old woman, Elizabeth, would give birth to a baby. And it takes far more faith than that to believe in the miracle of Immaculate Conception. A baby, born of a virgin conceived by the Holy Spirit?

While these miracles seem far-fetched to non-believers, are they any more hard to grasp than the collapse of the Berlin Wall, the end of the Cold War, or peace in the Middle East? Before any of these miraculous-type historical events occurred, most rational people would have answered "impossible" when asked about the likelihood of occurrence.

It is much easier now to believe in the Immaculate Conception and end of the Cold War. After the fact, miracles such as these are easier to believe in once they are recorded. But faith also allows us to believe in miracles before they happen.

A woman of faith once prayed for the type of faith that would allow her to step into the waters before the Red Sea parts. A greater faith is required to act as if a miracle will occur before it does. But Christian faith allows for this kind of faith.

So people of faith who can believe in miracles can also believe in future miracles. And just as one woman can step into the waters of the Red Sea before it parts, so can all of us order our actions as if a future miracle will happen.

Can we believe, for instance, the day will arrive in America that racism no longer exists? If we can, then our words and actions today should reflect that future miracle. We will step into the waters in 1997.

Can we believe that poverty will be abolished and we no longer will have malnourished babies, the homeless, or the unemployed? Would our steps today be guided more by compassion than by despair?

The skeptics among us will, of course, argue that an end to poverty or racism will never happen. But skeptics don't believe in miracles. And they didn't believe the Berlin Wall would fall or the Cold War melt. The skeptics were wrong.

What we believe in has the possibility of happening. What we believe is impossible will never occur. Will God produce a miracle if not a single person ever prays for it or if no one believes He can?

The faith and miracles of Christmas are for many of us a reminder that we are not trapped in our present condition. We can escape by living our lives with expectations of improvement, and by doing what we do best. That's what the carpenter did.

Community Voice

QUESTION: **Have you finished your Christmas shopping?**



"Yes, I think so." — Lorrayne Mulder



"Yes. I'm positive, yes. I don't have to worry about things not being in the stores." — Keith Pappette



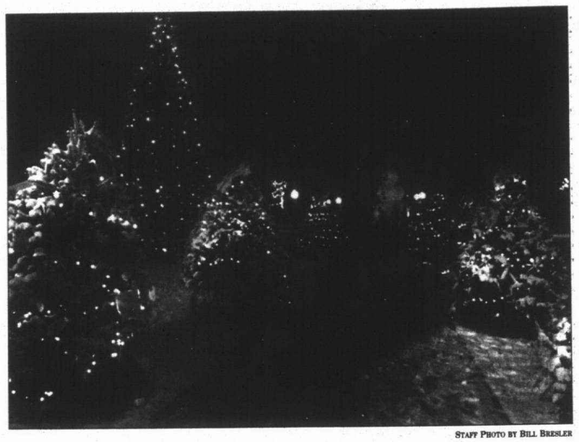
"Well, yes and no. Some gifts will be for after the holidays." — Kris Kitanovski



"Yup. It was an easy year. I started the end of last Christmas. Most of it last summer." — Lawrene Rocheleau

We asked this question at the Plymouth post office.

Lighting up the season



Staff Photo by Bill Bresler

Holiday hope: *A grouping of community group-sponsored trees lights up downtown Plymouth during the holiday season, offering a message of seasonal greeting and hope.*

LETTERS

More letters on the next page

About Dalmatians

Please don't buy a pet for Christmas and stop and think long and hard before buying a Dalmatian.

If you have to have a Dalmatian, make sure you have plenty of patience for a puppy and purchase it from a reputable breeder. Give it plenty of loving, take it to obedience school and take time to have a regular play period and you will have a loving, affectionate and intelligent dog.

We have had one for seven years. He is active (not hyper) and a very loyal companion. Some Dalmatians can have kidney problems but diet can help prevent that and some are deaf (not blind as stated by your expert in the article) but the reputable breeders are trying to breed this trait out of the dogs by having their hearing tested and not mating dogs who have a hearing problem.

Your puppy mills and backyard breeders don't worry about that or do they care about the temperament when mating animals.

When buying a purebred dog, please go to a responsible breeder who will tell you the problems that particular breed can be prone to and who will tell you of any known health problems of its ancestors. It may cost you a little more but in the long run, it will be worth it.

Don't forget the beautiful animals at the Humane Society and Anti-Cruelty Association, they need good homes.

Any breed of dog can have problems or can turn on you, especially if they are mistreated. Dalmatians are not for everyone but they are not the evil dog portrayed in your article.

So, when you see us walking our Dalmatian, please don't run in the other direction, just pass us by, he won't bother you, or stop and say Hi, he'll just give you a big lick to tell you how much he likes people.

Joann Gresens
Livonia

Deal with facts

This letter is in response to E.S. DuBois' letter. You admonished me for failing to define average "as in average teacher salaries," when I addressed the teachers at the Sept. 24 board of education meeting. I sincerely apologize for such an oversight. I had assumed that the Plymouth-Canton teachers understood the meaning of the word "average."

You also admonished me for failure, in quoting national teacher salaries, to provide data on national cost of living. The American Federation of Teachers can provide you with such data. Michigan teachers' salaries rank in the top five in actual salaries and first when the modest Michigan cost of living is factored in.

Did I compare my position with comparable positions in the Big Three? The answer is no. There were no comparisons made among salaried personnel since the salaries were determined on an individual base.

You asked, in the "real" world, what are the professionals paid who have a master's degree and have worked for the same company for at least 11 years? You may want to call Jerry Robbins, dean of education at Eastern Michigan University. He will tell you that EMU's associate professors of education with doctorate degrees and 10 years of experience earn in the low-to-mid $40,000 range for nine months work.

As to my credibility, let's deal with data and facts, not emotions.

In conclusion, let me ask you a question: With the school motto that "All students can learn and succeed," whey did 28.5 percent of 11th-grade students flunk math, 39.3 percent flunk in reading, 47.7 percent flunk in science and 44.6 percent flunk in writing in the recent 11th-grade high school proficiency tests?

Ted Bohlen
Plymouth

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POINTS OF VIEW

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State cops wrong

As a citizen of Michigan, I take offense to the article entitled "State cops challenge lower speed" in your Dec. 5 issue.

The state police need to more closely examine Michigan state law. They are maintaining that speed limits should be set using a biased, self-serving engineering study which relies on motorists' bad speeding habits to set a speed limit, rather than enforce a state law that is already embodied in the Motor Vehicle Code for the state of Michigan.

I, and many others, would prefer to look to the law. Laws, such as the park provision that was used in the Morton Taylor case, are instituted specifically for cases like these. The state police, however, would prefer to be deluded into believing that motorists are capable to decide what a proper speed limit should be. If this were the case, the public park provision would not have been adopted. Four attorneys, three of whom are employed by Wayne County, have reviewed this law in-depth and find that it is relevant to Morton Taylor Road.

What has been overlooked repeatedly by the state police and the Observer staff writers is the fact that this speed limit was set in 1990 before any residential homes were built on this stretch of Morton Taylor. Flodin Park was already at the foot of Morton Taylor and the state police neglected to take into account while conducting their study. The mere fact that this is a county primary road does not make it exempt from the law. It is imperative that motorists slow down in an area that is so densely populated with bicyclists, pedestrians and children going to and from the park.

It is critical that local government protect the citizens in their community and enforce the Michigan Constitution. Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara saw the need to act in the interest of the Canton community and the (Canton) board of trustees agreed with this decision. If this law was not valid, I am certain that the township attorneys would have recommended that the board withhold concurrence. It would benefit the public at large if the police in this state would direct their efforts elsewhere.

Mary Gerard, Canton

Disappointed in change

I have read the articles on Morton Taylor Road with great interest and am very disappointed in the politics that have come to play on the most recent change in speed limit on the section of Morton Taylor south of Ford.

It appears that through the efforts of a small group of residents, a county primary road designed and designated to relieve the traffic volumes on other north/south routes, has had the speed limit reduced from 40 mph to 25 mph. This was ostensibly done through an obscure law that refers to roads "adjacent" to a park, though the park is adjacent to Saltz, not Morton Taylor, as Morton Taylor dead ends at Saltz. (Maybe Ford Road could be considered "adjacent" under the definition being used, after all it is nearby.)

I also find it interesting that this was done "without the consensus of the Michigan State Police, which typically conducts a speed study to determine the speed limit." It appears from the article that there was no consensus from the Michigan State Police because there was no data to support a lower speed limit. Obviously, at this point in time the homeowners and the politicians don't care what a speed study indicates.

These residents chose to buy houses, for a lesser cost, on an existing, county primary road that was posted at 40 mph but they would now like to "lend to the residential nature of the roadway." If we do this, do these homeowners now get assessed the same as those of us who chose to build in the subdivision? In another article, it was mentioned that these same residents are opposing commercial use of property zoned as such on the east side of the road; I think they should have considered all these things prior to purchasing a home on such a road.

The article also indicates that the attorney for the family of a young man that died in a fatal accident on the roadway stated that the change in speed limit "... could have saved Jeff's life," yet the following sentence indicates that the driver of the vehicle was "well within the posted 40 mph speed limit." I think the tragic death of this young man has been mistakenly used as a banner for the interests of the homeowners, as well as the attorney for the victim's family, who will now use this change in the speed limit in his litigation against the county and township.

If we are to be consistent in the application of this law, as well as the one the north Morton Taylor residents are attempting to expand (which deals with the speed limit on the roads that schools are on) the county, and our township officials, we should lower the speed limit to 25 mph on every road that is "adjacent to a park" or has a school on it.

Examples of this would be: Sheldon Road near Cherry Hill due to Bentley School; Sheldon near Joy due to Gallimore School; Sheldon at Palmer due to the proposed township park; Sheldon near Cherry Hill due to Griffin Park; Palmer due to the proposed park at Sheldon; Canton Center near Cherry Hill because of Griffin Park; Canton Center near Joy due to the high schools; Joy near Canton Center because of the high schools; Warren west of Beck because of Tonda School, as well as the future All Saints school. The majority of these roads also fit the other parameters used to lower the speed limit on Morton Taylor, they have residences on them. And the majority of those homes are much closer to the road than the houses on Morton Taylor.

As you can imagine, this would be utterly ludicrous for the movement of traffic in Canton.

There is no logic for what was done on Morton Taylor. This was clearly another example of politics at work in our government and I am very disappointed in the lack of thought given to the ramifications. Time will tell just how far-reaching those ramifications will be.

Laura MacDiarmid, Canton

Longtime quest

I am writing in response to the Dec. 5 article on Morton Taylor Road. First, I would like to clear up one matter: Residents on this road began their quest for a reduced speed limit back in 1990 when these homes were being built.

Second, I am sick of hearing about this 85th percentile study. The 85th percentile study does not apply to this road. There is a state law already on the books for just such a road. If this 85th percentile study is so effective, why then do we reduce our speeds near school zones and parks?

This study was also conducted on Saltz. It came back with 85 percent of the drivers doing 40 mph. So why not post 40 mph on that road? Again, state law supersedes the 85th percentile. Why is it that when you go into Plymouth Township, speed limits are reduced by 5 to 10 mph on the same roads? Do we just feel safer driving slower in Plymouth Township? Also, when this 85th percentile is being done, children, homes bus stops and parks are never taken into consideration. That is left up to the driver. May I remind everyone, we do not make laws in this country based on what 85 percent of all people do.

Also I'd like to add that the residents working hard to get crosswalks, bus stop signs and stop signs in place on this road for the safety of the drivers and pedestrians. The residents do not have a false sense of security. Just the opposite is true. When 40 mph signs are in place, it gives the motorists a false sense of security. The speed is dangerous in a residential area near a park.

And, lastly, the state police do not have to seek the Attorney General's opinion. The law is in place and it will prevail. Instead of wasting time fighting over this issue, they should be commending the residents for trying to make their community a safer place for kids to grow up.

Tammy Guido, Canton

Encouraging speed

As a mother of two children in the Morton Taylor area, I must express to you my great concern for the safety of our children. The total irresponsibility on your part to print on the front page that a traffic control order is not being enforced is an invitation for a drag strip.

Nowhere in the article did it reflect the concerns or opinions of the residents, not to mention how our rights are being violated or how we have been removed from the salt and snow removal route, even though we have a bus stop on the street that there were three car accidents just last week with the little snow and ice we've had.

Wayne County Traffic Engineer Victoria Holland and Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro as well as Sgt. Jeff Corbit and Sgt. Bill Brandt of the state police need to get their facts in order. What kind of results to an 85 percentile do you expect to get when the speed limit is posted 40 mph? That's what it was when they did the test, so of course it will be 41 mph. What would it be if it was done at an "enforced" 25 mph? Now, it doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure this out.

Aren't these people under oath to serve and protect? Is this turning into a personal vendetta? Has anyone even taken into consideration how Chief Santomauro has fought the citizens of Morton Taylor hand over fist over the speed limit change?

What is all this "red tape" about, anyway? This is a 3/4-mile road. Every person living on this street wants this change. We need to redirect our energy towards things of greater concern, like the increase of gang activity and graffiti in the area.

In conclusion, maybe Canton Township officials should have opposition in the next election. Maybe a Democrat could change some things.

Lynn Tankersley, Canton

Thanks for the memories



Philip Power

'Tis the season for giving and receiving. And, as someone who depends on the passage of events to fuel this periodic column, I would not want this holiday season to pass without expressing my thanks to the State Board of Education and its ideological majority.

Seldom does a slow news week pass without a gift of a noteworthy event being brightly wrapped and brought forth by the State Board.

As evidence, I offer last week's discussion – at a cost to the public of $150,000 — by the board to "develop a market-based model on schooling for the State of Michigan."

Authored by William B. Allen, a political scientist who is dean of James Madison College at Michigan State University, and Eugenia Toma, an economist at the University of Kentucky, the report bears an uncanny resemblance to a plan floated by board President Clark Durant in mid-1995:

■ Schools should be organized entirely by market forces. Government's role in schools should be restructured from "providing the mechanisms of education to providing the funds to sustain consumer choice." That is, government should not operate K-12 schools, but only finance them with per-pupil grants, which would currently amount to around $5,500 or more.

■ Ownership of the schools would be transferred from government to "all residents of the state of Michigan," with one share in each school in a district given to each resident, with shares also given to teachers and administrators. Shares could be publicly traded.

■ Governance of schools would be determined by the owners of each school. A majority ("a true majority, not a plurality," the report insists) of shareholders could turn out elected school boards and replace them by a new board, "determined solely by the shareholders of that school."

And so on and so forth. I think you get the idea by now.

Experience suggests that ideologically-driven institutions – Maoist China, Stalinist Russia, the market-infatuated State Board of Education – tend at the end of their days to become more and more ideological and less and less in touch with reality. I suppose it does some slight historic violence to the Great Cultural Revolution and the Gulag to compare them with "A New Framework for Public Education in Michigan," but on reflection the comparison seems apt.

For years, Durant and his buddies have set forth to anybody who would listen the assertion public schools are bad because they are a government-created monopoly, for which the only remedy is a big dose of market-based competition. This analysis may or may not be on point, but when they pay $150,000 of taxpayer money for a report that blithely confuses private ownership (of school shares) with public stewardship (of schools, for the benefit of all children), they are committing what amounts to business fraud.

Of course, it's fun to try to see what happens if you extend a suggestive analogy to a new and different field, as this report does. But to confuse verbal funning with actual policy formulation is merely embarrassing.

A statement by Wendy Wagenheim, a Birmingham resident representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, pointed out that Allen and Toma had a "pre-determined conclusion" and a "blind faith" that market-driven schools had some "magic" to educate kids better than government-run schools.

She's got it right. Consider those countries with the best school systems, as determined by recent international testing. Singapore, Japan, France, Germany all are outstanding, and all feature schools that are run (and, sorry, owned) by national ministries of education, driven by national curriculum and examination standards and not in the slightest subject to the forces of the free market.

We may not want to adopt wholesale the educational systems of any of these countries. But taken together, their overall quality offers conclusive evidence that "free-market forces" alone have relatively little to do with school quality, other than providing a sounding board for ideological infatuation.

During his tenure as president of the State Board of Education, Clark Durant has saved my butt on many a slow news day. I should be sorry his right-wing majority on the board will end in January. But, believe me, I'm not that silly.

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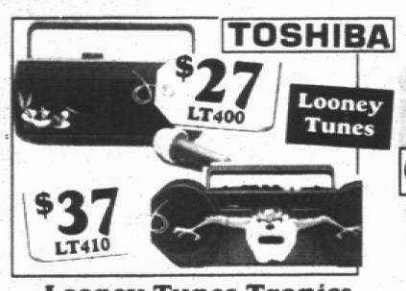


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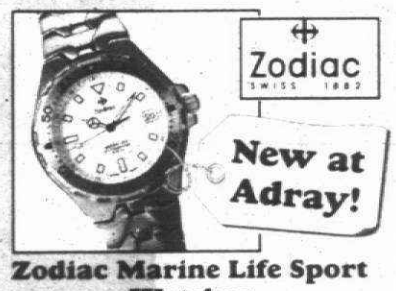
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FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

Doing things that'll matter

A reader recently wrote and said that while she was shopping in Minnesota's Mall of America, she spotted a poster in a little shop which said something like: "One hundred years from now, very little of all you do will really matter ... except for the time you've spent with children."

The reader, a retired teacher and grandmother, believed these words had quite a bit of truth to them. For her, the words on that poster were more like fact; for me, they're still theory. I hope (I pray) that the words'll ring true, like the poster said, in 100 years, in 2096. I hope that.

But to KNOW that, it'd have to be a lot closer to 2096 than it is today. In the meantime, I can only do what I THINK is right. "Thinking" is a process, ongoing. "Knowing" is at the end of that process. So right now, I can only "think" that what I'm doing for and with my children is OK. I'm working on the knowing part.

Now I "think," I don't "know" this, but I think time spent with children is time well-spent. There may not be a ton of thank you's in this

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Oh, say have you heard ...



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See and say: *A story from Linda Day is an experience for the senses. With gestures, facial expressions and tonal inflections, she entertains her audience with the Japanese folktale, "The Snow Maiden."*

Tales to warm holiday spirit



■ The moaning of the wind could be heard in her voice, so could the know-it-allness of a youngster. And so it should be, since Linda Day has made a name for herself as a storyteller.

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

When Linda Day speaks, people listen. They listen, hanging on her every word, and they watch. Her words and her gestures tell a story and with good reason.

The Livonia resident is an experienced storyteller.

Listeners shiver as she speaks about the terrible winter storm that trapped two wood cutters in a cabin in her version of Rafe Martin's adaptation of the Japanese folk tale, "The Snow Maiden."

They chuckle at the young child who points out to the wood carver that the figures in the family's original nativity set had more personality than what he was carving in her presentation of Susan Wojciechowski's "The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomy."

The guest for the Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center holiday luncheon, Day captivated her audience with her mastery of the spoken word.

Jonathan Toomy was "always gloomy and griped about everything," and that description that earned him the moniker of Mr. Gloomy, Day told the audience. A wood carver, "some say the best in the valley," he had the appearance of an old man.

"His shoulders bent over like he was carrying the weight of the world," she said. "You couldn't see his blue eyes or his dimpled chin which was covered by a scraggly beard."

Jonathan hadn't always gloomy. He once had been full of life and love, but an illness came to his village and claimed his wife and baby.

"He loaded anything of value into a cart and walked until the tears stopped flowing," Day said somberly.

One December evening, there came a knock at the door. It was the Widow McDowell and her son, Thomas. Her grandfather had carved a set of Christmas figurines when she was a child and they had become lost during her move to the village.

Jonathan agreed to make a new set of figurines, telling the widow they "will be ready when they're ready."

"I'd like them by Christmas; we've never had Christmas without them," said Day, taking on the gentle voice of the widow.

A few days later, there was a knock at the door. It was the Widow McDowell and Thomas who stopped by to see if Thomas could sit and watch Jonathan carve. Thomas, it seems, wanted to be a wood carver.

"I'll be quiet," said Day, conjuring up the voice of young Thomas.

His mother sat in a chair by the fire and soon began humming a song of the season while Thomas watched Jonathan work. It soon became apparent what he was carving.

" 'Are those my sheep?' " Thomas asked. 'You're not carving them

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right,' " Day said in a child's voice. " 'All my sheep had curly wool coats and smiles on their faces because they knew they were going to be with the baby Jesus.' "

The Widow and McDowell and Thomas would visit Jonathan every few days, bringing some food with them. Thomas would watch Jonathan carve, each time asking if that was a piece of his set and pointing out how they should look.

The cow "had a proud look on his face, because the baby Jesus chose his barnyard to be born in," and the angel "should have an important look because it got to tell everyone about the baby Jesus," Thomas would tell Jonathan.

Each time after they left, Jonathan would carve late into the night until his eyes drew shut.

On one visit Thomas asked: "Is it time for me to learn? I will be very careful. I will only do what you show me."

Jonathan drew the shape a robin on a block of wood and Thomas set about carving.

"His little tongue stuck out and went back and forth, back and forth, with every click of the knife," Day said.

Again the family visited the wood carver, and not waiting for Thomas to speak up, Jonathan asked: "Before I begin, just tell me what I'm doing wrong."

"Joseph should have a caring look and the Wise Men have beautiful clothes," Thomas said.

■ 'The baby Jesus lays in the crib with hands reaching out for his mother, he loves his mother very much,' Thomas said. 'He's the baby Jesus, you know.'

"They wore their very best clothes because they knew they were meeting the baby Jesus."

They came again, bringing gifts for the wood carver, and again Thomas expounded on how his figures should look.

"The baby Jesus lays in the crib with hands reaching out for his mother, he loves his mother very much," Thomas said. "He's the baby Jesus, you know."

After the family left, Jonathan drew sketch after sketch. Then he went to the chest where he took out a charcoal sketch of a woman with a baby reaching up.

"And the tears flowed," Day said. "Then he took it to his work bench and carved and carved."

The next day there was a knock at the widow's door, there stood Jonathan Toomy with a box full of the figurines. There were "curly sheep, a proud cow, a very important angel, three Wise Men with robes of fur, each one different, Joseph with a protective look and the baby Jesus and his mother," Day said.

"That day he went to Christmas service with the Widow McDowell and Thomas," Day said. "As he walked across the square, he threw his hat into the air and laughed. When he did, he tipped his head back and you could see his blue eyes. They were as clear as an August day.

"And from that day on, he wasn't called Mr. Gloomy anymore."

In "The Snow Maiden," a poor wood carver encounters the Snow Maiden after being caught in the forest during terrible winter storm. Huddled in a fisherman's cabin, he watched as the maiden breathed the life out of his elderly companion.

"She leaned over the old man and smiled; she looked at him and breathed on him," Day said. "She circled around his body and breathed and breathed and breathed until he was dead. The young wood cutter know what would happen to him, so he closed his eyes and a tear rolled down his cheek."

Turning to the young man, she realized he was alive and had seen what she had done.

"You are alive, you are young and handsome," Day intoned, her voice conveying both the young woman's beauty and chilling effect on people. "I will let you live, but you must never tell anyone or I will come and do the same to you."

The wood cutter recovered from his encounter with the Snow Maiden and met a young woman who ventured into the forest on her way to her uncle's house. Cautioned her not to travel there after dark, she stayed with him and his mother.

"It was like someone he had meet before;" Day said. "They talked all night long, they talked all day long. She stayed and they feel in love."

They married and had children. The children grew up, the wood cutter and his mother aged, but his wife retained her beauty; she looked the same as the day they met.

"There, for a moment, your face reminded me of someone I met long ago," the wood cutter told his wife one evening. "It is as if I have seen you long ago."

The wife begged her husband to tell her about the woman and he did. He told her of the maiden and how she had breathed on the old man until he was dead.

"The wife turned to him; 'I told you never to tell anyone and you told me,' " Day said. " 'Now I must do what I should have done years ago in the forest.' Just then the children cried. 'Because of the children I will let you live. If you harm a hair on their head, I will do what I should have done long ago.' "

Then the Snow Maiden floated out the door never to be seen again. The wood cutter lived out his days and died peacefully.

"So, when you hear the moan of the wind in the trees, remember the Snow Maiden," Day said.

REAL ESTATE UPDATE
by Chris Knight

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endeavor, or a ton of money, or a ton of instant self-fulfillment and self-actualization, or a ton of approval by the general public, but when all is said and done and the time draws near, though your pockets may be empty, and your hair gray, wealth and beauty abide. There'll probably be no tangible, easily substantiated evidence of this wealth and beauty, but inside it'll be there.

At least, that's what I THINK.

And I "think" time spent with children, doing for them, helping them along their way until they are, indeed, on their way, and to give not just things to those who count on you, but yourself ... that can't be for nothing.

One hundred years hence, I hope that time spent will have mattered in a solid, even if unnoticed, sort of way.

Giving of myself and my time to my children, I think, is like an I-beam in the basement of a house. Nobody sees the I-beam much, nobody stands in awe of an I-beam, I doubt that the iron ore in the ground aspires to be an I-beam in a house, but if the I-beam isn't there, the house might be wobbly and the floor might cave in.

The unglamorous I-beam can't be dismissed because of its lack of glamour, it helps hold the structure up. Yes, it's tucked away in the basement, the I-beam is out of sight, but it's not out of style.

And when I hear in church on these Sunday mornings of Advent, of those miraculous events far away and long ago with the giving of gifts and giving of self and giving of time to a child, it makes my thoughts on the subject become even clearer.

So here in the late 20th century what kind of time is good time? How much of it is enough?

I think about this. And I haven't yet figured out where to find the answer, who it is that can tell me once and for all how much time should be spent and what it should be spent on.

So in the absence of the "answer," I figure I'd better do what is right in my heart and keep my eyes open as I journey along.

And when I goof, not IF I goof, but WHEN, I just hope I have my eyes open enough to see the goof and then do something to make it right.

I worry about giving of myself equally and sufficiently to my five children. I don't want any of them to feel shortchanged or to actually be shortchanged.

That's what I don't want. Do I actually get that? Sometimes. Just sometimes. That's not good enough. At least that's how I'm thinking right now.

■ I worry about giving of myself equally and sufficiently to my five children. I don't want any of them to feel shortchanged or to actually be shortchanged.

My children need more. I don't know how to provide more time with each one of the five. It's a dilemma. I just wish there were some way to add hours on to the already 24 assigned to a day.

From 12-year-old Tony to 10-month-old Steven, each of my children believes his or her middle name is "JustAMinute." As in, "Joe, JustAMinute, I'm feeding the baby."

I wish I had more time to make up for all those "JustAMinutes." Who do I call to get extensions on days – 28 hours instead of 24, maybe 30? I bet it would help, a little. Maybe.

Anyway. Spending time with the children. Giving of yourself to the children. These things must have worth. These things seemed to have worth 2000 years ago. I hope they still do now. And 100 years from now.

So with that, I wish a Merry Christmas to you all. And may the gift of time be one that is opened in your home on Christmas Day and be given again and again long after.

Here's to children, here's to time, here's to 2096 – when I think it will all still matter a lot!

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or reach her at her E-mail address: FamilyRoom@worldnet.att.net.

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Shaw-Hegazi



Lila Hegazi and Arthur Shaw were married Aug. 18 at Pine-Trace Golf Club in Rochester.

The bride is the daughter of Selma Hegazi of Plymouth and the late Yousef Hegazi. The groom is the son of Lottie Shaw of Rochester and the late Arthur Shaw.

The bride is a sales executive with American Medical Systems.

The groom is owner of A.F. Shaw and Associates Realtors in Bloomfield Hills.

A December honeymoon is planned for the French Polynesian Islands. They now reside in their new home in Commerce Lake Township.

Kirn-Petrangel



Gina Kay Petrangel and Richard Anthony Kirn were married on Oct. 5 at the First United Methodist Church in Farmington. The Rev. Wayne Largo officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Leo and Madge Petrangel of Allen Park. The groom is the son of Mary Kirn of Garden City and the late Robert Kirn.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Allen Park High School and a 1993 graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. She is employed as a social worker by the State of Michigan.

The groom is a 1982 graduate of Garden City West High School. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1986 to 1990 and received his master of science degree in manufacturing technology from Eastern Michigan University, He is employed as a product engineer by the Ford Motor Co.

The bride asked Karen Petrangel to serve as maid of honor with bridesmaids Rachel Morrison, Lariann Kirn and Denise Hionis. Junior bridesmaids were Jennifer Kirn and Amanda Fannin. Kelsie Neumann was the flower girl.

The groom asked Robert Kirn to serve as best man with groomsmen Nick Butkevich, Bill Cynecki and John Yelinek. Junior groomsman was Robby Kirn. Ushers were Robert Petrangel and Steve Pliska.

The couple received guests at St. Clement Hall in Dearborn before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Jamaica. They are making their home in Garden City.

Liptow-Schuette



Robert and Donna Holycros of Livonia and Donald Liptow of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Tammy M., to Dean J. Schuette Jr., the son of Dean Sr. and Esther Schuette of Horton.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Western Michigan University where she received a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. She is employed by Jackson County.

Her fiance is a 1993 graduate of Western Michigan University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. He is employed by the city of Jackson.

An August wedding is planned for St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church in Jackson.

Foppe-Stroup



Roger and Margaret Foppe of Breese, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Marie, to Craig Gerald Stroup, the son of Gerald and Valerie Stroup of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Mater Dei High School in Breese and a 1993 graduate of Parks College of St. Louis University with a bachelor of science degree in aerospace engineering. She is employed as an aircraft integration engineer at McDonnell Douglas Aerospace in St. Louis, Mo.

Her fiance is a 1989 graduate of Livonia Churchill and a 1993 graduate of Parker College of St. Louis University with a bachelor of science degree in aviation science/professional pilot. He is employed as a flight support specialist at McDonnell Douglas Aerospace in St. Louis. and as a multi-engine, instrument-certified flight instructor.

A June wedding is planned for St. Augustine Catholic Church in Breese.

Paxson-Rutherford



Susan Rutherford and Scott Paxson were married Aug. 10 at Parkway Heights Free Methodist Church in Redford. Pastor Donald Stanton officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jim and Linda Rutherford, and the groom is the son of Al and Judy Paxson of Canton.

The bride asked Erin Rutherford to serve as matron of honor. Amy Newton was flower girl.

The groom asked Garrett Biesiadecki to serve as best man, with ushers Scott Rutherford and Spencer Rutherford. Cody Rutherford was ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at Metro Hall in Redford before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C. They are making their home in Plymouth.

Williams-Fritz



Jennifer Fritz and Patrick Williams were married Sept. 28 at Holy Name Catholic Church in Cleveland, Ohio. The Rev. John Dalton officiated.

The bride is the daughter of David and Diane Fritz of Maple Heights, Ohio. The groom is the son of Harry and Arlene Williams of Hubbard Lake, Mich.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Maple Heights High School and a 1993 graduate of Ohio University. She is employed by Cooker Restaurant Corp.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. He is employed as a general manager by Cooker Restaurant Corp.

The bride asked Crystal Hayduk to serve as maid of honor with attendants Kristen Fritz, Margaret Fritz, Karen Fritz, Jackie Williams, Kathleen Blasko, Antonette Toth, Michele Brodecki, Laura Yule and Jennifer O'Malley.

The groom asked Dan Williams to serve as best man with groomsmen Brian Fritz, Bevan Flavin, Tim Fritz, Steven Bixby, Mark Decker, David DeMarco, Rich Moore, Rob Bixby and Michael O'Malley.

The couple received guests at the Tanglewood Country Club in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Aruba. They are making their home in Rocky River, Ohio.

Szymula-Hunt



Amanda Pauline Szymula and Louis Andrew Hunt were married Nov. 2 at Nativity United Church of Christ in Livonia. Pastor Don Lintelman and Rev. Neil Emon officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Ron and Karen Szymula of Livonia. The groom is the son of Lou and Mary Hunt of Grandville.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 1995 graduate of Michigan State University.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Divine Child High School in Dearborn and a 1994 graduate of Michigan State University.

The bride asked Lynne Brach to serve as maid of honor with bridesmaids Lisa Sawers, Tracey Hoffecker, Carrie Hoffecker, Helene Darga and Laura Hunt. Jennifer Kufel served as junior bridesmaid.

The groom asked James Collins to serve as best man with groomsmen Dave Wong, Tom DeGiacomo, Ron Szymula, Jeremy Burek and Jeff Gregus.

The couple received guests at the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Aruba and San Juan, Puerto Rico. They are making their home in Grandville.

Tarditi-Mailley



Carlo and Josephine Tarditi of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to Timothy Mailley, the son of John and Carole Mailley of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1987 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a 1992 graduate of the University of Michigan. She is currently pursuing a master's degree at Walsh College. She is employed as a sales coordinator with Americorp Financial, Inc.

Her fiance is a 1985 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School and 1989 graduate of Central Michigan University. He is currently pursuing a master of business administration degree at Wayne State University. He is employed as an advance marketing supervisor with American Yazaki Corporation.

An October wedding is planned for Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove College in Detroit.

Poma-Humphrey



Laurie Anne Humphrey and Joseph Anthony Poma were married May 25 at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery in Detroit.

The bride, the daughter of Mel and Karen Humphrey of Dearborn, is a 1993 graduate of Adrian College where she received a bachelor of arts degree in English/journalism. She is employed by The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

The groom is the son of Peter and Kathleen Poma of Plymouth. He is a 1988 graduate of Adrian College with a bachelor of arts degree in history and political science. A law clerk for Thurswell, Chayet and Weiner in Southfield, he expects to graduate from the University of Detroit Mercy law school in 1997.

The couple received guests at Laurel Manor before leaving for their honeymoon at Walt Disney World. They are making their home in Livonia.

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Preplanning can minimize grief

BY SALLY DUNNING

This is the season to be thankful and jolly, but for some, it is the season filled with stress and loneliness.

A family recently saddened by a death of a loved one must face the holiday with memories of the past and the emotions of loss. Ways of dealing with these emotions often vary among family members.

The children may move into this holiday season wanting to keep it just as it has always been. The bereaved adult, however, may wish to skip the entire thing.

Why is there such a different feeling? What can be done to give each member of the family a bit of what they need to make it through this most difficult time of year?

Children are reassured by the routines of life – stories before bedtime, the same seat at dinner, rules, such as homework before TV, and holidays which follow predictable patterns and become rituals. These things say to a child that the world is safe, consistent and that they will be "OK."

Following the death in the family, especially the death of a parent, children do not know what will stay the same and what will change. They often wonder who will care for them and if there will be enough money for toys and food.

When it comes to holidays, having things repeated as always could help them feel secure. The problem, of course, is that things are not the same and never will be again.

Adults wanting to escape the pain of loss, often report a wish to change everything about the holiday, while at the same time, their child is asking, "When are we going to get the tree?"

Before the holiday season begins, talk with your family about the holiday about the plans for this year. Acknowledge that there are many things your family has always done to celebrate which may be heard to do this year.

Decide together which things are most important for the children to keep the same and plan to do them in a way that feels comfortable to you. For example, it was important to one family to eat dinner together, but, instead of their former elaborate dinner, the children decorated paper plates and served a casual meal of hamburgers and french fries.

It is important, however, for the family to plan together a "way to remember." Children love rituals involving candles. Buy a thick white candle and allow the children to decorate it in a way to memorialize the person who died.

In honor of the deceased loved one, light the candle at a family gathering. Tree ornaments are also a favorite way to remember who has died, especially when made by family members.

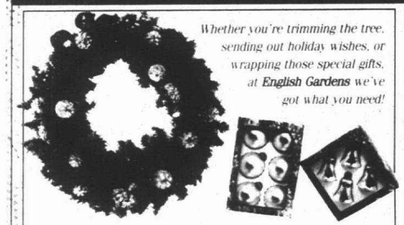
Look at old pictures and share memories. Even though this is painful, it is also healing, and, most of all, it helps the child remember.

No matter how you plan to celebrate the holidays, it will be important to talk to children ahead of time about the holiday plans. Listen carefully to what the children are saying and determine what is most meaningful to your child to include in the plans. Talk about what will be different. Adults, too, have needs and limits which must be respected.

With preplanning, holidays can be less stressful than you may imagine. From change grows new traditions and new memories.

Sally Dunning is director of Care-ousel, Arbor Hospice's care for kids program.

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Brown receives grant for period costumes



Lynette Brown

For Lynette Brown, the Thanks Be To Grandmother Winifred Foundation, has helped her expand her presentation on Elizabeth Cady Stanton.

A private foundation established in 1992, encourages, through individual grants, the creativity of women 54 years and older to develop and implement projects that empower and enrich one or more aspects of the well-being of women.

The foundation selected Brown as one of its Fall 1996 winners, awarding her $2,000 for a custom-made, custom-fitted period costumes for use in her one-woman performance as Cady Stanton, the brilliant orator and feminist who co-founded the National Woman Suffrage Association and convened the first Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, N.Y., in 1949.

In anticipation of the 150th anniversary celebration of the Seneca Falls Convention in July 1998, Brown plans to expand her performance schedule through 1997 to dramatize the struggles involved in securing the vote for women.

Her grant will allow for one winter weight and one summer weight version of two costumes: a hoop-skirted dress and a bloomers-style outfit, as well as accessories and performance-quality wig.

"I hope that by appearing as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, the 19th century woman who paved the way for the 20th and 21st century woman, I can contribute toward keeping the women's movement alive and thriving," said Brown who introduced the the activities to audience at a Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center-sponsored luncheon in September.

Brown is a 1948 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism and 1983 graduate of Wayne State University with a master of arts degree in mass communications.

She has worked in print journalism, radio and television. The cable program she co-produced last year, "Martha Griffith Speaks Out," in which she appeared as interviewer, won first prize for public service programming and continues to circulate.

Huron Valley scouts add 2 cookies to list

Good news for cookie lovers. The Huron Valley Girl Scouts have two new cookie varieties to offer their customers this year – Iced Ginger Daises and Five World Cinnamons.

Plus all the favorite cookies – Thin Mints, Peanut Butter Patties, Shortbreads, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Caramel Delites and Reduced Fat Lemon Pastry Cremes – are back.

Girl Scouts will take orders Jan.-27 and will deliver cookies beginning March 1. Booth sales begin March 1 and will continue through March 16.

Iced Ginger Daisies are reduced fat ginger cookies. Five World Cinnamons are pressed sugar cookies, stamped with the symbols of the Five Worlds of Girl Scouting – people, the arts, the out-of-doors, well-being and today and tomorrow. The price of a box of cookies remains at $3.

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Winning ways: *Jim Burnstein gladly tells his audience at Southfield's Author's Lecture Series that not making the move to Hollywood was the best decision he has made since he ventured into screenwriting.*



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Close to home

Writer brings Hollywood to Plymouth

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

For Plymouth screenwriter Jim Burnstein, there's no place like home.

"When I first started writing anything, the question I was asked was, 'Don't you have to move out to Los Angeles in order to make it in this business?' And I said, 'Boy, I hope not,' " said Burnstein, whose screen credits include "Renaissance Man" and "Mighty Ducks 3." "Now that I've got a couple of movies made, people come up to me and say, 'So, Mr. Screenwriter now that you've made it you're gonna move out to Hollywood?'

"Do you get the feeling that people are trying to get rid of me?"

Burnstein, who lives with wife Cynthia and three children in Plymouth, spoke about his experiences to a small audience at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Southfield as part of that city's Author's Lecture Series. He used the lecture to discuss why "I'm not going anywhere and how staying home may have been the smartest move I ever made when it comes to beating those very, very long odds at succeeding in Hollywood."

Living in Michigan has proven to be a source of inspiration for Burnstein's writing. "Renaissance Man" was loosely based on his experience teaching Shakespeare to soldiers at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Mount Clemens. And much of what he learned as creator of the Detroit Red Wings Hockey Fantasy Camp in 1984 shows up in "Mighty Ducks 3."

Upon graduating from the University of Michigan, Burnstein's first ambition wasn't to be a writer. Burnstein, then 21, decided to study law at the University of Wisconsin. After the first semester, he quit law school and returned to the University of Michigan where he earned a master's degree in English literature. He wanted to teach English to non-traditional students and sought positions at senior and community centers where he was turned down.

Career decisions

"I did not want to teach people like myself at the University of Michigan who were expecting Shakespeare as a birthright, as an entitlement," he said. "So I went about my life and I was doing stories for the newspapers. I realized that journalism was very, very difficult because you have to stick to the facts."

His writing skills opened a door for him. Burnstein shopped around a column that he had written. After a series of rejections, he turned his column into a half-hour TV program for the Institute for Jewish Life in Boston.

That experience gave him the writing "bug." He approached the producers of "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" and "Lou Grant" about writing episodes. That too fell through.

But he did find the ideal teaching position – teaching Shakespeare to soldiers at Selfridge.

"When I came in there and told them that we were going to read Shakespeare, they let me know in a hurry this really was the last place on earth they were going to do this," he said.

While balancing teaching and advertising jobs, he decided to write a TV movie on the advice of a mentor.

"It was a new form at the time in the late 1970s. I figured any idiot can write a TV movie and I certainly qualified," he said. "I was wrong – not any idiot can write a TV movie. I wrote my first TV movie script. 'Clueless' they should have called it because I didn't know what I was doing. Then I wrote a second one. It was a little better, but not much."

His third effort was "Learn To Fall," a story he wrote about a University of Michigan classmate who went on to clown college.

"His story was so compelling because he wanted to get away from show business," Burnstein said. "He wanted to volunteer his time working with someone, so he went to a school that was just for autistic children. He works with this one child, the child nobody wanted to work with because he was so wild."

A good "accident"

Burnstein got a break as well. He found an agent by accident almost after befriending the cast and crew of "Word of Honor," a TV movie starring Alex Karas, Karl Malden and Ron Silver that was filmed in Plymouth.

CBS decided to hire Burnstein to make "Learn to Fall," a TV movie with Timothy Hutton, who had just won an Academy Award for "Ordinary People."

"My name's in Variety and Hollywood Reporter," he said. "

See WRITER, B8

AAUW selects Browning for Salute to Women Award

The Livonia Branch of the American Association of University Women honored Nancy Browning at its annual Salute to Women Luncheon recently.

The organization selected Browning, recently retired as building administrator of the Bentley Center for Continuing Education, for its 1996 Salute To Woman Award.

A 20-year employee of the Livonia Public Schools, she was cited for her reaching out to initiate partnerships between businesses and schools and promoting the use of volunteer tutors and aides in a variety of adult continuing education programs.

Although she has been retired since June, she has continued to exert her influence and interest in continuing education by serving as executive secretary of the privately funded foundation, Promoting Education Partnerships, and as an officer of the the Association of Adult Education for the State of Michigan.

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Caution is key word for holidays

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"Anyone who has had food poisoning knows what a disaster the holidays can be," says Dr. Suzanne White, medical director of Children's Hospital of Michigan's Poison Control Center. "All of us need to prepare and store holiday food the proper way."

White cautions parents and grandparents to keep a close eye on their little ones.

"Kids are fast. They can get into almost anything," says White. "Make sure to put medication and vitamins up high and always keep household cleaners and chemicals out of children's reach."

Make sure your holidays are happy and hazard free by following a few safety tips:

FOOD

• When preparing turkey and fresh fowl, wash the entire body cavity, remove the entrails (heart, gizzard, etc.), wrap the bird loosely and refrigerate no more than two days before cooking.

• If possible, make the dressing just before cooking. If you prepare the dressing a day ahead, refrigerate it separate from the turkey. For added protection against food poisoning, cook the turkey and dressing separately.

• Refrigerate all leftovers as soon as they are still warm. Custard and cream-filled desserts can be especially dangerous if left unrefrigerated.

• Alcohol is a danger to children and adults. Keep all alcoholic beverages out of children's reach. Premixed cocktails that look creamy and are flavored with fruits, chocolate and other tempting tastes could be mistaken for pop, milk or fruit drinks. Remember, increased alcohol intake could cause dangerously low blood sugar, stupor or coma.

DECORATIONS

• Old tinsel and some colored ink on wrapping paper may contain lead. These are attractive to youngsters and should be kept out of reach.

• Ornaments can be dangerous. They can cut or choke young children. Painting or coloring on these objects, however, are not known to cause poisoning.

• Spun glass (angel hair) can cause irritation of the eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract.

PLANTS

• Contrary to popular belief, poinsettias are NOT poisonous and normally lead to no toxic consequences.

• Mistletoe, especially the berries, can cause irritation of the skin and gastrointestinal tract if consumed.

• Because of its sharp points, holly and other greenery, if swallowed can cause choking. It also can cause drowsiness and dizziness.

Children's Hospital of Michigan is a private, nonprofit, 245-bed hospital that has been treating children for 110.

Specialists in all areas of pediatric medicine, surgery and nursing provide care for children from birth to adolescence.

Children's is a member of the Detroit Medical Center, the academic health center for Wayne State University.

CHS to offer children's grief series

Community Hospice Services is offering its eight-week grief series, "Connections" for children 5 1/2 to 17 years of age, beginning Tuesday, Jan. 7.

The group will meet weekly through Feb. 25. A parent group will meet separately and run concurrently, with the children's groups.

The children meet in three age-specific groups. The sessions begin at 6 p.m. with the parents and children sharing a "pot luck" dinner. The groups will meet separately 7-8:30 p.m. CHS provides the main dish for each of the eight sessions.

The "Connections" series provides support for both children and parents as they cope with the loss of a loved one. Topics, such as reactions and feelings associated with loss, defenses and adjustment issues, will be covered.

"Professionals leading the groups will help participants make sense of the many varied and conflicting feelings that arise from loss," said Yvonne Strand, CHS director of social services. "By communicating in a language children can understand, we provide an opportunity for them to explore and express their feelings."

The "Connections" program can accommodate 30 children – 10 per age group. Registration is $25 per family.

The series is held at Community Hospice Services's Westland office at 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100. For information, or to register, call Yvonne Strand at (313) 522-4244.

CHS also is seeking volunteers to support its mission. Volunteer opportunities are available in direct patient care, fund raising, marketing, bereavement care and office assistance.

"Couples are encouraged to seek volunteer roles with us," said Doreen Vivyan, director of volunteer services.

In fact, Vivyan is looking to increase in the number of retired couples who work as a volunteer team for hospice.

"We have volunteers from every walk of life, from students, to women returning to the work place, to retirees," she said.

Persons interested in becoming volunteers need to complete an eight-week volunteer orientation class, covering patient care and comfort, spirituality, the hospice family, the hospice team and family dynamics. The class is taught by a variety of professionals that comprise a hospice team.

The next eight-week orientation course will begin Thursday, Jan. 30. It will be noon-3 p.m. at the CHS Westland office, 32932 Warren Road, at the comer of Warren and Venoy.

To learn about volunteer opportunities with Community Hospice Services or register for the orientation class, call Vivyan at (313) 522-4244.

Community Hospice Services has an immediate need to fill volunteer roles with patients in the downriver communities. A second training for prospective volunteers in the downriver community will be held in February.

Community Hospice Services was established in 1981 to offer compassionate, supportive care to those persons and their families facing an incurable illness. Serving western Wayne, southern Oakland and Eastern Washtenaw counties, CHS has provided care for over 1,000 patients and families.

Knollenberg heads Congressional Spouses Club

Sandie Knollenberg, wife of U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg (R-11th District), has been elected president of the Republican Congressional Spouses Club for the 105th Congress.

Sandie, a certified health fitness instructor, is known for her television fitness show, "Sandie's Fitness Firm." She also serves as the vice-chairman of the Michigan Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

During a recent orientation for new members and spouses, Sandie was one of the featured speakers, discussing family life for Congressional spouses.

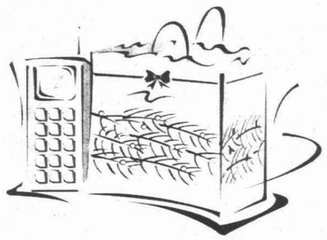
Sandie is also active in other groups including the International Club, the Congressional Club and Inaugural Ball Committee, as well as the bipartisan congressional spouses organization. She also serves as co-chair of the Michigan State Society.

The Republican Congressional Spouses work for many charity causes in Washington D.C. and throughout the country. They are involved in fund-raising and charity events for groups like the Cancer Research Foundation, the March of Dimes, the American Diabetes Association, and the Race for the Cure — a cancer research fund-raising walk.

Jane Abraham, wife of U.S. Sen. Spencer Abraham, serves as the second vice president of the RCS, which meets once a month while the Congress is in session.

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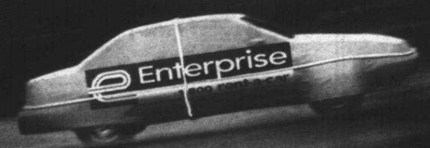
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ANNIVERSARIES

Serafin



Violinists entertained John and Lillian Serafin, their children, grandchildren and guests at a reception at their Garden City home in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows on Nov. 9, 1946 at St. Hedwig Church in Detroit. She is the former Lillian Baca.

The celebration included a luncheon, cake and gifts.

He is a retired Ford Motor Co. employee and member of PLAV Post 166. They also are members of PNA Group 53 of Dearborn.

Crawford



Harry and Marie Crawford of Redford gathered with their family to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows on Dec. 6, 1956, at the City-County Building in Detroit. She is the former Marie Doyle.

The Crawfords have four children – Danny, Barbara Bielski, Mike and Cathy McLaren – and five grandchildren.

He is employed by Dietzel Corporation. He is an avid sports fan and enjoys collecting die cast cars.

She enjoys crafts and sewing.

Kosek



Joe and Connie Kosek of Westland are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple met on Jan. 20, 1946, at a wedding rehearsal in Detroit. He had just returned from the Philippines and she needed a ride home. They were married nine months later on Nov. 28, 1946.

They have three children, Carolyn, Beverly and Gloria, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The couple moved to the then Nankin Township in 1963, when a crane marked the spot for Westland Center, the place to eat was Lum's Cafe and the Algiers Drive-in was showing the latest films.

Bee



Hughes and Mary Bee of Garden City celebrated their 50th wedding on Oct. 19 at a dinner party for family and friends at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth. The party was given by their children and grandchildren.

Originally from Tennessee, each moved to Michigan where they met at work. Married in Plymouth, they have lived in Garden City for more than 40 years.

They have four children and five grandchildren – Bradley, wife Marianne and children Lisa and Christopher of Canton, Donna Majewski, husband Tom and daughters Stacy and Shelly Schwaller of Canton, David, wife Cathy and son Nicholas of Garden City, and Jerry of Belleville.

Both are retired. He worked at the Ford Transmission Plant in Livonia for 31 years and retired in 1985.

Szymanski



Richard and Mary Szymanski of Westland gathered with 190 guests at the American Legion Stitt Post 232 on Oct. 5 to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged vows on Oct. 5, 1946, at the Polish Veteran Hall in Hamtramck. She is the former Mary Kajkowski.

The Szymanskis lived in Detroit for 43 years before moving to Westland seven years ago. They have four children – Laura Kowalyk of Highland, Paul of Livonia, Richard Jr. of Redford and James of Canton. They also have 11 grandchildren.

Retired for nine years, he worked for GM Detroit Diesel. She worked for Champion Spark Plug in Detroit for seven years.

They are active in the Tom Dooley Knights of Columbus, Polish Boosters of America and UAW 163 Retirees. They also enjoy dancing and their grandchildren.

In addition to the party, the Szymanskis took a 10-day "honeymoon" trip to the Canadian Rockies in June.

Flynn



Thomas and Coletta Flynn were the guests of honor at a 50th anniversary party given by their children at Roma Banquets in Garden City.

The Livonia couple, who also took a trip to Europe, exchanged vows on Nov. 28, 1946, in Cleveland, Ohio. She is the former Coletta Barrett.

The Flynns have four children – John Flynn, Peg Vicars, Michael Flynn and Stephen Flynn – and four grandchildren.

A 33-year employee of Cadillac Motor, he retired seven years ago. She retired 12 years ago after working for the J.L. Hudson Company for 18 years.

Both are active in St. Theodore's Catholic Church in Westland, volunteer work and their senior club. They also enjoy wintering in Ft. Myers, Fla.



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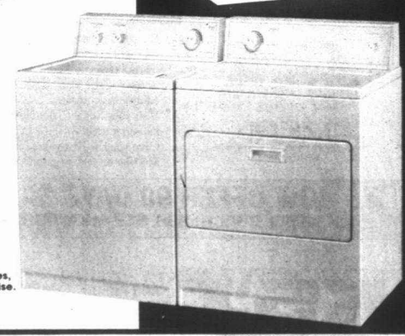
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30 Assets: Ways to help your kids be successful

By Jacque Martin-Downs

If by magic, we could sprinkle "protection" dust on our children, what might we want to protect them from? Do we care about premature sexual activity? Pregnancy? Drugs, alcohol, tobacco? Deviant and anti-social behavior? Suicide? School problems?

"Yes, yes, yes, all of the above," you reply. "Wouldn't it be great if I could just sprinkle the magic dust on my children every year and know that they'll not put themselves in jeopardy for any risky behaviors?"

(Earth to parent: Sorry, no deal – but there is a very simple solution that is within a parent or other adult's grasp. It is called the 30 Assets.

At Search Institute, a Minneapolis-based non-profit organization that conducts research to benefit children and and youth, studies have been conducted involving more than 250,000 sixth-12th graders in the United States.

As Peter C. Scales of Search remarked, "Our goal as adults should be to work together to surround children with what we call 'external' assets through the relationships and opportunities we afford them. These will help them develop the 'internal' assets – the values and skills – they need to guide themselves."

What could these "magical" assets consist of?

Glad you asked. But let's hold off for a minute and tell you some alarming statistics that came from the 250,000 students surveyed.

First of all, the institute found that if a student experiences 26 or more assets, they will be less likely to partake in high risk behaviors.

Sadly, they discovered that only 4 percent of the students experienced between 26 and 30 assets. The great majority of students (62 percent) experienced 11-20 assets. And 14 percent had 0-10 assets.

Clearly, there is reason for alarm. Our kids do not have enough "magic" protectors around them. So what can you as a parent, grandparent or friend do? First, examine the list of the 30 assets and honestly assess how many your kids experience:

■ 'Our goal as adults should be to work together to surround children with what we call 'external' assets through the relationships and opportunities we afford them.'

Peter C. Scales
Search Institute

1. Family support
2. Parent(s) as social support
3. Parent communication
4. Other adult resources
5. Other adult communication
6. Parent involvement in school
7. Positive school climate
8. Parental standards
9. Parental discipline
10. Parental monitoring
11. Time at home
12. Positive peer influence
13. Involved in music
14. Involved in school activities
15. Involved in community organizations/activities
16. Involved in religious congregation
17. Achievement motivation
18. Educational aspiration
19. School performance
20. Homework
21. Values helping people
22. Concerned about world hunger
23. Cares about other's feelings
24. Values sexual restraint
25. Assertiveness skills
26. Decision-making skills
27. Friendship-making skills
28. Planning skills
29. Self-esteem
30. Positive view of personal future

On a daily basis, you can help your child or someone else's child move towards experiencing many of the assets. Post the list on your refrigerator.

If you are not currently parenting, you could:

- Call up a child and tell them that you'd like him to join you as you pick up bottles on the side of the road, together.
- Read to children at the library.
- Take them out for a Coke and see how they're doing.
- Initiate an interest in music by taking them to the local symphony concert.
- Have them plan what they're going to do next summer.
- Help them with their homework.
- Take them to see different friends of yours on the job.
- Involve them in a fund raiser for hunger.
- Give them a ride to a church youth group meeting.
- Go support them at an extracurricular activity.
- Introduce them to someone you really like.

You can see that the list of things we can do to positively influence kids goes on and on.

One friend admitted one day that he thought that his little bit of influence over a child really wouldn't make a difference. But if we all think like that, nothing will ever change.

It's your influence, my influence, the mail carrier's influence, the babysitter's influence, the security guard's influence ... all of us can make up the fabric of a child.

My colleague saw some young teens smoking in the park one day and took it upon herself to go up to them and ask them about their smoking.

She was neither threatening nor condemning as she described to them some of the rich poisons they were inhaling.

She will never know if she made a difference, but one of the kids said as she was leaving, "My dad never told me there was rat poison in these."

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Meanwhile, for more information on building each asset, call Search Institute at (800) 888-7828.

Jacque Martin-Downs is prevention coordinator at Hegira Prevention Network, 151000 Hubbard Drive, Livonia.

Writer *from page B5*

Like I said: *Jim Burnstein let his audience know that screenwriting can have its disappoints. A case in point: the abrupt end to the production plans by CBS for "Learn To Fall."*

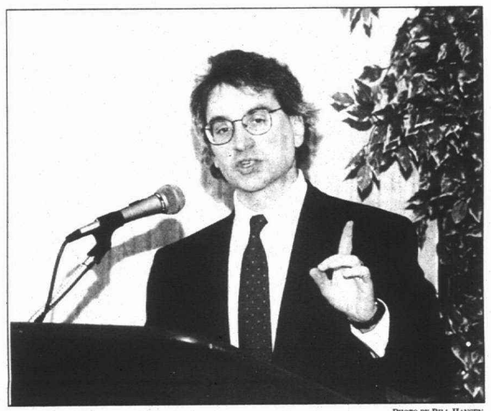


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I'm thinking 'What's so tough about this business?' I guess it's a lie that you have to suffer."

Three weeks before filming was to start, Hutton pulled out and consequentially so did CBS. The deal was contingent upon Hutton's participation.

"That's very depressing to see that kind of thing happen in the beginning of your career," Burnstein said. "I was fed up with television. I was asked by the people at Columbia Pictures to adapt this for the stage, anything to get out of TV."

Burnstein's career moved forward, thanks to Kurt Luedtke, a Birmingham resident who wrote "Absence of Malice" and "Out of Africa." He suggested Burnstein write "a real movie" about his experiences teaching Shakespeare to soldiers.

For the next three years, 1983-1986, he wrote "Renaissance Man," which is the story of where Burnstein's teaching and writing merged.

He wrote four drafts over the three years. In the meantime, "Learn To Fall" opened at the Attic Theatre where it set a box office record for a new play. As if that wasn't enough, a new agent came into the picture: "He asked me if I was going to stay in Michigan. I said yes and he said 'Yeah, good. Eventually it will be an advantage. When I bring you out (to California), they're going to have to meet with you.' "

After endless meetings, "Renaissance Man" came closer to hitting the big screen. Former Fox executive Sara Colleton who was responsible for "Big" and "Field of Dreams" agreed to produce it. Penny Marshall signed on to direct the film and Danny DeVito got the lead role.

"The minute that the actor says yes, something that's taken 10 years is going at warp speed," said Burnstein who has completed the screenplay for "Learn to Fall." "What a thrill it was the first day of production. The circus had come to town but my job was over."

As for the movie premiere, it was everything he thought it would be.

"It was straight from the movies; it was a grand party, the real deal," he said. "While I was sitting there watching the edited version of the movie, something dawned on me. If I didn't live in Michigan, I wouldn't be here. There would be no 'Renaissance Man.' "

Madonna needs crafters

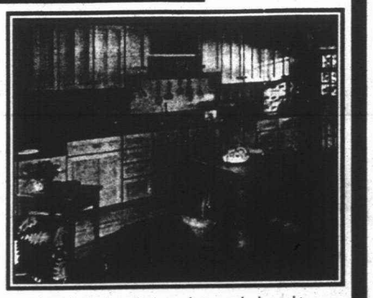
Madonna University is now accepting applications from crafters for its 12th annual spring arts and crafts showcase slated for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 15, in the campus Activities Center.

The show will feature a variety of handmade arts and crafts, including pottery, jewelry, paintings, textiles and woodworking.

Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and one table is available for $50. Table sizes are 6 feet or 8 feet. Booths with electricity are limited and are an additional $5. Exhibitors may purchase up to three spaces. A $5 discount will be given to those applications postmarked by Feb. 1.

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Lessons will be available in downhill skiing, cross-country skiing and snowboarding as part of Discover Michigan Skiing Jan. 6-31. Participants receive a 90-minute beginner lesson, ski or snowboard rental equipment and an all-day beginner-area ski lift pass or cross-country trail pass.

Twenty-two ski facilities are offering the package, which costs $25 for adults and $15 for children 7-14 years for downhill or cross-country skiing. The snowboard price is $35, regardless of age.

Developed by the Michigan Ski Industries Association (MSIA), the program debuted in January 1992 and it has grown each year. Since its inception, Discover Michigan Skiing has introduced more than 38,000 people to Michigan's ski slopes and trails.

"We developed this program to encourage people to give skiing a try," said Ken Griffin, MSIA president and general manager of Nichols Ski & Sports in Dearborn and Waterford, who stressed that Discover Michigan Skiing is for beginners only. "Participants usually learn enough in our 90-minute lesson to enjoy the slopes or cross-country trails for the rest of the day on their own."

The lesson normally covers basic maneuvering on skis or snowboards – stopping, turning, riding the lifts, ski-slope or trail etiquette and getting up from a fall.

To sign up, interested beginners must have a Discover Michigan Skiing Value Voucher. They are available this month at Michigan McDonald's restaurants and at participating MSIA retail ski stores and ski facilities throughout the state.

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Participants choose the place they wish to visit and then must call to preregister. Ski facility personnel will give instructions on what to wear and when and where to meet.

Griffin suggests calling as early as possible, since many lesson times fill quickly.

As a special bonus, everyone who completes the program receives a coupon valid for $20 off the purchase of $ 100 or more in ski-related merchandise at participating MSIA retail ski shops.

Ski facilities participating in Discover Michigan Skiing include Apple Mountain in Freeland, Bittersweet in Otsego, Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs, Boyne Mountain in Boyne Falls, Caberfae Peaks in Cadillac, Cannonsburg in Cannonsburg, Cross Country Ski Headquarters in Roscommon, Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville, Indianhead Mountain Resort in Wakefield, Marsh Ridge Resort in Gaylord, Mt. Brighton in Brighton, Mt. Holiday in Traverse City, Mt. Holly in Holly, Nubs Nob Ski Area in Harbor Springs, Pine Knob Ski Resort in Clarkston, Pine Mountain in Iron Mountain, Shanty Creek in Bellaire, Snow Snake Mountain in Harrison, Swiss Valley Ski Area in Jones, Treetops Sylvan Resort in Gaylord and Timber Ridge Ski Area in Gobles.

NEW VOICES

MARJORIE and **PAUL KOVARIK** of Westland announce the birth of **JODY LYNN** Nov. 7 at the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital. She joins three brothers ages 2, 8, and 21. Grandparents are Margaret Pellegrino of Detroit, and Sophia Kovarik of Dearborn Heights.

ALEX and **CATHERINE EALOVEGA** announce the birth of **ERIC STEPHEN** on Sept. 18.

HEATH and **TYLER MAJEWSKI** of Redford announce the birth of **GAYPHON TYLER** Oct. 18 at the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital. He joins a sister, Danielle, 5. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Perkins, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Majewski, all of Redford.

NICK and **VICKI SCHNUR JR.** of Canton announce the birth of **NICHOLAS JOSEPH III** Aug. 25, at Macomb Hospital Center, in Warren. He has two sisters – Breanna Victoria, 3, and Kaitlin Ivy, 20 months. Grandparents are Ray and Joan Lapworth of Warren and Nick and Betty Schnur of Center Line. Great-grandparents and Russ and Rita Johnston of Center Line.

TODD and **SHERI ROBINSON** of Westland announce the birth of **TY NOLAN** Oct. 25 at the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Mike and Donna Gowin of Wayne, and Roy and Judy Robinson of Las Vegas, Nev.

FRASER and **LISA HENDERSON** of Canton announce the birth of **ASHLEY RENEE** Oct. 10 in Ann Arbor. She has a sister – Jennifer Marie, 2. Grandparents are Maria and Walter Kovaleski of Plymouth Township and Kit and Harry Henderson Englewood, Fla., formerly of Northville Township. Great-grandparents are Walter and Ann Kovaleski of Novi and Zel Harvey of Dearborn.

MIKE and **BETH STOUT** of Redford announce the birth of **KIERSTEN NICOLE** Aug. 15, at Botsford Hospital, in Farmington Hills. She has a brother – Zachary, 2. Grandparents are Bill and Mary Stout Plymouth and Oscar and Laura DeDeckere of New Baltimore.

MICHAEL and **BETHANY WAKEFIELD** of Redford announce the birth of **CHRISTIAN MICHAEL** Nov. 10 at the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital. He joins a sister, Brittany Morgan, 2 1/2. Grandparents are Walter and Norma Britt of Dewitt, and the Rev. Lynn and Lynn Wakefield of Toledo, Ohio.

DAVID and **DARLENE HOLGATE** announce the birth of **ELIZABETH HOLGATE** Oct. 7 at Sinai Hospital in Detroit. She has a brother – Ryan, 22 months. Grandparents are Arthur and Barbara Heckman of Redford and Thomas and Betty Holgate of Novi.

BRIAN WARZOCHA and **KELLY MURPHY** of Canton announce the birth of **BRIAN JOSEPH DONALD WARZOCHA** June 6 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Marilyn Murphy of Westland, Harvey and Barb Murphy of Port Huron and John Warzocha of Belleville.

STEPHEN and **CARLA MILLER** of Redford announce the birth of **MARGARET JOYCE** Nov. 1. She has two brothers, Stephen and Devon. Grandparents are Carl and Marge Chiodini of St. Clair Shores and Charlie and Joyce Miller of Livonia.

SHAWN and **SHELLY GAGNON** of Westland announce the birth of **STEPHEN EDWIN** Nov. 22 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. He has a sister, Sara, 3. Grandparents are Edwin and Helen Taylor of Westland, Judy Gagnon of Westland and Joe Gagnon of Northville.

Airport comes alive with songs of season

In addition to flight announcements, travelers at Wayne County's Detroit Metropolitan Airport can hear their favorite Christmas carols when the fifth annual Christmas music program gets underway.

A variety of choral groups and musicians from local high schools, churches and community organizations started spreading holiday cheer through Dec. 24. School groups from Dearborn, Detroit, Inkster, Livonia and Wayne will be caroling for the enjoyment of air travelers.

Local groups include the Churchill Choralation from Churchill High School in Livonia and the Silver Strings Dulcimer Society which performs 7-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Davey Terminal. Churchill performed there Tuesday and will again on Dec. 24 from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

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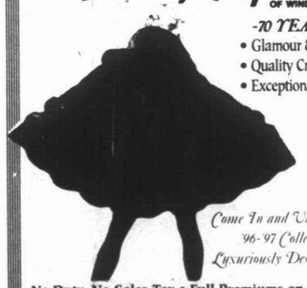
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How to succeed at quitting smoking

If you are a smoker, how about making this the year you quit?

One-third of American women continue to smoke despite the well-publicized hazards. Women who smoke cut their life short by 10 years and are twice as prone to heart disease and cervical cancer and 12 times as prone to lung cancer as women who don't smoke. They also have higher risks of infertility and osteoporosis.

Women smokers may be addicted to nicotine or fear they'll gain weight, if they quit. Although it's not easy, it is possible to break free of smoking and regain heart and lung power and reduce life-shortening risks to nearly that of nonsmokers – without increasing dress sizes.

It often takes more than one try and several methods to become a successful ex-smoker. Here are some tips:

•Enlist support. Your physician can advise you on techniques that may help control weight gain and withdrawal symptoms, such as biofeedback, hypnosis, nicotine chewing gum or skin patches. Or contact a support group through the local chapters of the American Lung Association or American Cancer Society.

•Try several techniques. If quitting cold turkey seems too drastic, try approaching a target "quit" date gradually. Over time, smoke fewer cigarettes and less of each one, delay lighting the cigarette by an hour, and so on.

•Use distraction tactics. Resist urges to smoke by putting something in your mouth, such as sugarless gum, keeping your hands busy, exercising or taking several slow deep breaths. Urges often pass in five minutes. Temptations are tough during the first two weeks, but by resisting them now, you increase the chances of kicking the habit permanently.

•Avoid reminders. On your quit date, remove ashtrays and lighters, clean your clothes to destroy the cigarette smell, and spend time in smoke-free places, such as a movie theater or a library.

•Move your body. On average, most women gain five pounds after quitting, but the weight usually disappears after the first year. Even before you quit, it helps to do aerobic exercises, such as brisk walking. These activities burn fat, control hunger and ease withdrawal symptoms like irritability that often occur in the first two weeks after quitting.

•Eat sensibly. Eat the right amounts of protein, carbohydrates and fat, drink a glass of water before each meal, and snack on fruits and vegetables or other low-fat, low-calorie foods.

And make this the best New Year's resolution you ever kept.

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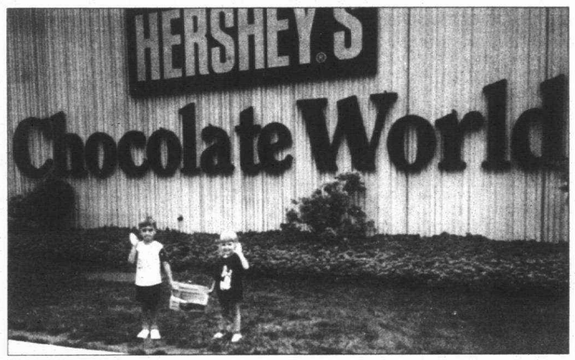
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Wish you were here



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Perfume Detective helps track down rare fragrances

What are the 10 most wanted fragrances in the world?

Perfumes by Faberge, Karl Lagerfeld, Elsa Schiaparelli and D'Orsay are on the list organized by parfumeur Anitra Earle, dubbed by the media The Perfume Detective for her ability to track down "lost" fragrances – those that have been discontinued for manufacture or for export.

Those fragrances on the list because more people want those 10 than any others have become the hardest to find, include:

1. Woodhue. Faberge designed a ladies' and a men's Woodhue in the 1950s. Made in France originally, Faberge was sold in American department stores rather than drugstores. Eventually, a corporate decision discontinued this whole unique line of perfumes, among them Act IV, Aphrodisia, F-sharp, Flambeau, Kiku, Partage and Straw Hat.

Tigress, another one-of-a-kind by Faberge, is tied for first place. Its cap was velvet and striped like tiger fur. A heady fragrance not for the timid, but seductive rather than brassy.

2. Evening in Paris. The romantic old favorite, still made in France by Bourjois, has great sentimental value to those who were courting around the time of World War II. It was sold in virtually every drugstore in the U.S.

3. Tweed. Green notes, sexy, a ladies' fragrance of the early 1950s by Lentheric, it was recently rescued from oblivion when Yardley in England decided to take over the making of it. Other popular Lentherics were Dark Brilliance, Miracle, Red Lilac and Shanghai.

4. KL (Karl Lagerfeld), for ladies, was discontinued in 1993. Popular for its warm spice blend with a clove top note.

5. Intoxication by D'Orsay. The D'Orsay brand was a middle-priced department store staple in the 1940s and '50s, with dizzying Intoxication leading the parade. Other beloved lost D'Orsays include Divine, Fantastque, Le Dandy and Voulez-Vous.

6. Shocking by Elsa Schiaparelli, the legendary Paris designer of gowns, hats and perfumes and creator of the color Shocking Pink. Artist Salvador Dali designed many of Schiaparelli's bottles, and they are still sold around the world as collector's items. Her Sleeping was packaged in a "mystic" gold and turquoise pyramid. Snuff (for men) came in a bottle made like a smoker's pipe.

The Shocking bottle was shaped like a dressmaker's dress-form, with a tiny tape measure draped around its neck, sometimes replaced by a little removable broach of flowers to pin onto a blouse or dress.

7. Bond Street (Yardley), as crisp and distinctive as neat vodka, is still remembered with nostalgia. Others by Yardley that are gone but not forgotten include April Violets, Oh! de London and Red Roses.

8. Tuxedo by Ralph Lauren may have lost sales initially due to gender confusion in the name – it's actually for ladies.

9. Indiscret, the seductively named favorite by the noted house of Lucien Lelong, which survived into the early 1970s but is now extinct. Other Lelong perfumes included Balalaika, Opening Night, Sirocco, Tailspin and Whisper.

10. Crepe de Chine by F. Millot. A slightly Oriental cast to this fragrance, yet the notes are green rather than the vanilla of a Shalimar. Millot went out of business circa 1977 and scarcely any Crepe de Chine has been found since.

Among the many runners-up for 10 Most Wanted are Abano (Prince Matchabelli), Baker (Germaine Monteil), Blue Carnation (Roger & Gallet), Blue Grass (Elizabeth Arden), Casaque (jean d'Albret), Cie (Shulton), Danger (Ciro), Ecusson (jean d'Albret), Evere (Erno Laszlo), Fame (Corday), Fidji (Guy Laroche), Flora Danica (Swank), Fracas (Piguet), Geminesse (Max Factor), Intimate (Revlon), Le de Givenchy, Memoire Cherie (Elizabeth Arden), Moon Drops (Revlon), Replique (Raphael) and Secret of Venus (Weil).

The Perfume Detective's database contains more than 7,000 requests for approximately 1,300 different fragrances. Those interested to have her search out a "lost" fragrance can send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Anitra Earle, The Perfume Detective, 21 E. Chestnut St., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

Earle answers requests immediately, if she has the fragrance or can locate it. If not, she keeps the request on file as many years as necessary. There is no

Longevity can revive bliss

If a married couple can just stick it out for about 35 years or so, they're likely to find they're as happy with each other as they once were as starry-eyed newlyweds, according to a University of Michigan study of martial quality over the life course, published in a recent issue of Social Psychology Quarterly.

Based on data from the American's Changing Lives study, a nationally representative sample of American adults aged 25 and older, the study analyzes the links between marital quality, duration and various social and economic factors among 1,470 individuals in first marriages.

"Marital happiness follows a fairly predictable trajectory," said Terri L. Orbuch, a sociologist at the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research, and the first author of the study.

After the first few years of marriage, the so-called honeymoon period, marital happiness tends to go downhill for the next 20 years. Then, right around the golden anniversary, this downward spiral stops and couples start feeling more satisfied with each other. By the time they've been married for 35 years, they're as happy as newlyweds, on average.

The study by Orbuch and U-M colleagues James S. House, Richard P. Mero, and Pamela S. Webster is the first to document the reasons for this reversal in marital happiness.

"Our results show that declines in work and parental responsibilities explain a large portion of the increase in marital satisfaction in the later years of marriage," Orbuch said. "Declining income and increasing assets in later life also explain a small portion of this increase."

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For the needy: *Tonda Elementary School students in Canton collected canned goods and non-perishable items for the Salvation Army from Monday, Dec. 2 through Friday, Dec. 13. A large graph was used to display how many items were brought in by each classroom. A red square on the graph indicated five items donated. The classroom that collected the most canned goods received a pizza party from Little Caesars. Tonda School and Little Caesars are business partners. The grand total of donated items was 3,160.*

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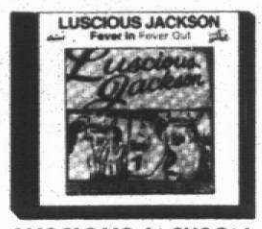
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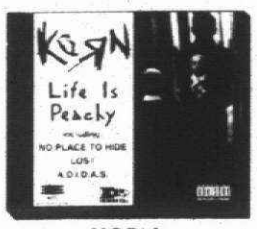
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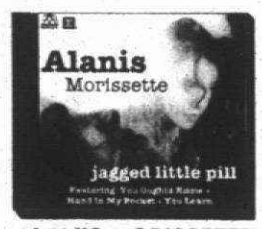
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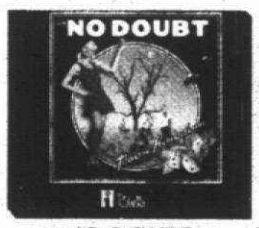
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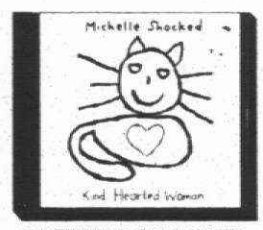
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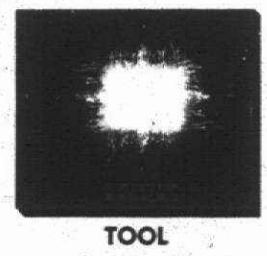
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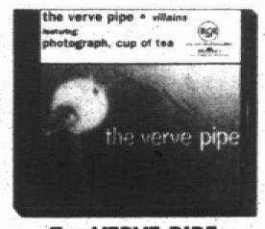
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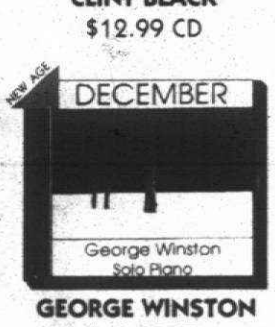
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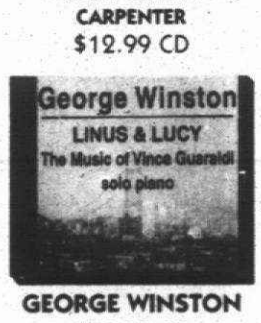
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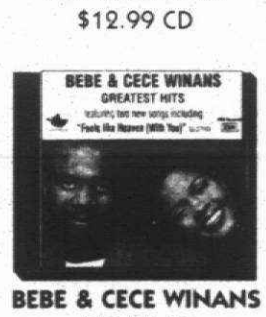
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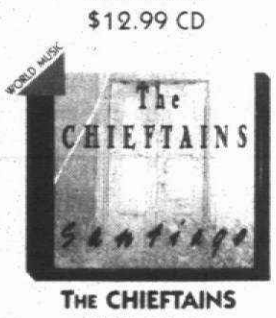
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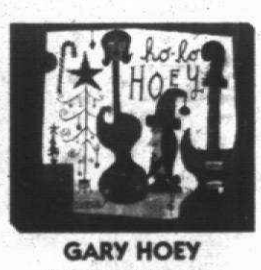
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Christmas tree has place in churches' services

The Christmas tree is one of the most familiar symbols of our Christmas celebration. It's origin can be traced back to a custom started in Germany.

Martin Luther originated the idea in Germany to show his children the beauty of the night that Jesus was born. He placed a small pine tree behind a nativity scene and placed candies on the branches to look like stars in the darkness. The candles also represented the star of Bethlehem that shown down over the cradle of Jesus.

Queen Victoria, the famous Queen of England from 1837 to 1901, married Prince Albert who was German. He brought this German custom to England when he put up a tree for his wife and children one Christmas Eve in the 1840s.

A picture of his family around their Christmas tree appeared in the newspapers in England, the United States and Canada. Soon everyone on both continents decorated trees at Christmas.

The first North American Christmas trees were decorated with candles, fruit, pine cones, cookies and homemade ornaments. Later small gifts were put right on the tree branches, and the father of the family would distribute the gifts to the children.

The tree Martin Luther created for his children has a prominent place in homes and churches today. A Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia, an 18-foot Christmas tree will be prominently displayed during Christmas services.

The church will have a family Christmas Eve service at 7:00 p.m., featuring Cherub, Choristers and Handbell choirs and a special children's message.

At the 11 p.m. candlelight service, worshipers will be given a votive candle to raise during the singing of "Silent Night." The Choir of Christ Our Savior, Handbell Choir and instrumentalists will unfold the Christmas story through song, scripture and prayer. A pre-service concert of organ and handbell music will begin at 10:30 p.m. and feature carols from many nations.

Christmas Day worship with Communion will begin at 10 a.m., featuring uplifting Christmas music with choir and instrumentalists.

Christ Our Savior is at 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. For more information, call the church at (313) 522-6830.

On Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at Newburgh United Methodist Church, there will be a family celebration, featuring the Children's Choir, at 6:30 p.m. and carols and candle lighting at 8:30 p.m., featuring the Youth Choir and Bell Choir. Candle lighting with Communion, featuring the Chancel Choir, will be at 11 p.m. Child care will be provided at all services.

Newburg United Methodist is at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-0149.

• Detroit First Church of the Nazarene will have a special candlelight service, led by Pastor Carl Leth, at 7 p.m. Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at the church, 21260 Haggerty Road, Northville.

For more information, call the church at (810) 348-7600.

• St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, will have a children's service at 6 p.m. and candlelight Communion service at 11 p.m. Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. On Christmas Day, Dec. 25, worship with Communion will be at 10 a.m.

For more information, call (810) 474-0675.

• Faith Lutheran Church will have a Family Eucharist at 7 p.m. and a Festival worship at 11 p.m. Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. There will be only one service with quiet Communion will be at 9:30 a.m. on Christmas Day, Dec. 25.

• Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will have its Christmas Eve Festival Worship at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 24. The service will feature carols, Holy Communion and candlelight.

Good Shepherd Lutheran is at 26212 W. Six Mile Road, Redford. For more information, call (313) 537-3778.

• Good Hope Lutheran Church will have a Christmas Eve Family Worship at 7 p.m. Dec. 24. The service will feature a children's sermon, choir anthems, Holy Communion and pre-service music, beginning at 6:30

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Oh, Christmas tree: *An 18-foot-tall Christmas tree has a place of honor in the sanctuary of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia. An important part of the Christmas celebration, the tree dates back to Martin Luther who created the tree to show his children the beauty of the night Jesus was born.*

STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Lutheran Hour airs 'Red Boots'

Just because the story of Christmas is 2,000 years old doesn't mean the methods of telling that story have to be.

For years, that thinking is what has led Lutheran Hour Ministries, a worldwide multimedia ministry organization, to try new ways to share the Gospel with people all over the world. And this year is no exception. Through the award-winning animated television special, "Red Boots for Christmas," released in 1995, Lutheran Hour Ministries hopes to reach millions around the globe with the "true" message of Christmas.

The 30-minute family special is set to broadcast locally at 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, on cable television's Family Channel. Following the broadcast, viewers will be given the opportunity to call a toll-free number to receive a free children's storybook version of "Red Boots."

But the television broadcast is only part of the "Red Boots" phenomenon. This year, "Red Boots"' curmudgeonly, but lovable shoemaker named Hans and his pet crow, Aldo, appear in full color in cyberspace, offering those who visit Lutheran Hour Ministries' home page on the World Wide Web a variety of new options. The page is at www.lhm.org/redboots/.

For instance, plans are in place to give visitors the opportunity to see and hear the "Red Boots for Christmas" characters come to life right on their computer screen through the fully-automated electronic storybook.

They can also order a order a free copy of the children's storybook, have access the latest broadcast information, enter a weekly trivia contest to win free "Red Boots" videos, and pick up interesting background information about the program.

"We are always looking for relevant new ways to share the Gospel message with the families all over the world," said Dr. Dale Meyer, national spokesman for Lutheran Hour Ministries' "Go ... tell a NEW generation" ministry campaign. "If families

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The Christmas Eve candle lighting service will be at 11 p.m. and will include choir anthems, a candle lighting ceremony and pre-service music at 10:30 p.m.

Good Hope Lutheran is at 28680 Cherry Hill Road, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City. For more information, call (313) 427-3660.

• Geneva Presbyterian Church will have four services on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. Family services will be at 5 and 6:30 p.m., with Candlelight services with Communion at 8 and 11 p.m.

Geneva Presbyterian Church is at 5835 Sheldon Road, north of Ford Road, Canton. For more information, call the church at (313) 459-0013.

• Church of the Risen Lord, a mission of the Charismatic Episcopal Church of North America, will celebrate its Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m. Dec. 24. The family service will include celebration of Communion. People are invited to come early for fellowship and may bring an ornament to hang on the Christmas tree.

Church of the Risen Lord is at 821 Newburgh Road, north of cherry Hill Road, Westland. For more information, call the church at (313) 397-7132.

• St. James Presbyterian Church will have its candlelight service at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. The church is at 25350 W. Six Mile Road, Redford. For more information, call the church at (313) 534-7730 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. weekdays.

• Lake Pointe Bible Chapel is inviting people to commemorate the birth of Christ by gathering at the church on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, before starting their own Christmas festivities. The service will be at 4 p.m. at the church, 42150 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

For more information, call the church at (313) 420-0515.

• Rev. Mark McGilvrey will preach on "Comfort My People" at the Christmas Sunday (Dec. 22) services at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Services are at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. The church will have its Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. Dec. 24.

For more information, call the church at (313)464-6722.

• Two services will be held on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at Holy trinity Lutheran Church, 39030 Five Mile Road, Livonia. The 7 p.m. service will be a family service with candlelight. The Choristers Choir will sing and there will be a "shepherd" monolog.

At 11 p.m., the traditional candlelight Communion service will be held. Special music will be provided by the Adult Choir, bell choirs and instrumentalists.

A 10 a.m. service with Communion also is planned for Christmas Day, Dec. 25.

For more information, call the church at (313) 464-0211.

'Red Boots' *from page B13*

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Listings for the Religion Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

LIVE NATIVITY

Fair Haven Baptist Church' teen department will present a live outdoor Nativity at 6 and 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 19-21, at the church, 34850 Marquette, Westland.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

St. James Presbyterian Church will present a program of Christmas music, featuring the vocal, bell and chime choirs at the 10 a.m. worship service Sunday, Dec. 22. A congregational dinner will follow the service. St. James is at 25350 W. Six Mile Road, Redford. For more information, call the church at (313) 534-7730 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Bethel Baptist Temple will have its annual Children's Christmas Program at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, at the church, 29475 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. A popular service at the church, a box of candy will be presented to each woman and child in attendance. For more information, call Pastor H.L. Petty at (313) 525-3664 or (313) 261-9276.

BETHANY PLYMOUTH/CANTON

Bethany Plymouth/Canton, a ministry providing support for single adults, will attend a Detroit Symphony Orchestra Christmas Pops concert on Sunday, Dec. 22. For more information, call Bill at (313) 421-3011.

Bethany Plymouth-Canton gathers at 11:15 a.m. Sundays for 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Aidan's Church, Farmington Road, north of Six Mile Road, Livonia, followed by coffee or lunch. Call Bill at (313) 421-3011 for information; for breakfast at 10 a.m. Sundays at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford – call Val at (313) 729-1974 – and for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia – call Tony at (313) 422-3266.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Pastor David Powless will speak at the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services Sundays at the Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland. For more information, call the church at (313) 458-7301.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series "What Is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?," a weekly program to answer questions about the religion, is being broadcast 8:30 a.m. Sundays on CKLW-AM 800. Topics include "What proof do you have that Christian Science heals?" on Dec. 22 , "How do Christian Scientists feel about modern medicine?" On Dec. 29, "Is care in Christian Science as reliable as medicine?" on Jan. 5, "How do Christian Scientists feel about Jesus?" on Jan. 12, "What kind of faith in God heals?" on Jan. 19 and "Faith healing or something more?" on Jan. 26. The series also can be heard at 1:30 p.m. Sundays on WQBH-AM 1400. It is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local Christian Science churches. For more information, call (800) 886-1212.

HOLY INNOCENTS

Faith Lutheran Church will have one service at 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, on Holy Innocents Day and one service at 7 p.m. New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, at the church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call the church at (313) 421-7249.

POLONAISE CHORALE

The Polonaise Chorale, under the direction of Daniel Misteravich, will present its annual Christmas concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, at St. Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh Road, north of Six Mile Road, Livonia.

The concert is free of charge, however, a free will offering will be accepted.

The Polonaise Chorale sings Polish Christmas carols and has a cassette tape of its singing which will be available before and after the concert. For more information, call (313) 863-6209 or (313) 531-5558.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will have a New Year's Eve party for the community Tuesday, Dec. 31, at the church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. The worship service will be at 7:30 p.m., followed by a catered dinner at 8:30 p.m. and dancing with a disc jockey. There also will be non-alcoholic beverages, games and a countdown to midnight.

Tickets are $15 per person, if ordered by Dec. 15, and $18 thereafter. Reservations must be made by Dec. 27.

For more information, call Chuck at (313) 453-0406 or Bob at (313) 522-6830. Singles, couples and groups welcome.

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Ward Presbyterian Church will celebrate New Tear's Eve with an evening of fellowship, beginning at 9 p.m. with a sacred Christian concert, featuring Fred Hubbs Jr.

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For more information, call (313) 422-1826.

•Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will have a New Year's Eve Communion service at 6 p.m. Dec. 31 at the church, 39020 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call the church at (313) 464-0211.

NEW BEGINNINGS

"Moving On" will be the title of the program for the Thursday, Jan. 2, meeting of New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. New Beginnings is for people suffering as a result of the death of a loved one. It recognizes that people grieve differently, but have a similar need for the support of each other.

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A.R.K. CONNECTION

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An alternative worship service is held at 7 p.m. Mondays in the church library of St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. The service is people unable to attend Sunday morning worship or interested in an informal form of worship. It is led by Ken Marrs. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-6039.

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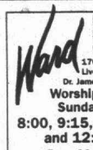
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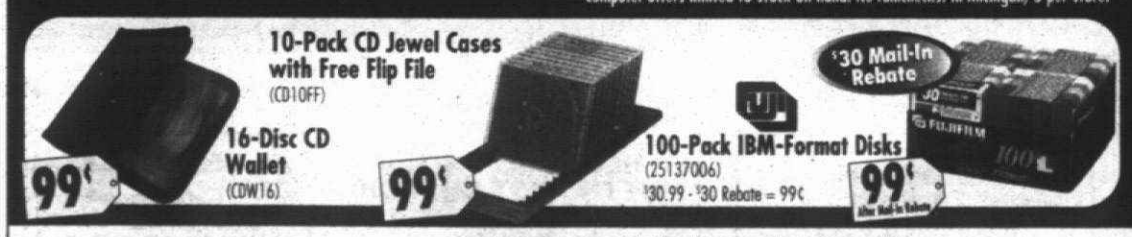


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Canton opens in triumph

If only the rest of the season would go like this.

Chances are it won't, but on opening weekend of the high school volleyball season, Plymouth Canton was unbeatable. The Chiefs won 12-consecutive games and all six of their matches in capturing the Allen Park Invitational Saturday.

In the championship match, the Chiefs staved off any victory hopes harbored by Riverview Gabriel Richard, holding on for a 15-9, 15-8 title victory.

Canton advanced to the title match with a 15-5, 15-13 win over Wyandotte Roosevelt. In pool play, the Chiefs beat Dearborn Crestwood 15-2, 15-0; Rochester 15-6, 15-9; Belleville 15-7, 15-3; and Allen Park 15-2, 15-0.

Strong serving was a key component in Canton's win. The Chiefs had five players combine for 81 service aces in the tournament.

Donna Logsdon led the attack with 26 kills; she also had 35 digs. Courtney Wells had 79 assists-to-kills and 13 aces; Jessica Orleman had 23 aces and 32 digs; Nikki Kovachevich had 40 digs and 10 aces; Jenny Sikora had 16 aces and 38 digs; Brandi Bernard had 19 aces and 16 digs; and Stephanie Chefan totaled 20 kills and 12 digs.

Canton is now idle until the Walled Lake Central Invitational Jan. 4.

ODP national qualifier

Mia Sarkesian, a junior at Plymouth Salem HS, has been selected as part of the Olympic Development Program's national team selection pool for the under-16 age division.

Sarkesian competed on one of the four ODP regional teams at the national tryouts Thanksgiving weekend in Pleasant, Calif. National teams will be selected from these pools.

Soccer referees

Training for new soccer referees will be held at Canton Township Hall on four consecutive Saturdays — Jan. 18 and 25 and Feb. 1 and 8.

Each class is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and referees must attend all four classes. A certification test will be given at the final session.

The cost for the sessions is $43. The classes are open to those 12 years and older. Call (313) 454-7335 to register.

Indoor soccer

Canton Soccerdome is now accepting registrations for the upcoming indoor soccer season. Three seasons are offered through March 30, 1997.

Team registration fees are $650 for the second session running Jan. 3 through Feb. 28, or for the third session running March 1 through March 30.

Each session is eight games (referee fee extra). Age divisions vary beginning at under 8 years old and up to over 30 leagues.

Call (313) 483-5660 (extension 2 or 3) for more information.

Early softball registration

With the anticipated closing of Softball City and the shortage of softball fields in the tri-county area, Canton Softball Center will begin early registrations on Feb. 3, 1997 for the upcoming softball season.

Team registration is $495 plus umpire fees for a 14-game season. Game balls and first and second place individual and sponsor awards for each league are included in the registration.

The season begins the week of April 13, 1997. Call 313-483-5600 (extension 2 or 3) for information and to be added to the center's mailing list.

Skills competition

McDonald's NBA 2Ball, the league's youth skills competition emphasizing basketball fundamentals and teamwork, comes to Michigan for the first time this year.

More than 40 competitions will take place throughout the state with two in this area. Winners will eventually advance to the state finals which will take place prior to a Detroit Pistons game at The Palace of Auburn Hills. From there, winners will advance to the national championships.

In 2Ball, two teammates alternating taking shots from six different spots on the floor. The two alternate shots for 60 seconds, accumulating as many points as possible before time expires. Youth ages 9-17 can participate.

The first local competition will take place Saturday, Jan. 4 at 12 p.m. at the Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. The other local competition will be Saturday, Jan. 18 at 12 p.m. at Livonia Churchill High School.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may fax them to (313) 591-7279.

Madonna's rally falls short

Perhaps it's something the Crusaders are getting used to hearing: "Nice effort." That's what they gave Monday against Northwood, coming back from 15 points down to take the lead.

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Getting there is half the battle, right?

Well, on Monday Madonna University's men's basketball team completed half the task. Against a solid NCAA II squad from Northwood University, the host Crusaders rallied from 15 points down early in the second half to take a two-point lead with just under four minutes to play.

After a shaky start, Madonna had arrived. With less than four minutes to play, the Crusaders had a two-point lead.

But after getting there, there was no sustaining their momentum. After taking that second-half lead, the Crusaders scored just two more points while committing six turnovers, which was enough to fuel Northwood's 17-2 closing run, making the final score 93-80 in favor of the Northmen.

Northwood improved to 6-1 with the victory. Madonna is 3-11.

"This is the first time in Madonna history they feel bad after losing," said Crusader coach Bernie Holowicki. "They had a good GLIAC (Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) team on the ropes and they let 'em get away."

It was a game the Crusaders could easily have been counted out of early in the second half. They had started the game with turnovers on their first three possessions, staking Northwood to an 8-0 lead.

Madonna closed to within two midway through the first half, but never caught the Northmen and eventually went to the lockerroom at halftime trailing 45-29.

The reason for the deficit: The Crusaders were shooting well enough, but they weren't shooting as much. Each team hit 50 percent of its first-half floor shots, but while Northwood took 34 shots (making 17) Madonna was limited to 26 (connecting on 13).

Points scored off turnovers in the first half provided a more precise analysis: Northwood, 27 points off of 16 Madonna turnovers; Madonna, eight points off of 10 Northwood turnovers.

It didn't get any better in the second half for the Crusaders. Even with Mike Maryanski draining three three-pointers on consecutive possessions, they could not close the gap appreciably; they trailed 54-39 prior to his first three, and were still behind 62-48 after his last one.

But Maryanski wasn't through, and neither was Madonna. His fifth three of the second half came with 9:04 left and trimmed Northwood's lead to 73-65.

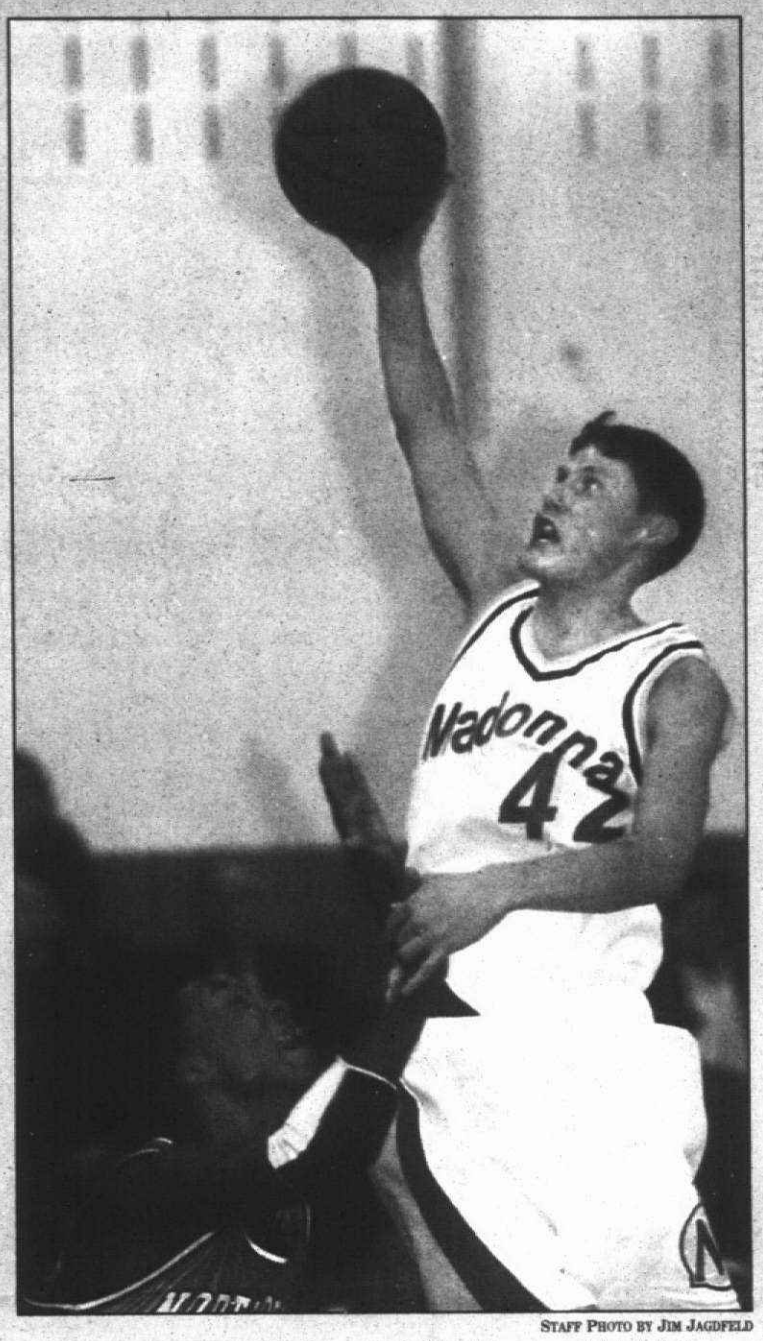
That was the ignitor. With 12 minutes remaining, the Northmen's lead had been 71-55; in the next eight minutes, the Crusaders rolled to a 23-5 advantage to take a 78-76 lead.

Pinpointing those responsible for Madonna's comeback was easy enough: Brandon Slone (from Plymouth Salem), Kristian Magro and Maryanski accounted for 72 of the Crusaders' 80 points.

A Magro rebound started a fast break, with Mike Slone (Salem) dishing to brother Brandon for a basket and a foul by Deon Branner. Brandon converted and, with 4:38 left, Madonna was up 77-76.

A Magro free throw 44 seconds later doubled the Crusaders' advantage, but that was it. Northwood finished the game by making seven layups, courtesy of those half-dozen Madonna turnovers. In the last 3:35, the Northmen outscored Madonna 17-2, with

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STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Finding the target: *Madonna's Mike Maryanski (right) found his three-point range in the second half, nailing five triples to help get the Crusaders a short-lived lead.*

Rocks looking sharp with 2nd-place finish

WRESTLING

Just in case anybody thought Plymouth Salem's third-place finish at last season's Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament was just luck or good fortune, think again.

The Rocks are one tough team to tackle, as they have been through most of Ron Krueger's tenure as coach. They proved it at last Saturday's Salem 8-Team Invitational.

Some top teams competed, including Holt, which won with 294 points. In second was Salem with 201, ahead of third-place Adrian (188), fourth-place Redford Catholic Central (148.5), fifth-place Brighton (127.5), sixth-place Saline (89), seventh-place Ann Arbor Huron (63) and eighth-place Plymouth Canton (58).

Leading the Rocks' effort was 125-pound Eric Coburn, who was named the tournament's most valuable performer. Coburn was unscored upon in winning his weight division, beating R.J. Eding of Holt 10-0 in the final.

Coburn also beat Canton's Matt Bush on a pin (1:23), Scott Westfall of Adrian on a decision (13-0), and Jon Travis of Huron on a pin (1:01).

The Rocks had one other weight class champion: Teono Wilson at 189. Wilson beat Chris Doremus of Adrian on an injury default in the championship match; he also defeated Grant Sarkisov of Holt on a pin (:30) and Greg Fisher of Huron on a decision (8-2).

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Davey's selection puts him on Orioles' roster

BASEBALL

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Tom Davey knows that's it's just a matter of opportunity.

The former Plymouth Salem standout plans to take full advantage of the opportunity presented him when he was taken in Major League Baseball's Rule 5 Draft by the Baltimore Orioles.

Davey, a 23-year-old righthander, pitched last summer with the Toronto Blue Jays' Class A affiliate in Hagerstown, Md. Although he struggled at times in the second half of the season, he still posted a 10-9 record with a 3.87 earned run average.

More importantly, he was definitely a part of the Jays' future plans.

Enter the Rule 5 Draft.

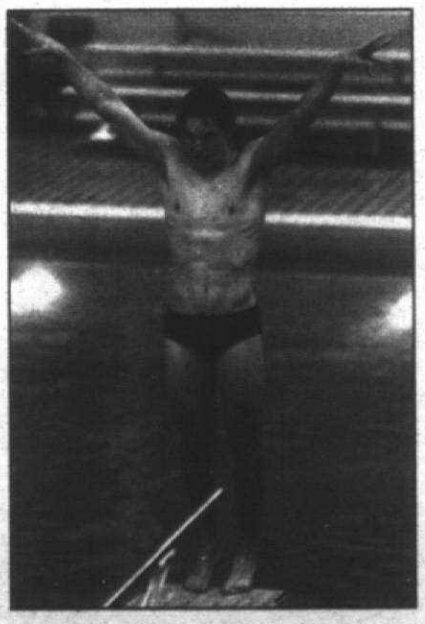
Rule 5 is open after three seasons to drafted college players and after four seasons to drafted high school players. Davey, who graduated from Henry Ford CC in 1994, fit the former category.

Players not on their parent club's 40-man major league roster are unprotected and eligible to be drafted. If they are protected on the club's Triple A roster, the drafting team must pay $50,000 for their rights.

Once drafted, the player is automatically assigned a spot on his new team's 40-man major league roster. He must secure a spot on the 25-man major league roster for the entire season, if his new team attempts to send him down to the minors, his former team may reclaim him for $25,000.

In specific terms regarding Davey,

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Focusing: *Salem diver Otto Geiseman zeroes in on season.*

Salem still top dog in WLAA

SWIMMING

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Such pressure to start the season.

But that's the nature of the beast, and that's what happens when people start associating season-opening events with end-of-the-year results.

This is how this expectation reads: Whoever wins the beginning-of-the-year Western Lakes Relays wins the end-of-the-year WLAA Championship.

Which makes today's WLAA Relays, hosted by Plymouth Salem, of particular significance to the Rocks, who have every intention of repeating as champions.

Not in the relays. A year ago, it was Plymouth Canton that shocked the WLAA by winning the relays.

Come the end of the year, though, Salem defied precedence and won its fourth-consecutive league championship.

"Whoever wins the relays title is supposed to win the league championship, too," said Salem coach Chuck Olson, who doesn't believe a word of the rumor he's spreading. "It's not 100 percent, but I'd say it's 80 to 85 percent."

Translated, it means there are two goals firmly established in the minds of the Rocks, and winning the Relays is not among them.

Qualifying for state meet is. So is winning another WLAA championship.

The bad news for the rest of the league is that Salem has all the ingredients to win just about anything it chooses.

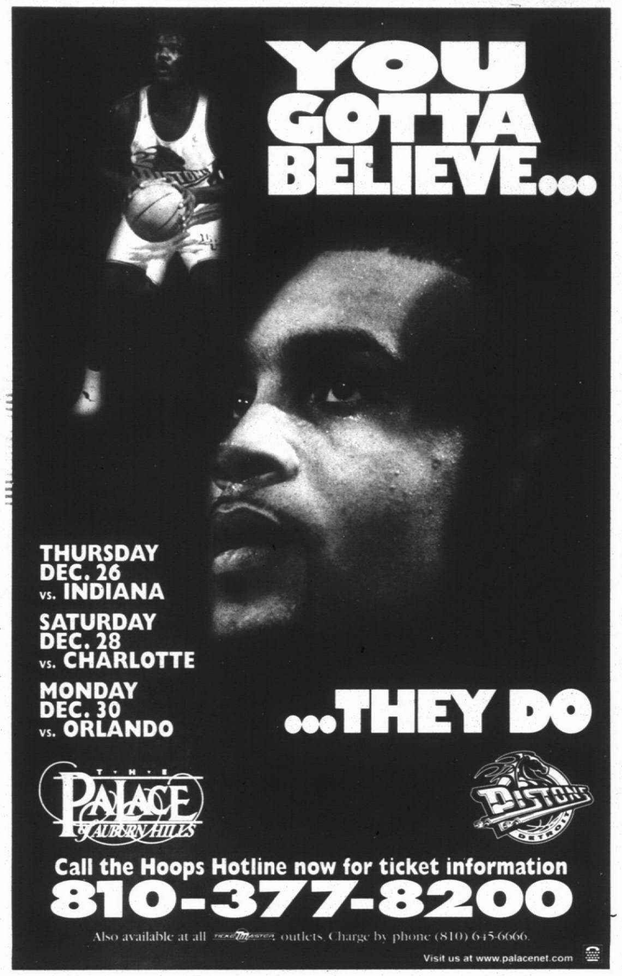
There are losses to overcome. John McLenaghan, freestyler and backstroker; Patrick Morgan, sprint freestyler; Justin Hulett, distance freestyler; Jeff Wickham, diver; and Don Sauber, breaststroker and freestyler, all must be replaced.

They will be.

Olson has 10 freshmen on this season's squad. "They're looking fairly competent," the long-time Salem coach said. "None of them has done anything yet, but who knows? A couple of them will get opportunities."

They won't be the people Olson will be counting on for points at the WLAA championships. Those will come from seniors like Mark Dettling, Kyle Petroskey and Luke

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Good finish

Salem holds on to beat Braves

BASKETBALL

Plymouth Salem got the last basket and the last two free throws, and that was enough to carry the Rocks to a 62-59 basketball triumph over visiting Ypsilanti Tuesday.

The win was Salem's second in three games. Ypsi is 1-1.

With more than a minute remaining, the Rocks trailed by a point, but an Andy Power feed to Mike Korduba resulted in a basket and a 60-59 Salem lead. Nate Gray drained two free throws with 12 seconds left to increase the Rocks' lead to three.

The Braves had a chance, shooting two free throws with two seconds remaining. But after missing the first, they missed the second purposely and tried to grab the rebound. They missed their chance, however.

Salem's balance was Ypsi's demise. The Rocks were led by Power's 14 points and six assists; Bhavin Patel had 13 points and Andres Lopez scored nine before fouling out midway through the fourth quarter. Jeff McKian totaled seven points and a team-best nine rebounds, and Korduba scored eight points.

Howard Allen's 16 points paced the Braves. Terrance Maxey got 12 and Tim Frye netted 10.

Neither team led by more than five, with Ypsi ahead 17-16 after one quarter and 28-27 at the half. Salem went ahead 44-43 after three quarters, and made 8-of-10 fourth-quarter free throws to maintain their advantage.

The Rocks were 16-of-23 at the line (69.6 percent); Ypsi was 15-of-24 (62.5 percent).

Canton 59, A.A. Pioneer 38: It wasn't the prettiest game — Plymouth Canton committed 11 turnovers in the first half alone — but rebounding and defense propelled the Chiefs to their second win in three games this season Tuesday against visiting Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"We played pretty good defense, and we rebounded well," said Canton coach Dan Young. "But it was kind of an ugly game. It looks like we blew them out, but we really didn't.

"We turned the ball over way too much. We got up by 17 and got a bit lackadaisical."

The Chiefs surrendered just 14 first-half points, leading 23-14 at the break. For the game, they outrebounded the Pioneers 35-14.

Nick Hurley led Canton in scoring with 21 points. He also had six steals and four rebounds. Rob Johnson contributed 15 points, eight boards and three assists, and Matt Ammons scored seven points.

Pioneer got 16 points from Lavelle Blanchard.

Zoe Christian 63, PCA 47: Poor free throw shooting doomed Plymouth Christian Academy to defeat Tuesday at Warren Zoe Christian.

The Eagles (2-2) trailed from the start, down 17-11 after one quarter and 28-19 at the half. They closed to within five early in the fourth quarter, but Zoe Christian converted 22-of-31 (71 percent) at the line in the game compared to PCA's 9-of-19 (47.4 percent).

Chris DeRenzo's 15 points paced PCA. Nick Brandon added 13. Don Lenn led four Zoe Christian players in double figures with 15 points.

Last Saturday, PCA lost to Southfield Franklin Road Christian 63-61 in the championship game of the Plymouth Christian Academy Tournament at PCA.

Again, free throws cost the Eagles. They trailed 17-15 entering the second quarter, then missed six-straight at the line and were outscored 19-2 in the quarter to fall behind 36-17 at the half.

PCA got back into it, but too late. Brandon's 26 points led the Eagles; DeRenzo had 16. Brad Leach scored 20 for Franklin Road, with Paul Burkhart adding 17.

Agape 78, Clinton St. Christ. 47: A 30-point second quarter was a key part of Plymouth Agape Christian's dismantling of Detroit Clinton Street Christian Tuesday at Agape.

The win leveled Agape's record at 2-2. Clinton Street is 0-1.

Adam Martin's triple-double carried Agape. Martin scored 15 points, dished out 12 assists and grabbed 11 rebounds.

Matt Mayor scored 25 points and Rick Guttersohn had 10.

Jeff Braxton's 14 points was best for Clinton Street. Bass White added 13.

Whalers ambush Guelph

Defense continues to be the driving force behind the Detroit Whalers' success.

It was defense that enabled the Whalers to post back-to-back wins last weekend at Compuware Arena in Plymouth. The Whalers shut down the Windsor Spitfires 5-4 Sunday, after bottling up the Guelph Storm 4-1 on Saturday.

The wins boosted the Whalers' record in the Ontario Hockey League to 13-17-2 (28 points, third in the West Division). They are 6-3-1 in the last 10 games, however, and they rank among the top five teams in the 17-team league in goals-against average.

In the victory over Windsor last Saturday, a hat trick by Steve Wasylko — he scored the Whalers' first three goals — got Detroit going.

But it was a goal by Chad Cavanagh with 34 seconds left that gave the Whalers the game-winner. Steve Dumonski also had a goal for Detroit, with Dan Pawlaczyk and Andrew Taylor each garnering two assists.

Dean Mando had two goals for Windsor, with Glen Crawford getting four assists.

Robert Esche was in goal for Detroit, making 18 saves.

In Sunday's win over the Storm — the first-place team in the OHL's Central Division — Esche stopped 32 shots, surrendering just a second-period goal to Guelph's Jason Jackman.

Pawlaczyk scored Detroit's first two goals and assisted on the third to ignite the offense. Taylor and Bryan McKinney also had goals, with Taylor adding an assist. Wasylko and Mark Cadotte contributed two assists apiece.

The Whalers play tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Windsor, then host North Bay at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Dec. 19
Churchill at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Franklin at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Harrison at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Wyandotte at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Romulus at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Allen Park, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
Canton at Ypsilanti, 7:30 p.m.
Salem at Brighton, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 20
Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.
Clarenceville at Inter-City, 7:30 p.m.
St. Agatha at Taylor Light, 7:30 p.m.
O.L. St. Mary at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.
Huron Valley vs. Ypsi Calvary at Marshall Middle School, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 21
Brother Rice at Wayne, 7 p.m.
PREP HOCKEY
Friday, Dec. 20
Franklin vs. Stevenson at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Brother Rice at Ply. Compuware, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 21
Churchill at E. Kentwood, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at U-D Jesuit, 7 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Saturday, Dec. 21
Portage Northern Tourney, 8 a.m.
Taylor Invitational, 8:30 p.m.
Bishop Gallagher Tourney, 9 a.m. Madonna Tournament, 9 a.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Monday, Dec. 16
Northwood at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 20
Alpena at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.
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Friday, Dec. 20
Alpena at Schoolcraft, 5 p.m.
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Kalamazoo vs. Tiffin (Ohio), 6 p.m.
Madonna vs. Mich. Christian, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 21
(Madonna University Classic)
Tiffin (Ohio) vs. Mich. Christian, noon.
Madonna vs. Kalamazoo, 2 p.m.
TBA — Times to be announced.

Bauman leads Pats past Churchill

BY NEAL ZIPSER
STAFF WRITER

BASKETBALL

Teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association couldn't have been too happy about Matt Bauman returning to Livonia Franklin's lineup Tuesday.

But the center sure made his guards happy, as he opened things for the outside game in Franklin's 68-48 drubbing of rival Livonia Churchill.

The visiting Patriots (2-1) started slow, but began to demonstrate its superior talent when Bauman entered the game with 3:09 remaining in the first quarter. The 6-foot-8 center made his first appearance of the season after recovering from a broken ankle.

Bauman hit on his first eight shots (all layups), and finished with 18 points and seven rebounds in just 19 minutes of action. But more importantly, Bauman helped the guard tandem of Nick Mongeau (18 points) and Pete Sosa (14).

"You can definitely see the difference when Matt is out there," said Mongeau, who scored all of his points in the second half. "He definitely helps me out by being double-teamed. With Matt, we have can have an inside and outside threat."

The Chargers, who have lost their first three games by an average of 21 points, are struggling to find themselves, according to coach Rick Austin.

"We only have one starter back (Shawn Woloszyn) and we're still trying to find our identity," the first-year coach said. "We're trying to find a combination of players who can play together and we have to find some scoring."

The teams combined for 12 turnovers in the first six minutes. Bauman scored the final six points of the first quarter and eight more in the second quarter to give the Patriots a 27-18 lead.

"Both teams came out flat, maybe because there were two new coaches and the players didn't know what to expect," Franklin coach Dan Robinson said. "We also had to adjust to having Matt back.

"We have to learn when and when not to look for him. He was a little rusty but looked good and it's just a matter now of conditioning."

Woloszyn struggled in the first half, missing all seven of his shots. The senior guard came alive in the second half and poured in 17 points.

"We have plays installed for Shawn and the question is whether he is ready to step up — and he did tonight," Austin said. "I thought coach Robinson made a good adjustment early when he saw he was vulnerable to Shawn in a man defense and switched to zone, forcing us into a zone offense."

Nine straight points by Woloszyn closed the Franklin lead to 37-34 with 2:30 remaining in the third quarter. But a layup by Bauman and Mongeau's third three-pointer of the quarter swung the momentum back to the Patriots.

Mongeau, who scored 24 points in Franklin's season opener, got his shooting touch back after struggling in last week's loss to Dearborn.

Franklin converted 15 of 20 free throws in the fourth quarter. The Patriots made 20 of 30 free throws for the game, compared to Churchill's 10 of 17.

The Patriots also shot better from the floor, making 21 of 43 shots (49 percent). The Chargers hit only 18 of 48 shots (38 percent).

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Ocelots gain weekend split

Well, at least the offense is working well.

Now all that Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team need do is get the defense in gear. At last weekend's Owens Express Holiday Tournament, hosted by Owens Tech in Toledo, the Ocelots surrendered 207 points in two games.

Fortunately, they scored 196 and got a win, beating Clark State (Ohio) 111-105 in Saturday's consolation game.

On Friday, host Owens Tech romped to a 102-85 victory over SC. In that loss, the Ocelots trailed 46-39 at the half and kept it close through much of the second half before Owens pulled away.

Naron Burks and Dwaun Warmack each scored 18 points to lead SC. Tykie Reeves added 16 and Richard Johnson netted 14.

Antoine Jones' 24 was best for Owens.

Saturday's game against Clark State was close throughout, with SC clinging to a 51-50 halftime lead.

The Ocelots, who improved to 2-6 with the split, got 34 points from Reeves, 18 apiece from Warmack and Burks (with Burks nabbing eight rebounds), 11 and six assists from Pete Males (Garden City), and 10 points each from Bruce Goode and Tymon Marshall.

Clark State was paced by Paul Blankeship's 25 points.

Against Clark State, SC opened up an 80-70 lead midway through the second half.

Madonna 84, Bluffton 60 (women's): A strong first half set the stage for an easy second half, as Madonna University's women's team pulled away to a one-sided victory over visiting Bluffton College Saturday.

Mary Murray and Dawn Pelc each scored 18 points to lead Madonna, with Murray grabbing six rebounds and making two steals. Katie Cushman added 12 points and six assists, and Angie Negri had eight points, seven assists and three steals.

Bluffton was led by Rachel Helmink with 10 points.

Davey *from page C1*

he is now on the Orioles' major league roster. If he cannot maintain that position, the Orioles must first offer him back to the Blue Jays for half-price before they can send him to the minors.

"It's kind of exciting," he admitted. "They're going to give me a chance, they told me that. And that's nice to know."

There's a window of opportunity for Davey, to be sure. But it isn't enormous; the chances of a Class A pitcher making the final roster on a team like the Orioles, which will challenge the defending World Series champion New York Yankees for the division title, are slim.

Davey knows this. But he also knows the Orioles "indicated to me they'd give me a shot.

"It's possible. I just want to make the most of my opportunity. That's what the game of baseball is all about."

Davey, who is home in Plymouth working out while awaiting the opening of spring training in mid-February, has been working on his game nearly year-round. He has the potential; last year, he was clocked at 95 mph on his fastball, and he threw in the 90s consistently.

"I'm getting comfortable with my mechanics," Davey said. "It just boils down to consistency. Some nights, I went out there and no one could touch me.

"Other nights, I felt I didn't even belong in the park."

Following his Class A season at Hagerstown, Davey departed for seven weeks in the Blue Jays' Instructional League. He completed that just prior to the Rule 5 Draft, working on his control while developing a curve and a change-up.

Before the draft, Davey had hoped to move up perhaps as far as Triple A ball. Now, he's had to expand those goals.

"I just hope I don't end Cal Ripken's streak," Davey joked, referring to Ripken's major league-record consecutive games played streak.

If he does, the Orioles just might give him back to the Blue Jays.

Wrestling *from page C1*

Five other Salem wrestlers reached the finals in their division before losing.

Charlie Hamblin was pinned by Brighton's Ryan Keillor in 1:22 at heavyweight; Dan Morgan lost 20-4 to CC's Mitch Hancock at 112; Sean Hughes was pinned by Joey Carr of Holt in :37 at 130; James Greene lost 6-2 to Devin Lambert of Holt at 135; and Dan Hamblin was pinned in 2:58 by Holt's Gary Williams at 140.

All told, the Rocks placed in the top four in 10 out of 14 weight divisions.

The best Canton could manage was a pair of fourth-place finishes. The Chiefs' Ryan Sarrach was pinned by Holt's Cedric Ford in :41 in the consolation final at heavyweight; and Brent Buttermore was beaten by Saline's Greg Stauffer 13-3 in the consolation final at 130.

The Rocks put their 4-0 dual-meet record on the line yesterday at Livonia Stevenson, the three-time defending Western Lakes Activities Association champion. After that, the Rocks are idle until Jan. 4, when they host the Salem 16-team Invitational.

Canton entertains Livonia Franklin tonight at 6:30 p.m., then hosts the Canton 8 Invitational Saturday.

Madonna *from page C1*

Branner netting eight of those points.

"They're still learning, learning to compete," said Holowicki of his team's effort. "We lost our composure, lost our poise in those last few minutes. That's

Brandon Slone's 26 points was best for Madonna. Maryanski had 24 and Magro 22, with eight rebounds. Maryanski blocked three shots, Christian Emert dished out eight assists and made five steals, and Mike Slone

Northwood got 25 points from Branner, 22 from Jeremy Piggot, 19 from Linzy Bennett and 11 from Damon Coleman.

The Crusaders are now idle until Dec. 28-29, when they play at the University of Findlay (Ohio) Tournament.

Salem swim *from page C1*

Woodcock, this season's co-captains.

Dettling is the defending WLAA champion in the 100-yard butterfly; Petroskey is a state qualifier in the 500 freestyle; and Woodcock is a potential league-meet scorer in the 200 individual medley, the 100 back and the 100 breast.

They are indicators of the kind of team Salem will field this season: well-rounded, each capable of swimming several different events and scoring.

Other seniors to watch include diver Otto Geiseman, Kevin Dorogi, Rod Palma, Dan Ungarten, Jeff Reed, Josh Filiator and Rob Piwowar. Olson will use any and all of them (except Geiseman) in any of the free events; Ungarten will also be used in the fly, with Reed working in the breast and Filiator the back.

The junior class is equally adept, with state-meet scorer Tim Buchanan (seventh in the 100 fly at state) returning. Also back are Nick Corden, Dan Kelly, Brian McKay, Jim McLenaghan and Brent Mellis; like their senior teammates, they are capable in any free event and just about anything else.

Sophomores Kevin Crabill and Andrew Locke also look capable of scoring points in several events.

There are weaknesses, Olson points out. The breast, which was a Salem weak point a year ago, remains questionable.

"We're still in trouble there," he said. "We're still looking. We've got freestylers and flyers. Back could be a problem, too."

How big a problem? Well, nothing too major: "I think the (people) we mentioned definitely have to be thinking about scoring at the conference meet and qualifying for state.

"Our free events should be pretty solid. And in the fly events, we have two state qualifiers (Dettling and Buchanan) coming back."

Reaching the state meet remains the ultimate goal, something attained only by an elite group of swimmers.

"I think we have a lot of guys who want to prove they belong in that group," said Olson.

The first step on that trail is today at the WLAA relays.



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Whitetail harvest good, not great

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



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Preliminary estimates of the whitetail harvest during the 1996 firearms season is a bag of mixed results. Hunters in the Upper Peninsula and the northern Lower Peninsula experienced a decline in success while hunters down here in Zone III produced a record kill.

Overall, the DNR estimates hunters took 279,000 deer during the 16-day season, making it the sixth-best on record. The record firearms harvest occurred in 1989 (334,940) and is followed by 1995 (319,290), 1990 (316,400), 1988 (294,310) and 1991 (293,710).

The Upper Peninsula (Zone I) harvest estimate of 54,000 (37,000 bucks) is considerably lower than last year's record take of 85,118. This drastic decline is a direct result of last winter's severe cold and heavy snowfall, which caused many deer in the UP to starve to death. Other factors contributing to the decline include a windy, rainy opening week and fewer hunters crossing the bridge to hunt.

The DNR estimates a total harvest of 103,000 (68,000 bucks) in the northern Lower Peninsula (Zone II), down from last year's harvest of 117,137. Although there was a 20-percent increase in the antlerless harvest in Zone II, which is in line with the DNR's statewide effort to reduce the deer herd, many hunters felt buck sign and buck sightings in the northern Lower were significantly lower than in the past.

While many hunters in Zones I and II were disappointed with the season, hunters in Zone III had a record season with an estimated harvest of 122,000 deer (72,000 bucks).

"Although the statewide harvest was lower this year than in 1995, there was a record harvest in the southern Lower Peninsula," said DNR statistician Harry Hill. "The antlered buck harvest there was an all-time record of 72,000, slightly exceeding the former record of 71,989 last year. In addition, the antlerless harvest of 50,000 deer in this part of the state was second only to the record take of 56,710 during the 1989 firearms season."

The deer harvest is estimated annually by a survey of southbound hunter traffic during the 16-day firearms season. This survey has provided an early, accurate estimate for more than three decades. Final harvest figures are based on a mail survey of this year's hunters and will be available in July.

Successful hunters

• While many hunters in the Upper and the northern Lower were struggling to bag a buck, the Hickmott brothers of Oxford were enjoying phenomenal success while hunting farmland in Oakland County.

Jason, 19, recorded his first bow kill on Oct. 12 when he arrowed an 8-point while hunting from a tree blind. He followed that up by shooting a 7-point with his 12 gauge shotgun during the firearms season.

Not to be outdone by his brother, 15-year-old Jason dropped a spike with his bow and arrow, then shot a 6-point with his shotgun during the firearms season.

• Another Oxford resident experienced the thrill of a lifetime during the firearms season. Greg Trolley took a record-book 10-point, while hunting close to home in Oakland County. The rack was perfectly symmetrical and green-scored 168 7/8, less than two inches short of Boone & Crockett standards.

• Redford's Ron Webster ventured north to Lenawee County and wasted little time connecting with a trophy. Hunting a fence row bordering a cedar swamp, Webster dropped a beautiful 10-point at 7:30 a.m. on Nov. 15. The bruiser dressed out at 180-pounds.

• Livonia's Paul Westerville opened the archery season with a bang when he arrowed a doe on Oct. 1. Westerville added to his success during the firearms season when he connected with a 9-point on Nov. 21. Both deer were taken in Oscoda County.

• Sixteen-year-old Jim Jelley II, of Shelby Twp., took his first deer ever this fall while bow hunting near Prudenville in Roscommon County. Hunting from a tree blind in a stand of hardwoods, Jelley arrowed a spike buck on Oct. 11.

• Kenny Head had plenty to be thankful for on Thanksgiving weekend. The Troy hunter was hunting in Roscommon County over the holiday break and filled both of his buck tags when he shot a 4-point and a spike.

• Southfield's Ray Wilson shot a 5-point during the firearms season while hunting near Oscoda. It was the 15th buck the veteran hunter has taken over the past 21 years.

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI. 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker evenings at (810) 901-2573.

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

ARCHERY

OPEN SHOOTING
Open shooting hours at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield are 7-10 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; 4-9 p.m. Thursdays; and 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Call (810) 539-3030 or (810) 661-9610 for more information.

YOUTH EDUCATION
Detroit Archers is offering a youth education league at its clubhouse in West Bloomfield. Call (810) 539-3030 or (810) 661-9610 for more information.

SHOWS

BOAT SHOW
The 39th annual Detroit Boat Show will be held Feb. 1-9 at Cobo Center.

OUTDOORAMA
The 1997 Outdoorama Sport and Travel Show will be held Feb. 21-March 2 at the Novi Expo Center.

NOVI BOATING EXPO
The 5th annual Novi Boating Expo will be held March 12-16 at the Novi Expo Center.

SEASONS/DATES

DEER
Archery season runs through Jan. 1. Muzzleloading season runs through Dec. 22 in zones II and III.

GOOSE
A special season goose will be held Jan. 4-Feb. 2 in the Southern Michigan Goose Management Unit. Consult the 1996-97 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for additional details.

RABBIT
Through March 31.

RUFFED GROUSE
Through Jan 1 in zones II and III.

SQUIRREL
Statewide through Jan. 1.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN
Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has rifle, pistol, muzzleloader and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to sunset, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, muzzleloader, shotgun and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION
Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol, muzzleloader and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

POINTE MOUILLEE
Pointe Mouillee State Game Area in Rockwood has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Pointe Mouillee State Game Area is located at 37205 Mouillee Road. Call (313) 379-3820 for more information.

FISHING CLUBS

FISHING BUDDYS
Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (810) 656-0556 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS
The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. Call Sam Pilato at (313) 420-0521 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Garden City High School. Call (313) 420-0521 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

METROPARKS

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

TOYS FOR TOTS
The Huron-Clinton Metroparks are once again serving as drop-off points for the Toys for Tots program. The program is conducted annually by the United States Marine Corps Reserve to serve needy children in local communities by providing new, unwrapped toys during the holiday season. Anyone wishing to drop off a new, unwrapped toy that has no violent connotation can drop the toy off at any of the following Metroparks: Metro Beach near Mt. Clemens, (800) 477-3172; Stony Creek near Rochester (800) 477-7756; Indian Springs near White Lake, (800) 477-3192; Kensington near Milford, (800) 477-3178; Hudson Mills near Ann Arbor, (800) 477-3191; Lower Huron near New Boston, (800) 477-3182; Lake Erie near Brownstown Twp., (800) 477-3189; or at the Metropark Administrative Office near Brighton, (800)477-2752.

PERMITS ON SALE
The 1997 Huron-Metroparks annual motor vehicle entry permits and annual boat launching permits go on sale Dec. 1 at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are $15 regular and $8 for senior citizens (62 and older). Boat launching permits are $18 regular and $9 for senior citizens. Corporate discounts are also available. Call (800) 47-PARKS for details.

WINTER WALK
Learn which animals stay active during the winter months during this naturalist-led hike, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday at Kensington.

DEER THROUGH THE SEASONS
A program consisting of slides and a short walk in which participants will learn the life history of deer, begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

HOLIDAY BREAK
Lose some of those extra holiday pounds during this naturalist-led walk along the nature trails, which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, at Kensington.

TRAIL MIX
A naturalist-led hike covering parts of two of the four main nature trails begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, at Kensington.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS
Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

SMALL HANDS WORKSHOP
Children ages 6-8 will learn to make simple gifts during this workshop, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Independence Oaks.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

2nd-period rally carries CC to a 3-goal triumph

HOCKEY

Senior Tim Cibor scored two goals Saturday night, rallying Redford Catholic Central to a 5-2 Michigan Metro Conference hockey victory over Riverview Gabriel Richard at Redford Ice Arena.

The Shamrocks, who scored three goals in a span of 1:03 late in the second period, improved to 5-1 overall. They are 3-0 in the ckey League.

Richard scored first on a goal by Nick Noade with assists to Pat Jesue and Justin Gray at 10:15 of the first period.

Cibor tied things up, scoring at 4:46 of the second period. Mike Porter and Scott Curtin drew assists.

Cibor scored the eventual game winner with a goal in the slot assisted by Eric Bratcher and Curtin at 12:03 of the second period.

"Cibor is tremendously improved," CC coach Gordie St. John said. "His two goals, they passed the puck to him on the side of the net and he just drove them home. He's a different hockey player from last year. He's got his self-confidence back."

The Shamrocks built their lead to 4-1 with a goal by Jason Tartif 23 seconds later and a goal by Mike Davis at 13:06 of the second period.

Matt Bieniek picked up the lone assist on Tartif's goal; Dan McClellan and Bieniek assisted on Davis' goal.

Curtin gave the Shamrocks a 5-1 lead with a goal assisted by Jim Melton at 10:22 of the third period.

•**STEVENSON 6, RU 3:** Livonia Stevenson scored four goals in the first six minutes Tuesday en route to an Suburban High School victory over Redford Union at Redford Ice Arena.

One of the Spartans' first four goals came on the power play.

"They're probably the best team we've faced so far," said RU coach Kirk Hunter, whose team fell to 3-3-1 overall, 2-3-1 in the SPHL. "They move the puck and they're disciplined."

Stevenson is 6-2 overall, 5-0 in the SHSHL.

Trevor Pagel scored two goals and J.J. Price one for RU. Price, Derek Eddy and Andy Zukovs had one assist each.

Stevenson spread the goal-scoring wealth among six players: Darin Fawkes, Bill Marshall, Mike Radakovich, Jason Ward, Ted Marolla and Ryan Zalewski scored for Stevenson.

Mike Schmidt and Jason Ward had two assists each. Andy Domzalski, Mike Radakovich, David Nanas and Marolla had one apiece.

RU goaltender Mike O'Keefe had 25 saves. Anthony Alfonsi had 22 saves for Stevenson.

•**MILFORD 2, STEVENSON 1:** Cory O'Toole scored a pair of goals in the second period to lift unbeaten Milford (7-0 overall) to the win Saturday.

Jay Ward scored Stevenson's lone goal from Mike Schmidt and Ted Marolla in the opening period.

Milford goaltender John O'Donnell made 29 saves, while Stevenson's Anthony Alfonsi had 27 stops for Stevenson.

Bowlers secure a victory over government restrictions

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

Michigan bowlers have won the battle against bureaucrats.

In its final session, the Michigan state senate passed Jaye Bill 6114 by a 37-0 vote.

Now pending signature by Gov. John Engler, the Liquor Control Commission will no longer have authority to impose restrictions on bowling leagues.

Earlier, the bill had passed in the House of Representatives by a margin of 67-10.

This is an example of how the democratic process was used by citizens to bring about a change in the law when the law itself was inappropriate.

The success of the action was due mainly to the strong efforts by Scott Bennet, executive director of the B.C.A. in Lathrup Township and Don Williams, the proprietor of Plum Hollow Lanes in Southfield.

There were many others who helped with letters and calls to their local senators and representatives, and more than 200,00 who signed petitions in support of the bill.

•Could it be? Only nine more shopping days to Christmas. How about the bowlers on your gift list, here are a few suggestions for some stocking stuffers.

If you have an unlimited budget, just buy every new ball that has come out this year.

If you are like most of us, you will look for some neat, inexpensive item that your bowler will enjoy, a sharp-looking article of clothing, a new wrist brace, bowling towel, or a "feel good" item like an elbow brace or even the new item from SteelFingers, a brace that fits over the middle fingers of the bowling hand to add reinforcement. It also helps to increase the "revs" a bit, and it lets you bowl stronger for longer.

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Of course there is also the good old reliable gift, a necktie, and there are some good ones out there with a bowling design.

I was just given a new one to add to my growing collection of bowling ties. If in doubt, the local pro shop can fix you up with a gift certificate in any denomination, and that never fails to please the lucky recipient. If I'm on your gift list, the correct spelling is C-A-D-I-L-L-A-C.

•How many members of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association reside within the borders of the 12 basic communities which can be termed "Observerland?" These are the latest figures, released by the office of the Bloomfield Hills/Bloomfield Township, 187; Birmingham, 87; Orchard Lake/West Bloomfield, 463; Franklin/Bingham Farms/Beverly Hills, 73; Southfield/Lathrup Village, 538; Farmington/Farmington Hills, 1,152; Plymouth, 626; Canton, 915; Livonia, 2,650; Redford Township, 1,798; Westland, 1,184; Garden City, 922.

That adds up to a shopping total of 12,607, about 60 percent of that for the women bowlers. We also have approximately 20,000 sanctioned league bowlers in Observerland.

There are an estimated 10,000 more who bowl in unsanctioned leagues, add to that an equal number of people who bowl, but not in any leagues and the figure jumps to about 60,000 bowlers on these cities.

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Senior House — Doug Spicer, 801.

Midnight Mixed — Joe Swingle, 241-219-298/758; John Hurley, 248-225-237/710; Dale Manteuffel, 279/659.

Merri Bowl (Livonia): Delphi Tuesday Men's — Roy Williams, 243-279-214/736; Ed Howden, 245-204-233/682; John Wilamowski, 223-220-231/674; Kevin Beard, 246-178-246/670; Tom Maynard, 205-259/656.

Ladies Doubles — Toots McKimmey, 278.

Senior House — John Wojtys, 245-277-279/801; Kerry Reetz, 257/730; Steve Ashbay, 269/722; Ken Nikkila, 267/724; Mike Miller, 267/724.

Saturday YABA Youth — Pat Barter, 288/703.

St. Mary's Mixed — Mike Czapski, 269-204-227/700 (his first-ever 700 series).

Ward Church — Dave Wollschlager, 288.

Wonderland Lanes (Livonia): Wonderland Classic — Nello Mantini, 300; Steve Pencola, 300; Chris Hiczinski, 300; Mitch Jabczenski, 279-278/788; Jeff Roche, 279/795.

Nite Owls — Dennis Madden, 288/724; Rick LeBourdais, 252/679 (158 pins o/a); Shane Wyatt, 647; Larry Krol, 639; Chris Faur, 636.

Storm All-Star Classic — Jason Johnson, 289; Mitch Jabaczenski, 300; Lee Snow, 289; Lonnie Jones, 290.

Motor City Men's Early — Dave Atkins, 686; Keith Hubbell, 258/647; Mike Sockow, 654; Bob Copciac Jr., 665; Paul Milhizer, 683 (182 pins o/a).

Cloverlanes (Livonia): St. Aidan's Men's — Jim Seager, 211-106/656; Chris Skaggs, 225-208/581; Bob Racey, 213/592.

Redford Rollers — Rhonda Gabon, 195; Lynn Moriarty, 191; John Densmore, 226; Drew Jarman, 223/589.

Monday Detroit Edison Mixed — Scott Bruning, 247/656; Gary Fierk, 246/664; Margaret Browne 196; Joann Bruning, 196/534.

Junior House — Bryan Lueck, 290-300-192/782; Cliff Outley, 287; D. Marlow, 786; J. Papich, 241.

Phoenix Mixed — Mark Hood, 236-224/635.

All-Star Bowlerettes — Kathy Siemiesz, 237-202-244/683; Joanne Pencola, 232-277/680; Zoe Ann Maisano, 258-232/672; JoAnn Carter, 211-232-225/668; Deb Genord, 258-235/664; Ann-Marie Kubasiak, 256-234/664.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford): Men's Senior Classic — Art Kuzniar, 240/622; Wil Suokas, 238/611; Jim Casteel, 258/670; Dick Thompson, 233/620; Bob Slayden, 223/617.

Good Neighbors — Diane Warchol, 231; Cori Salmons, 211.

Garden Lanes (Garden City): Suburban Proprietors Travel — Grey Gumtow, 257/631; Rudy Kramer, 248; Steve Hughes, 246; Herbie Graves, 244/625; Tim Magyar, 238/620.

St. Linus Classic — Jeff Allen, 257-214-254/725; Jeff Ellenwood, 257-247-210/714; Mike Smiley, 210-222-257/689; Doug Mullen, 239-230-218/687; Ed Stephenson, 255-243/680; Dave M. Bazner, 223-247/667.

Country Lanes (Farmington): St. Paul's Men's — Ken Dean, 237; Ed Wright, 233-231-226/690; Floyd Duncan, 230/607.

Sunday Goodtimers — Bill Vida, 228/661; Mike Kovacs, 226/615.

Wednesday Nite Ladies — Lesley Welch, 224/578; Susan Burk, 209/521; Doreen McMahon, 209.

Loon Lake — Steve Amolsch, 248-234/692; Dave Amolsch, 243/589; Bill Seeley, 229/556; Mike Clarahan, 226/567.

Wednesday Knights — Scott Zagata, 279-256/750; Mike Gundle, 286/694; Rick Ballnik, 268/690; Neil Beckman, 269; Frank Zagata, 235-225.

Tuesday Mixed Trio — Tom Heenan, 700; Ron Mathison, 263; Chris Johnson, 259; Ken Studt, 259/693; Kevin Jon Landacre, 200/538.

Suburban Proprietors Travel (men) — Lou Ivancik, 268/667; Paul Butler, 258/644; Tony Ballarta, 258/689; Dan Rose, 242; Bob Chuba, 236/640.

Suburban Proprietors Travel (ladies) — Willa McFarlin, 225/612; Barb Buhler, 205/574; Debbie Van Meter, 204/545; Pam Orozco, 199; Kathy Butler, 196/543.

Country Janes — KatieSzonye, 224/638; Lin Huber, 209/580; Donna Drew, 202/513; Julie Dunn, 194; Judi Stefani, 193/523.

Country Keglers — Paul Postula, 254; Carl Galietti, 248; George Vann, 244/639; Pete Cassine Sr., 242; Bill Johnson, 242.

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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND CANTON AND PLYMOUTH

WEEKEND

VISIT SANTA
The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce reminds you that Santa Claus will continue to be visiting with good boys and girls thru Saturday Dec. 21, in Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth. Hours are: 5-8 p.m. Friday; 12-5 p.m. Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

PET PHOTO
Come and get your pet photo with Santa between noon and 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at Animal Odyssey, 971 N. Mill, Old Village section of Plymouth. The cost is $5. All proceeds benefit the Michigan Animal Rescue League, a no-kill shelter in Pontiac. Also, bring pet food, toys, blankets, supplies etc. for shelter. Information, 453-5764.

POLONAISE CHORALE
The Polonaise chorale is holding its annual Christmas concerts of Polish Carols 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, at St. Colette Parish, at 17600 Newburgh Road (North of 6 Mile) in Livonia. The chorus is under the direction of Mr. Daniel Misteravich. Admission to the concert is free, with a freewill donation being accepted during the concert. Everyone is invited. A cassette tape "Polonaise Chorale sings Polish Christmas Carols" will be available before and after the concert. For more information call (313) 863-6209 or (313) 531-5558.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

K OF C
The Plymouth Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a New Year's Eve party to raise money for the Kamanos Cancer Institute. Ticket prices are $15 for singles $25 for couples. The doors open at 8:30 p.m. and the fun goes past 1 a.m. Live entertainment will be brought to you by Broken Halo a very exciting band that has played all over Metro Detroit all the way to Grand Rapids even the Pontiac Silverdome. There will be a buffet that will offer all the food you can eat, door prizes donated by local merchants from Plymouth and a cash bar that will leave you with enough money in your pocket for the "big raffle." Tickets can be purchased in advance at Jerry's Bicycles, 1449 W. Ann Arbor Road. 459-1500.

SUMMIT ON THE PARK
Summit on the Park New Year's Eve Gala will begin 7 p.m. with hors d'oeurvres and a cash bar, 8:30 p.m. buffet opens featuring, Caesar salad, garden salad with choice of dressings, bow tie pasta salad, marinated vegetable tray, kidney beans salad, fresh cut fruit bowl, fresh baked rolls and butter, coffee, baron of beef carved by our chef/AuJus, herb roasted chicken/sauce Beuare Blanc, dusted Gulf shrimp/cocktail sauce, steamed red skin potatoes, fresh hot vegetables medley, Corn O'Brian. At 12:30 p.m. the bar closes and the music stops, at midnight, champagne toast, party favors, build your own ice cream sundae bar, coffee service. $40 per person includes, hors d'oeuvres, buffet dinner, d.j., champagne toast, ice cream sundae bar, sales tax, service. To make reservations call 397-6800 ext. 228.

AROUND TOWN

RADIO INTERVIEW
WSDP, 88.1FM, will air "People and Policy," an interview program hosted by Senator Loren Bennett, 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 19. The show will feature an interview with Darnell Jackson, director of the office of drug control. WSDP is owned and operated by the Plymouth Canton Community Schools.

CHARITY DRIVE
The "Make Me A Blessing Christmas Tree" drive is ongoing in Plymouth. Businesses are collecting unwrapped gifts that will be donated to Mott Children's Hospital. At each business where collections are taking place, a tree with cards is displayed. For more information, call 459-9780.

TREE OF REMEMBRANCE
Arbor Hospice Tree of Remembrance will be on display through Dec. 27. The tree will be located at the Westchester Square Mall in downtown Plymouth at 550 Forest. The heart ornaments will display the names of loved ones from Plymouth, Northville, Canton and Novi. Families and supporters of Arbor Hospice wishing to place a memory ornament on The Tree should contact Kathy Brennan at 677-0500.

HOLIDAY NUT SALE
Community Hospice holiday nut sale to benefit Hospice will be held Nov. 15 through Dec. 20. Nuts sell for $10 each and a portion of each sale is a donation to CHS. Four varieties to choose from. Call CHS or visit their office at 127 S. Main, in Plymouth to purchase nuts. Your donation is tax deductible. 459-0548.

GUEST STORYTELLER
Peggy Heiney, a retired elementary school teacher from Bird School, is telling stories at the Plymouth District Library from 10-10:45 a.m. the first Saturday of each month. No registration is required. The Library is temporarily located at 705 S. Main Street.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT
Community Hospice services offers Bereavement Support for children and parents 6-8:30 p.m. beginning Tuesday, Jan. 7, for 8 sessions. Children 5 1/2 to 17 years old eligible. Dinner provided each session. Parents meet separately. $25 registration fee per family. Call Yvonne Strand for information at 522-4244.

VISIONS OF CHRISTMAS
Santa Claus figures, angels and nutcrackers will greet you this holiday season at the Plymouth Historical Museum. From now through Jan. 26, the "Visions of Christmas" exhibit features more than 250 Santa Claus figures from the collection of Weldon Petz. The museum, at 155 S. Main, is kid-friendly and features and hands-on area for kids and the popular museum scavenger hunt where every child wins a prize. The museum is open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is $2 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17 and there is a $5 family rate.

LUMINARIA KITS
Plymouth Symphony League and Trailwood Garden Club (WNF&G) will sell sets of 10 candles and bags for $3.50, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at Danny's on Main, Kroger at Ann Arbor Road & Sheldon, Plymouth Marketplace at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley and Westchester Mall downtown Plymouth. Information, 459-7146.

HELP SICK KIDS
Kids at Mott Children's Hospital can use your help to stock cupboards that hold play supplies and other items. Items that are needed include craft items, coloring crayons and books, face painting kits, stickers, models, play dough and construction paper. Other needed items are poster board, wrapping paper, board game, flashlights, scotch tape, batteries, washable paints, baseball caps, stationary and stamps, books, paintbrushes, colored pencils, glue, kids' scissors, diaries, T-shirts to paint on and fabric paints. The "Mother Hubbard's Cupboard" drive for this hospital is sponsored by the Brandy Memorial Fundraiser of Plymouth Township. Those wanting to donate can call either Dana Kremm at Mott 764-6874, or Kathy Mount in Plymouth Township, 459-9780.

FITNESS CLASSES
There is still time to register for fitness classes beginning the week of Jan. 6, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton. This 8 week session begins the week of Jan. 6, and runs through the week of Feb. 24. The fee is $18/class for annual pass holders; $20/class for Canton residents; $24/class for non-residents. Register for classes now through Dec. 30th at Summit on the Park.

ANIMAL ADOPTIONS
The animal welfare society has black lab mixed puppies available for responsible and humane adoption. Kittens available also. Screening process required. If your are interested in adopting one of these puppies call 453-6383 or 810-548-1150.

BELL RINGERS NEEDED
The Salvation Army, 9451 S. Main Street, in Plymouth, is in need of bell-ringers in the Canton and Plymouth areas. The most difficult periods to fill are 10 am. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursdays. If you are interested in volunteering contact Martha Schultz at 453-5464.

HOLIDAY CARDS
Community Hospice Services of Westland and Plymouth invites you to support their children's bereavement programs by purchasing greeting cards colored and designed by children. 12 per package $10, tax deductible contribution per package $3.96. Two holiday card designs and one all occasion card design is available at: Westland CHS office, 32932 Warren Road, #100, in Westland, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday or Plymouth CHS office, at 127 S. Main, in Plymouth, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Friday. 459-0548.

SENIOR TRIPS
The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation department will offer senior trips to:
• Naples, Florida - Wednesday, Jan. 10, 12 days/11 nights $989./double occupancy. A wonderful winter vacation on Florida's Gulf Coast.
• Gambler's Paradise in Biloxi - Jan. 26, 7 days/6 nights. $515/double occupancy. Gambling on Mississippi's Gulf coast & New Orleans.
Call the City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department for information at 455-6620.

OPEN SKATE
The City of Plymouth Recreation Departments Open Skating Schedule is: 12-1:20 p.m., 1:30-2:50 p.m. Sunday; 8:40-9:40 a.m., noon-1:40 p.m., 7-8 p.m. Monday; 10:30-11:50 a.m., noon-1:35 p.m. Tuesday; 8:40-10 a.m., 11:50 a.m.-1:40 p.m., Wednesday; 8:40-11:40 a.m., 1-2:40 p.m., 4-5:20 p.m., Thursday; 9:50-11:50 a.m., 12:50 a.m.-1:20 p.m. Friday. Fees: city residents: adults, $2.75; $2, children; $1.50, seniors; $1.25, skate rental; Non-residents: $3.25, adults; $2.50, children; $1.50, seniors. Open skate line, 455-1782, Parks & Recreation office, 455-6623; Pro shop's phone, 453-7174.

LUNCH SKATE
Lunch hour open skate will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center through April 6, at the Ice Arena, 525 Farmer Street, in Plymouth. Noon-1:40 p.m. Mondays; 11:50 a.m.-1:40 p.m. Wednesdays; 12:50 a.m.-1:20 p.m. Fridays. Skate Fees: $2 city resident, $2 if you work full time in the city of Plymouth; $2.50 non-resident; 50 cents skate rental. Information, 455-6623.

Teen winner



In running: *Cherie Cannon, 13, of Plymouth was recently named Junior Miss Plymouth Teen. She is the daughter of Robert and Karen Cannon. She is one of five children. She competes in girls volleyball and attends the First Baptist Church of Northville. The pageant representatives selected her to represent Plymouth as City Queen in the upcoming Miss Junior Michigan Pageant in February.*

CLUBS

PLYMOUTH KIWANIS
The Plymouth Kiwanis club has changed their meeting place. The Plymouth Kiwanis now meets 6:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings at The Water Club Seafood Grill located on Ann Arbor Road at I-275. Information, 459-0288.

GRIEF SUPPORT
The New Beginnings Grief Support group meets 7 p.m. Monday at the Plymouth Church of Christ, 9301 Sheldon Road, just south of Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth. Anyone who is grieving a loss due to death or divorce is welcome to attend. No charge. Information, 453-7630.

CANTON SENIORS
The Canton Seniors Singles Christmas dinner will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at Rose's Restaurant, 201 N. Canton Center. All single Canton residents age 55 or over are welcome. For reservations call by Thursday, Dec. 12, at 397-0316.

SNOWMOBILE CLUB
The Livonia Snowmobile club meets 7 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Livonia Senior Center, in Livonia. Small, friendly, family club. All ages welcome, singles also. Snowmobile safety course recommended for 12 years and older. Two rides per month January-March. Dues are $10 per family. Information, Lee Richart at (313)937-0608 or Lynne Ward at (810)489-1353.

POLISH DANCE
Polish Folk dance classes will be held 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Oddfellows Hall, 344 Elizabeth (Elizabeth and Ann Arbor Trail), in Plymouth. Registrations are currently being accepted for folk dance instruction for children. The Mala Wisla Folk Dance Ensemble has been active in the Plymouth area for ten years. The group teaches folk dance as well as instruction in Polish culture and heritage. Information, 451-0050.

PARKINSON'S
The Washtenaw Parkinson's Education and Support Group meets on the second Sunday monthly at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Education Building. Information, call the Parkinson's hotline at (313) 930-6335.

AIM
Agoraphpobics in Motion (AIM) meets 7:30 p.m. each Thursday in Faith Lutheran Church in Livonia. AIM is a support group for those recovering from anxiety disorders and phobias. (810) 547-0400.

FORD WIVES
The Ford Wives club meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays, at Ford World Headquarters at Michigan and Southfield. New members $15 or 2 for $20. They meet every fourth Tuesday of the month. For information, 953-2101.

SALEM TWP. MEETINGS
Salem Historical Society meets 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road, in Salem. The Thursday, Dec. 15, meeting will be its holiday gathering at Michael and Meroe Kaericher's home from 1 to 4 p.m. Activities include a songfest and a smorgasbord of goodies if your remember to bring a tasty treat. Also, bring an unwrapped gift for a child, which will be distributed by Salem Community Events. The society's new historical cookbook, a great Christmas present, will be available for purchase during this meeting. The planning commission meeting will be held 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road, in Salem.

M.O.M.
Would you like to get out and talk with other mothers? Meet Other Mothers invites you to join them for guest speakers and discussion on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Babysitting is provided. Call Mardi at 453-4970.

AMATEUR RADIO
The Stu Rockafellow amateur radio society will hold their regular meeting 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month on the second floor of the Plymouth City Hall. For more information call 455-7652, Amateur Radio classes will be held every Thursday night at the Plymouth Township Hall. For more information 453-3840, ext. 223.

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES
If you are expecting or already have multiples they are looking for you. They are not only a supportive club but also have a lot of fun. Call for more information the club nearest you. 326-1466.

NEWBURG SINGLES
Newburg Singles Ministries meets the third Sunday of each month at the Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail. They meet the last Saturday of the month at 6 p.m. at the church to car pool for dinner. Everyone is welcome.

SAFE
(Setting Addicts Free Eternally or Stable And Free Eternally) is a biblical-based support group for addicts and their families. SAFE meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor Road, Canton. Information, 464-1783.

CANTON BPW
The Canton Business and Professional Women's group meets 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at Roman Forum restaurant on Ford Road in Canton.

CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth and Canton Observers *welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth and Canton Observers, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by* **fax to 313-459-4224**. *Deadline for Calendar items is noon. Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.*

Event:

Date and Time:

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Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material printed or typewritten to: Bridget Lucas, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main, Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

RECEIVES DEGREE

Todd Kearney of Canton, received his bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Michigan State University on Dec. 7.

HONORED

Marisa Delores Fontana, daughter of Larry and Janice Fontana of Plymouth, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in Anthropology in May of 1996. She is a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society and the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society along with being president of Alpha Epsilon Phi Sorority. She plans to attend graduate school this fall to pursue a master's degree in Archaeology.

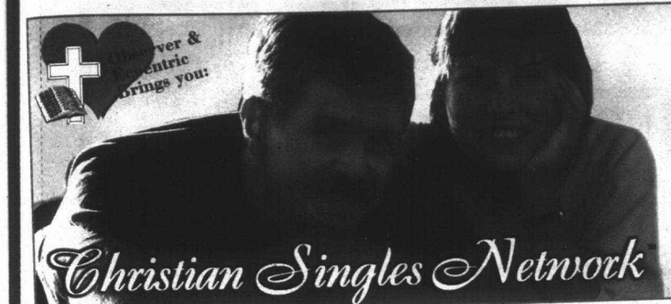
RECEIVES AWARD

Jeff Kolodzie of Canton received the Meta and Bernard Landuyt Award for High Achievement at Madonna University. Kolodziej is a senior management major. The award is the most prestigious honor a student may attain in the school of business. It is awarded to the senior with a grade point average (GPA) of 3.7 or above who has completed a minimum of 30 semester hours at Madonna University and 25 semester hours within the School of Business.

Margaret M. Shields of Canton, a business administration major, received the 1996-97 High Achievement Award in her major at Madonna University in Livonia. The award is given annually to a student from each major who attains the highest GPA. To be eligible, each student must have completed 40 semester hours in the major, 30 semester hours at Madonna University and 15 hours within the past three semesters.

NATIONAL HONOR

Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity recently announced the induction of Lynn MacLead of Canton as a charter member of the newly activated Gamma Mu Chapter at Central Michigan University.



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Very outgoing SWF, 23, loves outdoor activities, clubs, dancing, seeks caring, understanding SM, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 9521

HAVE SOME FUN
A lot of fun SWF, 23, Catholic, enjoys bowling, working out, going out, having fun, children, seeks honest, caring, fun SM, who likes going out. Ad# 5880

WAITING FOR YOU
SBF, 24, outgoing, enjoys movies, bowling, traveling, shopping, seeking SM, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 2727

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Energetic, personable SWF, 24, 5'3", brunette, hazel eyes, enjoys bowling, biking, music, movies, seeks honest, sincere, romantic SM, who could be her best friend. Ad# 9624

SOLID FRIENDSHIP
SW mom, 25, brown hair, blue eyes, open, likes volleyball, rollerblading, reading, seeking honest SM, good quality friendship, must like children. Ad# 2630

SIMILAR INTERESTS?
SWF, 25, N/S, well-proportioned, likes movies, long conversations, fishing, camping, dancing, kids, walks, movies, nature, seeking professional, N/S D/SM, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 7485

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SWCF, 26, mild tempered, kind, loving, enjoys horseback riding, the outdoors, time with family, seeks articulate, honest SM. Ad# 1211

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Attractive, fun-loving SWF, 26, 5'6", 125lbs., good-natured, enjoys the outdoors, alternative music, sports, seeks educated, easygoing, classy SM. Ad# 7721

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SWF, 42, Born-Again, good listener, writes songs, plays guitar, artist, seeks N/S, compassionate, SM who can communicate, and might have kids. Ad# 5258

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Honest SBF, 43, Baptist, enjoys jazz, sports, exercising, theater, travel, quiet evenings home, seeks understanding, open-minded SM. Ad# 2511

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Catholic SWF, 43, loving, caring, easygoing, enjoy cooking, nature, walking, gardening, seeking kind, serious, humorous SM, who likes animals. Ad# 4655

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SWF, 45, 5'5", 128lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, Presbyterian, likes family activities, sports, seeks honest, trustworthy, Christian, educated SM. Ad# 3257

MEET FOR COFFEE?
Warm, caring SWF, 45, teacher, Roman Catholic, enjoys outdoor walks, art, movies, theater, dining, meeting with friends, seeks smart, humorous SM. Ad# 9036

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SW mom, 46, 5'9", N/S, kind, loving, honest, outgoing, enjoys cooking, dancing, theatre, the outdoors, seeking similar SWCM, commitment-minded, who likes children. Ad# 7268

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Bubbly SWF, 47, enjoys movies, playing with her grand kids, bowling, dancing, gardening, seeks honest, sincere, communicative, sincere SM. Ad# 7349

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Bubbly, active SWF, 48, short, Protestant, enjoys bowling, boating, gambling up North, seeks honest, witty, outgoing SM. Ad# 3507

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Catholic SWF, 51, enjoys music, dancing, reading, seeks honest, caring SM, for possible long-term relationship. Ad# 8615

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SWCF, 55, 5'3", upbeat, hobbies are reading, music, theater, walking, seeks secure, intelligent SM. Ad# 8856

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Protestant SWF, 55, loving, honest, petite, enjoys sports, music, dining out, tennis, woodworking, seeking humorous, honest, loving, religious SM. Ad# 2589

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Easygoing SWF, 56, enjoys theater, movies, needlework, seeks kind, understanding, respectful, N/S SM, a good conversationalist. Ad# 2845

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Protestant SBF, 56, outgoing, humorous, energetic, enjoys reading, golf, sewing, art work, seeking honest SM, same qualities. Ad# 8210

SPIRITUAL VALUES
Protestant SWF, 58, ambitious, enjoys home decorating, painting, drawing, seeks honorable, sound, honest, social, family-minded SM. Ad# 2690

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SWF, 59, Protestant, upbeat, extroverted, likes reading, golf, walking, traveling, seeks honest, open, challenging, humorous, N/S, non-drinking SM. Ad# 5557

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SWM, 19, Catholic, caring, likes sports, collecting baseball cards, seeks understanding, helpful, romantic SF, who doesn't play games. Ad# 1212

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LIKES HAVING FUN
Catholic SWM, 20, outgoing, enjoys computers, drawing, cars, seeks caring, funny, outgoing SF. Ad# 7566

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Lutheran SWM, 20, funny, shy, intelligent, enjoys tennis, golf, weightlifting, seeks kind, organized, physically fit SF. Ad# 9106

TRY MY AD
Outgoing, honest SWM, 21, Catholic, enjoys golf, family, horses, seeks honest, loving, respectful, commitment-minded SF for romance. Ad# 6266

COLLEGE STUDENT
Catholic SM, 21, 5'8", 145lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, open, enjoys baseball, water sports, seeks athletic, active, easy to get along with SF. Ad# 2212

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Funny, sensitive SWCM, 22, enjoys collecting, working on cars, shopping, movies, seeks easygoing, sensitive, honest SF. Ad# 1974

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Kind, considerate, friendly, easygoing SWCM, 22, attends Christian concerts, enjoys the outdoors, movies, music, computers, romance, seeks honest, sincere SF. Ad# 2525

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SWM, 23, Catholic, ambitious, clean-cut, sociable, enjoys motorcycles, cars, seeks honest, committed, sincere SF. Ad# 7373

GOAL-ORIENTED
Catholic SWM, 23, easygoing, enjoys shooting pool, movies, quiet times, seeks bright, funny, honest, sincere SF. Ad# 2363

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SWM, 24, Catholic, funny, exciting, likes drawing, shopping, movies, quiet times, seeks honest, caring, compassionate, friendly, working SF, to spend time with. Ad# 2873

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Funny SWM, 24, Catholic, hobbies include air brushing, movies, traveling, dining out, seeking honest, caring, active SF. Ad# 7733

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Non-denominational DW dad, 25, humorous, outgoing, enjoys playing with his kids, seeks humorous, fun SF, who loves children. Ad# 4466

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Baptist SBM, 25, outgoing, spontaneous, attends Christian activities, enjoys cooking, baking, basketball, seeks smart, spontaneous, up-front SF. Ad# 1971

LIKES TO LAUGH!
SWM, 26, Lutheran, easygoing, enjoys working out, bike riding, shooting pool, skiing, seeks honest, communicative, open, fun-loving SF. Ad# 3227

LOVE TO MEET
Shy at first SWM, 26, Catholic, enjoys rollerblading, hockey, dining, music, racing, seeks intelligent, attractive SWF, 20-28. Ad# 6251

ACTIVE
SWM, 26, easygoing, outgoing, enjoys reading, movies, sports, seeks honest, caring, committed, outgoing, educated, attractive SF. Ad# 9989

FIND OUT MORE
Loving, caring SWM, 26, Catholic, student, enjoys hockey, coaching, seeks very honest, cute, outgoing, easy to get along with SF. Ad# 9441

HOLD THAT THOUGHT
Catholic SWM, 26, open-minded, good-humored, hobbies include boating, fishing, hockey, the outdoors, seeks open-minded SF, to share good times. Ad# 9780

BIG ON LIFE
SWM, 26, Catholic, funny, likes dining out, dancing, socializing, seeks loving, caring SF, who will spend time with him. Ad# 3019

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SWM, 27, 6', brown hair, blue eyes, nice, easygoing, enjoys nature, music, summertime, seeking trustworthy SF, friendship first, maybe more. Ad# 5958

DESCRIPTION PLEASE
Outgoing Born-Again SWDM, 28, 5'9", slim, athletic build, healthy, enjoys hockey, nutrition, reading, sports, seeks attractive SCF. Ad# 1066

SPEND TIME WITH ME
SWM, 28, 6'3", 195lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys hiking, sports, movies, theater, seeks SCWF, to share quality time with. Ad# 7412

NO GAMES
DW dad, 29, 6'2", blond hair, blue eyes, educated, employed, enjoys son, dining out, walking, holding hands, sunsets, conversations, seeking loving SF. Ad# 1717

FUN TO BE AROUND
Catholic SWM, 29, enjoys rollerblading, golfing, bowling, volleyball, dining out, comedy clubs, seeking fun, compatible, outgoing SF, to laugh with. Ad# 4703

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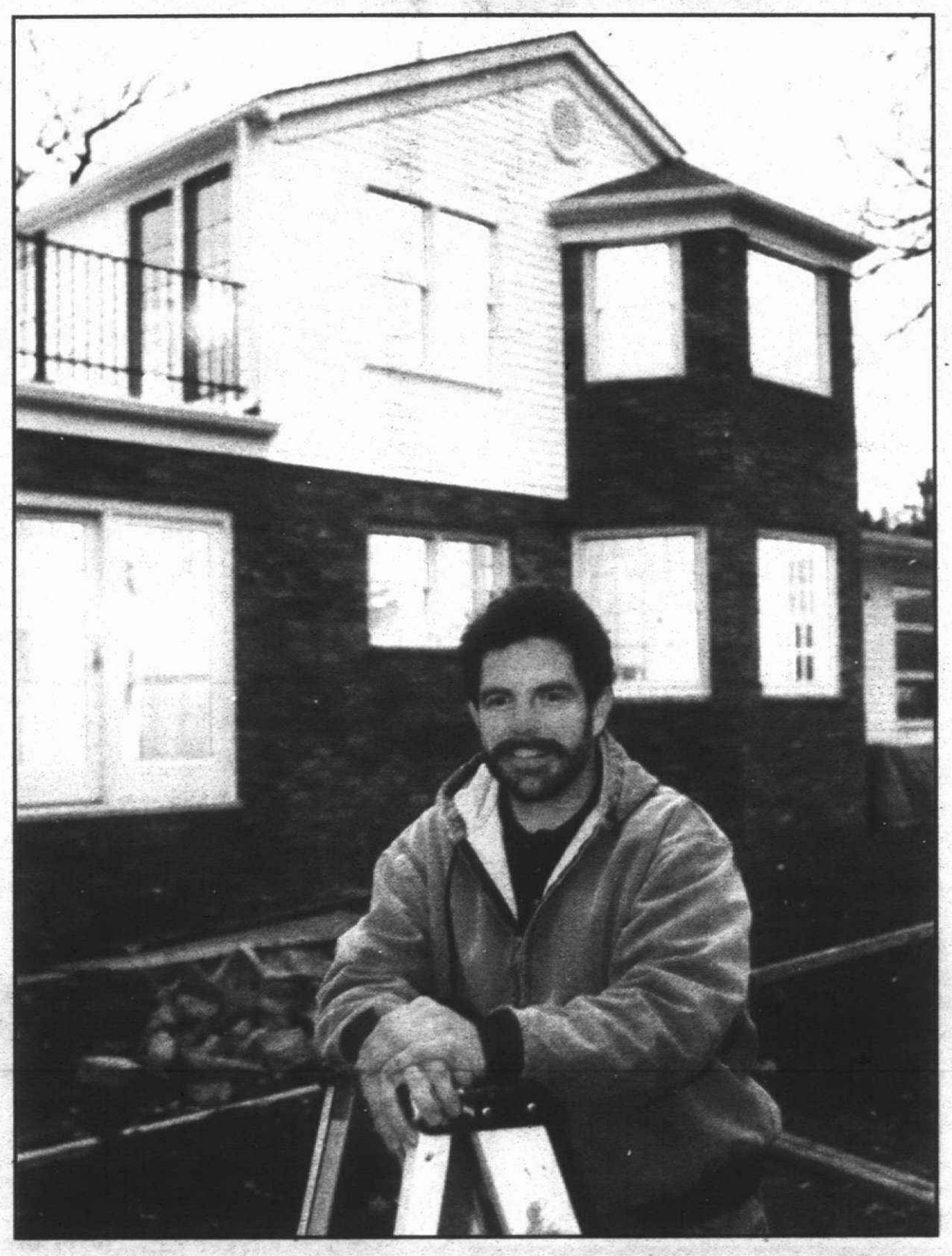
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Make Christmas Eve a magic time



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

Christmas Eve may be a time of festivity or preparation. It seems that this is a night of excitement, magic and anticipation for 'little ones' and 'big ones' alike.

A time when magic and fantasy feel so real and comforting – a time for the fun to begin. After getting the kids off to bed ... wrap some gifts, make some last minute decorations, and have a late night Christmas Eve dinner – for 2 or more.

Make your late-night dinner simple but elegant – hearty European-type bread, cheese, cold seafood, and wine or some gourmet grilled cheese sandwiches or crostini topped with goat cheese, capers and spicy sausage.

How about a Wassail bowl (with or without spirits – and I'm not talking those in Charles Dickens A Christmas Carol) and light appetizers? A cheese souffle and steamed vegetables? Poached eggs on toast with hollandaise sauce? Individual tarts filled with vegetables and cheese and a light side salad? A delicious piping hot soup accompanied by a warm crusty bread? Cocoa or cinnamon flavored tea, delicious tea sandwiches, and some sumptuous sweets?

Have your late night Christmas Eve filled with your own magic – eat by candle light, exchange one special gift, make popcorn garlands together, and indulge in the few hours of quiet, before the dawn.

Perhaps you might like to invite a few close friends, colleagues or neighbors that will be attending their own family get-together on Christmas Day? This late night gathering may also serve as the perfect neighborhood get-together – no long drive, a nice diversion from the holiday hustle and bustle, or just a chance to share some holiday cheer. Put on a disc (tape or record) of I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus, and enjoy A HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT.

This recipe comes from the wonderful new Time-Life Old-Fashioned Christmas Cookbook - A Treasury of Holiday Recipes, Crafts, Gifts and Traditions, 1996, Time Life Inc.

HOT SPICED CRANBERRY PUNCH

Makes 2 quarts

2 lemons, thickly sliced

24 whole cloves

6 cups cranberry juice cocktail

2 cups lemonade, fresh or made from frozen concentrate

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon ground allspice

1 cup sugar or honey

12 cinnamon sticks (optional)

1. Stud the lemon slices with the whole cloves to float on top of the punch.

2. In a large enameled or nonreactive pot, combine the cranberry juice, lemonade, cloves, ground cinnamon, allspice, honey, and cinnamon sticks, if you are using them, and simmer the punch over low heat for 15 minutes.

3. Serve in a 2-to-3 quart punch bowl, or keep the punch warm in a deep chafing dish or an electric cooking pot. Offer the cinnamon sticks as swirlers, if desired.

This is also a recipe from the Time-Life Old-Fashioned Christmas Cookbook - A Treasury of Holiday Recipes, Crafts, Gifts and Traditions, 1996, Time Life Inc.

BROCCOLI SOUFFLE

Serves 6

1 10-ounce package frozen broccoli, or 2 cups fresh broccoli florets

3 tablespoons butter

3 tablespoons flour

1 teaspoon salt

1 cup milk

1/8 teaspoon nutmeg

1 teaspoon lemon juice

4 eggs separated

Sauce (optional)

1/2 cup sour cream

1/2 cup mayonnaise

Dash of curry powder

1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F.

2. Cook frozen broccoli according to package directions, or steam fresh broccoli for 8 to 10 minutes. Drain and chop fine or process briefly in a food processor or blender.

3. In a medium-sized saucepan, melt the butter, add the flour and salt, and cook until bubbly. Add the milk and cook until the mixture thickens, stirring frequently. Stir in the nutmeg, lemon juice, and broccoli and set aside to cool.

4. Beat the egg yolks and add them to the cooled broccoli mixture, stirring well.

5. In the large bowl of an electric mixer, beat the egg whites until stiff.

Fold into the broccoli mixture.

6. Pour the souffle mixture into a buttered 1 1/2 quart casserole; place in the oven in a hot-water bath and bake until firm, about 1 hour. Serve plain or with a sauce made by mixing together the sour cream, mayonnaise, and curry powder and heating until hot but not boiling.

Cooks note A water bath is also called a Bain-Marie – this technique provides a consistent, even – heat source for delicate-types of foods; custards, souffles, sauces, and even cheesecakes. You can use any oven proof dish that is larger than the dish or pan you are using as your primary cooking dish. Set your cooking dish into the larger pan that is filled partway with water (the water should*

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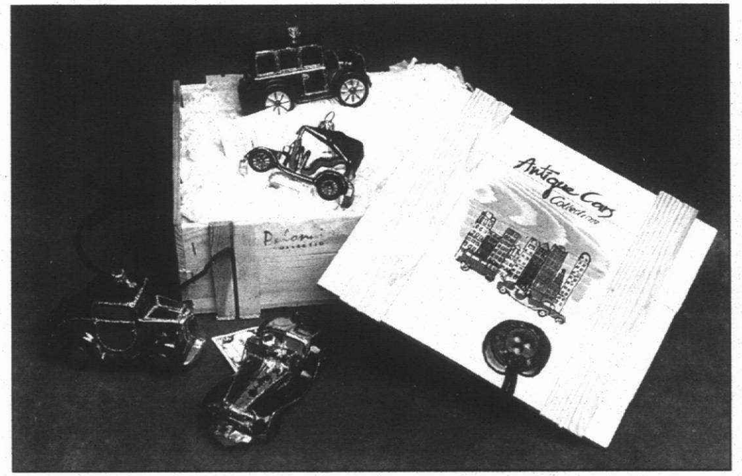


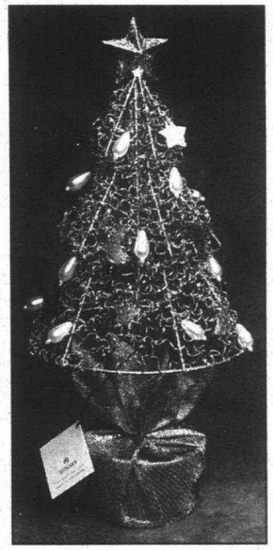
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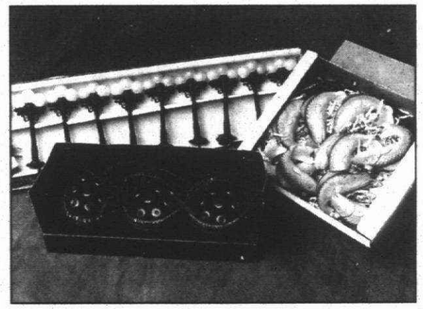


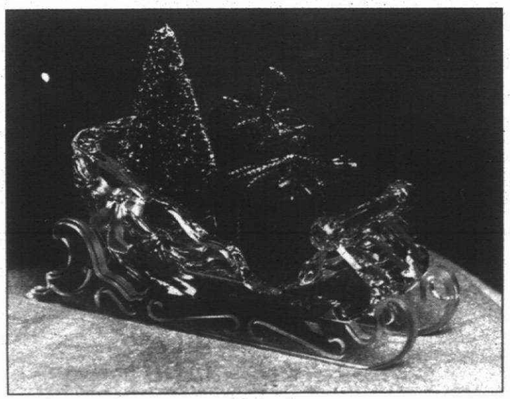
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Touch-ups: *(Above) English Gardens offers nostalgic and innovative decoration ideas for the holiday. This antique car ornament collection by Polonaise will get gearheads revved up for the season. Made of hand-blown European glass, the ornaments are a perfect gift for car enthusiasts celebrating the 100th anniversary of the automotive industry. Other themed collection sets are available. The Antique Car Ornament set, which includes four pieces, retails for $110. (Right) Is your holiday tree in need of a decor pick-me-up? These lively light sets will brighten a tree, office or room in need of holiday cheer. The Victorian Streetlight set retails for $14.98, the Apple Basket and Fish Light sets for $19.98 each. Call the West Bloomfield store at (810) 851-7506.*





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AT HOME

Mary Klemic, *editor (810) 901-2569*

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Super bowl

In season: *For the first time ever, Belleek incorporates a holiday pattern into its fine parian china. This "Winter Rose" bowl features delicately rendered seasonal bouquets complementing an all-over interweave pattern. Crafted in Ireland, the bowl retails for $75. Available at Heslop's at the Merri-Five Plaza in Livonia, Meadow-Brook Village in Rochester Hills, Oakland Mall in Troy and Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield.*

Johnston

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be almost, but not at the boiling point) and bake as directed.

The following recipe is from my own archives, and seems a festive soup for holiday gatherings.

ARTICHOKE SOUP WITH PAN-ROASTED PINE NUTS

Yield - 8 servings

With this unusual soup, add a side – a crunchy multi-grain roll with warm garlic butter to complete your simple but delicious late night dinner.

3 tablespoons light olive oil

1/2 large Spanish onion (1 1/4 cup), chopped

3 large garlic cloves, peeled and minced

2 medium potatoes (Yukon Gold, preferably – they taste like they already have butter in them),1/4 inch dice

6 cups chicken stock (home-made or prepared)

5 pounds canned artichoke hearts (not marinated), drained and chopped

1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper or Mombassa

Salt to taste

Olive oil spray

10 tablespoons pine nuts

In a large non-reactive pot heat the olive oil and add the onions and garlic, saute until lightly browned. Add potatoes and continue to saute for 3 minutes.

Add chicken stock and cook over medium heat for 15 minutes.

Add artichokes and cook for an additional 1/2 hour over medium heat – making sure the potatoes are soft and all ingredients are well blended.

Add cayenne or Mombassa and salt to taste.

Remove soup from heat, in small batch's process in a food processor, Vita Mix™ or blender and puree until mixture in creamy and smooth.

Return soup to heat and keep warm while pan roasting the pine nuts. Spray a small fry pan with olive oil spray – add pine nuts and gently pan roast – when browned to desired color remove from heat.

Serve soup with toasted pine nuts on top (approximately 1 tablespoon per bowl).

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave a Voice Mail message for Ruth, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1902.

Items help spruce up decor

English Gardens features fashionable and functional holiday decor for your home, inside and out.

The English Gardens store in West Bloomfield is at 6370 Orchard Lake Road at Maple. Call (810) 851-7506.

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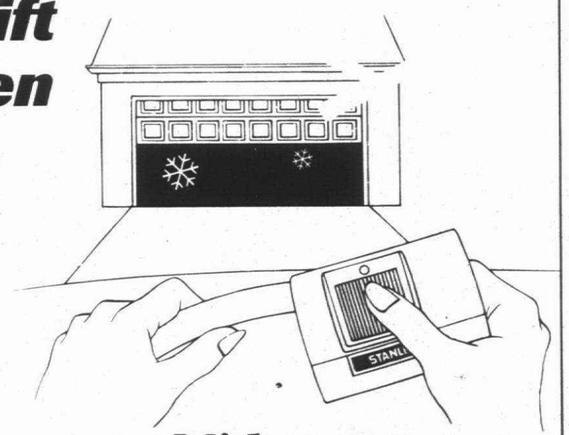
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JOE GAGNON

In the last few weeks we have heard from Frank Kelley, the Attorney General of the State of Michigan, in regards to improper pricing by retail outlets. His office did a study of quite a few major and small outlets which are overpricing the consumer for items which have marked prices on them but don't match up to the scanner used by the establishment. The percentage of this happening is way too high and is usually in favor of the retail outlet which is why you need to be an aware consumer. Kelley even went so far as to name some of the biggest offenders which I could do in my field.

I don't know how you shop for groceries, but let me describe my own personal life and how I do it. Being the sort of guy who works days and nights I have the good fortune of having someone cook lunch and dinner for me. Many of the restaurants in the western suburbs are getting to know me as a regular. Many of the quick items such as bread and milk are obtained from the local party store as I stop by in the late evening hours.

I would say that my trip to the large grocery store occurs about every two months. Not being much of a cook, I usually load up the cart with many canned items such as 20 cans of soup, pork and beans, fruits and other things which fit into the microwave just right. I get a lot of things which I freeze and can use any time my boys get the urge to go over to Dad's for dinner.

When I leave the checkout line I can assure you that I have spent well over $200. I have really enjoyed my shopping trip for groceries as it is one of the few times I ever spend more that five minutes in a store. I go up and down the aisles looking at many things I won't eat and picking up the things I will. I talk to people who recognize me and answer their questions in regards to whatever subject. It is one of the few times that I'm not going a hundred miles an hour and I can relax at my own pace. Frank Kelley may have just ruined this enjoyable and relaxing business.

When that lady at the checkout hands me this long tabulation of my bill, do you think I go home and pull every item out one at a time and find it on the tape. If I took the time to do that, do you think I'd find any mistakes. Guess what folks, we are going to find out. The next time I go on one of these excursions, I will check every item and price and report back to you as to my findings. Let me give you the item pricing law which applies to your consumer rights in the State of Michigan.

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Suggestion – Cut this article out of the paper and wear a baseball cap. Glue this piece of paper to the logo portion of the cap. I'll bet you save a few dollars. Happy Holidays to all of you from the Appliance Doctor.

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Gift making good family-time event

By Lisa Luckow-Healy
Special Writer

A barrage of gleaming white lights adorning Christmas trees lining the aisles of the department store evokes memories of childhood and graceful tugs through crowded displays. A sign of post-Thanksgiving chaos. Now children witness the same sight in October. You find your child asking you the same question you ask yourself: Why are Christmas trees up in the store before Halloween?

Beyond car pools, afterschool activities, tennis leagues or bowling night, retailers advertise pre-season sales that give us another reason to leave the family unit. With the growing concern over lack of family time in our society, many of us are attempting to simplify our lives. If you haven't made the effort already, there is no time like the present. A good place to start is by generating a family discussion on holiday gift-giving ideas to create at home.

Brainstorm projects that elicit family talk time around a designated tool or craft bench, kitchen table or family room floor.

"The true meaning of the holiday season is togetherness," said Mary Beth Winkworth, co-owner of Festivities, a Birmingham party supply and specialty gift store. "You take some of the commercialism out of the holiday season by spending the time together creating personalized gifts or gathering ideas to have a gift made by a crafter or specialty store."

Personalized gifts add the personal touch and love from your heart.

"There is a growing trend in people going back to basics as a family at home," said Mary Stahl, manager of JoAnn Fabrics in Novi. "This year more than ever I've seen an increase in the numbers of parents bringing their children into the store to purchase do-it-yourself projects for all occasions and especially the upcoming holidays."

You probably know someone on your holiday gift list who will truly appreciate the time and energy you and your family put into making an extra-special gift. The following gift-making and gift-giving ideas are designed to assist you in creating your own holiday treasures right from your heart.

RIBBON PICTURE FRAME

A monochromatic look often creates the most impact. To make the wire-edged ribbon trim on a flat surface picture frame, begin by disassembling the picture frame and setting the glass aside. Next, fold a small edge under at the end of the wire-edged ribbon. Center it on the inner edge of the frame that holds the glass in place. Gently move the ribbon away and apply a very small drop of glue on the inner edge where each end of the ribbon rested. Reposition the ribbon on the glue and allow to set.

Wrap the ribbon around to meet the glued end, allow a small edge to repeat a fold, and cut away the remainder of the spool. Fold the loose edge under and glue down on top of the first edge. Let set. Repeat these steps for the other three mid-sections.

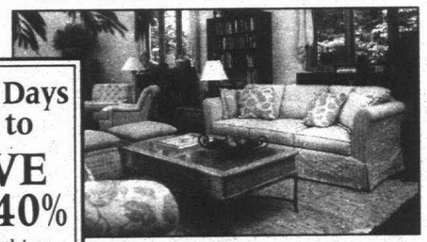
To make the bow to top the upper center mid-section, pull a generous portion of ribbon from the spool and tie a bow proportionate to the size of your frame. Cut the attached edge. Apply a small drop of glue on the upper center ribbon you previously attached to the frame. Place the bow on the glue drop and apply a small amount of pressure for a few moments while the glue sets. Replace the glass, insert the photograph and insert the backing.

T-SHIRT PILLOW

Why not recycle a favorite T-shirt by turning it into a comfortable child's bed accent, grandparents' gift or family room pillow? Gather favorite T-shirts no longer being worn. Stitch the neckline, sleeves and all but a small portion of the bottom of the shirt closed. Using pillow filling available at local craft stores, stuff the T-shirt to the desired fill level. Pin the shirt opening to create an even stitching edge. Handstitch the pinned area closed.

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garden spot

Royal gardens: historic ground



MARTY FIGLEY

From the time a small nine-acre garden in the city of Kew was built in 1759 for Princess Augusta, Princess of Wales and mother of King George III, Britain's Royal Botanic Gardens have grown in size and prestige into a living collection of more than 30,000 different plant species.

Now 330 acres in size, it is an establishment as an international scientific institution in the fields of plant taxonomy, cytogenetics (the study of cells), seed physiology and biochemistry.

Through these hundreds of years the gardens have seen political upheaval and government intrigue as well as controversy. Funding seems to have always been a problem as more land was acquired and buildings and gardens built. Many historical figures have interacted with Kew Gardens, among them Charles Darwin, members of the Royal Family, prime ministers, architects and landscape gardeners. Some of the most influential people were the gardeners, scientists and directors who dedicated their lives to Kew Gardens.

Joseph Banks was an extremely important contributor and was responsible for bringing many plants back to England from his voyages around the world, especially the three-year voyage in the 18th century on the ship Endeavor, with Captain James Cook. Banks spent much of his life studying plants and growing them at Kew and was a dominant figure of natural science.

During the 1800s the gardens were badly neglected, but with the Horticultural Society of London gaining a good reputation, Kew devotees from around the world helped replenish its stock. In the mid-1800s Sir William Hooker became the director of the Botanic Garden. Much was accomplished during his directorship, including opening the gardens to the public. His son, Sir Joseph, laid the foundations of the present Botanic Gardens.

Many of the buildings and structures at Kew, from summerhouses to royal residences, lodges, bridges, glasshouses, grottos, orangery and others, including the distinctive Pagoda, have been changed, destroyed or rebuilt.

The focus for the plants collected from around the world was to assure they had useful medical or economic value to further British interests. Kew was used as a training camp for a worldwide network of collectors. Many plants were nurtured there and subsequently shared with other Botanic gardens. While Banks supervised at Kew, the number of species rose from 3,400 to more than 11,000.

Now, each year thousands of visitors stroll the beautiful grounds of this institution and marvel at the scope and variety of plants there. I visited the garden in 1992 and look forward to seeing it again.

Kew is one of the many wonderful gardens you will be able to visit if you join me on an exciting trip to England May 14-24, 1997. Other gardens and stately homes we will enjoy include Blenheim Palace, Kiftsgate Court, Barnsley House, Stratford-on-Avon, Woburn Abbey, Saville Garden and Leeds Castle. Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's Cathedral and the exciting Chelsea Flower Show are also on the itinerary. There will be ample time for browsing and shopping. For a free brochure, call Chuck Randolph Travel at (810) 645-5050.

My very best wishes to you all for a Happy Holiday and a most satisfying New Year.

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Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. Leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 1859.



Famous sight: *The tall Pagoda at Kew Gardens is a must-see when visiting. Photo by Marty Figley.*

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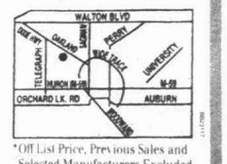
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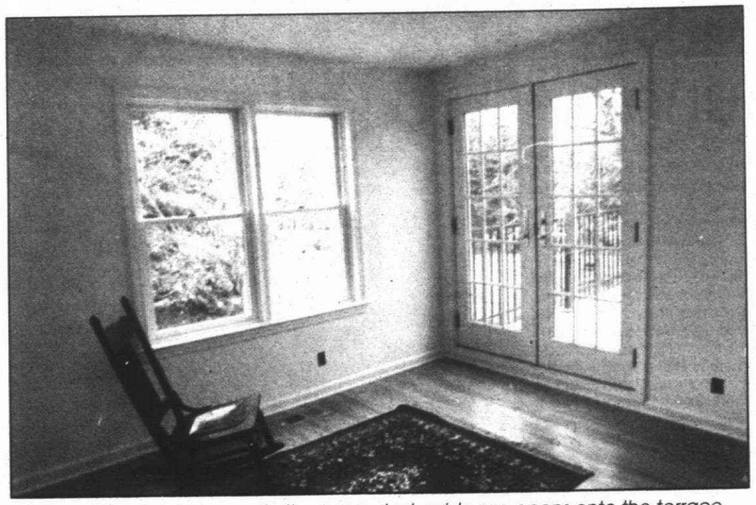
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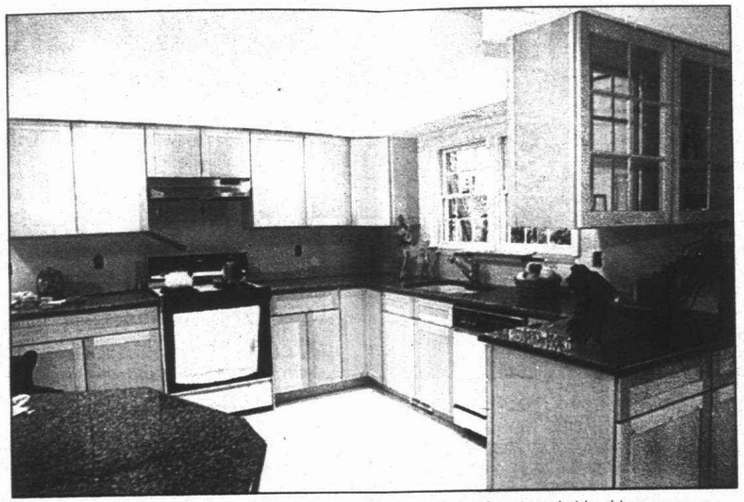


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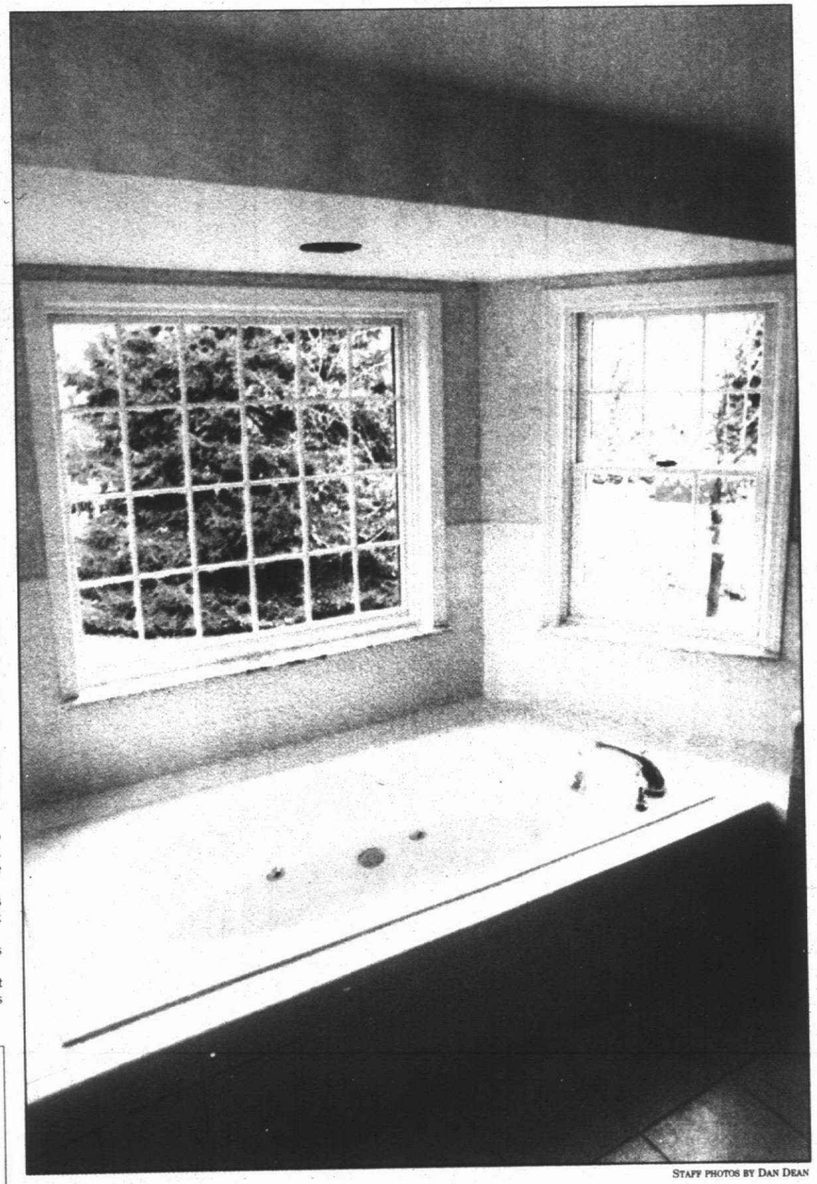
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Sitting pretty: *A sitting room in the renovated residence opens onto the terrace.*



Really cookin': *The kitchen features a galley area and a special baking corner.*



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In the bath: *A bathroom appears to be nestled in the grounds.*



Project is addition-al delight

By Renee M. Skoglund
Staff Writer

Home sweet home has become even sweeter for Jane Mann of Royal Oak. A new, two-story 1,000-square-foot addition to the back of her home was recently completed, providing her with magnificent views of her 300-foot-deep yard filled with trees, flowers and birds.

Mann, a retired home economics teacher who loves bird-watching and gardening, lives in the heart of the Vinsetta Boulevard area in Royal Oak, in a neighborhood comprised of large lots and architecturally unique homes from the '20s, '30s, '40s and '50s.

She has lived there for more than 25 years. She and her husband, Clarence, who died two years ago, bought the 1940s Cape Cod as a mutual 25th anniversary present. Mann's five children and 10 grandchildren are frequent visitors.

"The children love it," she said. "It's just been a wonderful loving home, and it still is."

During her walks through the neighborhood, Mann noticed many homes undergoing renovations.

"With all the young people expanding their homes, I thought I should get on the bandwagon."

Mann admired the changes Doug LaFerle, a young architect who lived down the street, had made to his home. She asked him to take a look at her home.

"He came down and came up with these beautiful plans. I've been having a ball ever since."

LaFerle's design included a two-story bay-turret that extends the downstairs dining room and the upstairs master bath "into the trees." The expanded master bedroom features a new whirlpool and double French doors that lead to a second-floor brick paver terrace. A sitting room, which Mann said was "a bonus," opens onto the terrace.

If the kitchen truly is the heart of the home, then this home has a big one. The galley area measures 10 feet by 21 feet and the breakfast nook is 10 feet by 14 feet. Mann even has a special baking corner.

"I just can't wait to get started in the kitchen."

Mann's new 10-foot by 20-foot dining room is long enough to accommodate her heirloom solid oak dining room table, made by her grandfather in 1862. When its five boards are inserted, the table can seat 18 people.

It has been a mutual admiration society between Mann and contractor Terry McGovern of Bloomfield Hills, who translated Mann's dreams and LaFerle's plans into brick and mortar. He thinks she is "just great," and she says he is "an absolute delight to work with."

Of his experience on the four-month project, McGovern said, "This is one of the most artistically pleasing projects I've worked on."

McGovern said the famous PBS series "This Old House" seriously considered undertaking the renovation of Mann's home but didn't want to keep its crew away from Boston for the four-month project.

A detail that sets Mann's new addition apart from others is the fact that all the walls, including an alcove, are plastered. McGovern said his plastering crew trained under a master while working on the Fox Theatre restoration.

Mann's $100,000-plus investment in her home is a sound one.

"The area will support it," said Susan Carter, a broker with Woodwardside Real Estate in Royal Oak. "Many people consider this the most prestigious area in town."

Carter said local people wait years to "trade up" into the area, and young, double-income professional couples are moving in.

"This (the Vinsetta Boulevard area) is the first area in Royal Oak to break $300,000 in the last year."

Mann said her children were anxious for the project to be completed.

"They all wonder who's going to get the first weekend when mom goes away."

On the cover: *Contractor Terry McGovern of Bloomfield Hills stands by his recent house renovation project in Royal Oak. Staff photo by Dan Dean.*

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Breaking the rules adds to choices

BY HARVEY HOLLANDER
Special Writer

It's a wonderful time to be an interior designer. It's a wonderful time to be a client, too. You set the direction and then together we'll break the rules.

Why would I say that? What happened to Traditional (two chintz wing chairs, a camelback sofa and a grandfather clock)? What happened to Contemporary (bright colors, glass and chrome and something leather)? What even happened to Eclectic (a clean-lined parson's table with a traditional chair, because that's what you liked)?

Nothing really happened, it's just that "labels" don't work anymore. It's not a "cookie cutter" look anymore. We might be tempted to say that it is a generational thing, but more than anything it has to do with manufacturers, and the giant selection in the market.

There's a new expertise in being able to manufacture new finishes, being able to fabricate things out of new materials, breaking new ground with products where people want to do something different. The restrictions have been lifted based on the ability to create an excitement with products and materials that have only been around a short time. Even colors are more unusual, from grayed-down shades to vibrant jewel tones, so the color palette has widened.

Remember, if you're going to break the rules, a lot more choices will open up to you. Consider getting professional guidance because, no matter what you buy, what you spend or what your budget is, it's a lot of money to *you*. If you invest in a new living room, and aren't happy in the end, chances are it's not something you are going to correct, you're most likely going to live with it. Protect your design investment like you would any other important investment as in real estate or the stock market.

While rules are meant to be broken, that doesn't just mean anything goes! For certain your home should look different from anyone else's, because it's yours.

Designers, as professionals, need to make sure that certain things are right for you – the space planning, the scale of the furniture, and that the design itself functions. While you as a client will take your designer down a certain road, your designer will make sure you don't hit a roadblock. Look to your designer to be able to manipulate all these new choices of fabrics, textures and finishes to produce exactly the piece you want, even if it's an existing piece in your home. (If it's a fabulous piece, use it as a starting point and work the rest of the room around it – now your old piece looks like it really belongs!)



Harvey Hollander

Above all, because the "rigidity" in design is gone, your home becomes more and more a reflection of you. Breaking rules isn't about being outrageous or outlandish; it is a lot about the marriage of esthetics and function. So, be open to yourself, be honest with your designer, make your own rules.

Hollander is a Troy-based interior designer, and in Michigan Design Center's "Designer On Call" program. For a free, one-hour consultation with a designer such as Hollander, call (888) DIAL-MDC.

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Why don't you ...take another look?

By Naomi Stone Levy
Special Writer

Why don't you find a spectacular wallpaper border and use it in your antiquated or 1996-ish bathroom? If you find one you like that isn't too wide (two to three inches), it can be very special used in more than one way.

I have often surrounded doorways and windows and repeated the border as a chair rail. Be very careful to match the patterns for a professional effect. If the border you like most is wider, you probably will like it placed around the perimeter of the room, near the ceiling line and even repeated at the baseboard.

Why don't you turn your most critical eye on your lamps? You may find you haven't really **seen** them for the past 10 years and don't really like them. We all have a way of looking past things to which our eyes have become accustomed. In this new assessment they possibly are just commercial or too large or too small in proportion to the furniture and the rest of the room. Remove the one that is most offensive to you. Does that help? Yes? How about removing a second one and replacing them with two that are more tasteful?

Good lighting is so essential – not just for reading, but also for atmosphere. Light should be adjustable for every purpose. Huge lamps are outdated!

My personal preference is to make up individual lamps from extra-special vases, glass, brass or pewter pieces, or rotund bowls. Fit the new lamp with a tapered shade. A single three-way bulb gives versatile light, ranging from 50 to 250 watts. An excellent resource for doing this work is The Lamp Shack on Orchard Lake Road south of Maple.

Why don't you make better use of stools? They are overlooked as a decorating tool, with multiple uses. Porcelain garden seats are great placed near a bathtub or elsewhere in a bath or dressing room. They are unspoiled by splashes or makeup spills. They make their own statement loud and clear, whether all-white or multicolored. Search for outstanding examples.

Many other types of stools will occupy their own places. Upholstered in a variety of fabrics or vinyls, there is no end of styles, both contemporary and traditional. I do play favorites; pairs are most frequently better than singles. Because they are small the repetition makes them more effective. Painted stools, wooden stools and even wicker stools, round, square or rectangular, resonate good taste.

Why don't you visit a window shade shop and review the latest additions to window treatment, not including draperies?

My list of "why don't yous" is unending. Why don't you think up some of your own? I'd love to hear from you

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Winter is time to plan remodeling

If you took our quiz last week and have decided to move ahead with your remodeling project, and hire a professional contractor, there are other things to consider before calling the contractor. Although winter is considered by some to be a time when people least become involved in a remodeling project, it is absolutely the best time to begin the planning of any major project.

Over the next several weeks this column will cover many aspects of a remodeling project, including planning, design, selecting a contractor, pre-construction through project completion and many other topics to help you understand each phase. Bus ... the biggest problems encountered have to do with your expectations when starting to remodel.

Homeowners often know what things they want changed in the home and may even know which remodeling firm they will use for the project. But what are you supposed to do next: What do you need to do to prepare and what will happen during the remodeling project? How long can you expect it to take?

Unfortunately there are too many unknowns involved when trying to establish a time-line for a project. These factors include: delivery time of materials, the acceptance of the quality of the materials once they are delivered; unexpected damage during demolition such as termites or wood rot; uncooperative weather or any other number of delays. Ask your contractor for a schedule and maintain constant communication.

In deciding which contractor to choose, come companies will provide in-house design services, some will not. In many cases you will need some type of design services (i.e. architect or designer). You may want to use a design/build firm which handles both design and construction.

The first meeting with a remodeling contractor may include a preliminary walk-through of your entire house, including basement and exterior. This is the time for you to express your particular needs, wants and wishes. During the discussion you will be asked: How much are you willing to invest in the project? What is the level of finish detail, overall size of the project and the scope of work. You will also be told whether your wishes, wants and needs are consistent with your budget.

It will take two to three weeks to complete the schematic design agreement which states that you will pay for the time it takes to create the floor plan, key elevations, specifications and a written budget. This is not an agreement to construct – you are paying for the design process which will then be specified and priced. It may then take anoth-

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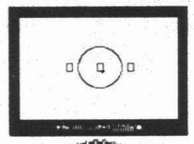
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MONTE NAGLER

What separates a good photograph from a ho-hum snapshot? What makes your friends and family ask to see more instead of thinking, "I've seen enough"?

The answer lies in getting stopping power or impact in your pictures and one of the best ways to accomplish this is by good and effective composition.

Composition can be thought of as meaningful placement of the main subject and supporting elements in the picture including the elimination of unnecessary and unwanted detail.

The next time you look through your camera and are about to push the shutter, stop. Yes, stop and take a really good, second look. Examine the subject. If it's a person, see if there's a tree or telephone pole "growing" out of his or her head. Is your subject placed in a dynamically strong part of the frame? Check all four corners of the viewfinder. Is there something there, perhaps distracting, that doesn't belong?

Good composition begins with a solid look through the camera and a calculated determination of what you, the photographer, want to record on film in the most effective way.

Here are some basic guidelines to help you plan and obtain good composition:

• Consider vertical vs. horizontal. Most cameras produce a rectangular picture so try fitting this format to your subject. People and trees, for example, go up and down, so most often a vertical composition should be used. Horizons go sideways, so a horizontal format is appropriate.

• Move in close! Filling the frame with your subject is perhaps the best way to add stopping power to your shot. This way, your picture is simplified and the viewer's attention isn't distracted. When photographing a person or an animal, filling the frame is easily done with a telephoto lens.

• Check subject placement. Avoid placing the main subject smack in the middle of the picture. Photographs appear static and less interesting this way. Rather, by placing the subject off-center, a dynamic quality will be given to your shot that will make it much more exciting.

• Frame your subject. Remember to use framing techniques that I've recently discussed to make your photographs

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er two to four weeks to complete the finished drawings. When you are ready to sign the written contract the contractor will show you a payment plan. The average down payment runs between 10-25 percent (some states have restrictions on the size of the down payment) depending on the type of project.

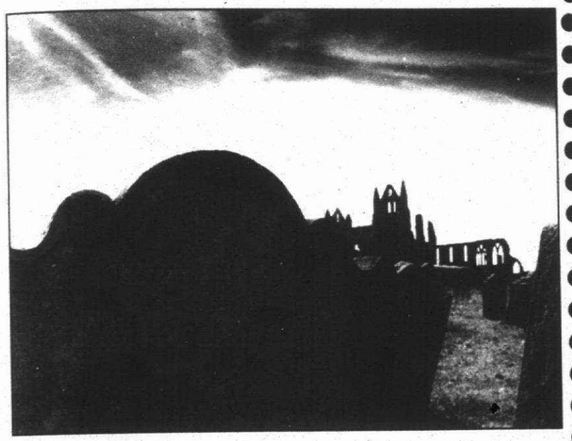
If you sign the contract in a location other than the contractor's place of business (your home, for instance), you will have three days after signing in which to cancel the contract. This is your legal "Right of Recision."

These are just some of the issues you will be confronted with until the contractor is ready to begin the construction of the project which we will cover in next week's article. We urge homeowners to let us know the situations they have run into with remodeling contractors or the questions they have regarding the remodeling project.

Happy Holidays!

Taken from "The Master Plan" – The National Association of the Remodeling Industry

For your home improvement questions or a copy of our roster book, call Gayle Walters, executive director of the NARI-Michigan Remodeling Association at 810-478-8215. Questions can be mailed to the association office at PO Box 1531563, Livonia, Mich. 48153. Members of the association include professional contractors, wholesalers, manufacturers, consultants and lenders representing all facets of residential and light commercial remodeling. Members also answer questions on "Home Improvement Radio," with Murray Gula on WEXL-AM, 1340, 1-2 p.m. Saturdays. Call in your questions at 810-544-1340.



Dear abbey: *Monte Nagler's wife, Mickey, took this dramatic shot of the abbey in Whitby, England. Notice how she moved in close and effectively used the grave markers in her composition.*

Nagler

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work more effectively. In short, be on the lookout for tree branches or an archway that will give your shot special impact.

• Use lead-in lines. Elements in a picture should help lead attention toward the subject. Lead-in lines can be roads, fences, streams, pathways, even parts of a building.

• Watch your horizons. Above all, make sure that they are level in your picture, not running up or downhill. Remember that a low horizon line in your shot will accentuate spaciousness, especially when you have a dramatic sky. A high horizon line will de-emphasize the sky and instead will suggest closeness.

Above all, to add more impact and stopping power to your pictures, get in the frame of mind as you look through the frame of your viewfinder that you are now "making a photograph," not merely taking a snapshot.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (810) 644-1314.

Centennial has festive setting

The Henry Ford Estate has unveiled a Quadricycle replica, a working model of automotive pioneer Henry Ford's first vehicle.

The Quadricycle is 100 years old this year, and its centennial coincides with the American automobile centennial, a national celebration. On loan from the Ford Motor Co., the replica will be displayed in the restored Powerhouse Garage of the estate alongside several other personal vehicles of Henry Ford.

Many holiday programs are offered by the estate, inviting visitors to tour the buildings and grounds of this National Historic Landmark. The residence is decorated for the holidays by area florists. Public and group tours are welcome now through Dec. 31.

Special programs include holiday luncheon concerts; Tea, Tour and Christmas Treasures; Candles and Carols dinners; Santa's breakfast; Santa's workshop; and candlelight tours.

The Henry Ford Estate is at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen. Call (313) 593-5590.

During December, public tours are available 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday-Friday; and every hour 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays. Sunday tours begin 1 p.m. and are available every half hour until 4:30 p.m.

The Pool Restaurant at the estate is open for lunch Monday-Friday. Banquets, catering and group tour/meal packages are available. The Estate Shop sells souvenirs and memorabilia related to the Fords' lives at Fair Lane.

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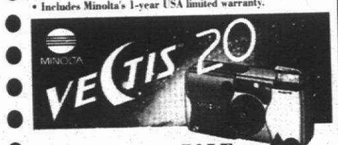
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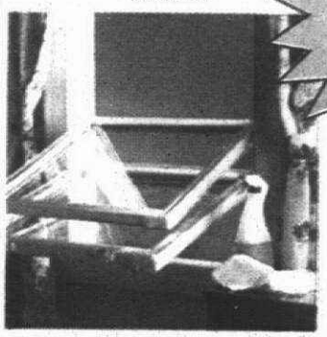


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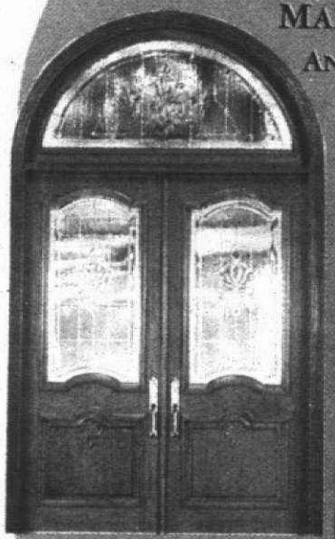


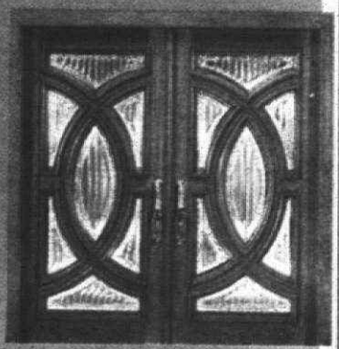
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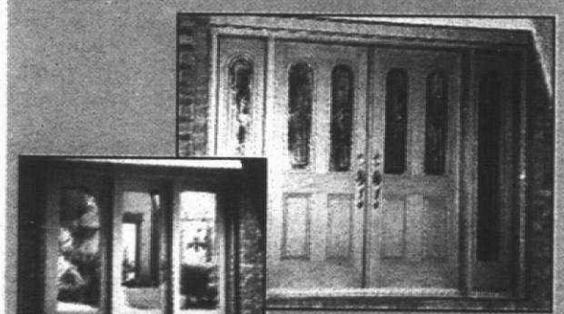


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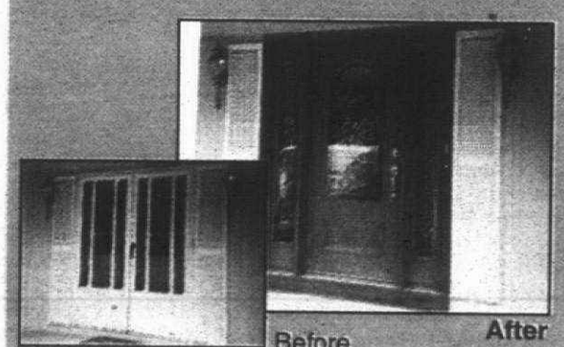
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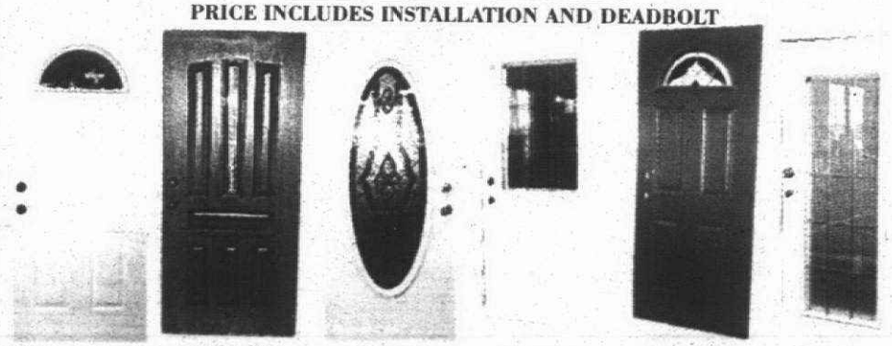
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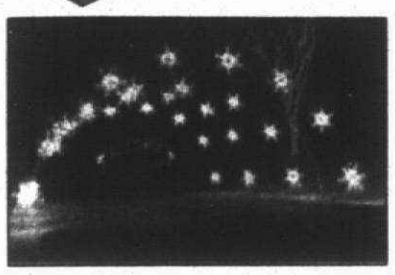
THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



*Former **First Lady** Margaret Kramer (**Lauren** Bacall) and former **Presidents** Russell Kramer (**Jack** Lemmon) and Matt **Douglas** (James Garner) wave to the crowd as they hit the campaign trail in "My Fellow **Americans**," opening today **at** metro Detroit movie theaters.*

SATURDAY



Visit the Christmas Light Display at Domino Farms, 6-10 p.m., Earhart Road (off Plymouth Road, about one-half mile east of US-23). Admission $7, call (313) 668-1800 for information.

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Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents a lighthearted concert of seasonal music featuring Robert Bernhardt, the popular, charismatic conductor of the Rochester, N. Y., Philharmonic. Performances 3 & 7 p.m. Call (313) 833-3700.



Hot Tix: *"Shuffle Off to Buffalo," or to the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit where "42nd Street," is playing through Dec. 22. "Come and meet those dancin' feet," and treat yourself to an evening of glamor and fun. Tickets available at all Ticketmaster locations, or call (810) 433-1515.*

Get intoxicated on the arts for

New Year's Eve



Headliner: *The Contours, originally called The Blenders, hit number two on the "Billboard Hot 100" with their 1962 hit "Do You Love Me?" They are one of the headliners at this year's First Night celebration in downtown Birmingham.*

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY
STAFF WRITER

Get ready to pop the cork and welcome 1997.

Birmingham and Pontiac are planning celebrations that put the emphasis on family fun.

"I think this is going to be one of the most exciting events that will take place in downtown Birmingham during the winter holiday season," said Vicki Lange, of Birmingham, executive director of First Night 1997. "We have a lot of special things."

First Night, an alcohol-free gathering that originated in Boston, encourages party-goers to get "intoxicated on the arts, instead of liquor," said Lange. "It's conducted in hundreds of cities across the county."

Birmingham's event, which starts 5 p.m., is in its seventh year thanks to contributors like: The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, The Kroger Co., The Lyon Foundation and Henry Ford Health Systems.

"Without the generosity of all the sponsors, especially our main sponsors, the Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield and NBD Bank, this would not be possible," said Lange.

The support of the participants is also paramount Lange added, so First Night is set up to appeal to everyone's tastes with clowns, magic, face painting, story-telling and classical music.

"We don't want to leave anyone out of this," explained Barbara Diles, First Night volunteer and past president of the Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield. The night also features: jazz, blues, Motown and The Spoon Man.

"Audiences of all ages are delighted by him," said Lange about the music-making Spoon Man.

The Spoon Man has appeared before Mikhail Gorbachev, former U.S. President Gerald Ford and on various television specials. He is also a familiar face at First Night.

Yet, last year's First Night participants will find many new twists for this year. Most notably, there will be First Night volunteers roaming the streets dressed as wild animals to entertain the crowd and answer questions. There will also be a heated circus-type tent outside The Community House.

"That will afford us to keep most of the performances right in the downtown area," said Lange. Shuttle buses, however, will still be available to help people travel from one entertainment venue to another. That can be especially nice if the weather is less than perfect. First Night officials are asking people to keep weather in mind however when dressing for the event since people will wait in line (outside) for the performances.

"This is New Year's Eve in Michigan. The weather during December could be quite cold and blustery...or unseasonably warm and balmy," said Lange. "All sorts of warm and casual apparel are most welcome at First Night."

Headlining this year's event are: The Contours, The James Family and Sandra Feva.

"Ms. Feva is the primary backup singer for Aretha Franklin," boasted Lange, who remains impressed with the night's lineup.

"I am lucky enough to work with people with contacts in the music industry," she said when asked how the talent was attracted. It is important she said to have a variety of entertainment, not only for the various ages of First Night-goers, but also for the various tastes.

"But I think we have a good cross-section," she said about the 20 plus performers. For most of the entertainers, this year will be their first time at First Night.

The Contours, originally called The Blenders, hit number two on the "Billboard Hot 100" with their 1962 hit "Do You Love Me?" The Motown group made it again when the song was used in the 1987 Patrick Swayze film, "Dirty Dancing;" and again when the song was included on "Motown's Hitsville USA: 1959-1974."

The James Family, three sisters and two brothers hailing from Missouri, sings jazz, rhythm and blues, rock, soul and gospel. They have performed worldwide with Gladys Knight, Natalie Cole, Smokey Robinson and B.B. King just to name a few.

Sandra Feva, a singer/actress, performs gospel, jazz, county, rhythm and blues. Aside from backing up Aretha Franklin, Feva has recorded two of her own albums.

All performances will end in time to gather in Birmingham's Shain Park for the First Night Midnight Celebration. It begins with the passing of a torch.

"Our theme for this year is cultural diversity, personal safety and world harmony," said Lange, who will be among the park crowd counting down the minutes to 1997.

Between 8,000 and 10,000 people are expected to attend First Night. At $7 per person for those age 6 and above, $1 for children 2 to 5 years old, that means good things for the Birmingham/Bloomfield Cultural Council. Funds raised through First Night go to the Cultural Council, which sponsors several cultural events in Birmingham year round.

Things to know about First Night:

Date: Dec. 31
Time: 5 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
Place: Downtown Birmingham, venues include: *The Community House, Baldwin Public Library, First Baptist Church and St. James Episcopal Church.*
Cost: Badges cost $7 per person for those age 6 and above, $1-for children 2 to 5 years old, children under 2 are free. Advance button sales will be made at 19 area Kroger locations, the Birmingham/Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, The Community House and NBD Bank branches in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area.
First Night hotline: (810) 646-9734 or fax (810) 646-9799. First Night officials warn that most callers will get an answering machine and should leave their name, phone number, address and a fax number should something need to be mailed.
Parking: Free in city structures from 4 p.m. to 12:30 am.

Things to know about Times Square Two:

Date: Dec. 31
Time: 10 p.m. to past midnight
Place: Phoenix Center, Saginaw street in downtown Pontiac
Cost: Free
Parking: Public lots are free
Times Square Two hotline: (810) 857-5603

Times Square Two

For those seeking an alternative to Birmingham's First Night, there is the third annual Times Square Two in Pontiac.

Sponsored by Pontiac Growth Group, the industrial/commercial development branch of the city government, and The Oakland Press, Times Square Two is an alcohol-free celebration at the Phoenix Center in downtown Pontiac. The event, which features a laser show, fireworks display and dancing in the streets, builds the crowd up for the main event – a 2,200-light climbing ball, fashioned after the one used in Time's Square, New York City.

"We get people from all the surrounding areas coming to this," said Delmer Anderson, chief assistant to the executive officer of the Pontiac Growth Group. In fact, there is enough parking room for 4,000 cars in the downtown area.

Anderson said they are expecting to attract about 8,000 people for the free event. Festivities begin 10 p.m.

EXHIBITION

Watercolorist bases figurative works on introspection

Masked Revelations

What: Livonia watercolorist Taura Zaranka Underys is featured in a 15 piece exhibition of artworks based on introspection, and the effects of coming from a Lithuanian background.

Where: Berman Gallery and Lighting Studio, 303 Detroit Street, Suite 104 in Ann Arbor. For more information call (313) 741-0571.

When: Through Jan. 10. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

Lost in the abyss between two cultures, Taura Zaranka Underys paints to find her way. The daughter of Lithuanian immigrants, Underys creates introspective watercolors embedded with mystery. Shrouded figures loom hauntingly in the dark semi-abstracts, unraveling her soul through so many layers like the paint.

As displaced persons living in Germany, then later in America, Underys' parents fought to keep their language and traditions alive. As a result, Underys heard only Lithuanian spoken in her home. Consequently, she thinks in Lithuanian and English. Born in the shadow of the Ambassador Bridge in Detroit, Underys is torn between two countries. Even the titles of her paintings reflect the conflict as she names works in two languages.

"Whoever you are comes out in your artwork. I somehow relate my background, which is important to me, in my work," said Taura (pronounced Taud-e) Underys.

"My parents felt they had no other choice but to flee their country because of communism. As a result, I don't really have a place where I belong. Painting is as close as I can get to ever feeling I belong somewhere, who I am."

Auras surrounding Underys's figures convey an almost religious sense of awe. She lays her belief in souls on a grandmother who lived in the house in which she grew up.

In her artist's statement Underys says, "there's something sacred about using water, a pure element of the earth, to help release a soul. My painting is as much a relationship with the spiritual world as it is with the medium and emerging images."

See WATERCOLOR, E2



PHOTO BY LOU KULIKAUSKAS

Religious Aura: *A dark and mysterious painting by Taura Zaranka Underys, "Alfa" is based on the story of Adam and Eve.*

FINE ARTS

Photography opens doors of creativity for girls

ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

If you visit the photography exhibit "A Girl's World" by five Southwest Detroit girls at Urban Park-Detroit Art Center, I guarantee you'll leave filled with emotion.

The black and white images, resulting from an Alternative for Girls project directed by Observer & Eccentric staff photographer Sharon LeMieux, evokes feelings from happiness to sorrow.

The study project began one year ago when the girls attended a one person exhibition of LeMieux's photography. After deciding they'd like to create a display of their own creative images, LeMieux worked alongside them, at times even loaning them her camera.

As with all arts, photography serves as a form of expression. LeMieux gave the girls, ages 12 to 17, free reign in choice of their subject matter. Rachel Perez and Mary Wilson sought to capture the daily life of their families while Myrna Lebron, Sharon Chappa and Emma Marcum chose to spend the day with LeMieux shooting Detroit artist Tyree Guyton's "Heidelberg Project."



Family and Friends: *Mary Wilson invites viewers to take a closer look at her daily life in southwest Detroit in this photograph entitled "Amanda and Maricruz."*

"I didn't want them to worry about the technical aspect, but to think about looking at things differently, from different angles," said LeMieux

I thought viewers might look at the show from different perspectives as well so I asked another visitor at the show what he thought.

"All these photos, have an abandoned feeling. They're lonely pictures," said Earl Spuck of Canton.

That's why Alternative for Girls is so important. It eliminates these feelings. Through its programs girls, who might otherwise find themselves alone and abandoned on the streets of southwest Detroit, learn about alternatives to the decisions we all faced growing up.

A private, nonprofit agency based in southwest Detroit, AFG is dedicated to assisting girls ages 5-17 who are struggling to find a positive place in society. The Prevention Program, of which LeMieux's project was a part, aims to prevent the need for AFG's Street Outreach Program by targeting girls before problems begin by providing recreational and educational experiences which reinforce existing strengths and skills.

Street Outreach works directly with homeless young women on the street who are engaged in, or in serious danger of engaging in prostitution, substance abuse and other high-risk activities. Since the best time to reach a girl is before "she hits the streets," AFG's Prevention Program encourages girls to meet weekly in small groups or "clubs" to increase self-esteem, strengthen personal values and interpersonal relationships, improve school attendance and performance, and build the skills necessary to make positive choices for their futures. For the last six years, AFG volunteer Alise Alousi has served as a group leader for the five girls exhibiting in the show.

"The girls never had many opportunities to use a camera. The project and exhibiting in the gallery gave them a sense of accomplishment, a chance to feel really good about something they did," said Alise Alousi.

"It also encouraged their communication skills. I told them people are going to want to ask you questions so we worked a lot on how do you communicate."

This was Myrna Lebron's first chance to take photos.

"I like the different designs. It was fun," said Lebron, a 12 year old student at St. Vincent de Paul School.

Rachel Perez has taken photos before but nonetheless, was impressed "seeing them on the wall."

"They remind me of my neighborhood," said Perez, also a student at St. Vincent de Paul.

LeMieux became involved with AFG's Prevention Program four years ago after searching for an organization through which she could make a difference, a value instilled in her while a student at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills.

"I think it's really important for people to give back. There's an old phrase: from those who are given much, much is expected. It's important for people to share if they've been given a lot," said LeMieux. "And hopefully when these kids grow up they'll reciprocate."

To pull off such a large project, LeMieux had help along the way. Freelance photographer Craig Barile of Canton, a photo clerk at the Observer, helped choose and print images for the show. He did all the framing as well after seeking donations from local frame shops and receiving discounts on frames from Mark Hawley of MPSS, Inc. in Redford.

"I was talking to Sharon about the program and decided I'd like to help. Photography has helped me a lot in my life. I thought it was worthwhile cause. There's a lot of devastation on that side of town, so anything to help boost self-esteem," said Barile who graduated from Center for Creative Studies in Detroit last June.

A Girl's World continues through Dec. 29 at Urban Park-Detroit Art Center, 508 Monroe on the second level of Trapper's Alley in Greektown. For more information call the gallery at (313) 963-5445 or Alternatives for Girls, (313) 963-5833.

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FINAL OPPORTUNITY

Don't miss the final chance to visit a glass blower's studio noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22. Artist Don Schneider will talk about the processes involved in creating blown glass at his York Street Glass studio, 875 York north of Liberty in Plymouth's Old Village area.

In addition to learning about hot glass techniques, visitors will have the opportunity to purchase lampworked ornaments (some fumed with 24 karat gold), beads and necklaces as well as blown glass vessels.

MIXING MEDIUMS

If you only have the opportunity to see one last show this year, make it "Go Figure" continuing through Dec. 27 in the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington. This two person exhibit featuring Barbara Gibson of Livonia and Susan Rothamel Pickering, Chelsea is both whimsical and heartwarming.

Gibson, best known as a potter who exhibits annually at the Ann Arbor Art Fair, has switched mediums. Her son Alan has taken over the family ceramics business and Barbara is on to making three dimensional figures or dolls. Many of the works contain elements of African art, especially the haunting mask-like faces sculpted from clay. Incorporating found objects such as industrial gears, springs and music boxes, these mixed media figures by Gibson seem to take on a life of their own.

Rothamel, adept at the craft of enameling, deals with biblical themes in the collage she has on display. A wooden cheetah and a zebra are the focus of "Tabernacle Icon."

Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

HOLIDAY FAMILY PROGRAMS

The Detroit Institute of Arts will host a special series of activities for the family Thursday through Tuesday Dec. 26-31 at 5200 Woodward.

Drop-in workshops which include puppet making, quilting, drama, and storytelling will take place in the studio. In many instances the sessions tie-in with performances. Make an afternoon of it by first dropping into a workshop from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28 to make a rod puppet of the Firebird, the mythical creature from Russian folk literature. Then attend the 2 p.m. PuppetArt American-Russian Theatre performance of "The Firebird," a Russian folk tale which has been told by parents to children for generations.

Watercolor *from page E1*

Since graduating from Wayne State University with a bachelor of fine arts degree in 1980, Underys' watercolors have gone through an evolutionary process. In college, her work dealt with the exploration of the medium and led to a concentration on bold abstract forms and their relationship to space and each other.

For 10 years after working as teacher in a Montessori classroom with preschool children, her work took on a whimsical style. It was only in 1994 that the figure became important in her work.

"The minute I saw her paintings there was kind of connectiveness between the two of us," said Rebecca Berman, gallery owner.

"When I first met her I felt a real rapport from a spiritual standpoint. Her work reflects a lot of the artist's inner feelings."

It is apparent Underys is an admirer of the late 19th and early 20th century painters Paul Klee, Gustav Klimt and Odilon Redon. Like Klee, her works are small and intimate in scale, forcing the viewer to draw close in order to read the rendered forms inherent to her mysterious dream world. And just as Klee thought of painting as similar to music in its expressiveness, art has the ability to touch the spirit of the viewer through use of color, form and line. Underys believes that the music she listens to while painting affects the outcome.

"Klee is because of the playfulness of his work and layering of colors. Klimt, it's the sensuality and the richness of his colors. Redon is mystical and Ciurlionis is Lithuanian. His paintings have a dream-like quality," said the 37-year-old painter.

Underys met her husband Vitas at a Lithuanian youth camp. They continue the tradition of speaking only Lithuanian to their 9-year-old daughter Vija.

"I want my daughter to know her background and that it's important to do something she has a passion for."

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STREET SCENE

Blind Melon's 'Nico' a tribute to Shannon Hoon



CHRIISTINA FUOCO

There are two ways to look at "Nico" (Capital), the latest release by Blind Melon. The collection of outtakes and rarities can be taken as a sweet tribute to, or a subtle way of showcasing the drug addiction of Shannon Hoon, the lead singer who died of a cocaine overdose in October 1995.

The enhanced CD, released on Capital Records in mid-November, kicks off with an eerily prophetic cover of Steppenwolf's "The Pusher," where Hoon sings, "You know I smoked a lot of grass, and I popped a lot of pills. But I ain't never done nothing that my spirit couldn't kill. I walked around with these tombstones in my eyes, but I know the pusher don't care if you live or if you die."

Guitarist Rogers Stevens said that the irony of the opening track hit him as an afterthought.

"These are songs that Shannon would have played had he been alive. These are the jokes he'd be telling. After he's gone, they have a whole different meaning," Stevens said via telephone from his upstate New York home.

The recording of "Nico" was a way for the surviving members of Blind Melon and their fans to heal.

"I think that all of us working on this record together was part of the process of getting over this whole thing. There are some personal moments. Some of Shannon's best moments are on this record. Hearing his voice again was sort of like being hit on the head with a brick."



Tribute to Nico: *Blind Melon was, from left, Brad Smith, Hoon, Rogers Stevens, Christopher Thorn and Glen Graham.*

The 13-song "Nico" is a collection of outtakes and rarities recorded during the band's career. An acoustic version of "No Rain", "Letters From A Porcupine," a song left on guitarist Christopher Thorn's answering machine by Hoon; the previously unreleased song "Soup"; a demo of "Soul One"; and a song, "Hell," recorded at the recording studio of Hoon's high school friend Mike Kelsey are included on the CD.

"St. Andrew's Hall" was recorded in various hotel rooms throughout the United States during the end of the 19-month tour for Blind Melon's debut album. The song is the demo version of "St. Andrew's Fall," the story of a person who committed suicide by jumping out of a hotel window near St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit, that appeared on "Soup." The band used the original name of the song because they "felt it appropriate name that the song had when it originally went down on tape," according to the liner notes.

The enhanced CD also features lyrics, previously unreleased photos, interviews, concert footage and several full-length videos. With the exception of several tracks done by Andy Wallace, the album was produced by the band – which besides Stevens and Thorn, includes bassist Brad Smith and drummer Glen Graham – and Mike Napolitano.

Stevens is pleased with the way "Nico" turned out.

"The way these songs came together and the way they seem to fit together was really kind of a miracle to us. It was good and we felt like it deserved to be heard. It sort of completed the picture about Shannon."

Blind Melon scored a hit with "No Rain," from its 1993 debut album. The band toured extensively performing with such acts as Neil Young, Soundgarden and the Rolling Stones as well as at Woodstock '94, and topped Billboard radio charts. Blind Melon's second album, "Soup," didn't fare as well, but received minor airplay with "Galaxie." Hoon died eight weeks after the release of the album "Soup."

The album is dedicated to Nico Blue, the daughter Hoon had with his girlfriend of 10 years Lisa Crouse.

Blind Melon is donating a portion of the proceeds of Nico to MAP, Musician's Assistance Program, an organization which helps musicians and others in the music industry recover from drug and alcohol addiction.

The surviving members of Blind Melon are planning on moving on with a new singer, Stevens said.

"We're looking for a singer. We're going to change the name of the band and do a whole new record with new songs. We're not gonna play the old songs anymore," he said.

"We're starting all over. I think that to try to ask someone to come and step into Shannon's shoes wouldn't do right. It would do a disservice to go out and squeeze whatever was left out of that name."

• Those computer-savvy Canadian popsters Barenaked Ladies have also released a enhanced CD "Rock Spectacle" (pronounced Roc-Spectak). "BNL-TV," part two of the "Rock Spectacle" (Reprise) experience, features 20 minutes of comedy imagined by the band like "Ask Ed," where guitarist/vocalist Ed Robertson answers fans' letters; Jimmy Johnson's Psychic Hotline; live concert footage on BNL "Live and Sweaty; and "Tyler Stewart Living."

"It's a great chance for people with computers and CD-ROM players to see another side of the band that you don't always get from just hearing it. Also, it allowed us to exorcise some creative demons. We're all interested in multimedia television, movie and stuff like that," said drummer/vocalist Tyler Stewart.

"We act like a bunch of idiots and have fun. Humor is an important part of our performance, but that doesn't always come across on CD. This is one way to let people in on the joke."

"Rock Spectacle," also available on cassette, doubles as an 11-song live album featuring "Brian Wilson," "The Old Apartment," "Jane," "If I Had $1,000,000," and a hidden rap track about "Uncle Elwyn."

"There's been a demand for years. It was good time for us to do that," Stewart said of the decision to release a live album. "We thought it would keep things interesting until our next album comes out next summer. Essentially, it's a fill-the-space kind of thing."

"We wanted to capture the essence of what we're like live. The live show is a whole sensory experience. You get the songs, the in-between banter, the singing along, all that stuff. We thought the songs were pretty good themselves, too."

Those who saw the Barenaked Ladies Sunday, Dec. 8, at 96.3's Holiday Hootenanny at The Palace of Auburn Hills know all about the band's shows. Besides what Stewart described above, the band made up songs about the keyboardist's dad who was in the audience and the monkeys thrown up on stage during "If I Had $1,000,000," and they closed the show by rapping Christmas songs while this bunch of Canadian white boys "street danced."

If you missed the gig, the band returns to Detroit at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, to play the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., in Detroit. Tickets are $26.50 for the all-ages show. For more information, call (810) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6611.

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BOOKS

Wayne professor's novel explores Vietnam impact

Letting Loose, by Christopher T. Leland (Zoland Books, $23.95)
BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The war in Vietnam hangs over the baby boomer generation and no amount of time will ever relieve the doubts, pain and suffering that that war and its powerful opposition created.

"Letting Loose" is a remarkable meditation on the war that works even when it seems to encompass too much. For this relatively short novel deals with the war, the sexual revolution, the impact of homosexuality on family relations, AIDS and drugs. Yet none of it is forced or contrived.

Christopher Leland, a professor of English and head of the creative writing section at Wayne State University, is a sensitive and alert writer with a solid ear for the ways people talk and interact. He has created in "Letting Loose" a book of reconciliations.

Bobbo Starwick has been missing in action in Vietnam for 25 years. When his body is returned to the states, to small town Rhymers Creek, it sets off a flood of memories and a series of long stifled communications. Bobbo is the "All-American boy" that wasn't. He was a star high school athlete who volunteered to go into the Army and the war's awful violence sucks him down.

The story specifically deals with several people whose lives have been altered by Bobbo and the war.

Fred Bower is one of those "Viet vets," an unfortunately real cliche. Unlike his friend Bobbo he has "survived" to come home shaken, drifting, mentally tortured and alcoholic. Leland turns all the cliches around by his powers of observation and his ear for speech.

Belva Beauford is one of Bobbo's old girlfriends who has drifted into a life of short term affairs to compensate for a boring marriage to a wealthy and indulgent man. She and her twin, Melva, own the dress boutique Letting Loose that allows her to make trips to New York to be with a lover.

The central character is Bobbo's homosexual half brother Barry Carraway. Barry has left Rhymers Creek to pursue a controversial career as a photographer (obviously modeled on Robert Mapplethorpe) and to live openly as a homosexual in New York City. Before leaving he made his sexual orientation known in the most public manner by using it to get a 4F status from the draft board as a protest to the war.

Around these three characters, Leland builds a fine portrait of our times and the various painful decisions that we've had to make.

The novel is structured to move back and forth through time, memories dredged up as each character deals with his or her relationship with Bobbo. It moves from the terror of Vietnam battle to the S&M gay clubs of New York to the mundane grind of small town America. Leland deals poignantly but honestly with the AIDS epidemic, the drug problem and the lack of focus many of this generation have.

Be forewarned, the novel deals explicitly with sex, especially with homosexual behavior and response. It seems clear that Leland felt it was important to make readers understand how homosexuals feel about their sexual life. It is not so clear that many readers will be willing to follow.

But Leland has essentially written a novel of hope in the face of the worst despair and he has written honestly and well.

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BOOKS

Area novelist Kathe Koja's 'Kink' is a riveting story



VITCTORIA DIAZ

"Kink," by Kathe Koja (Henry Holt, $23.00, 278 pp.).

Kathe Koja has done it again – sent me to bed without any supper. Every time I read one of Koja's chilling novels (her last was "Strange Angels"), I lose my appetite and feel the need to go lie down somewhere. Still, I read every single one, and look forward to the next and the next with much anticipation. I know of no writer today who breathes more life into peculiar, alienated souls than does Koja, and no one who paints their murky world more hauntingly.

This Berkley author is, to say the least, difficult to compartmentalize. We could label her a horror novelist, but that's not only limiting, it's misleading in this case. However, to label her anything else doesn't seem quite right, either. Perhaps, when we pick up a Koja novel, we should dwell for a moment on Camus and Kafka, and then dispense with labels altogether, getting down to the riveting story at hand.

"Kink" is a riveting story. It's also an odd story about an odd contemporary couple, Jess and Sophie, who eventually become part of an odd menage a trois, when they meet a mysterious, dark-eyed woman named Lena. Up until Lena's arrival on the scene, the two are so close that others think of their pairing as an unhealthy obsession. But then they invite the mesmerizing Lena to move in with them, believing that her presence will somehow enhance their existence. Lena, however, isn't quite what she appears to be, which this insular pair (who live much of their lives through voyeurism) will soon learn – and looking is not at all the same as seeing.

Told (from Jess' viewpoint) in an accessible, stream-of-consciousness style, "Kink" is set in a nameless city, a kind of microcosmic, spiritual boneyard, where the population is so drifting and empty they put you in mind of the walking dead. (Though not a vampire tale, "Kink" is replete with images suggesting the nether world of vampires: Flesh is frequently cold. A large piece of furniture is jokingly called a "sarcophagus" and "coffin." People stare a lot, "not moving." Figures move about in the night, often soundlessly.)

Adding to the nightmare feel of the place, a web of dinginess pervades. This is the kind of place where you'll find "dull flies on the fruit salad," dirty pets, street garbage in the dun-colored snow, restaurant dishes never washed quite clean, scabrous tabletops, stubbornly filmed in grime.

Koja's characters fit right in and are haunting as ghosts: Getting inside storyteller Jess' head, Koja reveals her knack for depicting subtle differences between the sexes. Probably one of the strongest features of this story is the depiction of his fascination with both women. Lena, with her chopped black hair and sickle-shaped earrings, is the loveliest of lethal sirens. The rag doll-like Sophie is perhaps Koja's most vivid creation, all at once maddening, forsaken, and brave, as she performs her awesome makeovers at the neighborhood beauty salon, and goes about town in that peculiar, dark-as-night opera cape.

What's most ultimately affecting about this novel, what makes it hit so close to the bone, is the mundane ordinariness Koja interlaces throughout her dark tapestry, alongside the dream-like horror. Everybody keeps on eating, sleeping, washing, getting haircuts, shopping for Christmas gifts, watching television, showing up for work, fussing over trivialities, even as some night-marish something is draining the human spirit.

While this may look like a small book, it is, in fact, a novel that explores some large and complicated subjects. Start with the human spirit, obsession, greed, sex, listening vs. hearing, looking vs. seeing, talking vs. communicating, men vs. women . . .

There's more, all of it wrapped up in Koja's crisply provocative style. If you're looking for an off-beat, multi-layered story to wrap yourself in on a chilly night, here it is.

Book is colorful local history

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Tonnancour: Life in Grosse Pointe and along the Shores of Lake St. Clair, Omnigraphics, Inc. ($40)

This large format book is an interesting, colorful approach to local history. It takes the American Heritage style and applies it deftly to the history of our near neighbors to the east.

Usually local histories are dull, tedious affairs primarily intended to name as many local families as possible and to name the more prominent families as often as possible. They often degenerate into local genealogies or replays of government meetings that were dull the first time around.

Tonnancour is different. The books, named for the lakeside estate of Theodore P. Hall, collect essays, poems, stories and great art to tell a variety of stories about the Grosse Pointe area, which includes stories about early Detroit. The book includes previously published and unpublished works and combines serious and playful approaches to history.

Volume 2, edited by Arthur Woodford, features articles on Belle Isle, the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Detroit in 1796 (when the fort at Detroit was ceded to the United States), Michigan's role in the Civil War, profiles of a couple of prominent families, old Grosse Pointe gas stations, the Country Club of Detroit and much more.

The articles are lively, the big coffee table book format allows for excellent display of historic photos, drawings and maps.

SINGLES

Send items to be considered for publication to: Sarah Takas, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150; or fax to (313) 591-7279.

BETHANY

■ Bethany Plymouth-Canton, a support and social group for divorced and separated Christians, meets 8 p.m. the third Saturday, at St. Kenneth Church. Haggerty Road south of Five Mile, Plymouth Township. (313) 261-9123 or (313) 421-6751

CACD

The Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit (CACD) is a non-profit organization of single Catholics, 21 and older. 676-8966 or 271-4213.

DEARBORN FAIRLANE DANCE

Dearborn Fairlane Dance Club featuring live bands presents ballroom dancing 8:30-11:30 p.m. every Thursday at Knights of Columbus, 15800 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, $4. Dance lessons by Shirley Blair, 7-8 p.m. for $2. (313) 422-5925, (313) 565-3656

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■ Co-Ed Indoor Volleyball 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday. $5/player FSP members; $6/non-members. Games at Farmington Hills Activity Center, 28600 11 Mile, Gate 4, just east of Middlebelt. Enter building using B-Door. (810) 851-9909

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MOON DUSTERS

Ballroom dancing, 9 p.m.-midnight Saturdays at the Moon Dusters, Farmington Road and Five Mile, Livonia. $5. Dressy attire. (313) 422-3298

NEWBURG SINGLES MINISTRIES

Meets 7 p.m. on the third Sunday in Guthrie Hall of Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Newburgh, Livonia.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Friday Singles Jubilee and Saturday Night Singles present "New Year's Eve Singles Jubilee" three dances in one, 8 p.m. to 3 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31 at Troy Marriott, Big Beaver (16 Mile Road) just east of I-75. Party No. 1 in the Ballroom with deejay, Eddie Rogers;

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PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

■ Livonia-Redford Chapter 130 meets the third Thursday at Mitch Housey's Restaurant, 28500 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia (west of Inkster Road) Orientation is 8 p.m., the general meeting 8:30 p.m., followed by dancing. (313) 464-1969

■ The Wayne-Westland Chapter 340 meets the fourth Friday in the Wayne AMVETS Hall, 1217 Merriman, Westland. Meeting is 8-8:30 p.m.; dancing 8:30 p.m.-midnight. New members welcome. (313) 721-3657

ST. EDITH SINGLES

Meets at 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday at the church, on Newburgh south of Five Mile. 21 and older. (313) 840-8824

SINGLE PLACE ADULT MINISTRIES

■ First Presbyterian Church of Northville's group meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 9:45 a.m. Sundays at the church, 200 E. Main, Northville.

SINGLE POINT

■ The Rev. Paul Clough leads scripture messages relevant to daily single living 10:45 a.m. Sundays in Knox Hall, Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile Road, Livonia.

■ FYI, Single Parent group meets at 7 p.m. first and third Tuesday, the Calvin Room, Ward Presbyterian Church. Some children's activities.

■ Single Parent Group meets 7-8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday, in the Calvin Room. Free child care. Activities for children for children and parents to enjoy together every month.

■ Uniquely Single Group (never been married) meets 7-9 p.m. the fourth Tuesday, in the Calvin Room.

■ New Start (widows and widowers) meets 7:30-9 p.m. every other Thursday, in A-15. Speakers and discussion concerning death of a loved one and getting on. Activities throughout the month.

■ Caroling and Potluck: Meet 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20 in Knox Hall, Ward Church.

■ T.I.O. with Rev. Dick Bont. Meet 7:30-10 p.m. in Knox Hall and talk about being single in todays world.

■ Convivial Concrescence 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3 in Knox Hall. Tickets $20/person. The evening includes dinner, entertainment, fellowship and fun. 422-1854.

STARLITERS

Ballroom dancing for singles age 40 and older, 9 p.m.-midnight Fridays in the Northwest YWCA, 25940 Grand River, at Beech Daly, Livonia. Dressy attire. (313) 525-8913, (810) 776-9360

TEMPLE BAPTIST SAM

Four separate classes meet 9:45 a.m. Sundays at the church, 23800 West Chicago, Redford. Groups divided by age and life situation. Weekly activities: sporting events, concerts, trips, Bible studies, prayer times, girls night out. (313) 255-3333

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For men 6 ft. 2 inches tall and women at least 5 feet 10 inches tall, meets the first Tuesday of every month at Ruby Tuesday, 12 Mile and Orchard Lake roads. 21 and older. (313) 458-7887.

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WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCES

Dances 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 20 at Roma Banquets, Cherry Hill Road, east of Venoy Road. A Christmas Dance will be 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27 at Burton Manor, Schoolcraft West of Inkster Road, Livonia. $3 before 8:30 p.m., $5 after. Dressy attire (no jeans), 21 and over. (313) 981-0909. A New Years Eve Dance will be 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31 at Burton Manor. Admission $15 advance tickets or 418 at the door. (313) 981-0909

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(313) 930-1892, (313) 665-6013, (313) 487-5322

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BY MARY JANE DOERR
SPECIAL WRITER

Scrooge by any other name than Booth Colman would not be Ebenezer Scrooge. Few actors can count pounds faster than Colman, deliver "Bah, Humbug!" with more malice, or endear an audience to this Christmas-hater with his joyful conversion than the wispy veteran of the legitimate stage and soap opera screen.

Scrooge is remembered more for his miserliness in the days when there was no tax write-off for charitable giving, than his eleventh hour goodness. Certainly, Meadow Brook Theatre's "A Christmas Carol" is most remembered for Colman's unparalleled portrayal of this world wide icon for meanness.

As Scrooge, the man who takes his cash box to bed with him as a security blanket, Colman is unique. He transforms his character during the play, as the action moves from his hurtful first scene words as they come to haunt him in his dreadful dream. Colman has the power to render us happy indeed. What a pleasure it is to have him back, making his debut this season (after a two-year hiatus) on this new set with its new staging.

The sets, by Peter W. Hicks, are modernistic tower forms that are imaginatively moved from scene to scene, though the style is not that of Barbara Jenks' lovely Victorian costumes. Geoffrey Sherman's directing is straight forward and simple, making this theatrical feast one of great acting and not of tricks.

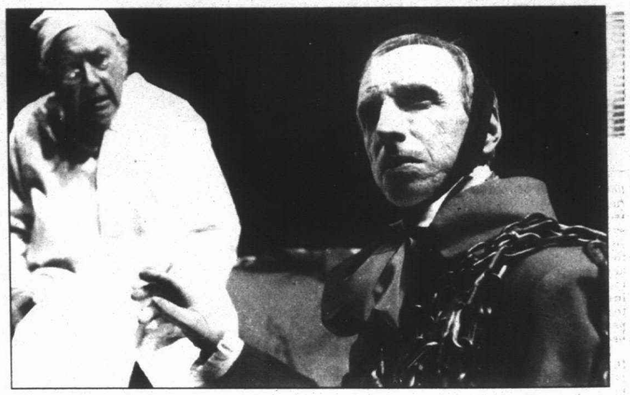
Thirty-five actors, many of whom are children, handle some 74 parts, though you will hardly recognize the same actor in various parts, so good is the acting. David Ellenstein is an infectiously joyous Fred. Paul Hopper is no wimp as Bob Crachit and is a funny Fezziwig. Mary Benson is a fun-loving mother as Mrs. Crachit. Dressed almost like one of three "Wise Men," Geoffrey Beauchamp is a wonderful Christmas present. Whether is was Adam Carpenter or Nicholas Cornfield dressed as a "choir boy," an odd interpretation, he was good as the Ghost of Christmas Past. Scott Goci (or Jeffrey Hyke) looked the part of the frail Tiny Tim with a big, booming voice for his wonderful prayer..

Much of the dialogue is Dickensian – taken right out of the book of play adapter Mary Spalding. Scrooge's life before he met his partner Marley was imaginatively embellished, portraying poor Fezziwig as unsuccessful for his failure to downsize his warehouse business. Scrooge's personality change is clearly elaborated when nephew Fred narrates the end of the story to his children.

Though the stage and sets seem bleak in comparison to the former set, the snow still flies for the curtain call in front of the Christmas tree and the English Carols are as inspiring as ever.

The ice skaters added at the back of the stage gives the flavor of the season. That and the 6 p.m. "twilight" performance time make the show a very child-friendly production.

But the opening scene Christmas Eve funeral on the streets of London is not a statement worth making.



Holiday classic: *Booth Colman (left to right) and Thomas D. Mahard perform in Meadow Brook Theatre's annual production of "A Christmas Carol" through Dec. 29.*

Actress shares funny 'Family Secrets'

Family Secrets," through Sunday, Jan. 12, at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. 7:30 p.m. Performances Wednesdays-Thursdays, and Sundays; 8 p.m. Saturdays. Tickets $10-$23 with discounts for seniors, students and groups. Special New Year's Eve shows 7 p.m. ($35 including hors d'oeuvres and champagne), and 10 p.m. ($50 including hors d'oeuvres, champagne and breakfast). (810) 788-2900

BY HELEN ZUCKER
SPECIAL WRITER

The Jewish Ensemble Theatre production of Sherry Glazer and Greg Howells "Family Secrets" is a howl. Directed by Greg Howells and starring Susan Merson, it's a howl with a sad undercurrent.

"Family Secrets" is a one woman show that allows Merson to pull out all the stops. She gets to play beleaguered Dad, a nice, conventional accountant who remembers being happy when his mother gave him a bowl of spaghetti and ketchup. He's come pretty far from the Bronx, rides the Long Island Rail Road, and can't understand why his three kids aren't happy.

Some of the material is familiar, but Merson puts a deft spin on some very funny lines; she makes this family seem brand new – as if she were letting us in on the major secrets of relatives we didn't know very well. She gets in and out of a lot of costumes and wigs, transforming herself before our eyes from gray-looking, plump Dad to glamourous, blond Mom. Mom has a breakdown after spending three hours making lasagna that no one will eat. She enjoys going to the hospital. She takes lithium and becomes philosophical in her flamboyant way.

By time Merson is done we know these relatives too well. Son Joel, who got an engineering degree from Columbia and was treated to a trip to Israel after graduating has become a shepherd. We don't witness life on an Israeli hillside; it's enough to hear about it. Daughter Fern embarrasses Dad when he renews his vows with Mom by bringing Molly, the woman she's living with. Dad & Mom have invited everyone they know. Fern splits up with Molly, and moves n with a transcendentalist. "The universe," (Dad's wallet) "will provide," says Fern. We get to witness a marvelous natural childbirth scene; the pain, the craziness and the wonder of family life is abundant here.

The best scene perhaps out of many terrific scenes is Merson playing Sondra, a maddeningly familiar teenager. Sondra has nothing on her mind but a boy she is mad about; she is waiting for his call during the entire scene. She has thrown a party the night before, alcohol, the works. When asked for drugs by her dreamboy, they go upstairs and take her mother's lithium. Then they move to mother's bed. "It only takes a minute," Sondra tells us. Dreamboy is out with another girl as Sondra waits for his call. She goes on to tell us how hard she works, having to vacuum; she is beset, she is so crazed with responsibility she has turned bulimic. This is a lost child, at once funny and scary.

Merson turns deftly from teen to old woman. A woman with all her wits intact. And she ends this saga with salt and kindness.

Properties & Costume Design by Melinda Pacha are highly inventive. We get a spare stage and fairly elaborate costumes. Lighting by Mark Berg was fine. Congratulations to Evelyn Orbach, Artistic Director. And to Chad Kushuba, Technical Director and Mary Anne Davis, Production Stage Manager.

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'Trim the Tree' with Livonia chorus

Has the holiday hustle-bustle got you singing the blues? Here's something that is sure to change your tune.

the Livonia Civic Chorus is presenting its 32nd annual holiday concert, "Light the Candles...Trim the Tree," 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22 in the auditorium of Clarenceville High School on Middlebelt Road, south of Eight Mile Road, in Livonia. Admission is free.

The concert offers "something for everyone," said director Jim Whitten, blending both new and traditional music with specialty numbers and a surprise visit from Santa.

Featured guests, "Choraltion," from Churchill High School will also be performing. For more information, call (810) 477-8236.



Getting ready: *Choir members Geri Leiter (Santa) and Chris Gach (helper) prepare for the 32nd annual Holiday Concert presented by the Livonia Civic Chorus.*

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Musical: "Shuffle Off to Buffalo," or to the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit where "42nd Street," is playing through Dec. 22. "Come and meet those dancin' feet," and treat yourself to an evening of glamor and fun. "42nd Street" features a barrage of sensational songs that seems to end — "You're Getting to be a Habit With Me," "We're in the Money," "Lullaby of Broadway," and "About a Quarter Nine." Tickets available at all Ticketmaster locations, or call (810) 433-1515.

RECEPTIONS

THE ART GALLERY
Featured for December in the artists cooperative at Great Oaks Mall, Walton and Livernois, Rochester Hills, are Ruth Allen, collage; Maxine Johnson, jewelry; Julie Smith, landscapes and flowers in acrylic; and Al Ugelow, scenes from all over in watercolor. Meet Johnson and Ugelow in a holiday reception 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21. Call (810) 651-1579.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
A solo exhibit of recent paintings by Mary Jahns to Dec. 21 at 407 Pine, Rochester; (810) 651-4110. Closing reception 7-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20.

CASS CAFE
Music art by graphic artist Gary Grimshaw and found-object wall relief sculpture by L.E. Grimshaw exhibited through January at 4620 Cass Avenue at Forest, Detroit; (313) 831-1400. Receptions for the artists 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, and 1-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21.

PROGRAMS

TOUCH OF LIGHT
Holiday Glass Show to Dec. 24 at 23426 Woodward, Ferndale; (810) 543-1868. Glassblowing demonstrations 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21.

COLLEGE

U OF M MUSEUM OF ART
"Common Ground: African Art and Affinities" through January at 525 S. State, Ann Arbor; (313) 764-0395. Docent-led tour 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22. Call to arrange group tours of any exhibit. "Collecting Teapots" topic of Friday Tea at Three Dec. 20; admission $5, free to museum volunteers.

POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 412-1040

AMERICAN MARS
With DJ Papa Ron, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Planet Ant, 2357 Caniff (2 1/2 blocks east of I-75), Hamtramck. $5. 21 and older. (alternapop) (313) 581-6268

BARENAKED LADIES
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $26.50. All ages. (313) 983-6611

BARNSTORMER
8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24-Sunday, Dec. 29, Diamondback Saloon, 49345 S. I-94 Service Dr., Belleville. (country) (313) 699-7899

BLUE EYED SOUL
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 E. Woodbridge, Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 567-6020

BLUE MEANIES
With Sidekick Kato, Alligator Gun, and Hole in One, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $6 in advance. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT

BLUE ROSE
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Chevy Cola Bar and Grill, 15101 W. 12 Mile Road, Warren; 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Oxbow Lake Roadhouse, 9451 Elizabeth Lake Road, White Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 776-2662/(810) 698-1514

BOTFLY
9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $5. 19 and older; With Uncle Booby and Affliction, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. $6 in advance. (funky alternative rock) (313) 996-8555/(810) 335-8100

ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE
With Hoarse, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $10 in advance. 18 and older. (roots rock/blues) (313) 961-MELT

BILLY BRANCH AND THE SONS OF THE BLUES
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 543-0917

BRILLIANT
With Sensitive Clown, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $6 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 833-POOL

BUGS BEDDOW
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 642-9400

BUTTERFLY
10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

CANDLELIGHT JAM
With Caelum Bliss, The Mutes, Eden Seed, Star 80, and Uncle Booby, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. $5. 18 and older. (variety) (810) 334-1999

CANN FESTIVAL
With Soulson and Fathers of the Id, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. Benefits the Children with AIDS National Network. (313) 961-MELT

CHARM FARM
With Getaway Cruiser, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. $6 in advance. All ages. (alternapop) (810) 335-8100

CITY LIMITS
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Roger's Roost, 33626 Schoenherr, Sterling Heights. (blues) (810) 979-7550

COMMANDER CODY
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $10 in advance; $13 at the door. (roots rock) (313) 833-POOL

DIK
With Mount Tai and Gutwrench, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (810) 589-3344

EKOOSTIK HOOKAH
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. $8 in advance. 18 and older. (Deadhead) (810) 335-8100

EUREKA BLUE MOONS
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 412-1040

FORTUNE AND MALTESE
With The Phabulous Pallbearers and Mondo Mod, 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (garage rock) (313) 485-5050

STEWART FRANCKE
With Vudu Hippies, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, as part of the Oakland County food bank benefit, Royal Oak Music Theater, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop) (810) 546-7610

GRIZZLY PEACH
10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

GROOVE MONKEY ATMOSPHERE
10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (funk) (313) 485-5050

MIMI HARRIS AND THE SNAKES
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

HARVENGERS
With Hope Demons, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (810) 589-3344

AL HILL
8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, Main Street Billiards, 215 S. Main St., Rochester. (blues) (810) 543-0917

HOLY COWS
With Nineteen Wheels, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $5. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

HOWLING DIABLOS
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, Bear's Den, 2972 Coolidge Highway, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (R&B/funk) (810) 543-0917/(810) 542-9922

HOWLIN' MERCY
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

HYSTERIC NARCOTICS
With Bootsy X and the Lovemasters, Dan Dollrod, and the Niemurphski Bros., play a benefit for striking newspaper workers, 9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (funk/alternative rock) (313) 875-6555

IMMORTAL WINOS OF SOUL
With That Jive and Inoxia, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 875-6555

IMPACT 7
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (810) 855-3110

ROBERT JONES
8-10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (blues) (810) 737-0110

MICHAEL KATON
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. (blues) (810) 644-4800

KNEE DEEP SHAG
With Daddy Longlegs, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $4. 19 and older. (funk/reggae/ska) (313) 996-8555

LADY SUNSHINE AND THE X BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27-Saturday, Dec. 28, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. $5. 21 and older. (313) 278-5340

JOHN D. LAMB
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Mr. B's, 24555 Novi Road, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (singer/songwriter) (810) 349-7038

LARVAL
With Only a Mother, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (experimental) (313) 832-2355

THE LOOK
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Bullfrog Lounge, 15414 Telegraph, Redford. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

TIM MAHONEY AND THE MEENIES
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $6. 18 and older. (roots rock) (313) 833-POOL

JIM MCCARTY AND MYSTERY TRAIN
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 543-0917

THE MISSION
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Beale Street Blues Barbecue, 8 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27-Saturday, Dec. 28, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe (at Van Born), Taylor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 334-7900/(313) 278-5340

MONDO MOD
With Lucky Haskins, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $4. 19 and older. (rockabilly) (313) 996-8555

MOONPIE FONTANA
9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills; 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, during the Christmas party at Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. (blues) (810) 543-0917/(810) 644-4800/(810) 855-3110

MUDPUPPY
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. $5. 21 and older. (313) 278-5340

BOBBIE MURRAY BAND
Featuring Lenny Watkins, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 855-3110

NRBQ
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Magic Bag, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. $12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (blues) (810) 544-3030

ROBERT PENN
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. (blues) (810) 644-4800

PUMMEL
9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 875-6555

QUARTETTE
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19-Friday, Dec. 20, Capitol Theatre, 121 University Ave., West., Windsor, Ontario, Canada. (country) (519) 253-7729

THE REPUTATIONS
With Bootsy X and the Lovemasters, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 875-6555

RESTROOM POETS
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (roots rock) (810) 348-9110/(313) 996-2747

SHAWN RILEY
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 20, and Friday, Dec. 27, and 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, Fat Willy's, 19170 Farmington Road (north of Seven Mile Road), Livonia. (acoustic rock) (810) 615-1330

THE SCHUGARS
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, Rivertown Saloon, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 875-6555/(313) 567-6020

SENSITIVE CLOWN
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, Mosquito Club, 28949 Joy Road, Westland. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 513-8688

SKOLARS
Celebrate release of CD with party and performance with special guests Bourgeois Filth and Social Scare, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $3 on sale only at St. Andrew's Hall and the Beat Hotel Records, 3185 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT/(810) 544-2485

SISTER SOLEIL
Featuring Stella Katsoudas on vocals, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. $5. 18 and older. (techno pop) (810) 334-1999

SOLID FROG
With Atomic Numbers, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $5. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-8555

STATION NEIN
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (acoustic rock) (313) 416-9288

CAROLYN STRIHO
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27-Saturday, Dec. 28, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 875-6555

THE SUICIDE MACHINES
With Spit and Suburban Delinquents, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27-Saturday, Dec. 28, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $6 in advance. All ages. (ska) (313) 833-9700

CURTIS SUMTER PROJECT FEATURING CATHY DAVIS
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 855-3110

SUNGLASSES AFTER DARK
Celebrates release of new CD "Sunglasses After Dark: Before the Ugly Lights," 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free. All ages. (313) 271-4441

SWISHBELLY
With Howling Diablos, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. $7 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock/funk) (810) 333-2362

JIM TATE BAND
Hosts the Blind Pig's annual Christmas party, 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, at the bar, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $5. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

TEXAS FLOOD
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, and Friday, Dec. 27-Saturday, Dec. 28, and Tuesday, Dec. 31, The End Zone, 5157 Telegraph Road, Dearborn. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 291-8850

TEXAS IS THE REASON
With Promise Ring and Needlepoint Book, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $6 in advance. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-MELT

TWISTIN' TARANTULAS
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (810) 642-9400

WAILIN' INC
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free. 21 and older; 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, during the Christmas party at Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 855-3110/(810) 543-0917

JASON D. WILLIAMS
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, Magic Bag, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. $5. 18 and older. (rockabilly) (810) 544-3030

CLUB NIGHTS

BIRD OF PARADISE
Acid jazz night with DJ Bubblicious, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Tuesdays at the club, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. $3. 21 and older. (313) 662-8310

CROSS STREET STATION
Ska and world beat, 9 p.m. Sundays. Cover charge. 18 and older; Retro dance party, 9 p.m. Tuesdays. $3. 21 and older, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. (313) 485-5050

FAMILY FUNKTION
"Uptown Remix," acid jazz, hip-hop, funk and soul dance mix with local and national guest DJs, 9 p.m. Fridays, Magic Bag, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. $5. 18 and older; "Family Funktion" night 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (acid jazz/funk) (313) 832-2355/(810) 544-3030

THE MAJESTIC COMPLEX
"Psychedelic Sunday" with funk music, 9 p.m. Sundays in the Magic Stick. Cover charge; "The Chamber" with gothic/industrial and deep dark retro music with DJ Tim Shuller, 9 p.m. Mondays in the Magic Stick. Cover charge; "Figure Four Tag Team DJs," acid jazz and early disco/retro tunes with DJs Bubblicious, Scott Zacharias, Paris and Bone, 11 p.m.-4 a.m. Thursday in the Magic Stick. Cover charge; "Rockabilly Bowl" with DJ Del Fridays in the Garden Bowl. Free; "Rock 'n' Bowl" 9 p.m. Saturdays while DJ Cheryl spins alternative, funk and R&B in the Garden Bowl. Free. All events in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 18 and older. (313) 833-POOL/(313) 833-9700

MOTOR LOUNGE
"Blue Mondays" with Johnny "Yard Dog" Jones and Bobby Murray with a special guest blues artist weekly; Darren

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Performing: *Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise with fellow Detroiters and RCA labelmates Hoarse perform Saturday, Dec. 21, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress in Detroit. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are $10 in advance for the 18 and older show. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT*

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ST. ANDREW'S HALL/THE SHELTER
10 p.m. Wednesdays "The Incinerator," alternative rock in the Shelter, $6, 18 and older; 10 p.m. Fridays "Three Floors of Fun" with hip-hop, alternative rock, and techno/house, $3 before 11 p.m., $5 after, 18 and older; 10 p.m. Saturdays "Soul Picnic" with funk, hip-hop and soul in the Shelter, $3, 18 and older, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT

3-D
"Prophecy," techno/alternative dance night, 9 p.m. Fridays; alternative dance, free before 10:30 p.m. Saturdays; 3-D XXXmas Bash, 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, at the club, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 589-3344

THEATER

ATTIC THEATRE
"Molly Sweeney" in repertory with "Jacques Brel," through Sunday, Jan. 5, at the theater, 508 Monroe, in Trappers Alley, Greektown area of Detroit. Times vary for each show. $15-$25. (313) 963-9339

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE
"The Nutcracker" with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Michigan Opera Theatre, through Sunday, Dec. 22. 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22. $13-$35; matinees half price for children and seniors, $6.50; "A Chorus Line," Monday, Dec. 23-Sunday, Jan. 5, at the Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29. $25-$62.50. (313) 833-3700

FOX THEATRE
"42nd Street," 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, at the theater, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $7.50-$37.50. (810) 433-1515

GEM THEATRE
"The All Night Strut! Holiday Show," through Sunday, Jan. 5, at the theater, 58 E. Columbia (across the street from the State and Fox theaters), Detroit. Times and prices vary throughout December. New Year's Eve performances: 7 p.m. $45; and 10 p.m. $60 includes a champagne toast and dancing afterward. (313) 963-9800

HILBERRY THEATER
"Tartuffe," Moliere's most popular play, through Thursday, Feb. 1, at the theater, Wayne State University campus, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. Performance: 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays. $9.50-$16.50. (313) 577-2972.

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE
"Family Secrets," through Sunday, Jan. 12, at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, and Sundays; 8 p.m. Saturdays. $10-$23 with discounts for seniors, students and groups. Special New Year's Eve shows 7 p.m. ($35 including hors d'oeuvres and champagne), and 10 p.m. ($50 including hors d'oeuvres, champagne and breakfast). (810) 788-2900

MEADOW BROOK THEATER
"A Christmas Carol," through Sunday, Dec. 29, at the theater, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. $19-$29.50. 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21; 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22; 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28; and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29. (810) 377-3300

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MOVIES

Australian 'Shine' mines the craziness behind genius

TICKETS PLEASE



JOHN MONAGHAN

You're sitting in a restaurant when, seemingly out of nowhere, a disheveled man with smudgy glasses walks across the room, music sheets falling to the ground. He sits down at the piano and begins to play, and you're so moved by his passion and intensity that you rise to a thunderous ovation.

While this is one of the triumphant moments in "Shine," the picture as a whole left me underwhelmed. It arrived at theaters this week with critical raves and the top prize at the Toronto Film Festival trailing behind it. But like the "Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto Number 3" that its subject successfully masters, it has brilliant, sublimely subtle moments laced in an overpowering, downright bombastic composition.

You can understand writer/director Scott Hicks' interest in bringing to the screen oddball David Helfgott, a real-life Australian concert pianist whose once-promising career was hindered by mental illness. The movie jumps between the tutelage of his overbearing father to his later years at the mercy of anyone who could put up with his chronic eccentricity.

Seen in his forties, David is a childlike chain-smoker. His mile-a-minute delivery, about everything from pussycats to the difficulty of the infamous "Rach 3," is delivered with a spastic shake in his voice. How well you like his character depends on your tolerance for watching a naked man jumping on the trampoline in your backyard.

The movie wears its own creativity like a badge of courage, with relentlessly arty shots and endless dialogue about devotion to your craft and the power of music that is at the same time stirring and contrived.

Nineteen-year-old David eventually ends up studying at London's Royal College of Music, where he's mentored by an ancient, ascot-wearing Sir John Gielgud. He coaches his pupil with corny lines like, "The music is a monster. It must be tamed before it devours you."

Not to say that "Shine" doesn't shine in spots. The most talked-about sequence involves the young pianist's groundbreaking London concert. His long black hair drips into his face as he plays, then, in the middle of the performance, the scene goes silent so that only the sound of his heartbeat can be heard. Afterward he slumps to the ground in a ball, his pinnacle reached with nowhere really left to go. Perhaps even better than what "Shine" shows is what it doesn't. Here are scenes of great subtlety. We are fortunately spared most of the horrors of David's time in a mental institution. Even his sexual initiation (with a drag queen, no less) is shown with him waking on the London street with a feather boa around his neck.

Three actors play Helfgott. While Noah Taylor tackles his formative years, it's Geoffrey Rush's older David who is the real piece of work, babbling and cooing at anyone who will listen,

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MOVIES

Capra's 'It's a Wonderful Life' has timeless appeal

BY LYNN ELBER
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

LOS ANGELES (AP) – The film's hero is a lanky chump, a man unable to escape the grip of the hick town he disdains. There's no sex and little violence in the story, unless you count Clarence the angel biting a cop.

But talk about hit movies: After 50 years, "It's a Wonderful Life" has yet to outstay its holiday welcome. As sure as egg nog and overspending, the Frank Capra film is woven into America's yuletide experience.

We feel George Bailey's pain, again and again. We despair at the fate that keeps him from fulfilling his dreams of adventure, but salute as George selflessly aids his family, friends and community.

We ache with nostalgia for a small-town America of innocence and fellowship we're unlikely to have known and which, we suspect, may have existed only in a Capra-created universe.

In other words, we wallow shamelessly and tearfully in the operatic tragedy and redemption of suicidal George Bailey, Everyman, forced by an angel to recognize the value of his life – and to show us the value of ours.

"Frank Capra made you pay for those happy endings," the film's star, Jimmy Stewart, has been quoted as saying. And we have done so, gladly.

Even the 51 minutes of commercials that the NBC U.S. television network stuffed in last year's exclusive TV broadcast of "It's a Wonderful Life" and which could accompany this year's Dec. 21 airing, can't keep us away.

Lawsuits swirling around the picture, thwarted parodies and a small flood of merchandise tied to the 50th anniversary aren't deterrents, either.

And why? Motive and opportunity.

Opportunity first. In the 1970s, a clerical error allowed the studio copyright to lapse, and a number of television stations seized the chance to run the Christmas-themed movie for free each holiday season.

George Bailey's story – the good man who can't shirk his responsibility to the family business, the girl (Donna Reed) who loves him, or the town he keeps from the clutches of greedy Mr. Potter (Lionel Barrymore) – became as familiar as Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

Capra "loved the fact it went into the public domain," says his son, Tom. "It became this exorbitant hit and much more popular than it ever could have possibly been before."

"He always said, 'Thank God those fools let the copyright lapse,' otherwise no one might ever have seen it."

That may have been an exaggeration, but it's certainly true that "It's a Wonderful Life" outgrew its modest beginnings.

Although the 1946 film received five Academy Award nominations, including best picture and best actor for Stewart, its box-office performance and reviews were lackluster.

When it debuted, the New Yorker magazine dismissed it as "baby talk" (and has relented only reluctantly: A 1977 New Yorker piece said, "In its own icky, bittersweet way, it's terribly effective").

It echoed other Capra films in exploring the fight of the idealistic individual against a cynical, greedy villain, but the theme that resonated with Depression audiences proved less persuasive to postwar America.

Contemporary movie fans have proven more open-minded, and film scholars understand why: "It's a Wonderful Life" is a superbly crafted film with much to offer.

"Jimmy Stewart is an incredibly likable performer, and in this film, he's a person who's done nothing but good throughout his entire life," said Jonathan Kuntz of the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television.

Audiences can identify with Stewart's Bailey and with the spiritual crisis he suffers over the life he perceives as wasted, Kuntz said.

"We also would like to feel that we're being watched over by a guardian angel. That's a wonderful thought. ... And, finally, we also would love to have a happy ending, where everybody is redeemed," he said.

The movie's joyful conclusion, with a reborn Bailey in the arms of family and friends, is exceptional for a memorable film, said Howard Suber, Kuntz's colleague at UCLA.

In most enduring movies, such as "Gone With the Wind" or "Casablanca," the hero or heroine is left to cope with a crucial loss, such as love, Suber noted.

But buoyant populist Capra, after forcing audiences through Bailey's nightmare of how lousy the world would have been without him, didn't abandon us. George would emerge content, darn it, and so would we.

There are measures of the movie's impact beyond audience loyalty. There are the calendars and books spun off by actors in the film (sparking a legal battle with Republic Pictures, which is reasserting ownership rights).

Also noteworthy was an abortive attempt by Comedy Central to create a parody of the film, a plan that fell apart when sister division Republic – both are under parent company Viacom – objected.

Tom Capra thinks his father would have been amused by a spoof. But that doesn't mean he didn't take "It's a Wonderful Life" very seriously. The filmmaker, who died in 1991 at the age of 94, deemed the film his masterwork.

Shine *from page E8*

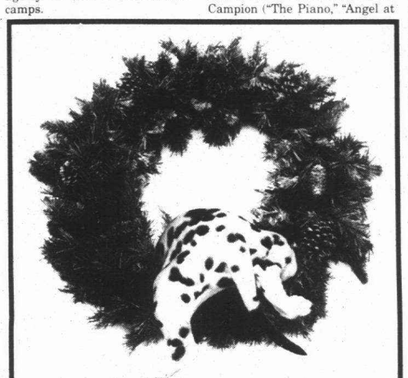
including the attractive astrologer (Vanessa Redgrave) who eventually becomes his wife.

At the heart of "Shine" remains the destructive relationship between David and his father (Armin Mueller-Stahl). The movie plays on the obsession of the Polish-Jewish immigrant to keep the family together. Brief shots of him behind a single strand of barbed wire in the backyard and his gaze at a photo of long lost sisters, hints at the agony of the concentration camps.

While it spends infinite time on their relationship, it glosses over the sisters and mother who also share the house. You'd think that the one sister who comes to visit David in later years would at least fill us in on the family, even if her brother is too preoccupied to listen.

Once upon a time, Australian directors Bruce Beresford, Gillian Armstrong, and Peter Wier mined the country's rich heritage with diverse stories and films. New Zealander Jane Campion ("The Piano," "Angel at My Table") and now Hicks, representing a new wave of regional cinema, continue to hit the same note in their stories of bizarre, creative individuals driven to the brink of insanity.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. You can listen to him on Dave Dixon's Radio Show AM 1270, 8 p.m. to midnight Saturdays. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.



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SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

Birmingham Theatre 211 S. Woodward, Birmingham. Call (810) 644-FILM for information. ($6.50; $4.25 matinees and seniors)

■ "The English Patient" (Britain - 1996). Four people meet in a ruined Italian monastery near the end of World War II in this adaptation of the Booker Prize-winning novel by Michael Ondaatje. Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche, and Willem Dafoe star.

Magic Bag Theatre 22920 Woodward, Ferndale. Call (810) 544-3030 for information. ($6)

■ "Spike and Mike's Sick and Twisted Festival of Animation." Through Jan. 2 (call for show times). Last year it played like a "greatest hits" package. This year the fourth annual showcase of animated bad taste features - 20 premieres. Among the titles: "Condom Complaint," "The Happy Moose" and new episodes of the perennial favorite "No Neck Joe."

Main Art Theatre 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 542-0180 for information and showtimes. ($6.50; $4 students, seniors and matinee; $3 twilight)

■ "Jude" (USA - 1996). An adaptation of Thomas Hardy's "Jude the Obscure," about a university scholar who falls in love with his cousin. Christopher Eccleston and Kate Winslet star.

■ "Vertigo" (USA - 1956). Many call this Hitchcock's most personal film because its main character (Jimmy Stewart) tries to turn his girlfriend into the image of a lost love. Hitch did the same thing after Grace Kelly left movies to become a princess, sending the old director scrambling for the likes of other icy blondes, here Kim Novak. The ambitious 40th anniversary restoration sports new color and a remixed soundtrack.

■ "The English Patient" (Britain - 1996). See Birmingham Theatre listing above.

Maple Theatre 4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. All titles play through at least next Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 855-9090 for information. ($6; $2.95 twilight)

■ "Trees Lounge" (USA - 1996). Bugeyed character actor Steve Buscemi makes his directorial debut as an out-of-work mechanic who hangs out at the title establishment, a bar based on his own nonworking days on Long Island.

■ "The English Patient" (Britain - 1996). See Birmingham Theatre listing above.

Michigan Theatre 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call (313) 668-8480 for information. ($5.50; $4.50 students/seniors)

■ "Jude" (USA - 1996). 7, 9:30 p.m. Dec. 20; 4:30, 7 p.m. Dec. 22. See Main Art Theatre listing above.

■ "Vertigo" (USA - 1956). See Main Art Theatre listing above.

Redford Theatre 17360 Lahser (at Grand River), Detroit. Call (313) 537-2560 for information. ($2.50)

■ "The Bishop's Wife" (USA - 1947). 8 p.m. Dec. 20; 2, 8 p.m. Dec. 21 (organ overture begins a half hour before showtime). With a modern remake with Denzel Washington in theaters now, it's a good time to check out the original, with Cary Grant as an angel who gives some otherworldly assistance to Loretta Young and David Niven.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Opens Friday, Dec. 20

"THE CRUCIBLE"
Suspenseful drama of evil and personal conscience based on one of the greatest plays of the 20th century. Stars Daniel Day-Lewis, Winona Ryder, Paul Scofield and Joan Allen.

"MY FELLOW AMERICANS"
Comedy about two unscrupulous ex-U.S. Presidents who have nothing in common but their dislike of one another who find themselves compelled to travel cross country together as they investigate a potential White House scandal involving the current president. Stars Jack Lemmon, James Garner and Dan Aykroyd.

"ONE FINE DAY"
An old-fashioned love story for the cellular age. Two career minded people, one male, the other female, determined never to have love disappoint them again, are thrown together for one chactic day, the only thing they have in common are identical cellular phones and the fear of letting someone get too close. The last thing they expected was to fall in love. Stars Michelle Pfeiffer and George Clooney.

"RIDICULE"
A lavish and colorful drama set in the age of Louis XVI. The tale of a modest country engineer who travels to court, a place where even the slightest misstep can be fatal. He must focus every once of energy on extracting royal favor.

"SHINE"
A Toronto Film Festival award winner about the life and times of Australian pianist David Helfgott, a brilliant young musician who is driven to the edge of madness by his authoritarian father.

"MICHAEL"
This offbeat fantasy is about a beer-drinking archangel rumored to be living in Iowa, and the tabloid reporter and dog expert who try to track him down.

"THE EVENING STAR"
In this sequel to "Terms of Endearment," fifteen years later it is clear Aurora and her grandchildren have not been living happily ever after.

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HO! HO! HO!
Let's un-wrap something special together. Tall, single mom, slender, very attractive lady, all the good stuff. Seeking tall, emotionally-financially-secure gentleman, N/S, social drinker with good attitude. No games! ☎7524(exp1/9)

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL
SWF, 22, 5'2", brown/hazel, seeks SWM, 25-40, who enjoys conversation, honesty and fidelity, well-educated. For friendship, fun and possible LTR. ☎7718(exp1/16)

SMART+SASSY
Tall slim DWF, 36, with feline dependent, wishes to meet S/DWM, interests, animals, professional sports, music, cars, movies, museums, dining out, dancing, playing cards, and a good book. ☎7717(exp1/16)

ATTRACTIVE
Female, 20, 5'6", 110lbs, enjoys sports, movies, and traveling. Seeking good-looking, SWM, 19-29, for friendship, companionship, possible relationship. ☎7722(exp1/16)

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Humorous, conservative SBPF, 40s, average height, slender, no dependents, enjoys conversation, travel, music, theater, dining, walking, and sports. Seeking compatible SM, 40-55, must be employed. ☎7715 (exp1/16)

BROWN-EYED GIRL
Attractive, intelligent SWF, 31, enjoys dancing, entertainment, movies, hockey, working out. Searching for a hard-working, fun-loving and sincere gentleman who will make my heart smile. ☎7737(exp1/16)

SHE'S THE ONE
Sweet, sensuous, smart and gorgeous too. 5'7", 130lbs, MA degreed, early 40s, childless, well-read, into bike touring, kayaking, cuddling and laughing. Seeking good-looking, well-educated, articulate, outgoing guy. N/S. ☎7577(exp1/9)

TATTOOED LADY
Attractive DWF, 27, this kid just can't seem to get a break in nice guy department. Are there any of you out there? ☎7514(exp1/9)

SEE A SHOOTING STAR
This 26 year-old DWF is looking for her shooting star. I am understanding, loving and fun and am seeking the same in you. Come on, take a chance... smile. ☎7569(exp1/9)

LET'S TALK
SWF, 30, 5'8", blonde/blue, Catholic, physically fit, enjoys working out, baking, skiing, fishing, cooking. Seeking SWM, 28+, 6'+, athletic, financially secure, enjoys good conversation, for friendship first. ☎7442(exp1/2)

BEAUTIFUL EYES
SWF, 29, full-figured, loves boating, camping and quiet evenings. Seeking SWPM, 28+, 6+, who's affectionate, spontaneous and has sense of humor. ☎7441(exp1/2)

WAITING FOR YOU
DWF, late 40s, non-smoker, degreed, has been waiting for you all her life. If you're interested in theatre, concerts, antiquing, sharing quality time, I would love to hear from you. ☎7439 (exp1/2)

NEW TO ME
DWF, tall, 50ish, attractive, loves laughter and meaningful conversations, seeks 6' emotionally-financially secure, N/S, SWM, 40-55, for companionship, etc. I'm a singer, work some nights. ☎7438(exp1/2)

FUN-LOVING REDHEAD
Seeking SWPM, 28-38, 5'9"+, prefer blonds, should be athletic, quick-witted, intelligent, in exchange, this humorous SWPF, 5'6", athletic girl, promises great conversation and lots of fun. ☎7432(exp1/2)

YOUNGER MAN WANTED
Never dated a man my age, don't want to start now. Very sexy, young-looking WF, 5'4", 34-25-35, hazel/blue-green, ready to rock n' roll with attractive WM, 40ish, with thick hair. ☎7365(exp1/2)

TIRED OF MR. CLOSE ENOUGH
Tall, attractive SWF, 36, 5'10", H/W proportionate, brown/hazel, unmarried, yet to find right one, enjoys racquetball, volleyball, rollerblading, movies, music, books, & backrubs. Seeking tall SWM, 32-45, similar interests, sense of humor. ☎7364 (exp1/2)

CLASSY LADY: VELVET OR JEANS
Attractive SWF, 51, N/S, 5'7", trim, brunette/green, several interests, enjoys outdoors, dancing, travel, theater. Seeking tall, easygoing gentleman, loyal, sincere, emotionally-financially secure, for mutual spoiling. ☎7362 (exp1/2)

JUST RELOCATED
Attractive SWF, 45, much younger-looking, 5'5", 155lbs., very well-proportioned, considerate, caring, cute and easy to talk to, seeks happy guy. N/S., prefer big, strong guy. ☎7360(exp1/2)

ATTRACTIVE, OUTGOING SWF
49, 5'4", redhead, proportioned, financially secure, professional, seeks same in SM, enjoys outdoors, dancing, dining, movies, quiet evenings. ☎7355(exp1/2)

LOOKING FOR...
SBM, 38-45, 6'3", fun, humorous, loves good times, understanding, considerate, kind, caring, sharing, professional, sincere gentleman for friendship. Must have children. Serious replies only. ☎7428(exp1/2)

ANIMATE ME
SWF, 37, 165lbs., auburn/blue, glasses, smoker, seeks SWM counterpart, under 41, who can relate to "Rush" lyrics and Ayn Rand, laughs a lot and learns by his mistakes. ☎7427(exp1/2)

ATTN: CLASSY GENT
A classy lady awaits your reply. She's slender, tall, pretty, affectionate, intelligent and a young-looking 50, smoker. Call if you're intelligent, tall, over 50, romantic. ☎7426(exp1/2)

ALL WORK? TIME TO PLAY!
SWF, 22, professionally employed and working too many hours, seeks SBM, 21-30 to take me out after work and help me relax. ☎7421(exp1/2)

VEGETARIAN WITH BRAINS
...preferred. Vivacious, intelligent, white female, active, 47, 5', slender, compassionate, single, loves moonlight, breezes, laughter, conversation, blues, art, lectures. Seeks playful, gentle, spiritual, non-prejudice, N/S, politically left, quintessential SWDM, 34-59. ☎7420(exp1/2)

ATTRACTIVE BLONDE
Passionate, European-born DWF, very active, young 50, alone too much. Seeing, tall, honest, available, intelligent gentleman, with a lust for living, to enjoy life's pleasures with. ☎7012(exp12/26)

I AM YOUR LADY
Good things come to those who wait. Don't let her slip through your fingers. DWF, 50, life affirming, independent, and sassy. Seeking S/DWM, 50-70, for companionship. ☎7228(exp12/26)

ZEST FOR LIFE!
Attractive, energetic DWPF, 38, 5'7", brown/blue, fit, loves golf, blading, skiing, sports, dining, dancing. Seeking tall, handsome, secure man, with a zest for life. Honest, passionate, and romantic. ☎7109 (exp12/26)

HI, WHERE ARE YOU?
I've been looking for you! Me, educated WF, 5'4", 5'2", blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker. I like myself and think you will, too. You, 55-63, honest, caring, romantic, and sincere. Let's talk! ☎7108(exp12/26)

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE
Russian woman, 29, 5'5", 120lbs, new in US, seeks good, American man with strong family values. Believes in placing husband and family before career. ☎7102(exp12/26)

TAKE A CHANCE...
I might be your dream come true! Realistic, honest, down-to-earth DWF, 38, 5'11". H/W proportionate, bright, attractive, traditional, who really enjoys Home Improvement, music, outdoors, animals, cooking. Seeking clean-cut SWPM, 38-45, 6'+ ☎7063(exp12/26)

LIVE WIRE
Classy lady, attractive, petite, down-to-earth style/humor, caring, sharing. Enjoys conversation, museums, flea markets, days/weekend trips, dining, dancing, spectator sports. If you're similar, and want this superb relationship, respond ☎7217 (exp12/26)

EXTREMELY CUTE
Sexy, golden brown complexioned BF, engineer, 25, 5'4", 128lbs., independent. Enjoys movies, fireplaces, chick flicks. Seeking attractive, muscular medium build SM of any race for lasting relationship. Serious inquiries only. ☎7213(exp12/26)

DO I HAVE YOUR RIB?
Widowed WF, young senior, seeks WM, 57+, N/D. Enjoy life, dancing, camping, desires LTR with gentleman. ☎7205(exp12/26)

SHORT AND HONEST
DWF, 47, seeks SWM, 40-50, honest man. ☎7203(exp12/26)

HOME COOKED MEALS
SWF, 47, attractive redhead, 5'2", curvy figure, good-shape, easygoing, honest, sincere, affectionate, financially secure, no dependents. Seeking companion to share happy home-life with good-cooking, movies, dancing. N/S preferred, 45-55. Pets welcome. ☎7571(exp12/19)

SMART AND SEXY
Attractive, optimistic SWF, 30s, N/S, never married, no dependents, well-educated, professional, slender, sweet, intelligent, blonde beauty. Varied interests; world-traveled; music, dancing, sports, county club golf. Seeking well-educated, accomplished, fit gentleman. ☎7212(exp 12/26)

OLD-FASHIONED
Divorced mother of one, 29, very shy, blond/ish/brown, blue eyes, 5'7", 110lbs, enjoys dancing, cider mills, all winter activities. Seeking caring, true romantic, sensitive, old-fashioned guy ☎7025(exp12/19)

ECLECTIC SLENDER ATTRACTIVE
Brunette, 5'7", enjoys tennis, golf, boating, dancing, gardening, etc. Seeks, Seeking a gentleman, 50s-60s, 5'10"+, with varied interests. Let's start out friends. ☎7061(exp12/19)

EMPTY NEST
Attractive, DWF, 38, 5'4", H/W proportionate, intelligent, seeks honest, compassionate S/DWM, 38-45, H/W proportionate, for fine dining, long walks, and meaningful conversation. ☎7052(exp12/19)

YOUTHFUL LOOKING
Attractive, 34, 5'4/12", 115lbs, blonde/green, mother of one, outgoing, enjoys dining out, movies, dancing, seeks honest, loyal, financially emotionally secure male for companionship. ☎7051(exp12/19)

COUNTRY CLUB LADY
Ann Margaret look-a-like, mid 40s, petite 5'2", great personality, big smile, enjoys everything outdoors, theater, dining out, golf. Seeking outgoing, active gentleman 50-60, N/S, financially/emotionally stable, 5'8"-5'11". Serious callers only. ☎7037(exp12/19)

KNOCK, KNOCK!
Come out, come out wherever you are. Attractive, sensitive, intelligent, never boring DWF, 46, with varied interests, S/DWM, mature, financially, emotionally stable. Seeking S/DWM, 40-60, for friendship, possible LTR. All calls answered. ☎7010(exp12/19)

SPECIAL LADY
Outgoing DWPF, 45, medium build, fairly attractive, N/S, financially independent, loves children, family, outdoors, travel, theater. Seeking outgoing S/DWM, mature 40-50, flexible, loving, caring, who also loves kids. ☎7000(exp12/19)

LONELY GINGER ROGERS
SWF, 22, professionally employed, with interests ranging from country swing, ballroom dancing, to computers, billiards and the theater. Seeking SWM, professionally employed, gentleman, 23-35, with similar interests, for friendship first! ☎6849(exp1/9)

SET THE NIGHT TO MUSIC
Classy, tall, attractive, affectionate SWF, young 51. Seeking attractive SWM, 50+, with loving, passionate nature, to share life, love, and travel in committed relationship. No games! ☎6912(exp12/19)

SWEET FEELINGS
DWF, 47, 5'7", needs tall, large-boned male, who loves to smile, kiss, laugh. Kids are grown (or almost), we're employed, supposedly mature, now the fun begins. Let's share this adventure together. ☎6728 (exp12/31)

HEARING WITH AIDES
DWF, thirty 50s, 5'4", 155lbs. N/S, employed, secure, honest and thoughtful. Likes fishing, travel, jazz, woodworking and nature. Seeking N/S with similar traits. Friends first. ☎6754(exp12/12)

HAPPINESS...
could be achieved, by meeting a cute, caring DWPF, 44, 5'2", red/green, medium build, who loves dining, dancing, golf, movies, outdoors, family, romance. Hoping to meet honest, caring man, with similar interests, maybe you? ☎6713 (exp12/20)

SEEKING SINCERE GENTLEMAN
Romantic, attractive SWF, 48, 5'7", 120lbs, brown/brown, selectively seeking professional sincere gentleman, for friendship, laughter and adventure, leading to more. Health-conscious and N/S. Interests: travel, theater, jazz and nature. ☎7747(exp1/16)

HONEST, ROMANTIC
Attractive DWF 49, 5'6", 135lbs, blonde/green, seeks financially secure S/DWM, 45-55, N/S, social drinker, 5'10"+, H/W proportionate, who enjoys dancing, music, romantic evenings, etc., for LTR. ☎7723(exp1/16)

PETITE-PACKAGE COMPLETE
SWF, 35, 5'1", brunette, sincere, outgoing. Enjoys summer outdoor activities, spending quality time with the right person. Are you out there? Attractive, blue-eyed SWM, at least 5'8", sincere, down-to-earth and financially secure. ☎7566(exp1/9)

KIND-HEARTED
DWF, 39, auburn/green, 5'4", 120lbs, N/S, no dependents, attractive, caring, enjoys movies, old cars, nature, art, animals. Seeking N/S, N/Drugs, tall, fit WPM, 36-43. ☎7565(exp1/9)

SOULMATE WANTED
Petite, pretty, 5'5", 115lbs, slim-trim, 48 year-old blonde, brown eyes, degreed, enjoys tennis, golf, working-out, theater and romantic candlelight dinners, seeks soulmate in a successful Caucasian professional, 45-58, with similar interests. ☎6703(exp12/19)

ARE YOU SMILING? GOOD!
Then you're just the type who needs to read this ad! I'm a SWPF, 28, well-adjusted, Seeking SWM, who appreciates creativity, spontaneity, a warm smile. Let's enjoy thunderstorms, wild concerts, cozy-nights together. ☎6914(exp1/9)

THERE'S MORE TO LOVE...
SWF seeks gentleman, 50+, 70 inches tall, with small-town personality and old-fashioned manners. Sophisticated and mature, not stuffy and old. Enjoys evenings out, quiet times at home. ☎6913(exp1/9)

DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PHD
SWF, 5'8", fit. Cultured, tennis/golf/skiing enthusiast. Mean apple pie. Theater addiction. Dance fever. Seeking counterpart, 33-47. ☎6902 (exp1/9)

BODY/MIND/SPIRIT
Gentleman 29, who has lived in the Himalayas and practices Chinese Kung-fu, Taoist Yoga, Herbology and Reflexology seeks holistic-minded female for friendship. Age and race unimportant. ☎7742(exp1/16)

RECENT BREAK UP
SWM, 34, 150lbs, blue eyes, brown hair, cute, ready for something new, outgoing, intelligent, home owner. Seeks proportionate SWF, 29-39, good cook, homemaker, for monogamous relationship. Let's see what happens. ☎7741(exp1/16)

HO! HO! HO!
SWPM, 34, 6', average build, black/green, N/S, social drinker, varied interests, open to trying new things, seeks female for companionship/ dating. ☎7687 (exp1/16)

AVERAGE LOOKS
Honest, easygoing DWM, 45, 5'8", 170lbs, brown/blue, enjoys movies, music, reading, golf, camping, quiet evenings, long talks. Seeking woman, 35-50, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR ☎7665 (exp1/16)

MAKE MY DAY!
Clint Eastwood type, 45, 5'11", 200lbs, sharp, smart and sincere. Seeking leading lady for a command performance. ☎7736(exp1/16)

BEST BACHELOR AWARD
In the spotlight: successful entrepreneur, never married, young/good-looking, 41, nearly 6', 210lbs, money green/dark brown, with sexy smile, energy, and charm to spare. Seeking attractive, versatile, spontaneous, and fun-loving lady. ☎7736(exp1/16)

HONEST AND ROMANTIC
Attractive SWM, 26, 5'8", 180lbs, haze-eyes, professionally employed, new to area, seeks S/DWF, 20-35, employed, financially secure, for friendship and romance. ☎7721 (exp1/16)

CHIPPEWA MALE
Fun-loving, professionally active SM, 49, 6', 210lbs, brown/brown, light smoker, non-drinker, seeking attractive, slender, SF, 40-50, who loves to travel, for fun, companionship, and quiet times. ☎7720 (exp1/16)

CARING
SWM, 44, 6', 195lbs, seeks SWF, 30-46, for caring, easygoing relationship. Enjoys dining out, long walks and going to movies. Seeks similar person. ☎7719(exp1/16)

ENGINEER
Young-looking DWM, 53, 6'1", 192lbs, N/S, MBA, excellent health/physical condition, ex-Marine, seeks attractive woman, 35-48, must be shapely, friendly, with great legs, someone special, for serious relationship. ☎7523(exp1/9)

NOT FOUND IN STORES
Limited offer, white divorced male, early 50s, varied interests, seeks kind-hearted lady for monogamous relationship, who values family, will take time to know somebody and who still enjoys flowers. Will answer all. ☎7735(exp1/16)

SINCERE, PERSON-TO-PERSON
Mid-50s DWM, fully employed, N/S, N/D, seeks a compatible WF, for a commitment. My interests include concerts, craft shows, flea markets and some spectator sports. ☎7725(exp1/16)

ENDLESS SEARCH
Reliable, handsome, witty DWM, 51, N/S, light drinker, enjoys romantic walks, outdoors, dining. Seeking petite, attractive S/DWF, 25-40, under 5'4", with similar interests/qualities for LTR, North Oakland County. ☎7715(exp1/16)

SEEKING TRUE LOVE
Handsome, mature, honest, romantic, sincere, athletic SWM, 23, 5'11". Enjoys sunsets, moonlit walks, outdoors, music, dining. Seeking petite, attractive, affectionate SWF, 18-28, to talk, walk and journey through life with. ☎7579(exp1/9)

SEEKING BLACK FEMALE
Handsome, athletic, honest, romantic, sincere SWM, 24, 6', dark hair, enjoys music, working out, having fun. Seeking slim attractive, honest, romantic BF for friendship, fun, possible relationship. ☎7576(exp1/9)

SENSITIVE BLUE-EYED MAN
Fun-loving DWM, 34, N/D, smoker, enjoys the outdoors, music, movies, spending time together, seeks S/DF, honest, trustworthy, somewhat similar interests, for possible LTR. ☎7574(exp1/9)

FLORIDA FOR WINTER
SWM, 40, winters in Florida, enjoys good weather and outdoor fun, seeks vacation minded gal, anxious to escape the cold and come along. ☎7573(exp1/9)

COMMITMENT MINDED
SWM, 37, 6', 190lbs, brown/brown, handsome, adventurous, creative, intelligent, spiritual, N/S, athletic, active with genuine honest values and goals, seeking attractive, fit SF, 25-38, physically/emotionally/spiritually available. ☎7515(exp1/9)

DANCE ATTITUDE
Seeking dance partner/best friend for several relationships must be slender 5'2"-5'4" and be serious about dancing. SM 5'9", 180lbs, calm, honest, easygoing, enjoys C&W, music and ballroom. ☎7572(exp1/9)

LOOKING FOR FRIENDS IN CA
SWM, 31, 5'11", 190lbs, dark brown/green, seeks SWA/HF, 21-29, with a great sense of humor, who likes to have fun. ☎7570(exp1/9)

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS CHEER!
Parties and presents are near, feeling for love and romance to share SWM, sophisticated tastes. Seeking lady, 30s-40s, with love in her heart to spare. ☎7568(exp1/9)

WONDERFUL COMPANIONSHIP
Writer, film maker, with tropical winter locations for work. Myself: Youthful 47, 5'8", very fit, humorous, focused, financially secure. Desires to share with spirited-minded, caring, fit, fun, 25-45, young-at-heart lady, a pleasurable life together. ☎7567. Looking for pretty, slim female, 28-38. Travel, quiet dinners, movies. ☎7405(exp1/2)

FEMININE FERVOR FACTOR
Dynamic SWM, 38, masculine, handsome, self-employed, seeks feminine female to share an active, outgoing lifestyle. ☎7563(exp1/9)

SEEKING ROMANTIC SOULMATE
Oh my love, my darling, I hunger for your touch... Very romantic, successful PJM, wants you to leave voice message with phone number, if you are about 25-35. ☎7562(exp1/9)

SEEKING BEAUTIFUL WOMAN
DWM, 41, 5'10", brown/brown, enjoys sports, traveling, flying. Seeking down-to-earth S/DWF, 30-46, average build, for long-lasting relationship. ☎7561(exp1/9)

WHY BE ALONE?
Good-looking, thoughtful/caring, affectionate, honest WM, 50, 5'7", 180lbs, enjoys dining out, movies, travel, warm vacations, holding hands, long walks. Seeking petite/medium-sized, warm, caring woman, 35-50, for LTR/monogamous relationship. ☎7437(exp1/2)

LOST WITHOUT LOVE?
Love without lust? This desirable SWM, near 40, has equal parts of love and lust to share with WF, desires a nurturing, mutually fulfilling relationship. ☎7436(exp1/2)

ZANY ZESTY ZINGER
Occasionally mature SWM, probably taller and better looking than you seeks laugh partner, maybe more WF, 30-40 a plus. ☎7435(exp1/2)

AFFECTIONATE
Sincere DWM, 40, 6'3", blonde blue, N/S, seeks slim, attractive female, for dates and companionship. ☎7431(exp1/2)

LATE 50S
Nice-looking, white retired businessman, 6', 170lbs, seeks very attractive, slender, companion, who will be treated like a queen. ☎7358(exp1/2)

FUN-LOVING GUY,
40, seeks fun-loving, attractive, fit lady, 21-39, likes skiing, golf, dining and Sunday mornings ☎7357 (exp1/2)

HONEST AND LOVING
DWM, 46, 5'10", 180lbs, attractive and romantic. Seeking slim-medium build lady, age/race no barrier and I love children. LTR ☎7111 (exp12/26)

SEEKING SOULMATE
Nice-looking DWM, 54, 5'9", 145lbs, degreed, N/S, social drinker, sincere, seeks attractive, caring, affectionate, petite, slender, affectionate SWF, 18-28, to talk, walk and journey through life with. ☎7579(exp1/9)

SEEKING BLACK FEMALE
Handsome, athletic, honest, romantic, sincere SWM, 24, 6', dark hair, enjoys music, working out, having fun. Seeking slim attractive, honest, romantic BF for friendship, fun, possible relationship. ☎7576(exp1/9)

NEW GUY IN TOWN
Warm, sincere, handsome, emotionally/financially secure Libra seeks attractive, fun-loving woman to explore friendship and more. I've been told I'm a good catch. Are you? Let's talk. ☎7424(exp1/2)

SERIOUS GUY
SWM, 27, green eyes, spiritual, open-minded, never married educated seeking trustworthy, honest, serious, pretty, educated woman, 20-30, for friendship, possible relationship possible LTR ☎7423(exp1/2)

SOMEONE GENUINE
DWM, 40, 5'6", 150lbs, brown/blue, handsome, affectionate, romantic, passionate, likes to cu

DINING

Reaction mixed to Foxtown's Hard Rock Cafe

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Detroit – the home of Motown, techno music, Ted Nugent, Madonna, George Clinton, – is finally getting its due.

In 1998, the city rich in rock history will be home to a Hard Rock Cafe. The rock memorabilia restaurant is the anchor of the $10 million Columbia Street entertainment project developed by the Ilitch family's Olympia Development Inc., a real estate development company that was established in May to focus on downtown Detroit projects.

The reaction to the news has been mixed. Concert promoter Amir Daiza thinks the addition of a Hard Rock Cafe to Detroit is "a very smart idea."

"I'm glad the Hard Rock people finally realized Michigan isn't the rust belt state they thought it was," said Daiza who promotes shows at St. Andrew's Hall/The Shelter and State Theatre in Detroit, and Clutch Cargo's, Industry and the 7th House in Pontiac.

Dennis White, lead singer and songwriter for Mercury recording artists Charm Farm, thinks otherwise.

"In the grand scheme of Detroit going Vegas, I suppose it makes sense. But you won't see me there unless they're inducting one of Steve's boas into a display," said White, of Grosse Pointe Park.

Steve Zuccaro, guitarist for Charm Farm, often wears feather boas and patent leather pants on stage.

Jerry Millen, a night DJ for CIMX-FM (89X), is skeptical about the whole idea.

"I think it's good that somebody's trying to bring something to Detroit, but it's gonna be interesting to see if people will come downtown for a Hard Rock Cafe," he said.

-"Once the new stadiums are up and we get some winning teams for a change maybe people will go downtown and hang out. What are they gonna do downtown in the winter. It will be interesting to see if it stands the test of time. I wish it the best. I hope it works. But it's gonna take more than a Hard Rock Cafe and a couple casinos to get people to vacation in Detroit. If they want longevity they have to hire me as a consultant."

The planned revitalization of Detroit influenced part of the decision to bring a Hard Rock to Detroit, according to Marcee Rondan, Hard Rock Cafe publicist. But it was also based on "the popularity of music in the city and with the expansion of the Hard Rock Cafe."

Designed as an "avenue of fun" located between the Fox and State Theatres in downtown Detroit, Columbia Street will offer a mixture of entertainment concepts and restaurants. Planet Hollywood restaurant and the House of Blues are rumored to be interested in the city as well.

"Hard Rock Cafe is an integral part of many vibrant urban entertainment zones, and we are very excited to have this great concept as part of our Columbia Street development," said Denise Ilitch Lites, president of Olympia Development, Inc.

"Hard Rock has been an industry leader for years, and the Detroit venue will he a dynamic addition to our city."

The Hard Rock is scheduled to open in 1998, one year before the planned opening of the new stadium for the Detroit Tigers. Detroit's Hard Rock Cafe, a 15,000-square-foot, two-level project, will contain a 200-seat restaurant with the capacity for live music, a 30-seat bar, and separate merchandise store. The company celebrated the opening of its 63rd Hard Rock Cafe in Capetown, South Africa, on Sunday, Dec. 15.

"Hard Rock Cafe considers it an honor to be part of the Detroit community; whose people have a rich cultural and musical heritage. As Hard Rock Cafe is a proven destination location, we believe our commitment to the Columbia Street development will provide incentive for other businesses to join us in support of the complete rejuvenation of the surrounding area," said Jim Berk, Hard Rock president and chief executive officer.

Publicist Rondan said that she isn't sure what will be included in the Detroit restaurant. The corporation keeps a warehouse filled with music memorabilia that is rotated throughout the restaurant chain on a regular basis.

"At any different Hard Rock you go down to there's so much different stuff on the walls. I went down to the one in Key West and there's a Jimmy Buffet guitar there. It's makes sense. It's his home," said Rondan of the Sherman Oaks, Calif.,-based PR firm Mitch Schneider Organization.



In style: *The proposed Hard Rock Cafe for Detroit will honor Detroit's rock and roll heritage and sport a 1920's style architecture to fit between the Fox and State theaters.*

Concert promoter Daiza said he hopes to see memorabilia from some of the acts he's brought to town in the new Hard Rock.

"I'd like to see a lot of the shows that we brought this city in the last 15 years. I think they can take it to the next level. That's what we're doing at Clutch Cargo's. I've got memorabilia from when we started 15-16 years ago. That's what I'm gonna do. I'm going to put old postcards and pictures on the walls," Daiza said.

The restaurant concept is similar to Royal Oak's Metropolitan Musicafe, which has been home to Madonna, Was (Not Was), Aretha Franklin and other paraphernalia. But owner Nino Cutraro doesn't see it as competition for his restaurant/night club.

"I don't think it will affect it at all. I've been there 10 years. I've got pretty much a hard core crowd that has been going there for a long time. They have their memorabilia, I have my memorabilia. It's good if people compare. I think it's a good thing to come to Detroit," he said.

RESTAURANT SPECIALS

Send information for Restaurant Specials to: Keely Wygonik, Taste/Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax (313) 591-7279.

HOLIDAY

Historic Holly Hotel – 110 Battle Alley's annual Victorian Feast is 5-11 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23. Old-English menu from the late 1800s featuring Roast Christmas Goose and Steamed English Bread Pudding for dessert. Cost $19.95 per person, reservations a must, call (810) 634-5208. Cafe **Cortina** — Christmas Eve Dinner, six course gourmet dinner featuring music by an Italian Guitarist and violinist, children's menu available, $47 per person. Celebrate New Year's Eve at Cafe Cortina, gourmet dinner, dancing, party hats and favors, champagne toast, $80 per person, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Call (810) 474-3033 for reservations, information.

Henry Ford Estate – Celebrate a Centennial Christmas at the Henry Ford Estate on the campus of The University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. Candlelight Tours (Dec. 26-28). For reservations/information, call (313) 593-5590.

Corsi's — New Year's Day Buffet, seatings 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Adults $8.25, seniors $8, children 5-10 years old $5.50. Buffet features homemade lasagna, soups, salad and dessert, pizza, chicken, roast beef and more. Reservations accepted, call (313) 531-4960. The restaurant is at 27910 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia.

Forte — Tapas Style Adventure Tasting in the bar Tuesdays 5:30-7 p.m. Tasting in collaboration with various wine, spirit and beer vendors. Food will be specially created by Chef Famie. Tuesday, Dec. 31 features Maisel's Hefe Weisse. Tuesday, Jan. 7, Demorest/Kenwood Reserve Chardonnay. The restaurant is at 201 S. Woodward, Birmingham. Call (810) 594-7300 for information.

MENU SPECIAL

East Side Mario's second annual Garlic Festival through Jan. 5 at its Southfield, (29267 Southfield Road 810-569-9454), Livonia, (31630 Plymouth Road, 313-513-8803) and Rochester Hills (2273 Crooks Road, 810-853-9622) locations. Holiday celebration of Italian cuisine featuring four new garlic-enhanced entrees. Guests who purchase any three Garlic Festival entrees this holiday season will receive their fourth one free on the next visit. Redemption of the Garlic Festival Frequent Diner Card continues through Feb. 9.

DINNER THEATER

"Holiday's-R-Us!" children's luncheon show at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall, 108 E. Main Center, Northville Dec. 21-22. Tickets $10.99 adults, $8.99 children, lunch includes soup, bread, pasta, chicken legs and dessert. Call (810) 349-0522.

It's the holiday season and the cast of Genitti's invites children to join them in sharing the holiday spirit. Lunch, followed by show with music, dancing and sing-a-long.

NEW RESTAURANTS

Zia's Italian Restaurant, 12 Mile Road at Orchard Lake Road. Zia's offers predominantly Southern Italian cuisine — tomato sauces, fresh spices and lots of garlic.

Matt Brady's Tavern — 1820 E. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale, (810) 584-4242.

Don Shula's Steak House — Opening Jan. 13 at the Marriott Hotel in Troy in the space formerly known as Stacy's Sea Grille, located directly off the lobby. For reservations/information, call (810) 680-9797 after Jan. 2.

Mi Loc Restaurant, 23043 Beech Road, Southfield, offers Korean-Japanese cuisine, (810) 356-2155.

COOKING CLASS

Palio Northern Italian Ristorante

Saturday morning cooking classes Jan. 11, Feb. 8 and March 8, followed by midday feast. Executive Chef Simon Pesusich and Palio Chef Matt Parent share preparation techniques and recipes for Northern Italian foods. Cost $45 per class. Class size limited, register early, call (313) 668-6062 or (313) 930-6100.

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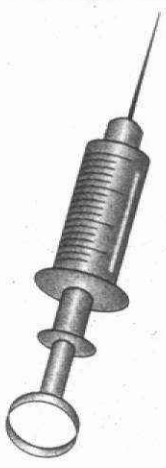
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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Vaccine needed



All Michigan 4-year-olds who plan to attend preschool will need a Hepatitis B vaccine by Jan. 1 according to a new state law.

The disease, commonly known as Hep B, is a serious public health problem that affects people of all ages. A report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cites more than 240,000 people are afflicted each year to the liver-attacking virus. Infection can lead to liver cancer and death.

By administering three Hep B shots, health officials hope to curb the spread of infection by the year 2020.

Holiday blahhs

Oakwood Heathcare System is offering these tips to beat the holiday blahhs:

- Start new traditions, especially if you've lost someone around the holiday season. By starting a new tradition and carrying it on for years to come, the holidays may begin to feel more comfortable.
- Participate where you can so that you do not feel isolated. Participate at a level which you feel comfortable, but do get out.
- Take care of yourself by reading a good book, writing letters or listening to quiet music.
- Volunteer your time, enabling yourself to meet new people and help lift the spirits of others around you.
- Talk things out so that you don't feel so alone. The goal is to avoid depression.

Avoid toy tragedies

In an attempt to decrease the number of toy-related hospital emergency room cases, the Detroit Medical Center is advocating five safety tips in time for holiday buying: toy selection, supervision, interaction, storage and maintenance.

The DMC advises shoppers to follow the age and safety information on toys as well as supervising children during play time. Adults can do this by joining the child's play time, and safely storing all the toys once play time is over. The group also advises regular maintenance checks of all the toys.

New study

Sinai Hospital is currently conducting a two-year study on a new investigational pill to control blood pressure and possibly slow the progression of kidney diseases in adult onset diabetes (Type II), and they are seeking patients.

Participants of the study must be between 30- and 70-years-old and must have adult onset diabetes with protein in the urine. Diabetes can be controlled by diet, pills or insulin and there must be no history of heart attack or stroke in the past three months or a history of cancer. Participation in the study will include doctor's exams, lab tests and study medication at no charge. Study visits may be conducted at Sinai Hospital in Detroit or at the Hechtman Health Center in Bingham Farms.

For information call (810) 647-1770.

Helping nurses

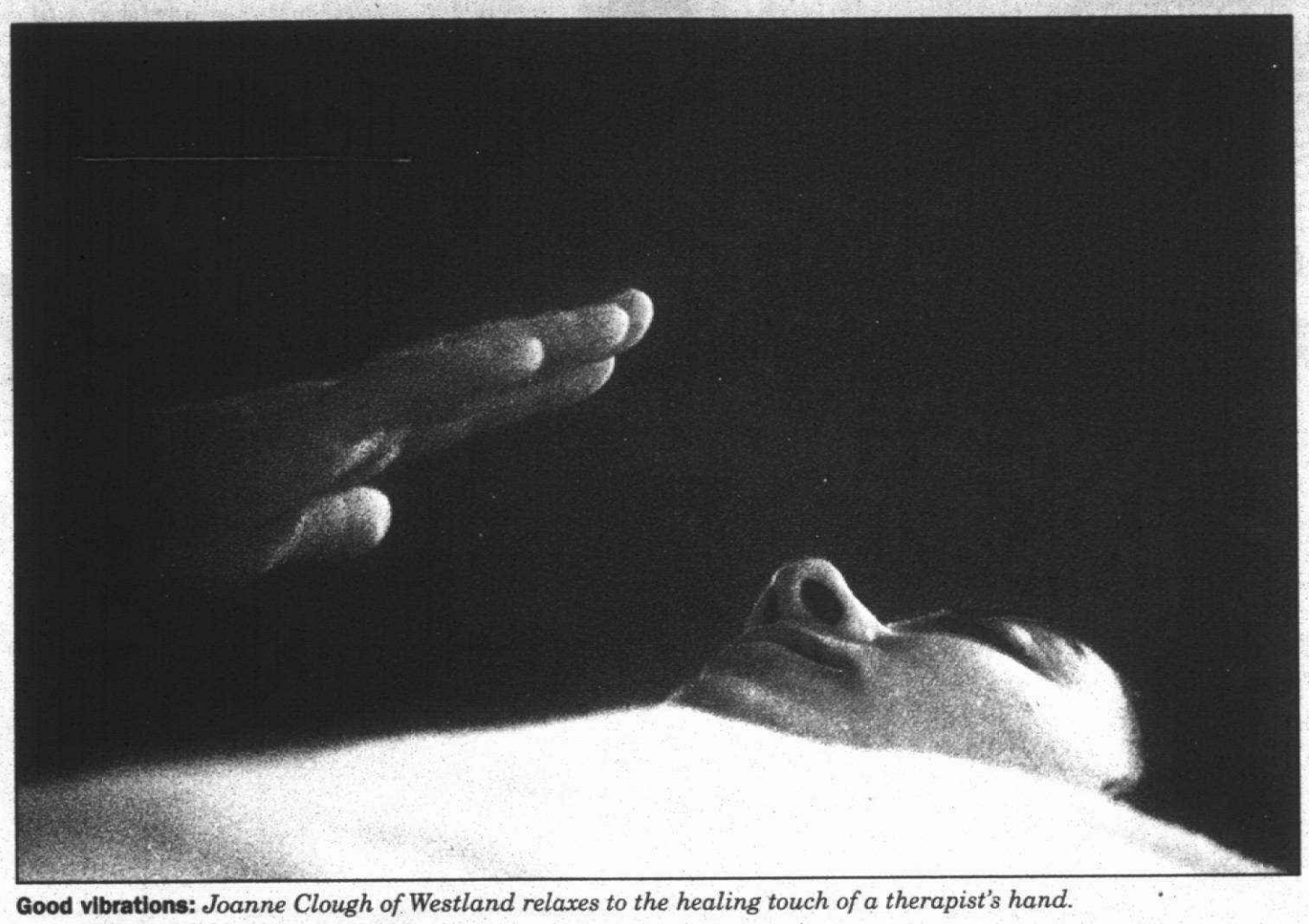
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Health Watch costs $30-$35 per month depending on the model plus a one-time installation. To order, call (313) 875-7736.

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Good vibrations: *Joanne Clough of Westland relaxes to the healing touch of a therapist's hand.*

Healing hands

Energy flows through touchless therapy

STORY BY SPECIAL WRITER DIANE GALE
STAFF PHOTOS BY SHARON LEMIEUX

Entering a room in the Sinnett Livonia Health Center, the lights are dimmed and a woman is making circular and swaying motions in the air above a client lying on the table.

It looks like a massage without contact and for the first-time viewer it was as unusual as a scene from "Star Trek." Apparently, however, the technique is becoming more and more popular.

Therapeutic Touch, which was developed in the 1970s by Dr. D. Krieger, works with the idea that pain, stress and illness cause an imbalance that can be felt in the human energy field outside the body.

The work of different healers, like Krieger, has been combined to form the Healing Touch technique used at the center. Mainstream doctors have begun to crack the door allowing Therapeutic Touch practitioners to assist during surgeries and in hospital rooms during the healing process.

Standing in the hallway at the center, Joanne Clough of Westland just finished a treatment.

"I feel at peace, serene, more balanced and a lot calmer," she said of her first treatment at the center. "Actually, I think it was more than I expected. I actually felt the rush of energy in my body."

Crystal Rutkowski and her husband, Gerald, sat in the center waiting room one recent Wednesday evening before "having energy work done."

"I feel at ease afterward," Gerald said. "It releases you. You don't feel as tense. It's like someone opens a valve."

Crystal added that she was glad she came with her husband, because Healing Touch makes her so relaxed that she wants to sleep afterward and since Gerald is there he can drive home. She also wanted Gerald to get involved so they can share the experience and strengthen their marriage bond.

The idea behind Healing Touch is that there is energy outside the body where a person hurts and is just as present as the dust that Pig Pen of "Peanuts" fame puts out, explained Kathy Sinnett, a registered nurse, certified Healing Touch practitioner and instructor and director of the center.

The holistic technique is based on the concept that people should work with the body, mind and spirit.

"We're using energy to allow the body to heal itself," Sinnett said. "This can help. You don't have to take a doctor's word that nothing can be done. There's so many (holistic) things available."

Healing Touch practitioners, who usually study around 2.5 years to be certified, brush away pain as they work through blocks in clients' energy fields.

But if you think that Healing Touch uses mind over matter to conquer problems, you're wrong, Sinnett said, because people who don't think Healing Touch will work have noticed benefits afterwards. In fact, wounds heal in one-10th the usual time, she added.

One center practitioner, who is also a nurse who works in the hospital, was called in after a patient who had open heart surgery failed to stop bleeding. After a short time using Healing Touch, the bleeding stopped.

Healing Touch might be helping outside hospital rooms, too. Carol Janowski, 40, said she "really liked" Healing Touch because between that and vitamins it has helped control her asthma.

"I was taking a lot of asthma medication and I was on an anti-inflammatory drug and it also doesn't help the immune system," the Livonia resident said. "Between the holistic medicine and vitamins it helped build my immune system. I'm having less problems with my asthma."

Susan Jacobson, a Milford resident, who had breast cancer and was treated with radiation, told another story about how Healing Touch helped her.

"I came here to get all the radiation out of my system and to get my vibrations back to normal," Jacobson said.

Less than one year after the surgery and after only a few months of Healing Touch, Jacobson said she was pleased with the results. Healing Touch can be done without a doctor's orders, because no invasive work is done.

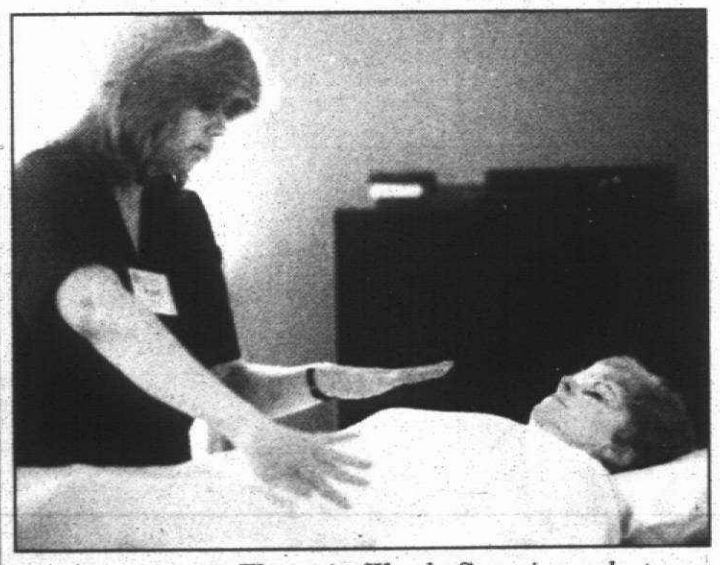
People who don't believe Healing Touch is valid often say: "I only do what my doctor says," or "It's coming from the devil," Sinnett said.

"This is not religious-based, but energy-based," Sinnett said. "We're working with physics."

In fact, Healing Touch isn't only for humans. Animals are often treated by Healing Touch practitioners.

"We treat them and show the animals' families how to do it," Sinnett said adding that she foresees holistic home health agencies with practitioners making home visits sometime in the near future.

A walk-in clinic at Sinnett Holistic Health Center is held Wednesddy mornings and nights and Saturday mornings. The fee is $15. Scheduled appointments for Healing Touch, massage and personal consultations are also available at different rates. Classes on various holistic techniques are taught at the center, too. For more information, call (810) 471-7010.



Out with the bad: *Therapist Wendy Sarasin works to remove the negative energy from first-time visitor Lynda Pietryka of Livonia.*



Double dose: *Janice Fron, an apprentice of Kathy Sinnett's (right), works on a patient fast-asleep.*

HEALTH News

MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Items for Medical Newsmakers are welcome from throughout the Observer area. Items should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Physician practices



Raslan

Dr. M. Hazem Raslan, M.D., is affiliated with Oakwood Healthcare System through his internal medicine practice. Raslan completed his pulmonary fellowship at Sinai Hospital in Detroit and his internal medicine residency at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. He practices out of offices in Ypsilanti and Wayne.

Raslan is board-certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and has been involved in research.

Primary care

Dr. Irene C. Metro, M.D., will be the primary care physician at Oakwood Healthcare System's center at Central City Parkway and Warren Road in Westland. She joins Oakwood from Bowman Gray School of Medicine in North Carolina where she received advanced training in nephrology, which focuses on kidney disease, hypertension and diabetes.

Oakwood Healthcare Center-North Westland offers programs and services for the whole family. It focuses on the health care needs of women.

Internal medicine



Mobin

Dr. Syed I. Mobin, M.D., is affiliated with Oakwood Healthcare System through his internal medicine practice. Mobin completed his critical care fellowship at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., and his internal medicine residency at Oakwood Medical Center-Dearborn. He earned his medical degree from Dow Medical College, Karachi, Pakistan. He practices out of offices in Ypsilanti and Wayne.

Athletic medicine



Ryan

Dr. John B. Ryan, M.D., has been named director of the Henry Ford Center for Athletic Medicine. The Bloomfield resident will oversee the center's orthopedic surgeons, athletic trainers and physical therapists at six locations. The Center for Athletic Medicine provides team physicians for the Detroit Red Wings, Lions and Tigers.

Before joining Henry Ford, Ryan, a U.S. Army Medical Corps colonel, was commander and director of the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research at Fort Sam Houston in Texas. He had been director of the U.S. Army Sports Medicine Fellowship and Basic Science Training programs and chief of Extremity Trauma as well as the orthopedic surgeon to the Army's burn unit and to Randolf Air Force Base. The West Point graduate received his medical degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine.

Staff addition



Peacock

Glenn L. Peacock is the new director of marketing and public affairs for the Livonia-based International Hearing Society. Peacock holds a bachelor of science degree from Eastern Michigan University. In his new position, he will be responsible for developing and directing the international professional association's total marketing efforts, including membership development, annual convention and exhibit, member affinity program participation and member marketing support programs. He was formerly director of public relations for the society.

Physical therapy

Jeff Sirabian, a physical therapist with a master's degree, is owner of Plymouth Physical Therapy Specialists. The firm's second physical therapist clinic recently opened at 30691 Wixom Road in Wixom. Sirabian is a graduate of the University of Michigan, where he studied physical therapy, and did his graduate work in orthopedics at the University of Indianapolis. He is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association. There is also a facility at 9368 Lilley, Plymouth.

Media specialist



Rorrer

Laurie L. Rorrer has been named events media specialist for Oakwood Healthcare System. She will assist with fundraising events, open houses, VIP visits, groundbreakings and other major events.

She previously served as account manager for Hedge & Company in Southfield.

Rorrer earned a bachelor of science degree in public relations from Eastern Michigan University.

Pediatrician practices

Dr. Charles Goddard, M.D., has joined Oakwood Healthcare System. He comes to Oakwood from Ohio where he completed a pediatric residency and medical school at the Medical College of Ohio at Toledo. He also completed an internship in combined medicine and pediatrics at the University of Michigan. His interest in pediatrics stems from his childhood kidney problems, necessitating a kidney transplant when he was 11. His father donated the kidney, and both are doing well after 20 years. Goddard is a Grosse Ile resident whose wife is also a physician. He practices out of Riverview.



Goddard

Media staffer



George

Jennifer T. George of Harrison Township has joined Oakwood Healthcare System as a media relations specialist in the marketing and corporate communications department.

She will be responsible for the development of media as well as community and public relations. She previously was at Hutzel Hospital as a public information specialist. She earned a bachelor of science degree in journalism with a public relations concentration at Central Michigan University.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, 48150 or faxed to (313) 591-7279.

WED, JAN. 1

GET YOUR SHOTS

Effective Jan. 1, 1997, children attending Michigan child care facilities must be immunized against the Hepatitis B virus. Oakwood Healthcare System will offer Hepatitis B clinics at its locations in Canton, Garden City, Livonia and Westland, among others. The price is $10 per person and you must bring immunization records. For information, call 1-800-543-WELL.

JAN. 2-13

STOP SMOKING

The City of Livonia will sponsor a "Stop Smoking" clinic conducted by Dr. Arthur Weaver. The seven-night program will be held at the Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road in Livonia. Sessions will be Thursday, Jan. 2, Monday through Friday, Jan. 6-10, and Monday, Jan. 13. Sessions will be 7:30-9 p.m. Donations are accepted. For information, call Livonia City Hall at (313) 421-2000, Ext. 351.

THURS, JAN. 2

ALZHEIMER'S

An Alzheimer's Support Group meeting will be 10 a.m. to noon at the Livonia Civic Senior Center, 32000 Civic Center, Five Mile and Farmington roads in Livonia. The meeting is free and will feature conversation. For information, call (810) 557-8277.

TUES, JAN. 7

HEARTSAVER CLASS

A BLS Adult Heartsaver Class will be held from 7-10 p.m. in Pavilion Conference Room B at St. Mary Hospital, Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Fee $20. Call (313) 655-2922 to register.

JAN. 9 AND 16

INFANT CARE

St. Mary Hospital will offer an Infant Care Class 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 9 and 16, in Pavilion Conference Room A of the hospital, Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. The class will be taught by a registered nurse. The first session will be "Getting To Know Your Newborn." The second will focus on "Caring for the Sick Infant." Price is $18 for one session, $35 for both. To register, call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-655-1615.

JAN. 14-FEB. 6

DIABETES

St. Mary Hospital will offer a program for diabetics age 18 and older, "Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes." The

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Christmas season doesn't have to be environmentally unfriendly



EMORY DANIELS
O&E ONLINE

Forgive me if I don't do the traditional Internet Christmas column this year about how to E-mail Santa, send an electronic Christmas card to a friend, or where you can find the original verse of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.

Anyone interested in two-thirds of the above items can read my columns from earlier years by pointing their Web browser to http://oeonline.com/~emoryd/dan27.html on E-mailing Santa, http://oeonline.com/~emoryd/dan62.html on Christmas Cybercards, or http://oeonline.com/~emoryd/dan66.html for Christmas 1995. But for 1996 I wanted to include in my Christmas column something I haven't written about before.

I found a different holiday angle by visiting the Web site of the Albion Monitor in Albion, Mich., at http://www.monitor.net/monitor to take a look at "Santa's Little Sweatshop" by Jeff Elliott. The links here included "All the News That Shrinks To Fit," "A Media Tale of Two Bombing Stories," "The Environmental 'Good News' Industry," and "Global Russian Roulette." Looks interesting but to read these stories required authentication with a user name and password. So let's move on.

Another thought was to get information on having an environmentally-friendly holiday – ways to be kinder to Mother Nature at Christmastime.

Try "T" is for Tinsel which can be accessed at http://www.sdearthtimes.com/et1294/et1294s8.html to find out who the San Diego Earth Times' resident eco-radical (Robert Naninga) takes on the holiday in his own inimitable style.

Three options are offered: use the artificial tree; use a dead tree; or buy a live tree and plant it in your yard after the holidays. This is fine for San Diego, but not so sure about Michigan. Anyhow, Naninga offers this final option: "I look forward to the day when we all take the lead of the Little Drummer Boy and arrive with nothing but the gift of music."

The Christmas Dumpster Diving site was interesting, to say the least. This site begins with the advice: "No time of the year has richer trash pickings than the Christmas season. And it just happens to be the time when finding free presents for your friends and family can have the most positive economic impact. Don't buy at Christmas. Dive, baby, dive! Think of it as your own personal 100 percent off sale taking place right behind the store and you're the first in line for the rest of your life!"

The Webmaster here also suggests that poinsettias are best left in the warm soil of Mexico and decries the number of kittens, puppies and bunny rabbits that will turn up dead a month or so after Christmas. Unfortunately, the language at this site goes way beyond the standard of this family newspaper so this URL won't be shared.

The above suggestions came from Adam Gaffin of Network World in Framingham, Mass. Gaffin went to the Excite search engine at http://www.excite.com and in the search field typed "Christmas cards and environment."

Donna Wair, the librarian at Vanderbilt University who I find my self turning to more often these days, points to Energy Efficiency During the Holidays at http://www.ns.doe.ca/action21/gtips/energy5.html from Environment Canada.

Among the tips are: five watt holiday light bulbs use 30 percent less energy and last 65 percent longer than the standard size seven watt bulb; use a timer on holiday lights to shut them off automatically; double the light from one holiday light by putting a reflector behind it; and the microwave uses less energy than conventional ovens. There are other tips you'll see when you visit the site.

EnvironmentaLetter Online at http://laird.ccds.cincinnati.oh.us/~olsonm/el/out of Cincinnati. Scroll through the back issues to December 1994 and find an article on Christmas tree recycling, a practice in which Austin, Texas, was a pioneer in 1985. Austin now saves $20,000 a year in collection and disposal costs. Boulder County, Colo., dumped 5,000 Christmas trees into area lakes to shelter fish and attract bugs for fish to eat.

Green-minded users also will enjoy the Northwest News Home & Garden site article "Don't Trash Christmas" by Cathy Harmon at http://www.nwnews.com/nnissues/v16n07/home12.html. Harmon also urges buying live trees and talks about recycling Christmas gift wrap.

Another article promoting an environmental holiday is "What You Can Do For Christmas To Help the Environment" site at http://www.wa.gov/ecology/news/95-196.html.

Emory Daniels may be reached via E-mail at emory@oeonline.com. Past columns are archived on-line at http://oeonline.com/~emoryd/archive.html.

MARKETPLACE

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CORRIGAN KUDOS

Corrigan Moving Systems, Farmington Hills, was recognized for special professional achievement during the United Van Lines Inc. annual convention in Puerto Rico. Announcement of the recognition was made by United President Robert J. Baer. Corrigan, an agent of United Van Lines Inc., received the President's Club award, signifying achievement of at least $1 million in sales for the United system during the past year. Corrigan was recognized at the $12 million level.

AWARD RECIPIENT

Modern Moving Company of Livonia is a recipient of American Red Ball Transit Company's 1996 sales and hauling award. Sales awards received by Modern Moving Company are in the categories of Total Sales and COD Sales. American Red Ball is the oldest interstate moving company in the nation.

PADGETT LAUDED

For the second consecutive year, Padgett Business Services has been recognized by Accounting Today magazine with the "Award for Achievement in Client Service." Padgett was given one of three Gold Medal awards for demonstrating a commitment to quality, innovation and client service. Padgett was cited for the Padgett Reality Check, an innovative financial tool that allows clients to gauge their competition.

CALL HOME

The FirstClass Phonecard, a new rechargeable prepaid calling card, is available through the U.S. Postal Service thanks to an alliance with American Express. The card is now available in most major post offices. The promote the card, Detroit District post offices are offering customers purchasing a minimum of $20 in phone cards between now and Jan. 15 a free $5 card. The card is rechargeable through any major credit card.

NEW GROUP

Bozell Worldwide Advertising formed Parallel Creative, a company hired to expand interactive communications capabilities for the private sector. The group has developed web sites for Padron Cigars, the United Way Community Services, the Vietnam Monument Commission of Michigan and Hush Puppies Companies. They have also completed a series of interactive advertisements for Chrysler. Sam Ajluni, of Bloomfield Hills, will lead the new group consisting of five new hires: Peter Arndt, of Farmington Hills; John Gregory, of Toledo, Ohio; Cristina Lorenzetti, of Orchard Lake; Scott Margolis, of Sylvania, Ohio; and Deb McGuire, of Royal Oak.

COMPANY RECOGNIZED

Metalec Steel Abrasive Company, Canton, has earned Supplier Quality Certification from Brillion Iron Works Inc., one of the leading independent foundries in the United States. Receipt of the award recognizes Metaltec Steel Abrasive Co.'s achivement in meeting Brillion standards for product specification, continous imrpovement and cost competitiveness which not only assures Metaltec of current business with Brillion, but also guarantees preferential treatment for addiitonal business.

PARTNERSHIP CREATED

The state's largest small-business advocacy group is teaming up with two of Michigan's premier health plans to offer affordable health coverage to small-business owners. The new program will offer HMO and Point of Service plans to Michigan members of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) at the start of next year. Coverage will be provided by M-CARE, the managed care organization designed by the University of Michigan, and Priority Health.

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Contest for smaller businesses

Okidata, the manufacturer of computer printers and fax equipment hopes to find out with its first "Best Dressed Small Business" contest for small and home businesses with nine or fewer employees.

The contest was created to recognize the increased importance of small business.

Entries must include an essay of 150 words of less giving examples of how their small or home business meets these criteria. The grand prize winner will receive $25,000 in cash, Okidata products and free consulting services for a total package worth more than $30,000.

Entries must be received by 11:50 p.m. Eastern Standard Time Wednesday, Jan. 15 1997. Twenty finalists will be selected and one will be chosen as grand prize winner.

Contest forms and copies of the official rules are available from local Okidata dealers Naragon Business Machines in Redford, (313) 537-4330, and Omega Office Systems in Livonia, (313) 261-4544.

Mr. Blackwell will help to judge the contest.

BUSINESS DATEBOOK

Business-related items are welcome from the Observer area and should be sent to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

TUES, JAN. 7

BUSINESS OWNERS

The Women Business Owners of Southeastern Michigan will meet on the first floor of the 777 Building on Eisenhower and State Street in Ann Arbor. There will be a mixer activity 6:30 p.m. with the meeting 7-8:30 p.m. Jeanne Ballew will discuss "Unforgettable Introductions: How To Make a Memorable First Impression." Price is $10 for non-members, free for members. For reservations, call Monica Milla at (313) 944-2133.

MONDAYS

BUSINESS WOMEN

Suburban West Business and Professional Women meet on the first Monday of each month at the Holiday Inn at Six Mile and I-275. Networking is 6-6:30 p.m. and dinner is 6:30-7 p.m. A short business meeting is then conducted. Cost is $13 and reservations need to be made. For information, call Laura Hathaway at (810) 669-3547.

WEDNESDAYS

GROUP MEETS

NAWBO West meets 7:30-9 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N. Territorial, west of Plymouth Township. The network is for women who own and operate their own businesses to provide support and share solutions. Cost is $10 for members and $15 for guests, which includes a continental breakfast.

BUSINESS NETWORK

The Laurel Park chapter of Business Network International, a networking organization specializing in business referrals among members, meets at Richard's Restaurant, 39305 Plymouth Road at Eckles, at 7 a.m. every Wednesday. Call Tim Rosiak, (313) 459-3781, or Al Mughannem, (313) 427-5355.

FRIDAYS

BUSINESS NETWORK

The Livonia chapter of Business Network International, a networking organization specializing in business referrals among members, meets at the Comfort Inn on Middlebelt Road near I-96 at 7 a.m. every Friday. Call (810) 357-0430 or (313) 844-3432.

TUES-FRI

HELPFUL TIPS

The Southeast Michigan Career Service routinely holds no-cost sneak peaks on the job market of tomorrow. Topics discussed include: the job market, present and future; the traditional resume and why it no longer works; and traditional job search techniques, which are considered obsolete. The 1 1/2-hour sessions are held: 12:30 p.m. Tuesday; 6:30 p.m. Wednesday; 12:30 p.m. Thursday; and 8:30 a.m. Friday at 29444 Northwestern Highway, Suite 500, Southfield. Reserve a spot by calling 1-888-JOBOLOGY.

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eight sessions will be 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 14 through Feb. 6, in the Pavilion Conference Room B of the hospital, Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Information on self-care and successful management of diabetes will be provided. The $75 fee includes a support person. To register, call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

JAN. 11-MARCH 1

ADMINISTRATION

Madonna University will offer "Nursing Home Administration II." The course will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on eight consecutive Saturdays. Price is $285, plus $10 course fee. For registration information, call (313) 432-5731.

MON/THURS, JAN. 13 &16

SMOKING CESSATION

"Smoke-free Living" will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Hospital Lower Level Conference Room E. Fee $25. (313) 655-2922 to register.

THURS, JAN. 16

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Mary Hospital will hold a blood drive 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Pavilion Conference Rooms near the south entrance, off Levan Road near Five Mile in Livonia. Employees, volunteers and members of the community will donate. For information, call Cheryl Delaney at (313) 655-2980.

SAT, JAN. 18

AIDS CLASS

St. Mary Hospital will offer a premarital AIDS class 11 a.m. to noon in Pavilion Conference Room B, near the south entrance of the hospital, Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Those who wish to marry in Michigan are required to receive information about sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS. Registration required. Price is $15 per person or $25 per couple. To register, call (313) 655-3314 or 1-800-494-1615.

WAYNE BUSINESS & Finance

BUSINESS PEOPLE

Professional on board



Straka

Milissa Straka has joined the Information Technology Division of Rehmann Robson. She joins the firm as a software support specialist for IMIS, Association Software. Straka previously worked for EG&G Structural Kinematics as a staff accountant for 3 1/2 years. She earned a BA from Walsh College.

Berline Group

Chip Rabey of Wixom has joined The Berline Group as production artist. Rabey was previously a graphic designer for Rock Financial. A graduate of Michigan State University, Rabey holds a bachelor of arts degree. The Berline Group Inc. is headquartered in Bloomfield Hills.

New president

Stuart C. Snyder is the new president and chief operating officer of Feld Entertainment Inc. Snyder will also take a seat on the company's board of directors. He will be responsible for overall management of the company, with finance, marketing, human resources and tour and business operations reporting to him. Snyder joins the company from Turner Home Entertainment, a division of the Turner Broadcasting System, where he had served as executive vice president and general manager since 1994. Feld Entertainment is based in Vienna, Va.

New manager

Russell Olexa has been named press relations manager for G. Temple Associates, a Southfield-based business-to-business marketing communications agency. Olexa, who has 20 years of experience in advertising, public relations and news writing, will be responsible for editorial development and press relations activities. Prior to joining Temple, Olexa was marketing manager for Fairlane Products Inc.

Coming back

Hilary Brazin, of Livonia, has rejoined Stone, August, Baker & Company as assistant account executive. In her new position, Brazin will work on various accounts including: Weight Watchers Group Inc., FW Family Corporation and Durakon Industries Inc. Before rejoining the agency, she served as assistant broadcast negotiator for spot buying at J. Walter Thompson in Detroit. Brazin holds a bachelor's degree in advertising from Michigan State University.

New hires

Ravinder Voruganti of Westland is one of three engineers newly hired by Virtual Engineering, a mechanical engineering and design firm headquartered in Plymouth. Joining Voruganti, a design engineer whose duties will include product management, mechanical design and analysis, are Kevin Riutort of Ann Arbor and Bill Peless of Grandville, Mich. Voruganti previously was a design engineer with TVS Electronics India and earned his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering at Virginia Tech.

Appointments made



Opple

Sarah Opple has been appointed sales manager at the Westin Hotel inside the Renaissance Center, Detroit. The Redford resident will be responsible for sales to Detroit-area corporate, union and sports team clients. A member of the National Business Travel Association and Meeting Planners International, Opple holds a degree in hospitality management and has worked for the Ritz-Carlton and Hyatt Regency. Other appointments made were Brenda Chretian of Riverview to catering sales manager and Sally Costantino of Dearborn to sales manager.

A new leader

Michael P. Welch will oversee select operations at the new KineticSystems Livonia office as director of automotive development.



Welch

Opening an office in the Seven Mile Crossing building, KineticSystems provides data acquisition solutions for Fortune 500 companies and the government.

Welch will provide technical support to the company's Midwest sales representative firm and expand KineticSystems' presence in Detroit among automotive manufacturers and suppliers.

Sales associate

Al Iafrate, formerly of Diamond Lincoln Mercury Inc., has joined McNabnay & Associates Inc. Commercial Real Estate as a sales associate. The business is based in Bloomfield Hills.

Iafrate will specialize in the leasing and sales of office, medical and industrial properties in the city of Detroit and Macomb County.

LAST MINUTE GIFT ITEMS Walter's HOME APPLIANCES

HURRY SALE ENDS DECEMBER 22, 1996

KENWOOD
Kenwood Stereo Receiver 50 watts per channel, 4 audio inputs #KRA3070 .. $117
Kenwood 2 way speaker 6 1/2" woofer, 3/4" dome tweeter-handles up to 100 watts of power #KVS200 $49ea
Kenwood 5 Disc Rotary CD Player play one CD and change the other 4 CDs #DPR3080 $139
Kenwood Rack Audio System 100 watts per channel,5 disc rotary CD player, dual cassette deck, 10 3 way speakers, remote control, complete with cabinet #Spectrum 350 $497
Kenwood Dual Cassette Deck High speed dubbing- Dolby noise reduction #KXW1060 $88
Kenwood 100 Disc CD Changer dual 1 bit d/a convertors - remote control #DPJ1070 $299
Kenwood Portable CD Player digital anti-shock circuit, complete with car kit- headphones, & rechargeable batteries. #DPC472 $147
Kenwood Turntable semi automatic mechanism, precision belt drive system cartridge and dust cover. #KD291RC $77

TOSHIBA
Toshiba 20 Pack batteries #20PackAA TOSHIBA $4.99ea
Toshiba Cordless Telephone #FT5005 TOSHIBA $49
Toshiba VHS VCR universal remote control, ditigal auto tracking TOSHIBA $149
Toshiba 19" Color TV remote control, on screen displays, audio video input jacks #CF19F22 TOSHIBA $199

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61" Toshiba #TP61F60 TOSHIBA
50" Toshiba #TP50F80 TOSHIBA
35" Toshiba #CX35F95 TOSHIBA

RCA
RCA Portable CD Player complete with car kit #RP7916 $69
RCA Mini Audio System AM/FM stereo, tuner, cassette deck, CD player, remote control #RP9100 $99
RCA Portable AM/FM Stereo Radio with Cassette and CD Player #RP7939 $69
RCA 4 head HiFi Stereo VCR remote control, on screen programing, auto ditgital tracking. #VR605HF $197
RCA 52" Big Screen TV stereo sound, picture in picture, universal remote control, monitor jack. #PS2729BA $1799
GE 13" TV with Built-in VCR remote control, on screen programming. 13TVR60 $259
GE 25" Color TV remote control, on screen displays #2561511 $237

Panasonic
ALL CAMCORDERS ON SALE
Panasonic VHS-C Camcorder 22 to1 zoom-built-in light, digital electronic image stabilization, color viewfinder #PVD406
Panasonic VHS-C Camcorder 32-1 zoom built-in light, advanced electronic image stabilization, color viewfinder, remote control #PVD506
Panasonic VHS-C Camcorder 22 to1 zoom, 3.2 color LCD display, built-in light, digital eletronic image stabilization #PVL606
Panasonic 9" Color TV kitchen white - complete with under cabinet mounting bracket, remote control. #CT9R10 $267
Panasonic Microwave Oven 1000 watts of power, touch control, 1.0 CU FT #NN5566BD $129 less $10 Rebate $119
Panasonic Mini Audio System 50 watts per channel, 3 disc CD player, remote control, dual audio reverse cassette, digital AM/FM stereo tuner 3 way speakers, 5 preset EQ patterns #SCCH82 Was $499 Now $399

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784 Dogs

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ROTTWEILER PUPPIES AKC, good Christmas gifts. 1st shots, wormed, dew claws removed. Looking for good homes. (313) 532-9526

ROTTWEILER RESCUE - Rescue & adoption. Foster homes needed. Call (810) 334-5223

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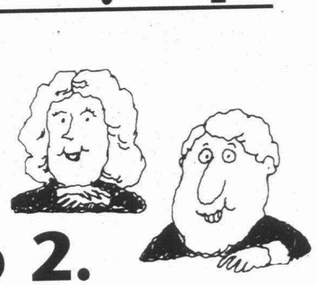
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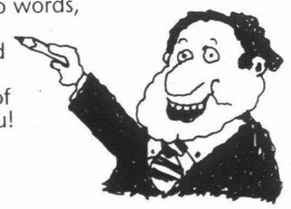
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TEMPO, 1993, GL, grey, air, cassette and tilt wheel, manual, 58,000 miles $4500 or best (810) 349-8954

TEMPO 1991 - GLS. Loaded. 4 door automatic, showroom condition, 40,000 miles, garage kept. $3775. (810) 979-3262

TEMPO, 1990 - 34,000 miles. 4 door automatic, air, great shape. 1 owner. $3500 or best offer. 313-282-7059 or 313-943-4313

THUNDERBIRD 1993, LX, dark campaign, matching interior, sport package. TYME does it again. $2650 below black book, only $5999 TYME AUTO (313) 455-5566

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ACCORD LX 1985, One owner, 4 door, 5 speed, $1950 or best offer. 810-853-7082

CIVIC 1993 - 3 door, 5 speed, Sony cd, red, Mint Condition. Runs Perfect. $6100/negotiable. (313) 582-4585

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CIVIC 1992 LX, automatic, power windows & locks, alarm, CD, new tires/brakes. $7250. 810-626-1292

CIVIC 1990 LX 4 door, automatic, air, cassette, 74,000 miles, nice condition. $4500. 313-261-5562

PRELUDE 1989, 2.0 SI, air, all power, loaded, sunroof, original owner, mint, $8450. 810-637-1520

854 Lexus

LS-400 1990, black, fully maintained, excellent, traction control, moonroof, abs, BOSE. (313) 721-7244

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856 Lincoln

CONTINENTAL 1993 - Dark blue, complete accessory pkg, including cd & blue leather seating, 41,000 miles. Asking $12,500. (810) 547-5891

CONTINENTAL 1991 executive series, black, 64000 miles, $8500. 810 737-9059 or Tues 810-661-5055

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CONTINENTAL 1992, Navy Blue, leather, moonroof. $9,500/best 313-862-6515 or 313-494-2539

CONTINENTAL 1995, Silver, memory seats, traction control, leather heated seats, floor shifter, 17,000 miles. $25,795 DEMMER FORD (313) 721-9600

LINCOLN 1991 Continental - one owner, non-smoker, leather, 46,000 miles. $10,000 313-455-5291

MARK VIII 1994, Leather, traction assist, 37,000 miles must see! Only $17,994 DEMMER FORD (313) 721-2600

MARK VIII 1994, loaded, Tamaroff Advantage Package included. $14,988

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TOWN Car 1979 - 68,000 miles, runs great! $1595 (313) 565-0420

TOWN CAR 1987 - Only 73,500 miles. New brakes. Full power. $5,100 (810) 477-3834

TOWNCAR 1988 Signature - leather, moonroof, blue, very good condition, 90,000 miles $3,895. 313-953-0567

TOWN CAR 1988 Signature. 79,000 miles, excellent condition, very clean. $5,900 (810) 258-5329

TOWNCAR SIGNATURE 1988, Dark clean, new tires, looks great, 89,000 miles. $5700. (313) 425-5644

TOWN CAR 1990 - Silver, leather 83,000 miles. Excellent condition. $6200/Best Offer. (810) 681-0847

858 Mazda

MX-3 1992, white, 65,000 miles, all power, tinted glass, air, 5 speed. $7,900/best

PROTEGE 1995 4 door, 5 speed, air, cruise, power, cassette, excellent condition. $8900 (810) 649-2335

860 Mercury

COUGAR 1989 LS, loaded, high highway miles, maintained, excellent, no rust. $3250/firm. (313) 421-2511

COUGAR, 1967 XR-7, 8 cylinder, brand new tuning, good sound system, loaded. $2,000. ******* SOLD

GRAND MARQUIS LS 1992, loaded, white, blue, 96,000 miles, Gorgeous. Must see. $6600. (313) 722-0983

GRAND MARQUIS LS 1994 - 20,000 miles, all options, Mint. $12,400. (810) 534-7315

GRAND MARQUIS, LS 1989, tan, 98,000 miles, $3950. (810) 553-0443

GRAN MARQUIS 1991 LS, 50,000 miles, 1 owner, garage kept, extremely clean, $8500. 313-944-0271

SABLE 1991 GS, loaded, 1 owner 74000 miles, no rust, runs perfect, $5700. (810) 349-4041

SABLE 1995, loaded Tamaroff Advantage Package included. $10,488

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SABLE 1995 LS, 4 door automatic, air, power windows/locks, leather, 3.8 liter, A.B.S. brakes, digital dash, keyless entry, loaded $11,995 DEMMER FORD (313) 721-2600

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TRACER 1992 - LTS. 5 speed, 4 door, 45,000 miles, air, power locks, power windows. Excellent condition. $5700/Best. (313) 981-4379

862 Nissan

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300 ZX 1991. 5 speed, loaded, 53,900 miles, pearl white. Mint condition. $19,000. Days: 313-621-8182

862 Oldsmobile

AURORA 1995, 18,000 miles, heated seats. Loaded! STK#P5818, $347 per month ($1,500 cap cost reduction, + tax +1st payment & security). 36/month/36,000. Suburban Lease (810) 643-0070

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98 BROUGHAM 1989, all power, 58,000 miles, very clean, asking $6500

CALAIS 1990 Sport Coupe - 69,000 miles. Excellent condition. Must sell, asking $4450. (313) 427-3198

CIERA 1993 35,000 miles, all power, air, no kids/smokepets. $9,500. (313) 207-5268

CIERA 1996 SL Wagon, 3rd seat, 15,000 miles, ST#5326. Power windows/locks, tilt, cruise. LEASE OR BUY (810) 643-0070

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VISTA CRUISER 1976 station wagon, 350 V8, 61,000 miles, Indiana car. $750 313-261-4041

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866 Plymouth

ACCLAIM 1992, low miles, like new! $6995 Livonia Chrysler-Plymouth (313) 525-7604

ACCLAIM, 1993, 20,000 miles, speed control, tape deck, AM/FM, tilt, mint condition. (810) 932-5696

ACCLAIM 1995 Spring special package! Sharp! Only $9495. Livonia Chrysler-Plymouth (313) 525-7604

DUSTER 1992, 5 speed, V6. New head gaskets, excellent condition, $6995/best (810) 477-3658

HORIZON 1989, automatic, air, economy special. $2690 FOX HILLS Chrysler-Plymouth-Jeep-Eagle (313) 455-8740 313-961-3171

LASER 1993 RS 2.L DOHC, automatic. 35,000 miles, extended warranty. $8695/best (810) 477-3658

NEON 1995, 5 speed, air, built'-in loyack. Clearance - sale price, $7330. FOX HILLS Chrysler-Plymouth-Jeep-Eagle (313) 455-8740 313-961-3171

NEON 1995 Sport - 34,000 miles, automatic, air, cruise, tilt, dual airbags, $9600/best. 810-435-0237

SUNDANCE 1994, automatic, air Tamaroff Advantage Package included. $6988

TAMAROFF DODGE 810-354-6600

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TAMAROFF DODGE 810-354-6600

868 Pontiac

BONNEVILLE 1992 SE - 4 door, 3.8 liter, red, high miles. A-1 condition. $4,500/best (810) 669-6342

BONNEVILLE 1992 - SSE. Dark blue, 104,000 miles. Non-smoker. Excellent. $8,250 810-685-9684

868 Pontiac

BONNEVILLE 1995 SSEi, all options, 9,000 miles, factory warranty. Mint-$24,000. 313-261-8957

GRAND AM 1993 - Air, ABS, alarm, power windows/locks, 62,000 miles, cassette. $7950. 313-728-2934

GRAND AM 1995, automatic, air. Sunroof Advantage Package included. $9988

TAMAROFF DODGE 810-354-6600

GRAND AM 1987 - 4 door, automatic, like new condition. 5000 miles on engine & transmission. Too much to list. $4500/best. 313-541-0145

GRAND AM GT1994, loaded, full power. Warranty included. Priced to sell! $9988

THE BIG STORE CAMPBELL DODGE 538-1500

GRAND AM 1995 SE, 2 door, green, 19,000 miles, automatic, air, sharp! BUY OR LEASE!! (810) 643-0070

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GRAND AM '92 SE, 4 door, red, air, alarm, V-6, power, loaded, excellent condition, cruise, tilt steering, 53,200 miles. (810)644-0069

GRAND AM 1994 SE, quad 4, teal, 4 door, 1 owner, clean, 49,000 miles, $8500. (313) 432-9934

GRAND AM, 1994, SE, V6, dark green, 4 door, 1 owner, clean, 59,000 miles, $9,000 (810) 471-3165

GRAND AM 1995 - white, 4 door, air, stereo cassette, loaded, great condition. Reasonable. (810) 626-0825

GRAND PRIX 1990, 2 door, black LE, excellent condition. $5,995. (313) 513-4916

GRAND PRIX LE 1993 - 4 door, loaded & clean, V6, low miles. $10,400 (810) 652-6419

GRAND PRIX SE 1991 - 2 door, automatic, loaded, 49,000 miles, Warranty. $7495. (313) 937-2620

GRAND PRIX SE - 1988. Excellent condition, clean, runs great. One lady owner. Garaged. Fully loaded. sunroof 92,000 miles $4500/best (313) 451-5645

GRAND PRIX 1994, SE, ivory, charcoal accent, extra clean, warranty, like new, all TYME (313) 455-5566

GRAND PRIX 1990 Loaded, like new inside & out. New tires/brakes, 120,000 miles. $4950. 810-816-0719

868 Pontiac

GRAND PRIX 1993 STE, leather, CD player, 3.4 V-6, loaded with all the toys. Warranty included. Only $11,995 THE BIG STORE CAMPBELL DODGE 538-1500

GRAND PRIX 1991 STE, white/gray leather, sunroof, extras, 75,000 miles, excellent. $7999. (810) 478-8525

GRAND PRIX 1994 - V6, 34,000 miles, loaded, HUD, premium sound, stereo CD. $11,500. 313-953-8998

GRAND PRIX 1990, V6, w/SE Sport pkg., 2 door, loaded, new brakes/tires, 1 owner, $5,875. 810-373-7099

6000 SSE 1989, 4 door, white, 1 owner lady car perfect. 76,000 miles loaded. Call days, 8-5, $5900 (810) 642-1889

SUNBIRD 1994 - 2 door, automatic, air, cassette, sunroof, purple. 54,000 miles. $7,000 (810) 645-5494

SUNBIRD 1993 - white, sunroof, air, ABS, am/fm, only 33,000 miles, excellent condition. Must see! $7,495/best. (810) 898-0707 810-478-5581

SUNFIRE 1995 SE, black, fully loaded with rear spoiler, CD player, and more! Hurry on this one. Only $10,995. Call Tom 458-5243 GORDON CHEVROLET

870 Saturn

SATURN 1995 SL1, automatic, air, power locks, tilt, am cassette. Warranty included. Must see! $10,488 THE BIG STORE CAMPBELL DODGE 538-1500

SC2 COUPE 1996, automatic, air, sunroof, 8000 miles

HARTY FELDMAN Geo (810-348-7000) Grand River, Novi

SC2 - 5 speed, blue/green with black interior, leather seats, loaded. $11,800 highway miles. $750/best (810) 650-2176

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MOVERS & SHAKERS

This column highlights *promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other key personnel moves within the suburban real estate community. Send a brief biographical summary—including the towns of residence and employment and a black and white photo if desired—to: Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Our fax number is (313)-591-7279*

Martin forms Legacy



Ted Martin

Editor's note: the headline on this item last week was wrong.

Ted Martin, broker/owner of Coldwell Banker Legacy on Wayne Road in Westland, has switched affiliation from Red Carpet Keim.

Martin, a Northville, resident, has acquired the professional designations of Graduate Realtors Institute and Real Estate Alumnus of Michigan.

His agents bring an aggregate of 250 years experience to the business.

Baker earns B.A.



James Baker

James Baker, a Realtor with ERA Rymal Symes of Novi, recently earned a B.A. degree in business administration from William Tyndale College in Farmington Hills.

Baker, a Livonia resident, also has been honored for exceeding ERA's National Customer Satisfaction Survey average of 91.4 percent.

He specializes in residential resale and new construction.

Lipinski received CRS

Tom Lipinski, sales associate with Chamberlain Realtors in Birmingham, has been-awarded the professional designation of Certified Residential Specialist.

Pliska at NAR convention

Robert J. Pliska, president elect of the Detroit Area Commercial Board of Realtors, recently participated in the National Association of Realtors annual convention and trade exposition in San Francisco.

Pliska is president of the Birmingham-based Property Services Group.

McCliment will retire

William C. McCliment, P.E., president of Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, a Livonia-based consulting engineering firm, will retire at the end of this year, completing 35 years in the civil engineering profession.

McCliment was responsible for many of Livonia's sewer, water and storm drainage projects.

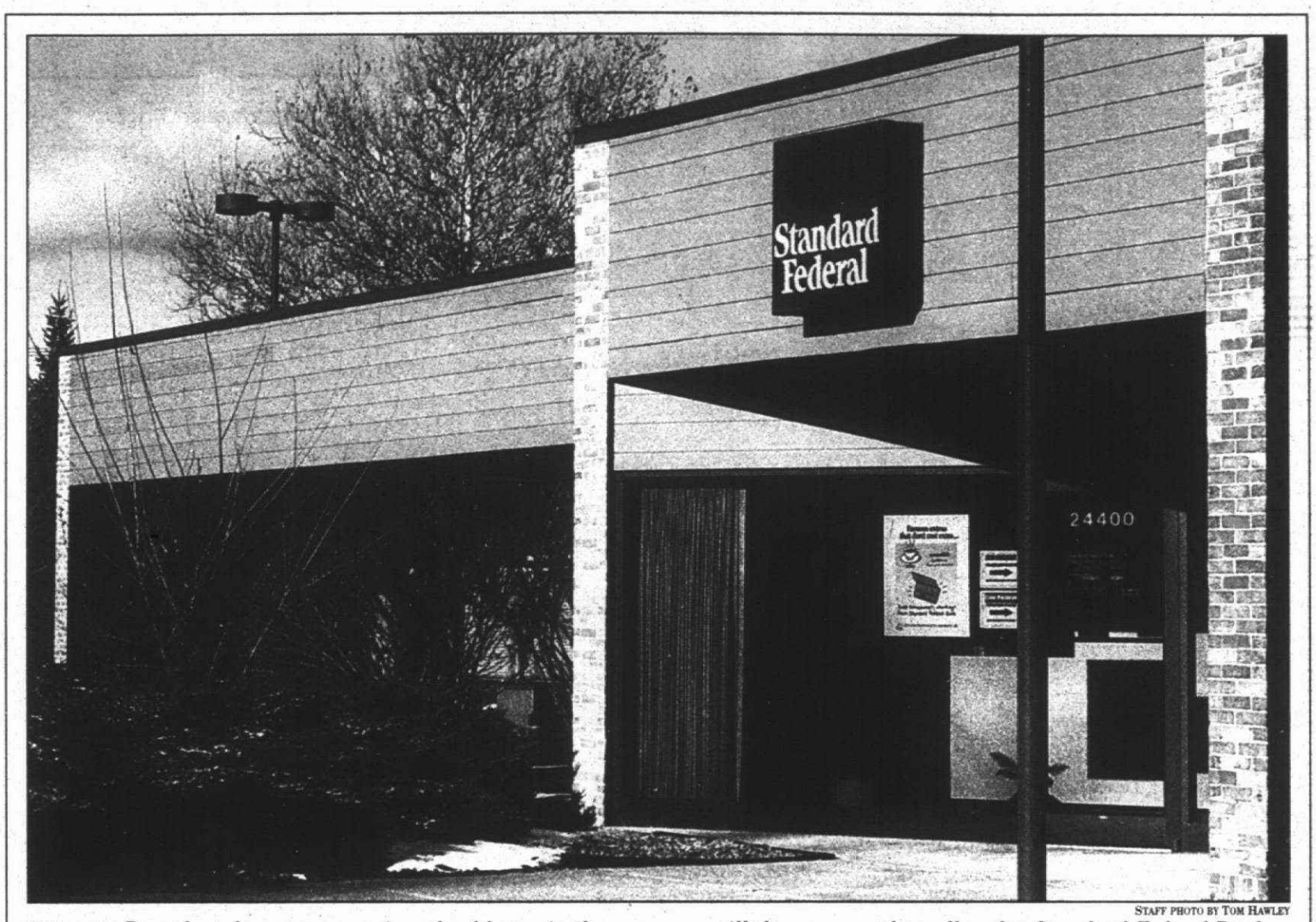
During his tenure, OHM expanded from its original size of 15 people to its present size of 120 staff members.



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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Carry on: *Branch and mortgage services should remain the same – as will the name on the wall – after Standard Federal Bank undergoes an ownership change next year, banking officials and analysts maintain.*

Bank to stay course after sale

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

"The story is stockholders sold out for a ton. Customers and employees will be relatively unaffected."

That's how Justin Moran, a banking analyst/consultant, summarizes the purchase of Standard Federal Bank, Michigan's leading residential mortgage originator headquartered in Troy, by a bank in The Netherlands.

ABN AMRO last month offered to pay Standard Federal stockholders $59 per share or twice book value, which Moran described as the theoretical liquidation value of the company.

"I think stockholders ought to be delighted," said Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman, president and CEO at Standard Federal. "I think they are, by the calls and letters I've been receiving."

"It's a very good deal for stockholders," Moran said. "Most of them will have a very substantial gain."

Standard Federal's stock sold at $8.25 per share when first offered in January, 1987. As recently as June 30, the stock hovered at $38.50.

Some 32 million shares are held by 5,000 owners, mostly institutional investors like pension and mutual funds.

"We think it's a good price," Tony Howard, director of research for First of Michigan Corp., said of the acquisition offer. "We've obviously had high regard for Standard Federal as far as management capabilities and as an investment."

Standard Federal long has been regarded as a likely takeover target.

"Everything was right," Moran said. "All measurements of performance were on a positive trend – deposits, loan value, mortgage originations, profitability, efficiency ratios."

Thousands of families in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties have mortgages or savings deposits of one kind or another at one of Standard Federal's 84 metro branch offices.

The thrift is servicing residential mortgages with an aggregate value of $20 billion, all of which it originated.

"I think our branches are well placed for convenience," said Ricketts, a Bloomfield Hills resident. "We have outstanding service. We have full complement of product.

"We also have fast service," he said. "We have our own appraisers, lawyers, originators, closers. When you come to us, you don't have to wait.

"The bank is still independent. Insurance on accounts remains. We'll have the same people serving them with new and better products and all the old ones," Ricketts said.

"Most customers will never notice a difference," Moran said.

Mortgages, certificates of deposit and other loan agreements are legal contracts whose terms must be honored by financial institutions that acquire other institutions.

Competitive forces will come into play as far as checking fees and credit card terms are concerned, analysts say.

"Banking, even with consolidation, is still very competitive," Howard said. "I don't think necessarily we'll see an increase in fees."

One area that expanded service may result in, according to Ricketts and analysts, is commercial lending

Standard Federal, which employs 4,000, doesn't anticipate immediate reductions in the work force.

"ABN AMRO owns LaSalle (Home Mortgage) in Chicago. There's no overlap here," Howard said. "If someone locally had bought (Standard Federal), there could have been more layoffs."

"There's no consolidation possible," Ricketts said. "All branch people will remain. Essentially, this kind of merger with a fine bank from out of state will save more jobs than any kind of merger."

Some unspecified layoffs, however, in the back office at headquarters – booking, computer services and auditing, Moran speculated – are expected over the next year or two.

"Standard Federal has been a very efficient operation," Moran said. "When we went on a refinancing frenzy five years ago, a lot of mortgagers hired new people.

"Standard Federal hired very few people. They cross-trained people who had been tellers, customer service people, bookkeepers to fill in on a temporary basis," he said.

The tale of the goose that lay the golden egg gives another lesson in not making too many radical changes with an acquisition.

"If they make substantial changes, they may put at risk what they bought," Moran said.

"We have an outstanding service and profit history," Ricketts echoed. "They don't want to come in here and chase away customers and profits."

Standard Federal has branches in most Observer & Eccentric communities.

The sale is expected to close by mid-year 1997 pending regulatory and shareholder approvals.

Perhaps attorney can motivate this condo board

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. My condominium is situated at the bottom of low rolling land with water running down to the side of my property. There is a similar problem on the opposite side, but there is a drain to relieve the situation. Also, there are other buildings which emit the water from a sump pump towards my condominium, mainly in the winter when they have an extended plastic pipe which drains to my building.

I have been complaining for a number of years, but to no avail. The present manager wants me to tear down my basement wails. Two sides of the basement have been affected and have caused extensive damage in the basement. The master deed indicates that the association is only responsible for repairs which are exposed.

Since it is the fault of the layout of the condominium property, I feel that they should repair the problem from the outside. While they are finally attempting to fix the problem by redirecting the water, since the township has authorized them to do so, they seem not to be in a hurry to do so.

Do I have any recourse?

A. Problems concerning the repair of condominiums are common place, and the association has a responsibility to investigate and determine the extent and nature of the problem, whether it is the association's responsibility, and how best to resolve the problem. The board does have a great deal of latitude to determine when and how the problem will be resolved, but ultimately to the extent that the problem is causing immediate and serious damage to the common elements and/or to individual co-owner's units, the board does have a responsibility in this writer's view to move to correct the problem in a timely fashion.

The association is always potentially liable to co-owners for failure to discharge its responsibilities by way of maintenance, repair and replacement, to the extent set forth in the documents. Perhaps a letter from your attorney will move the association along in discharging its responsibilities.

Q. I am wondering whether you have any insight into recent developments in Cleveland regarding warehouses being converted to condominiums on the waterfront and whether this is a viable option here in the Detroit area.

A. I welcomed your question as an opportunity personally to examine the "Flats" area in Cleveland to see the type of development that is going on there. Light rail has been recently added, and a number of old buildings, including old warehouses with high ceilings, are being converted to apartments and condominiums. The interest is apparently there, as well as the financing.

The areas are surrounded by other amenities including restaurants and shopping. Such development in the Detroit area could also be existent with the proper stimuli. I encourage your interest in our city and suggest that Cleveland is a clear example of how it can be made to work.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics that you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms MI 48025. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer-area residential real-estate closings recorded November 18 - 22 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in Southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton

6965 Ardsley Dr $140,000
45446 Augusta Dr $273,000
2343 Berwick Dr $136,000
1900 Bridgewater Ct $241,000
241 Buckingham Rd $126,000
7394 Charrington Dr $221,000
7495 Charrington Dr $200,000
42963 Cherry Hill Rd $120,000
45930 Cherry Hill Rd $185,000
235 Cornell St $190,000
39882 Coronation Rd $138,000
44622 Crestmont Dr $157,000
7918 Fleet St $146,000
7086 Foxridge Dr $197,000
47097 Glastonbury Dr $318,000
46400 Glengarry Blvd $283,000
1240 Hampshire Dr $125,000
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30126 Balmoral St $96,000
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Livonia

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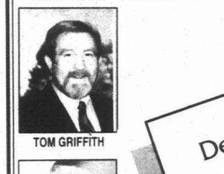

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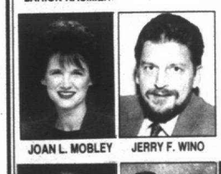

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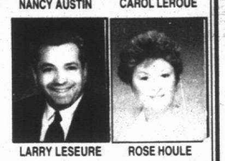

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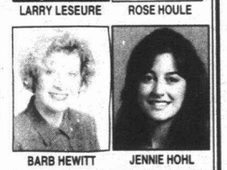

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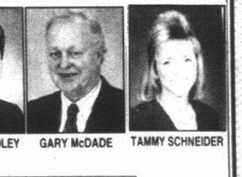

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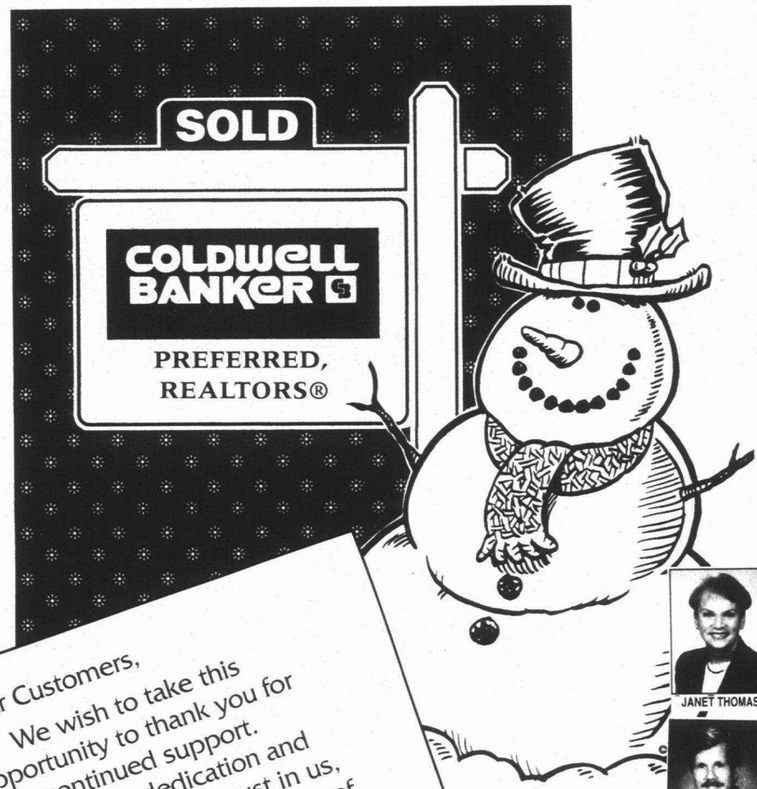

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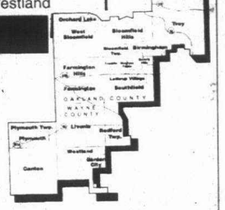
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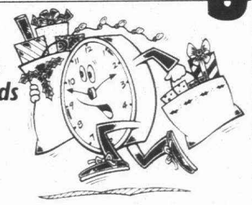
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GREAT LIVONIA HOUSE
On a cul-de-sac street. 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths, finished basement and home warranty. Many updates in the past years including central air, doors, windows, hot water tank, cement $114,000

POPULAR AREA
This quality brick colonial features large master suite, family room with vaulted ceiling, great 21x11 kitchen, finished basement, 2 car attached garage. $149,900

PICTURESQUE SETTING
Luxurious 4 bedroom, 2½ bath colonial is situated on a quiet cul-de-sac in popular northeast Livonia. Many important updates and amenities throughout this lovely home. $198,900

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325 Livonia

JUST LIST - Dear Creek Sub. 3 bedroom tudor, over 2500 sq.ft. backs to woods, 2½ baths, neutral decor, 2 natural fireplaces, fabulous kitchen, formal dining and the list goes on. Ask for Pauline Condon 313-565-1000 Eves. 810-473-5733 Prudential Christie Real Estate

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LIVONIA

3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. 2.5 detached garage, new carpet, all appliances included, freshly painted, with buildable lot. $131,000

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LIVONIA - Just Reduced. 3 bedroom brick ranch, 1½ baths, Bob Rasch Street Sub. Fireplace, 2½ car garage. Co-op's welcome. Open Sun. Noon-5pm. For appt. (313) 427-8822

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NEW CONSTRUCTION

Just in time to select your interior colors & options. 3 bedroom, 2½ bath, cathedral ceiling, huge family room, 1st floor w/fireplace, 2 car attached garage & full basement. Immediate occupancy. Priced in the $190,000's

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NEW LISTING

Updated maintenance free ranch. S of 7 Mile in Farmington. Updates include roof, windows, kitchen, furnace, central air, flooring and much, much more. Heated garage with immediate occupancy Asking $129,900

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N. W. LIVONIA

4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial with family room with fireplace. Master bath with first floor laundry. 2.5 car garage finished basement. Nice yard with patio, close to schools and shopping.

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OPEN SUN. 1-4pm. 14732 Hull Castle Gardens. Special! Fantastic 3 bedroom, 1½ bath ranch
$135,500
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RAZOR'S EDGE!

Is not as thin as this eye-catching brick colonial. Lots of updates. Offers 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, inviting family room with natural fireplace, full basement & 2 car attached garage. $189,900.

DON'T WAIT!

Updated kitchen w/newer counter tops & oak cabinets, family room full length fireplace, w/oak mantle, newer furnace, central air, vaulted ceilings, 2 car garage, full basement and bath on main floor and hardwood floor in living room. $112,000. 208RC

NEW CONSTRUCTION

Introducing Phase II of Orangetawn Woods, newest sub. These quality homes offer the finest amenities: oak cabinets, ceramic tile baths, vaulted ceilings, 2 car garage, full basement and a variety of optional upgrades Mi $150's. 00GE

BETTER HOMES & GARDENS QUALITY!

WOW! A must see! Truly custom with designer kitchen, impressive great room, two 2 car attached garages, study, finished basement, 4 full baths, 9' ceilings on first floor, wrap around porch, immediate occupancy and more! $334,900. 942VA

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325 Livonia

ROSEDALE GARDENS, gorgeous Tudor, 1627 sq.ft., 3 bedrooms, 1 full, 2 half baths, air, 94 furnace, 3 car garage, 80x127 lot fenced, updated kitchen & nook, Florida room, deck, hardwood floors, finished basement. $189,900
(313) 425-4366

WELL KEPT HOME!

Colonial w/4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, new kitchen floor, all appliances, 1st floor laundry, large screened porch off family room, central air 1 yr. old, plus attic fan, fenced yard. Great location. $162,900

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FULL OF PEACE & JOY! - Beautiful 2 story home on pretty 3 bedroom, 1½ bath, 2 bedrooms, 2½ baths, formal dining room, family room w/masonry fireplace, vaulted ceiling & doorwall to large deck. 1st floor laundry, full walk-out lower level plumbed for bath, 2 car attached garage. Enjoy and enjoy! $239,900. Huron Valley Schools

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328 Northville

BRING US an OFFER!

On this spacious Northville colonial! Cathedral ceiling in family room, circular drive, new oak cabinetry in kitchen, newer roof, central air and windows, Jacuzzi tub, formal dining, double bowl windows and great location! $156,900. 907PA

IMPORTANT LOCATION

Beautiful brick ranch in Livonia's "Country Club Village". 2 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, library, professionally finished basement, lots of extras including custom windows and blinds. $234,900. 371BR

UNBELIEVABLE HOMESITE WITH STOCKED POND

Walkout ranch on 2 acre wooded lot. 2 fireplaces, 3 full baths, 2 kitchens, newer roof and A/C and much more! $339,900. 100TI

NORTHVILLE ESTATES

Serene, treed property for sale by hosts this 3 or 4 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. New windows, furnace, side entrance garage, deck, patio and rolling terrain! $197,500. 111CH

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CUSTOM HOME. 2300 sq.ft., 3 car garage, 3 bedrooms, partially finished basement, 2½ baths, 1st floor laundry, fireplace in huge family room, 23 glassed in Florida room, attached 2.5 garage. Offers will be considered. Want to trade a smaller home or condo in? Call the Bill Wills Maytair (313) 522-8000

329 Novi

MYSTIC FOREST

Novi Road, between 9 & 10 Mile. New residential homes ranging from $252,500 & up. Specific homes are available A.J. Vanoyen Builders, Inc. 810-347-1975 or 810-229-2085

329 Novi

ABSOLUTE PERFECTION!

This dynamite home boasts a private wooded setting in Royal Crown Estates, first floor master, finished family room, first floor island kitchen, sun lit great room with high volume ceilings & fieldstone fireplace, 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, loft, security system, sprinklers, finished lower level and more! $289,900.

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BEAT THE RUSH

Exceptional Novi value. Impressive open floor plan, 2 story foyer and bridge overlooking family room. Library and guest bedroom with private lav. & fireplace, formal dining room and more. Don't miss this one! Only $253,900.

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TRANQUILITY WITH QUICK OCCUPANCY

Newer Novi colonial nestled in the woods on 3 acres with 10 acres wetlands with lake adjoining it. Northville schools and mailing, high efficiency furnace and hot water heater and more $259,900. 140GA

DYNAMITE BUILDER'S SPEC

Brentwood model backing to woods! Cul-de-sac location surrounded by higher priced homes. 3 car garage, corner lot, 3 generous bedrooms, 2 story foyer, Novi schools and more. $299,900. 299BU

PREMIUM EVERYTHING

Premium elevation, premium sized lot, 3 car oversized garage, oversized family room, Jacuzzi in master suite, cathedral ceilings and more. $379,900. 227AN

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UNBELIEVABLE VALUE

for this large ranch with over 1,800 sq.ft. Bright open floor plan is perfect for entertaining! Remodeled kitchen has fireplace & overlooks the family room. Baths have also been remodeled. 3 bedrooms with first floor laundry. So much to offer! Come take a look! Priced at only $158,600 Call Chris Courtney, real estate's MVP. today!

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333 Pinkney

RIDGE DRIVE. 11757 Canal front home! Tamarack & Base Line Lakes, on the chain. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage with fireplace. Central air, central vac etc. Squeaky clean and looking sharp. $189,900. Broker owned/Danick Corporation MLS#6603B1 (517)546-5137

334 Plymouth

11677 MORGAN. Updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath, woodburning stove, garage & shed. Immediate occupancy. $139,900.
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IMMACULATE CONDITION - 8844 Ball - 1800 sq. ft. open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, first floor living room, family room, 2 car attached garage. $176,000
Call Mario Nardelli after 6pm at (313) 453-8697

334 Plymouth

ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS!!!

Must see this 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2 story home. Features: living room, family room with fireplace, dining room, library/study and recreation room, in ground pool, 2 car attached garage and on almost 2 acres with private pond. $279,900. 3NA

QUAINT & COZY

Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 bath all brick home that's in move in condition. It has cathedral ceilings, jacuzzi tub and separate shower. Features: Newer roof, updated electrical and plumbing, glass block windows, natural fireplace in living room, 1.5 car garage. Nice home! $189,900. 201AP

DREAM HOUSE

Located in one of Plymouth's most desirable areas and styled for the most discriminating buyer, first floor master bedroom, huge library, 3 car garage and more! $429,900. 812BE

COLONIAL STATELINESS

Brick 2 story featuring easy-going elegance, security system, floor, central ceilings, fine master suite, 4 bedrooms, modern kitchen, central air and deck. $374,900. 963BR

CUSTOM RANCH

On 1.4 acres and every single inch perfect condition from the new roof, new kitchen, 2 full baths, all updated hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces to the finished lower level. $214,900 680AN

QUAIL RUN COLONIAL

This new construction features: 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, formal dining, library, cathedral ceiling, family room with fireplace, pick-out cabinets, floor, etc. $276,900. 609QU

EXQUISITE RENTAL PROPERTY

Impeccable 4 unit rental: home now available just minutes from downtown Plymouth two 2 bedroom units, two 1 bedroom units, home tastefully decorated on the 2 unit garage! $259,900. 283AN

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IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY

In this walk to town 3 bedroom with finished basement. New windows, new roof, remodeled kitchen and bath $133,900. (PSPA-P) Call Patty Strokes

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PLYMOUTH - PRICED TO SELL! 4 bedroom colonial, 2½ baths, family room with fireplace. Full basement. Attached garage $144,900. (P273ev)
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PLYMOUTH'S LAKE POINTE

Four Bedroom, 2 bath home. Finished basement, fireplace, Lifetime formal dining $169,900 (P737ho)

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SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW

Historical resident of Plymouth can't mark since 1879, this stately Italianate style home is located on the park a short walk from the shops on Main. Call for appointment $227,000.

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334 Plymouth

PLYMOUTH TWP COLONIAL

with 3,025 sq.ft. offers generous size rooms & open floor plan. Large family room with fieldstone fireplace overlooking sunroom. Master bedroom with walk-in closet & large bath. Beautiful double door entry & so much more. Come see for yourself! $289,000 (ABADU)

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STUNNING!

4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, family room, library, formal dining room. Totally redone. Light oak kitchen with island, 2 way fireplace, sprinklers, alarm system, central air, deck, 3 car garage and more. $384,900 (PZDE-O) Call

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9630 Winterset Circle, stunning, 4 bedroom Colonial. 2.5 bath. Formal dining, library, family room/fireplace $269,900.
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335 Redford

BRICK RANCH

3 bedroom ranch with finished basement, 2 car garage and treed lot $179,900

PRICED TO SELL

3 bedroom ranch with finished basement, newer furnace, central air, windows, electric panel & updated bath $62,900

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"COUNTRY IN THE CITY

Describes this conveniently located 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with family room, natural fireplace and more. Call

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Chalet
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DON'T PAY THE LANDLORD...

When you can get this cute 3 bedroom ranch with 1½ car garage. Remodeled kitchen with bay. Hardwood floors under carpet. 1st floor laundry. Priced right in South Redford at $67,900 (PSSA-P) Call Patty Strokes

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IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY on this 3 bedroom bungalow. Close to Western Country Club. 1,500 sq. ft. in this home, including a 28 x 16 family room. 1st floor laundry. 2 car garage. Only $89,500.
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OPEN SAT. & SUN. 1-5pm. 12852 Emily St. Redford schools. Price reduced. 1400 sq. ft. ranch all updates $114,900.
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OPEN SUN. 1-4. immediate occupancy. 3 bedroom bungalow, newer furnace/air, natural fireplace, fresh paint, mechanic's dream garage. $74,500. 19950 Roncaina, 2 blocks E of Inkster, S of Grand River, or call for appt. 810-476-3659

335 Redford

LARGE WOODED LOT

Lots of privacy on this beautiful lot. Raised ranch with finished walk out, basement, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, well bar, 25 x 15 sunroom, fireplace, breakfast bar and flush room! A must see!! (MPSA-P) $110,000. Call Michelle Fiondella

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OPEN SUN 1-4pm. 15389 Fenton. 2 bedroom ranch, remodeled kitchen, new roof, $52,000.
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OPEN SUN 1-5. 14874 Seminole. Beautiful 3 bedroom Cape Cod, finished basement, double lot $145,000
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REDFORD

3 bedroom brick bungalow updated electric & plumbing. Furnace, central air & carpet. 1 yr. old. Priced 2 yrs. Full basement, garage. Asking $77,900.

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SOUTH REDFORD
OWNER WANTS OUT!
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ROCHESTER

Immediate occupancy and almost completely redone: new roof and boards, new flooring, deck, drywall, kitchen, bathrooms and much more. A great bargain at $124,900.

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337 Royal Oak/Oak Park-Huntington Woods

FERNDALE

Large two story 4 bedroom home. 1½ car, enclosed ranch, full basement, walkin closets upstairs Asking $89,900.

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338 Salem/Salem Township

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CANTON

SANTA MAY BE STUCK...In one of the chimneys at "Sierra Heights", so hurry over there to rescue him and while you are there check out the 3 and 4 bedroom Colonials and Cape Cods being built in this Canton Sub. Prices starting at $194,900.

LIVONIA

SEE THIS..Updated, and spacious 4 bedroom, 1 ½ bath, 1,700 sq. ft., brick and vinyl, Livonia tri-level. Includes newer furnace and central air. Nicely situated on the largest lot in the sub, on a private cul-de-sac. Asking just $153,900.

ALL NEW..With super floor plans to choose from, or builder will custom design. Quality construction will be found in this "NEW" Livonia Sub. Lots are wooded, but limited, so call soon for more info. Prices in the mid $190's.

MAINTENANCE FREE...And immediate occupancy is offered on this 3 bedroom, 1,100 sq. ft. aluminum Livonia ranch on "almost" a half acre lot. Great potential as a rental property, or move-in your self. Priced at $114,900.

WESTLAND

SUPER RANCH..With excellent curb appeal, and this 3 bedroom, brick and vinyl Westland home features newer windows, kitchen cupboards, updated bath, finished basement, oversized 2 ½ car garage and more!! Asking $107,500.

NOVI

SANTAS ELVES HAVE BEEN BUSY
In Novi's "Deerwood Sub" and offer this 4 bedroom, 2 ½ bath, 2,400 sq. ft., brick Colonial with library and dining room. The kitchen features Oak Cabinets. Call Soon. Priced at $256,900.

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339 Southfield-Lathrup

AFFORDABLE AND MOVE IN!! Contemporary ranch on a corner lot in desirable Cranbrook Village. Lovely 3 bedroom with fireplace in living room, new carpeting, freshly painted in and out. Home warranty. $110,000

COUNTRY LIVING In the city. 1.5 acre wooded lot with 3 bedrooms, 2 full bath ranch with garage. Fireplace, open floor plan and more. Make this a must see! $132,900

WELL MAINTAINED 4 BEDROOM COLONIAL Spacious and bright, freshly painted inside and out, plenty of updates, roof, furnace, stove, dishwasher and refaced kitchen cabinets, motion alarm system. Close to schools, expressway and shopping. $169,900

SUPREME LIVING! You'll feel at home when you see this immaculate 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial with many updates. Circular drive. Move-in condition. Very nice. $186,900

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339 Southfield-Lathrup

CHRISMAS SPECIAL
Last week to get help w/closing costs for this brick 3 bedroom, full basement, 2 car attached garage on a lovely treed lot. Priced at an unbelievable $103,900. MBR 810-356-5835

DESPERATE SELLER
Kick me while I'm down ... lovely brick 3 bedroom, 1-½ bath, attached garage on ½ acre. FHA appraised for $104,000, deal fell so must sacrifice for $97,900. MBR 810-356-5835

IMMACULATE RANCH
Fantastic 4 bedroom ranch located on over an acre of landscaped property. Rouge River Ravine runs through this property. Exceptional hardwood floors throughout. Large master bedroom with sauna. Large finished basement with wet bar, extra bedroom and office, newer furnace and central air, 2 car attached garage with circular drive. Too much more to mention. Sounds Good? Then call me! $237,000.
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MUST SELL - Ranch, 1640 sq ft., 3 bedroom, 1.5 baths, fireplace, many updates. Open every Sun. $109,900 By owner. 810 358-4892

339 Southfield-Lathrup

SOUTHFIELD, 4 bedroom brick with family room, master bath, dining room, attached garage, basement and more!
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SOUTHFIELD - Exclusive contemporary home. 29780 Wildbrook, S. of 12 Mile, E. of Telegraph. 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath, located on .5 acres. Professionally finished basement w/full bath & Hollywood style wet bar. Includes cathedral ceiling, built-in surround sound speaker system, huge deck w/built-in sauna + many extras. Very private setting w/open floor plan.
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SOUTHFIELD, Gorgeous home on ravine lot, 2800 sq. ft., Cathedral ceilings. More!
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340 South Lyon

BEAUTIFUL 2655 sq. ft. 2 story home featuring many amenities. Nestled on a ¾ acre landscaped lot. The 3 car garage and masters suite Jacuzzi and air conditioning are definite pluses. $244,325.
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340 South Lyon

COLONIAL 2 story, 2600 square feet, 4 bedroom, 3 car garage. Extras included jetted tub in master suite, central air, Jenn-Aire appliances plus many others. $244,325. A. J. Van Oyen Builders. (810)486-2930

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH! 3,000 Sq. ft. Contemporary on gorgeous country-like setting. Updates include windows, central air, roof, new pole barn (20 x 40). Heated Florida room, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, deck & porch. Motivated sellers!
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HARTFORD SOUTH
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SOUTH LYON, Green Oak Twp, 2 story, 2850 square feet colonial on a double wide lot under construction. Features included 3 car garage, jetted tub in master bath & central air, to be completed approximately late December, $280,900.
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342 Union Lake/White Lake

STUNNING 3 levels of breathtaking views. Wooded setting, custom country kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 3-½ baths, great room w/fireplace, winding staircase to upper level. Premium master suite, vaulted & 9 ft. ceilings thru-out. Finished walkout w/wet bar, a must see! $374,889.
Call Jerry Takis
RE/MAX 100 INC.
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344 W. Bloomfield-Orchard Lk-Keego

ATTRACTIVE 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial, approximately 2500 sq. ft., transitional decorating, circular drive, treed lot, asking $219,900. OneWay Realty 1-800-500-SELL OR 810-473-5500

BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS Walnut Lake privileges too! This nice 3 bedroom walkout ranch features dining room, family room and is about 2 blocks from the beach/clubhouse. Asking $153,900.
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BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS Walnut Lake privileges. 4 bedroom 3½ bath contemporary is very unique & spacious. Cathedral ceiling, large family room. $325,000. AP-20

NEW CONSTRUCTION 3 bedroom contemporary colonial 1350 sq. ft. has 2 car attached garage, basement, builder to customize interior, choose colors now. W. Bloomfield Schools. $139,900. GR-51 (659941).

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344 W. Bloomfield-Orchard Lk-Keego

Fabulous Contemporary 3 bedroom newly built home offers walk-out basement, 2 story living room ceiling, library, 1st floor laundry, gorgeous kitchen with work island. Master suite has huge walk-in closet & jacuzzi tub in master bath. Central air, landscaped. Attached garage, across from Pleasant lake. $285,000.
MICHELLE MICHAEL
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W. BLOOMFIELD: Act Fast! By owner. Stunning 4 bedroom, 2½ bath colonial in areas best family sub. Hugh master suite with fire place & oversize walk in closet & dressing area. Large modern kitchen, family room with fireplace, formal living room & dining room, finished basement, side entrance garage & circular drive, gorgeous deck overlooking property & much more. No Brokers. (810) 661-0061

W. BLOOMFIELD
Spacious Colonial
Features 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, living room, family room, formal dining room & library. Large master w/walkin closet, oversized laundry, side entry garage, & stately brick elevation. Priced appropriately for odds & ends needing repair, big, big, big! Great location, great lot! $214,900.
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WEST BLOOMFIELD CONTEMPORARY
This 2690 sq.ft. home offers a meticulous manicured lot, overlooking natural commons, towering cathedral ceilings, 3 huge bedrooms, 2.5 baths, den, security & sprinkler system. Freshly listed at $222,500. #6260.
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345 Westland/Wayne

COZY CAPE COD
New windows, new carpet, unique floor plan, 3 bedrooms, sun room, extra sitting/play room off huge upstairs bedroom, 1.5 baths, attached garage, fenced yard and lots of extras. $82,500. 622KA
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OPEN SAT & Sun. 1-4pm. - 8749 Liberty. 3 bedroom ranch, Livonia schools. Country kitchen, garage. $86,200.
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345 Westland/Wayne

HOLIDAY SPECIAL
2 car garage, basement, central air & door wall to deck is being offered in this 3 bedroom brick/wood ranch on a corner lot; plus appliances. $84,900

ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS in this 3 bedroom ranch with newer furnace & central air, shingles, windows, remodeled kitchen plus 2.5 car garage with opener. $69,000
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Westland 1471 Norris
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$665/Month
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But Golf View Shores, a platted community of 35 lots on 25 acres, offers palatial estates and tranquil living on Grosse Isle at the mouth of the Detroit River.

Blair Building of Bloomfield Hills is the developer/builder. Dominick Tringali, also with a Bloomfield Hills practice, is the architect.

"You definitely get that resort feeling here," said Paul Verona, director of new construction for Blair. "You go in the front door, go back to the deck and it's instant relaxation. It's very quiet here."

"Our site is the best available on Grosse Isle," said Carol Bollo, sales representative. "It's wooded. We're the only existing site that has the ability to do walk-outs or lookouts at the basement level. We also have canal lots available.

"Another thing going for us is small," Bollo said. "It's not a massive subdivision."

"Grosse Isle is a charming, small-town community," Verona said. "Everyone seems to know everybody. There's just a lot of warmth."

Several golf courses, yacht clubs and a small airport also are on the island.

Tringali has prepared seven floor plans for Golf View Shores, but those are just a jumping-off point.

"Most of his work is custom," Verona said. "This is a guideline, a good place to start. If they like a certain element of one plan, they can work with myself or sales people to combine it into a different floor plan.

"We try to be flexible, make sure people get what they want," he said.

Price ranges from $493,000 for a two story of 3,400 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to $619,730 for a two story of 4,270 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths.

That's on one of the six base lots. Lot premiums range from $4,500 to $150,000.

Included as standard features in all of Tringali's designs for Golf View Shores are three-car garage, fireplace, air conditioning, first floor laundry and basement.



TAMMIE GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

A dishwasher, double oven, cooktop and microwave in the kitchen, jet tub in the master suite, ceramic or hardwood floor in the foyer, ceramic in all baths and six recessed lights also are included at base price.

The model, a 3,000-square-foot two story, carries a base price of $430,000.

The main living area features a den with French doors, living room and dining room separated by a columned arch and further defined by either side of a cathedral ceiling, kitchen/nook with island and built-in desk, and family room.

All four bedrooms are upstairs.

The master suite has a pan ceiling in the sleeping area, peaked ceiling in the bath. The master also has separate vanities, with a make-up/sitting area attached to one, separate tub and shower and a walk-in closet.

Three other bedrooms and a second full bath also are upstairs.

Price of the model, with upgrades and landscaping, is $495,000.

Verona said he suspects most buyers will want a larger house.

"The main purpose of a model is to show craftsmanship of the builder," Bollo said. "They will build anything you want. You can come in here with your own plan and they will build it for you."



Island delight: *This model at Golf View Shores features four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, family room, den, living room, dining room and more than 3,000 square feet of living space.*

Brick and stucco board along with wood siding and stone accents will be used as exterior materials. Vinyl or aluminum siding isn't permitted.

Golf View Shores is serviced by city water and sewers. It's within the Grosse Isle school boundaries. The development will have sidewalks.

The property tax rate currently is $38.62 per $1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a $550,000 house in Golf View Shores would pay about $10,620 the first year.

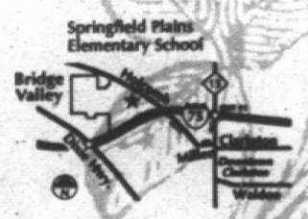
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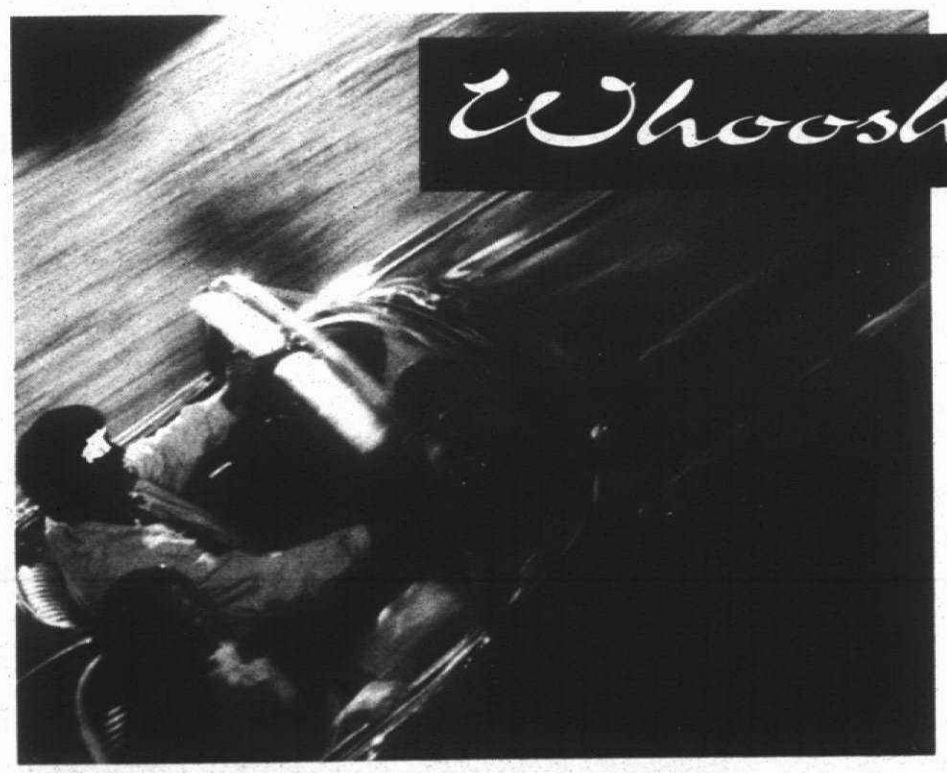


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People are realizing that typically they will not have their mortgage for 10-15 years as in the past. So they are turning to adjustable rate mortgages (ARMs).

Since 30-year fixed-rate mortgage interest rates are typically higher than ARMs, many buyers are wondering why they should take the high rate.

If you are more conservative and prefer a fixed rate, that's fine, but you may find an ARM program that suits your needs and saves you money at the same time.

The ARMs currently available are a six-month/one-year, three-year, five-year, seven-year, 10-year and C.O.F.I. ARM.

The programs have rates that are fixed for the initial one-, three-, five-, seven- or 10-year period, then start to adjust thereafter at a maximum increase of 2 percentage points per year with a lifetime cap of 5 to 6 percentage points. For example, if the cap were 6 percentage points, a 7-pervent ARM could become a 13-percent mortgage.

The five- and seven-year ARMS have become more popular than the five- and seven-year balloon mortgages. Rates are usually the same for either. With the balloon, you usually have to pay the loan off or refinance after five or seven years.

For the five- and seven-year ARM, the loan starts to adjust up or down at the end of the five- or seven-year period.

Generally, the shorter the initial fixed rate period, the better the rate is going to be to start with. But normally, all will be lower than a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage.

Choose the loan time period based on how long you think you will be in the home. Compare rates because the difference varies overtime. For example, assume you plan on moving in five years and the five-year ARM rate is 7 percent, while the seven-year rate is 7.125 percent. For this small difference, you probably would take the extra 2 years of security.

Also, homeowners tend to refinance. Interest rates may drop in 3-10 years or you may need equity out of your house for your kids' college educations, to pay off bills or do some home improvements. So why not save the money by getting a lower rate now and take the limited risk that you'll have the same mortgage more than 10 years from now?

For example, on a $100,000 loan at a 30-year fixed rate of 7.5 percent, the principal and interest payments would be $699.21. If you went with a five-year ARM at a rate of 6.875 percent, the payment would be $656.93. You would save $42.28 per month.

Continue these savings out for the first five years and you come out with $2,536 even if the rate went up the maximum 2 percentage points in the sixth year of the five-year ARM program. It would take a few more years to eat up the $2,536 you saved in the first five years.

Even if you're not a risk taker, you still may find the 10-year ARM to your liking. It stays fixed for 10 years and then starts to adjust. The rate most likely will be lower than a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage. Generally ARMs have 30-year payment terms, but most times can be paid off early without penalty.

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Architect and client make first hard choices



STEVEN SIVAK

The project I began discussing last week is going to form the basis for an ongoing series of articles that I hope will illustrate the process that a homeowner undertakes when using the services of an architect. Last week discussed the process of buying the land and the program or list of rooms that were to be included.

Initial versions of the project were lean and fat free, with a very modest foyer – no walk-in closets or socializing area in the kitchen – and totaled 3,300 square feet. Increasing the size of the foyer, adding more storage space and making the kitchen larger have significantly contributed to the 800-square-foot increase in the size of the house. At a proposed budget of 125 per square foot, these area increases will cost my client an additional $100,000. Although I really do not want the project to cost more than intended, it is my professional obligation to inform him of the new budget for the project. Giving them the bad news as soon as it is known usually makes things easier in the long run.

One of the more difficult struggles we have had with this project is deciding what the skin (exterior material) would be made of. Initially, the client requested a very low maintenance material. This lead me to some exotic architectural-grade materials including cast-in-place concrete and/or a few different kinds of sheet metal including Core-Ten steel (the kind that appears rusted and is used on bridges and overpasses), zinc and Galvalum. All low maintenance and all rejected either due to cost or unsuitability.

Brick is an obvious choice, but the way it is commonly used as a veneer is somehow immoral. In the end, brick was used for portions of the house but never as a veneer and only in a load-bearing mode. The client likes the fact that there are some interior walls that are exposed brick.

The remaining major portion of the exterior is a 3/4-inch tongue-and-groove wood siding; either red cypress or redwood, which will be determined in subsequent phases. The decision to use wood can be traced back to both budget and aesthetics. A wood-veneered skin can range from $6-8 per square foot, a brick veneered skin costs $7-9 per square foot, and a metal skin can cost $8.50-11.50 per square foot. Wood and brick are indigenous in the Midwest (funny, though, how the wood species being considered come from either California or the Deep South) and we feel that there will be greater harmony with the neighborhood. The study in sheet metals was informative, and the client was interested in the zero maintenance aspect of the material – it was I who rejected the material as being too boring!

We will however use lead-coated copper for all flashing and gravelstops on the project. Windows can be high maintenance items as well, and there are lots of options here for reducing the upkeep. Our first choice was to use a high-performance commercial grade aluminum window. Then I happen to look at Frank Lloyd Wright's Affleck house in Bloomfield Hills and noticed that he had windows milled out of cypress that matched the exterior skin of the house. In doing more research, I found a western mill that can make windows out of redwood and another in the South which can make them out of cypress, and so I will let price and appearance make the final decision for me.

We have spent a fair amount of time discussing the heating and cooling for the house, and I will admit that this is a bit unusual because most houses in this part of the country use forced air heating and cooling. The initial cost of these systems are the lowest, but their long-term costs are high due to their inefficiency, and this is certainly the case when it is realized that this house will be occupied by one or two adults who like to wear sweaters!

The system of choice is a gas-fired hydronic in-floor system. It is invisible – no ducts, radiator or grills, and the house can be zoned off in any way one desires so that if just 30 percent of the house is being lived in, the temperature of those other areas can be set as low as one pleases. Each zone can have its own thermostat, and the house can use minimal fuel and still be extremely comfortable.

In addition, these systems provide heat on the floor where it is required and are great for providing even heat throughout a space without dust and drafts. The neat thing about these systems is that an installer can run auxiliary lines below walks and drives to melt snow and ice. There is nothing like stepping onto warm ceramic tile after taking a shower in the winter.

Unfortunately, there are some drawbacks to this heating system, and they are the lack of humidification and the lack of air conditioning. Adding humidity to the dry winter air is essential and can be handled by the use of permanently installed humidifiers that are plumbed and hard wired. Each unit can handle an average floor and are modest in price.

Air conditioning is a more expensive problem to solve and can be partially solved by using the passive solar techniques including cross ventilation, higher ceilings, operable windows, ceiling fans and/or whole-house fans and southern overhangs and deciduous trees. This will provide comfort on all but those six to 10 days when the temperature is 100 degrees and the humidity is nearing 100 percent. For those days Sanyo makes an outstanding ductless air-conditioning system for those critical areas like bedrooms and kitchens – the cost is high, and it may be less expensive to install central air and no furnace.

We have even discussed floor finishes, which is a little bit premature but is essential to the overall scheme. The client saw cork tiles that I used on another project and really likes the natural quality of this product along with its acoustic absorbency and comfort under foot. It is actually much more durable than one would imagine – I have been in a house built in the 1940s that still has its original cork floor in place, and it looked good, real good!

Years of waxing the cork tile gives it a deep warm quality. Other areas will use a synthetic commercial closed-loop carpet, which is very architectural and relatively cheap. Baths will be tiled, and that can range from $4-$ 100 per square foot – it is too early to tell what it will be.

So, with the end of schematic design just around the corner, we have designed the entire house in a topical manner. I believe the client is pleased with the design, and I know that I am. This house answers the challenges the client and the site set before me and does so in an elegant manner.

Well, that is all for now, but we will check back on this project next month to see what has transpired.

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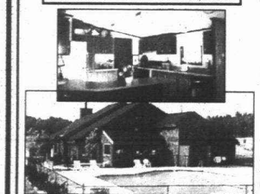
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Elsea elected director

Richard S. Elsea, president of Real Estate One, a family-owned company headquartered in Farmington Hills, has been elected a director of the Realty Alliance.

"Our members are owner/operators of large, full-service, residential firms with multiple offices currently representing over 50,000 salespeople and a significant support staff," said Harley E. Rouda, vice chairman.

"Our goal is basically to move forward in products and services and, with the onset of better technology today, to better utilize that for home buyers and home sellers," Elsea said.

Real Estate One has 31 offices. Realty Alliance is headquartered in Dallas.

Interactive marketing

The Prudential Great Lakes Realty in Clarkston has launched an interactive marketing display called window talk. The computer-based display features houses for sale in Oakland and Genesee counties.

The system utilizes a special thru-glass keypad design that enables passers-by to inquire about any home displayed in the window. The person simply touches the property's code number on the pad, then listens to an audio description of its features.

At the end of the audio, the person may leave a name and number for further information. The display area holds up to 100 properties.

The Clarkston office is at 32 South Main.

Hotel sold

Los Angeles-based Windsor Hospitality Group has purchased the Radisson Suite Hotel in Farmington Hills for $9 million.

Windsor expects to implement a $1 million property improvement plan in January, including suite furnishings and technological enhancements.

The four-story hotel, located on Grand River near I-275 and 10 Mile, is eight years old. Amenities include 137 suites, indoor pool and Periwinkle's restaurant and lounge.

New mortgage office

Homestead Mortgage, headquartered in Southfield, has opened a new residential mortgage branch in Saginaw.

"It was actually a stroke of luck that we were able to hire nearly the entire staff of the former First Central Mortgage Corp. which was located in Saginaw," said Dennis Carr, Homestead executive vice president.

First Central was closed in August after it was purchased by Independent Bank of East Lansing.

Real estate investors

The Real Estate Investors Association hosts a seminar, "Everything You Wanted to Know About Real Estate But Were Afraid to Ask," 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 7, at the Southgate Holiday Inn, 17201 Northline one block east of I-75.

Cost is $10 for non-members. Beginning landlords interested in a free introduction package should call Wayde Koehler, president, at (313) 277-4168.

Home ownership registry accounts

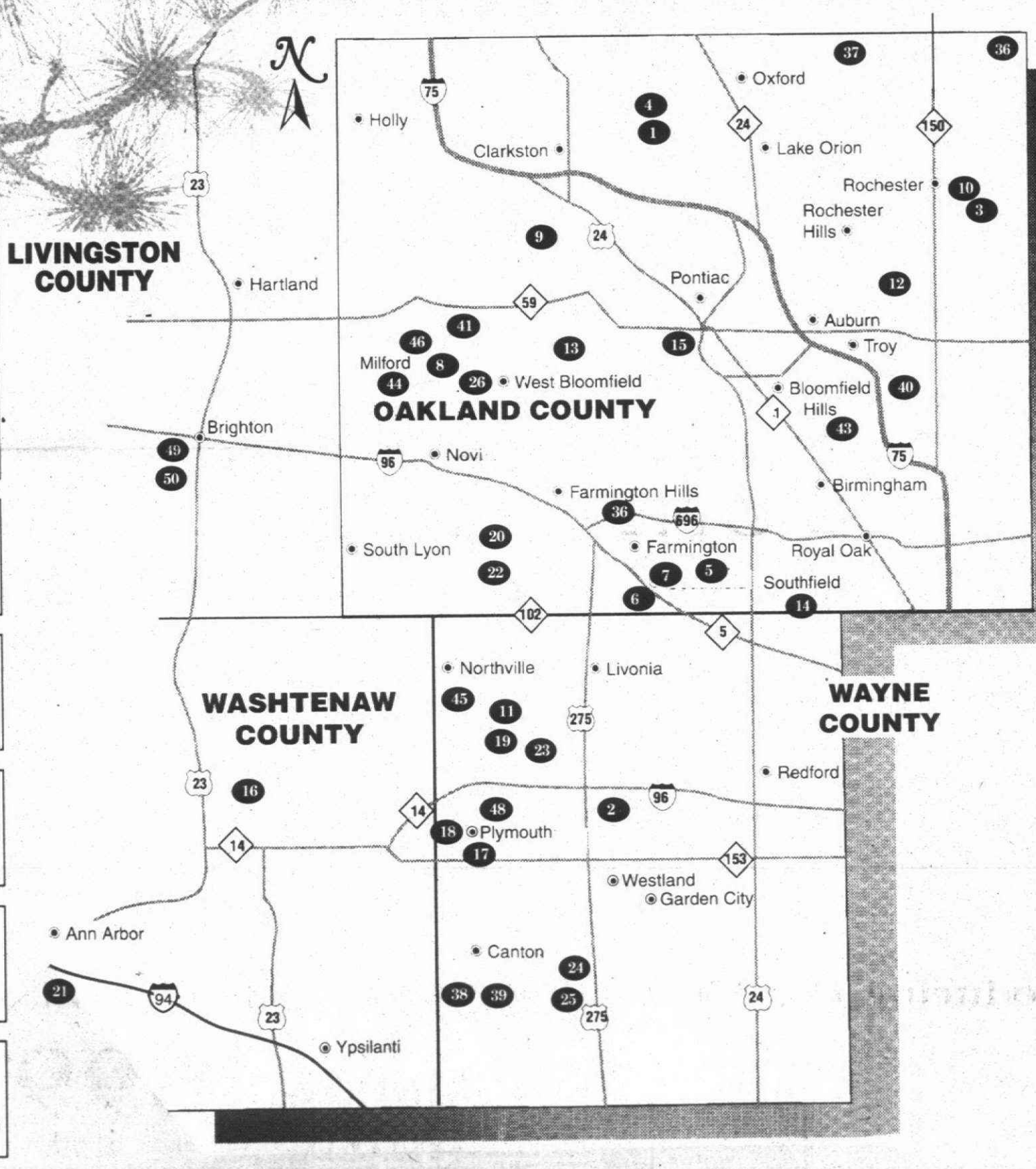
Ross Mortgage of Oak Park and MCA Mortgage of Southfield are among the first local firms to establish a special savings account to help newlyweds acquire a down payment for a house.

An interest-bearing, insured account, similar to bridal registries at department stores, allows newlyweds to accumulate cash from family and friends to purchase a house in lieu of traditional wedding gifts.

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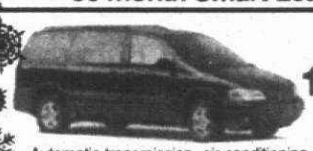


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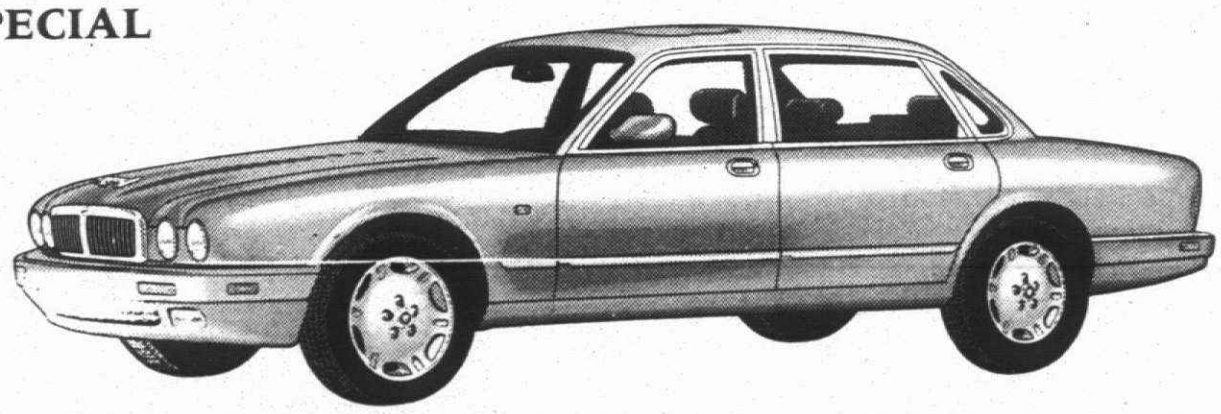
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Southfield, MI 48034
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to V.P. of Finance located in Downtown Birmingham. Wordprocessing & Spreadsheet knowledge a must, financial knowledge a plus. Please fax resume to Gloria: 810-645-2154

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Highly skilled individual needed for busy commercial real estate management company in Farmington Hills. Must be friendly, articulate and eager to be part of a team oriented environment. Proficiency in Word and Excel required. Fax resume to 42015 Ford Rd #228, Canton, MI 48187

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Pollak Engineered Products Group a supplier to the automotive industry is looking for a full time Administrative Sales Assistant for their growing Field Sales Systems Engineering office. The person to fill this position must be a self-starter, have a pleasant telephone voice and the ability to communicate well verbally and in writing. Computer skills required for this position are a working proficiency of WordPerfect 6.1 and Lotus 1,2,3. Excel, Harvard Graphics or Power Point, also knowledge of E-Mail and the INTERNET would be helpful. Pollak Engineered Products Group offers a competitive benefit package with this position. If you are interested, send your resume to Human Resources Department, Pollak Engineered Products, 23456 Telegraph Rd., Suite 100, Southfield MI. 48034.
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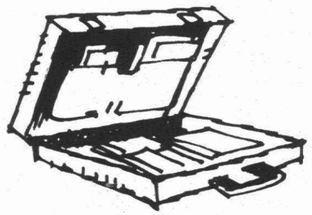
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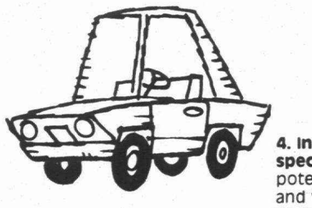
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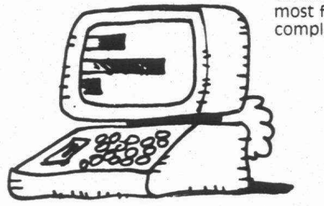
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